





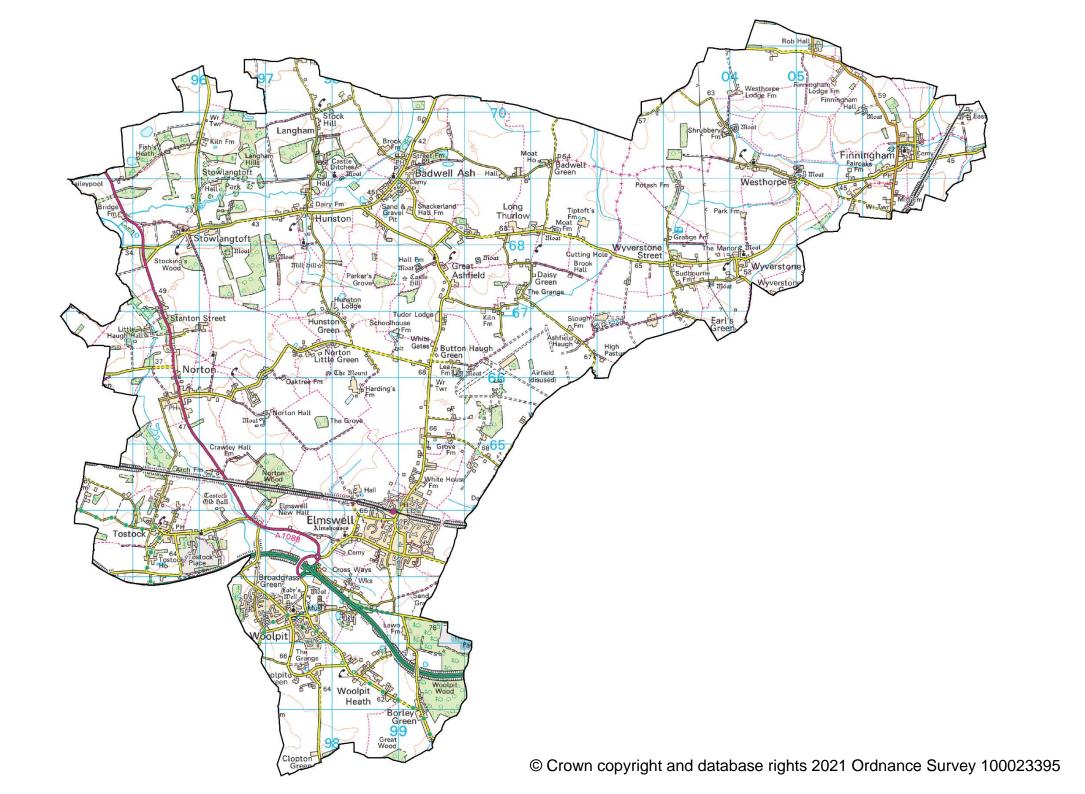
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ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE 2021

This Division comprises part of Elmswell & Woolpit, Thurston, Walsham-le-Willows and Bacton Wards

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ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILES: AN INTRODUCTION

These profiles have been produced to support elected members, constituents and other interested parties in understanding the demographic, economic, social and educational profile of their neighbourhoods. We have used the latest data available at the time of publication.

Much more data is available from national and local sources than is captured here, but it is hoped that the profile will be a useful starting point for discussion, where local knowledge and experience can be used to flesh out and illuminate the information presented here.

The profile can be used to help look at some fundamental questions e.g.

- Does the age profile of the population match or differ from the national profile?
- Is there evidence of the ageing profile of the county in all the wards in the Division or just some?
- How diverse is the community in terms of ethnicity?
- What is the impact of deprivation on families and residents?
- Does there seem to be a link between deprivation and school performance?
- What is the breakdown of employment sectors in the area?
- Is it a relatively healthy area compared to the rest of the district or county?
- What sort of crime is prevalent in the community?

