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Introduction

This profile, one of 29 covering the area of Devon County Council has been generated by the County Council's Strategic Intelligence Unit.

Each profile provides a detailed picture of the projected population change within the area between 2006 and 2021.

It is intended that this profile will be viewed alongside the "Devon Town" baseline profile and the Mosaic "Lifestyle" profile to provide a comprehensive picture of what life is like in each Devon Town.

Summary

Overall the population of the Holsworthy area is predicted to increase by 1,866 people between 2006 and 2021 – a rise of 13.7%.

The total number in the younger age groups (from 0 to 19) is predicted to decrease by 114 to 2,911 – a fall of 3.8%.

The 20 to 44 year age band is also predicted to see a decrease, in this case of 209 to 3,287 or 6%.

The 45 to 64 age group should see an increase of 651 people (15.8%) to 4,780.

The older age groups (65 years and older) are due to see an increase in number of 1,538. This equates to a 51.2% increase over the 15 years that these projections cover and will take the population in this group to 4,539.

The largest change is predicted to be in the 70 to 74 age group with an increase of 63.2%.

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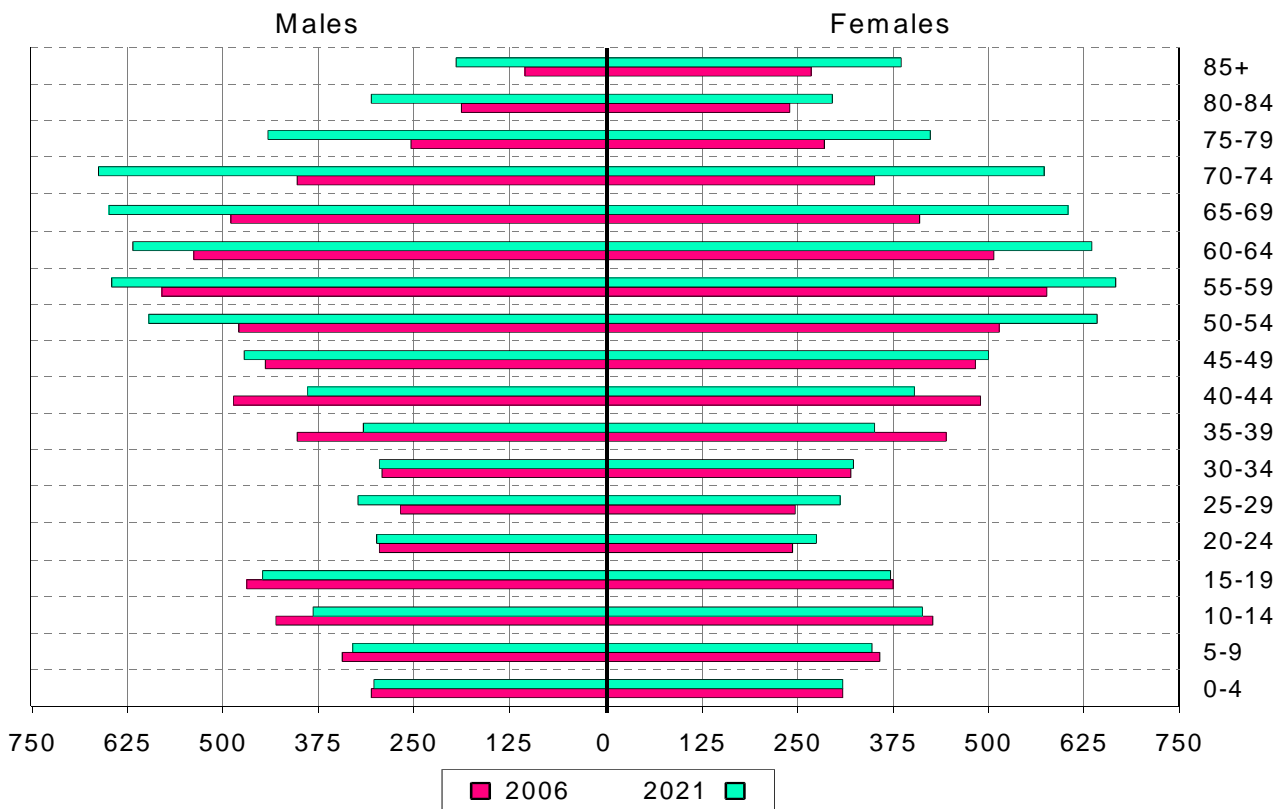
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Population pyramid

The following population pyramid shows the projected population breakdown by quinary age bands for 2021 along with estimated figures for 2006 for comparison.



