

Children and young people aged under 20

Demographics factsheet, 2024

Key facts

In 2021, there were approximately **60,600*** children and young people

50% of this population are **0 to 9 year olds**

74% are from **Black, Asian and Multi-Ethnic** groups.

Of which, **35%** identify as **Black**
(**18% Black African**
10% Black Caribbean
7% Black Other)

16% Mixed
10% White Other
6% Asian
6% Other

There were **3,072 live births** in 2023

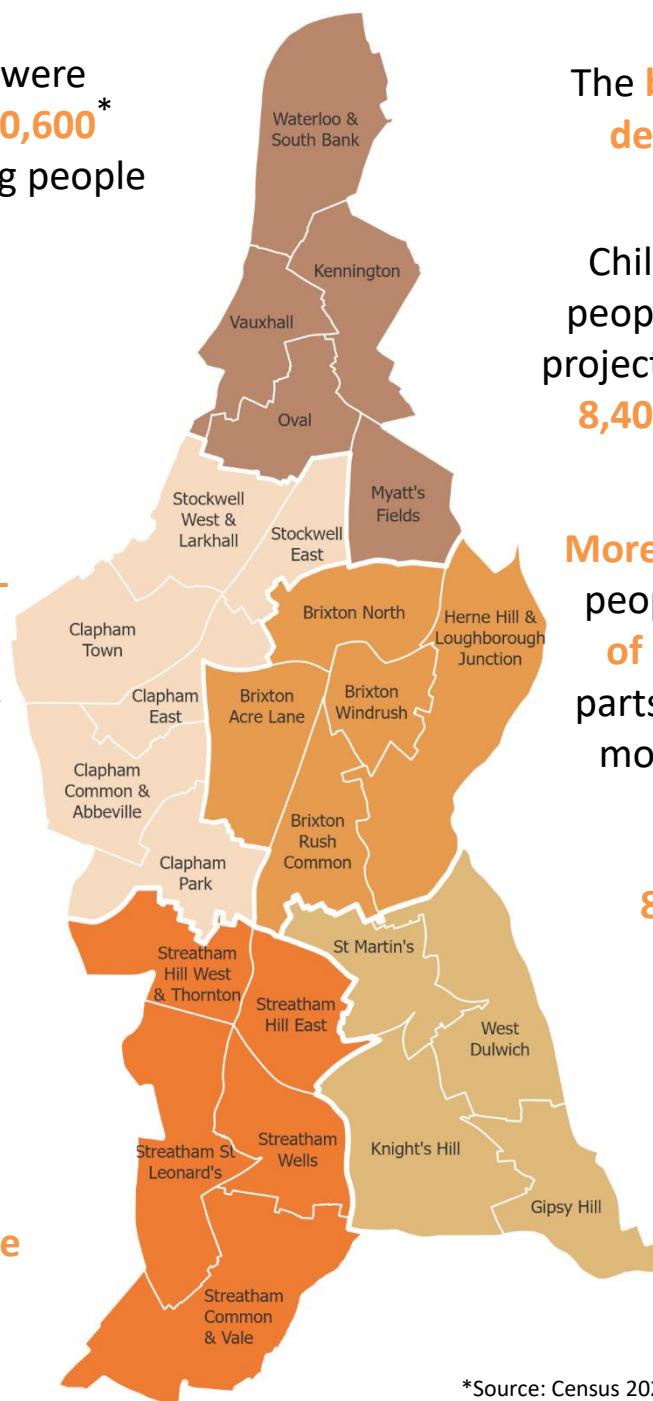
The **birthrate** is **decreasing**

Children and young people's population is projected to decrease by **8,400 (14%)** by 2033

More children and young people are **moving out of Lambeth** to other parts of the UK than are moving into Lambeth

8% of children aged 0 to 15 were **born outside the UK**

There were **4.1 infant deaths** per **1,000 live births** between 2019-21



*Source: Census 2021 *Table TS007 - Age by single year

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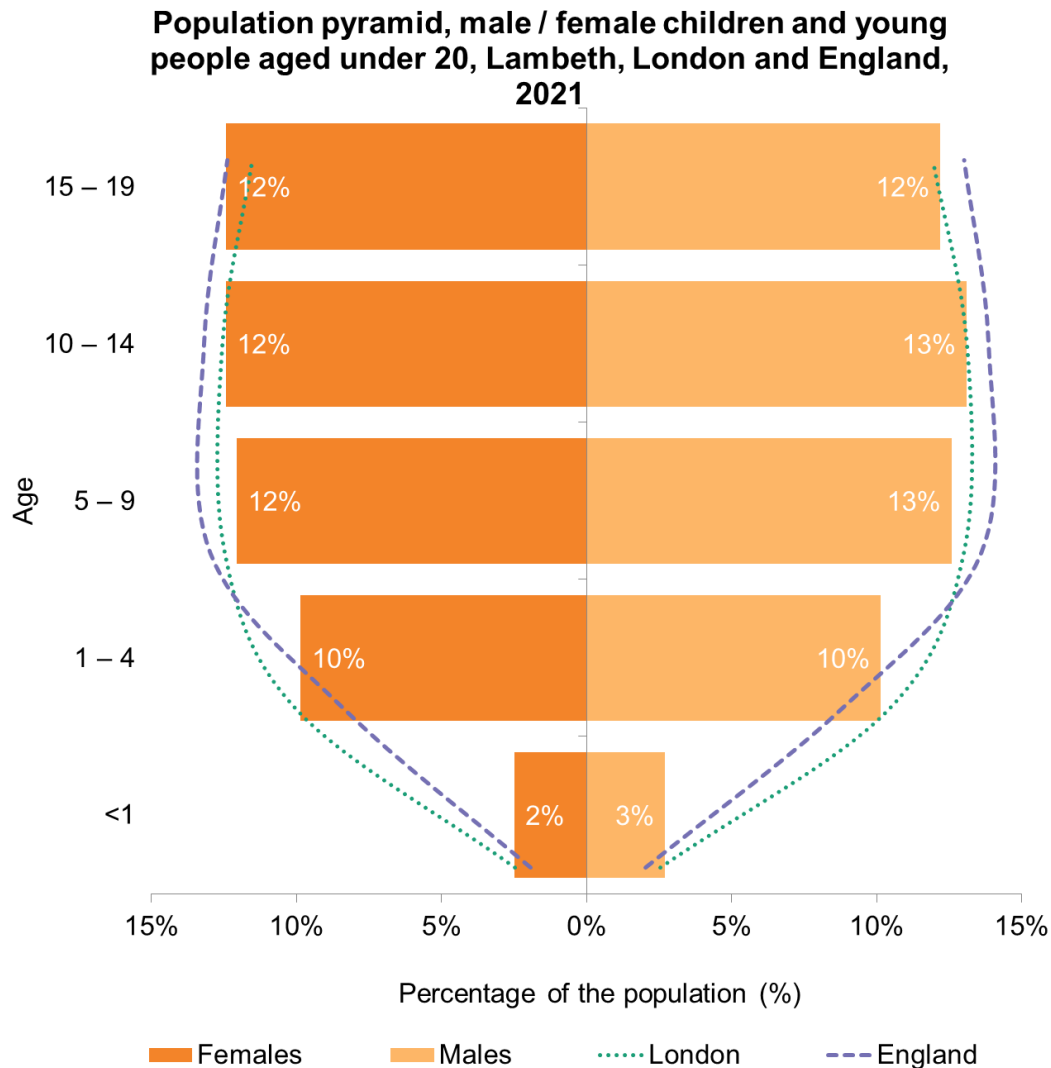
Census 2021 tables - A number of ready-made published tables have been used throughout this factsheet which result in differing totals depending on the methodology used to create those tables. In order to fulfil ONS's legal obligation to protect against disclosure of personal information, records may have been swapped between different geographic areas and counts perturbed by small amounts. Small counts at the lowest geographies will be most affected.

Ward boundaries - Following the Local Government Boundary Commission for England's review of electoral wards, Lambeth Council adopted new wards for the May 2022 local elections. Census 2021 data used in this profile uses new ward geography to describe the population of children and young people under 20 in terms of age breakdown, sex, ethnicity and wards.

Data for children in low-income families in this profile is calculated based on pre-2022 boundaries. Future child poverty data may be published at new ward boundary level when available.

Children & young people - population by age and sex

The chart below shows the breakdown by age and sex, of Lambeth's younger population aged under 20 years in comparison to the breakdown in London and England as a whole.

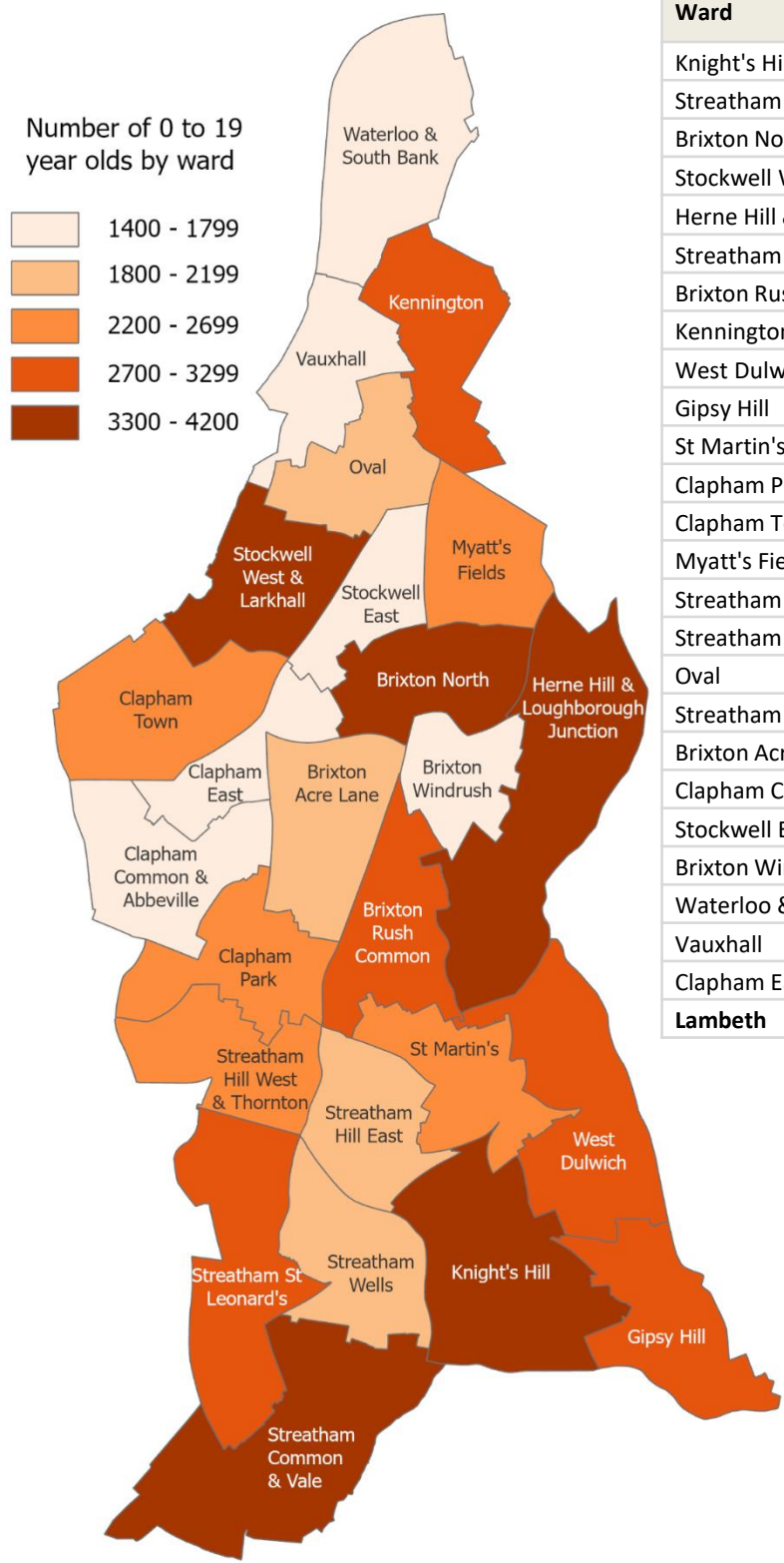


Source: Census 2021, table RM200 - Sex by single year of age

- According to Census 2021, there were **60,623** resident children and young people aged under 20 years in Lambeth
- Children and young people under the age of 20 make up **19%** of Lambeth's population in 2021
- This is lower than the **London** and **England** proportions at **24%** and **26%** respectively
- The children and young people's population is **evenly split** between **males** and **females**

Population Structure - ward geography

Nearly one fifth (19%) of Lambeth's total population is aged under 20 but the total number (and % of total population) varies by ward.



