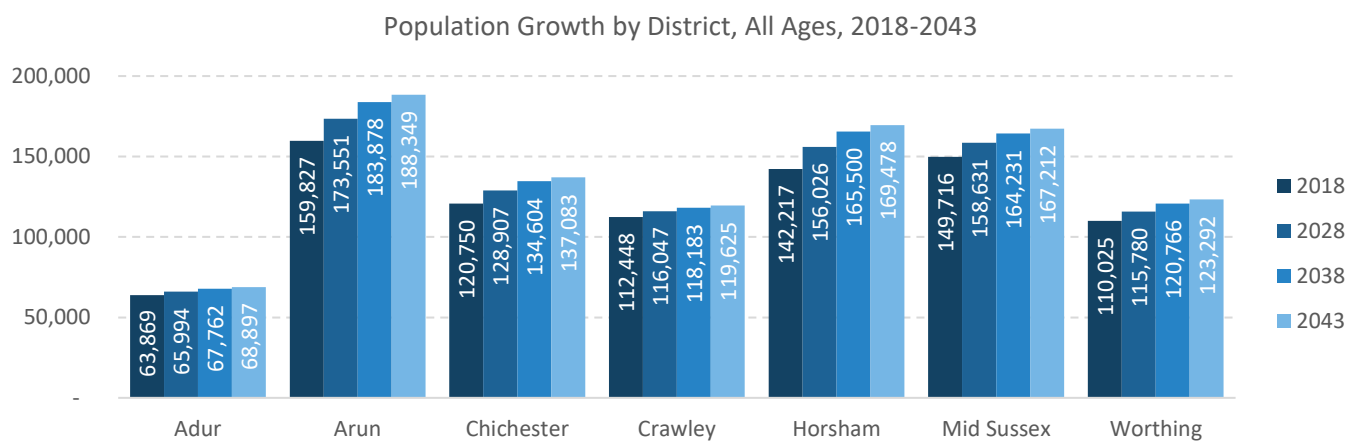
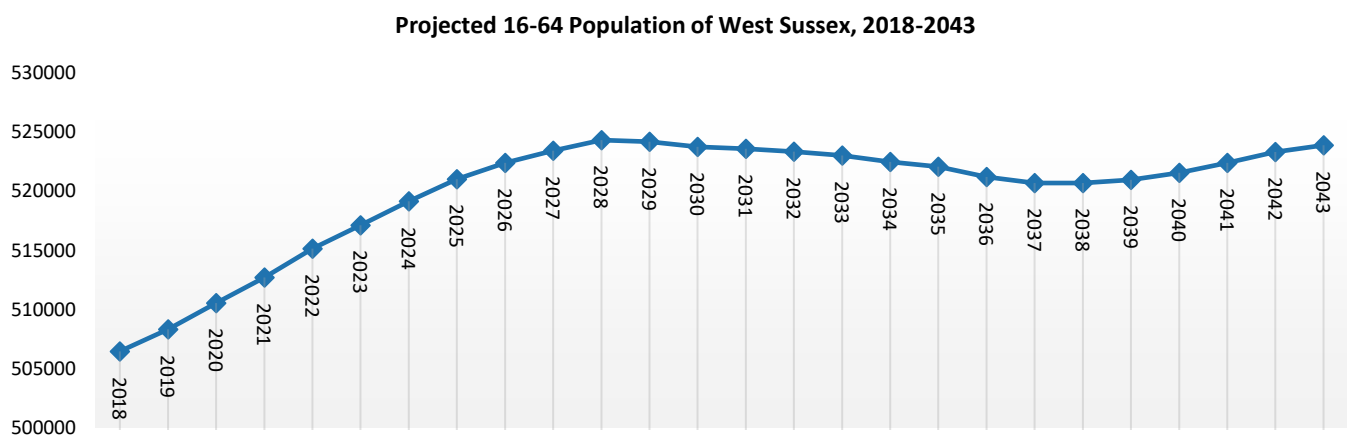
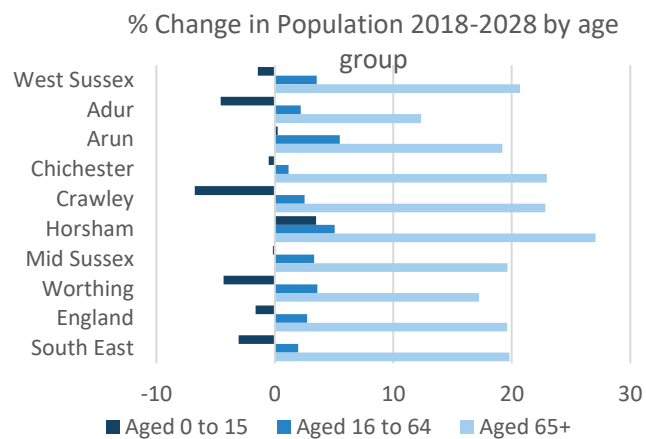
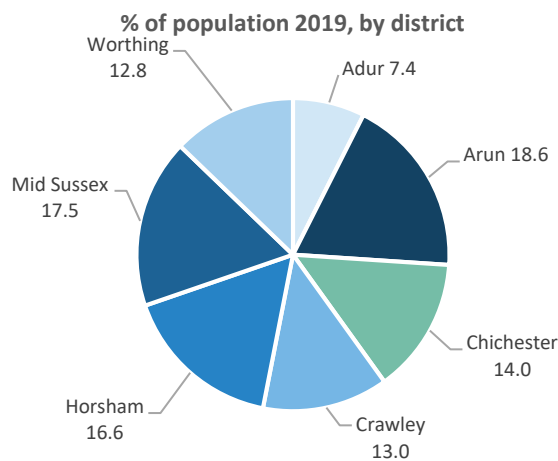


