# Well-being Objective 3: Supporting people out of poverty

# Cardiff Assessment of Local Well-being

**Nb:** This assessment has been carried out using the most recently available data. In many cases this does not capture the full impact of the global COVID-19 pandemic. The pandemic also saw the suspension of collection of some datasets.

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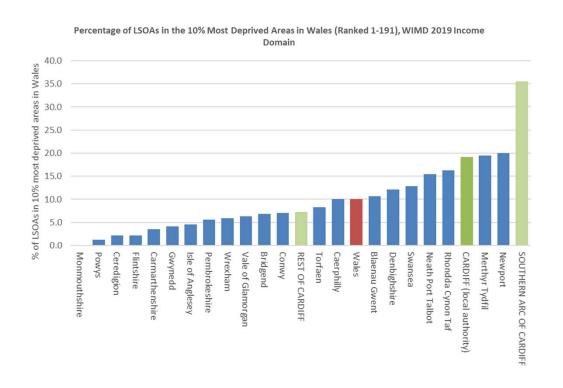
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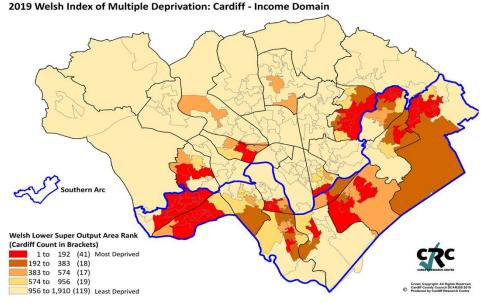
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# 1. Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019: Income Domain

#### **Key Points:**

- Almost one fifth (19.2%) or 41 out of 214 Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs) in Cardiff are ranked in the 10% most deprived in Wales, 3rd highest proportion of all Welsh Local Authorities.
- These LSOAs are mainly found in the southern arc of the city
- 35.6% of LSOAs in the southern arc are ranked in the 10% most deprived areas in Wales exceeding Newport (20.0%) that has the highest proportion amongst Welsh LAs.



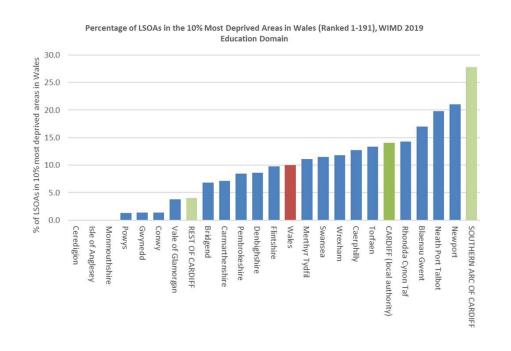


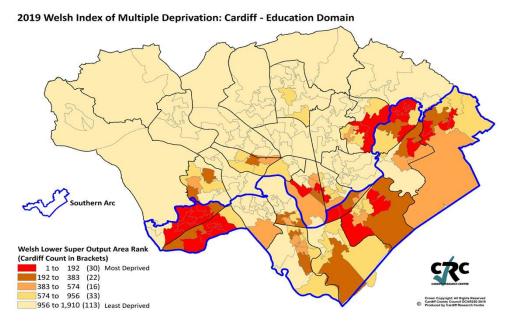
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# 2. Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019: Education Domain

#### **Key Points:**

- Educational outcomes 14% or 30 out of 214 LSOAs in Cardiff are ranked in the 10% most deprived in Wales, 5th highest proportion of all Welsh Local Authorities
- These LSOAs are mainly found in the southern arc of the city
- 27.8% of LSOAs in the southern arc are ranked in the 10% most deprived areas in Wales exceeding Newport (21.1%) that has the highest proportion amongst Welsh LAs.



