

Felixstowe Maritime

County Electoral Division profile
May 2026

This division comprises parts of Eastern Felixstowe and Western Felixstowe 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**

www.suffolkobservatory.info

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.

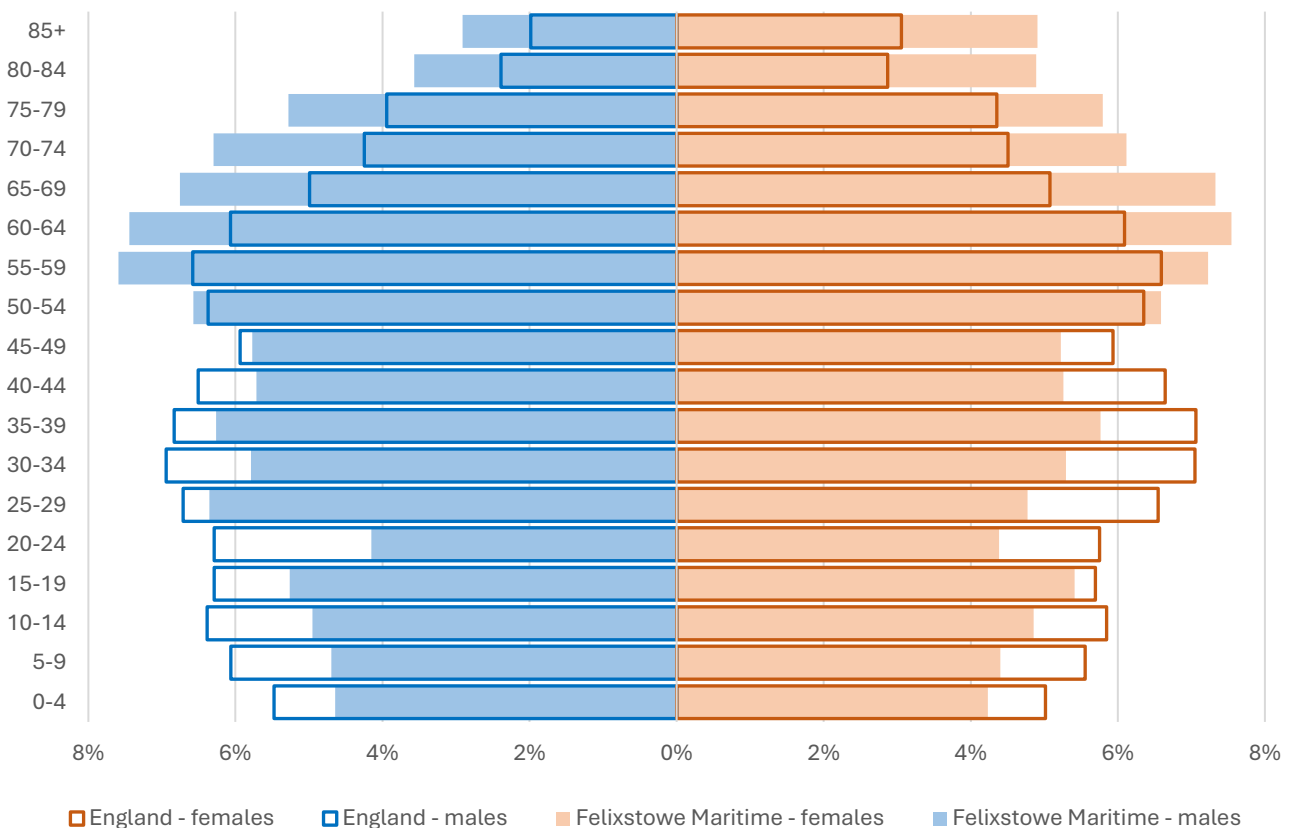
Technical Notes:

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.
2. District, county and national level data is provided where possible to provide a context for comparisons.

Demographic Profile - Age

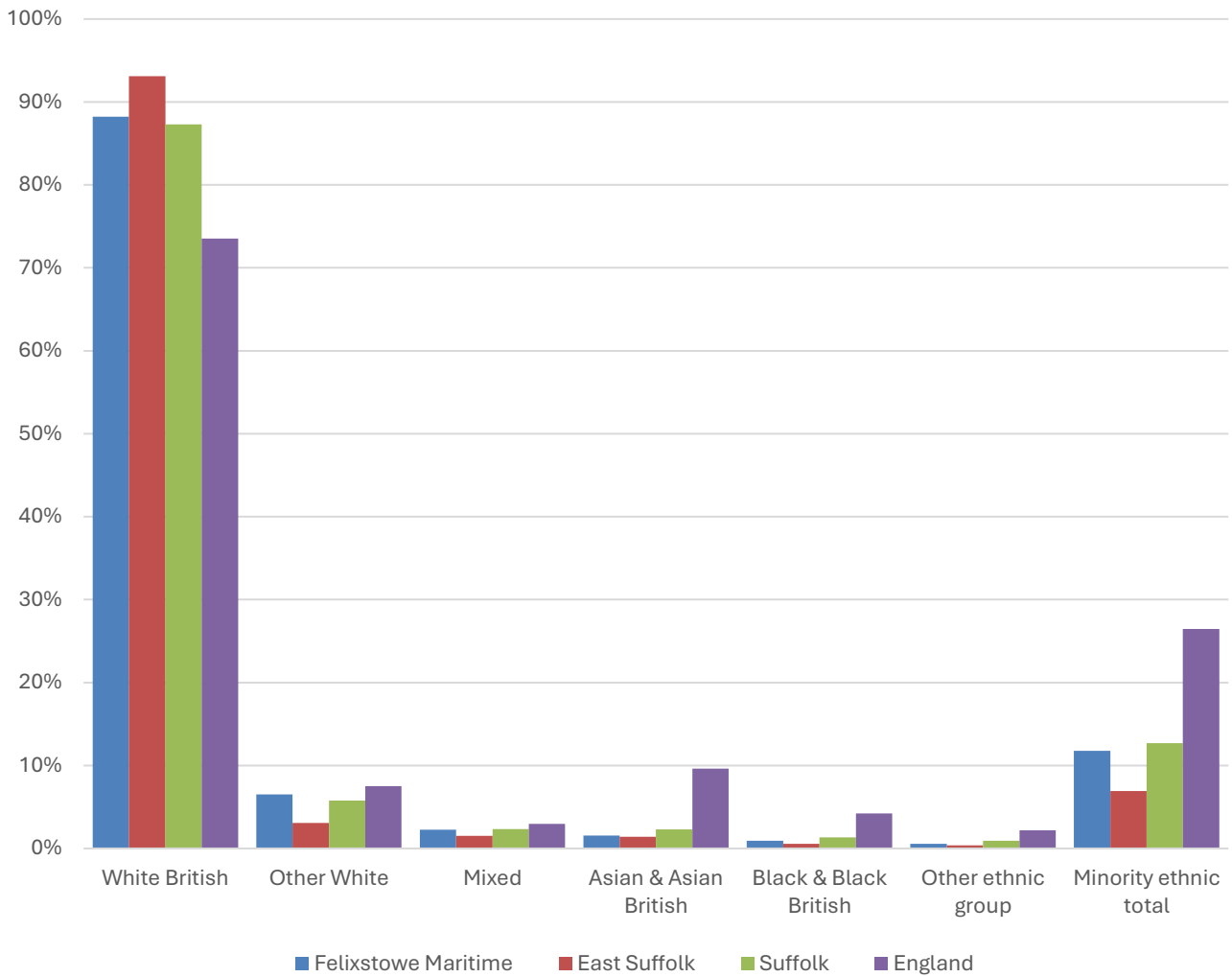
In mid-2024, the estimated population of Felixstowe Maritime stood at 11,445, an increase of 2.6% over the past decade. The age structure of the component wards and the division as a whole is set out below.

