

At £1,081 per month, mean private sector rents in Buckinghamshire are 30.1 per cent higher than across England as a whole, ranking 4th highest among the 27 county council areas and 6th among the 38 Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs). At the median, average rents are £925, 37 per cent above the national level, to rank 4th among county council areas.

Table 1: Private rents, year ending Q3 2017

	Mean £ Rank		Median £ Rank		Annual change			
					Mean % Rank		Median % Rank	
Aylesbury Vale	908	100	850	94	-0.1	256	3.0	127
Chiltern	1,381	28	1,250	26	-4.0	306	0.0	209
South Bucks	1,406	22	1,200	31	-13.6	322	-5.9	321
Wycombe	1,164	54	995	62	5.3	37	4.7	59
Buckinghamshire	1,081	4	925	4	-4.6	27	-2.6	27
BTVLEP	1,081	6			-4.6	38		
Enterprise M3	1,111	4			-3.9	37		
Hertfordshire	1,119	3			1.8	22		
London	1,685	1			-1.7	36		
Oxfordshire	1,173	2			5.2	2		
SEMLEP	771	14			2.6	13		
TV Berkshire	1,094	5			0.6	28		
South East	979	2	875	2	-0.5	8	2.9	7
England	831	-	675	-	-1.0	-	3.8	-

Source: VOA, 2017

South Bucks has the highest mean rent in Buckinghamshire, ranking 22nd highest of all 326 local authorities in England and the 4th highest outside London at £1,406 per month. Chiltern has the highest median monthly rent at £1,250, England's 26th highest ahead of South Bucks (£1,200, 31st), Wycombe (£995, 62nd) and Aylesbury Vale (£850, 94th).

The mean private rent for a room in Buckinghamshire is £501. At the median it is £495, falling to £385 at the 25th percentile. Buckinghamshire has the 4th most expensive median private rents for rooms among the 27 county council areas, ranking 5th most expensive for studios (£595) and 4th for one bedroom properties (£725). Median rents for two bedroom properties stood at £895 to rank 4th, rising to £1,200 for three bedrooms (3rd) and £1,750 for properties with four or more bedrooms (4th). Median rents by size of property are presented in table 2, with mean rents in table 3.

The Valuation Office Agency's overview of the data can be found here:

