

## **Tyne & Wear Research and Information note on ONS' revised 2004-based Sub-National Population Projections (SNPPs) (released 27<sup>th</sup> September 2007)**

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) published revised 2004-based SNPPs (on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2007) which run from 2004 to 2029. The reference period for data to inform the projections is 1999-2004. [They take no account of the latest 2005 and 2006 mid-year population estimates (MYEs), but reflect revisions made to MYEs for 2004 and earlier years.] The projections are demographic trend based and take no account of local development policy, economic factors or capacity of areas to accommodate population.

### **Total Population**

The revised estimates show a steady decline in population in Tyne & Wear (-0.9% to 2011, -1.7% to 2021 and -2.2% over the entire projection period to 2029). This contrasts with population growth in the North East region (+0.8%) and nationally (+12.7%) to 2029.

Within Tyne & Wear, North Tyneside is the only district to experience population growth (+10.5% to 2029). South Tyneside experiences the largest percentage fall in population of -6.9% (or -10,400) over the projection period. This is followed closely by Sunderland, with a loss of -6.7% (or -18,800). Population decline in Newcastle and Gateshead is less severe at -3.6% (or -9,700) and -2.8% (or -5,400) respectively.

### **Population Aged 0-14**

In Tyne & Wear, by 2029, the population of young people is set to fall by -12.5%, or -23,200 people. Within the districts, the decline in this age group is largest in Sunderland (-21.4%, or -10,600) and South Tyneside (-21.4%, or -5,700). Gateshead's young population is projected to fall by -14.2% (or -4,700) and Newcastle's by -6.2% (or -2,700). In contrast, North Tyneside's 0-14 age group is projected to rise by +1.5% (or +500) by 2029.

### **Approximate Working Age Population (Men 15-64, Women 15-59)**

The population of (approximate) working age in Tyne & Wear is projected to fall by -10.3%, (or -71,000) by 2029. The largest percentage falls in this age group are again in Sunderland and South Tyneside, with falls of -16.4% (or -29,400), and -16.3% (or -15,200) respectively. The decline in (approximate) working age population is less severe in Gateshead (at -10.7%, or -12,700) and Newcastle (at -9.0%, or -15,700). North Tyneside's (approximate) working age population is projected to rise by +1.7%, or +2,100 people.

### **Older People (Men 65+, Women 60+)**

The population of older people is projected to rise in Tyne & Wear and each of the local authority districts. Tyne & Wear's population of older people is projected to rise by +33.5% (or +70,100) by 2029. North Tyneside is projected to experience the largest percentage rise at +45.8%, or +17,900. This is followed by Sunderland (+40.7%, or +21,300), South Tyneside (+33.5%, or +10,500), Gateshead (+30.1%, or +11,700) and Newcastle (+18.1%, or +8,700).

**Caution:** The Office for National Statistics (ONS) has changed its methodology for calculating the international migration component of the 2006 and revised 2002 to 2005 mid-year estimates of population. Tyne & Wear local authorities and TWRI have serious reservations about the accuracy of the resulting estimates, and population projections based on these estimates, and advise that they only be used with caution.

The following two tables show the revised and original population projections for 2004 and 2029 for Tyne & Wear and each of its districts. Change in population over the projection period is highlighted for the total population and selected age groups.

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**Revised 2004-based Population Projections; Change 2004-2029, Tyne & Wear LADs**


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**Total Population** (thousands)

	<b>2004</b>	<b>2029</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>% Change</b>
England	50,110.7	56,456.8	6,346.1	12.7
North East	2,542.2	2,561.7	19.5	0.8
Tyne & Wear	1083.0	1058.9	-24.1	-2.2
Gateshead	190.4	185.0	-5.4	-2.8
Newcastle	267.1	257.4	-9.7	-3.6
North Tyneside	192.8	213.1	20.3	10.5
South Tyneside	151.3	140.9	-10.4	-6.9
Sunderland	281.4	262.6	-18.8	-6.7
North East share of England	5.073%	4.537%		
Tyne & Wear share of England	2.161%	1.876%		

**Population Aged 0-14**

Tyne & Wear	186.1	162.9	-23.2	-12.5
Gateshead	33.1	28.4	-4.7	-14.2
Newcastle	43.8	41.1	-2.7	-6.2
North Tyneside	33.1	33.6	0.5	1.5
South Tyneside	26.6	20.9	-5.7	-21.4
Sunderland	49.5	38.9	-10.6	-21.4

**Approximate Working Age Population**

(Men 15-64, Women 15-59)

Tyne & Wear	687.5	616.5	-71.0	-10.3
Gateshead	118.6	105.9	-12.7	-10.7
Newcastle	175.4	159.7	-15.7	-9.0
North Tyneside	120.5	122.6	2.1	1.7
South Tyneside	93.4	78.2	-15.2	-16.3
Sunderland	179.5	150.1	-29.4	-16.4

**Older People** (Men 65+, Women 60+)

Tyne & Wear	209.4	279.5	70.1	33.5
Gateshead	38.9	50.6	11.7	30.1
Newcastle	48.0	56.7	8.7	18.1
North Tyneside	39.1	57.0	17.9	45.8
South Tyneside	31.3	41.8	10.5	33.5
Sunderland	52.3	73.6	21.3	40.7

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**Original 2004-based Population Projections; Change 2004-2029, Tyne & Wear LADs**

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**Total Population** (thousands)

	<b>2004</b>	<b>2029</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>% Change</b>
England	50,093.1	56,456.6	6,363.5	12.7
North East	2,545.1	2,638.1	93.0	3.7
Tyne & Wear	1085.6	1118.4	32.8	3.0
Gateshead	191.3	194.6	3.3	1.7
Newcastle	269.5	290.4	20.9	7.8
North Tyneside	190.7	213.2	22.5	11.8
South Tyneside	151.5	144.4	-7.1	-4.7
Sunderland	282.7	275.9	-6.8	-2.4
North East share of England	5.081%	4.673%		
Tyne & Wear share of England	2.167%	1.981%		

**Population Aged 0-14**

Tyne & Wear	186.5	173.4	-13.1	-7.0
Gateshead	33.1	30.0	-3.1	-9.4
Newcastle	44.1	46.5	2.4	5.4
North Tyneside	32.8	34.2	1.4	4.3
South Tyneside	26.6	21.5	-5.1	-19.2
Sunderland	49.7	41.0	-8.7	-17.5

**Approximate Working Age Population**

(Men 15-64, Women 15-59)

Tyne & Wear	689.4	661.2	-28.2	-4.1
Gateshead	119.3	113.2	-6.1	-5.1
Newcastle	177.3	185.2	7.9	4.5
North Tyneside	118.6	122.5	3.9	3.3
South Tyneside	93.5	80.6	-12.9	-13.8
Sunderland	180.5	159.7	-20.8	-11.5

**Older People** (Men 65+, Women 60+)

Tyne & Wear	209.8	283.9	74.1	35.3
Gateshead	38.9	51.5	12.6	32.4
Newcastle	48.0	58.6	10.6	22.1
North Tyneside	39.1	56.4	17.3	44.2
South Tyneside	31.3	42.2	10.9	34.8
Sunderland	52.4	75.3	22.9	43.7

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