A vast amount of additional data is available on the Suffolk Observatory

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The Suffolk Observatory is a free online resource that contains all Suffolk's vital statistics; it is the one-stop-shop for information and intelligence about Suffolk. Through data, reports and maps, the Suffolk Observatory provides a comprehensive picture of the County. It is a great source for useful facts and figures that can be used for writing reports and presentations, informing strategic and business planning, preparing funding applications or supporting academic research. Data is presented around the key themes of population, children and young people, health and social care, housing, crime and community safety, deprivation, economy and employment and environment. All areas of the county are covered, right down to district, electoral division, ward and parish level, with information easily accessible in a variety of formats. You can also build your own reports for custom areas.

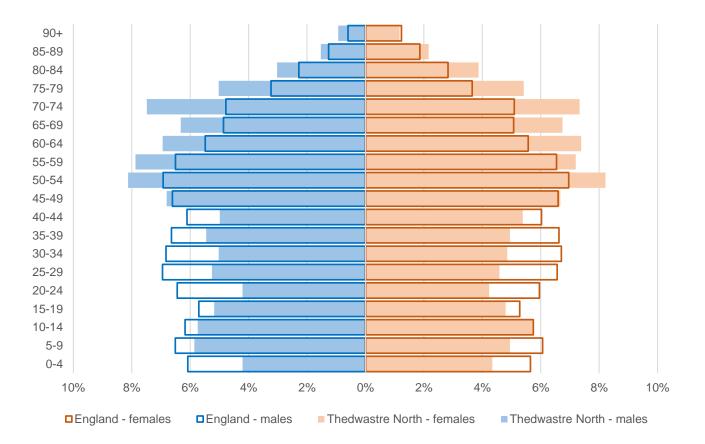
Technical Notes:

- 1. Where electoral divisions do not exactly match the boundaries at which the data is available (e.g. ward, Output Area or Lower Super Output Area), we have adopted a "best-fit" approach to produce a dataset.
- District, county and national level data is provided where possible to provide a context for comparisons. Where possible we have used the most recent district boundaries for comparison purposes, but in some cases it has been necessary to use the pre-2019 districts.

DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE - AGE

In mid-2019, the population of Thedwastre North stood at 10,655, an increase of 5.7% since the 2011 Census. The age structure of the component wards and the division as a whole is set out below.

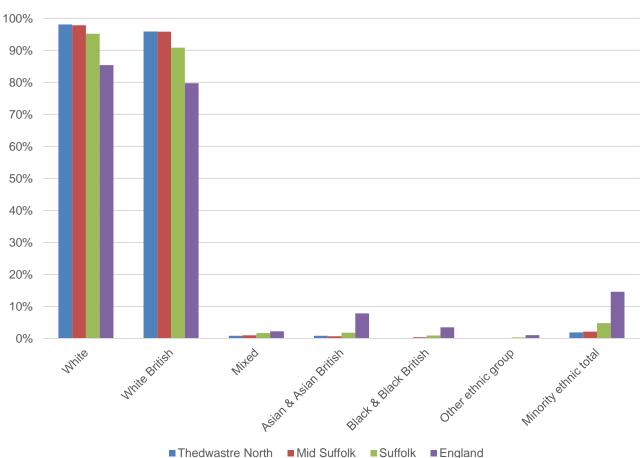
	Thedwastre North Division	Elmswell & Woolpit	Thurston	Walsham-le- Willows	Bacton
All Ages	10,655	6,349	1,810	1,394	1,102
0-4	456	292	71	55	38
5-9	574	342	109	76	47
10-14	612	357	120	62	73
15-19	531	334	84	59	54
20-24	450	278	74	61	37
25-29	523	348	57	79	39
30-34	526	345	74	68	39
35-39	553	349	85	78	41
40-44	553	336	100	59	58
45-49	718	419	139	73	87
50-54	871	523	150	100	98
55-59	802	429	155	130	88
60-64	764	402	132	141	89
65-69	697	403	102	104	88
70-74	789	455	141	103	90
75-79	557	325	89	85	58
80-84	369	229	62	36	42
85-89	198	115	47	15	21
90+	112	68	19	10	15



The age pyramid for Thedwastre North shows a higher-than-average proportion of people over the age of 45. The division has a relatively elderly age profile.