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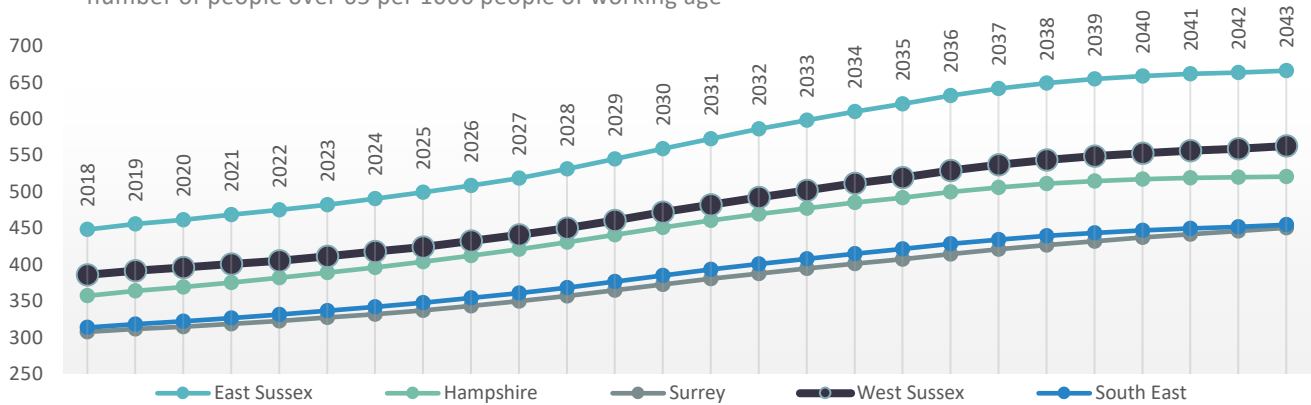
## Local evidence base overview

