

EASTON LANE (Hampshire)

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Easton lies on a slight hill on the Upper Chalk in Winchester (Hampshire) and is adjacent to Winnall Down (Fasham *et al.* 1989). Excavations at the site ran from 1982 to 1983 in advance of construction for the M3 (Fasham *et al.* 1989). The archaeological investigations identified continuous human activity occurring at Easton Lane from the fourth millennium BC up to the medieval period (Fasham *et al.* 1989). During the Iron Age, the site was an open settlement whose occupants practiced a mixed farming regime. Moreover, the excavations recovered 13 human remains occurrences from Easton Lane that include ten inhumations, two disarticulated bones and a possible cremation. Janet Henderson and A. Cameron (1989) performed the osteological analysis for the skeletal assemblage from Easton Lane.

- *There was a shift in the settlement layout between the Middle Iron Age and Late Iron Age.*