	Felixstowe Maritime Division	Western Felixstowe Ward	Eastern Felixstowe Ward
All Ages	11,445	7,185	4,260
0-4	507	335	172
5-9	520	340	180
10-14	561	391	170
15-19	611	402	209
20-24	489	306	183
25-29	633	418	215
30-34	633	414	219
35-39	687	452	235
40-44	627	399	228
45-49	628	400	228
50-54	753	460	293
55-59	847	538	309
60-64	858	568	290
65-69	807	537	270
70-74	710	422	288
75-79	635	354	281
80-84	487	280	207
85+	452	169	283



- The age pyramid for Felixstowe Maritime division shows a larger proportion of residents aged 50 and over than in England as a whole.
- The most common age group in the division is 60-64-year-olds (7.5% of the local population), followed by 55-59-year-olds (7.4%), and 65-69-year-olds (7.1%).
- Just over a quarter (27%) of the population of Felixstowe Maritime is of retirement age.
- There is a lower-than-average proportion of children and young people, and adults (particularly females) aged under 45.

Demographic Profile - Ethnicity

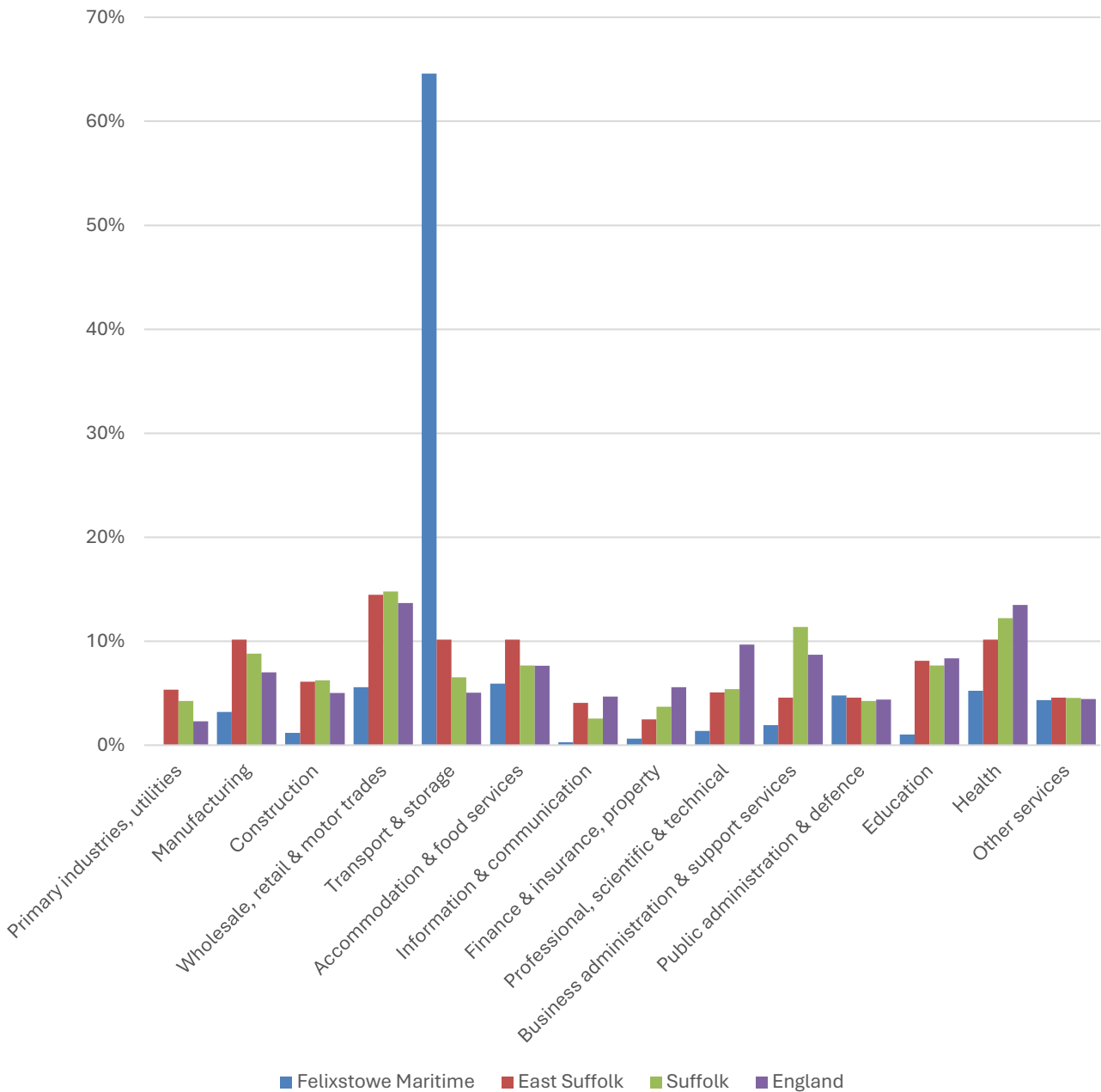


- According to the latest data (2021 Census), 88.2% of the population of Felixstowe Maritime are White British.
- There were 1,332 (11.8%) people of minority ethnic origin in the division, slightly below the proportion in Suffolk as a whole and less than a third of the England average.
- Felixstowe Maritime has a more ethnically diverse population than East Suffolk overall, particularly driven by the Other White population, which accounts for 6.5% of the population in the division, but only 3.1% in East Suffolk.

	All people		White British		Other White		Mixed		Asian and Asian British		Black and Black British		Other Ethnic Group		Total minority ethnic population	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Felixstowe Maritime	11,314		9,982	88.2	737	6.5	254	2.2	174	1.5	105	0.9	62	0.5	1,332	11.8
