

LINGFIELD & DORMANSLAND POPULATION

Lingfield and Dormansland, for most of the 19th century, was largely a self contained community. The population showed a steady growth from one census to the next although there was the temporary influx of Railway Construction workers in the early 1880s when the Oxted to East Grinstead line was built.

HOW THEY WORKED

Until the coming of the railway, the majority of people earned their living from agriculture (47.78% in 1851 and 37.44% in 1881). With better transport links, the 1901 census shows an affluent middle class (stock brokers, barristers, solicitors, company secretaries etc) moving in and the development of the Bellagio Estate at Dormans Park. This led to an expansion of the retail, service and building sectors and a reduction in people working in agriculture.

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Occupational Analysis of the 1851 Census for Lingfield and Dormansland

Annuitant/Pensioner	28	Lath Maker	1
Agricultural Labourer	308	Laundress	1
Bailiff	3	Licensed Victualler	4
Baker	12	Maid	12
Barrister/Solicitor	1	Maltster	1
Basket Maker	1	Miller	10
Blacksmith	9	Milliner	1
Bricklayer	13	Nurse	8
Brickmaker	4	Painter	1
Butcher	6	Police Officer	1
Carpenter/Joiner	15	Postman	1
Carter/Carrier	10	Poultryman	1
Charwoman	2	Rate Collector	1
Clockmaker	2	Sawyer	10
Cook	8	School Master/Mistress	8
Doctor	3	Servant/General	108
Farmer	57	Shoemaker/Cobbler	20
Farrier	1	Shopkeeper	1
Footman	2	Tailor/Dressmaker	10
Gardener	11	Tanner	7
Governess	3	Thatcher	6
Grocer	7	Tile Maker	1
Groom/Ostler	11	Vicar/Rector/Minister	4
Gunsmith	1	Weights & Measures Inspector	1
Hawker	2	Wheelwright	5
Housekeeper	21	Wool sorter	1
Labourer/General	17	Workhouse staff	4
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Agent/Various	6	Harnessmaker	5			
Annuitant/Pensioner	112	Housekeeper	37			
Agricultural Labourer	142	Hoop Maker	1			
Baker	10	Iron Monger	1			
Banker/Bank Worker	1	Insurance Agent	1			
Bailiff	4	Labourer/General	84			
Barrister/Solicitor	11	Landlord	1			
Blacksmith	9	Laundress	33			
Bricklayer	67	Licensed Victualler	17			
Brickmaker	25	Maid	92			
Builder	23 7	Market Gardener	92 7			
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Butcher	11	Milkman	2			
Butler	4	Newspaper Proprietor	1			
Caretaker	4	Nurse	25			
Carpenter/Joiner	41	Organist	2			
Carter/Carrier	23	Painter/Decorator	26			
Cattle Dealer	1	Photographer	1			
Chimney Sweep	1	Piano Tuner	1			
Civil Servant/Foreign Office	1	Plumber	4			
Clerk/Bookkeeper	13	Policeman	2			
Cloth Dyer	1	Post/Telegraph Worker	12			
Coachbuilder	2	Poultry Dealer	1			
Coachman	15	Quarryman	3			
Coalman	3	Racecourse Manager	1			
Company Secretary/Public Co.		Railway Worker	26			
Cook	42	Refreshment Contractor	1			
Corn Merchant	1	Saddler	1			
Coppersmith	1	Servant – General	27			
Cycle Maker	3	Schoolmaster/Mistress	8			
Doctor/Doctor's Staff	5	Soldier/Sailor	3			
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Domestic Servant		Shoemaker/Cobbler	8			
Draper	5	Stableman	2			
Electrician	2	Stockbroker	4			
Estate Agent	2	Stonemason	1			
Farmer	44	Surveyor	4			
Fishmonger	1	Tailor/Dressmaker	30			
Florist	2	Tanner	18			
Footman	4	Teacher	13			
Gamekeeper	5	Tobacconist/Confectioner	1			
Gardener	104	Upholsterer	1			
Gas Worker	4	Valet	1			
Glazier	3	Vicar/Rector/Minister	8			
Governess	7	Waiter	2			
Greyhound trainer	2	Watchmaker	3			
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Hairdresser	2	Whisky Distiller	1			
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