

North Wales area profiles 2023

Denbighshire

Population characteristics

Population, age and gender 2022 (ONS MYE)

	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	E & W
	Number	%			
Mid-year population 2022	96,550		688,200	3,131,650	60,238,050
Males	46,950	48.6%	49.0%	49.0%	49.0%
Females	49,600	51.4%	51.0%	51.0%	51.0%
Aged 0-15	17,000	17.6%	17.2%	17.5%	18.5%
Aged 16-29	13,450	13.9%	14.5%	16.4%	17.1%
Aged 30-44	15,400	15.9%	17.1%	18.3%	20.1%
Aged 45-65	27,900	28.9%	28.8%	27.4%	26.6%
Aged 66-84	19,700	20.4%	19.4%	17.6%	15.2%
Aged 85+	3,100	3.2%	3.1%	2.7%	2.5%
Population density 2022 (persons/ha)		1.15	1.12	1.51	3.99
		Change	Change	Change	Change
Mid-year population 2012 (10 years)	94,100	2.6%	-0.1%	2.0%	6.5%
Mid-year population 2021 (last year)	96,050	0.5%	0.2%	0.8%	1.0%

Population characteristics (Census 2021)

	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	E & W
	Number	%			
Born in Wales	56,370	58.8%	59.7%	70.9%	4.5%
Born outside the UK	4,512	4.7%	5.8%	6.9%	16.8%
Ethnicity - white British	90,470	94.4%	93.3%	90.6%	74.4%
Other white	2,018	2.1%	3.5%	3.3%	7.3%
Mixed ethnic group	1,052	1.1%	1.1%	1.6%	2.9%
Other ethnic groups	2,280	2.4%	2.1%	4.6%	15.4%
Religion - Christian	47,226	49.3%	49.8%	43.6%	46.2%
Other religion	1,838	1.9%	1.8%	3.6%	10.6%
No religion	40,297	42.1%	41.7%	46.5%	37.2%
(of persons aged 3+)					
Speak Welsh	20,945	22.5%	29.1%	17.8%	-
No skills in Welsh	62,522	67.2%	61.3%	74.8%	-

Health

Health and provision of care (Census 2021)

	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	E & W
	Number	%			
People with limiting long term illness	22,368	23.3%	20.7%	21.6%	17.5%
People providing unpaid care	10,169	10.6%	9.7%	10.0%	8.4%

Patients with chronic illness, by GP cluster (General Medical Services QAIF, September 2022)

	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales
	Number	%		
Hypertension (high blood pressure)	17,900	17.3%	17.0%	15.7%
Obesity (patients aged 16+)	8,850	10.3%	11.5%	11.8%
Asthma	8,000	7.7%	7.4%	7.2%
Diabetes mellitus (patients aged 17+)	7,050	8.3%	7.9%	8.0%
Coronary heart disease	4,200	4.1%	3.6%	3.5%
Cancer	4,250	4.1%	4.0%	3.4%
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease*	3,100	3.0%	2.5%	2.2%
Stroke	2,300	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%
Heart failure	1,350	1.3%	1.2%	1.2%
Mental health	1,250	1.2%	1.0%	1.0%
Dementia	1,000	1.0%	0.8%	0.7%
Epilepsy (patients aged 18+)	900	1.1%	0.9%	1.0%

* lung diseases including chronic bronchitis and emphysema

Based on clusters of GP surgeries as identified by local health boards. The health boards have formally developed arrangements for small groups of GP practices to work collaboratively to develop services in the community, serving populations of between 30 and 50 thousand patients. Clusters are best fit to the sub areas and do not exactly match the same boundaries.

