

Basic facts about North Devon District



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This report provides a summary of the latest available information on the demographic and socio-economic make-up of the North Devon district within Devon county. It looks at the population structure and provides information on the economic, housing and educational achievement of the district.

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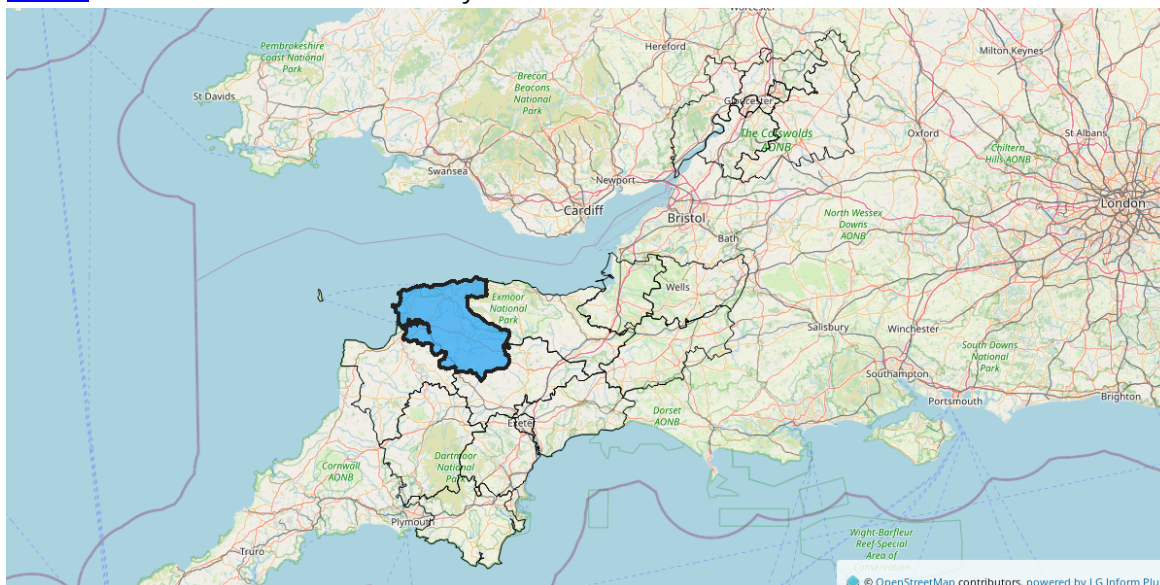
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North Devon is one of the 8 Districts of Devon. It has an area of [108,605 hectares](#) which represents [16.54%](#) of the total area of Devon county .



Residents

The resident population of North Devon in 2021 was [98,611](#) which represents [12.15%](#) of the total Devon county resident population of [811,640](#).

North Devon's resident population is [50,593](#) ([51.3 people \(per 100 people\)](#)) female and [48,018](#) ([48.7 people \(per 100 people\)](#)) male.

North Devon has [3,910](#) households with dependent children aged 0 to 4. That represents [9.77%](#) of the district's households. [10,497](#) households in the district have dependent children of all ages. That represents [24.30%](#) of the district's households.

| | Female (count of all usual residents) | Male (count of all usual residents) | All usual residents |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| | 2021 | 2021 | 2021 |
| | People | People | People |
| North Devon | 50,593 | 48,018 | 98,611 |

