

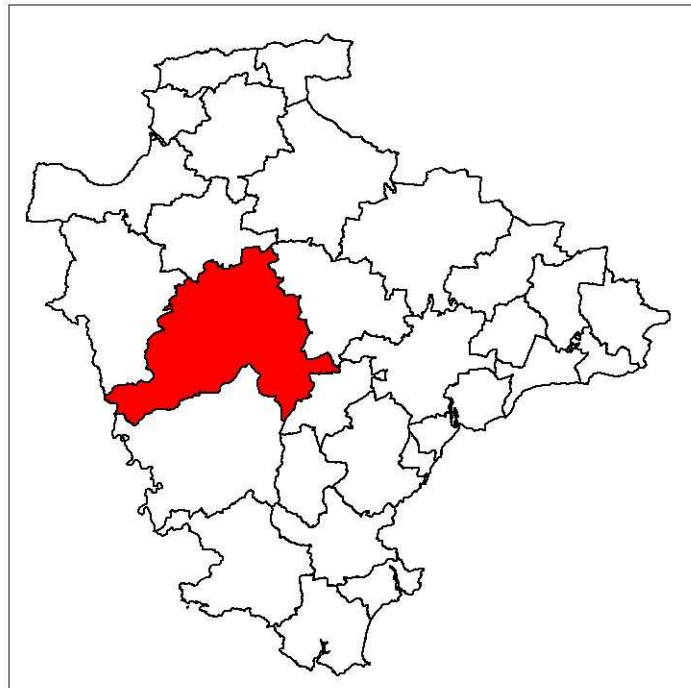
INTRODUCTION

This is the Devon Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for the Okehampton area, which also encompasses the surrounding rural parishes.

The aim of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment is to collaboratively identify current and future health and well being needs and inform future service planning and delivery. The purpose of this town profile is to provide a detailed assessment of current need and service activity at a local level. This profile looks at the health and social care needs of the town and its rural surroundings and other smaller surrounding settlements.

Data for this report was gathered and collated by the NHS Devon information teams, and the Devon County Council Adult and Community Service and Children and Young Peoples Service and Strategic Intelligence teams.

A glossary is available providing detailed definitions and background information for the measures in this report:



http://www.infopoint.devonpct.nhs.uk/Library/Public_Health_Commissioning/JSNA_2009_Glossary_Devon.pdf

FEEDBACK

Any feedback or questions concerning the information in this report would be gratefully received. We would be keen to receive feedback on whether you recognise the community as described in the profile, is any key information is missing or any local priorities or issues you wish to identify.

Please contact d-pc.strategicreview@nhs.net with any comments or questions.

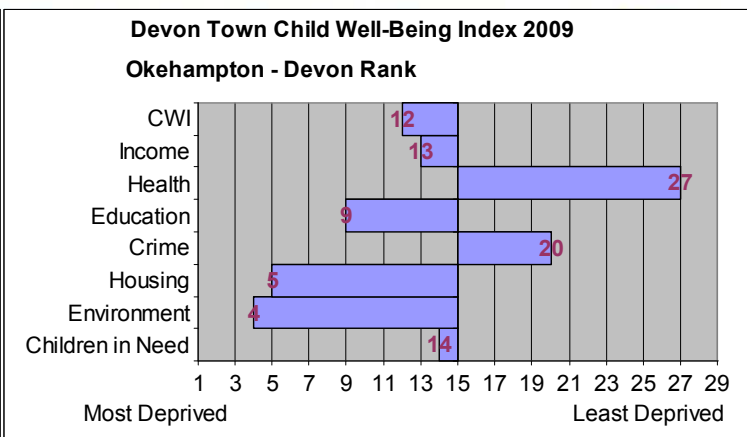
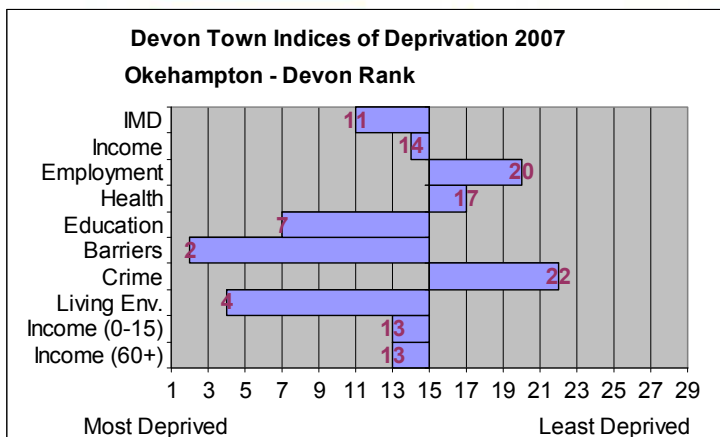
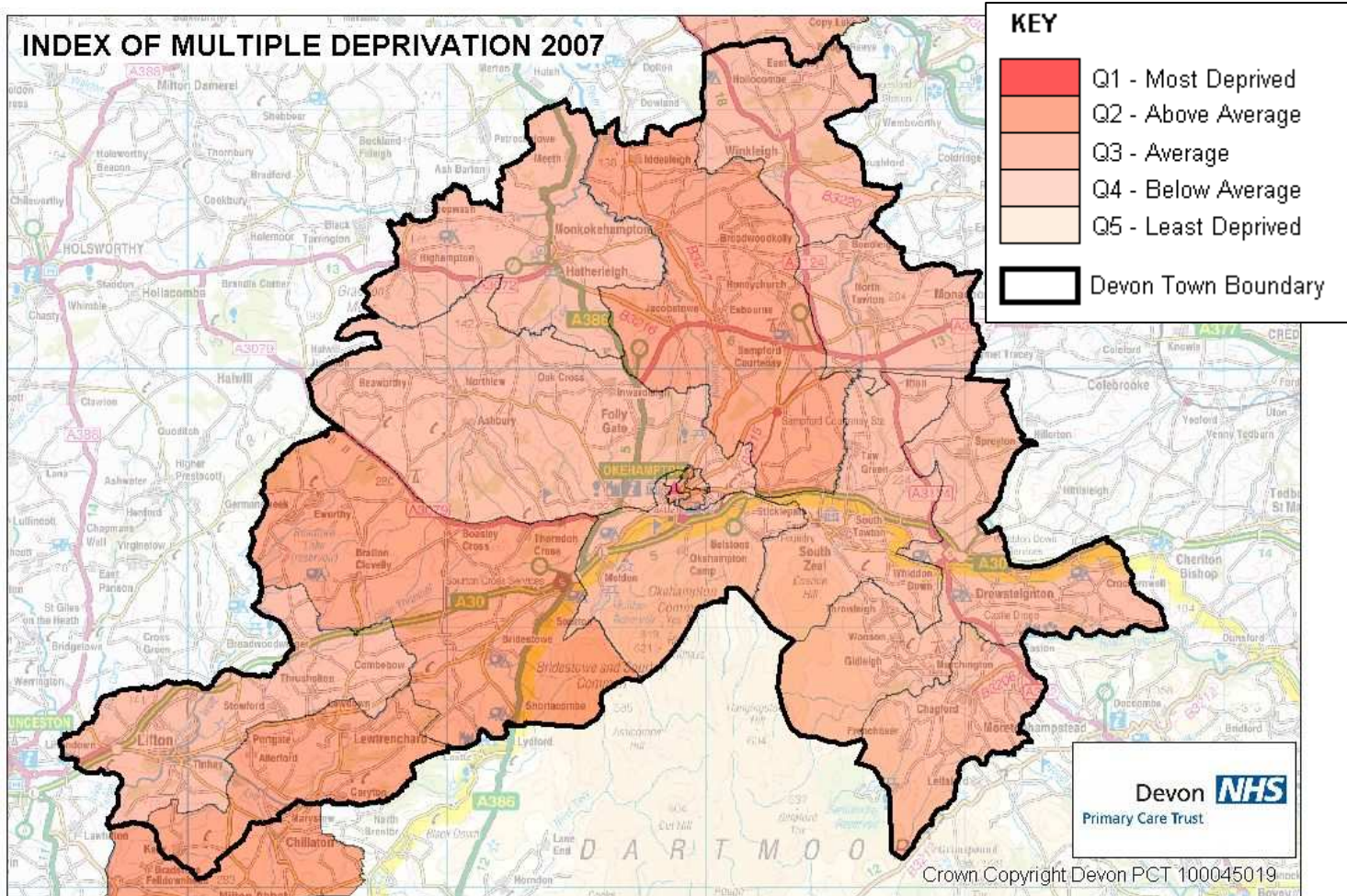
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The rural hinterland is more deprived than the urban centre, with particular issues around access to housing and services, living environment, and education.
- The population of Okehampton is predicted to increase by 2,956 people between 2006 and 2021 – a rise of 12.4%. The largest change is predicted to be in the 75 to 79 age group with an increase of 77.3%
- The birth rate is above the Devon average, and is particularly high in the urban centre.
- Life expectancy is above the Devon average, with longer average life expectancy in rural areas.
- GCSE performance is well above the Devon average.
- The youth offending rate is below the Devon average.
- The rate of referrals for older people aged 65+ into Adult and Community Services in Okehampton is under represented compared with the Devon referral rate
- The estimated prevalence of Dementia in the 65 and over population in Okehampton is 6.69%
- The rate of Safeguarding alerts for vulnerable adults in West Devon is over represented compared with the Devon average
- Levels of hospital activity are typically below the Devon average, although non-elective (emergency, maternity and transfer) admissions to hospital are slightly above the Devon average.
- The rate of alcohol-related admissions is below the Devon average.
- Teen conception rates are above the Devon average in the ward Okehampton East.
- Death rates are typically below the Devon average.