Ward	Aged under 20	All Ages	Proportion (%) of ward
Knight's Hill	4,189	16,915	25%
Streatham Common & Vale	3,835	17,662	22%
Brixton North	3,333	16,337	20%
Stockwell West & Larkhall	3,286	16,333	20%
Herne Hill & Loughborough Junction	3,274	16,154	20%
Streatham St Leonard's	3,151	15,824	20%
Brixton Rush Common	3,062	14,926	21%
Kennington	2,860	14,605	20%
West Dulwich	2,636	11,382	23%
Gipsy Hill	2,579	10,260	25%
St Martin's	2,531	10,840	23%
Clapham Park	2,300	12,702	18%
Clapham Town	2,272	15,902	14%
Myatt's Fields	2,184	10,924	20%
Streatham Hill West & Thornton	2,117	10,886	19%
Streatham Hill East	2,044	9,884	21%
Oval	1,920	12,438	15%
Streatham Wells	1,917	9,746	20%
Brixton Acre Lane	1,810	15,251	12%
Clapham Common & Abbeville	1,634	10,026	16%
Stockwell East	1,624	10,738	15%
Brixton Windrush	1,611	9,487	17%
Waterloo & South Bank	1,573	8,853	18%
Vauxhall	1,449	9,714	15%
Clapham East	1,425	9,840	14%
Lambeth	60,616	317,629	19%

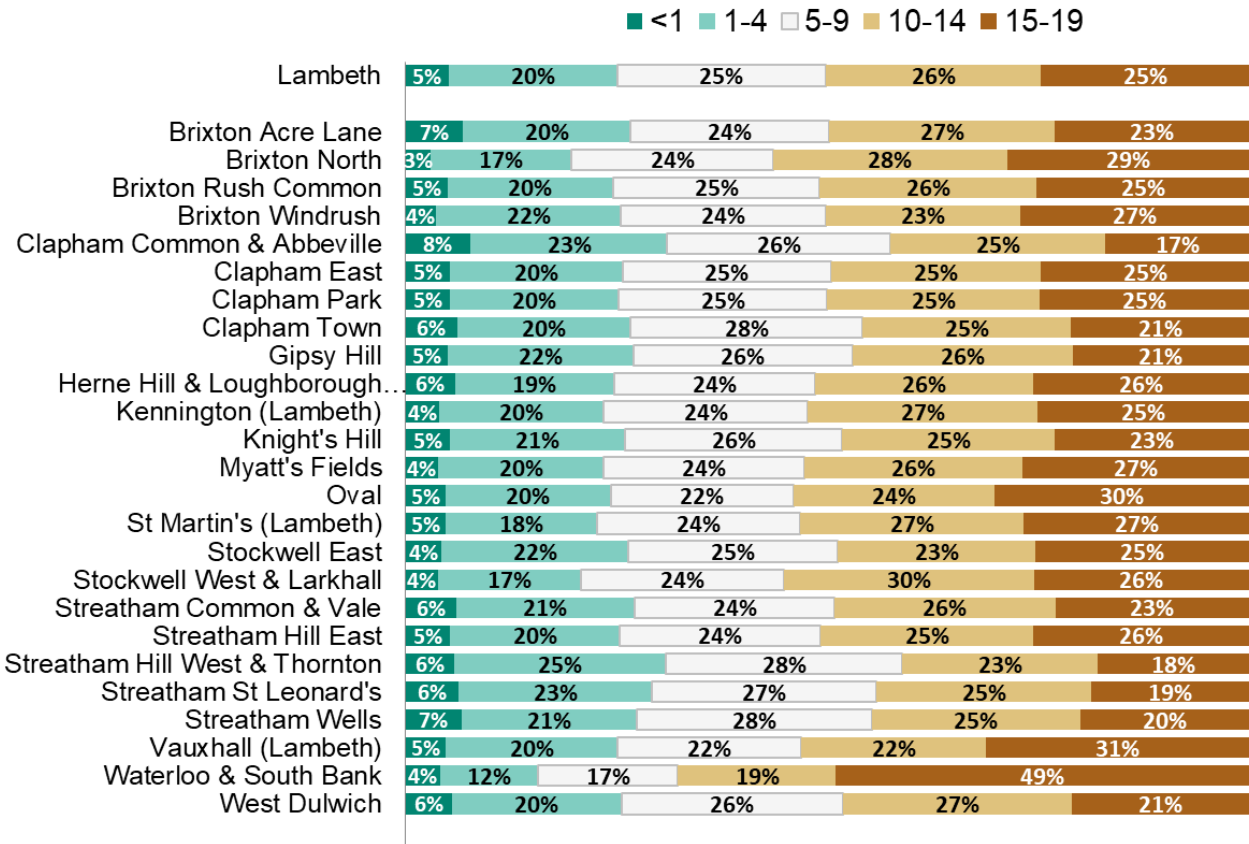
- A quarter of Knight's hill's population is under 20 years of age, which alongside Gipsy Hill is the highest proportion per ward when comparing all Lambeth wards.
- Comparing Lambeth's under 20s ward populations, Knight's Hill in the south has the largest 0 to 19 population in terms of absolute numbers.

Source: Table RM200 - Sex by single year of age, Census 2021

Population - proportion by age and ward

The distribution of young people by age band varies considerably by Lambeth wards.

Proportion of children and young people aged under 20 by age group and ward in Lambeth, 2021



Source: Census 2021, table RM200 - Sex by single year of age




- **Clapham Common & Abbeville** has the highest proportion of **under 1** year olds (**8%**)
- **Streatham Hill West & Thornton** has highest proportion of **1-4** year olds (**25%**)
- **Clapham Town. Streatham Hill West & Thornton** and **Streatham Wells** wards all have **28%** of the under 20 population being aged **5-9** years
- **Stockwell West & Larkhall** has highest proportion of **10-14** year olds (**30%**)
- **Waterloo & South Bank** has the highest proportion of **15-19** year olds (**49%**)

Population counts by age and ward

The table below shows the number of children and young people by age group and ward.

Ward	<1	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	Under 20	All Ages
Brixton Acre Lane	125	358	427	483	417	1,810	15,251
Brixton North	103	553	798	923	956	3,333	16,337
Brixton Rush Common	155	599	751	787	770	3,062	14,926
Brixton Windrush	60	351	392	372	436	1,611	9,487
Clapham Common & Abbeville	127	381	432	416	278	1,634	10,026
Clapham East	76	291	352	355	351	1,425	9,840
Clapham Park	123	460	567	580	570	2,300	12,702
Clapham Town	142	464	626	561	479	2,272	15,902
Gipsy Hill	130	567	671	672	539	2,579	10,260
Herne Hill & Loughborough Junction	193	617	780	846	838	3,274	16,154
Kennington (Lambeth)	115	558	691	779	717	2,860	14,605
Knight's Hill	221	870	1,080	1,055	963	4,189	16,915
Myatt's Fields	87	427	520	565	585	2,184	10,924
Oval	92	376	415	457	580	1,920	12,438
St Martin's (Lambeth)	122	453	609	671	676	2,531	10,840
Stockwell East	70	359	403	381	411	1,624	10,738
Stockwell West & Larkhall	128	556	792	972	838	3,286	16,333
Streatham Common & Vale	232	811	908	1,004	880	3,835	17,662
Streatham Hill East	109	411	487	514	523	2,044	9,884
Streatham Hill West & Thornton	123	532	593	490	379	2,117	10,886
Streatham St Leonard's	199	723	839	799	591	3,151	15,824
Streatham Wells	130	396	535	472	384	1,917	9,746
Vauxhall (Lambeth)	69	296	315	317	452	1,449	9,714
Waterloo & South Bank	65	182	262	294	770	1,573	8,853
West Dulwich	146	530	692	716	552	2,636	11,382
Lambeth	3,142	12,121	14,937	15,481	14,935	60,616	317,629

Source: Census 2021, table RM200 - Sex by single year of age

-  Ward has a **higher** proportion of population in this age group than Lambeth as a whole
-  Ward has a **lower** proportion of population in this age group than Lambeth as a whole
-  Ward has a **similar** proportion of population in this age group than Lambeth as a whole

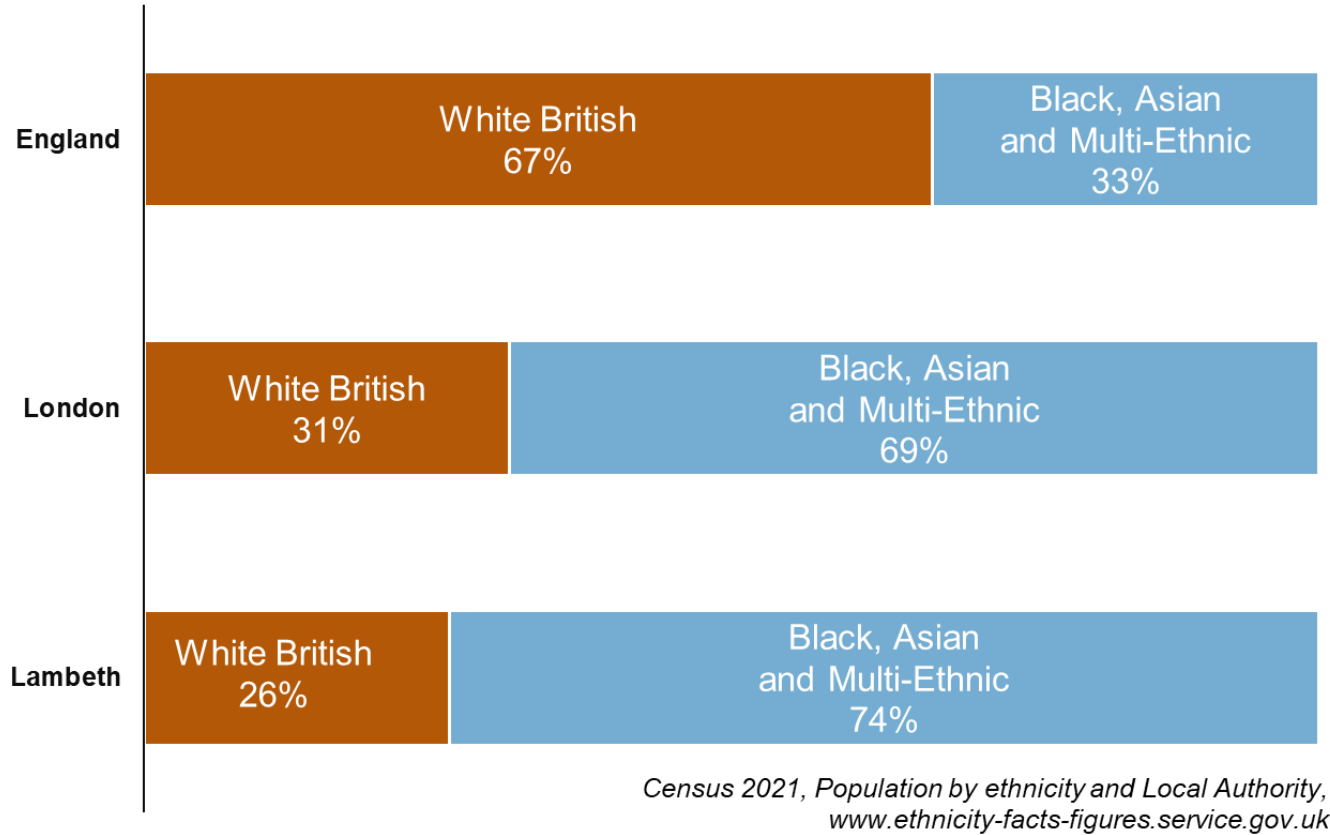
- In 5 out of 21 wards, the share of 15-19 year olds is **higher** than the Lambeth average, but 8 wards have a significantly **lower** proportion in the 15-19 age group.
- 2 out of 12 wards have a **higher** than Lambeth average of 10-14 year olds.

NB: The colour coding in this table has been applied by comparing the **proportion** of children within a given age group in a **ward** with the **proportion** of children in that age group **across the borough**. Colour has been applied where the proportion of children in the given age group in the ward is different to that in the borough by a statistically significant amount.

Population - broad ethnic groups

The chart shows the ethnicity of children and young people aged under 20 in Lambeth compared to London and England.

