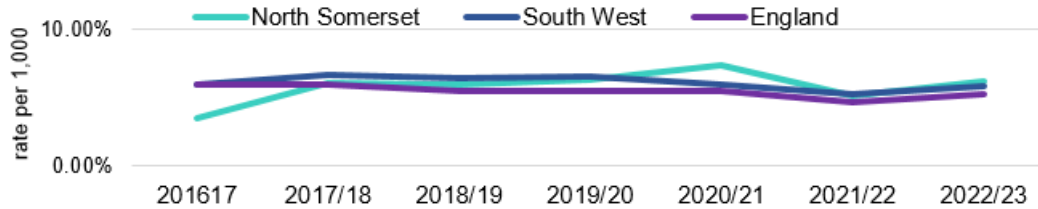


Spotlight report: young people

Post 16 activity

6.2% of young people aged 16-17 were not in education, employment or training in 2023. This is slightly higher compared to the regional level (5.8%) and national (5.2%).

16-17 year olds not in education, employment or training (NEET) or whose activity is not known



Youth justice

The rate of first-time entrants to the youth justice system in North Somerset has fallen from 904.9 per 100,000 in 2010 to 115.0 in 2022, below regional and national averages.

Hospital admissions

As of 2021/22, North Somerset has a rate of 126.8 per 10,000 for hospital admissions caused by unintentional and deliberate injuries in young people (aged 15-24), compared to 140.8 regionally and 118.4 nationally. These rates have fluctuated over recent years but not significantly.

Hospital admissions due to substance misuse for those aged 15-24 is higher in North Somerset than regionally or nationally at 86 per 100,000 compared to 75.6 regionally and 58.3 nationally based on latest data (2020/21-22/23). These rates have fluctuated over recent years but not significantly.

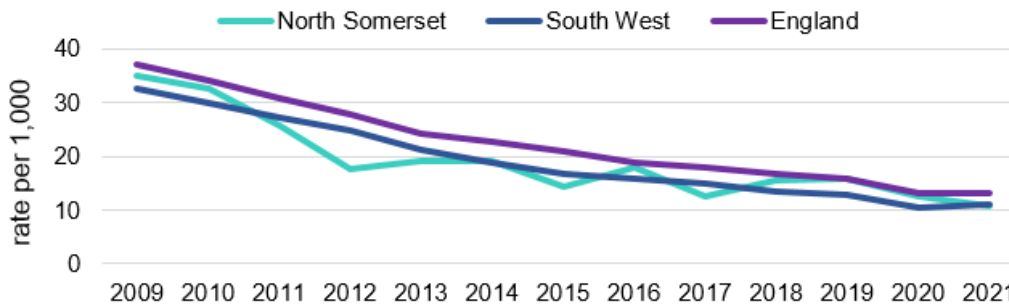
Homelessness

The rate of young people aged 16-24 who were homeless (under the Homeless Reduction Act) in 2021/22 was 2.1 per 1,000. This was slightly lower than the regional and national average.

Sexual health

The under 18 conception rate in North Somerset has been decreasing over the last decade with a rate as of 2020 of 12.5 per 1,000, equivalent to 43 conceptions. This is similar to national averages. The proportion of teenage mothers in North Somerset was 0.6% in 2020/21 compared to 1.5% a decade previously, similar to regional and national averages.

Under 18 conception rate per 1,000 females



Chlamydia

The chlamydia detection rate in North Somerset for those aged 15 to 24 has fallen to 143 per 100,000 in 2022 from 390 per 100,000 in 2012. Whilst some of this decrease can be attributed to the pandemic there has been a gradual fall in the last decade locally, regionally, and nationally.

Hospital admissions due to alcohol specific conditions for those under 18 are also higher in North Somerset than nationally at 42.8 per 100,000 compared to 29.9 per 100,000 nationally based on latest data (2018/19-20/21). These rates have fluctuated over recent years but not significantly.

Hospital admissions as a result of self-harm for those aged 10-14 years have increased over the last decade with a rate of 451.7 per 100,000 in 2022/23 compared to 219 in 2011/12. There has been a similar increase regionally. For those aged 15-19 years the rate in 2022/23 was 893.7 per 100,000 compared to 261.3 per 100,000 in 2011/12, significantly higher than the national average.