DEPRIVATION

The main source of information on deprivation is the 2007 Indices of Deprivation, which combine data on different social issues to produce an overall deprivation score for local areas, the Index of Multiple Deprivation. In the Okehampton town area the most deprived areas are around Exbourne to the North, and Lewtrenchard and Eworthy to the West.

A breakdown of the individual domains from the Indices of Deprivation, reveal particular issues around barriers to housing and services domain (a measure of the distance to key services and housing availability), the living environment domain (a measure of housing quality, road traffic accidents and air quality) and the education domain. A separate Child Wellbeing Index was released in 2009, which reveals that whilst Okehampton is slightly more deprived than the Devon average, with issues in relation to the environment domain (road safety, air quality, distance to school and play space availability), housing and education.

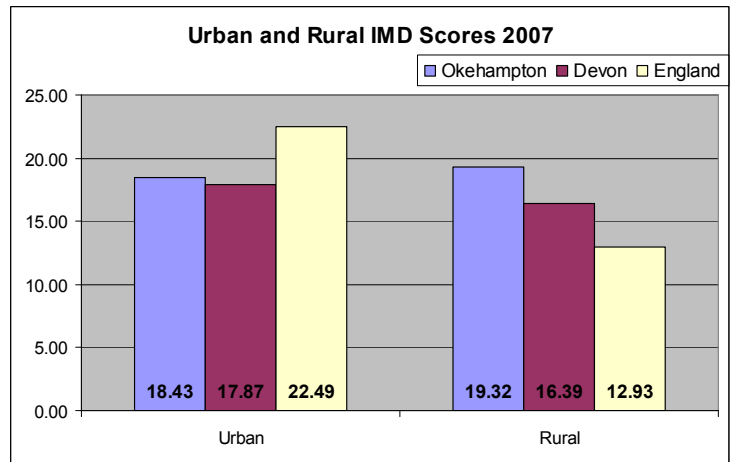


For full description of domains please view the glossary

DEPRIVATION IN URBAN AND RURAL AREAS

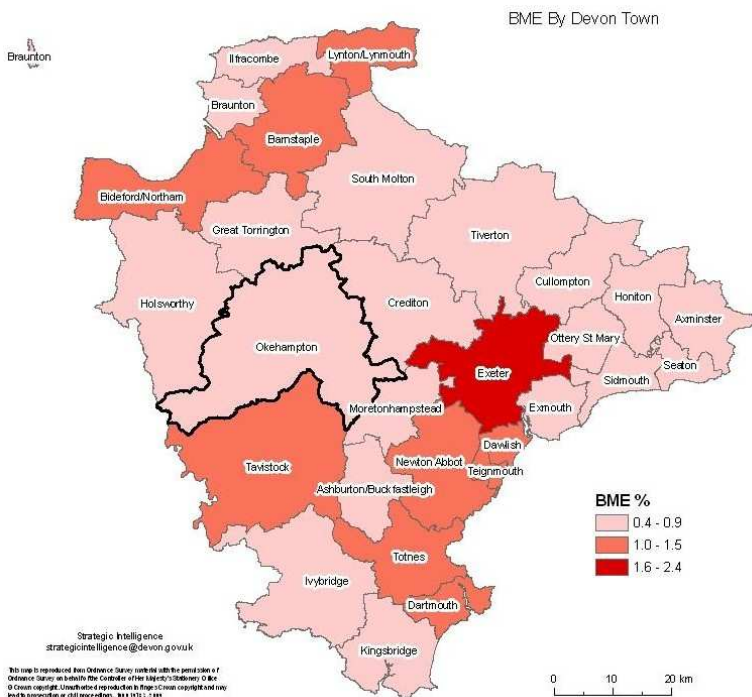
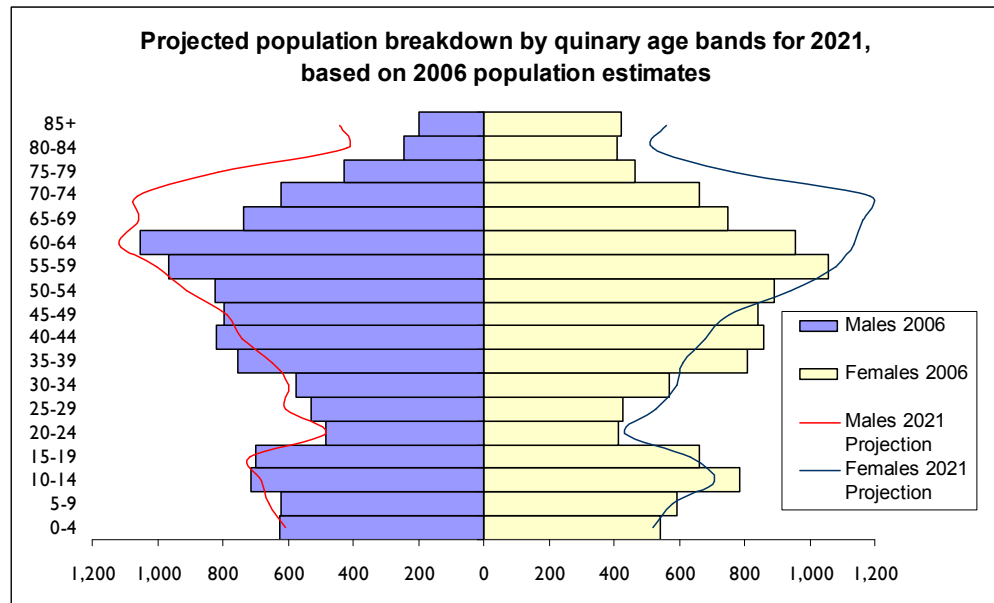
The following chart compares index of multiple deprivation scores for the urban area of Okehampton with the surrounding rural hinterland, along with average urban and rural Index of Multiple Deprivation scores for Devon and England as a whole.