1. There is a range of data and information available that gives insight on socio-economic and demographic characteristics across West Sussex. Much of this is presented in detail in the West Sussex Life report that is available on the County Council's website: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/campaigns/west-sussex-life/>.
2. This report is currently being updated and will be available on the website over the summer. In the meantime, a few key headline messages emerging from some of the trend data are included here:
  - Latest population estimates (2019) show West Sussex has a population of 863,980, of which 59% are aged 16-64 years, lower than the regional (61%) and national (62%) average. 48.6% of the West Sussex population are male.
  - Population is projected to increase by 13.4% to 973,940 over the next 25 years (2018 - 2043) a higher % increase than the South East average with the highest % growth, at 60%, expected in Horsham. It is projected that the numbers of people aged 65 and over will grow by nearly six times as much as those of working age (16-64 years).
  - In the next ten years, 2018 - 2028 the population of those aged 0-15 is expected to fall in all authorities in West Sussex except for Horsham; the growth in population of 16-64 years is expected grow by 3.5% compared with 2.7% in England and 2% across the South East.
  - In terms of economic activity, the economy was worth around £22.8bn and performing strongly against the national average performance but with significant variation across the county. Latest figures show West Sussex has higher economic activity and employment rates than the regional and national average, with higher levels of self-employed.
  - Unemployment rates continue to lower than the national rates, lowest in Mid Sussex. However, the May 2020 claimant count suggests significant increase over the last couple of months up to 5.5% in West Sussex compared with 2.0% in March, the highest rate is seen in Crawley at 7.2%.
  - At 2018 there were 387,000 employee jobs, and employee job growth between 2015 - 2018 was stronger in the county at 5.6% than the national (3.7%) and regional average (1.9%). Crawley saw a 10% increase in employee jobs during this time. Within West Sussex Crawley makes up around a quarter of all employee jobs in the county.
  - West Sussex is very much a small firm economy with over 70% of businesses employing less than 5 people, the exception to this is found in Crawley which has one of the highest percentages of businesses employing over 100 in the country.
3. However, West Sussex's economy underperforms against the strongest economies in the South East. Earnings of West Sussex residents are lower than the regional average, and earnings of those working in the county are lower than the regional and national average, with the exception of Crawley where they are higher.

