

1.3.2 Ethnicity in children and young people (0 to 15 years)

Outline

The ONS 2007 Population Estimates are broken down by the standard wide age groups. The numbers in the 0-15 age group are useful as this population requires specific services and it is also useful in planning future provision as these cohorts grow older.

Data Description

The data is taken from the ONS 2007 Population Estimates by Ethnic Group. These are an experimental set of estimates from ONS, which means that they are in the testing phase and not yet fully developed. This set of data was preferred to the 2001 Population Census data, which was the only practical alternative as the Census 2001 data was seen as being too out of date.

Key Issues

- As the current data is considered experimental by the Office of National Statistics it may not be an accurate picture of Northamptonshire. Comparison to schools data suggests that it may underestimate the proportion of the population that is not White British.

Consequences

Some services should be targeted to meet higher levels of needs in some ethnic groups, for example diabetes services. Services should be sensitive to different cultural backgrounds and needs of different ethnic groups. A lack of accurate ethnicity data makes planning services for different ethnic groups difficult.

Key Documents

Office of National Statistics. 2007. *Population Estimates by Ethnic Group (experimental)* (Online). Available from: <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=14238>

Office of National Statistics. 2009. *Focus on Ethnicity and Identity* (Online). Available from: <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/focuson/ethnicity/>

NHS Evidence. 2009. *Ethnicity and health* (Online). Available from: <http://www.library.nhs.uk/ethnicity/>

Locality	All Groups	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Other
England	9655800	8133700	391500	699400	326200	105000
East Midlands	816300	719400	29800	49300	11800	6100
Northamptonshire	134800	121300	5300	4800	2400	1100
Corby	11300	10700	300	200	100	0
Daventry	15800	14800	500	400	100	100
East Northamptonshire	17700	16500	600	400	200	100
Kettering	17700	16400	500	600	200	100
Northampton	39000	33200	2100	2000	1100	600
South Northamptonshire	18200	17000	600	400	200	100
Wellingborough	15000	12800	800	800	500	100

Table 1.3.2.1 Count of young people (0 to 15 years) by ethnicity in Northamptonshire Mid-year population estimates 2007 (experimental), ONS.

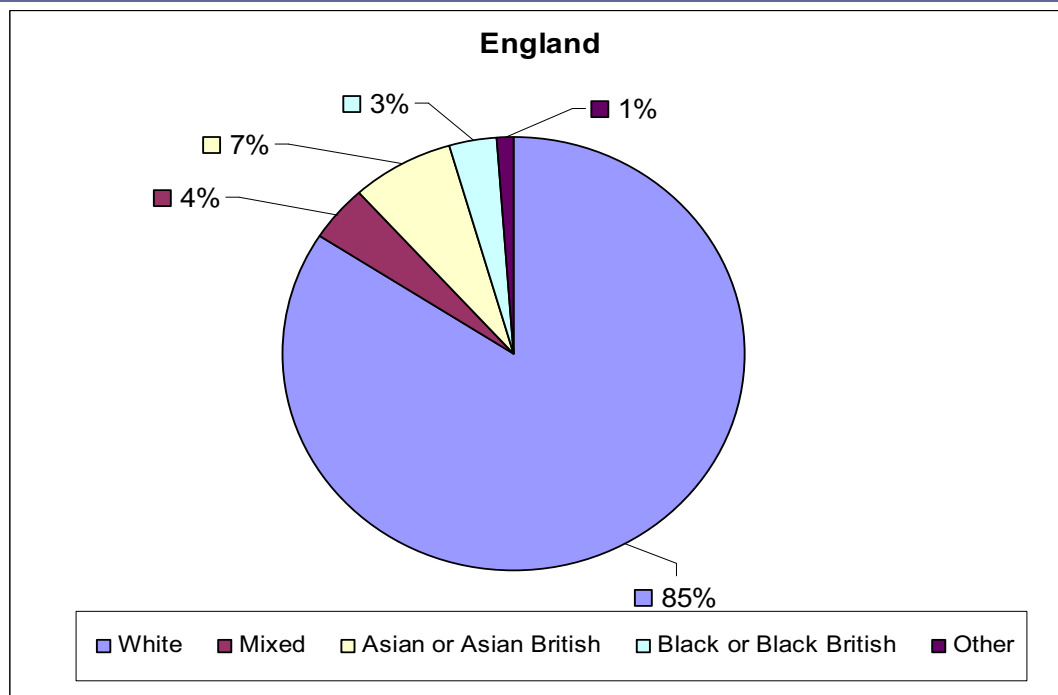


Figure 1.3.2.1 Young people (0-15 years) by ethnicity in England. Mid-year population estimate 2007 (experimental), ONS

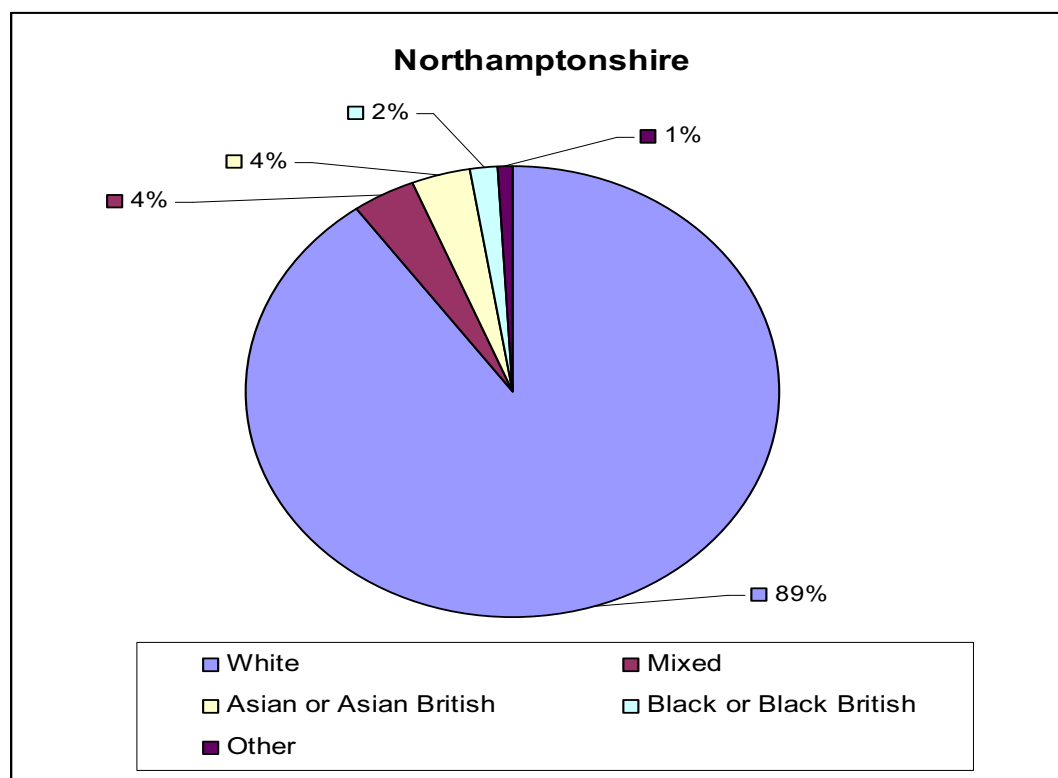


Figure 1.3.2.2 Young people (0 to 15 years) by ethnicity in Northamptonshire. Mid-year population estimate 2007 (experimental), ONS