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Housing and living arrangements						
Households (Census 2021)						
	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	E & W	
	Number	%				
Total households	42,387		301,374	1,347,114	24,783,199	
Household composition						
All one person households	14,107	33.3%	32.2%	31.9%	30.2%	
- one person; aged 66+	6,982	16.5%	15.8%	14.6%	12.9%	
All households with dependent children	10,665	25.2%	25.5%	26.5%	28.4%	
- lone parents with dependents	3,235	7.6%	7.2%	7.6%	6.9%	
All households of only pensioners	12,083	28.5%	27.2%	24.9%	22.2%	
Population in private households	94,182	98.3%	98.3%	98.2%	98.3%	
Average household size		2.22	2.24	2.27	2.36	
Household facilities						
No central heating	546	1.3%	1.6%	1.2%	1.5%	
Overcrowded	1,459	3.4%	3.2%	3.1%	6.3%	
No car	7,969	18.8%	17.3%	19.4%	23.3%	
Tenure						
Owner occupied	28,174	66.5%	67.4%	66.4%	62.5%	
Rented from social landlord	5,648	13.3%	15.6%	16.5%	17.1%	
Other rented	8,492	20.0%	16.6%	17.0%	20.3%	
Dwellings by council tax band (VOA, March 2023)						
	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales		
	Number	%				
Total dwellings	46,060	100%	333,200	1,469,150		
Band A	4,110	8.9%	9.7%	14.5%		
Band B	7,320	15.9%	18.2%	20.8%		
Band C	14,730	32.0%	26.3%	21.8%		
Band D	7,970	17.3%	18.4%	16.2%		
Band E	5,570	12.1%	14.3%	13.5%		
Band F	3,840	8.3%	8.5%	8.2%		
Band G	2,040	4.4%	3.6%	3.7%		
Band H	310	0.7%	0.7%	0.9%		
Band I	170	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%		
House prices (Land Registry, 2022; CACI PayCheck, 2022)						
	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	E & W	
	£		£	£	£	£
Median (All house types)	180,000		190,000	190,000	272,500	
Lower quartile (All house types)	142,500		143,000	136,000	175,000	
Ratio income:houseprice (median)		5.9	6.0	6.1	7.4	
Ratio income:houseprice (lower quartile)		8.1	7.9	7.6	8.5	
Housing related benefits (DWP, August 2023)						
	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	GB	
	Number	%				
Total claimants	9,045	100%	57,670	278,650	5,687,480	
- housing benefit	4,260	47.1%	44.3%	44.7%	41.7%	
- Universal Credit housing element	4,780	52.9%	55.7%	55.3%	58.3%	
- social rented	4,915	53.7%	65.5%	67.7%	63.6%	
- private rented	4,130	45.1%	33.6%	31.4%	35.0%	
- households with children	3,395	37.5%	38.6%	38.3%	40.1%	
- single person aged 16-65	3,180	35.2%	34.0%	36.4%	36.5%	
- single person aged 66+	1,680	18.6%	19.3%	17.3%	16.6%	

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Community safety

Crime incidences (North Wales Police)

	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	E & W
(year end 31st March)	Number	Rate*			
All crime incidences 2022/23	11,059	114.53	92.47	88.04	92.71
Violence against the person	5,401	55.94	43.45	37.14	35.08
Theft & handling	1,521	15.75	13.48	13.35	17.31
Criminal damage & arson	1,080	11.18	10.26	9.95	8.81

*annual crime rate per 1,000 population

Economy and employment

Industry of employment (Census 2021)

	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	E & W
	Number	%			
All in employment (aged 16 and over)	40,849		313,304	1,368,454	27,773,661
Agriculture, forestry & fishing	1,091	2.7%	2.3%	1.8%	0.9%
Mining, quarrying, energy, water	655	1.6%	2.0%	1.9%	1.5%
Manufacturing	3,180	7.8%	10.2%	8.7%	7.3%
Construction	3,745	9.2%	8.7%	8.6%	8.7%
Wholesale & retail	5,893	14.4%	14.7%	14.5%	15.0%
Transport & storage	1,458	3.6%	3.7%	3.8%	5.0%
Accommodation & food services	2,305	5.6%	6.1%	5.2%	4.9%
Communication, finance, property	2,036	5.0%	5.4%	6.9%	9.9%
Professional, scientific, technical	1,645	4.0%	4.0%	4.4%	6.6%
Administrative & support services	1,714	4.2%	4.6%	4.2%	5.2%
Public administration & defence	3,094	7.6%	7.7%	9.2%	5.9%
Education	3,623	8.9%	9.4%	9.6%	9.8%
Health & social work	8,662	21.2%	17.0%	17.0%	14.7%
Other	1,748	4.3%	4.3%	4.2%	4.6%
Work mainly at or from home	8,600	21.1%	21.7%	25.6%	31.2%
No qualifications (all aged 16+)	15,668	19.9%	18.7%	19.9%	18.2%
Level 4+ qualification	24,010	30.4%	31.1%	31.5%	33.8%