This reveals that in general the urban centre of Okehampton is less deprived than the surrounding rural area. The rural hinterland is much more deprived than the Devon and England averages for rural areas.



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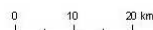
The population of Okehampton is predicted to increase by 2,956 people between 2006 and 2021 – a rise of 12.4%. The total number in the younger age groups (from 0 to 19) is predicted to decrease by 142 to 5,099 – a fall of 2.7%. The 20 to 44 year age band is also predicted to see a decrease, in this case of 317 to 5,927 or 5.1%. The 45 to 64 age group should see an increase of 344 people (4.7%) to 7,730. The older age groups (65 years and older) are due to see an increase in number of 3,071. This equates to a 62.3% increase over the 15 years that these projections cover and will take the population in this group up to 7,999. The largest change is predicted to be in the 75 to 79 age group with an increase of 77.3%.



The proportion of Okehampton's population from BME communities based on the 2001 census is 0.6%. This is an under representation when compared to the overall Devon BME of 1.1%.

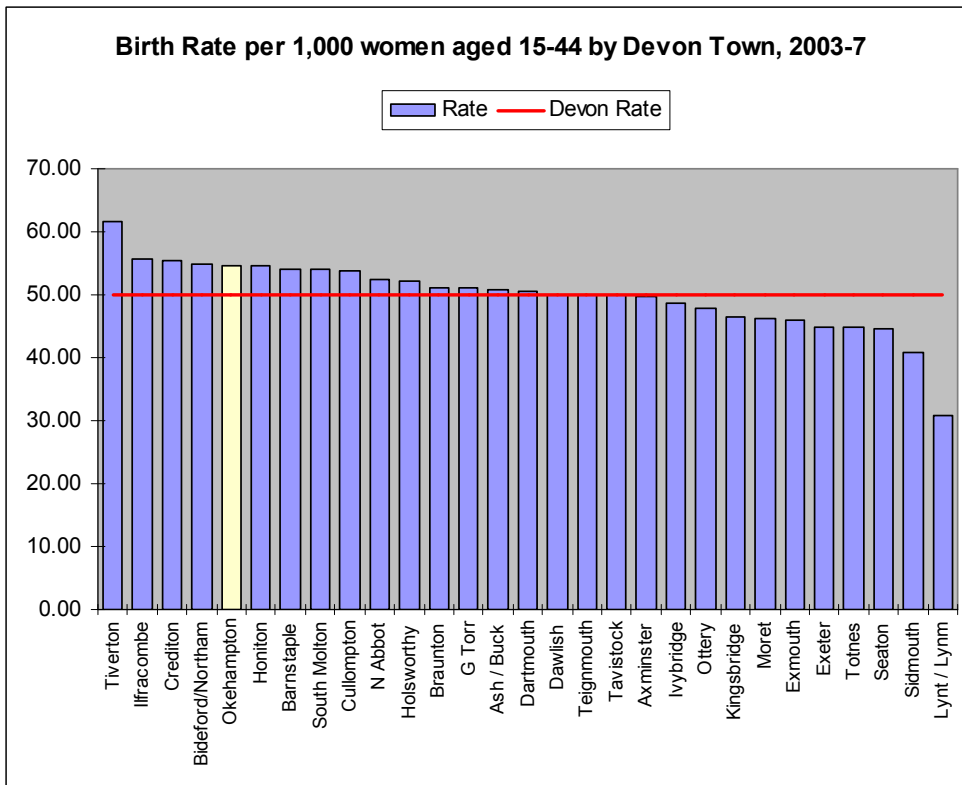
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BIRTHS

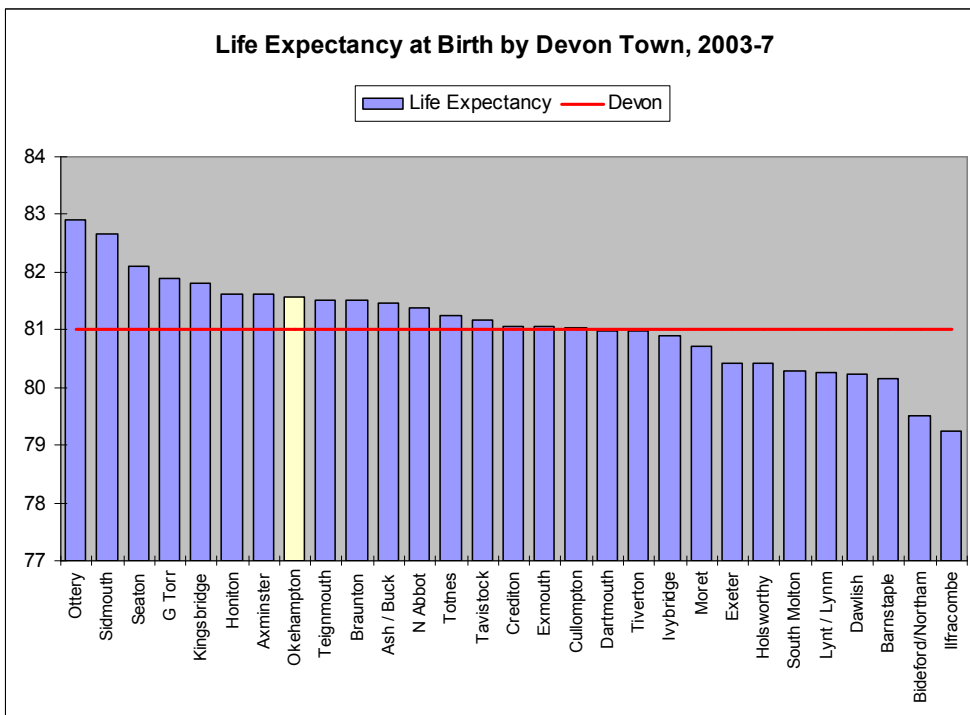
The birth rate in the Okehampton area is above the Devon average, with around 230 births per year. Birth rates are much higher in the urban centre compared to the surrounding rural area.



Area	Average births per year	Birth Rate
Okehampton Centre	87	66.41
Okehampton Hinterland	139	49.20
Okehampton Town Area	226	54.66
West Devon District	442	52.00
Eastern Locality	2,272	50.52
Devon	6,721	50.02
Devon Urban	4,797	50.35
Devon Rural	1,925	49.24

LIFE EXPECTANCY

Life expectancy in the Okehampton area is slightly above the Devon average, with longer life expectancy seen in the rural hinterland.

