

Spotlight report: housing

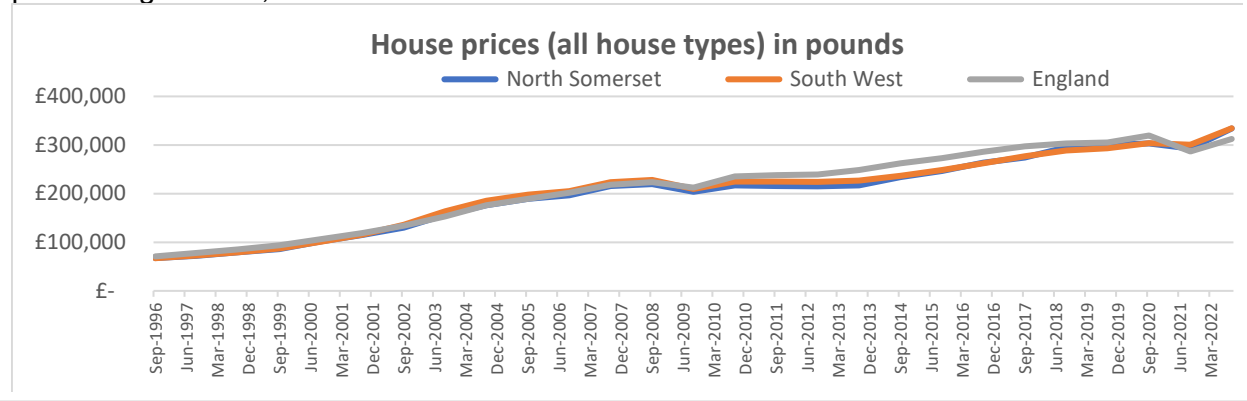
Some key indicators from the Census 2011 related to housing (national is England and Wales):

- North Somerset has a higher percentage of owner-occupied housing and a lower percentage of social housing compared to national averages though this differs across areas linked to deprivation. 73% of households in North Somerset are owner-occupied compared to 63.6% nationally, 16.2% are private rented compared to 16.7% nationally. 9.2% are socially rented compared to 17.6% nationally.
- North Somerset has a slightly higher percentage of whole houses and/or bungalows and a lower percentage of flats, maisonettes or apartments compared to the national averages. 78.7% of households are whole houses and/or bungalows compared to 78% nationally. 20.2% are flats, maisonettes or apartments compared to 22.1% nationally.
- Average occupancy levels in North Somerset across all rooms and bedrooms are better than national levels meaning there is less overcrowding on average, though this differs across areas linked to deprivation.

House prices

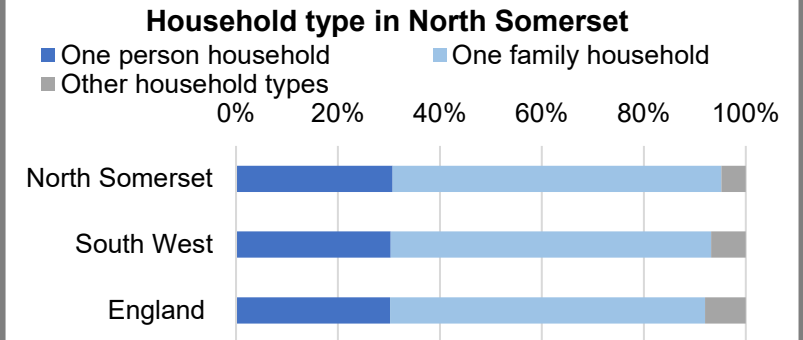
House prices based on house prices sold in North Somerset have increased year on year across all house types. The average sold price for all house types as of 2000 was just over £100k, as of 2022 it is now over £330k. This compares to £312k nationally. Increases in house prices differ across areas linked to deprivation, though generally and in line with national changes all have seen an increase.

Owning a home has become increasingly unaffordable, in England in 2020, full-time employees could typically expect to spend around 7.8 times their workplace-based annual earnings on purchasing a home, this is 9.5 times in North Somerset.



Household type

Over 30% of households in North Somerset are one person households and over 64% are family households (more than one person), this is slightly above regional and national averages. There are less 'other' households in North Somerset including student households.



Fuel poverty

As of 2020, 9.3% of households in North Somerset are estimated to be experiencing fuel poverty, this compares to 13.2% nationally. This differs across areas in North Somerset with parts of Weston-super-Mare showing higher levels of fuel poverty (11.7%) than other parts of the district (less than 5%).