Social class (Census 2021)

	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	E & W
	Number	%			
All aged 16 and over	78,908		568,242	2,559,416	48,566,373
Managerial & professional	23,479	29.8%	29.6%	29.6%	33.0%
Skilled	22,870	29.0%	29.3%	27.9%	27.4%
Part / unskilled	21,279	27.0%	27.1%	26.3%	23.4%
Students & other	11,280	14.3%	14.0%	16.2%	16.2%

Unemployment (claimant count) (NOMIS, 2023)

	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	GB
	Number	%			
October 2023	1,930	3.5%	3.0%	3.2%	3.7%
July 2023 (previous quarter)	1,935	3.5%	3.1%	3.2%	3.7%
October 2022 (previous year)	1,950	3.5%	3.0%	3.2%	3.5%
October 2018 (5 years ago)	1,430	2.6%	2.3%	2.3%	2.2%
Claimants aged 16-24 (Oct-23)*	400	20.7%	19.4%	20.8%	18.0%
Claimants aged 50+ (Oct-23)*	455	23.6%	24.3%	21.6%	22.6%

Rounded to nearest 5. * % is of all claimants.

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Income and benefits

Household income (CACI PayCheck, 2023)

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	£	%			
Median income (annual)	32,500		33,400	33,650	39,300
Lower quartile	18,750		19,200	19,200	21,900
Households below 60% GB median (=< £23,572)		34.8%	33.6%	33.5%	28.1%

Benefits (DWP, May 2023)

There is a discontinuity in the benefits data, as Universal Credit is rolled out and starts to replace older awards systems. % is of all in that age group.

	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	GB
	Number	%			
Children (aged 0-15)					
Disability Living Allowance (DLA)	1,230	7.2%	6.1%	5.8%	5.3%
Working age (aged 16-65)					
Universal Credit	9,400	16.6%	14.8%	15.1%	14.2%
Job Seekers Allowance (JSA)	135	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Employment & Support Allowance (ESA)	3,475	6.1%	4.9%	5.8%	3.8%
Disability Living Allowance (DLA)	205	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%	0.5%
Personal Independence Payments (PIP)	6,515	11.5%	9.0%	9.9%	6.7%
Carer's Allowance	2,280	4.0%	3.1%	3.3%	2.5%
Pensioners (aged 66+)					
State Pension	22,730				
Pension Credit	3,100	13.6%	12.4%	12.9%	11.9%
Attendance Allowance	4,015	17.6%	16.4%	16.7%	14.0%
Disability Living Allowance (DLA)	1,325	5.8%	5.1%	6.7%	4.1%
Personal Independence Payments (PIP)	1,430	6.3%	5.3%	6.8%	4.6%
Carer's Allowance	1,015	4.5%	3.7%	3.9%	2.7%

Poverty and deprivation

Children in low income families - relative income poverty (DWP, 2021/22)

	Denbighshire		North Wales	Wales	GB
Children in in-work families	3,805	22.4%	21.9%	21.6%	17.5%
Children in out-of-work families	960	5.7%	5.1%	5.5%	7.3%
Total	4,765	28.0%	27.0%	27.1%	24.7%

As % all children aged 0-15. 'In work' is working 16 hrs a week or more. Relative income poverty = below 60% of UK median.

Welsh index of multiple deprivation (Welsh Government, 2019)

	Denbighshire		North Wales	
	10%	25%	10%	25%
Total LSOAs in area	58		423	
No. LSOAs in most deprived:	10%	25%	10%	25%
In each deprivation domain				
Overall Index	7	11	23	65
Income	7	13	25	71
Employment	7	12	20	59
Health	10	12	25	64
Education	5	12	26	79
Access to services	8	19	53	134
Housing	6	16	44	101
Community safety	1	3	3	15
Physical environment	9	18	39	107

Deprivation data shows how many lower super output areas (LSOAs) in the area are in the 10% and 25% most deprived LSOAs in Wales.

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