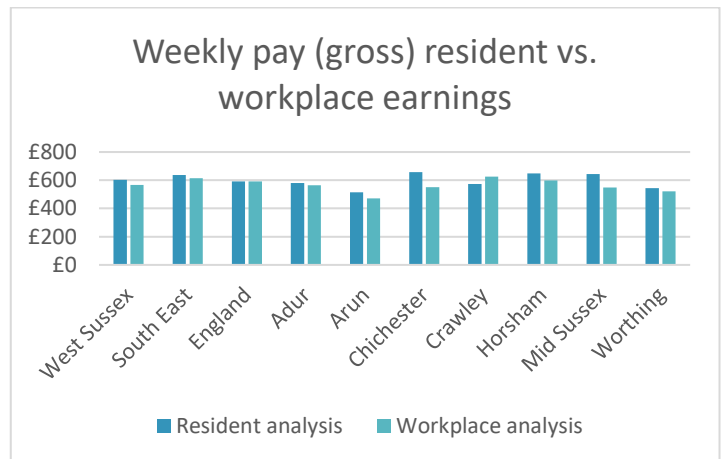
# Population Trends

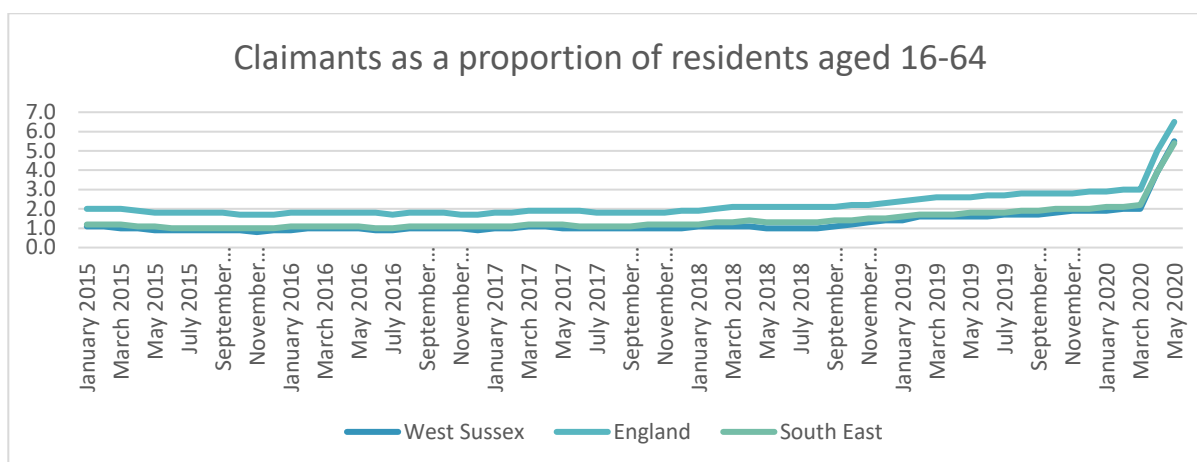
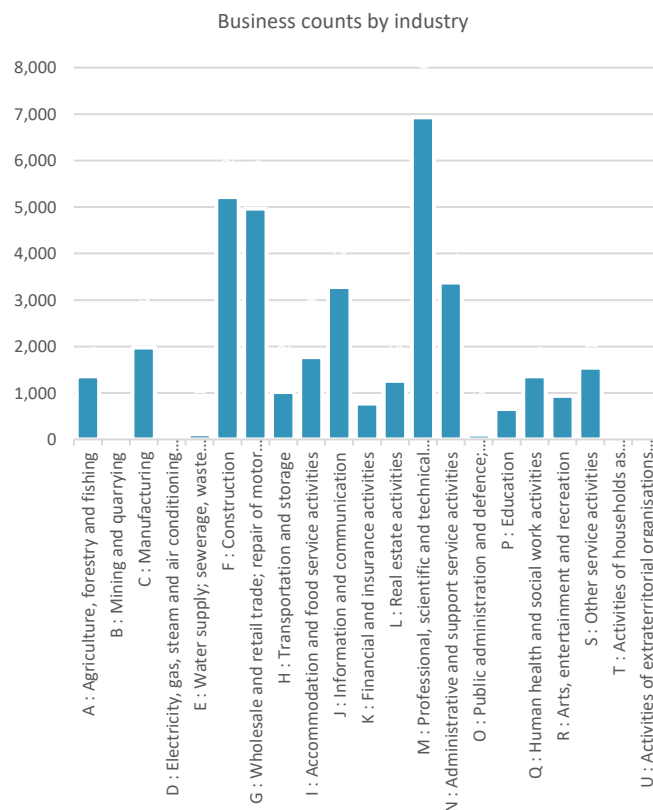
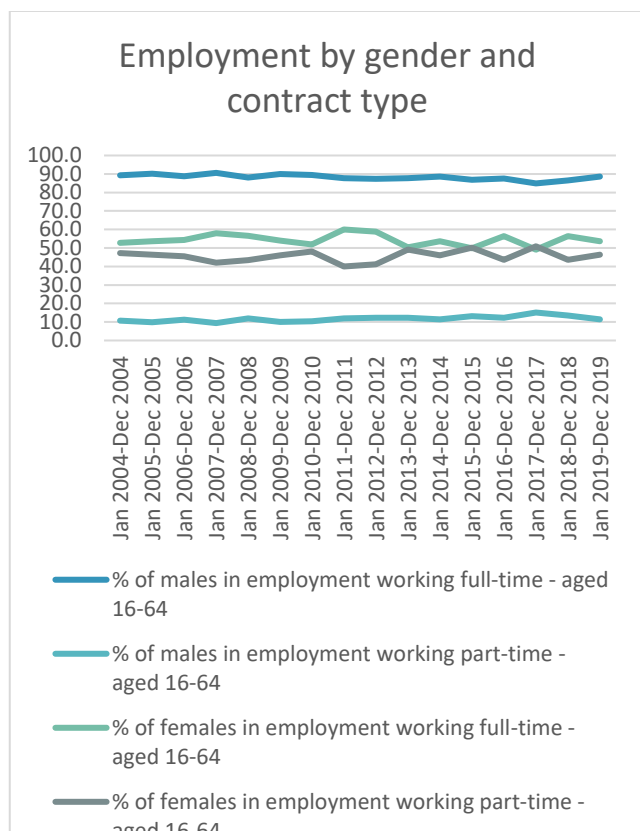