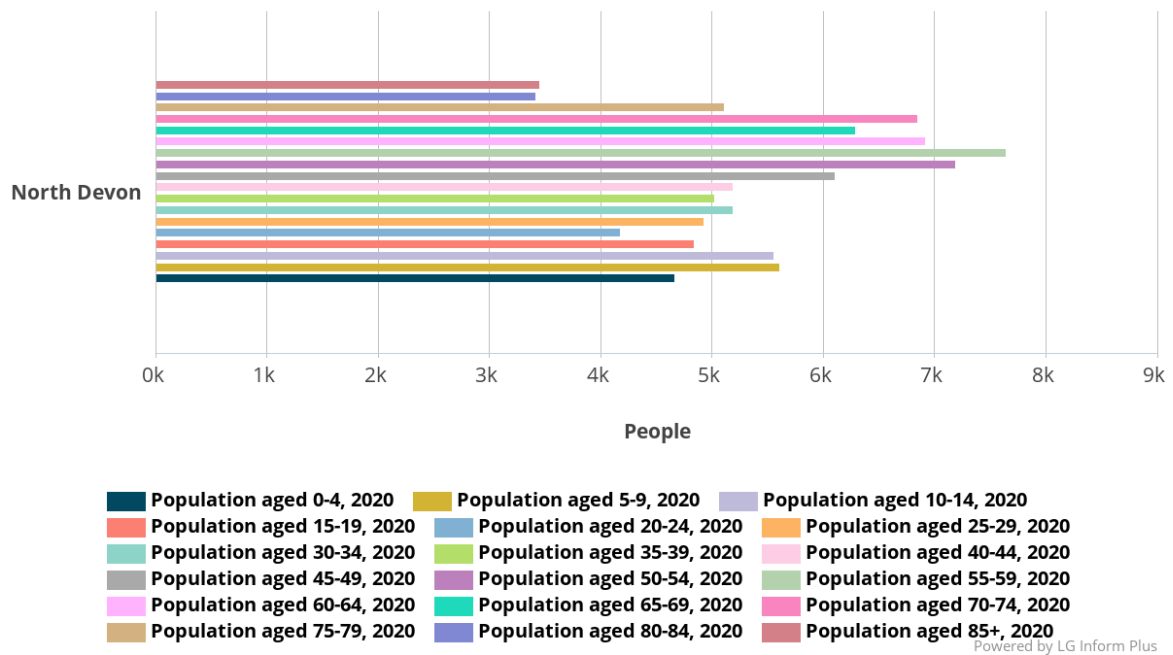
Age

The predominant age band in North Devon in 2020 was 'population aged 55-59' with [7,646 people](#) out of the total population of [98,170](#).

The mean age of the North Devon district population was [43](#) years compared to a mean age of [44](#) years for residents in the whole of Devon in 2011.

Population (unrounded) broken down by age band (5 year bands) (count) (Count) (2020) for North Devon