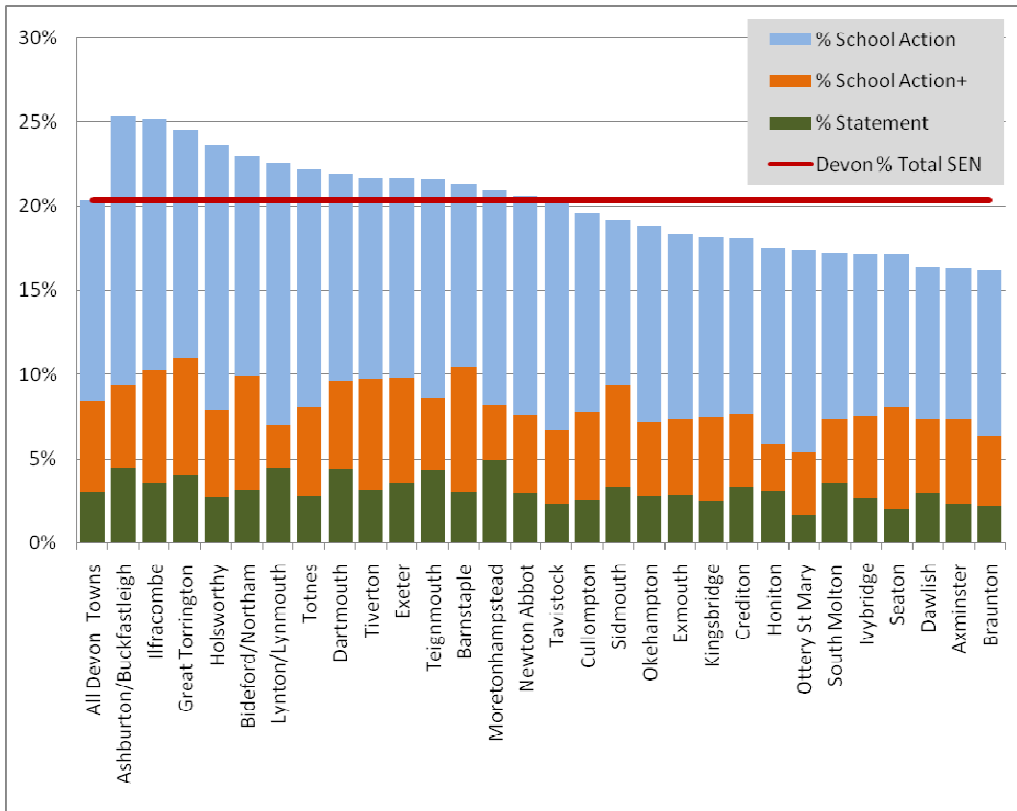


Area	Female	Male	Total
Okehampton Centre	82.7	77.6	80.2
Okehampton Hinterland	84.9	79.6	82.3
Okehampton Town Area	84.1	79.0	81.6
West Devon District	83.6	79.0	81.4
Eastern Locality	83.2	79.3	81.4
Devon	83.0	78.9	81.0
Devon Urban	82.5	78.4	80.5
Devon Rural	84.0	80.0	82.0

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Okehampton Town Area has below average numbers of those with Special Educational Needs; GCSE performance well above the Devon average; a lower than average youth offending rate; and a below average proportion of children and young people from black and ethnic minority groups.

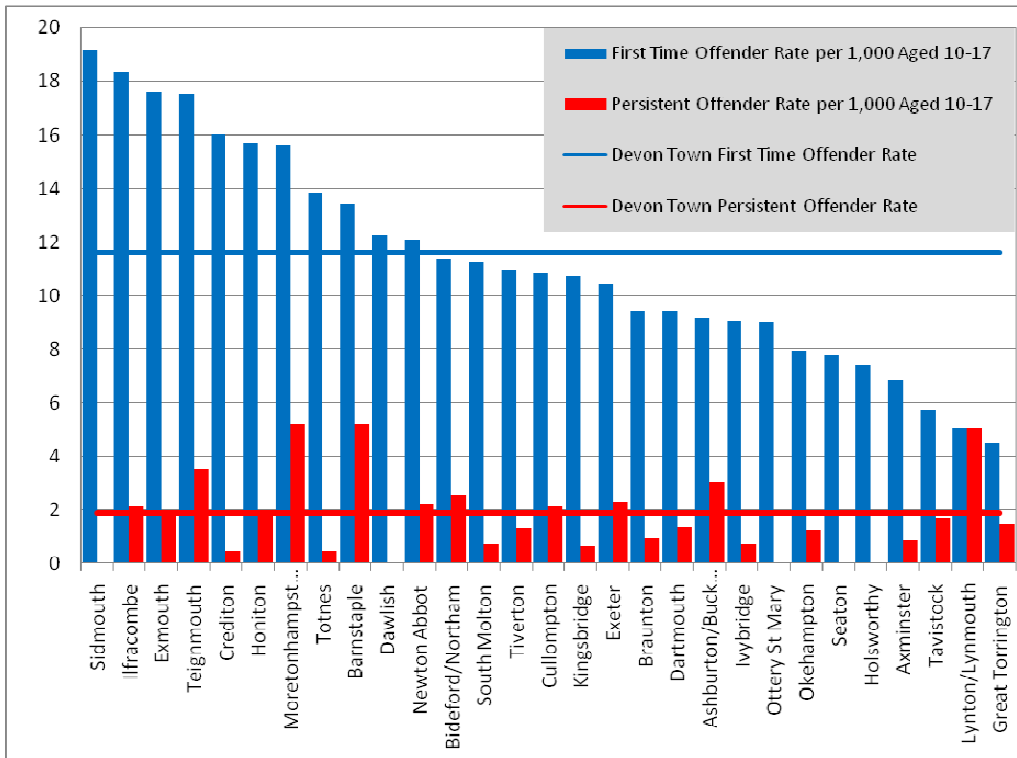
SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS (2007/08)



This graph represents the percentage of young people with SEN attending a DCC school in 07/08 by their town of residence. The national average for the proportion of pupils identified with SEN (i.e. Statemented, School Action Plus and School Action combined) is approximately 20%. We want children and young people to access services and provision within their Local Learning Communities wherever possible. Some children with complex needs will require access to specialist support in additionally resourced provision or special schools. Where there are significant variations it reflects the level of support needed within the community.

Data Source: DCSF School Census (Oct 07, Jan 08 and May 08)

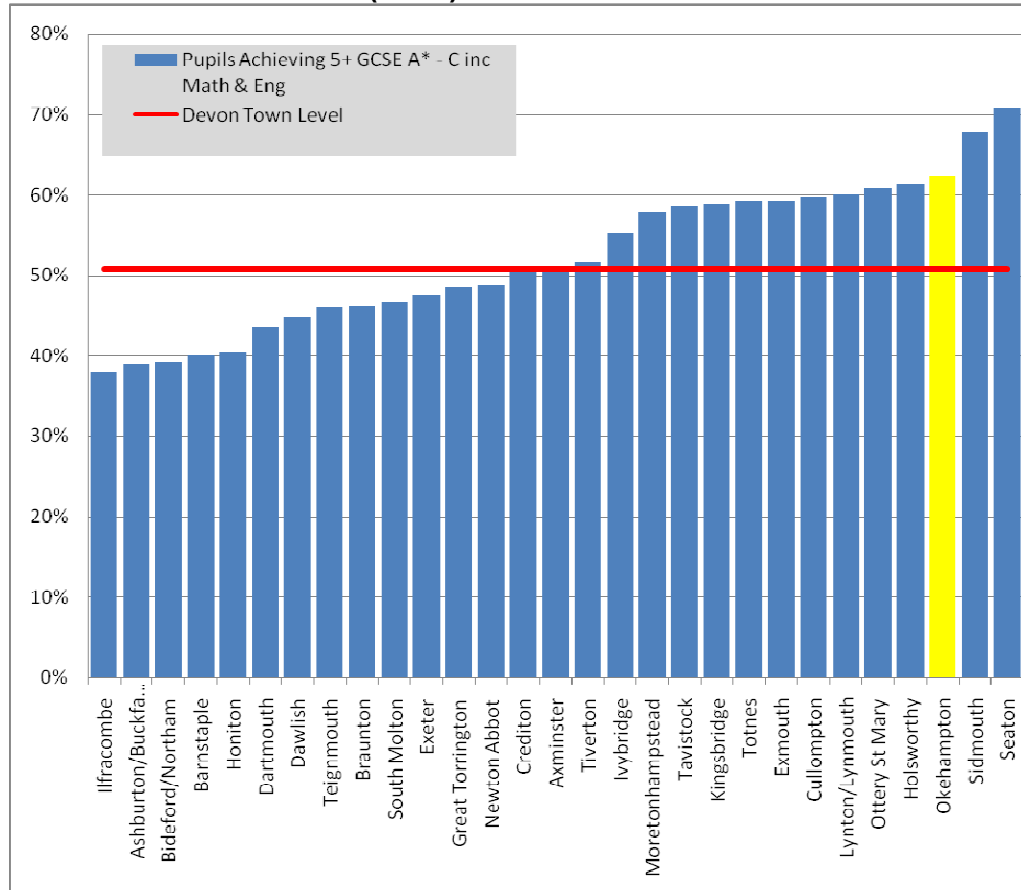
YOUTH OFFENDING (2008)