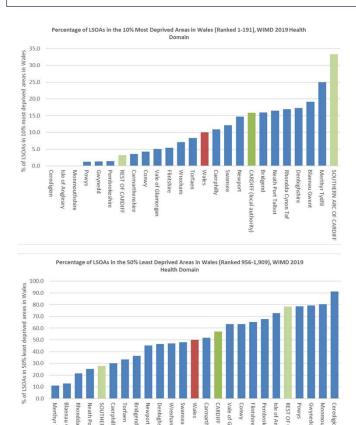


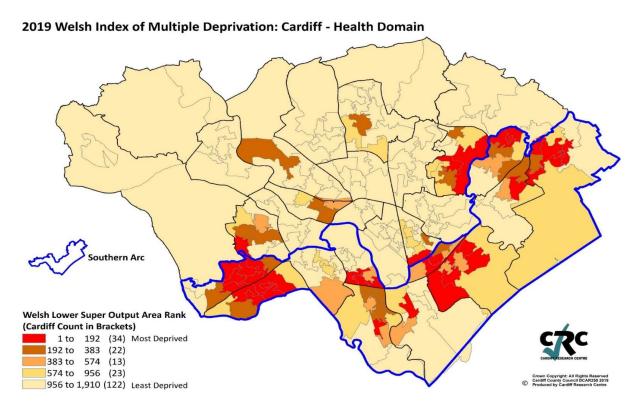
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# 3. Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation – Health Domain

#### **Key Points:**

- In terms of WIMD Health Domains, Cardiff has clear inequalities across the city. Cardiff is above Wales average in the proportion of LSOAs in the 10% most deprived areas in Wales, but also exceeds the Wales average in terms of the proportion of LSOAs in the 50% least deprived areas in Wales
- If the Southern Arc of Cardiff was considered as its own Local Authority area it would have the highest proportion of LSOAs in the 10% most deprived areas in Wales



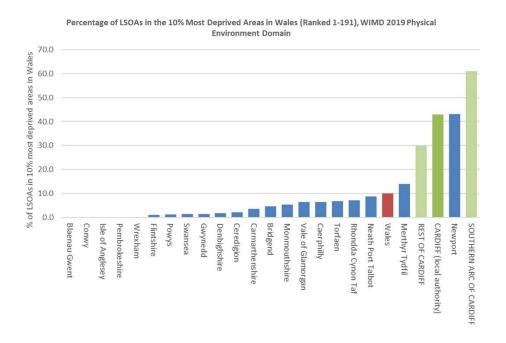


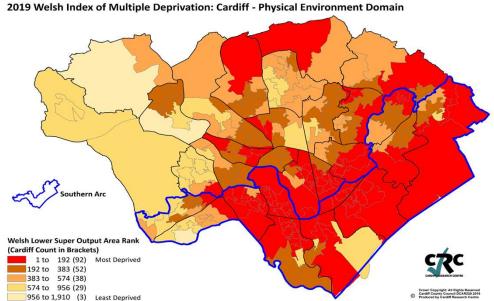
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# 4. Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019: Physical Domain

#### **Key Points:**

- This domain is made up of three sub-domains: Air quality, Flood Risk and Green Space
- Cardiff and Newport have by far the most Lower Super Output Areas (LSOA) ranked in the 10% most deprived in Wales.
- 43% of Cardiff's LSOAs are ranked in the 10% most deprived in Wales



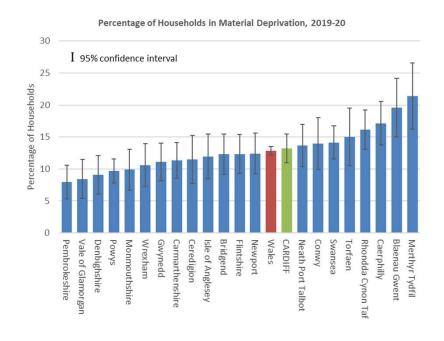


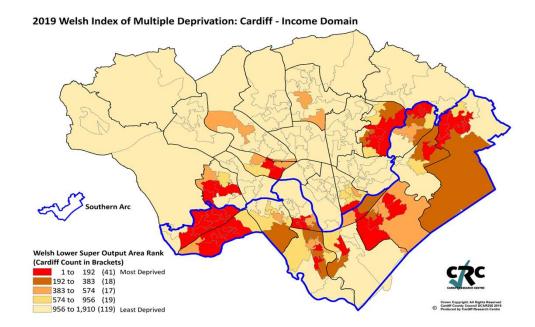
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# 5. Percentage of households in poverty (i.e. material deprivation)