East Suffolk	246,060		229,063	93.1	7,564	3.1	3,707	1.5	3,447	1.4	1,357	0.6	922	0.4	16,997	6.9
Suffolk	760,687		664,205	87.3	44,066	5.8	17,807	2.3	17,483	2.3	10,168	1.3	6,958	0.9	96,482	12.7
England				73.5		7.5		3.0		9.6		4.2		2.2		26.5

Economy

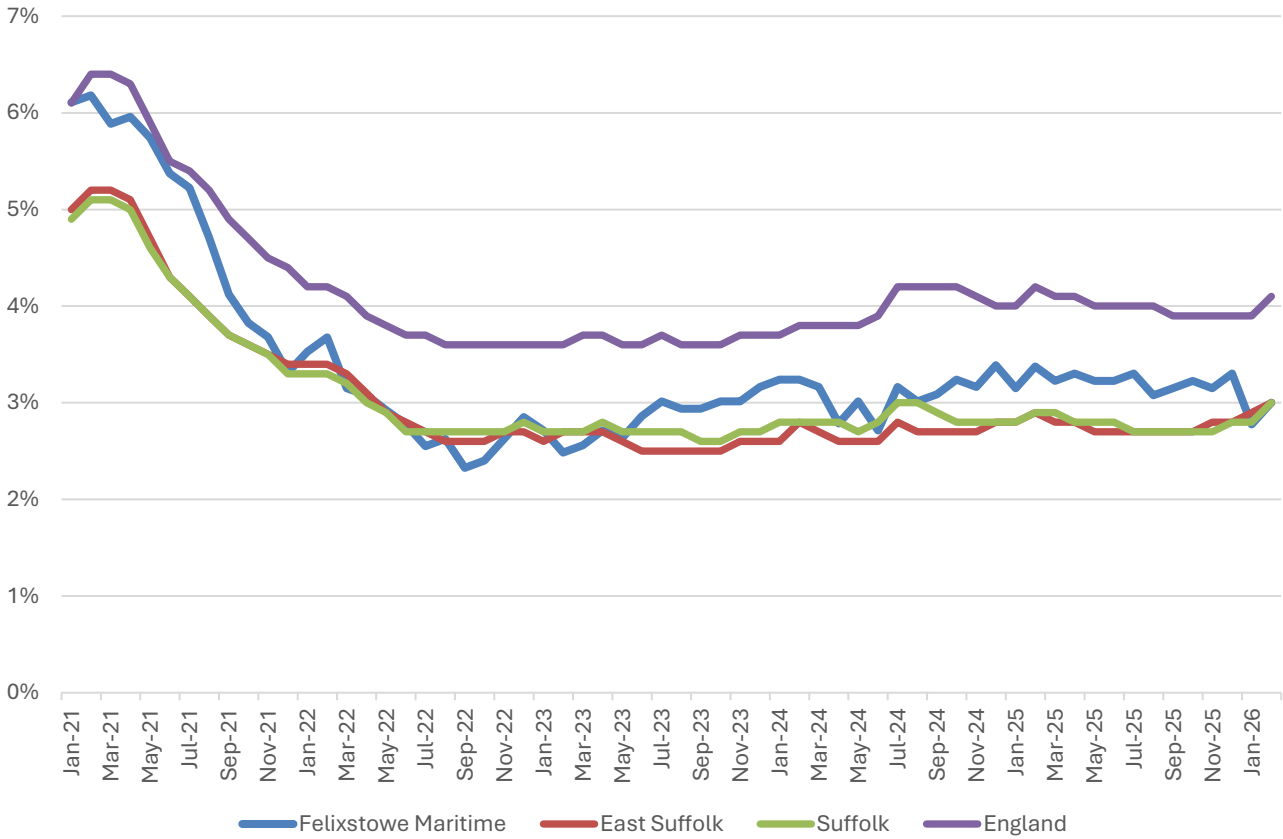
There are around 8,800 people employed in Felixstowe Maritime.



- Employment in Felixstowe Maritime is dominated by the transport and storage sector, which includes activities related to the Port of Felixstowe.
- This sector provides almost two-thirds of jobs in the division.
- On account of the dominance of transport and storage, all other sectors account for a smaller proportion of employment in Felixstowe Maritime than they do elsewhere. The next most important employers in the division are wholesale, retail and motor trades (5.6% of local jobs) and health (5.2%).
- Other important sectors in the division are accommodation and food services, education, health, and wholesale, retail and motor trades.

Labour Market

Out-of-work benefit claimant rate



- In common with East Suffolk, Suffolk and England as a whole, Felixstowe Maritime saw a steady decline in the proportion of the working age population claiming of out-of-work benefits during 2021 following a peak during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Since then, the claimant rate in the division has been consistently within half a percentage point of 3%. There was a noticeable rise in the rate since the low point of 2.3% in September 2022, though it has dropped again in the last two months of available data.
- The claimant rate in Felixstowe Maritime is generally about 0.7 percentage points below the national average, and similar to or slightly above the district and county comparators.