Age band	Males			Females			Total		
	2006	2021	% change	2006	2021	% change	2006	2021	% change
0-4	307	304	-0.8	311	311	0.0	618	615	-0.4
5-9	346	330	-4.7	359	349	-3.0	705	679	-3.8
10-14	433	384	-11.3	428	412	-3.6	860	796	-7.5
15-19	468	448	-4.2	375	373	-0.3	843	822	-2.5
20-24	295	300	1.7	246	277	12.8	541	577	6.7
25-29	268	324	20.7	248	306	23.4	516	630	22.0
30-34	293	295	0.5	320	325	1.7	614	620	1.1
35-39	403	316	-21.5	444	350	-21.2	847	667	-21.3
40-44	487	390	-19.9	491	403	-17.9	978	793	-18.9
45-49	445	471	6.0	484	500	3.4	928	971	4.6
50-54	479	599	25.0	516	642	24.3	996	1,241	24.6
55-59	580	647	11.4	575	666	15.7	1,156	1,312	13.5
60-64	540	620	14.7	509	637	25.2	1,049	1,256	19.8
65-69	489	648	32.6	409	606	48.1	898	1,253	39.7
70-74	405	663	63.7	353	574	62.6	758	1,237	63.2
75-79	254	441	73.6	287	424	47.8	541	865	59.9
80-84	189	308	62.7	242	295	21.8	431	602	39.8
85+	104	196	88.0	268	385	43.6	373	582	56.0
Total	6,787	7,684	13.2	6,863	7,834	14.1	13,650	15,518	13.7

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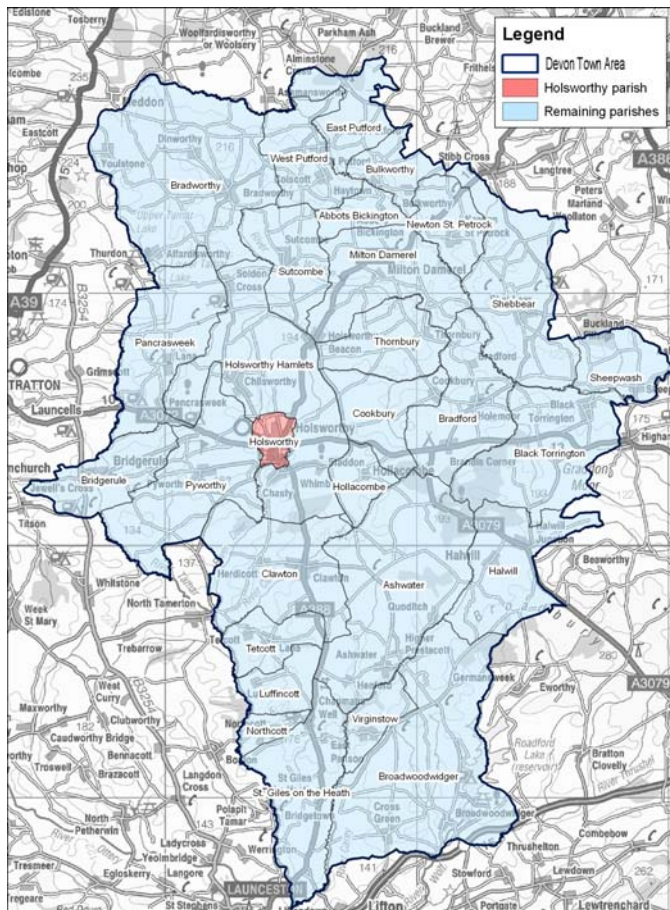
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Area definition

The “Devon Town” areas have been defined as aggregations of parishes. The following parishes make up the Holsworthy “Devon Town” area:

Abbots Bickington	Broadwoodwidge	Hollacombe	Northcott	Sutcombe
Ashwater	Bulkworthy	Holsworthy	Pancrasweek	Tetcott
Black Torrington	Clawton	Holsworthy Hamlets	Pyworthy	Thornbury
Bradford	Cookbury	Luffincott	Shebbear	Virginstow
Bradworthy	East Putford	Milton Damerel	Sheepwash	West Putford
Bridgerule	Halwill	Newton St Petrock	St Giles On The Heath	



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Each “Devon Town” area comprises a centre (coloured red) and its surrounding hinterland.