#### **Key Points:**

- Levels of material deprivation in Cardiff have fallen from 16% in 2016-17 to 13% in 2019-20, just above the Wales average.
- Income deprivation is concentrated in the 'Southern Arc' of the city





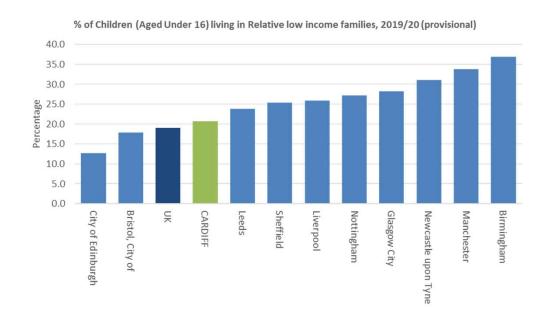
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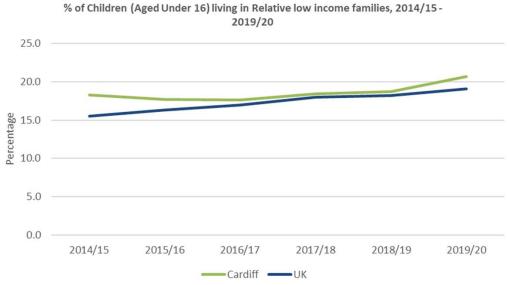
Source: National Survey for Wales, Welsh Government

# 6. Percentage of children in relative low income families

#### **Key Points:**

- Cardiff is the third lowest percentage out of the UK's Core Cities and Edinburgh and mid ranked among Welsh Local Authorities.
- However, a fifth of children aged under 16 are living in relative low income families
- Since 2016/17, the percentage has increased with a noticeable increase in 2019/20 (from 18.7% to 20.7%)



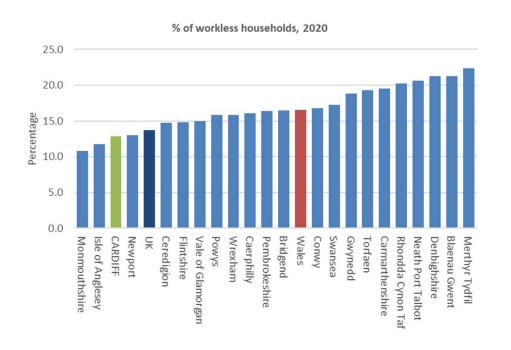


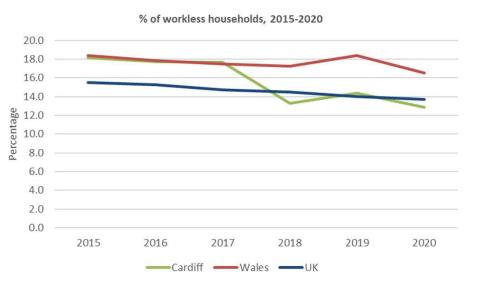
Source: DWP/HMRC

# 7. Percentage of workless households

#### **Key Points:**

- Cardiff has the 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest percentage of workless households of all Welsh Local Authorities and the 4<sup>th</sup> lowest of the UK's Core Cities and Edinburgh
- Since 2016, the percentage has dropped below the Wales average from 17.7% to 12.9% in 2020



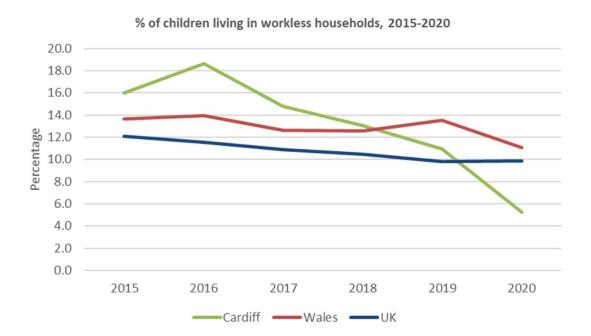


Source: ONS

# 8. Percentage of children living in workless households

### **Key Points:**

• Since 2016, there has been a downward trend in the percentage of children living in workless households. In 2020, Cardiff had the 2nd lowest percentage of Welsh Local Authorities, although due to a small sample size the figures were less reliable than for 2019 when it had the 8th lowest percentage.