Schools

School Information

Schools in the Division

Name	Phase	Academy Status	No. pupils	Average cohort size at:			
				Foundation Stage (age 4-7)	KS2 (age 7-11)	KS4 (age 14-16)	KS5 (age 16-18)
Grange Community Primary School	Primary	AS	160	26	26		
Langer Primary Academy	Primary	AS	144	20	18		

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

Ofsted information

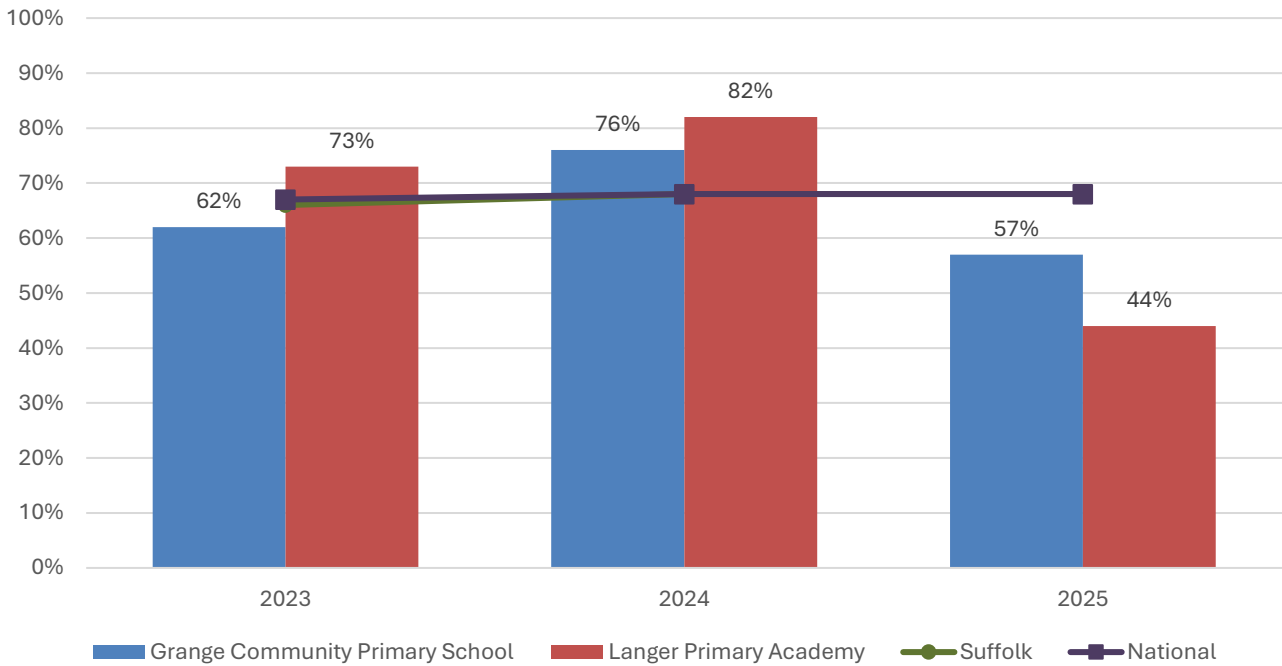
Name	Overall effectiveness	Effectiveness of leadership and management	Behaviour and attitudes	Personal development	Early years provision (if applicable)	Quality of education	Last inspection date
Grange Community Primary School	2	2	2	2	2	2	29/11/2022
Langer Primary Academy	2	1	2	1	1	2	26/09/2023

Code	Judgement	Code	Judgement
0	Insufficient evidence	SM	Special measures
1	Outstanding	8	Does not apply
2	Good	9	No judgement
3	Requires improvement	Null	No data available
4	Inadequate	Not judged	Not judged
SWK	Serious weaknesses	5	No overall grade

School Attainment

Foundation Stage Profile (reception)

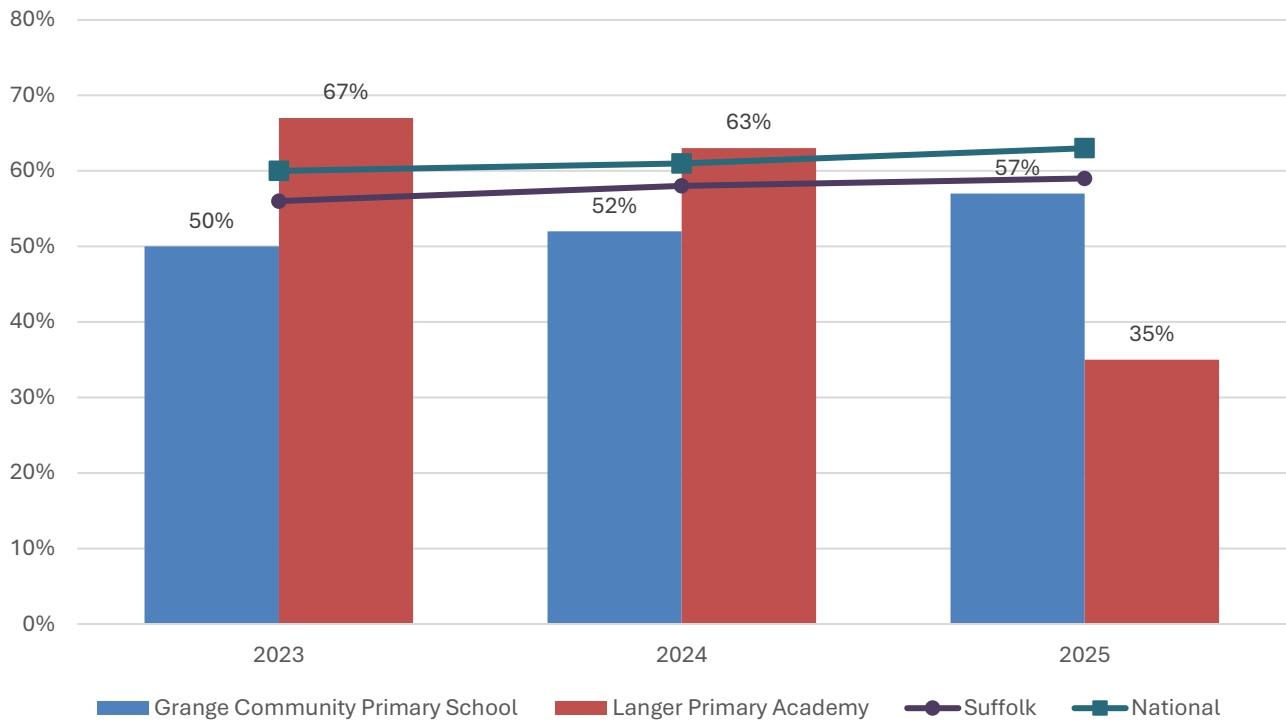
% pupils achieving Good Level of Development (GLD)