- The most common age group in Thedwastre North is 50-54, followed by 55-59. The number of people of retirement age is increasing and this looks set to continue in the coming years.
- There is a much lower than average number of people of younger working age between the ages of 20 and 39.

ETHNICITY

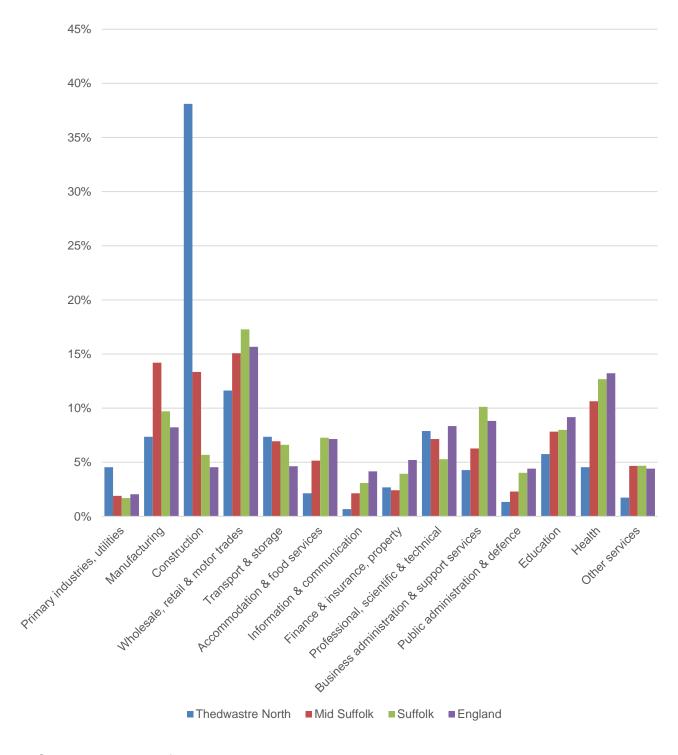


- According to the latest data (2011 Census), 98.1% (9,886) of the population of Thedwastre North are white, similar to the overall picture for Mid Suffolk.
- 1.9% of the population are of minority ethnic origin in the division, less than half the level for the county as a whole.
- Thedwastre North has a similar diversity profile to Mid Suffolk district, and generally lower proportions of minority ethnic groups than Suffolk overall.

	All people	Whit	White White Briti		ritish	h Mixed		Asian and Asian British		Black and Black British		Other Ethnic Group		Total minority ethnic population	
	Count	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Thedwastre North	10,077	9,886	98.1	9,664	95.9	85	0.8	86	0.9	14	0.1	6	0.1	191	1.9
Mid Suffolk	96,731	94,667	97.9	92,747	95.9	953	1.0	647	0.7	371	0.4	93	0.1	2,064	2.1
Suffolk	728,163	693,195	95.2	661,458	90.8	12,472	1.7	13,131	1.8	6,854	0.9	2,511	0.3	34,968	4.8
England			85.4		79.8		2.3		7.8		3.5		1.0		14.6

ECONOMY

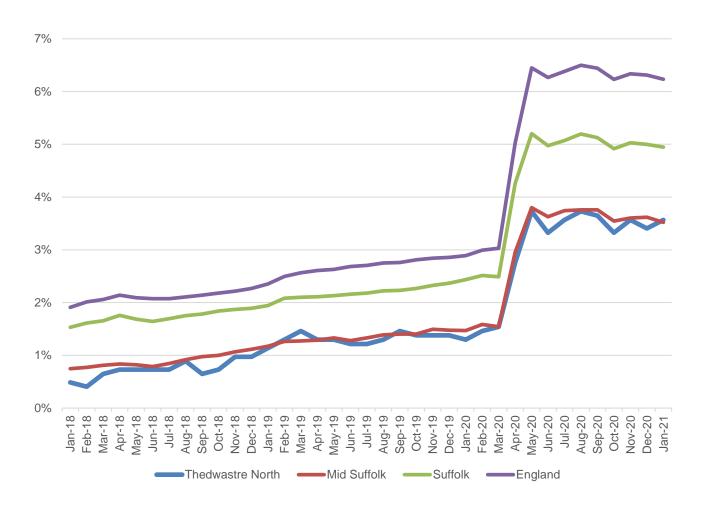
There are 3,700 people employed in Thedwastre North.