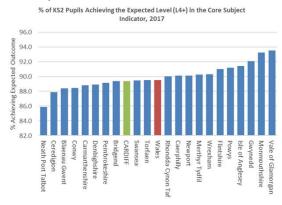
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# 9. Key Stage 2 pupils achieving the expected (L4+) in the Core Subject Indicator and FSM vs Non-FSM

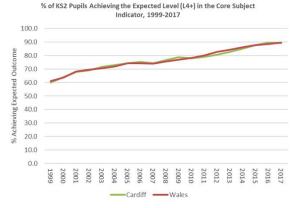
#### **Key Points:**

- · Indicator no longer published.
- In 2017, 89.4% of Key Stage 2 pupils achieved the expected L4+ placing Cardiff 14th out of the 22 Welsh LAs.
- There was a 13.0 percentage point difference in attainment between pupils in receipt of free school meals (FSM pupils) and non-FSM pupils compared to the Wales average of 15.1.

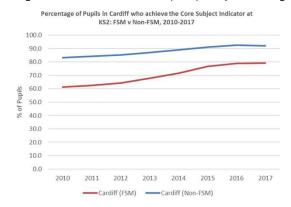
Percentage of Key Stage 2 Pupils Achieving the Expected Level (L4+) in the Core Subject Indicator, 2017, Welsh LAs



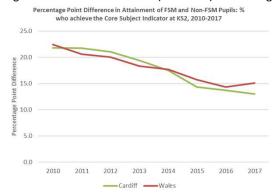
Percentage of Key Stage 2 Pupils Achieving the Expected Level (L4+) in the Core Subject Indicator, 1999-2017



Percentage of Key Stage 2 Pupils Achieving the Expected Level (L4+) in the Core Subject Indicator: Pupils Eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) v Pupils Not Eligible for Free School Meals (Non-FSM) in Cardiff



Percentage Point Difference in Attainment of Pupils Eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) and Pupils Not Eligible for Free School Meals (Non-FSM): Percentage who achieve the Core Subject Indicator at Key Stage 2

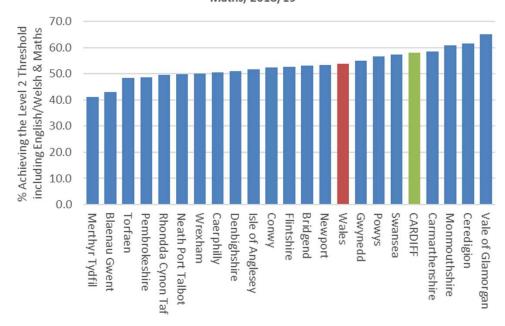


### 10. Key Stage 4 pupils achieving expected Level 2 Threshold including English/Welsh and Maths and FSM vs Non-FSM

#### **Key Points:**

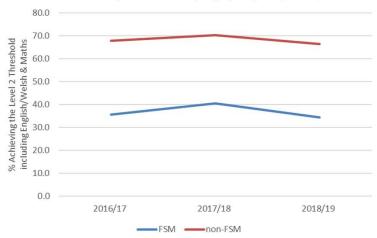
- Data no longer comparable to previous years due to definition changes.
- In 2018/19, 58.2% achieved Level 2 Threshold, placing Cardiff in the top quartile.
- There was a 32.0 percentage point gap between FSM and Non-FSM pupils, just below the Wales figure of 32.2.

