Peckham Neighbourhood: Summary

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The Peckham neighbourhood is home to around 29,300 of the borough's residents

SUMMARY

The neighbourhood of Peckham sits in the centre of the borough, below Old Kent Road and above Nunhead and Peckham Rye. It covers two of Southwark's electoral wards: Peckham, and Rye Lane, and is home to around 29,300 residents. There is notable diversity across the area, with Peckham ward having the largest proportion of non-White identifying residents in the borough, at 72%. This compares to further south in the neighbourhood, in Rye Lane, where a substantially lower proportion of 48% identify with a non-White ethnic background.

The area faces greater disadvantage when compared with Southwark as a whole, though this is not seen evenly across the neighbourhood. Peckham ranks as the 2nd most deprived ward in the borough, and has significantly higher levels of unemployment. In comparison, Rye Lane sees disadvantage similar to that of the borough average.

This disparity within the neighbourhood itself is also seen with life expectancies substantially below the borough average in Peckham ward, and above the borough average in Rye Lane. However, the area as a whole sees comparable or lower rates of long-term conditions and hospital admissions, and better or similar child health outcomes to Southwark.

The summary tables provide a high level overview of the Peckham neighbourhood

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Indicator	Period	Southwark	Peckham neighbourhood	Peckham	ward	Rye Lane ward
Total number of residents	2021	307,620	29,300	14,800)	14,500
Non-white population (%)	2021	49%	60%	72%		48%
Percentage of residents with low English proficiency	2021	3.4%	4.1%	5.1%		3.1%
Percentage of residents with a disability	2021	14%	15%	15%		15%
Deprivation score (higher values indicate a higher level of deprivation)	2019	25.3	-	33.9		27.4
Proportion of households socially rented	2021	40%	48%	58%		38%
Crime rate per 1,000	2022	130.8	132.6	103.4		161.7
Percentage of population unemployed	2021-2022	6.9%	9.3%	11.1%)	7.5%
Percentage of population workless due to sickness	2022	2.9%	3%	2.9%		3.1%
Coverage of some breastfeeding at 6 to 8 weeks	2018/19 – 2021/22	85%	87%	84%		89%
General fertility rate, births per 1,000	2021	42.5	40.8	44.6		36.9
Emergency admissions among 0-4 year olds, per 1,000	2019/20	93.0	84.2	89.0		79.4
Percentage of child excess weight at Reception	2019/20 – 2021/22	25%	25%	28%		21%
Percentage of child excess weight at Year 6	2019/20 - 2021/22	41%	45%	47%		43%
Male life expectancy at birth in years	2016-2020	79.4	78.5	77.2		79.7
Female life expectancy at birth in years	2016-2020	84.3	83.3	81.3		85.3
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Type 2 diabetes, rate per 1,000	2023	54	67	77		56	
Asthma, rate per 1,000	2023	43	46	44		48	
COPD, rate per 1,000	2023	12	13	12		13	
Depression, rate per 1,000	2023	103	105	96		113	
Coronary heart disease, rate per 1,000	2023	13	11	12		11	
Cancer, rate per 1,000	2023	23	21	19		23	
Hypertension, rate per 1,000	2023	105	121	132		111	
All causes emergency admissions, Standardised Admission Ratio (SAR)	2016/17– 2020/21	91	90	101		79	
Hospital admissions for coronary heart disease, SAR	2016/17– 2020/21	75	70	73		67	
Hospital admissions for COPD, SAR	2016/17– 2020/21	148	132	128		136	
Hospital admissions for alcohol, SAR	2016/17— 2020/21	108	98	104		92	
Deaths from all causes, Standardised Mortality Ratio (SMR)	2016 - 2020	94	100	112		88	
Deaths from cancer, SMR	2016 - 2020	101	105	109		100	
Deaths from cardiovascular disease, SMR	2016 - 2020	92	75	72		78	
Deaths from respiratory disease, SMR	2016 - 2020	90	99	99		98	
Preventable mortality in under 75 year olds, SMR	2016 - 2020	102	110	118		101	
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