

Basic facts about North Devon



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

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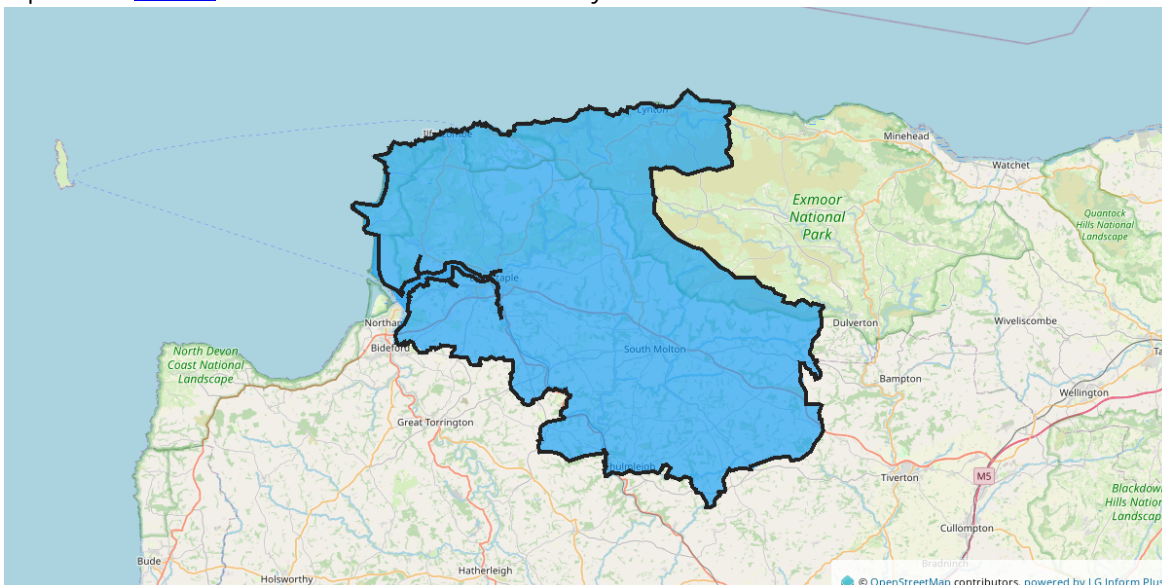
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Geography and population

North Devon is one of the 8 districts of Devon. It has an area of [110,474.80 hectares](#) which represents [16.65%](#) 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 \(51.3%\)](#) female and [48,018 \(48.7%\)](#) male.

The total population of N Devon is projected to be [102,289](#) by 2039.

N Devon has [3,597](#) households with dependent children aged 0 to 4. That represents [8.33%](#) 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.

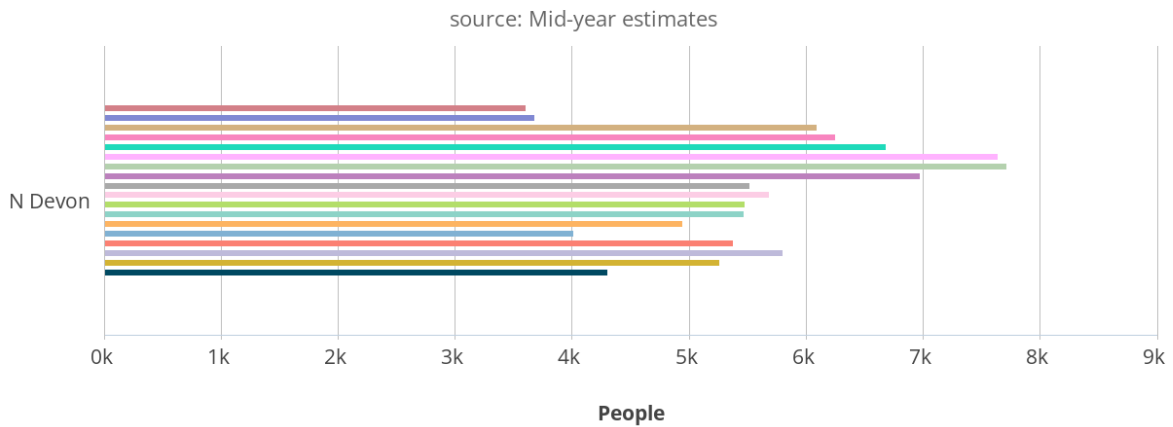
	Number of all usual residents	Size of the geographical area - Land only measurements in hectares	Number of all usual residents - female	Number of all usual residents - male
	2021	2023	2021	2021
	People	Hectares	People	People
N Devon	98,611	108,590.02	50,593	48,018

Age

The predominant age band in North Devon in 2023 was 55 - 59 with [7,721 people](#) out of the total population of [100,543](#).