source: Mid-year estimates

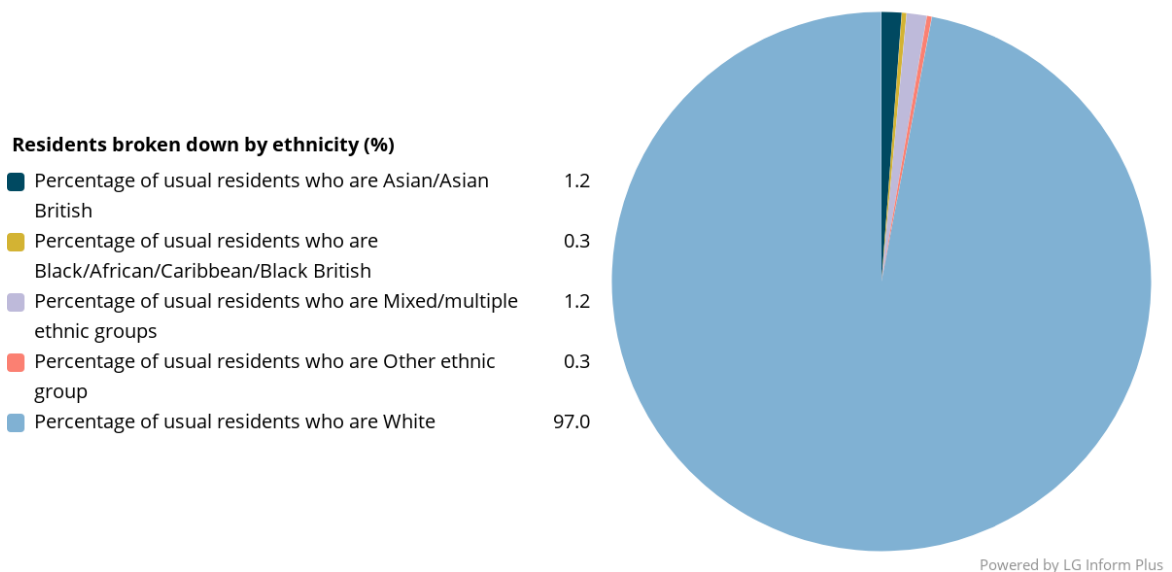


Ethnicity

The largest ethnic group in N Devon in 2021 was 'Percentage of usual residents who are White' with [97.9%](#) of the district's population. That compares with a figure of [97.5%](#) for Devon county as a whole and [95.4%](#) for South West .

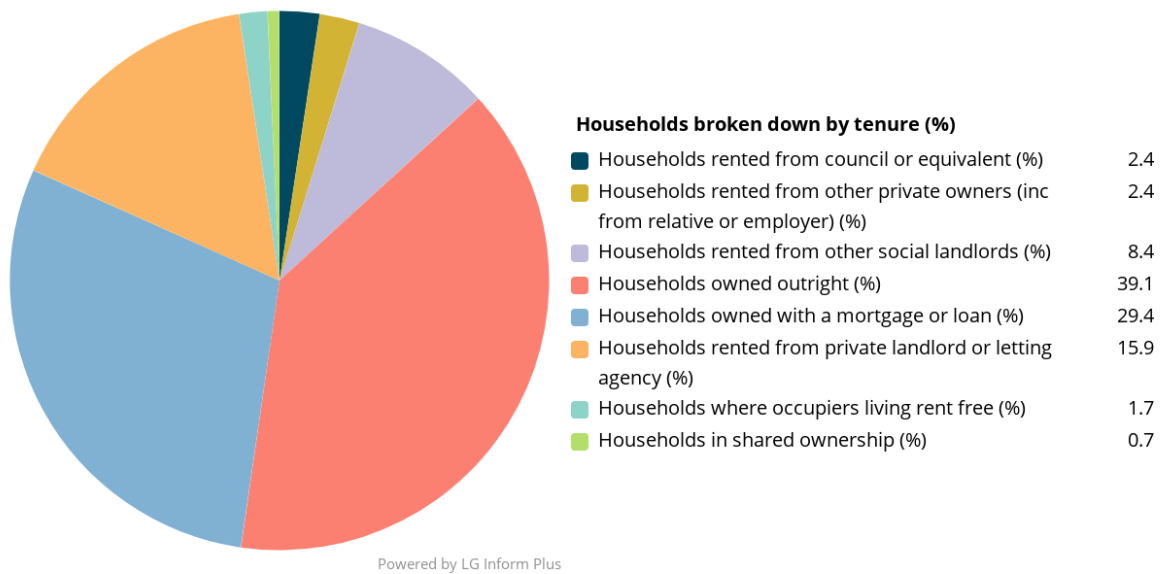
The second largest ethnic group was 'Percentage of usual residents who are Asian/Asian British' with [0.9%](#) of the district's population. That compares with [1.2%](#) for the county as a whole and [2.0%](#) for South West.

The ethnic split of North Devon's residents in 2021 is shown below.



Households

In 2021 North Devon district had [43,197](#) households, which represent [12.25%](#) of Devon's [352,620](#) households. The household split by tenure is shown below.