Ethnicity in Children and young people Lambeth, London, England, 2021



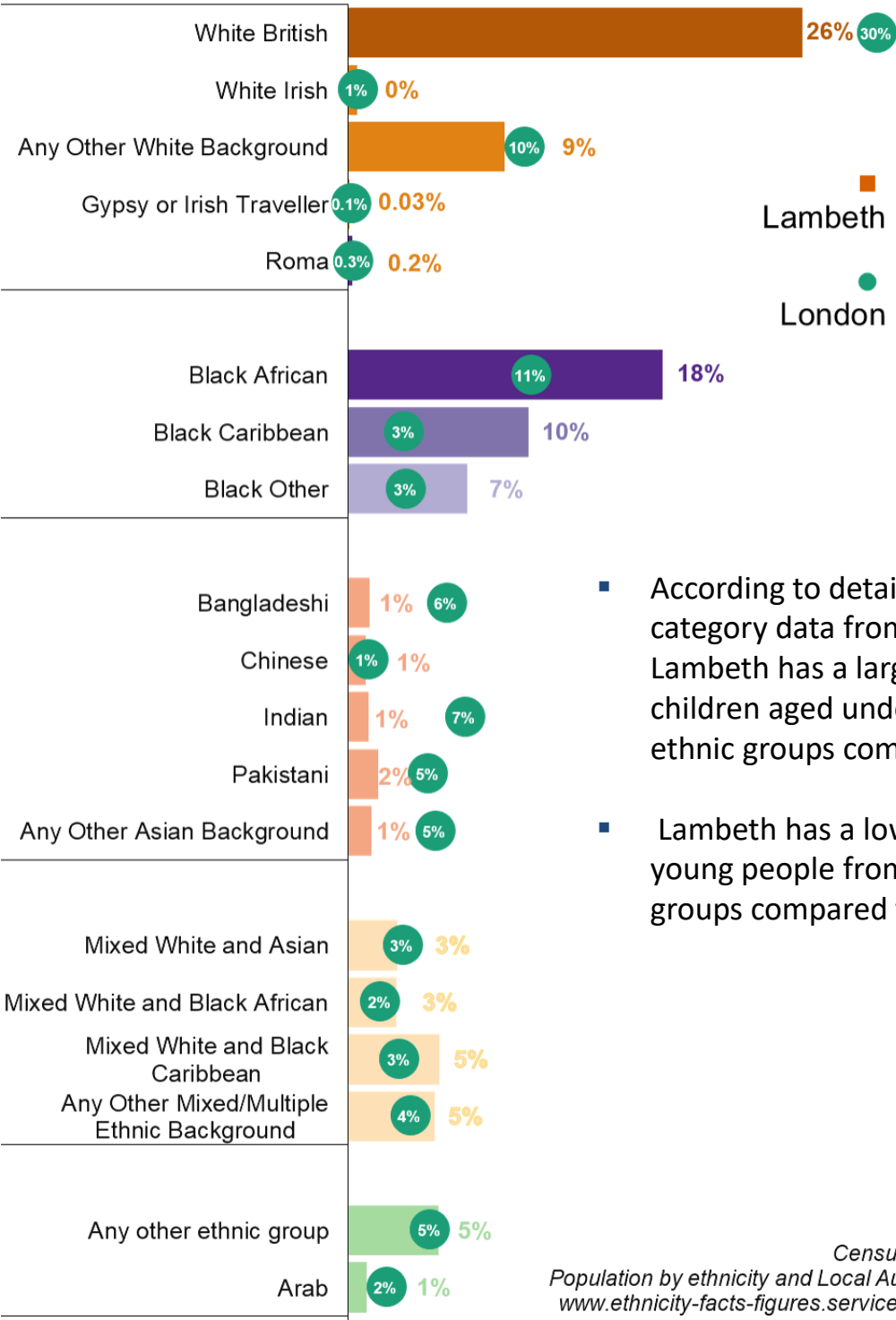
- In Lambeth 3 out of 4 children aged under 20 are from the Black, Asian and Multi-Ethnic group

	Lambeth	London	England
White British	16,527	832,305	11,046,840
Black, Asian and Multi-Ethnic	47,195	1,842,225	5,425,475

Population - detailed ethnic groups

The chart shows the detailed ethnicity breakdown of Lambeth’s children and young people's population under 20 years.

Children and young people aged under 20,
Proportion by ethnicity in Lambeth and London, 2021

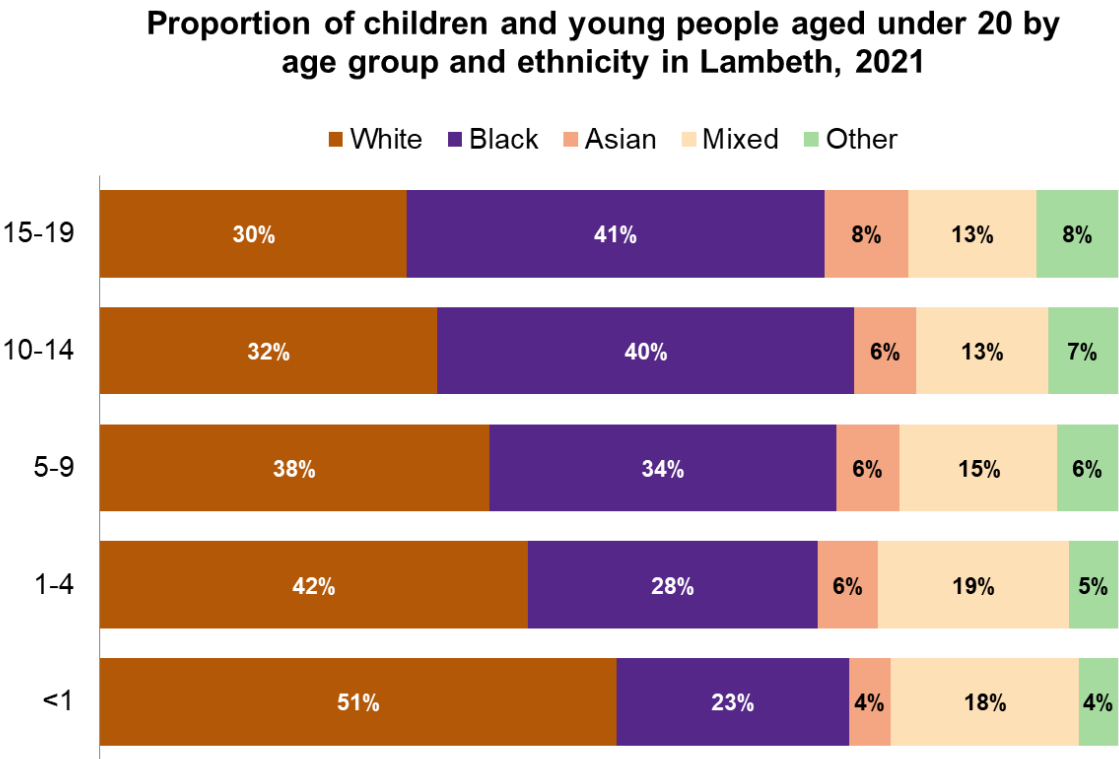


- According to detailed ethnic category data from Census 2021, Lambeth has a larger proportion of children aged under 20 from Black ethnic groups compared to London.
- Lambeth has a lower proportion of young people from Asian ethnic groups compared to London.

Census 2021,
Population by ethnicity and Local Authority,
www.ethnicity-facts-figures.service.gov.uk

Population - age and broad ethnic groups

The chart shows the ethnicity of children and young people aged under 20 by age groups in Lambeth.



Census 2021, Population by ethnicity and Local Authority, www.ethnicity-facts-figures.service.gov.uk

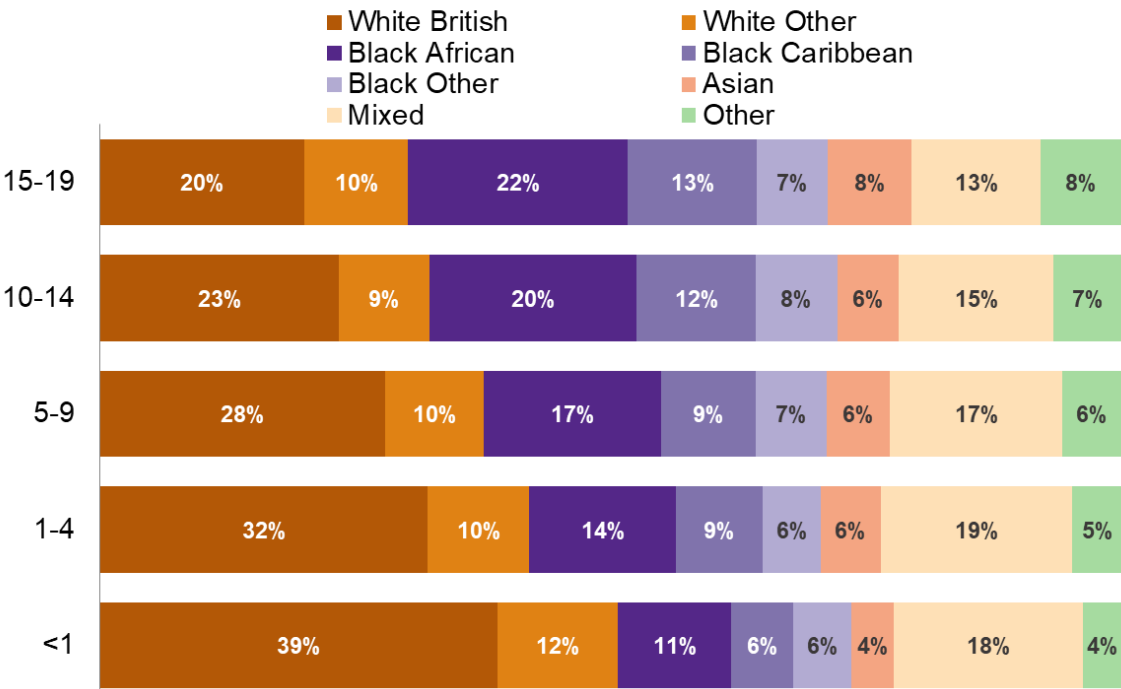
- The younger age groups are less diverse than the older age groups within the children and young people’s population.
- The population becomes more ethnically diverse as age increases.

	Lambeth	London	England
White	21,819	867,025	9,485,210
Black	21,488	355,660	751,015
Asian	3,907	481,230	1,609,370
Mixed	9,625	238,370	864,400
Other	3,793	143,060	347,865

Population - age and detailed ethnic groups

The chart shows the detailed ethnicity of children and young people aged under 20 by age group in Lambeth.

Proportion of children and young people aged under 20 by age group and ethnicity in Lambeth, 2021



Census 2021, Population by ethnicity and Local Authority, www.ethnicity-facts-figures.service.gov.uk