% of KS4 Pupils Achieving the Level 2 Threshold including English/Welsh & Maths, 2018/19

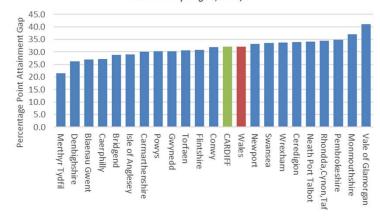


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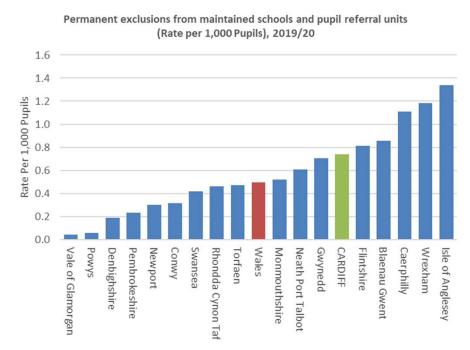
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# 11. Permanent exclusions from maintained schools, rate per 1,000 pupils

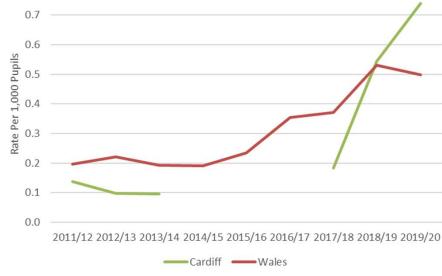
#### **Key Points:**

- As a result of the pandemic schools were closed between March 2020 and June 2020. This meant there were almost no exclusions during that period, which has affected the overall exclusion numbers.
- In 2019/20, Cardiff's rate went above the Wales average having matched this figure in 2018/19 and been below it in 2017/18..



NB. Figures for Bridgend, Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion, Mertyr Tydfil are disclosive



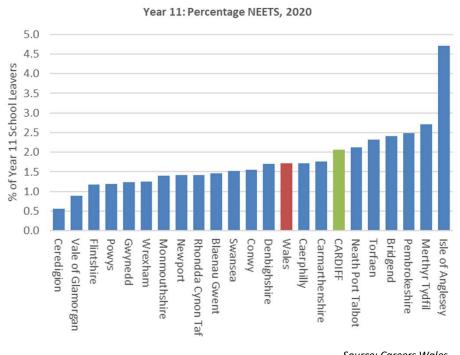


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# 12. Year 11 school leavers known not to be in Education, Employment or Training (NEET)

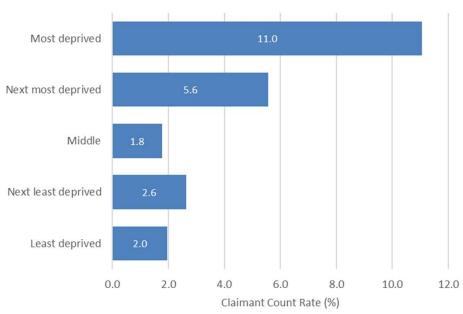
#### **Key Points:**

- Data no longer comparable to previous years.
- The percentage of Year 11 school leavers known to be NEET in Cardiff is just above the Wales average.
- In October 2021, the Claimant Count Rate (aged 18-24) in the most deprived communities is over five times that of the least deprived.



Source: Careers Wales

Claimant Count Rate (Aged 18-24) in Cardiff by Deprivation Fifth, Oct 2021

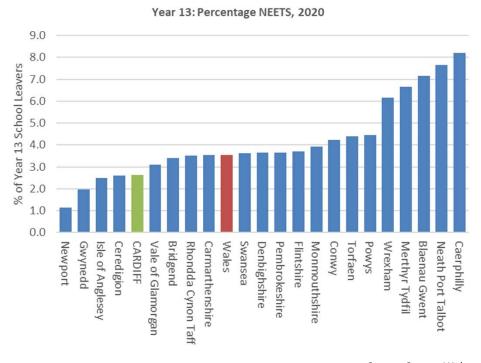


Source: Claimant Count/Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019, Welsh Government/Mid-2020 Population Estimates

# 13. Year 13 school leavers known not to be in Education, Employment or Training (NEET)

#### **Key Points:**

- 2020 data no longer comparable to previous years.
- The percentage of Year 13 school leavers known to be NEET is below the Wales average and the joint-3<sup>rd</sup> lowest percentage among Welsh Local Authorities.