- Foundation Stage attainment at Grange Community Primary School and Langer Primary Academy was below the national benchmark in 2025, by 11 and 24 percentage points respectively.
- In 2024, however, the percentage of pupils achieving a Good Level of Development at Foundation Stage at both schools in the division was comfortably above the national figure.
- Attainment was mixed in 2023.
- It should be noted that cohort sizes at these schools are small and therefore more subject to significant fluctuations from one year to the next.

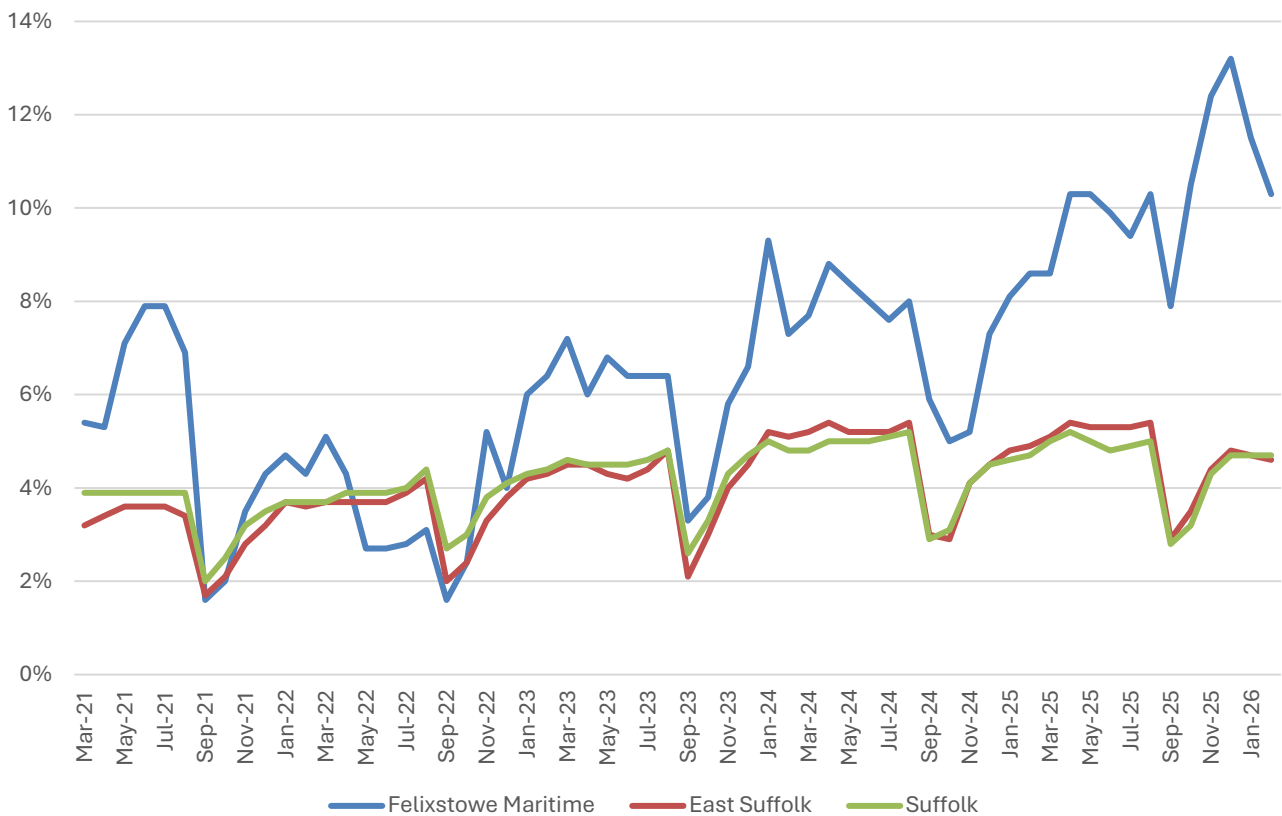
Key Stage 2 (age 11)

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



- Key stage 2 attainment at Langer Primary Academy has declined year on year from 2023 to 2025, but remained above the national benchmark in the first two years of data shown here.
- At Grange Community Primary School, the percentage of pupils who achieved the expected level or better in reading, writing and mathematics at KS2 has improved steadily during this period, but still remained slightly below the national figure in 2025.