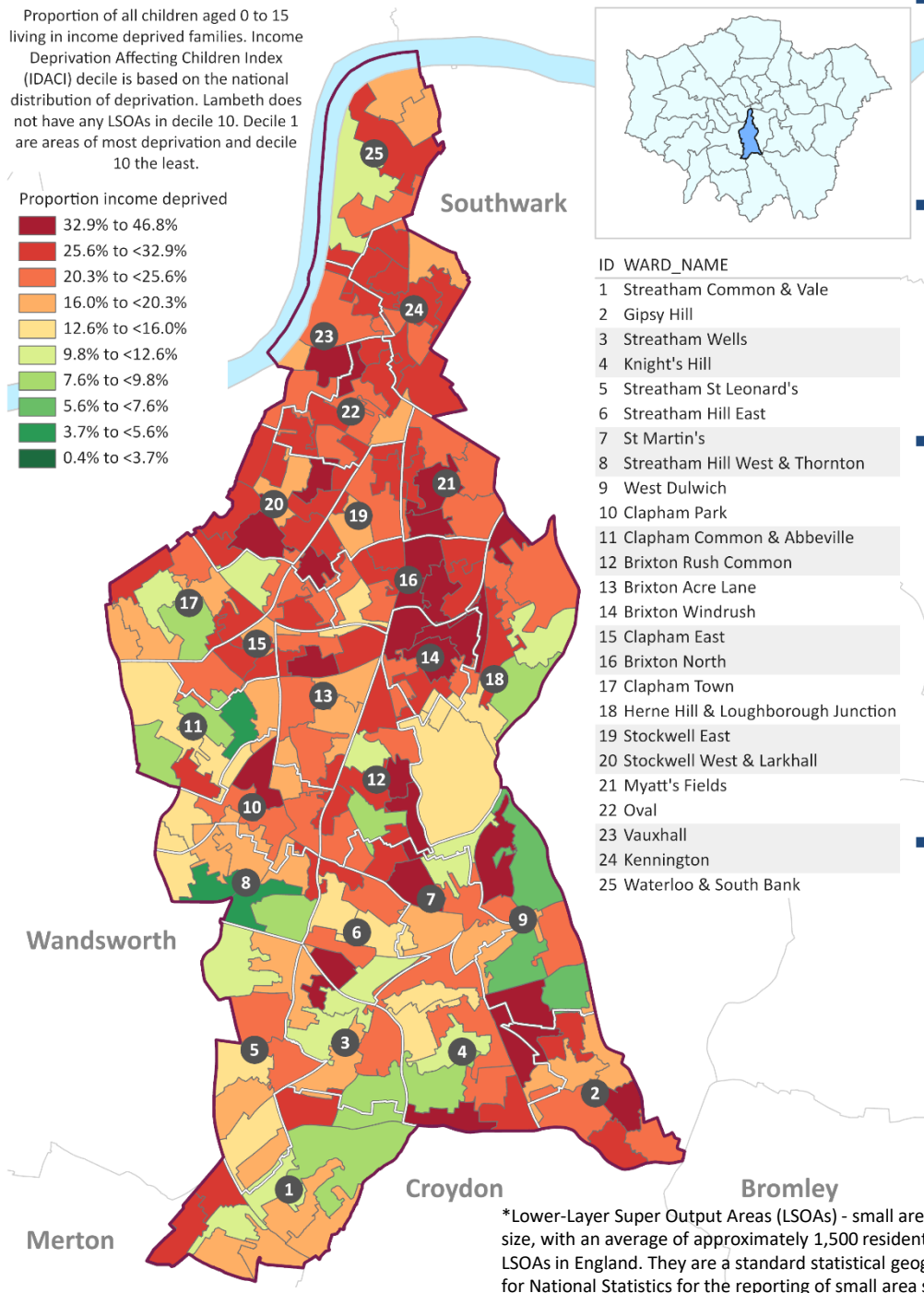
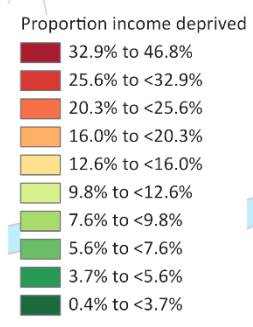
- 22% of the 15-19 year old age group are Black African. This is the greatest proportion of Black African children compared to all other age groups.
- 39% of the under 1 age group is White British which is the greatest proportion of this ethnic category compared to all other age groups.

Age	White British	White Other	African	Caribbean	Black Other	Asian	Mixed	Other	Total
<1	1,222	372	348	190	180	130	581	119	3,142
1-4	3,894	1,205	1,735	1,034	684	714	2,275	587	12,128
5-9	4,176	1,442	2,584	1,394	1,031	919	2,527	870	14,943
10-14	3,617	1,385	3,130	1,800	1,245	918	2,358	1,030	15,483
15-19	2,985	1,521	3,215	1,887	1,031	1,226	1,884	1,187	14,936
Total	15,894	5,925	11,012	6,305	4,171	3,907	9,625	3,793	60,632

Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index, 2019

The Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (IDACI) measures the proportion of all children aged 0 to 15 living in income deprived families by Lower Layer Super Output Area (LSOA)*. It is a subset of the Income Deprivation Domain which measures the proportion of the population in an area experiencing deprivation relating to low income. The definition of low income used includes both those people that are out-of-work, and those that are in work but who have low earnings.

Proportion of all children aged 0 to 15 living in income deprived families. Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (IDACI) decile is based on the national distribution of deprivation. Lambeth does not have any LSOAs in decile 10. Decile 1 are areas of most deprivation and decile 10 the least.



ID	WARD_NAME
1	Streatham Common & Vale
2	Gipsy Hill
3	Streatham Wells
4	Knight's Hill
5	Streatham St Leonard's
6	Streatham Hill East
7	St Martin's
8	Streatham Hill West & Thornton
9	West Dulwich
10	Clapham Park
11	Clapham Common & Abbeville
12	Brixton Rush Common
13	Brixton Acre Lane
14	Brixton Windrush
15	Clapham East
16	Brixton North
17	Clapham Town
18	Herne Hill & Loughborough Junction
19	Stockwell East
20	Stockwell West & Larkhall
21	Myatt's Fields
22	Oval
23	Vauxhall
24	Kennington
25	Waterloo & South Bank

- Comparing the London boroughs, Lambeth ranks **6th most deprived**.
- In Lambeth as a whole, **23%** of children are living in income-deprived households
- **38%** of Lambeth's LSOAs, equivalent to 68 of Lambeth's 178 LSOAs, are in the **20% most deprived locally** compared to 3 LSOAs (2%) in the 20% least deprived.
- **Brixton North and Brixton Windrush wards** have a **higher proportion** of LSOAs experiencing a greater level of income deprivation affecting children.

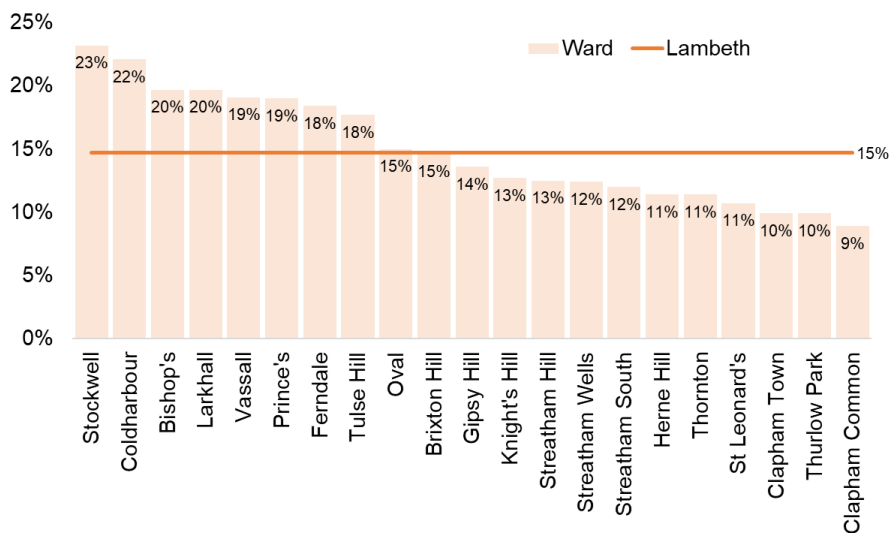
*Lower-Layer Super Output Areas (LSOAs) - small areas designed to be of a similar population size, with an average of approximately 1,500 residents or 650 households. There are 32,844 LSOAs in England. They are a standard statistical geography and were produced by the Office for National Statistics for the reporting of small area statistics

Children in low-income families

The children in low-income families statistics provide information on the number and proportion of children living in Relative and Absolute low income before housing costs. A family must have claimed Child Benefit and at least one other household benefit (Universal Credit, tax credits, or Housing Benefit) at any point in the year to be classed as low income in these statistics.

Absolute low income is defined as a family in low income before housing costs in the reference year in comparison with incomes in financial year ending 2011.

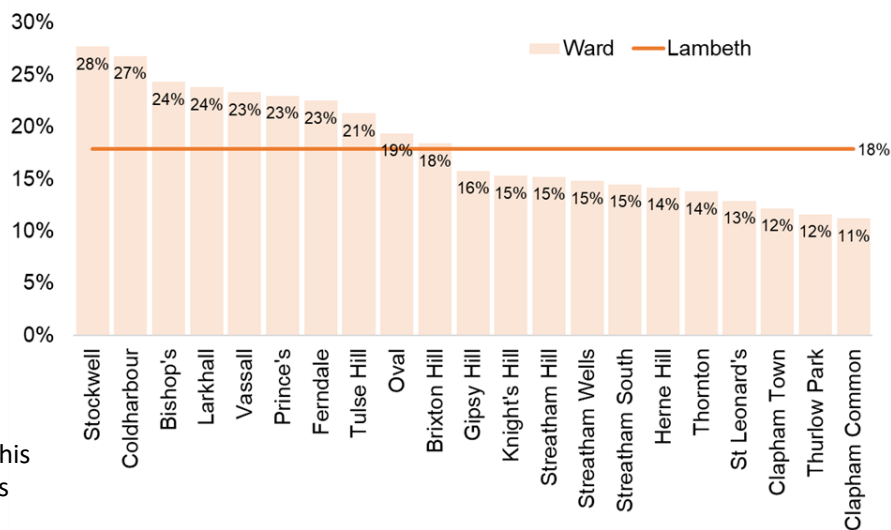
Percentage of Children aged 0 to 15 in Absolute Low Income Families, Lambeth wards*, 2021



- **8,205** children under 16 years lived in **Absolute low-income families** in 2020 to 2021 before housing costs.
- This represents **15%** of children **under 16** in Lambeth.

Relative low income is defined as a family in low income before housing costs in the reference year.

Percentage of Children aged 0 to 15 in Relative Low Income Families, Lambeth wards*, 2021



- **9,961** children under 16 years lived in **Relative low-income families** in 2020 to 2021 before housing costs.
- This represents **18%** of children under 16 in Lambeth.

*Data for children in low-income families in this profile is calculated based on pre-2022 wards

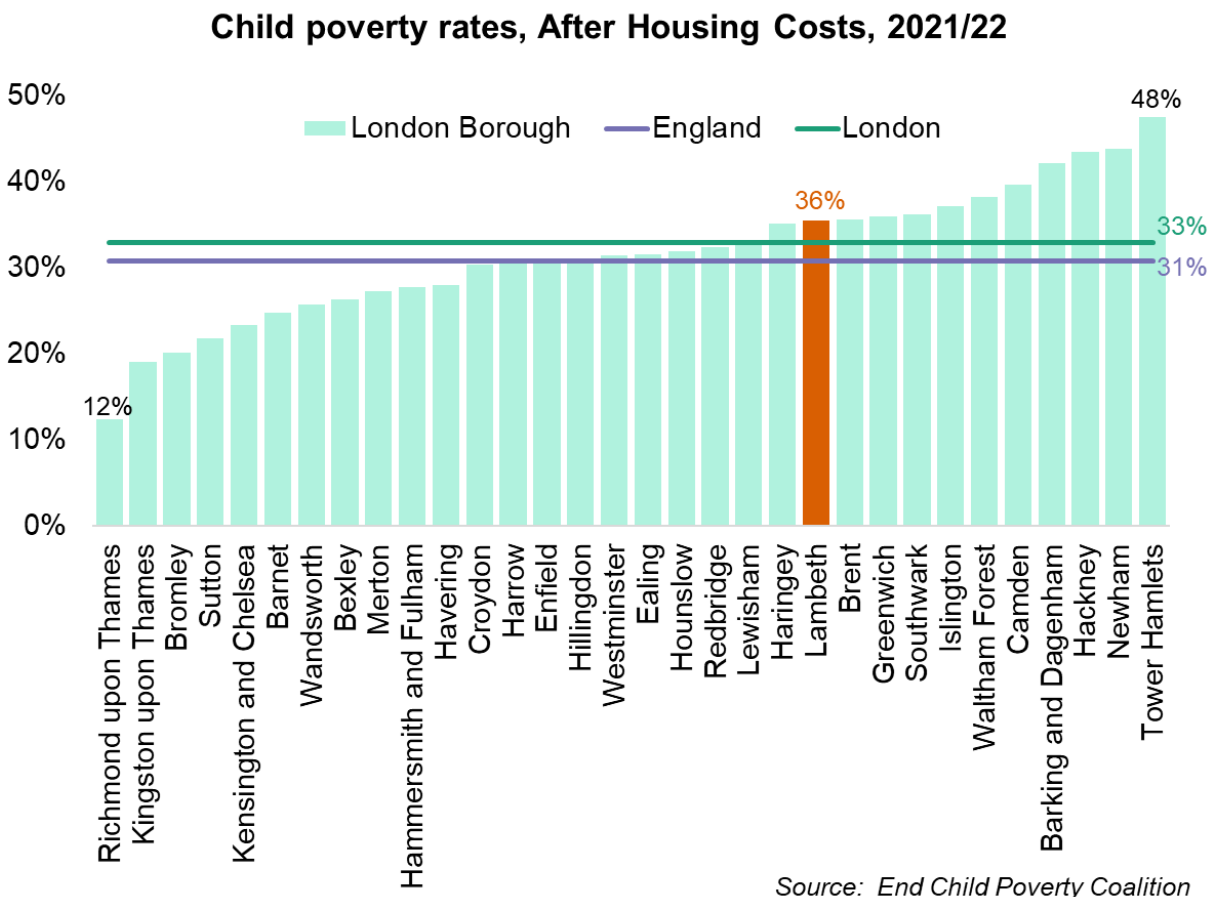
Source: Department of Work and Pensions

Child poverty

At the beginning of July 2022, the End Child Poverty Coalition and the Centre for Research in Social Policy at Loughborough University released new research showing local child poverty rates, After Housing Costs (AHC) .

