







Research and intelligence

2011 Census – Population Aged 0-4 (Electoral Ward)

Nationally – The Census shows that there has been a rise of 13% in the number of children under the age of five.

Locally – The Census tell us that the number of children under the age of five living in Shropshire is 15,700. This has risen by 3.2% from 15,206 in 2001.

Highest ranking Electoral Wards

Market Drayton West Electoral Ward has the highest number of 0-4 year olds in Shropshire, followed by Bayston Hill, Column & Sutton and Oswestry East.

Electoral Ward Name	Persons Aged 0-4 years	Rank (Highest to Lowest)
Market Drayton West	589	1
Bayston Hill, Column and Sutton	548	2
Oswestry East	499	3
Whitchurch North	437	4
Wem	403	5
Harlescott	375	6
Gobowen, Selattyn and Weston Rhyn	343	7
Church Stretton and Craven Arms	339	8
Shifnal South and Cosford	320	9
Castlefields and Ditherington	317	10
Underdale	317	10

Lowest ranking Electoral Wards

Ludlow North Electoral Ward has the lowest number of children aged 0-4 years (128), Chirbury & Worthen and Alveley and Claverley Electoral Wards also have under 150 children aged 0-4 years.

Electoral Ward Name	Population Aged 0-4 years	Ranking (Lowest to Highest)
Ludlow North	128	1
Chirbury and Worthen	129	2
Alveley and Claverley	132	3
Abbey	151	4
Clun	151	5
Bishop's Castle	158	6
Tern	165	7
Llanymynech	170	8
Brown Clee	172	9
Worfield	173	10

Electoral Wards where over 5% of the total population is aged 0-4 years.

There are 18 Electoral Wards in Shropshire where more than 6% of the population is aged 0-4 years (see table below).

Electoral Ward Name	Percentage of Total Population Aged 0-4 Years
Castlefields and Ditherington	7%
Harlescott	7%
Underdale	7%
Cheswardine	7%
Battlefield	7%
Market Drayton West	7%
Oswestry West	7%
Sundorne	7%
Monkmoor	6%
Bagley	6%
Whitchurch North	6%
Shifnal South and Cosford	6%
Copthorne	6%
Ludlow East	6%
Ellesmere Urban	6%
St Oswald	6%
Rea Valley	6%
Ludlow South	6%
Oswestry East	6%

There are sixteen Electoral Wards where 0-4 year olds make up less than 5% of the total population and two Electoral Wards, Ludlow North and Alveley & Claverley where 0-4 year olds make up just 3% of the total population.

The Shropshire map on the following page shows numbers of children aged 0-4 years by Electoral Ward.

Population Aged 0-4 Years at Electoral Ward