Old Age Dependency Ratio (OADR)  
number of people over 65 per 1000 people of working age



## Economic Activity in West Sussex





Metric	West Sussex	England	Period
Percentage of working age residents (16-64 year olds) with a level 4 qualification or above (includes degrees, HNC, HND and others)	41.9%	40%	Dec-19
Percentage of working age residents (16-64 year olds) with no qualifications or qualified only to NVQ1	15.7%	17.6%	Dec-19

Metric	West Sussex	England	Period
Annual gross full time earnings, median average (residence based)	£31,259	£30,661	2019
Percentage of working age population (16-64 year olds) in employment	82.2%	76%	Dec-19
People claiming unemployment related benefits (alternative claimant count), percentage of population 16-64 years old	5.5%	6.5%	May 20
New business registration rate per 10,000 people over 16	58.8	75.2	2018
New houses built, total completed / total affordable (Using MHCLG data for WS and ES published data)	3540/1238		2018-19
Percentage of children achieving a good level of development in all areas of learning ('expected' or 'exceeded' in the three prime areas of learning and within literacy and numeracy) in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFSP)	71.9%	71.8%	2019
Percentage of pupils reaching the expected standard at key stage 2 in reading, writing and mathematics	63%	65%	2019
Average Attainment 8 score per pupil state funded secondary schools	46.9	44.7	2019.
Average Progress 8 score for state funded secondary schools	+0.05	-0.03	2019
Percentage of pupils who achieved a 9-5 pass in English and maths GCSEs	42.7%	40.1%	2019
Average Attainment 8 score per pupil for Looked After Children	13.5	19.2	2019
Average point score (APS) per entry for level 3 exams including A levels (16-18 year olds)	32.86	34.01	2019
Attainment of A level students (age 16-18) average point score (APS) per entry, best 3	31.89	33.96	2019
Attainment of A level students (age 16-18) % achieving grades AAB or better at A level, of which at least two are in facilitating subjects	13%	16.5%	2019

Metric	West Sussex	England	Period
Rate per 10,000 (aged 0 –17 population) of Looked After Children	40	65	2019
Rate per 10,000 (aged 0-17 population) of children with a Child Protection Plan	35.6	43.7	2018-19
Percentage of children who ceased to be looked after adopted during the year ending 31 March	12%	12%	2019
Rate of hospital emergency admissions caused by unintentional and deliberate injuries in children and young people aged 0-14 years per 10,000 population	97.8	96.1	2018-19
Proportion of people who use Adult Social Care services who feel safe	71.5%	70.0%	2018-19
Percentage of people (65 and over) who were still at home 91 days after discharge from hospital	73.2%	82.4%	2018-19
Suicide rate per 100,000 of population three-year average	8.5	9.6	2016-18
Percentage of children aged 4-5 years with excess weight (overweight or obese), by postcode of child	19.8%	22.5%	2016/17 to 2018/19
Percentage of children aged 10-11 years with excess weight (overweight or obese) by postcode of child	28.5%	34.3%	2016/17 to 2018/19
Long-term support needs of younger adults (aged 18-64) met by admission to residential and nursing care homes, per 100,000 population per year	19.2	13.9	2018-19
Long-term support needs of older adults (aged 65 and over) met by admission to residential and nursing care homes, per 100,000 population per year	582.0	580.0	2018-19
Proportion of older people aged 65 and over who received reablement services following discharge from hospital	0.9%	2.8%	2018-19
The outcome of short-term services: sequel to service: proportion of people who received short-term services during the year, where no further request was made for ongoing support or support of a lower level	89.2%	79.6%	2018-19
Proportion of people who use Adult Social Care services who find it easy to find information about services	74.5%	69.7%	2018-19

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Metric	West Sussex	England	Period
Social Isolation: percentage of Adult Social Care users who have as much social contact as they would like	46.0%	45.9%	2018-19
People killed or seriously injured on the roads (crude rate - per 100,000)	56.5	42.6	2016-18