Population aged under five

In 2015 an estimated 18,723 children aged under five were resident in Cheshire West and Chester.

This equates to 5.6% of the total population, lower than England (6.3%).

Highest proportions in Portside (8.4%), Blacon (7.3%) and Over (7.3%).

Forecast to increase to 19,300 by 2025.

The number of children aged 0-4 will remain fairly constant over the next twenty years, at around 19,000.

Deprivation (IMD 2015)

23.4% of under fives (4,389 children) live in Quintile 1 (20% most deprived areas of England), lower than England (25.9%).

Highest proportions of under fives living in Q1 are in Portside (100%), Blacon (77%) and Over (53%).

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### Public Health England: Early years key indicators

#### Children aged under five in Cheshire West and Chester...

**Recent trends:**
- **Could not be calculated**
- **Increasing / Decreasing**
- **Increasing / Getting worse**
- **Decreasing / Getting better**
- **No significant change**

#### Benchmark Value
- **Worst**
- **25th Percentile**
- **75th Percentile**
- **Best**

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Source: Public Health England, April 2017
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Population aged under five
18,723 children 2015
5.6% of total population
Lower than England (6.3%)
Highest proportions in Portside (8.4%), Blacon (7.3%) and Over (7.3%)
Forecast to increase to 19,300 by 2025

Smoking at time of delivery
9.9% in 2015/16
- Similar to England (10.6%)
- Better than 2014/15 (11.4%)
Highest proportions in Ellesmere Port Town ward (31.7%), Blacon ward (30.2%), Grange ward (28.3%)

Deprivation (IMD 2015)
23.4% of under fives (4,389 children) live in quintile 1
(20% most deprived areas of England)
Lower than England (25.9%)
Highest proportions of under fives living in quintile 1 are in Portside (100.0%), Blacon (76.7%) and Over (53.3%)

Breast feeding at 6 to 8 weeks
34% in 2015/16
- Worse than England (43.2%)
- Worse than 2014/15 (35.4%)
Range from 13.7% in Blacon to 50.76% in Chester Victoria
Lowest proportions in Blacon (13.7%), Over (19.7%) and Portside (20.9%)

Excess weight (reception)
20.5% in 2015/16
- Better than England (22.1%)
- Better than 2014/15 (23.1%)
Range from 12.1% in Hartford to 28.9% in Stanlaw Abbey
Highest proportions in Stanlaw Abbey (28.9%), Over (27.5%) and Victoria Road (26.7%)
By year six one in three children (33.6%) experience excess weight.
(Similar to England, getting worse)

A and E attendances for children aged under five
450.6 per 1,000 in 2015/16 (provisional)
- Better than England (587.9)
- Worse than 2014/15 (373.8)

Emergency hospital admissions for children aged under five
219.9 per 1,000 in 2015/16 (provisional)
- Worse than England (155.0)
- Worse than 2014/15 (213.6)

Hospital admissions
Unintentional and deliberate injury
173.6 per 100,000 in 2015/16 (provisional)
- Worse than England (129.6)
- Worse than 2014/15 (165.7)
Range from 108.9 per 100,000 in Wharton to 315.5 per 100,000 in Portside
Highest rates in Portside (315.5 per 100,000), Blacon (251.1 per 100,000) and Malpas, Farndon and Tarvin (230.7 per 100,000)

Infant mortality
3.4 per 1,000 in 2013-15
- Similar to England (3.9)
- Similar to 2012-14 (3.3)

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**Good level of development**

- **All children**
  - 70.9% in 2015/16
  - Better than England (69.3%)
  - Better than 2014/15 (68.8%)
  - Range from 62.1% in Blacon to 79.0% in Cherry Grove
- Lowest proportions in Blacon (62.1%), Over (63.8%) and Chester Victoria (63.9%)

**Free School Meal eligible children**

- 49.5% in 2015/16
  - Worse than England (54.4%)
  - Similar to 2014/15 (49.6%)
  - Range from 30.4% in Parklands to 83.3% in Cherry Grove
- Lowest proportions in Parklands (30.4%), Malpas, Farndon and Tarvin (35.0%) and Greenfields (35.7%)

**Phonics screening: expected level**

- 63.5% in 2015/16
  - Worse than England (68.6%)
  - Better than 2014/15 (61.8%)

**Early years foundation stage providers (Spring 2017):**

- **Maintained Schools**
  - 95.0% rated Good or Outstanding (19 out of 20 schools)
  - 5.0% rated Requires Improvement (1 out of 20 schools)
- **PVIs and Pre-Schools**
  - 95.7% rated Good or Outstanding (135 out of 141 settings)
  - 3.6% rated Requires Improvement (5 out of 141 settings)
  - 0.7% rated Inadequate (1 out of 141 settings)
- **Childminders**
  - 94.0% rated Good or Outstanding (140 out of 149 settings)
  - 5.4% rated Requires Improvement (8 out of 149 settings)
  - 0.7% rated Inadequate (1 out of 149 settings)

**Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)**

- 6.1% of children in Cheshire West and Chester who attend an Early Years setting are identified as having SEND. (July 2016)
  - This equated to 436 children, 317 of which were supported by Early Years Specialist Services and 119 of which were supported by Early Years consultants.

**Children with EHC plans and Statements in 2016**

- 4.9% were aged under five
  - Higher than the national average (4.1%)
  - EHC plan= Education, Health and Care plan

**Mental health**

- 7.7% of children aged under five (about 1,440 children) are estimated to have a mental health disorder

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