Devon's First Time Entrants (FTEs) figure has been below the regional and national average since 2004/5, and continues to fall - current projections for the financial year 2009/10 are that the FTE rate will drop by over a third, compared to the baseline year of 2007/8. Within Devon, such small numbers of FTEs can cause significant statistical variations from one year to the next, particularly in the smaller towns and communities. In general, around two thirds of FTEs do not re-offend, but the pattern of those who re-offend more persistently (Persistent Youth Offenders - PYOs) is even more liable to fluctuation outside of the four largest communities (Barnstaple, Exeter, Exmouth and Newton Abbot). Preventative work by the Youth Offending Service and Children's Trust is increasingly focused, therefore, on the towns

where there is a longer term pattern of FTEs and PYOs above the Devon average. Data Source: Devon Youth Offending Team 2009

GCSE PERFORMANCE (2008)



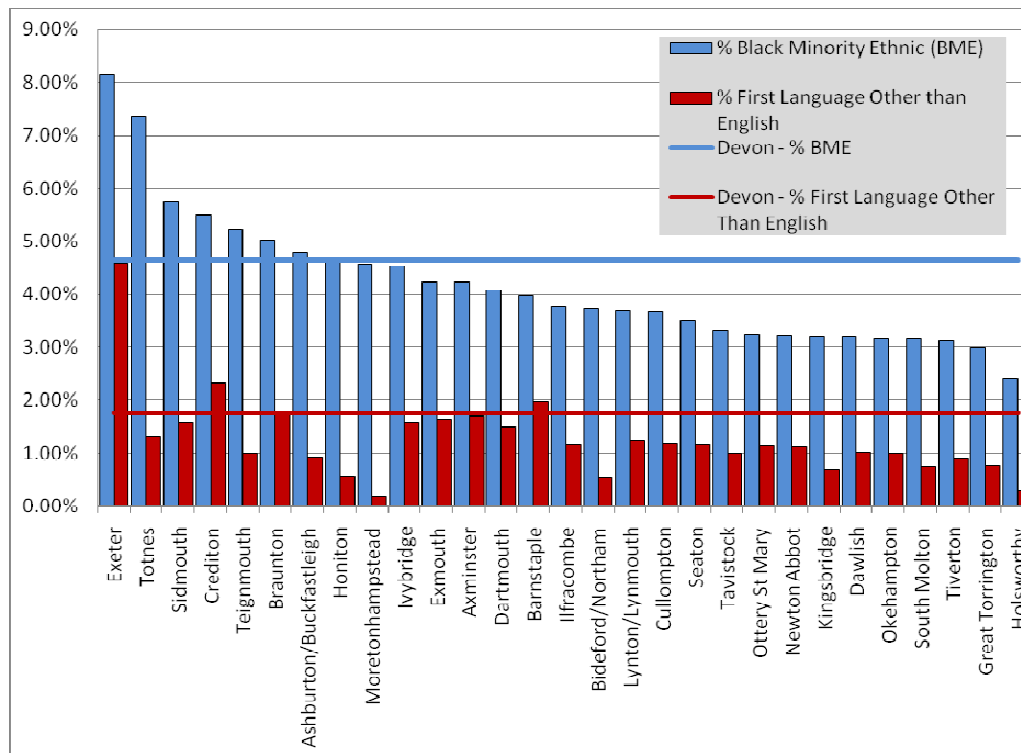
The graph illustrates GCSE performance in 2008 for pupils in Devon Maintained Schools by Town of residence.

Devon pupils' achievement at GCSE level is slightly above the National average (49.5%) but there still too many pupils not gaining 5 or more GCSEs including Maths and English.

The Local Authority has established a 'Narrowing the Gap' Programme to improve the attainment of the lowest 20% of achievers, and a 'Raising the Bar' programme to stretch the most able.

Data Source: Devon Learning and Development Partnership

ETHNICITY AND FIRST LANGUAGE (2007/08)



This graph represents the percentage of young people with a first language other than English who were attending a DCC school in 07/08 by their town of residence.

In this time period there were 4,440 pupils from a minority ethnic background in Devon schools (4.65% of the total school population) and of these 1,731 have English as an additional language.

There are over 60 different languages spoken by children and young people in Devon schools the largest minority language groups being Polish (252) and German (88).

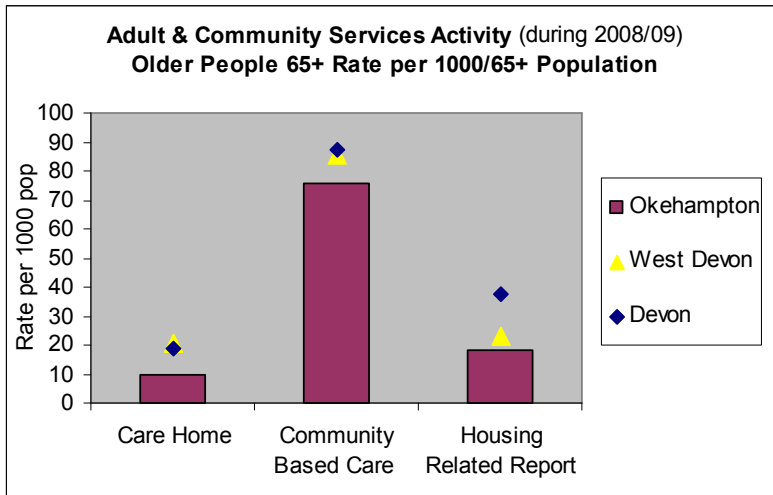
There are few schools without minority ethnic pupils and an increase in those schools with over 6% Black Minority and Ethnic pupils on roll. Currently, the largest ethnic group are Polish families located

across the county.

Data Source: DCSF School Census (Oct 07, Jan 08 and May 08)

ADULT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Older People 65+



The table illustrates that service activity for older people aged 65+ in Okehampton is under represented compared with the overall Devon average for the proportion of people based in Care Homes and the proportion receiving Housing Related Support. The proportion receiving Community Based Care is less than but still comparable with the Devon average. The rate of referrals for older people aged 65+ into Adult and Community Services in Okehampton is 126.2 (per 1000 65+ population). This is an under representation compared with the Devon referral rate. There is an under representation in the proportion of referrals (9%) for people aged 75-84 in Okehampton dealt with at point of contact when compared with the overall Devon average of 15%. There is an over representation in the number of referrals from Primary Health / Community

Health for clients aged 65-74 in Okehampton.