The figures are based on the Department for Work and Pensions children in low-income families local area statistics which estimates the poverty rate before housing costs.

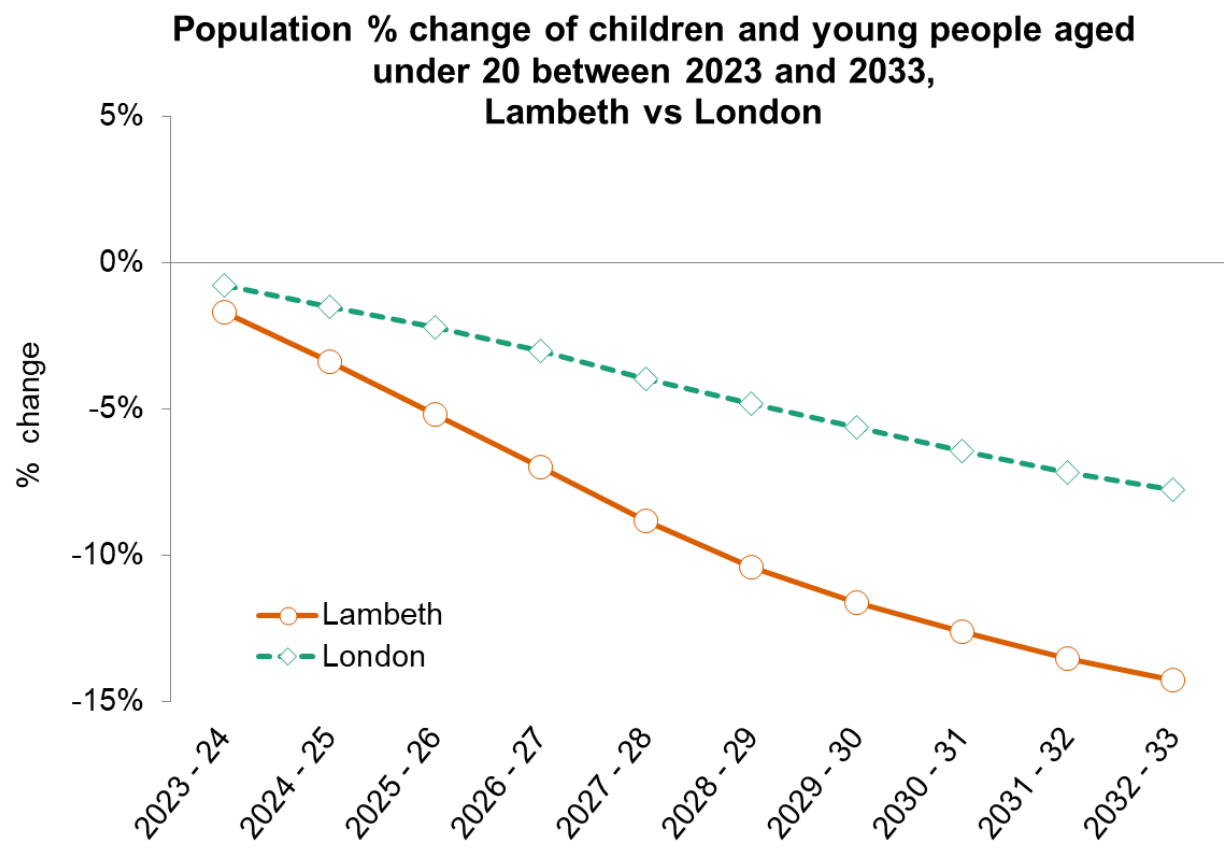
A statistical model is used to estimate child poverty after housing costs which draws on household survey data alongside local area statistics on private rent levels



- Data for 2021/22 estimates there are **21,812 children** living in Lambeth in child poverty, after housing costs - nearly 2 in 5 children.

Population change - 2023 to 2033

The proportion of children and young people under the age of 20 in Lambeth is projected to decrease by **14%** between 2023 and 2033; the population is expected to fall from **59,300 to 50,800**.



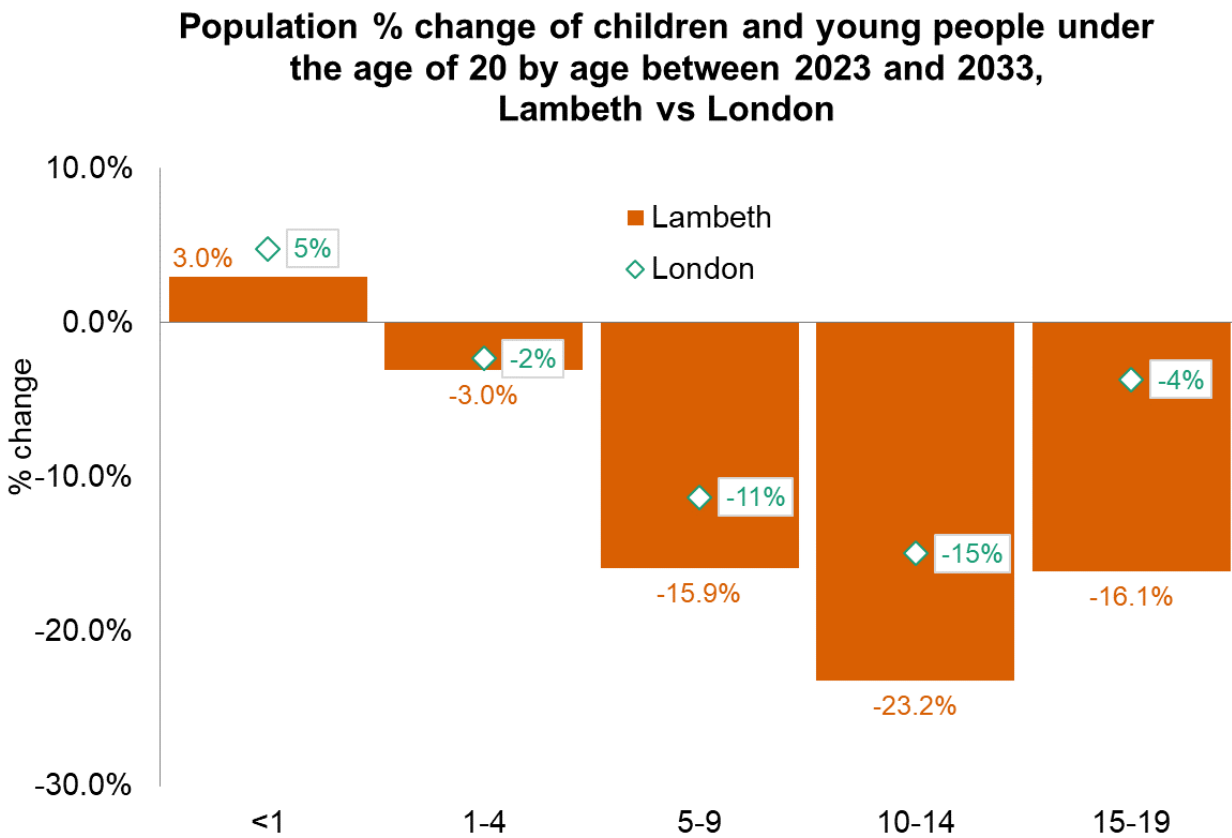
Source: GLA 2022-based Demographic Projections

Note: Projected % annual change is calculated from baseline (2023-24) for each time period presented in graph.

- A **14% decrease** in the children and young people population aged under 20 equates to approximately **8,400 fewer** children and young people under the age of 20 by 2033.
- The population aged under 20 is projected to decrease by a rate of 8% in London.

Population change by age group - 2023 to 2033

The overall population decrease between the years 2023 and 2033 is apparent in nearly all age groups within the under 20s population.

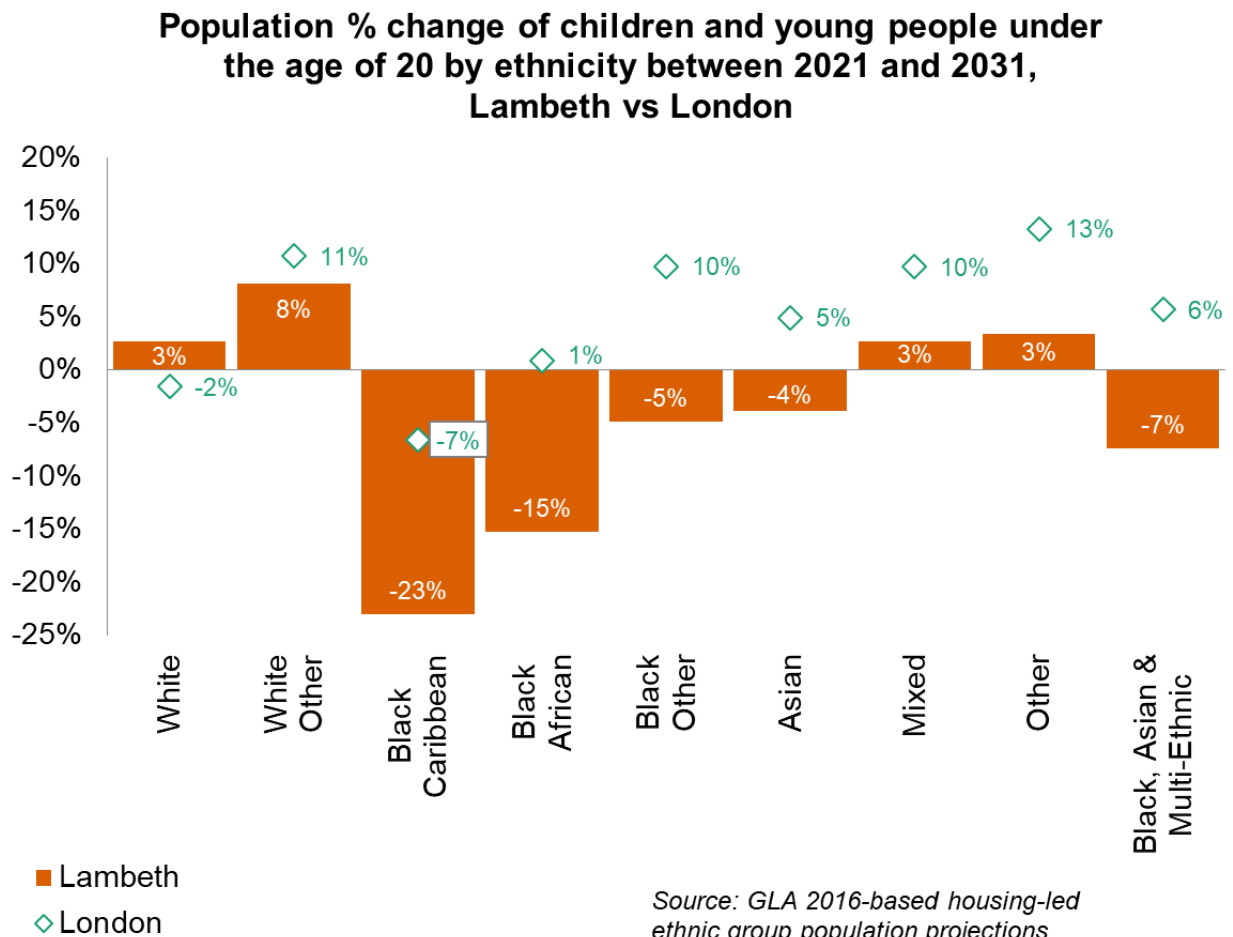


Source: GLA 2022-based Demographic Projections

- The **10 to 14** and **15 to 19** age groups are projected to experience the **greatest decrease** in the 10 years between 2023 and 2033. A decrease is also projected for London for the same age groups but at a lower % decrease compared to Lambeth.
- The **under 1 age group** in Lambeth and London is the only group that is projected to see an **increase** in population compared to other age groups under 20, which are projected to decrease in Lambeth.

