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The 0-19 population of North Somerset as of 2022 is estimated to be 47,265 children and young people. This is a decrease of 377 children and young people since 2019 estimates. However, there are more children and young people currently by 415 since 2015 estimates. The children and young people population has grown year on year and based on <u>sub-national population</u> projections is predicted to increase to over 49,122 children and young people by 2030 and over 50,220 by 2040. However, the growth in this population group has slowed in recent years (though not at a uniform rate), women are having fewer children and the number of <u>live births</u> has been reducing in North Somerset. This is also the case nationally, with the <u>general fertility rate</u> falling.

As of 2022 the current age profile in North Somerset is inverted. There are more residents aged over 65 years than aged under 19 years. Sub-national population projections suggest this inversion will continue to increase with fewer young people and more older people year on year.

Considering the split by age bands within the 0-19 population, North Somerset is very similar to regional and national averages.