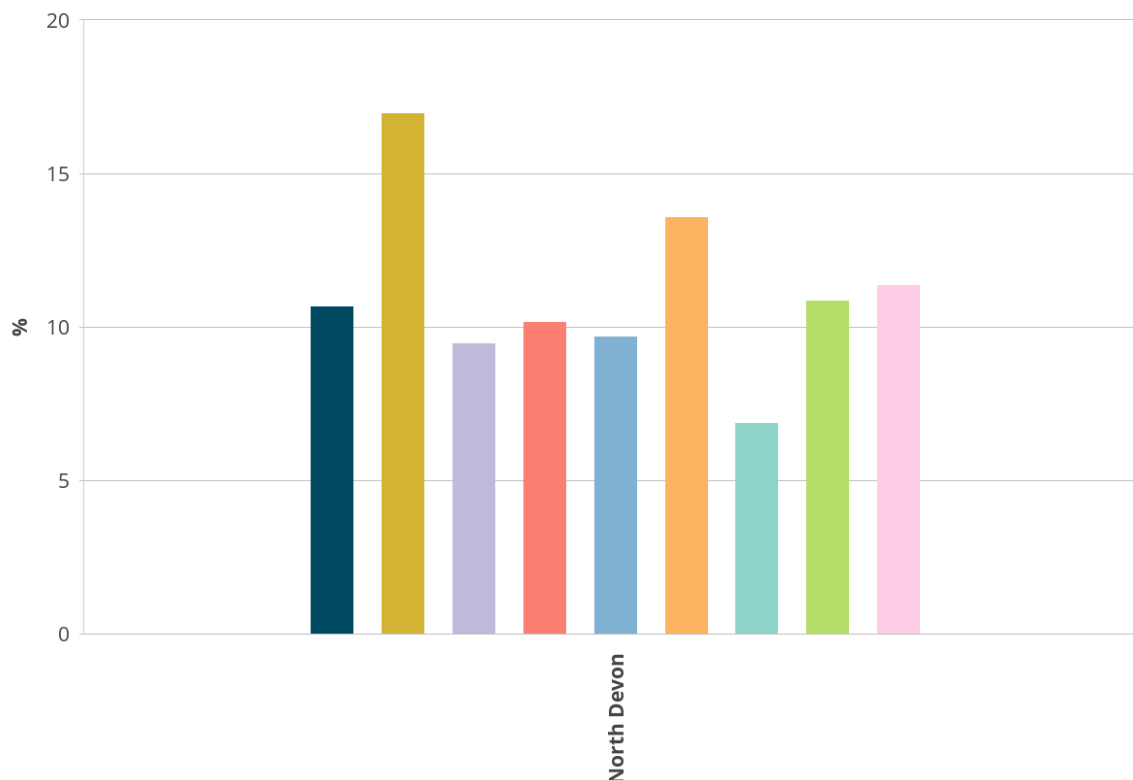
The largest number of households lives in households owned outright (%) accommodation with [39.1%](#) of N Devon households. That compares with [40.4%](#) for Devon county as a whole and [35.4%](#) for South West.

The second largest number of households lives in households owned with a mortgage or loan (%) accommodation with [29.4%](#) of the district's households. That compares with [29.8%](#) for the county as a whole and [32.0%](#) for South West.

Employment

Occupation (SOC2010) major group of employment broken down by Occupation (%) (% of population 16-64 employed) for North Devon

source: Annual Population Survey



- Managers, directors and senior officials (% of population 16-64 employed), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
- Professional occupations (% of population 16-64 employed), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
- Associate prof & tech occupations (% of population 16-64 employed), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
- Administrative and secretarial occupations (% of population 16-64 employed), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
- Skilled trades occupations (% of population 16-64 employed), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
- Caring, leisure and other service occupations (% of population 16-64 employed), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
- Sales and customer service occupations (% of population 16-64 employed), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
- Process, plant and machine operatives (% of population 16-64 employed), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
- Elementary occupations (% of population 16-64 employed), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)