- Construction is by far the most important sector in Thedwastre North.
- The construction sector accounts for 38% of jobs in the division. The sector is important in Mid Suffolk in general and particularly so in Thedwastre North.
- Wholesale, retail and motor trades also account for more than 1 in 9 jobs in the division.

LABOUR MARKET

OUT-OF-WORK BENEFIT CLAIMANT RATE



- Thedwastre North saw a sharp increase in claimants of out-of-work benefits in the first half of 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, much like the rest of the county and England as a whole.
- Claimant unemployment levels in the division are very similar to the Mid Suffolk average and below the county and England level.
- In percentage terms, approximately 3.5% of the working age population of Thedwastre North are claiming out-of-work benefits in January 2021.

SCHOOLS

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Schools in the Division

			Ave	rage co	hort size	e at:		
Name	Phase	Academy Status	Foundation Stage (age 5)	KS2 (age 11)	KS4 (age 16)	KS5 (age 18)	Latest Ofsted	Latest Ofsted Date
Elmswell Community Primary School	Primary	LA	38	41			Good	16/06/2016
Norton CEVCP School	Primary	LA	30	26			Outstanding	09/11/2011
Woolpit Primary Academy	Primary	AC	24	20			Requires improvement	14/11/2018

Schools with catchments that overlap with the Division

	Aver	age co	hort siz	e at:				
Name	Phase	Academy Status	Foundation Stage (age 5)	KS2 (age 11)	KS4 (age 16)	KS5 (age 18)	Latest Ofsted	Latest Ofsted Date
Bacton Primary School	Primary	AC	24	21			Requires improvement*	08/05/2019
Stowupland High School	Secondary	AC			166	61	Requires improvement*	13/03/2019
Thurston Community College	Secondary	LA			296	135	Good	23/03/2018

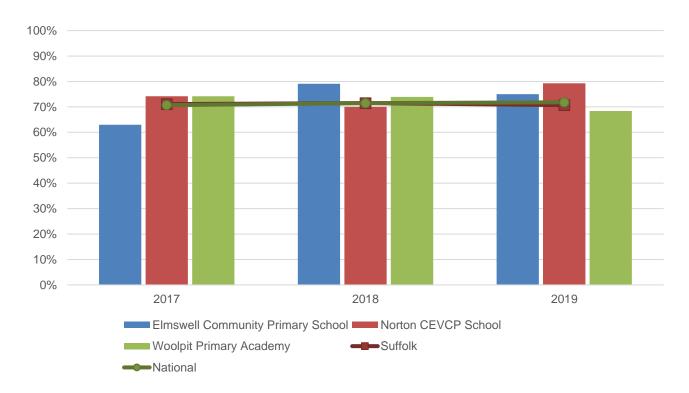
Academy Status key: AS = Academy Sponsored, AC = Academy Converter, LA = LA Maintained, F = Free

^{*}The latest full inspection judgement does not relate to the current school

SCHOOL ATTAINMENT

Foundation Stage Profile (reception)

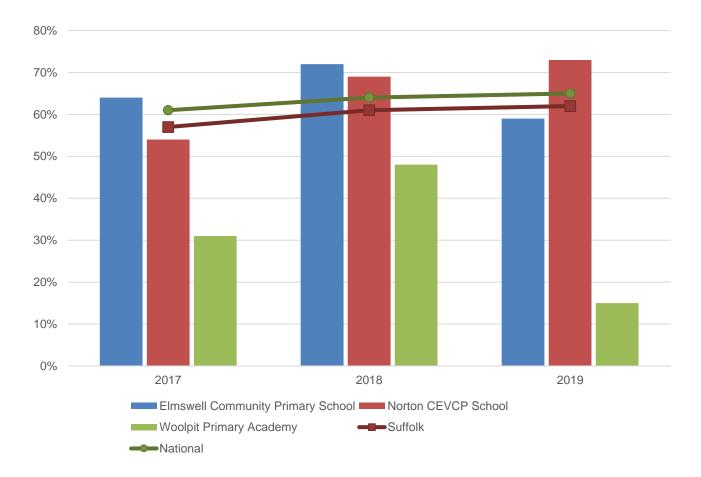
% pupils achieving Good Level of Development