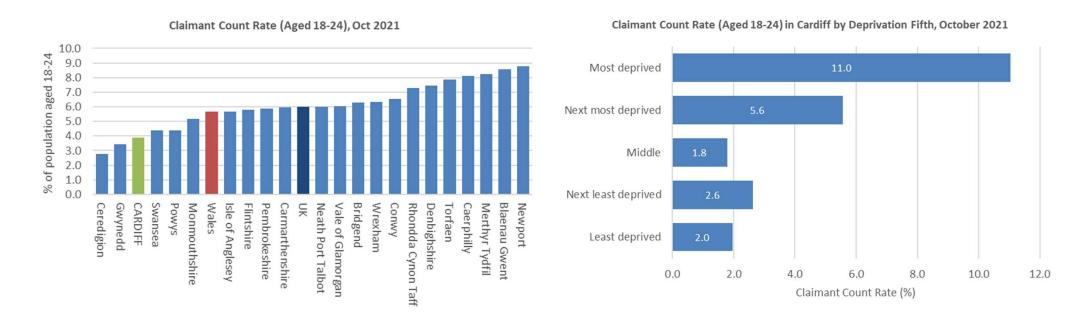


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# 14. Claimant count (Aged 18-24)

#### **Key Points:**

- Cardiff's rate is the 4<sup>th</sup> lowest out of the UK's Core Cities and 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest amongst Welsh Local Authorities.
- Between March 2020 and December 2020, the rate more than doubled, the average figure for Wales and the UK similarly increased. However, by October 2021 the rate had steadily come down to 3.9%, which compared with a pre-pandemic rate of 2.8%. The Wales and UK rates have also decreased but not as fast.
- · The rate in the most deprived communities is over five times that of the least deprived.

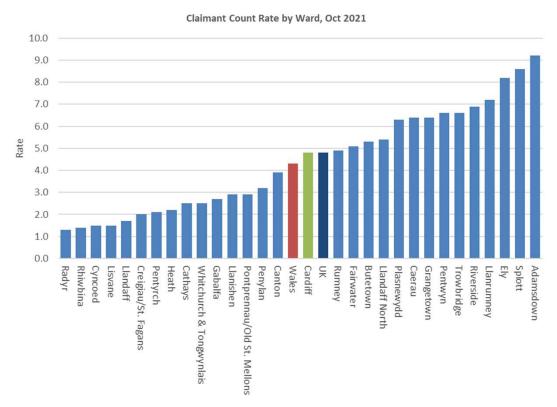


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# 15. Claimant count – Wards (Aged 16-64)

### **Key Points:**

- Cardiff's rate is just above the Wales average
- The rate ranges from 1.3% in Radyr, one of the most affluent Wards of the city, to 9.2% in Adamsdown, one of the more deprived.