The rate of older people aged 65+ in Okehampton receiving assessments is 51.7 (per 1000 65+ population) and 65.6 for reviews, there is an under representation in reviews when compared to the Devon average.

13% of adult clients in West Devon who were assessed on Falls risk groups based on new enquiries received for the Home Improvement Agency were identified as in the High risk group, compared to 15% for the Devon average.

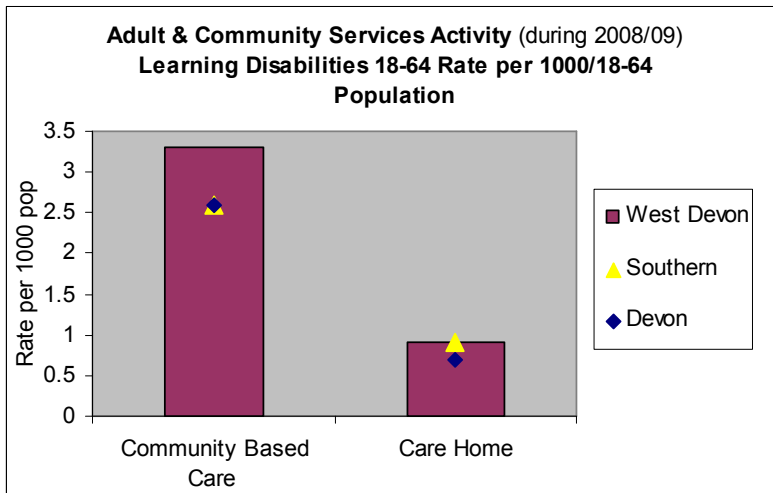
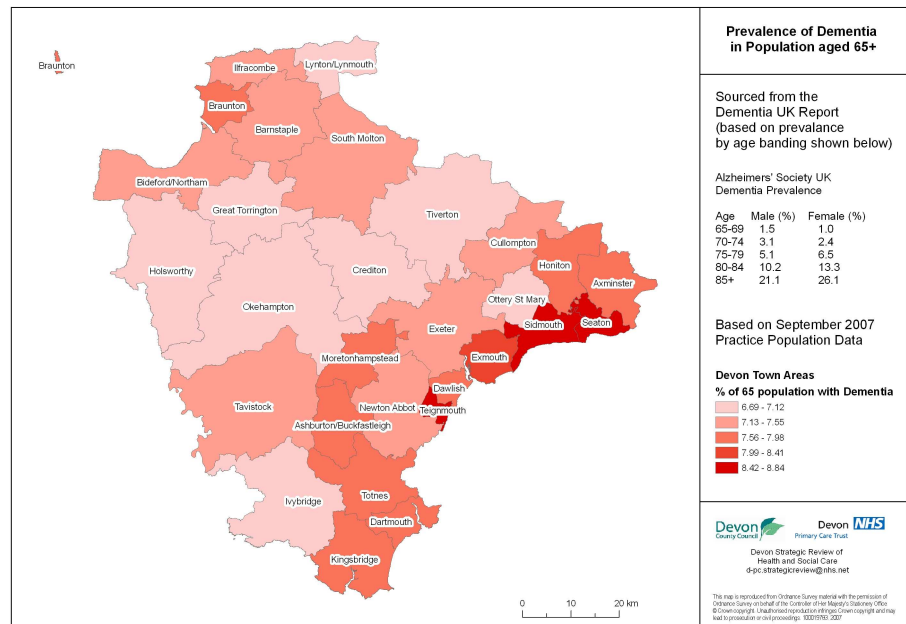
Mental Health and Learning Disabilities

Applying the nationally accepted prevalence rates for Dementia to the population in Okehampton shows that there are an estimated 353 people in the area with Dementia. This gives an overall prevalence rate in the 65 and over population of 6.69%.

The table below presents people in West Devon aged 18-64 predicted to have a mental health problem, projected to 2025

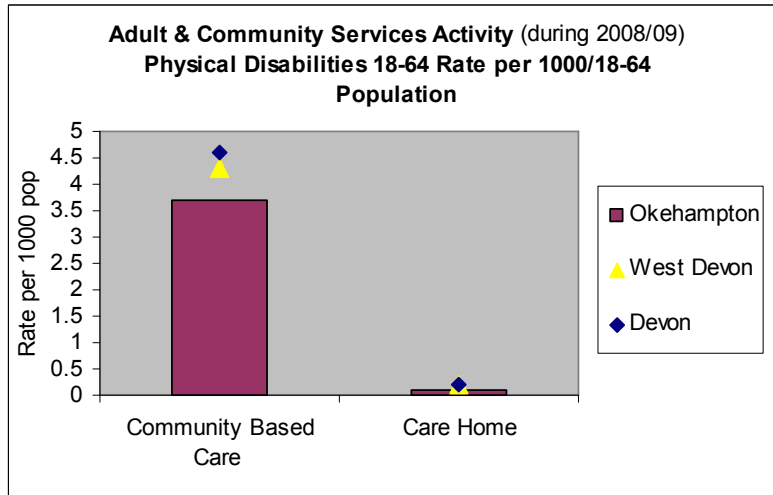
	2008	2025	% Change
Depression	784	840	7%
Neurotic disorder	5,055	5,401	7%
Personality disorder	1,359	1,471	8%
Psychotic disorder	170	183	8%

Data Source: PANSI



In West Devon the proportion of people with learning disabilities aged 18-64 receiving Community Based Care is over represented when compared to the overall Devon average. The proportion placed in Care Homes is comparable to the overall Devon average.

Physical Disabilities 18-64



This table demonstrates that Okehampton is comparable to the overall Devon average for the number of people with physical disabilities aged 18-64 receiving Community Based Care and the number based in a Care Home (although in the table appears to be considerably below for Community due to the scale used).

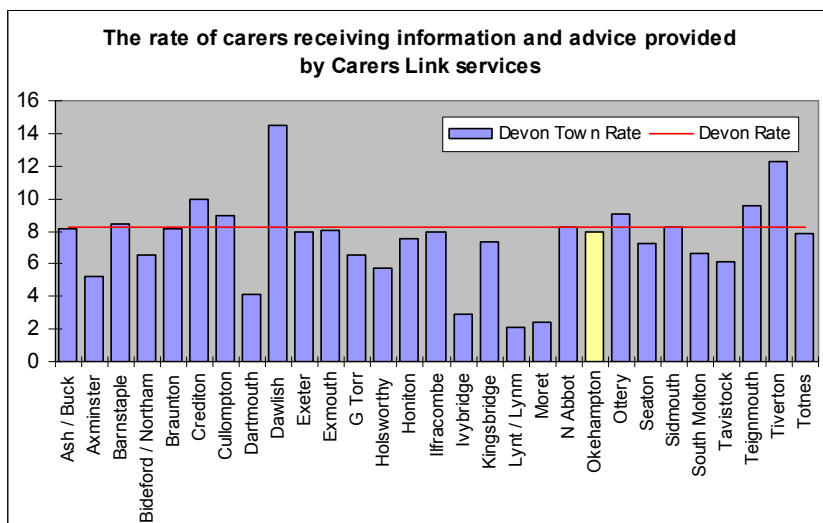
There is an over representation in the number of referrals made by Primary Health / Community Health for this client group in Okehampton.

The rate of people with physical disabilities aged 18-64 in Okehampton receiving assessments is 2.5 (per 1000 18-64 population) and 2.2 for reviews, these rates are both comparable to the Devon average.

The rate of Safeguarding alerts in West Devon is 2.5 (per 1000 18+ population) which is an over

representation when compared to the overall Devon average of 1.6.