In 2023 North Devon had [16,543 people](#) aged under 16 (representing [16.5%](#) of the total population) and [26,320 people](#) aged 65+ (representing [26.2%](#) of the total population)

Population (unrounded) broken down by age band (5 year bands) (count) (Count) (2023) for N Devon



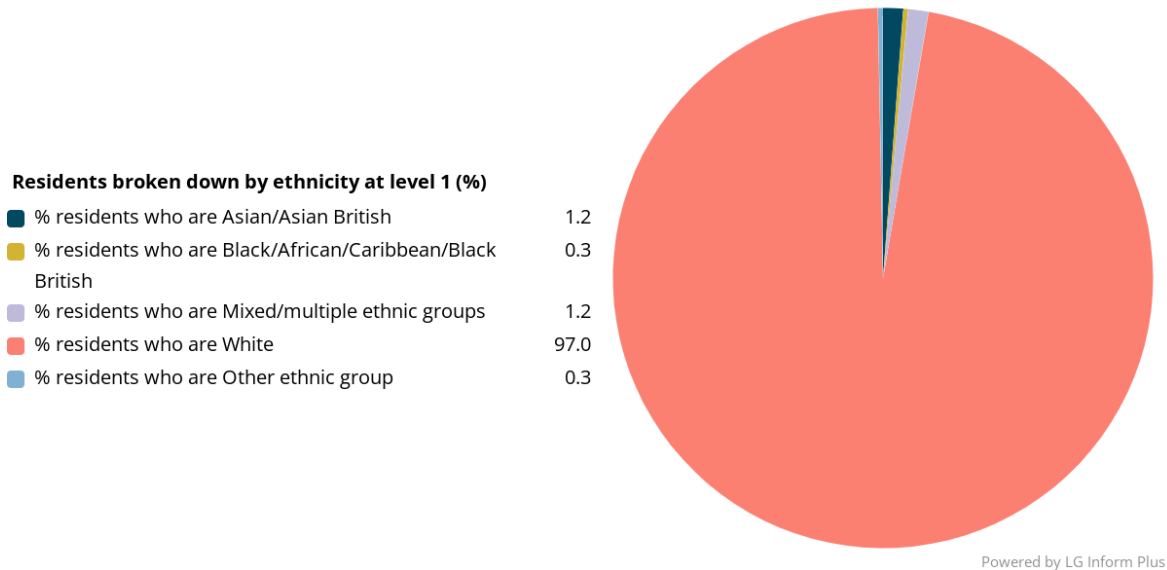
- Population, all persons aged 0 to 4, 2023
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- Population, all persons aged 40 to 44, 2023
- Population, all persons aged 45 to 49, 2023
- Population, all persons aged 50 to 54, 2023
- Population, all persons aged 55 to 59, 2023
- Population, all persons aged 60 to 64, 2023
- Population, all persons aged 65 to 69, 2023
- Population, all persons aged 70 to 74, 2023
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Ethnicity

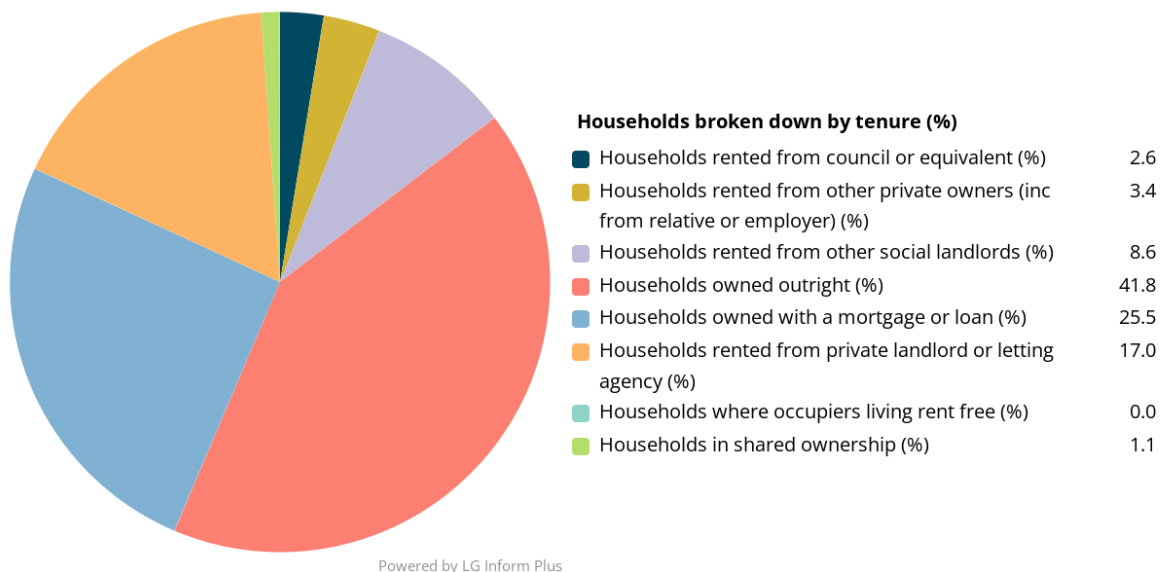
The largest ethnic group in N Devon in 2021 was White with [97.0%](#) of the district's population. That compares with a figure of [96.4%](#) for Devon county as a whole and [93.1%](#) for South West .