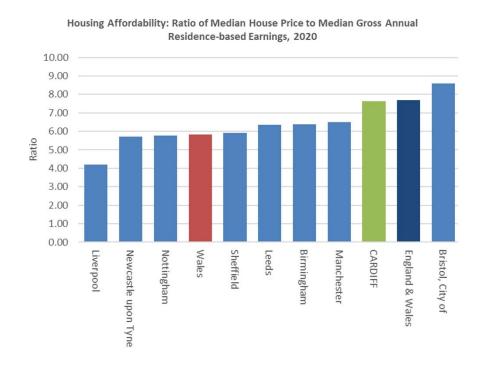


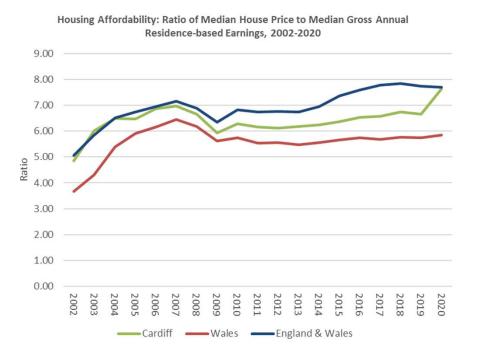
Source: Claimant Count

# 16. Housing Affordability: Ratio of house price to median gross annual salary (ONS)

#### **Key Points:**

- Housing in Cardiff is the second least affordable amongst the UK's Core Cities, just behind Bristol.
- On average, property costs over seven and a half times the median gross annual earnings
- Having being the sixth least affordable local authority in Wales in 2019, Cardiff is now second, just behind the Vale of Glamorgan and well above the Wales average.



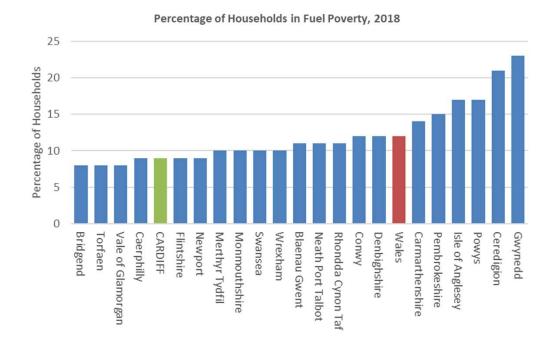


Source: ONS

# 17. Fuel poverty

### **Key Points:**

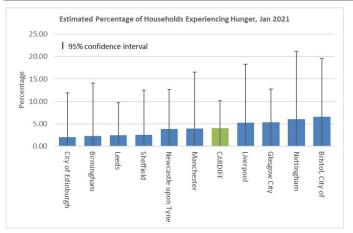
- 2018 latest data available
- Cardiff has one of the lowest levels of fuel poverty across Welsh LAs.
- 9% of households in Cardiff are in fuel poverty compared to 23% in Gwynedd

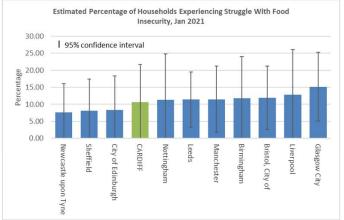


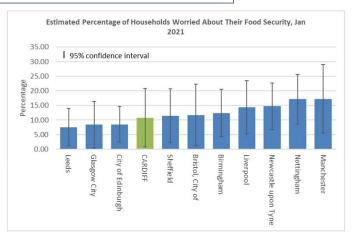
# **18. Food Poverty**

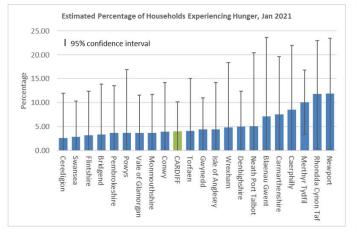
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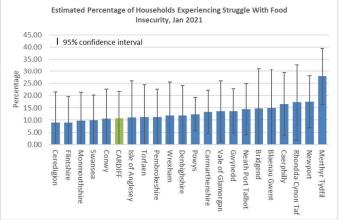
- · Cardiff is mid-low ranking in terms of households experiencing food poverty
- It is estimated that 1 in 10 households have worries regarding food security and have skipped/shrank meals or sought external help