Carers



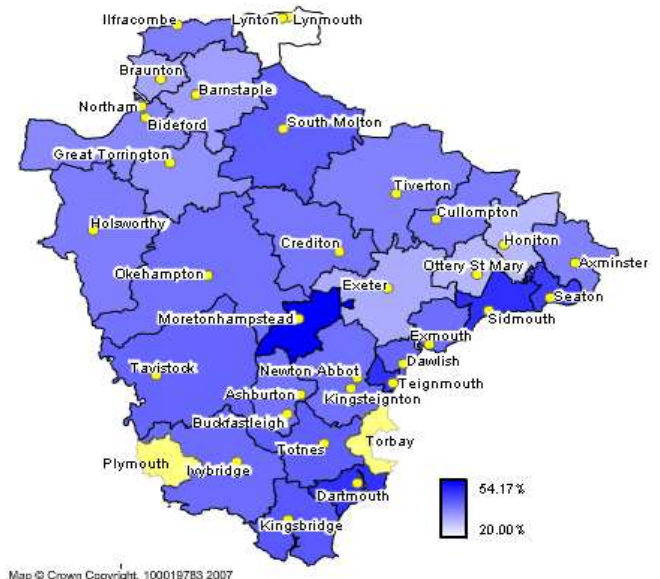
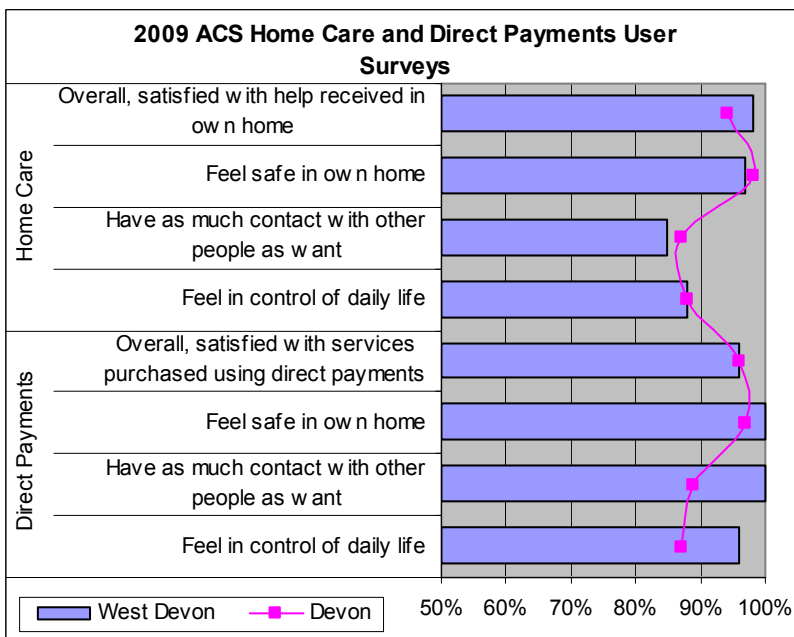
The rate of Carers assessments and reviews in Okehampton is 6.9 (per 1000 18+ population) and is comparable with the Devon average.

The table opposite illustrates that the rate of carers receiving Information and advice provided by Carers Link services in Okehampton is 7.9 (per 1000 18+ population) and is comparable with the Devon average of 8.3. A large proportion of this is carers of people with physical disabilities and mental health problems.

Respect and consideration

Older people are able to get the support needed to continue to live at home

User Experience / Feedback

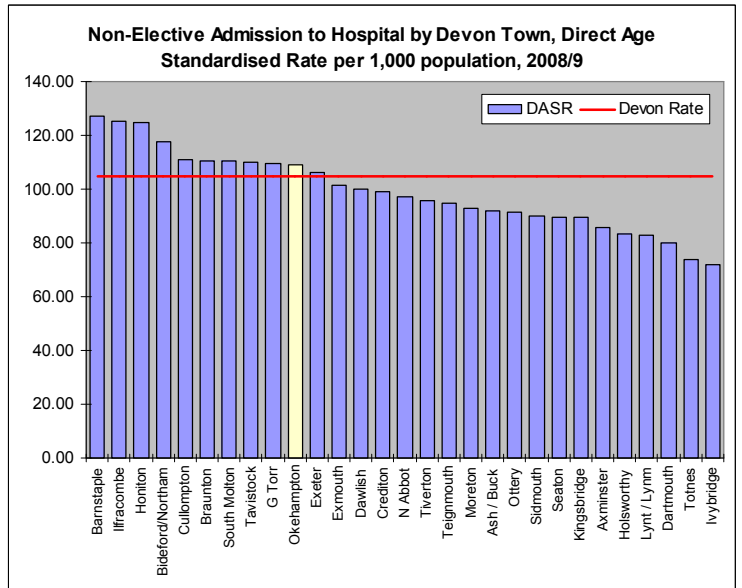
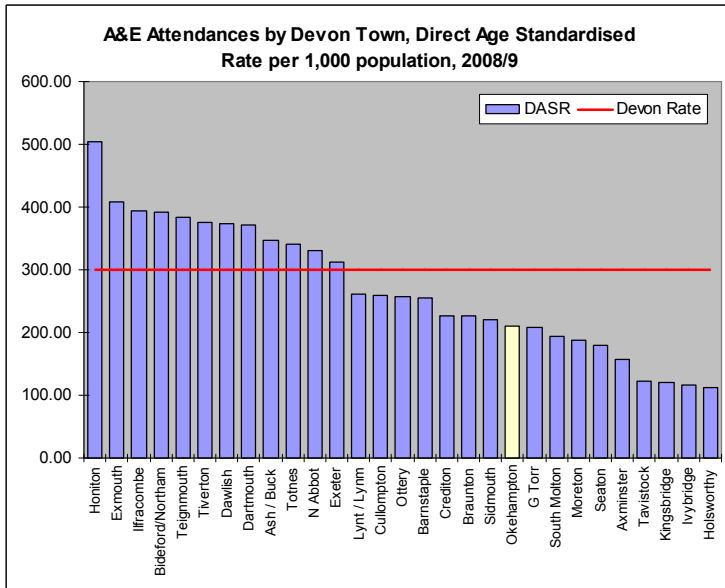
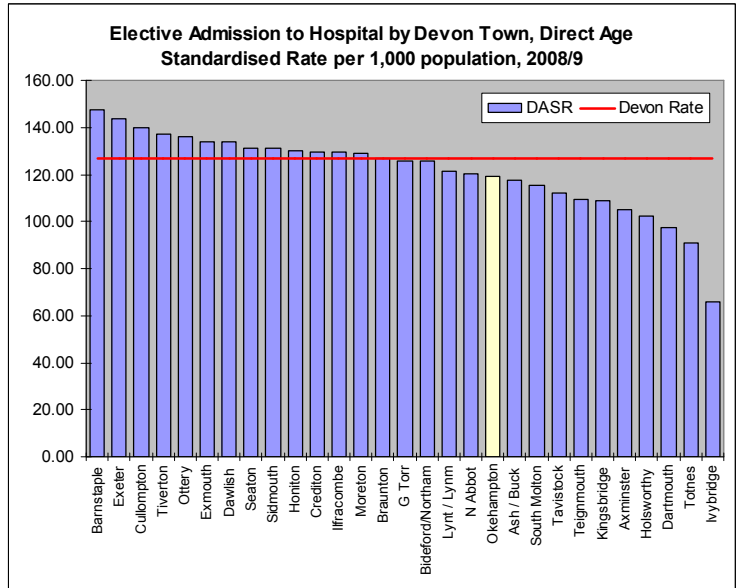
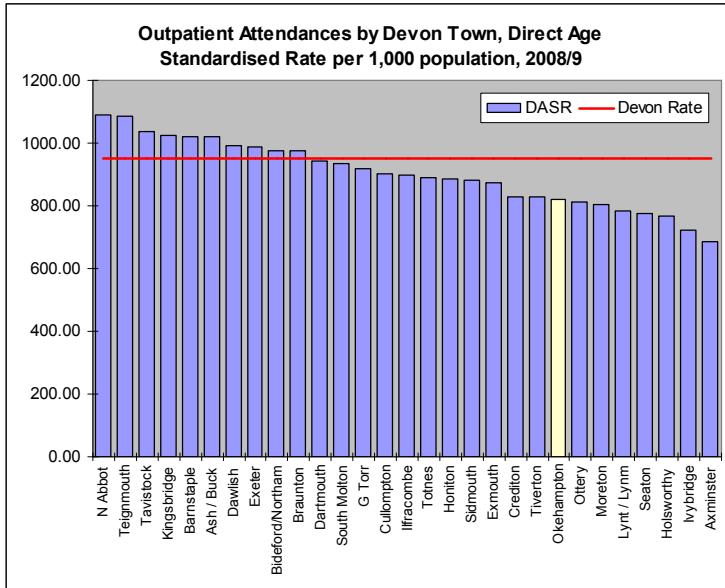