NEET % (Not in Education, Employment or Training)



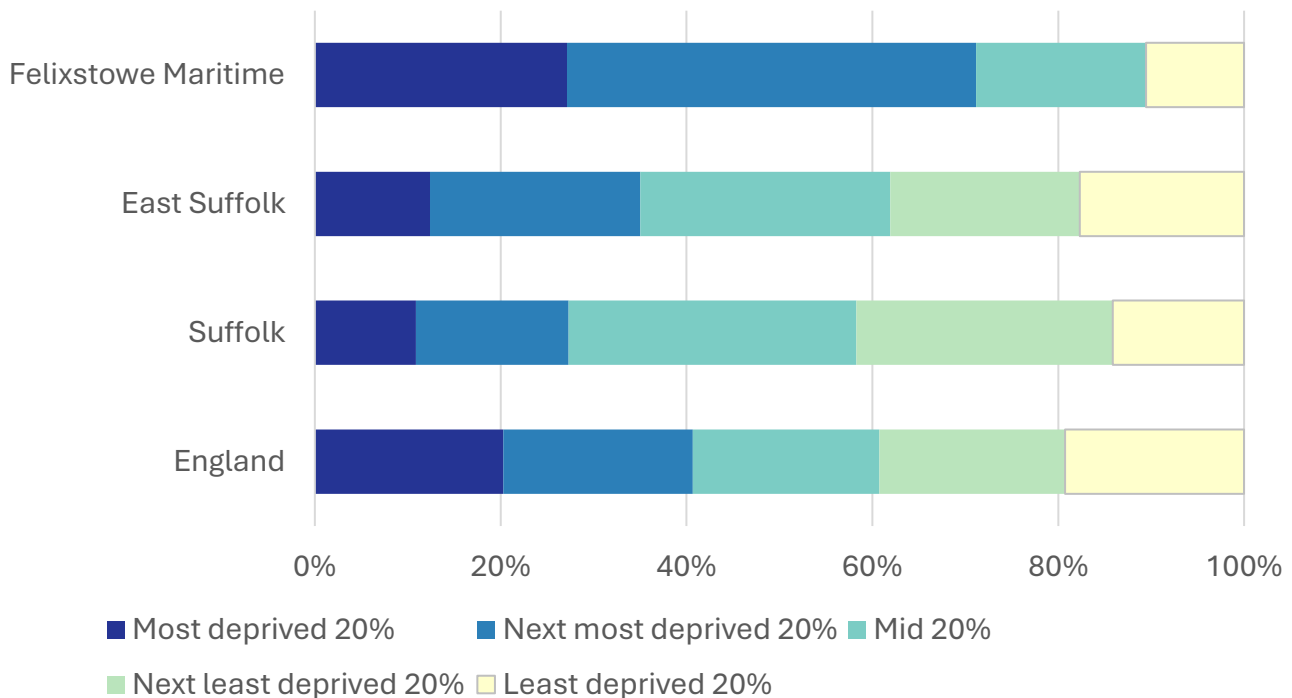
- In February 2026, 10.3% of 16–17-year-olds in Felixstowe Maritime were classified as NEET (not in education, employment or training).
- NEET levels fluctuate considerably according to the time of year and due to small numbers of 16-17-year-olds in the division, typically being at their lowest at the beginning of a new school year.
- In Felixstowe Maritime, NEET levels are almost invariably above the district and county figures, and the gap has widened over the past six months.

Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) 2025 (see map overleaf)

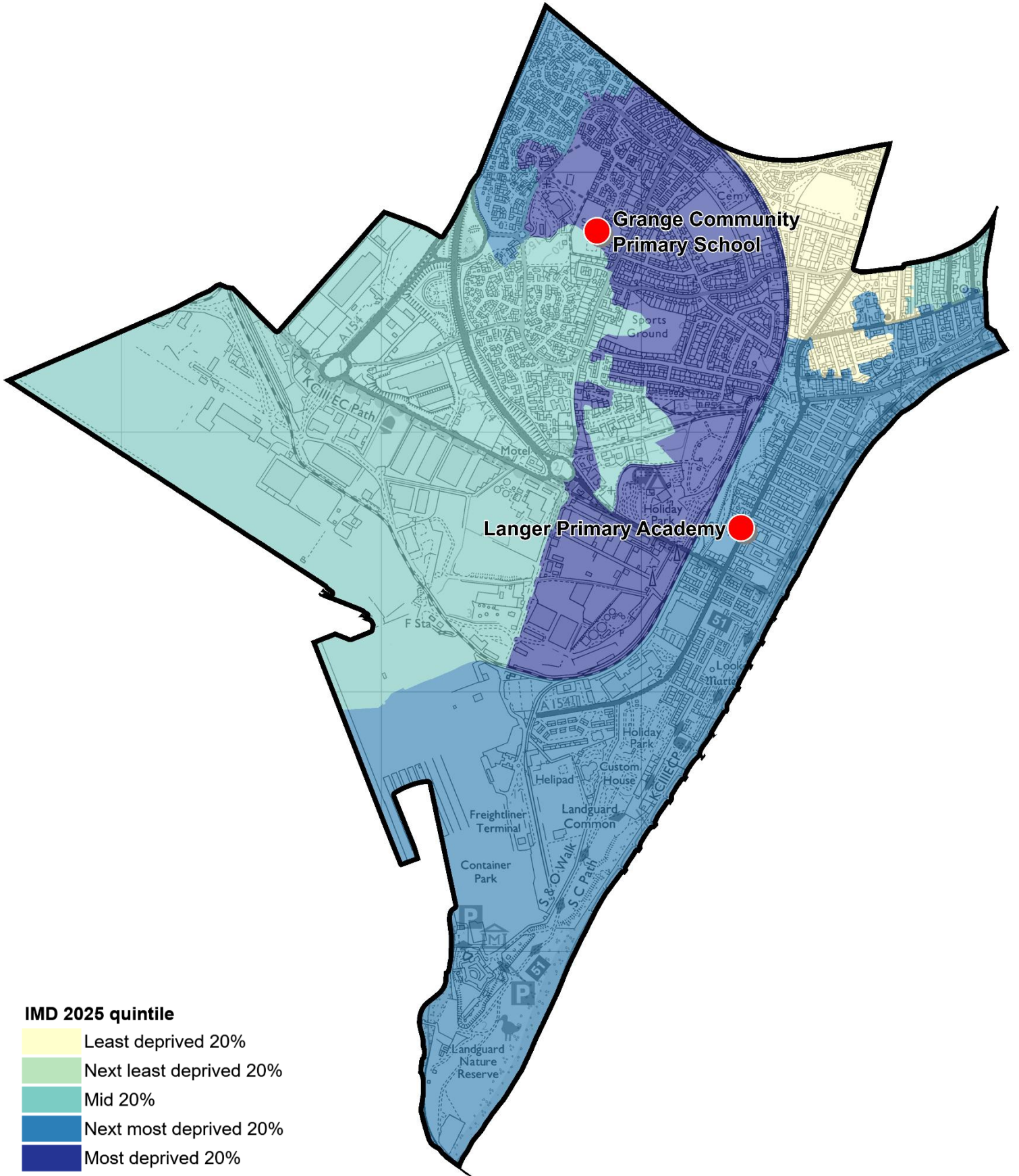
The IMD combines a number of indicators, chosen to cover a range of economic, social and housing issues, into a single deprivation score for each small area in England. This allows each area to be ranked relative to one another according to their level of deprivation. Small areas (Lower Super Output 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 chart below shows the percentage of the population of the division that live in areas ranked among each of the five quintiles of deprivation, alongside the district, county and England comparators.