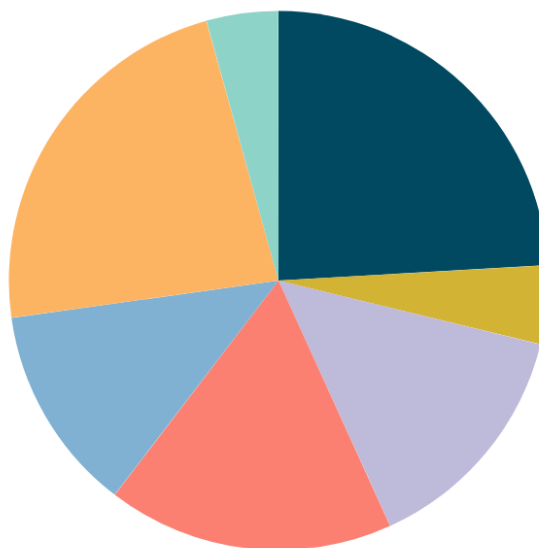
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In N Devon the Overall employment rate (aged 16-64) in 2022 Q2 (12 months ending) was [83.9%](#) compared to [77.3%](#) in Devon and [78.4%](#) in South West. The chart above provides a breakdown of North Devon district by occupation for all residents aged 16 – 74 in 2021 Q4 (12 months ending).

Education

Residents broken down by educational qualifications (%)

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| No qualifications (%) | 24.10 |
| Apprenticeship (%) | 4.70 |
| Level 1 qualifications (%) | 14.40 |
| Level 2 qualifications (%) | 17.20 |
| Level 3 qualifications (%) | 12.40 |
| Level 4 qualifications and above (%) | 22.90 |
| Other qualifications (%) | 4.30 |



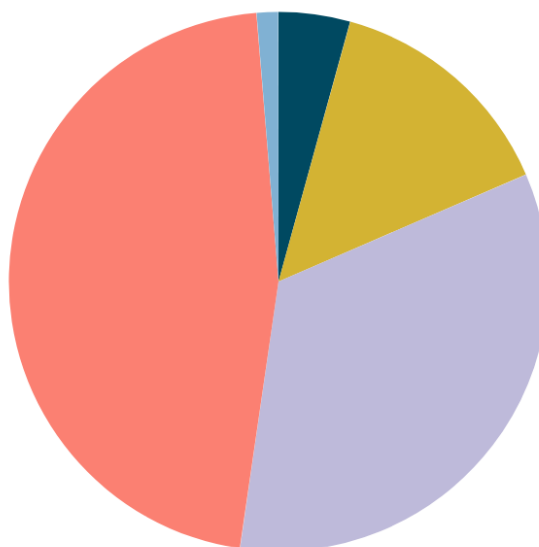
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[22.90%](#) of North Devon's residents have achieved level 4 qualifications and above compared to [27.80%](#) in Devon as a whole and [24.10%](#) of North Devon's residents have no qualifications compared to [21.10%](#) in Devon.

Health

Residents broken down by level of health (%)

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Health of the population - Bad health - percentage of ONS population count | 4.3 |
| Health of the population - Fair health - percentage of ONS population count | 14.2 |
| Health of the population - Good health - percentage of ONS population count | 33.8 |
| Very good health (%) | 46.4 |
| Very bad health (%) | 1.3 |



