

JSNA 2023 - Summary for Huntingdonshire

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Demography

In 2021, Huntingdonshire had a population of almost 181,000 (Census 2021), with 6.7% growth (an additional 11,325 people) in its population since 2011. Growth has occurred across most age bands with the most growth in older age groups. However, there were decreases in the population of people in their 40's (12.4% reduction, 3,370 people), aged 15-24 years (12.5% reduction, 2,470 people) and in children aged under 5 years (440 children, 4.4% reduction).

Huntingdonshire is forecast to grow by 9.9% by 2031 (an additional 17,945 people) with a decrease expected in 5-14 year olds (725 people, 3.5% reduction) as well as people in their fifties (2,050 people, 7.8% reduction). There is expected to be a 5.7% increase (11,355 people) in the following 10 years to 2041.

Huntingdonshire has relatively low proportions of population from non-White ethnic groups (7.6% compared to 11.4% in Cambridgeshire and 19.0% nationally); 85.2% of the population are White UK and 6.3% Other White. At the time of the 2021 Census 15.4% of residents living in Huntingdonshire were born outside of England: with Scotland (1.7%), Poland (1.6%) and the United States (1.2%) being the most common countries of birth.

Language

In the 2021 census, 94.7% of Huntingdonshire residents said their main language was English, with 0.9% of Huntingdonshire residents reporting that they could not speak English well. This compares to 1.2% for Cambridgeshire. After English, the three most common main languages spoken in Huntingdonshire are Polish, Romanian and Lithuanian.

Life expectancy

Overall, Huntingdonshire has relatively low levels of deprivation (IMD 2019 score of 12.6 compared to 13.9 for Cambridgeshire, low being less deprived). However, there are pockets of deprivation within the district and health outcomes vary.

Life expectancy (at birth) for Huntingdonshire is 81.0 years for males and 84.1 years for females, significantly better than England at 79.4 years for males and 83.1 years for females. Furthermore, general health in Huntingdonshire is good with 83.8% of residents reporting that they were in 'good health' at the time of the 2021 Census (similar to the county average of 83.6%). However, 16.3% of people are living with a disability under the equality act (similar to the Cambridgeshire average of 16.4%).

Mortality and health conditions

In 2021, the all-age all-cause mortality rate (897 per 100,000) and premature (under 75) mortality (283 per 100,000) for Huntingdonshire was significantly lower than England (1,008 per 100,000 and 363 per 100,000, respectively). The most prevalent conditions, as recorded on GP registers, in Huntingdonshire are hypertension (15.3%), depression (13.0%) and asthma (7.2%). This is compared to 13.1%, 11.7%, and 6.7% for Cambridgeshire, respectively.