Results of the 2008 Place Survey reveal that 38.8% of Okehampton residents who responded to the survey felt that older people are able to get the support needed to continue to live at home compared to the Devon average of 36%.

The 2009 ACS User Survey results for Direct Payments recipients indicate that respondents in West Devon feel more safe than in Devon overall. However, low response rates in some districts can skew survey results.

HOSPITAL ACTIVITY

The rate of outpatient attendances in the Okehampton town area is below the Devon average, and the rate of elective admissions to hospital is also below the Devon average. The rate of Accident and Emergency attendances is well below the Devon average, whilst rates of non-elective admissions to hospital, which cover emergencies, maternities and transfers, are slightly above the Devon average. Rates of admission and attendance are consistently higher in the urban area compared with the surrounding rural area.

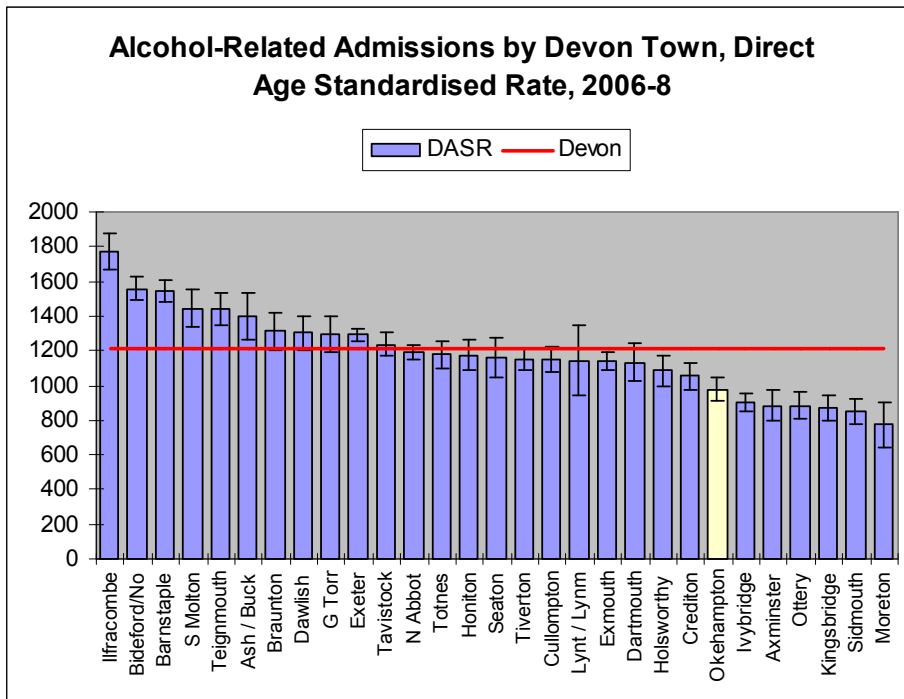


Hospital Activity, Direct Age Standardised Rates by Activity Type, 2008/9

Area	A&E Attends	Outpatient Attends	Elective Admissions	Non-Elective Admissions
Okehampton Centre	281.9	846.6	132.9	125.7
Okehampton Hinterland	182.2	807.5	114.7	100.9
Okehampton Town Area	211.2	820.4	119.0	109.0
West Devon District	162.3	937.3	113.9	109.2
Eastern Locality	261.3	975.2	110.1	93.3
Devon	300.3	951.4	126.9	104.8

PUBLIC HEALTH – ALCOHOL-RELATED ADMISSIONS

Alcohol-Related admissions include those where acute, chronic and mental conditions are known to relate either fully or partially to alcohol use. Further details on how these figures are derived can be found in the glossary. The Okehampton area has a significantly lower rate of alcohol-related admissions than surrounding areas and Devon as a whole. Whilst admission rates are higher in the town, they are still below the Devon urban area average.



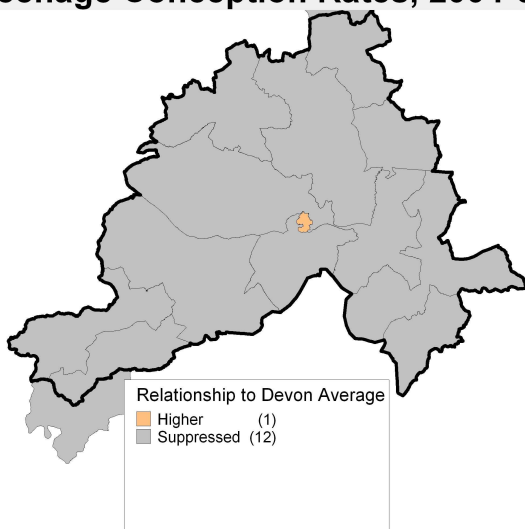
Area	Admissions per year	DASR* per 100k
Okehampton Centre	120	1255.7
Okehampton Hinterland	235	873.4
Okehampton Town Area	353	978.3
West Devon District	860	1124.3
Eastern Locality	4,348	1133.8
Devon	12,742	1215.3
Devon Urban	8,877	1319.4
Devon Rural	3,863	1012.1

* Direct age standardised rate, see glossary

PUBLIC HEALTH TEEN CONCEPTIONS

Levels of conceptions amongst females aged below 18 were higher than the Devon average in the Okehampton East ward. The rates in surrounding rural wards were suppressed due to the small numbers involved.

Teenage Conception Rates, 2004-6



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PUBLIC HEALTH DEATH RATES 2003-7

The table below presents mortality or death rates for the Okehampton town area compared with Devon. This highlights that whilst death rates in Okehampton are typically below the Devon average, the difference is only significant for overall female mortality.

Measure	Average deaths per year	DASR	Devon DASR	Relationship to Average
All Causes	238	505.4	533.3	N.S.
All Causes, Female	118	399.3	448.3	Sig Low
All Causes, Male	119	632.0	640.6	N.S.
All Causes, under 75	73	228.3	254.4	N.S.
Cancer	69	153.5	163.9	N.S.
Cancer, under 75	33	95.4	105.5	N.S.
Circulatory	90	180.2	183.8	N.S.
Circulatory, under 75	23	66.7	65.8	N.S.

N.S. = Not statistically significant. For more information on definitions and measures, see glossary