

Equality & Diversity

Warwickshire

An Ageing Population

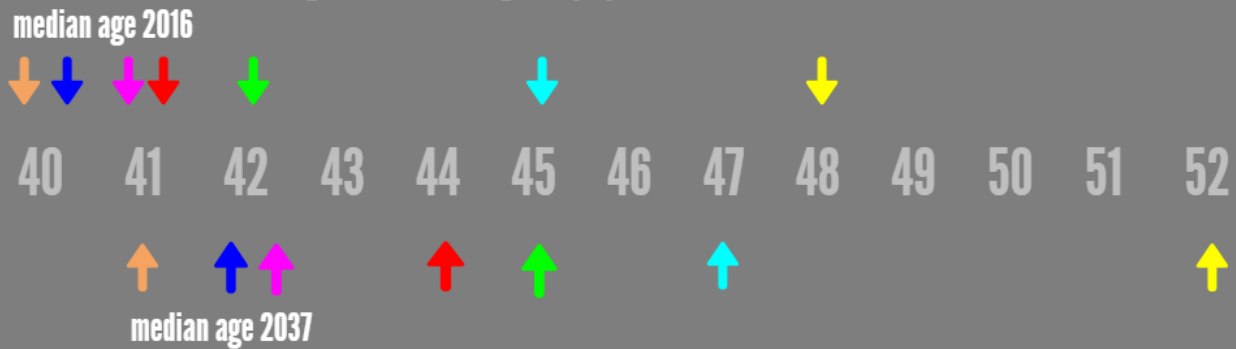
Overall, Warwickshire is said to have an ageing population. Gradually, the average age of residents is increasing and the proportion of the population who are 'older' is expanding.

The age group 85+ is expected to more than double by 2037.

The median age of Warwickshire's population is expected to rise to 45 years in 2037. All boroughs and districts in the county are also expected to experience similar shifts in their population age profile.



Change in median age of population now and in 2037



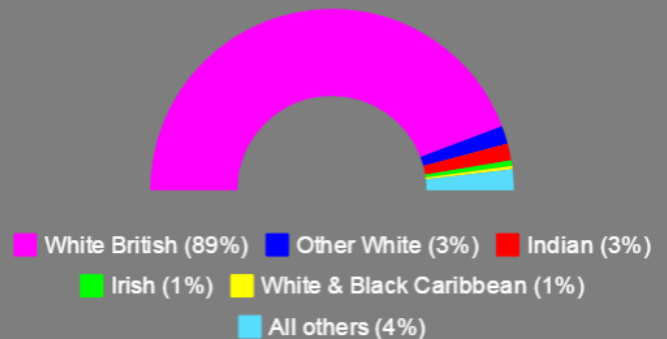
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- North Warwickshire
- Nuneaton & Bedworth
- Rugby
- Stratford-on-Avon
- Warwick

A more diverse population

Over the last 10-15 years, the population of Warwickshire has become more diverse although in general it remains less so than the national picture. North Warwickshire and Stratford-on-Avon have the least diverse populations.

Different ethnic groups may have quite different age profiles to that of the predominant White British population; most are much younger where the proportion of those under 16 is much higher than the county average of 18%. In turn, this may have implications for the service needs of these communities.

Most common ethnic groups in Warwickshire



of residents whose ethnic group is 'mixed' are under 16yrs

In Warwickshire around 8% of residents were born outside of the UK. The national rate is around 13%. However, a smaller proportion actually hold overseas passports indicating that country of birth does not always denote nationality or citizenship. For example, the number of people holding an Indian passport is about one third of the number recorded as being born in India. However, the number of people born in Poland and who hold a Polish passport is very similar.

Rugby has the highest proportion of residents who were born overseas and with non-UK passports.



Most common country of birth:

1. Poland
2. India
3. Ireland

Most common Non UK nationality:

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2. Ireland
3. India

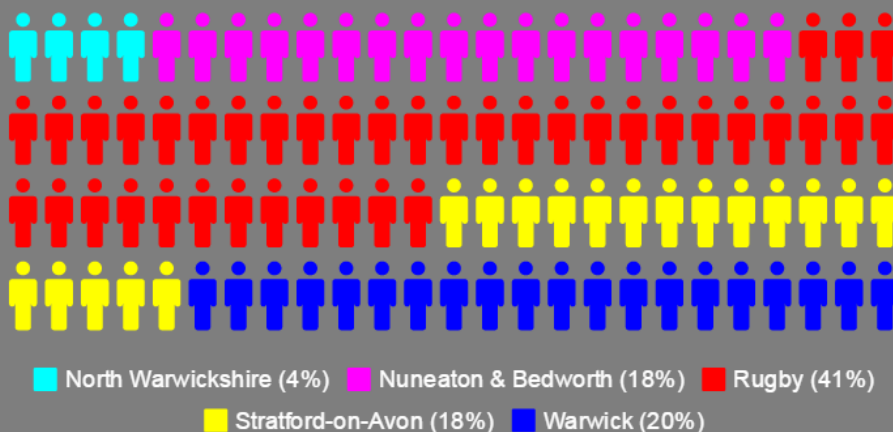


Between the 2001 and 2011 census, the number of residents from EU accession countries, especially Poland, increased markedly. Rugby is the most popular place of residence for those with EU Accession country passports.

Number of residents who are Polish



Destination of residents with EU Accession passports



Around 4% or 23,000 residents in Warwickshire have a main language which is not English, speaking over 70 different languages. The most common languages spoken in the county after English are Polish, Punjabi and Gujarati.

A much smaller number of residents, just over 4,000 residents, do not speak English well or at all. This illustrates that for the majority of residents for whom English is not their main language, it is unlikely to be a barrier to accessing services since they also speak English well.

Most common main languages - after English



4,275

Warwickshire residents do not speak English well or at all

Warwickshire's second most frequent religion (after Christian) is Sikh. The majority of the Sikh community live in Warwick District although around 1 in 3 residents recording their religion as Sikh live in Nuneaton and Bedworth.

The number of residents recording their religion as Muslim or Hindu is similar. Half of the Muslim community live in Nuneaton and Bedworth. Rugby has the largest number of residents recording their religion as Hindu compared to elsewhere in Warwickshire.

60%

of residents who are Sikh live in Warwick District

1/2

of residents who are Muslim live in Nuneaton & Bedworth

Religions in Warwickshire



Health and Disability

In general, health outcomes are less good in the north of the county. Around 6% of residents report their health as either bad or very bad compared with around 4% in the south.

Levels of disability are also higher in the north at around 9-10% while in the south it is under 7% of the population.



residents in the county report that their health is either 'bad' or 'very bad'



residents in Nuneaton & Bedworth report their day to day activities are 'limited alot' due to health or disability

Sexual Orientation

Estimates of the number of people who may identify themselves as either lesbian, gay or bisexual are made simply by applying a proposed rate to the population. ONS estimate around 1.5% of the population may identify themselves as lesbian, gay or bisexual. Based on current population estimates, this would translate into approximately 6,800 residents aged 16+.

In the 2011 Census around 3000 residents were recorded as living in a same-sex civil partnership or co-habiting



2,965 residents are recorded as living in a same sex civil partnership or co-habiting

Further information on equality and diversity data please contact the Observatory at research@warwickshire.gov.uk

Additionally, further information from the 2011 Census relating to Warwickshire can be obtained using the Observatory's 2011 Census Profiler Tool