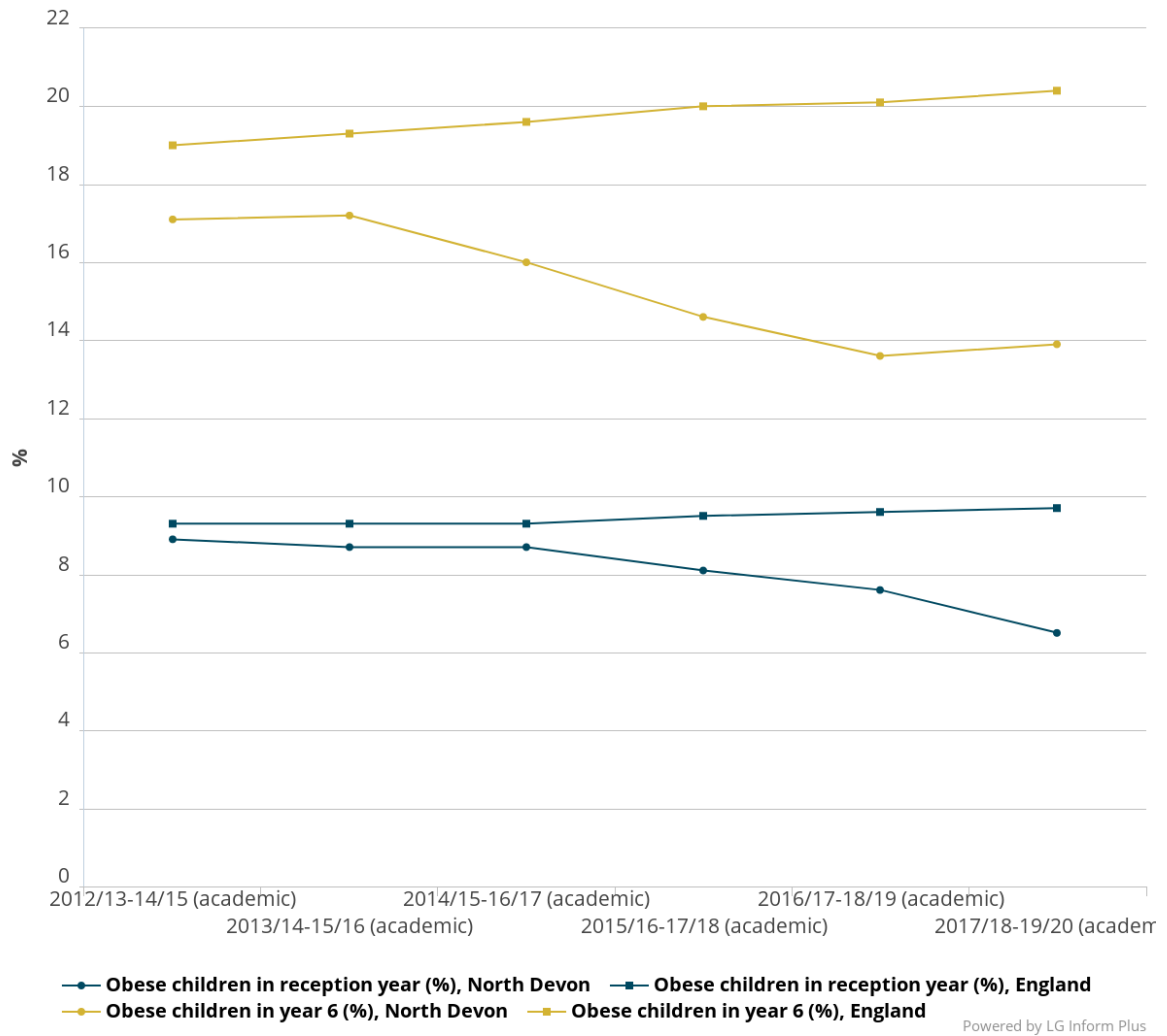
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In 2011 North Devon had [4,064 \(4.3 people \(per 100 people\)\)](#) residents that reported being in bad health and [1,194 \(1.3%\)](#) residents that reported being in very bad health.

Its ranking for the number of residents in very bad health is 6 (out of 8 Districts) within Devon.

The chart below shows the percentage of children who are obese in both the reception year and year 6 in N Devon for the 3 academic years up to 2017/18-19/20 (academic)

% of measured children in reception year classified as obese (%) (from 2012/13-14/15 (academic) to 2017/18-19/20 (academic)) and % of measured children in year 6 classified as obese (%) (from 2012/13-14/15 (academic) to 2017/18-19/20 (academic)) for North Devon and England



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