- The 2025 IMD shows that deprivation levels in Felixstowe Maritime are extremely varied, with parts of the division ranked in four of the five deprivation quintiles in England.
- The largest proportion of the division's population (44%) live in areas ranked in the second most deprived quintile (i.e. 20-40% most deprived).
- Just over a quarter (27%) of the population of the division live in areas that are ranked among the most deprived 20% in England (indicated by dark blue on the chart and map).
- An adjacent neighbourhood in northeast Felixstowe Maritime is ranked in the least deprived quintile in England. This area is home to 11% of the division's population.
- The rest of the division is ranked in the middle quintile.
- See the map overleaf for the distribution of IMD 2025 results across the division.



IMD 2025 quintile

- Least deprived 20%
- Next least deprived 20%
- Mid 20%
- Next most deprived 20%
- Most deprived 20%

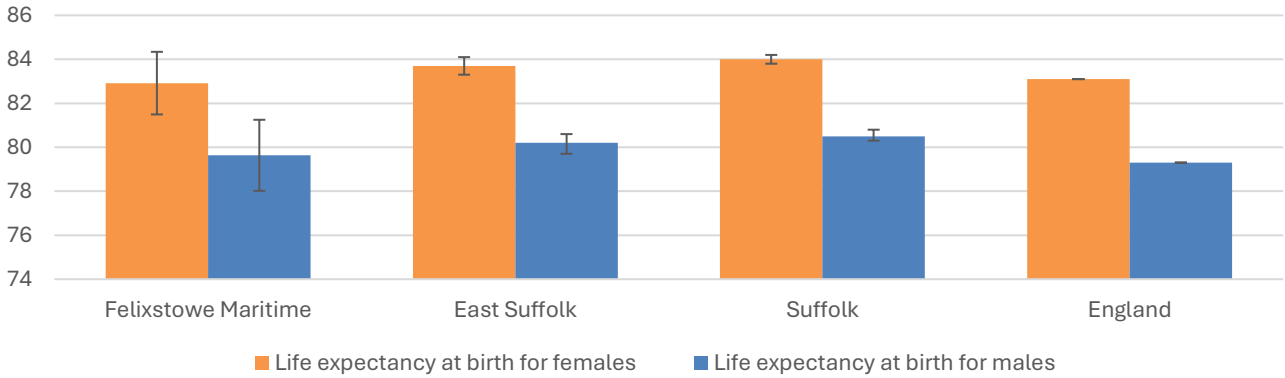
School Phase

- Primary
- Secondary
- Special
- Pupil referral unit/Alternative provision
- Nursery

Health

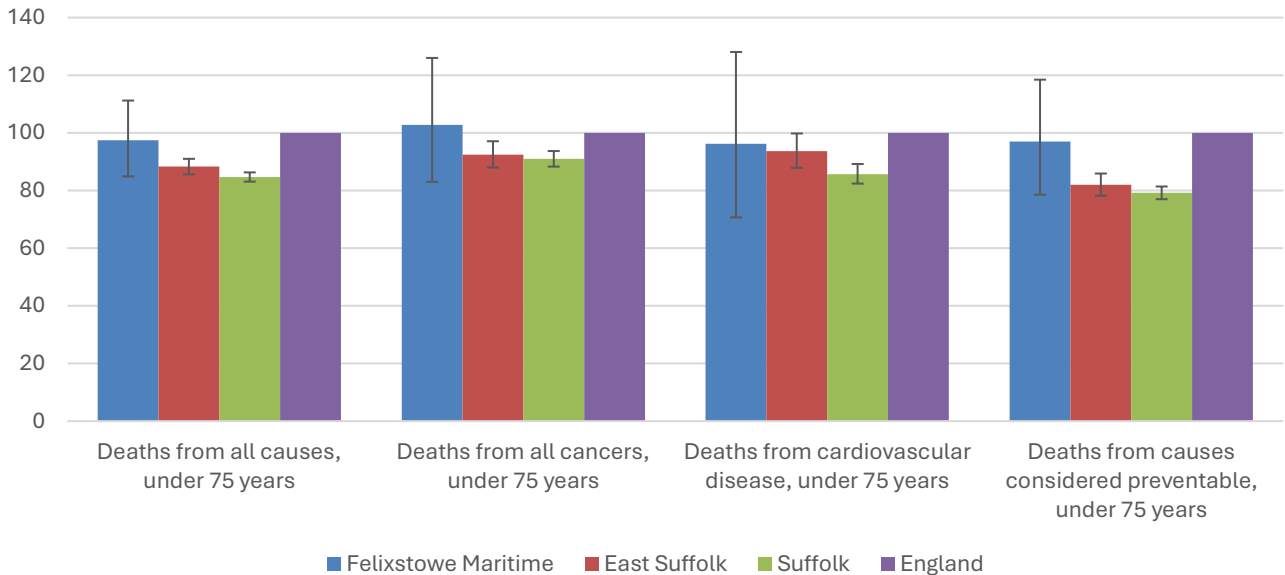
The local data used here is based on relatively small numbers. The confidence limits provide an indication of the reliability of the data. The 95% confidence intervals utilised on the chart provide a range within which there is 95% chance of the true result lying.