Population change by ethnic group - 2021 to 2031

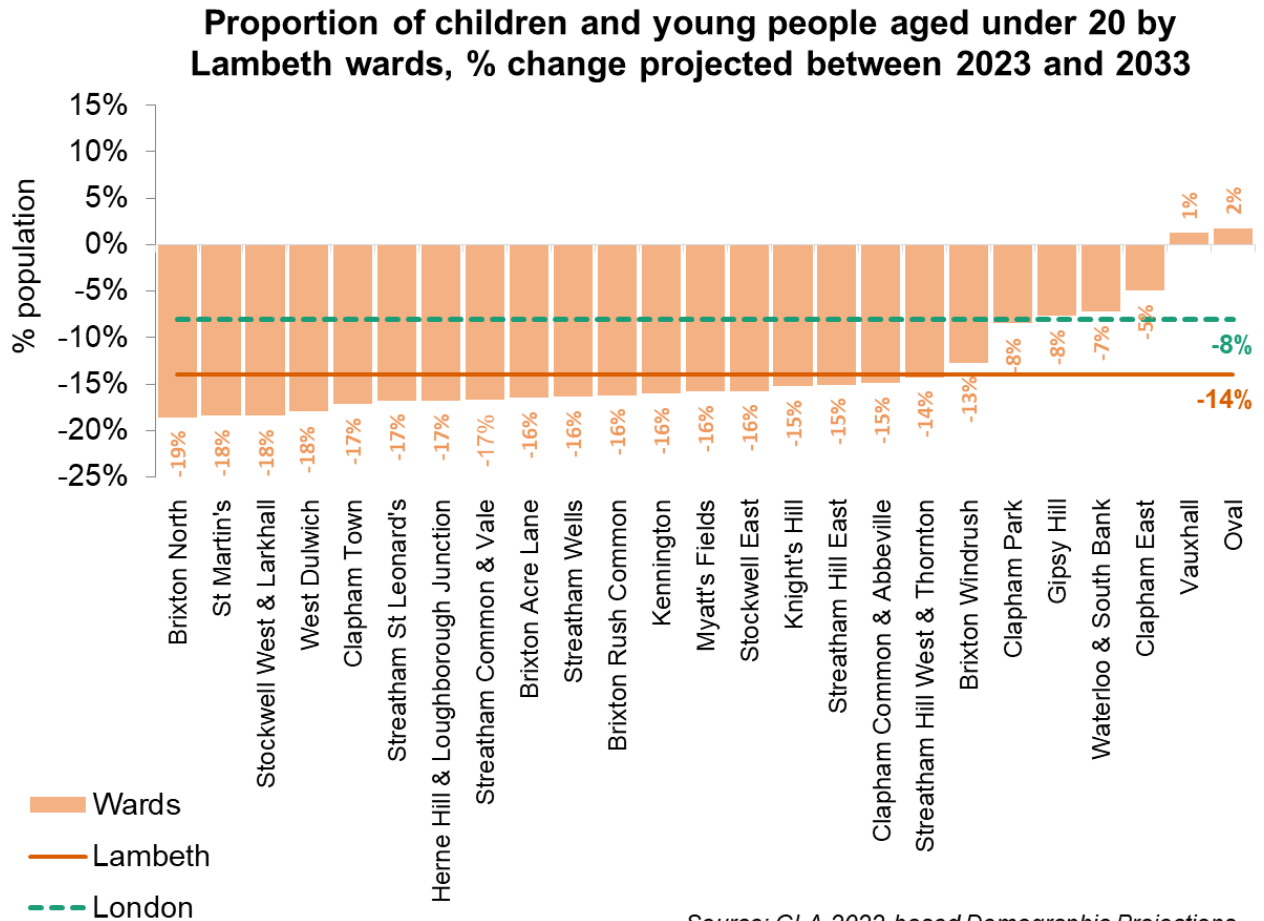
The chart below shows the projected percentage change of the population aged under 20, by ethnic group between 2021 and 2031.



- The young **Black Caribbean** population in Lambeth aged under 20 is projected to **decline by 23%** in the next 10 years. The same population across London will also decline, but at a lower rate of 7%.
- In Lambeth over the next 10 years, the **Black, Asian and Multi-Ethnic group** aged 0 to 19 is projected to **decline by 7%** and conversely, will see an increase of 6% in London.

Population change by ward - 2023 to 2033

The chart below shows the projected percentage change of the population aged under 20, by ward between 2023 and 2033 .



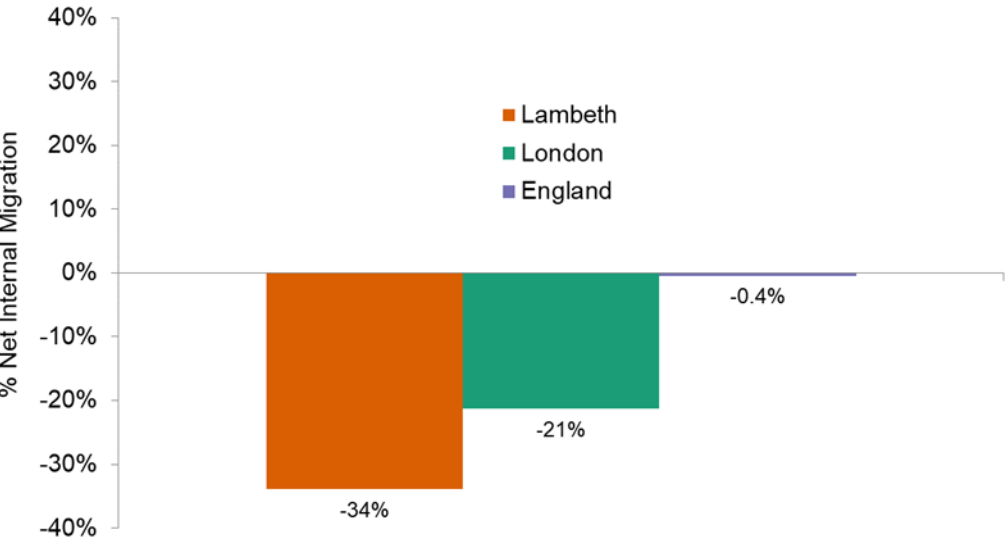
Source: GLA 2022-based Demographic Projections

- Apart from Vauxhall ward and Oval ward, all **Lambeth wards** are projected to see a **decline** in the population aged under 20 which is consistent with Lambeth as a whole, as well as London.
- In the 10 years between 2023 and 2033, **Brixton North** ward is projected to see the **greatest decrease** (19%) in the proportion of children and young people under 20.

Migration and people born outside of the UK

Internal migration refers to residential moves between different geographic areas within the UK. This may be between local authorities (LA), regions or countries.

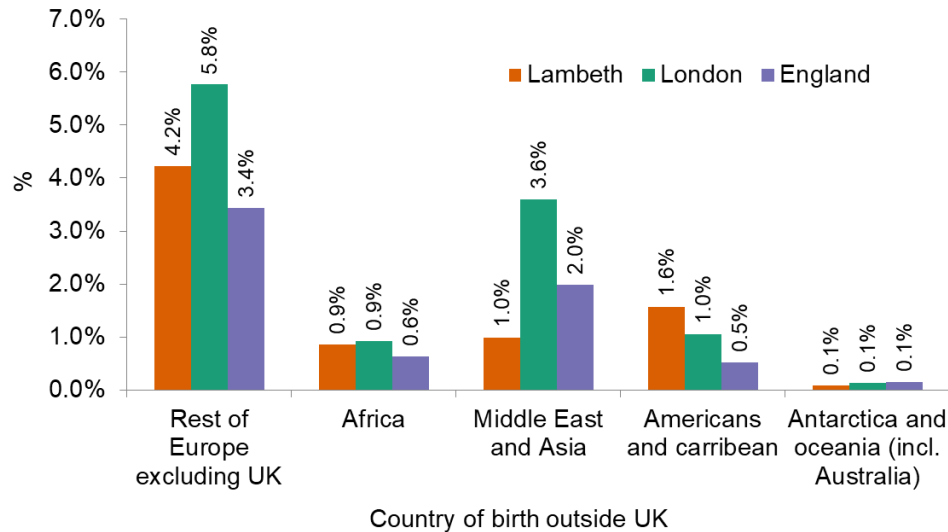
% Internal migration of children and young people aged under 20 in Lambeth, London and England, June 2020



Source: ONS dataset Internal migration by local authority and region, five-year age group and sex

- Annual mid-year data on internal migration shows that net internal migration is negative - **more children and young people aged under 20 are moving out of Lambeth** to other areas in the UK **than are moving into the borough.**

Percentage of children age 0 to 15 born outside UK, Lambeth, London and England, Census 2021

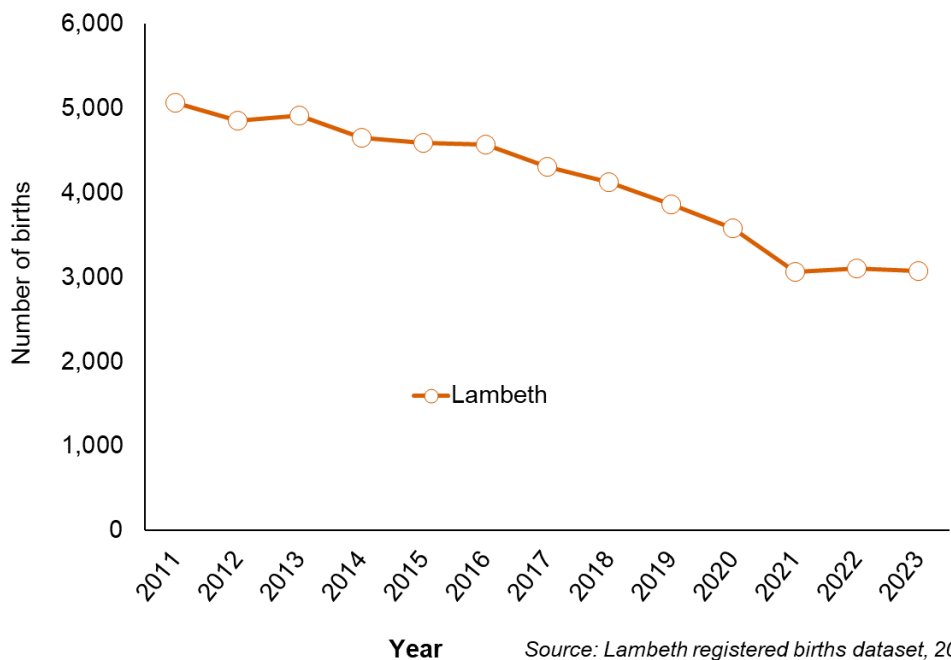


Source: Census 2021, table RM011 - Country of birth by age

- 8%** of Lambeth's 0 to 15 year olds were born outside the UK
- 4.2%** are from elsewhere in Europe (countries other than the UK)
- 0.9%** of Lambeth's **0 to 15 year olds** were born in an **African** country and **1.6%** were born in an **American or Caribbean** country compared to 0.9% and 1% in London respectively.