- Foundation Stage attainment at schools in Thedwastre North has been generally good over the last three years of available data.
- Pupil attainment at all three schools in the division has been above average in two of the three years.
- No school has seen consistently above average attainment, but attainment has never been more than 8 percentage points below the national benchmark.
- In the most recent year (2019), 79.3% of pupils at Norton CEVCP School achieved a Good Level of Development at Foundation Stage, compared to 72% nationally. The equivalent figure at Elmswell Community Primary School was 75%, while at Woolpit Primary Academy it was 68.4%.

Key Stage 2 (age 11)

% pupils achieving the Expected Level or better in Reading, Writing and Mathematics



- Key Stage 2 attainment at Norton CEVCP School has improved every year from 2017 to 2019, with the percentage of pupils achieving the expected level or better in reading, writing and mathematics in the most recent two years exceeding the county and national average.
- Pupil attainment at Elmswell Community Primary School was also above average in 2017 and 2018 before dipping slightly below the county and national benchmarks in 2019.
- Attainment at Woolpit Primary Academy has been significantly below the county and national average throughout this period.

Key Stage 4 (GCSE) (age 16) and Key Stage 5 (A Level) (age 18)

There are no Upper Schools located within the division.

NEET % (NOT IN EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING)

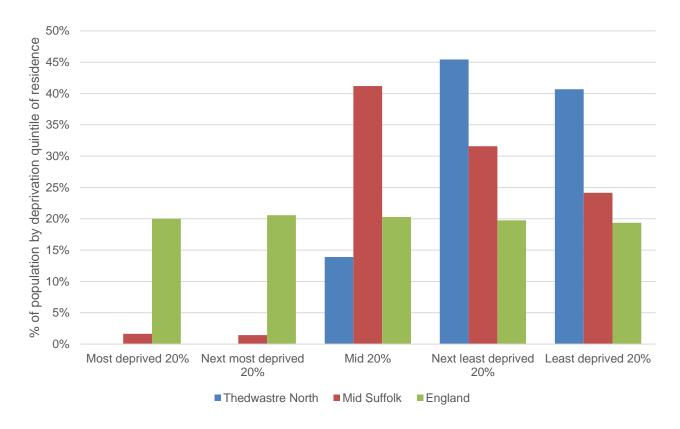


- In January 2021, 3.2% of 16–18-year-olds were classified as NEET in the division (where current activity is known).
- NEET levels in Thedwastre North have tended to be similar to or below the Mid Suffolk average, and comfortably below the Suffolk average, over the past four years.

