

Join us in Kent for the right quality of life.

Finding the right location isn't just about discovering the right office, factory site or team. The Kent and Medway region of England is the perfect place to live too.

The closest part of the United Kingdom to mainland Europe and on the doorstep of London, Kent and Medway has all the benefits of the capital but with more space to **breathe, think** and **inspire**.

Live here and the first question is where? The **creative coastal scene, growing university cities, prosperous market towns** or **historic weatherboarded villages**. With new garden villages and towns on the way, the choice is growing,


This is a place of top performing state and public schools and colleges, a region with **extensive transport links** by road, rail and sea, including the UK's only high-speed train service, bringing **hundreds of great festivals**, exciting visitor attractions and experiences within easy reach.


This is a place where you can work from a beach in the morning and round off your day looking across to **England's oldest cathedral**, while sipping a cocktail from a chic rooftop bar.


This is a place where **England's sunniest coastline** meets the **North Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty** with its iconic chalk cliffs, hills and **award-winning vineyards** that share the same terroir as the Champagne region in France.

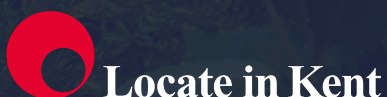
Read on for more facts about life in Kent and Medway.

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Culture & Heritage

126

Museums and art galleries in Kent, including the world-famous **Turner Contemporary** in Margate.

101

Cinemas and theatres in Kent, including **The Marlowe Theatre** in Canterbury.



Food & Drink

50

Wine producers spread over **350+ acres of vineyards** across England's wine country.



Leisure

350+

The distance in miles of coastline, home to some of the **best beaches in Europe**, voted by Lonely Planet including 10 in Thanet. That's an award winning beach every **1.9 miles**.

33%

A third of Kent lies within an area of **outstanding natural beauty**, perfect for family downtime.

47

Breweries and distilleries, including **Britain's oldest brewery**, located in Canterbury.

5

Michelin starred restaurants

4,000+

The number of exhilarating walking and cycling trails to explore including the **Saxon Shore Way**, the **Crab & Winkle Way** and the **Pilgrim's Way**.



Home to the pioneering **Wilder Blean project**, restoring one of the UK's largest areas of ancient woodland.



Sport



Home to **3 championship links golf courses** – Royal St George's and Princes in Sandwich plus Royal Cinque Ports in Deal

60

million visitors
Kent is the **third most popular destination** for international visitors in England outside London.



Kent is one of the warmest parts of Britain with Brogdale in Faversham recording the **third hottest temperature** ever recorded in the UK on 10 August 2003 at **38.5°C**.



Alessia Russo and Laura Coombs, part of England's **UEFA Euro 2022** winning side and a key part of the **2023 World Cup** team call Kent home.

1705

First recorded match of **cricket** took place in Kent in this year.

Housing development in Kent

This map reveals key sites where thousands of new homes are currently planned across Kent and Medway.

65,000
to 110,000

new homes for the region could be built over the next 30 years.



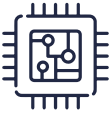
The former **RAF West Malling** now Kings Hill has been recognised as one of the most successful live, work, play communities in Europe with **2,800 homes** and **200 businesses**.

18,000

The number of **new homes** expected by **2031** in Maidstone, Kent's County Town.



1	Ebbsfleet Garden City Up to 15,000 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
2	Langley Square, Dartford 728 town centre apartments	VISIT WEBSITE
3	Hoo St Werburgh Up to 12,000 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
4	Lidsing Garden Community, Maidstone 2,000 new homes	
5	Highsted Park, Sittingbourne Up to 9,250 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
6	Swale Garden Village, Faversham Up to 5,000 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
7	Mountfield Park, Canterbury 4,000 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
8	Westwood Village, Thanet 900 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
9	Whitfield, Dover Up to 5,750 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
10	Harbour and Shoreline Developments, Folkestone Up to 1,000 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
11	Otterpool Park, Folkestone Up to 10,000 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
12	Chilmington Green, Ashford 5,750 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
13	Court Lodge – Kingsnorth, South Ashford 1,000 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
14	Lenham Heath, Ashford/Maidstone Up to 5,000 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
15	Borough Green Gardens 3,000 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE
16	Tudeley Village, Tunbridge Wells 2,800 new homes	VISIT WEBSITE



Technology



96.9%
Number of properties with access to **superfast** broadband by 2024



Travel



Kent is the only region outside London with **direct connection to Europe** through the Channel Tunnel as well as ferry services across the English Channel.





Shopping



330
The number of shops plus **40 cafes, restaurants and bars** at iconic shopping mall and leisure experience at Bluewater, Dartford.



Education



4
Kent has four universities: **Canterbury Christ Church University**, the **University of Greenwich**, the **University for the Creative Arts** and the **University of Kent**, which is ranked in the top 25 of all universities in the UK.

70%
Around 70% of our secondary schools are **categorised as good** by Ofsted with 1 in 5 classed as outstanding.



100
The number of designer brands with up to **60% discount all year round** located at the Ashford Designer Outlet.

150
There are over **150 state-run secondary schools** in Kent and Medway – offering a range of provision from selective grammar and university technical schools to industry sponsored academies.




Additional options include **27 private schools**, including Kings School, Rochester, the world's second oldest – opened in 604AD.

Kent and Medway the right location

72%

cheaper
commercial
property*
*compared
to London

1.8 million
potential customers

68

infrastructure
& commercial
development sites



2 science parks



Gateway to
London and
Europe

33%

lower house
prices



17 minutes from
the capital by train

70,000 +

companies already here



4 motorways

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