Background

The projections have been prepared using the Chelmer population projection model at the district level to project 5 year age groups. These projections are then split into parish projections on the basis of the age/sex ratios from the 2001 population census applied to all of the 5 year age groups. The resultant detailed parish data is then aggregated into the defined Devon Town areas.

The base data used by the Chelmer model is the 2001 mid year estimates by district prepared by the Office for National Statistics in the light of the 2001 census. This data has been adjusted by updating the model to use the 2005 mid year estimates, the latest available at the time of preparation, and the births and deaths data up to 2006.

The figures in this report are based on the migration rate over the last 20 years of data but modified slightly for some districts to take account of capacity restraints in Exeter, for example, and the building of new communities at Cranbrook and Sherford. This projection is very similar to that used for the current Structure Plan for Devon.

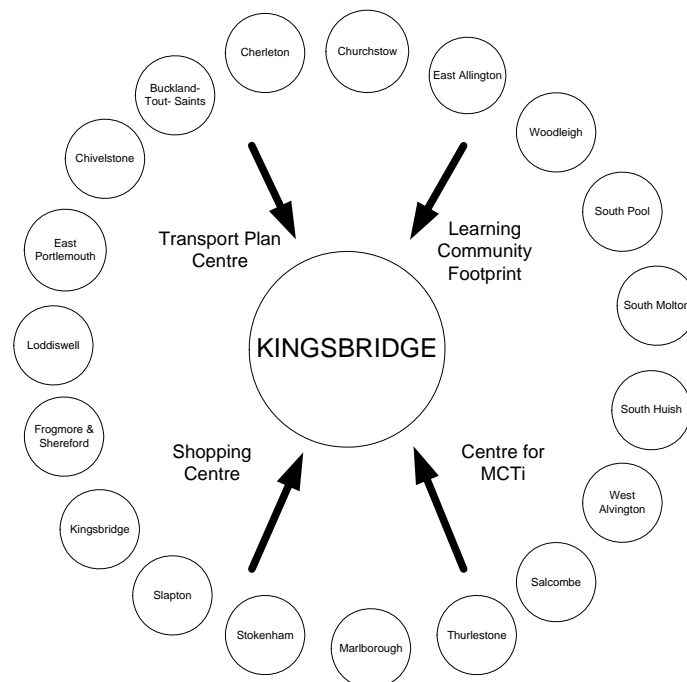
The usual ‘health warning’ applies to these projections. They are projections based on trends which may change and the further away the date the more the uncertainty increases. In addition, the smaller the area the more uncertain the projections particularly for individual or small age groupings.

Identifying Devon Towns

The main factor that decides a town's hinterland is provision of services; the place that the hinterland looks to in order to provide the things it needs to survive. In order to identify the 28 Devon Towns, analysis of the following services and other relevant factors have been taken into account:

- Local Travel Plans – which are based on public consultation and map local travel patterns, the majority of which are short ones in and around local communities as part of people's daily lives.
- Shopping catchment areas – which are the service most frequently accessed by people.
- Learning Community catchment areas – which have a major influence on where people look to for services. Learning Community catchments do not always follow district or even county boundaries, but are based on a collection of feeder primary schools.
- Market and Coastal Towns Initiative areas - The Market and Coastal Towns Initiative was started after recognition that the health of a market town is vital to the well being of its hinterland, and that many of Devon's market towns were in need of regeneration. It is a Central Government initiative, administered by the RDAs. Over half of Devon is included in the Market and Coastal Towns Initiative.
- Parishes - The boundary definitions are shown in terms of parishes, as they are traditionally the smallest area used for 'clustering'.

The diagram below is an illustration of how this works for one Devon Town: Kingsbridge.



Exeter also provides a similar or related "market town" function as well as being a sub regional centre with a larger sphere of influence.