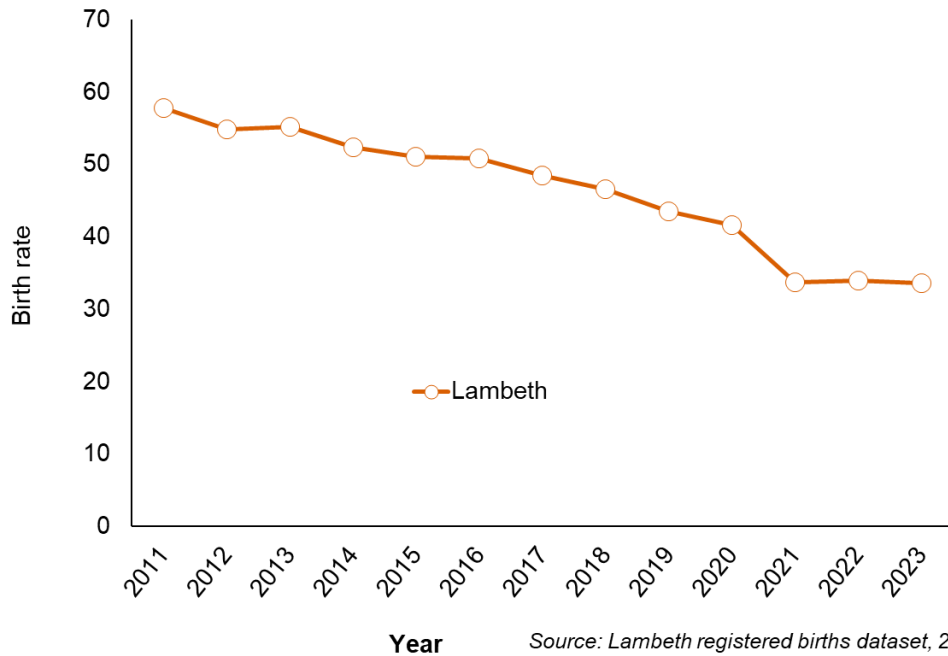
Live births

Number of live births in Lambeth, 2011 to 2023



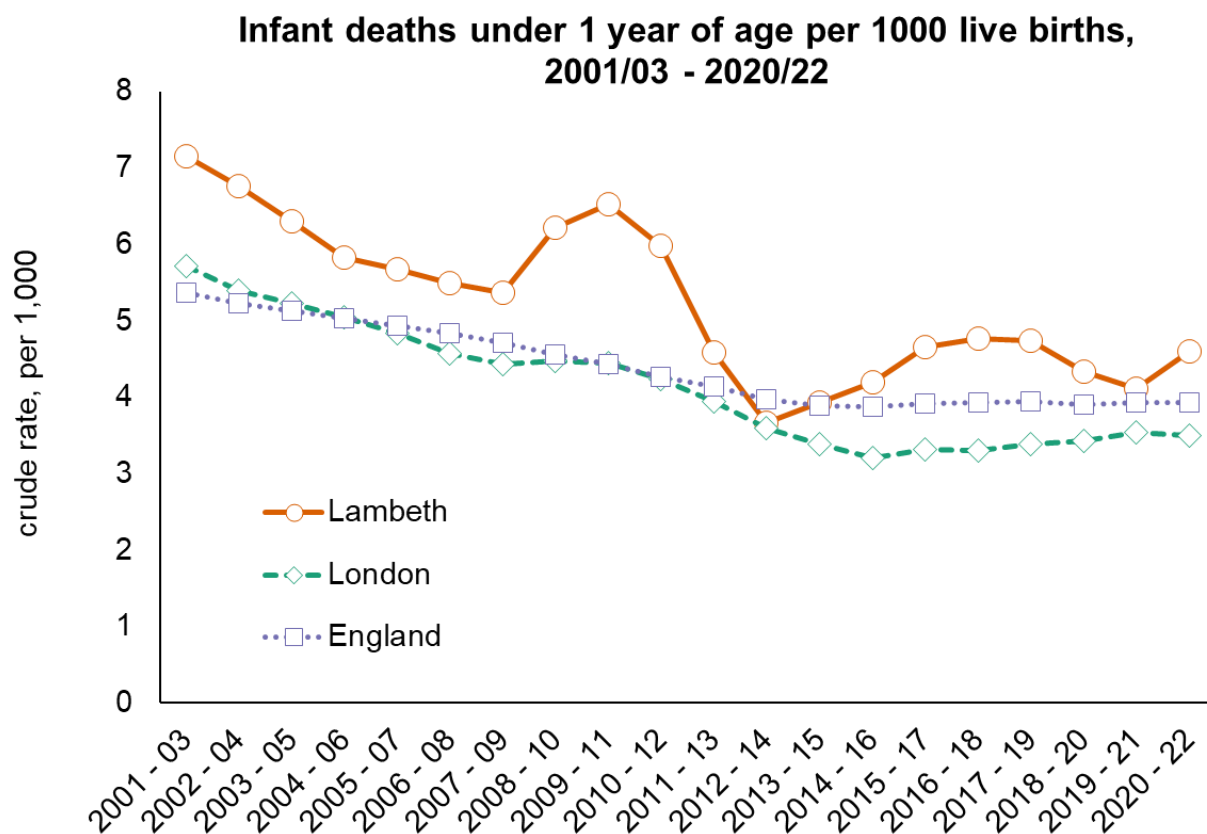
- There were **3,072** live births in 2023, a 39% decrease from 5,070 births in 2011.
- This is similar to the decline seen in London and England.

Lambeth fertility rate per 1,000 females aged 15 to 44 years, 2011 to 2023



- The fertility rate in Lambeth has been decreasing for a number of years.
- Since 2011, there has been an overall 41% decrease in the Lambeth fertility rate.

Population change - infant deaths



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- Over the last 10 years (2010-12 to 2020-22), the rate of infant deaths has **decreased by 23%** in Lambeth compared to a 17% decrease in London and 8% in England.
- Although there has been a decrease over time, infant mortality **increased** between 2019-21 and 2020-22.

Children with Special Educational Needs (SEND)

Special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) can affect a child or young person's ability to learn. SEND can affect their:

- behaviour or ability to socialise, e.g. they struggle to make friends
- reading and writing, e.g. because they have dyslexia
- ability to understand things
- concentration levels, e.g. because they have attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
- physical ability

What are special educational needs?

A child or young person has special educational needs (SEN) if both of the following apply to the child:

- They have a learning difficulty or disability which makes it much harder for them to learn than other pupils of the same age.
- They require special educational provision to be made for them.

There is a wide spectrum of special educational need and many pupils have interrelated needs. The SEND Code of Practice¹ describes four broad areas of need as:

- Communication and interaction
- Cognition and learning
- Social, emotional and mental health difficulties
- Sensory and/or physical needs

Pupils with SEN are classified as follows:

SEN Support: the system by which schools should assess the needs of children, and then provide appropriate support that is additional to, or different from, the support generally made for other children of the same age in a school. It is provided for pupils who are identified as having a learning difficulty or a disability that requires extra or different help to that normally provided as part of the school's usual curriculum offer. A pupil on SEN Support will not have an Education, Health and Care plan.

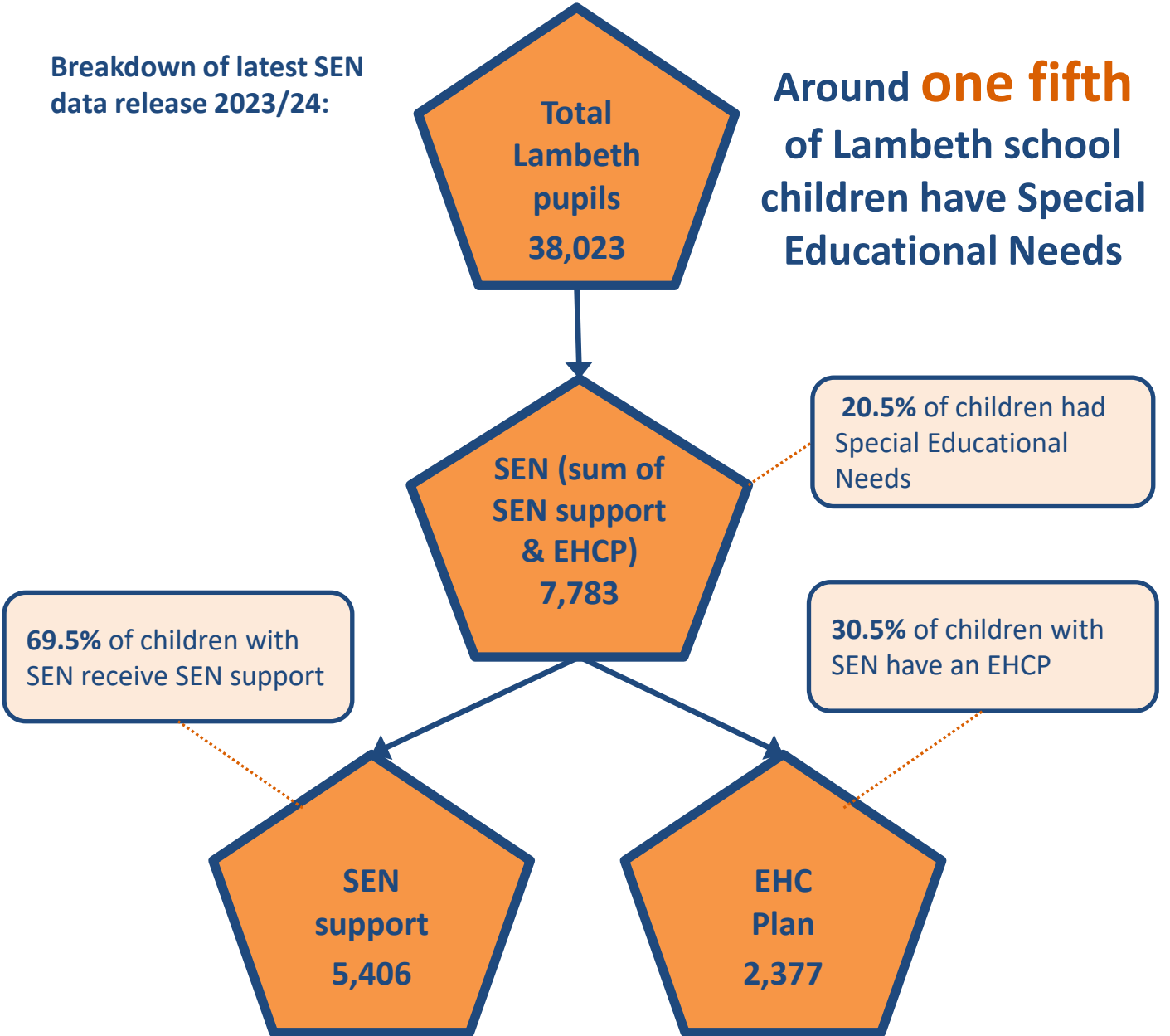
Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) : A local authority may issue an Education, Health and Care plan for a pupil who needs more support than is available through SEN Support. This will follow a statutory assessment process whereby the local authority considers the pupil's special educational needs and any relevant health and social care needs; sets out long term outcomes; and specifies provision which will deliver additional support to meet those needs.

¹ The Department for Education, 2015. Special educational needs and disability code of practice: 0 to 25 years. SEND Code of Practice: 0 to 25 years provides statutory guidance on duties, policies and procedures relating to children and young people with special educational needs (SEN) and disabled children and young people.

Children with Special Educational Needs (SEN)

The latest data release, Department for Education, Special Educational Needs in England, 2023/24 includes pupils attending Lambeth:

- state-funded nursery, primary, secondary schools and special schools
- non-maintained special schools
- state-funded alternative provision schools (includes pupil referral units, alternative provision academies and free schools)
- independent schools

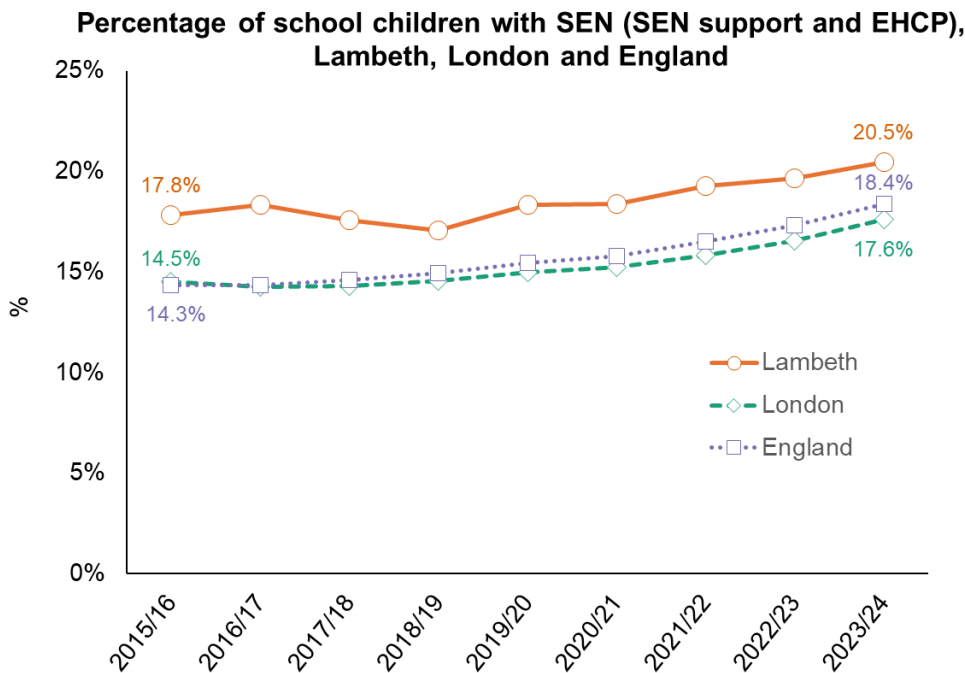


Children with Special Educational Needs (SEN)

Prevalence of SEN

The prevalence is based on the number of school pupils identified as having special educational needs, calculated as the sum of:

- pupils with SEN support or special educational needs without an educational health care plan and
- pupils with an educational health care plan (EHC)



Source: Department for Education, Special Educational Needs in England, 2023/24

In the academic year 2023/2024, **20.5%** of Lambeth’s pupils had a statutory plan of SEN. This equates to **7,783** children with SEN.