The second largest ethnic group was Mixed race with [1.2%](#) of the district's population. That compares with [1.4%](#) for the county as a whole and [2.0%](#) for South West.



Households

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



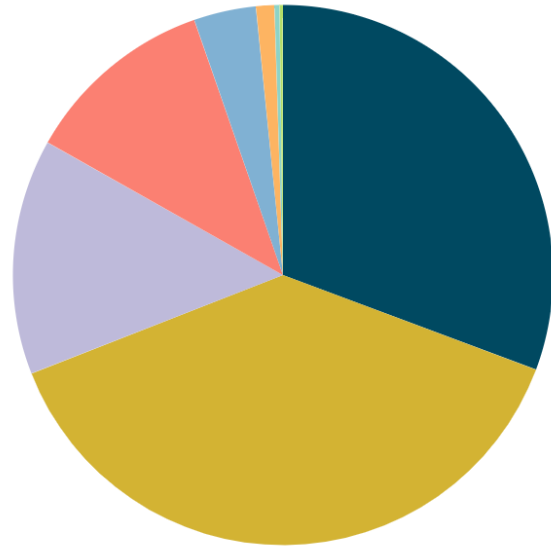
The largest number of households in N Devon lives in Owns outright accommodation with [41.8%](#) of households. That compares with [42.2%](#) for Devon county as a whole and [37.7%](#) for South West.

The second largest number of households lives in Owns with a mortgage or loan accommodation with [25.5%](#) of the district's households. That compares with [26.0%](#) for the county as a whole and [28.2%](#) for South West.

The chart below shows the breakdown of households by size (number of people) for North Devon.

Household size broken down by household size (%)

Household size: 1 per cent	30.69
Household size: 2 per cent	38.37
Household size: 3 per cent	14.11
Household size: 4 per cent	11.50
Household size: 5 per cent	3.72
Household size: 6 per cent	1.10
Household size: 7 per cent	0.31
Household size: 8+ per cent	0.19

