

## **Wrington and Blagdon and Churchill Ward Characteristics**

The Wrington Vale Medical Practice mainly serves the populations of the electoral wards of Blagdon and Churchill, and Wrington. These wards together make up around 8% of the population of North Somerset. Both wards consist of a rural population living in a number of scattered small villages and communities.

### **Wrington Ward**

**AGE GROUPS** - The average age of the population of Wrington is 41.5 years. The proportion of people in the different age groups within the Wrington population is similar to the national average. Compared to the North Somerset average, there are slightly more young people and slightly fewer old people in the Wrington ward. The population estimates show a similar *number* of children under five living in the Blagdon and Churchill ward as there are living in Wrington ward. This is true for each year between 0 and 5 years.

**HEALTH NEEDS** - The population is relatively healthy with a longer life expectancy and a significantly higher number of people who consider themselves to be in good health than the average for North Somerset. There has been some national research to estimate how common some of the major diseases are in each General Practice in England. Wrington Vale Medical Practice is estimated to have lower numbers of people with heart disease, stroke or high blood pressure than the average for North Somerset.

**CAR OWNERSHIP** - Car ownership is higher than the North Somerset average, which is in turn higher than the national average. 91% of households have at least one car and more than half of households (52%) have two or more cars.

**DEPRIVATION** - This is a relatively affluent ward, which is split into two geographical areas (Lower Super Output Areas). The South/West Area falls within the least deprived 5% of areas across England. The East Area is between the least deprived 50%.

**HOME OWNERSHIP** - Most people (82%) live in their own homes, which is 3% higher than the average for North Somerset. 92% of households are houses and 8% are flats. There has not been any significant new building in the Wrington ward in recent years and population projections do not identify any growth between now and 2026.

## Blagdon and Churchill Ward

**AGE GROUPS** - The average age of the population of Blagdon and Churchill is 40.7 years. The proportion of people in the different age groups within the Blagdon and Churchill population is similar to the national average. Compared to the North Somerset average, there are slightly more people of working age and slightly fewer old people in the Blagdon and Churchill ward. The population estimates show a similar *number* of children under five living in the Blagdon and Churchill ward as there are living in Wrington ward. This is true for each year between 0 and 5 years.

**HEALTH NEEDS** - The population is relatively healthy with a longer life expectancy and a significantly higher number of people who consider themselves to be in good health than the average for North Somerset. There has been some national research to estimate how common some of the major diseases are in each General Practice in England. Wrington Vale Medical Practice is estimated to have lower numbers of people with heart disease, stroke or high blood pressure than the average for North Somerset.

**CAR OWNERSHIP** - Car ownership is higher than the North Somerset average, which is in turn higher than the national average. 92% of households have at least one car and more than half of households (60%) have two or more cars. In this ward, 16% of households have three or more cars.

**DEPRIVATION** - This is a relatively affluent ward, which is split into three geographical areas (Lower Super Output Areas). The Churchill Area falls within the least deprived 10% of areas across England. The Langford Area is between the least deprived 25% and the Blagdon Area in the least deprived 50%.

**HOME OWNERSHIP** - Most people (78%) live in their own homes, which is similar to the average for North Somerset. 96% of households are houses and 4% are flats. Blagdon and Churchill has the highest proportion of detached houses of any ward in North Somerset. There has not been any significant new building in the Blagdon and Churchill ward in recent years and population projections do not identify any growth between now and 2026.