Life expectancy at birth



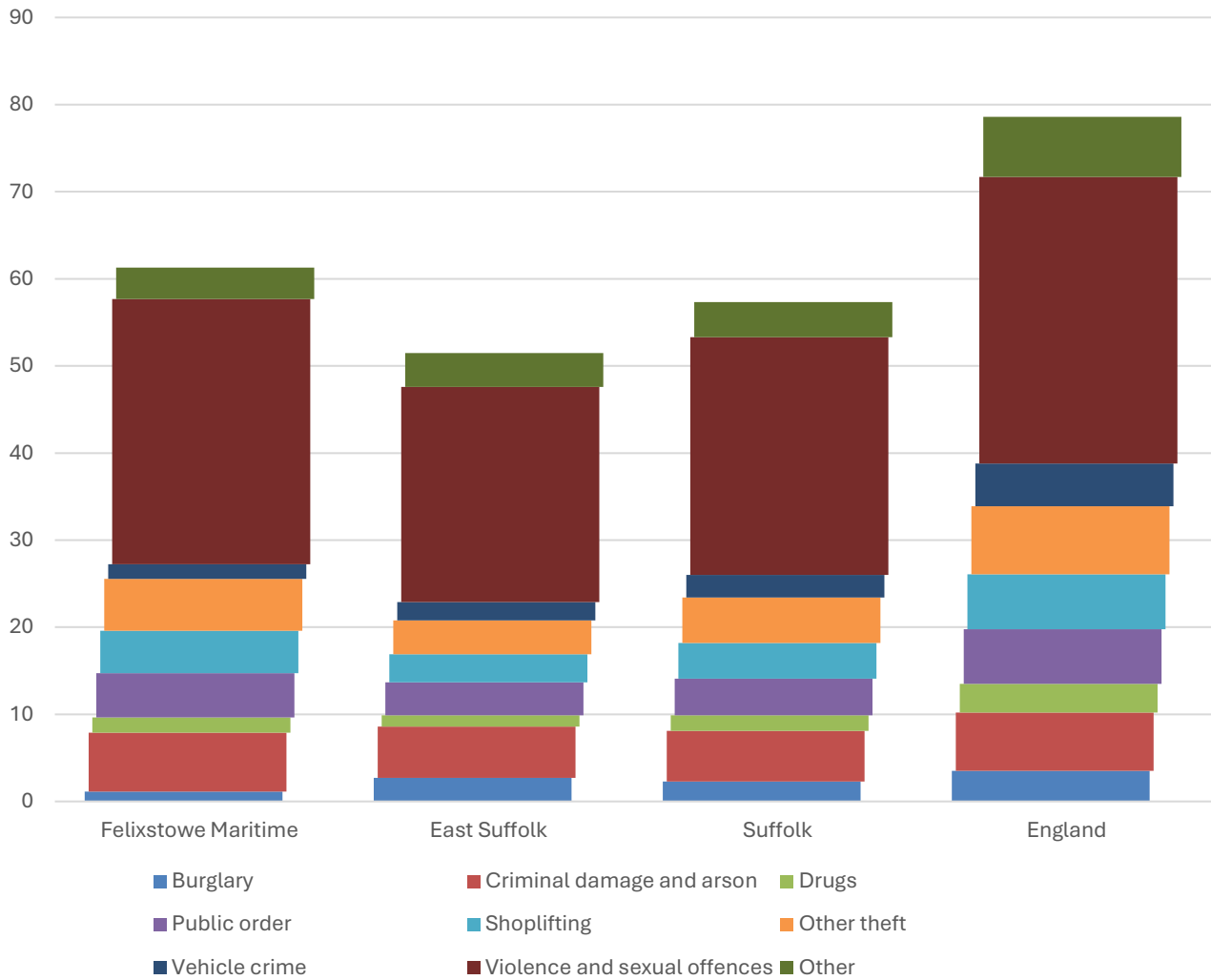
- Estimated life expectancy at birth for both females and males in Felixstowe Maritime are statistically similar to the East Suffolk, Suffolk and England averages.
- The latest life expectancy at birth estimates for the division are 82.9 for females (just below the England average of 83.1), and 79.6 for males (compared to 79.3 nationally).

Deaths, under 75 years, standardised mortality ratio



- Estimated standardised mortality ratios for early deaths from all causes, cardiovascular disease and causes considered preventable in Felixstowe Maritime are below 100, indicating that deaths in under 75s due to these causes are lower than in England.
- Confidence intervals around these estimates are wide for local data, and none of these differences are statistically significant.
- 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 97 comparable deaths in Felixstowe Maritime.

Crime & Community Safety



- Crime levels in Felixstowe Maritime are relatively high compared to both the district and county averages, with 61 crimes per 1,000 residents in the division in the 12 months to the end of January 2026, compared to 51 in East Suffolk and 57 countywide.
- Most types of crime are recorded at a higher rate in the division than the district and county average.
- By far the most common type of crime recorded during this period was violence and sexual offences, with 30 incidents per 1,000 residents in the division, accounting for half of all recorded crimes in the division.

Additional Information

Parishes in Division

Felixstowe (part)

Data sources

Category	Indicator	Source
Demographic Profile	Quinary population table 2024	ONS 2024 mid-year population estimates
	Population pyramid 2024	ONS 2024 mid-year population estimates
	Ethnicity 2021	ONS 2021 Census
Economy	Employment by broad industrial sector 2024	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 2021-February 2026	DWP via NOMIS
Education	School information and attainment 2023-2025	Suffolk County Council CYP iHub
	% 16-17-year-olds NEET (Not in Employment, Education or Training) March 2021 to February 2026	Suffolk County Council CYP iHub via the Suffolk Observatory
Deprivation	Index of Multiple Deprivation 2025	Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government
Health	Life expectancy at birth 2016-2020 (2018-2020 for comparator areas)	Office for Health Improvement and Disparities
Health	Standardised mortality ratio for deaths from all causes, cancer, cardiovascular disease, and from causes considered preventable (under 75 years), 2016-2020 (2019-2023 for comparator areas). The standardised mortality ratio is the ratio of observed deaths in the study group to expected deaths in the general population	Office for Health Improvement and Disparities
Community Safety	Recorded crime rate per 1,000 resident population February 2025 to January 2026	Data.police.uk via the Suffolk Observatory

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