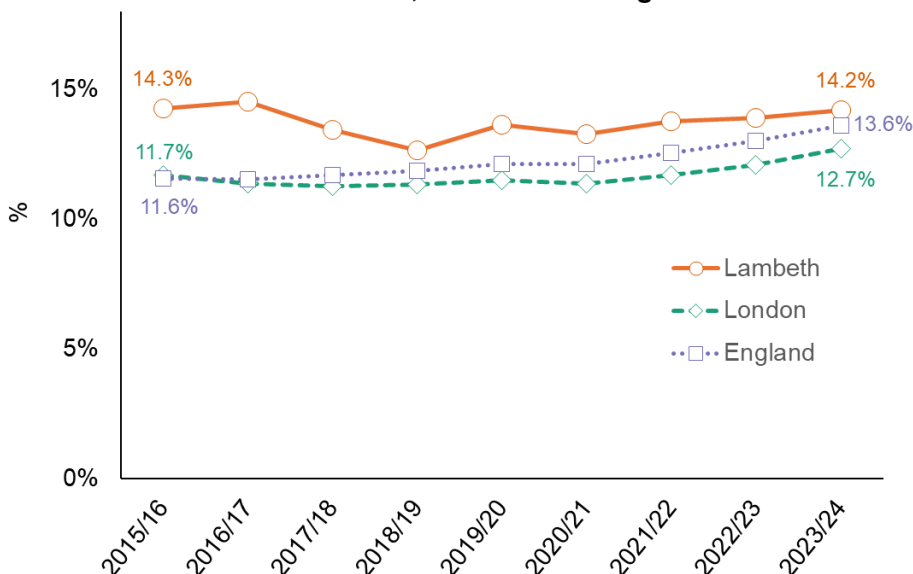
The proportion of Lambeth children with SEN is **higher than London and England** where 17.6% and 18.4% (respectively) of children were identified as having SEN.

The trend in Lambeth is **increasing**, since 2015/16, the percentage of children with SEN has increased by 14.9% (percentage points).

Children with Special Educational Needs (SEN)

Prevalence of SEN support and EHCP

Percentage of total Lambeth pupils receiving SEN support, Lambeth, London and England



Source: Department for Education, Special Educational Needs in England, 2023/24

SEN support

Of the **7,783** pupils identified with SEN, **5,406** children (**69.5%**) received SEN support (**14.2%** of total Lambeth pupils)

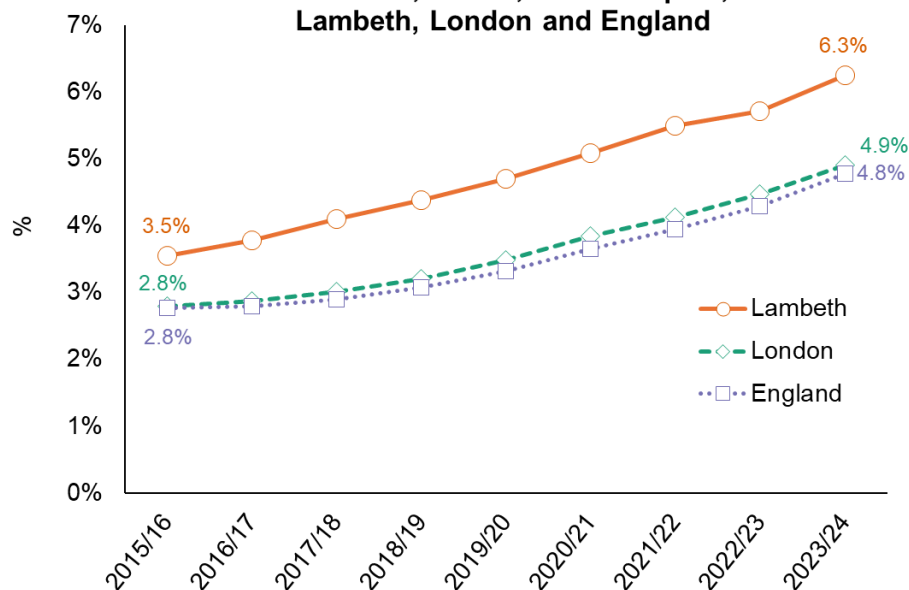
The proportion of children attending Lambeth schools who receive SEN support is higher than London and England.

Education, Health, and Care plans

Of the **7,783** pupils identified with SEN, **2,377** children (**30.5%**) had an Education, Health, and Care plan. (**6.3%** of total Lambeth pupils)

The proportion of children attending Lambeth schools who had an EHC plan is higher than London and England.

Percentage of total Lambeth pupils with an Education, Health, and Care plan, Lambeth, London and England



Source: Department for Education, Special Educational Needs in England, 2023/24

Children with disabilities - age and sex

What is a disability?

A disability is described in the Equality Act 2010 as:

"A physical or mental impairment which has a long-term and substantial adverse effect on a person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities."

Not all children and young people with a disability have SEN, but often, there is an overlap.

This definition includes sensory impairments such as those affecting sight or hearing amongst other types of impairments. Children and young people with such conditions do not necessarily have SEN, but there is a significant overlap between disabled children and young people and those with SEN.²

There is currently no national register of people with disabilities in the UK. Official statistics on disability are primarily collected through surveys, which means that disability tends to be self-reported. The Family Resources Survey (FRS) is the most commonly used measure of disability prevalence in the UK.

² Special educational needs and disability code of practice: 0 to 25 years, Department for Education

Children with disabilities - age and sex

Applying UK prevalences of disability by age and sex to Lambeth children’s population

Estimated prevalence of disability in Lambeth by age and sex, extrapolated from UK data, 2023 (numbers rounded to nearest 10)

Age	National UK disability, prevalence (%)			Lambeth disability, estimated number		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
0 to 4	5%	7%	2%	730	520	140
5 to 9	10%	12%	7%	1,420	870	490
10 to 14	14%	15%	12%	2,110	1,140	900
15 to 19	14%	13%	16%	2,230	1,040	1,270
20 to 24	17%	15%	19%	4,490	1,760	2,790
Lambeth, age bands	Lambeth prevalence (%)			Lambeth disability, estimated number		
Total 0 to 14	10%	11%	7%	4,260	2,530	1,530
Total 0 to 24	13%	13%	13%	10,990	5,330	5,590

Applying the most recent FRS national UK level disability prevalence data to Lambeth’s projected population data estimates there are **10,990 children and young people** with a **disability** in Lambeth

The table above illustrates the estimated prevalence of disability rises with age. The table also shows there are a greater number of disabled males than females in the younger age groups.

Source: Family Resources Survey, Disability data tables, 2022 to 2023, <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/family-resources-survey-financial-year-2022-to-2023>

Children with disabilities - Impairment types

Prevalence of disability by impairment type, UK

An **impairment** is different to a medical condition. It relates to functions that a person either cannot perform or has difficulty performing because of their health condition. For example, glaucoma is a medical condition but being unable to see or being partially sighted is an impairment.

The table below shows the percentages of children aged 0 to 15 in the UK with a disability by impairment type.

Prevalence of disability by impairment type, UK

Impairment type	Children aged 0 to 15 UK prevalence
Social/ behavioural	50%
Learning	32%
Mental health	30%
Mobility	17%
Stamina/breathing/fatigue	15%
Other	14%
Memory	11%
Dexterity	9%
Vision	6%
Hearing*	5%

*Data for the ‘Hearing’ category should be treated with caution due to the possible sampling limitations of interviewing by telephone this survey year.

Note: Totals will sum to over 100 per cent as respondents can report more than one impairment type.

The most common impairment type reported in the UK was ‘Social/ behavioural’. Half (50%) of disabled children reported a social or behavioural impairment, followed by ‘Learning’ (32%) and ‘Mental health’ (30%).

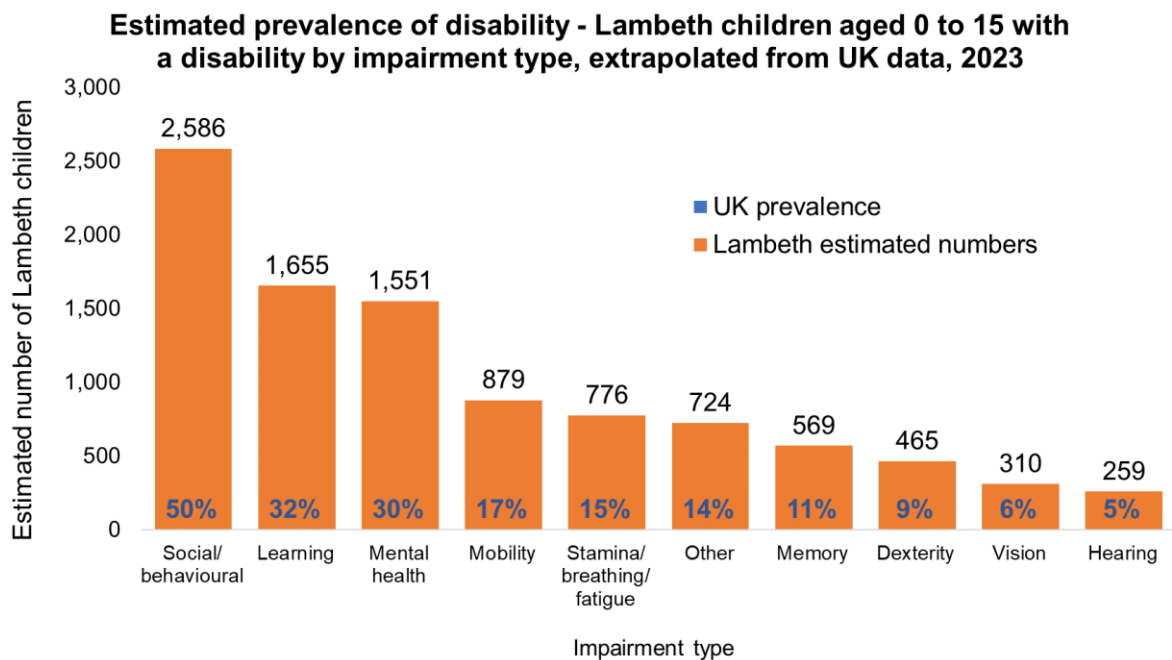
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Children with disabilities - Impairment types

Applying UK prevalences of disability by impairment type to Lambeth children’s population

Applying UK prevalences of disability to Lambeth children’s population aged 0 to 15 with a disability estimates there are just over **2,580** children in Lambeth with a **social or behavioural impairment**, the most common impairment type in children with a disability.

Note that some children may have more than one impairment type.



Source: Family Resources Survey, Disability data tables, 2022 to 2023

Examples of conditions within the social and behavioural impairment include autism spectrum, or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

The second most common impairment was **Learning** (includes understanding or concentrating) with an estimated **1,655** children with a Learning impairment.

Source: Family Resources Survey, Disability data tables, 2022 to 2023, <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/family-resources-survey-financial-year-2022-to-2023>

Definitions

Census 2021

- The census is undertaken by the Office for National Statistics every 10 years and collects information about people and households in England and Wales. It asks questions about individuals and households and helps to build a detailed snapshot of society. Information from the census helps government and local authorities to plan and fund local services.

Family Resources Survey

- The Family Resources Survey (FRS) is a continuous household survey which collects information on a representative sample of private households in the United Kingdom. These annual publications provide statistics and commentary on disability amongst other things such as household food security, childcare etc.

Internal migration

- Internal migration refers to residential moves between different geographic areas within the UK. This may be between local authorities (LA), regions or countries. It does not include moves within a single geographic area (for example, a move within a single LA). It excludes international migration either into or out of the UK. Internal migration in this factsheet refers to moves between local authorities.

Data sources

- **Census 2021:** [Nomis - Official Census and Labour Market Statistics](#)
 - Table TS007 - Age by single year
 - Table RM200 – Sex by single year of age
- **Population by ethnicity and Local Authority:** www.ethnicity-facts-figures.service.gov.uk
- **2022-based Interim GLA housing-led population projections:** [Housing-led population projections - London Datastore](#)
- **GLA 2016-based housing-led ethnic group population projections:** [Ethnic group population projections](#)
- **Office for National Statistics (ONS)**
 - [Internal migration: by local authority and region, five-year age group and sex](#)
 - [Mid Year 2021 Estimates of the population](#)
- **Office for Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID) Fingertips:** [Infant mortality rate](#)
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- **Department for Work and Pensions:** [Children in Low Income Families before housing costs](#)
- **End Child Poverty Coalition:** [Children in Low Income Families after housing costs](#)
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- **Department for Education:** [Special Educational Needs in England, academic year 2023/24](#)

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