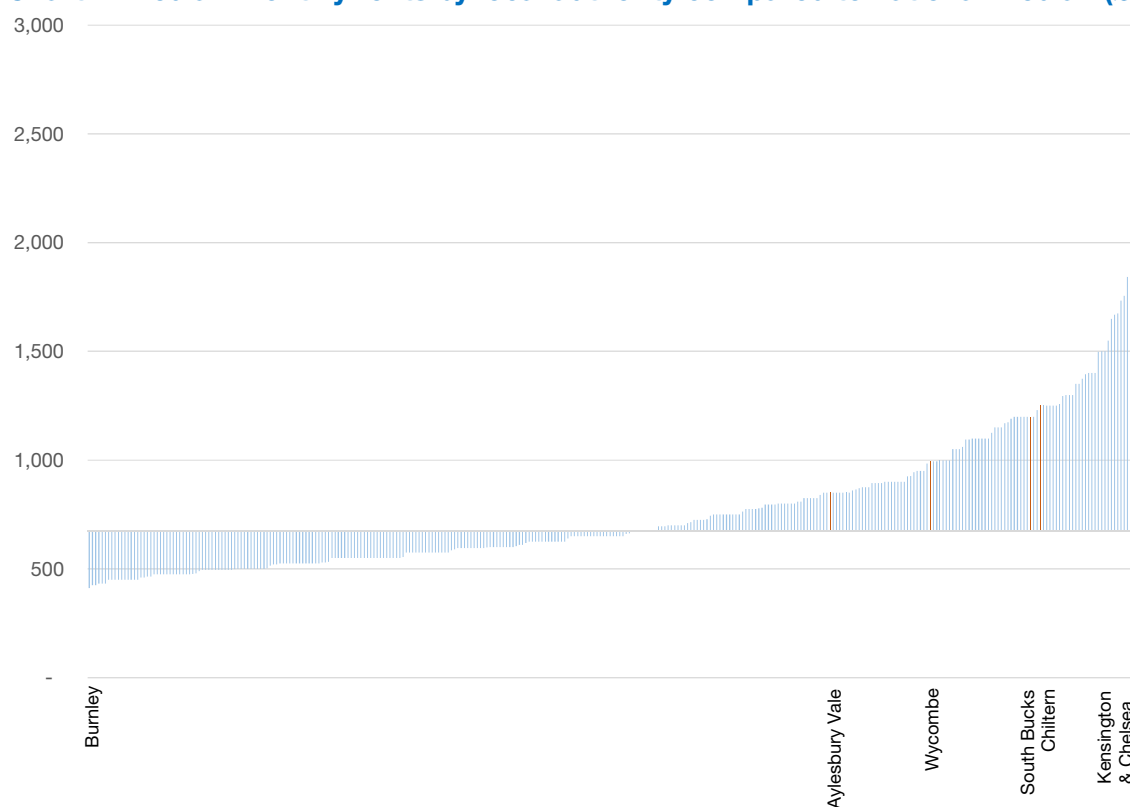
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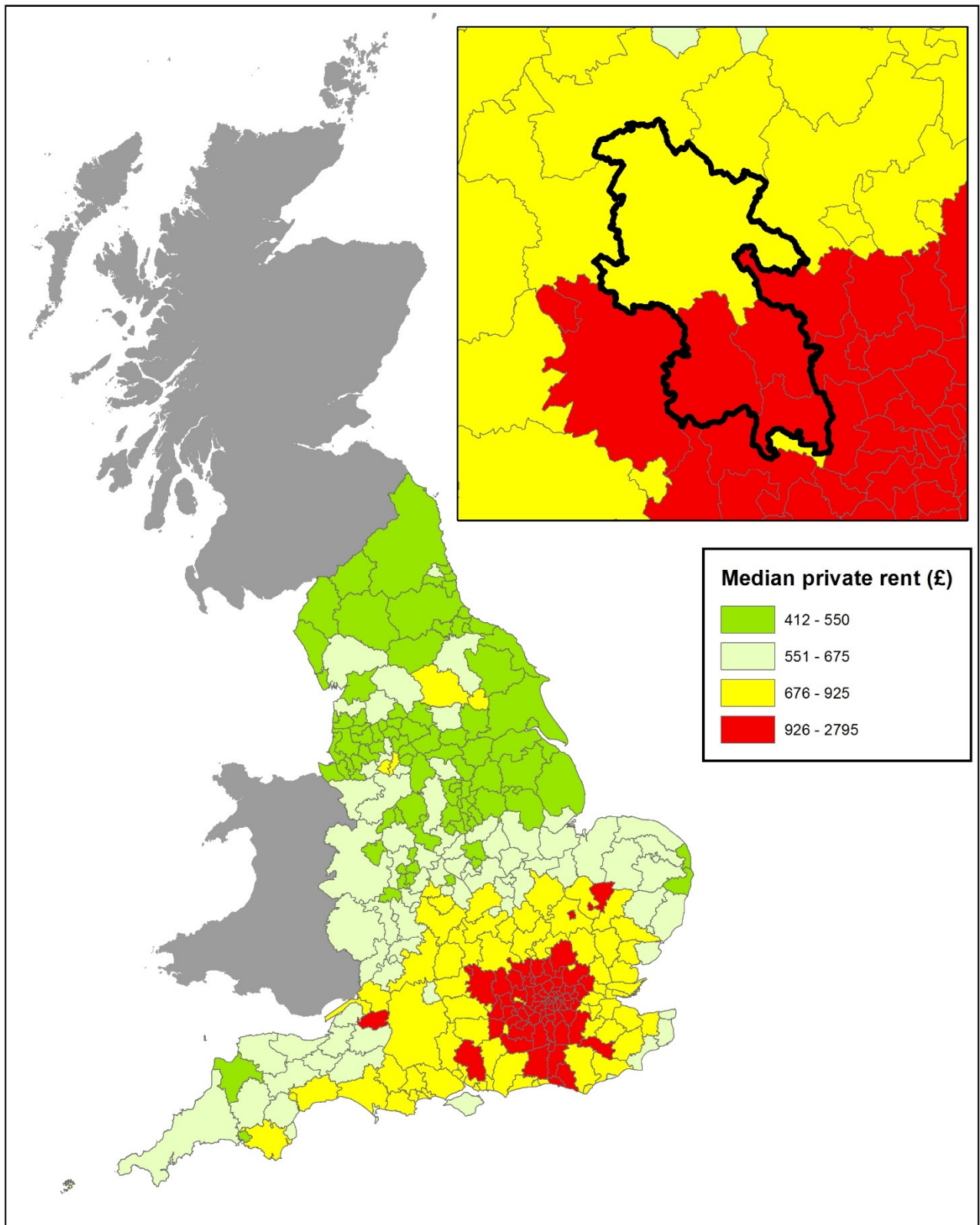
Table 2: Median private rents by type of property, year ending Q3 2017

	Room	Studio	1 bed	2 bed	3 bed	4+ bed
Aylesbury Vale	385	550	695	850	1,050	1,450
Chiltern	-	725	795	1,100	1,450	2,050
South Bucks	-	625	850	1,095	1,350	2,250
Wycombe	546	645	795	995	1,250	1,900
Buckinghamshire	495	595	725	895	1,200	1,750
South East	410	550	695	875	1,075	1,680
England	377	550	595	650	750	1,300

*Source: VOA, 2017***Table 3: Mean private rents by type of property, year ending Q3 2017**

	Room	Studio	1 bed	2 bed	3 bed	4+ bed
Aylesbury Vale	401	567	687	839	1,081	1,522
Chiltern	-	721	840	1,123	1,479	2,379
South Bucks	-	611	859	1,132	1,454	2,662
Wycombe	513	652	781	1,046	1,390	2,098
Buckinghamshire	501	609	743	946	1,253	2,016
South East	432	565	710	911	1,127	1,896
England	395	633	705	774	887	1,563

*Source: VOA, 2017***Chart 1: Median monthly rents by local authority compared to national median (£675)***Source: VOA, 2017*



**Median private sector rents per calendar month (£), year to Q3 2017
VOA, 2017**

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