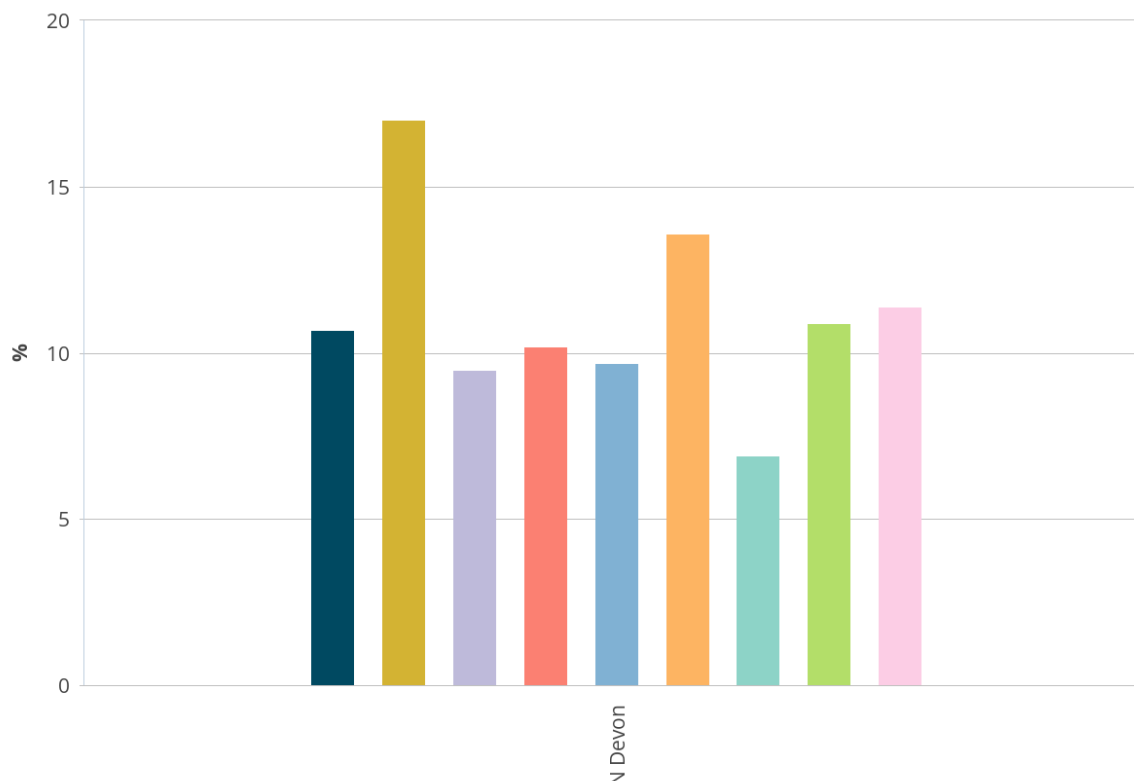


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Employment

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

source: Annual Population Survey



Proportion all in employment who are - 1: managers, directors and senior officials (SOC2010), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
 Proportion all in employment who are - 2: professional occupations (SOC2010), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
 Proportion all in employment who are - 3: associate prof & tech occupations (SOC2010), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
 Proportion all in employment who are - 4: administrative and secretarial occupations (SOC2010), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
 Proportion all in employment who are - 5: skilled trades occupations (SOC2010), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
 Proportion all in employment who are - 6: caring, leisure and other service occupations (SOC2010), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
 Proportion all in employment who are - 7: sales and customer service occupations (SOC2010), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
 Proportion all in employment who are - 8: process, plant and machine operatives (SOC2010), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)
 Proportion all in employment who are - 9: elementary occupations (SOC2010), 2021 Q4 (12 months ending)

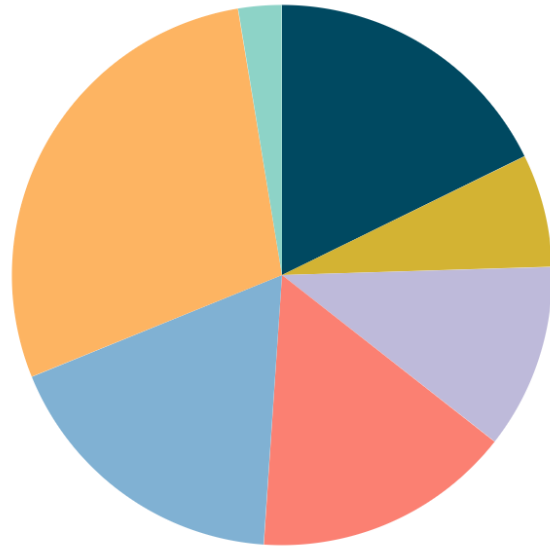
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In N Devon the Overall employment rate (aged 16-64) in 2024 Q2 (12 months ending) was [75.3%](#) compared to [78.5%](#) in Devon and [79.0%](#) in South West. The chart above provides a breakdown of North Devon district by occupation for all residents aged 16 – 64 in 2021 Q4 (12 months ending).

Education

Residents broken down by educational qualifications (%)

■ No qualifications (%)	17.76
■ Apprenticeship (%)	6.76
■ Level 1 qualifications (%)	11.07
■ Level 2 qualifications (%)	15.50
■ Level 3 qualifications (%)	17.77
■ Level 4 and above qualifications (%)	28.54
■ Other qualifications (%)	2.60



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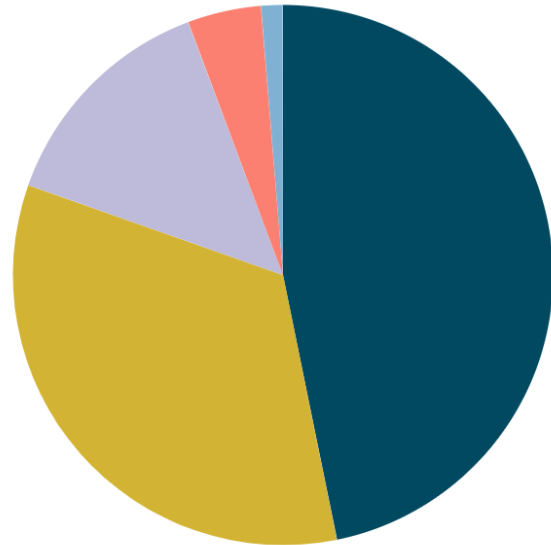
[28.54%](#) of North Devon's residents have achieved level 4 qualifications and above compared to [32.87%](#) in Devon and [33.08%](#) in South West as a whole.

[17.76%](#) of North Devon's residents have no qualifications compared to [15.56%](#) in Devon and [15.65%](#) in South West.

Health

Residents broken down by level of health (%)

■ % of residents reporting very good health	46.8
■ % of residents reporting good health	33.6
■ % of residents reporting fair health	13.9
■ % of residents reporting bad health	4.4
■ % of residents reporting very bad health	1.3



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In 2021 North Devon had [4,352 \(4.4%\)](#) residents that reported being in bad health and [1,265 \(1.3%\)](#) residents that reported being in very bad health.

Its ranking for the number of residents in very bad health is 7 (out of 8 Districts) within Devon.

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