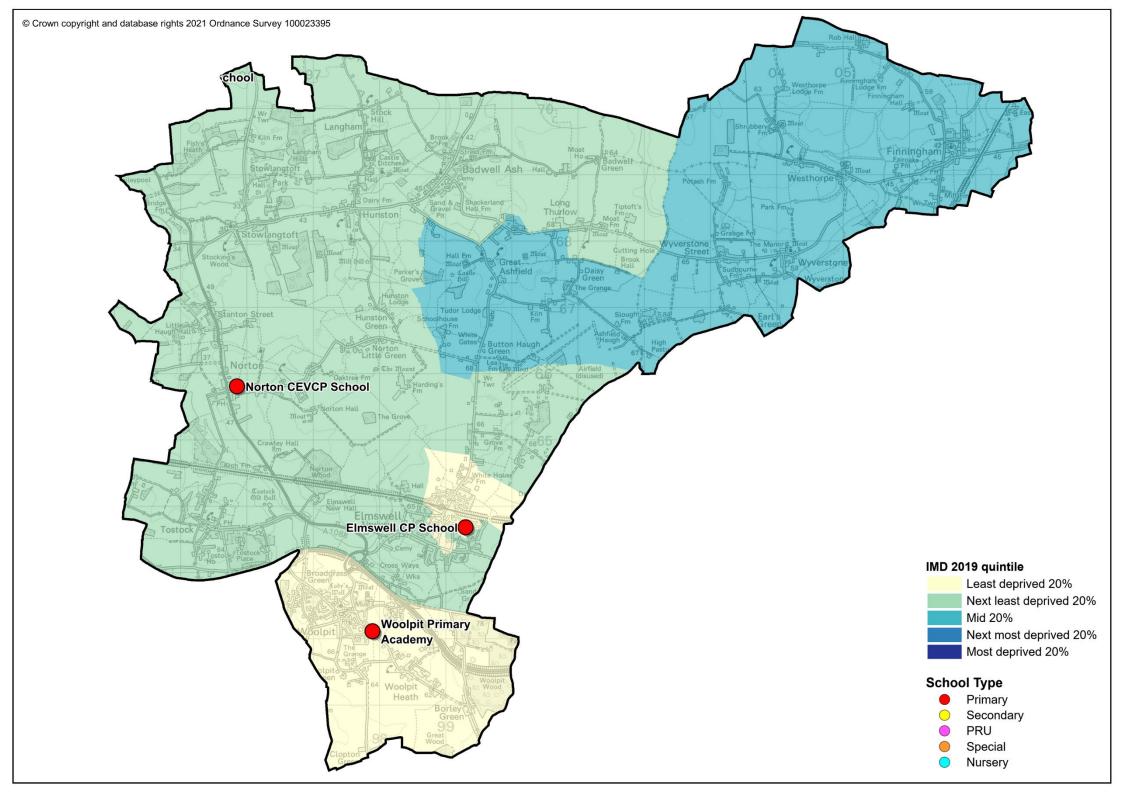
INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (IMD) 2019 (SEE MAP OVERLEAF)

The IMD combines a number of indicators, chosen to cover a range of economic, social and housing issues, into a single deprivation score for each small area in England. This allows each area to be ranked relative to one another according to their level of deprivation. Small areas (Lower Super Output Areas, average population 1,700) are most commonly described as being in 1 of 5 quintile bands. The bottom quintile represents the 20% of areas that are the most deprived in England; these are shaded pale yellow on the map. The top quintile represents the least deprived areas in England and is shaded dark blue.

The Index is widely used to analyse patterns of deprivation, identify areas that would benefit from special initiatives or programmes and as a tool to determine eligibility for specific funding streams.



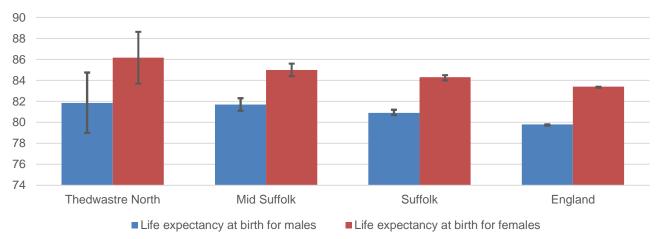
- The IMD 2019 shows that relative deprivation levels in Thedwastre North are relatively low, with no part of the division classified inside the most deprived 40% of areas in England.
- Of the six Lower Super Output Areas that make up the division, one is in the mid deprivation quintile in England (home to 14% of the population of the division as seen in the chart above), three are in the next least deprived quintile (45% of the population) and two are in the least deprived quintile (41% of the population).



HEALTH

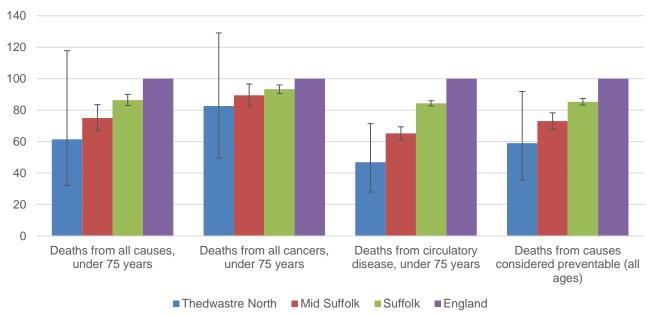
The local data used here is based on relatively small numbers. The confidence limits provide an indication of the reliability of the data. The 95% confidence intervals utilised on the chart provide a range within which there is 95% chance of the true result lying.

LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH



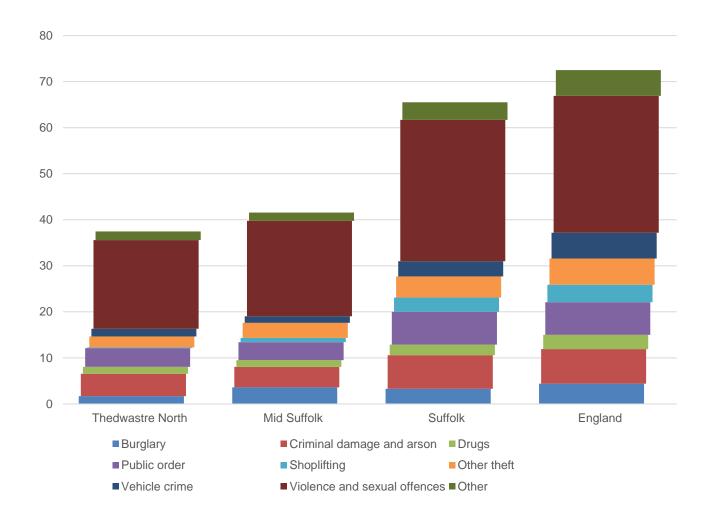
- Estimated life expectancy at birth for both males and females in Thedwastre North is above the Mid Suffolk, Suffolk and England averages.
- The estimated figure for male life expectancy in the division is 81.9 years (80.9 across Suffolk), while for females it is just over 4 years longer, at 86.2 years (84.3 is the Suffolk average).

DEATHS, UNDER 75 YEARS, STANDARDISED MORTALITY RATIO



- The rate of early deaths from all causes, cancer and circulatory disease and deaths from causes considered preventable among all age groups in Thedwastre North are lower than in the rest of Mid Suffolk, Suffolk and England.
- The standardised mortality ratio data shown here means that for every 100 early deaths from all causes across England as a whole, there are an estimated 62 comparable deaths in Thedwastre North.

CRIME & COMMUNITY SAFETY



- Crime levels in Thedwastre North are slightly lower than those in Mid Suffolk and considerably below the county and England averages.
- In the year to the end of January 2021, there were just under 38 recorded crimes per 1,000 residents in Thedwastre North compared to 42 in Mid Suffolk and 66 across the county as a whole.
- The most common type of crime in the division is violence and sexual offences, which accounted for half of all recorded crime during this period.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Parishes in Division

Badwell Ash
Elmswell
Stowlangtoft
Tinningham
Tostock
Great Ashfield
Westhorpe
Hunston
Woolpit
Langham
Wyverstone

DATA SOURCES

Category	Indicator	Source			
	Quinary population table 2019	ONS 2019 mid-year population estimates			
Demographic Profile	Population pyramid 2019	ONS 2019 mid-year population estimates			
	Ethnicity 2011	ONS 2011 Census			
Economy	Employment by broad industrial sector 2019	ONS Business Register and Employment Survey via NOMIS			
Labour market	Claimant count: The number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance plus those who claim Universal Credit who are out of work (% 16-64 population) January 2018- February 2021	DWP via NOMIS			
	School information and attainment 2017-2019	Suffolk County Council			
Education	% 16-18-year-olds NEET (Not in Employment, Education or Training) 2017-2021	Suffolk County Council via the Suffolk Observatory			
Deprivation	Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019	Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government			
Health	Life expectancy at birth 2013-2017	Public Health England			
Health	Standardised mortality ratio for deaths from all causes, cancer and circulatory disease, (aged under 75), and death from causes considered preventable (all ages), 2013-2017. The standardised mortality ratio is the ratio of observed deaths in the study group to expected deaths in the general population.	Public Health England			
Community Safety	Recorded crime rate per 1,000 resident population February 2020 to January 2021	Data.police.uk via the Suffolk Observatory			

For more data and information about Thedwastre North Electoral Division, see the Suffolk Observatory www.suffolkobservatory.info