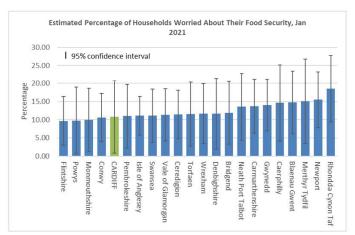










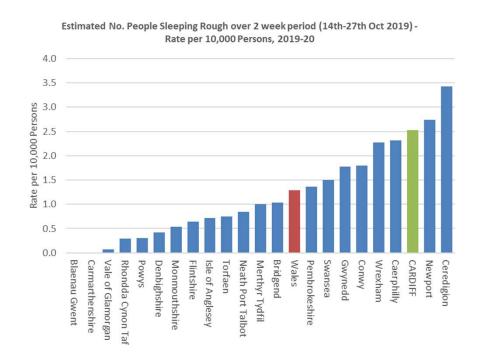


Source: University of Sheffield Institute for Sustainable Food/Food Foundation

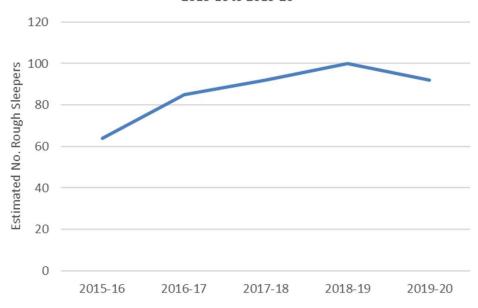
# 19. Rough sleepers per 10,000 persons

#### **Key Points:**

- In 2019-20 (represented by a 2-week survey period in October 2019), Cardiff had the 3rd highest estimated rate across Welsh LAs, behind Newport and Ceredigion
- Between 2018-19 and 2019-20, Cardiff's estimated number of rough sleepers was relatively unchanged, falling slightly from 100 to 92.



Estimated No. People Sleeping Rough in Cardiff over 2 week period, 2015-16 to 2019-20

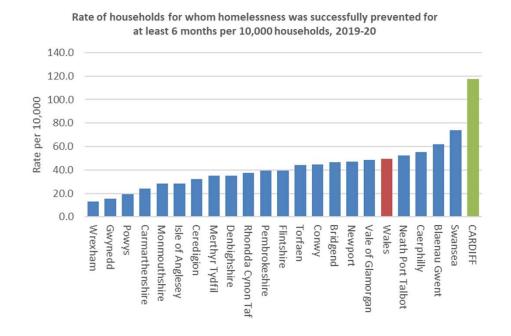


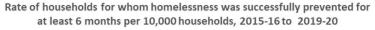
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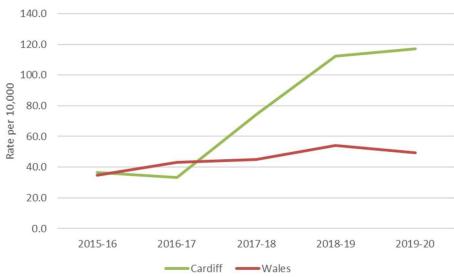
# 20. Rate of households for whom homelessness was successfully prevented for at least 6 months per 10,000 households

#### **Key Points:**

- Cardiff is the top performer amongst Welsh Local Authorities
- The rate improved steadily between 2015-16 and 2019-20 to climb well above the Wales average and 2<sup>nd</sup> placed Swansea



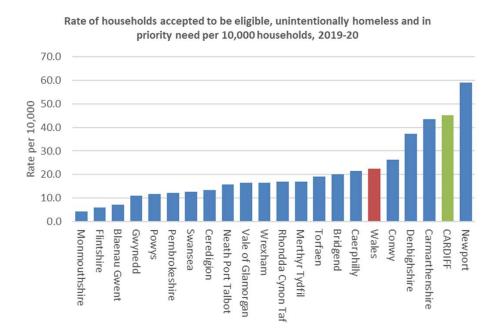


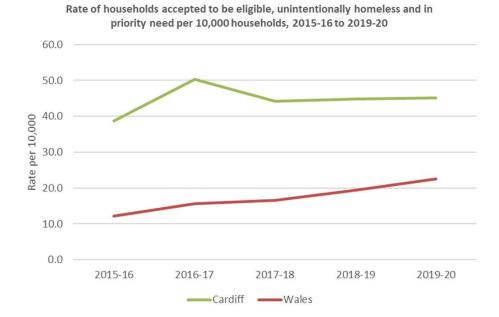


# 21. Rate of households accepted to be eligible, unintentionally homeless and in priority need per 10,000 households

#### **Key Points:**

- Cardiff has the second highest rate of all Welsh Local Authorities.
- The rate remained above the Wales average between 2015-16 and 2019-20

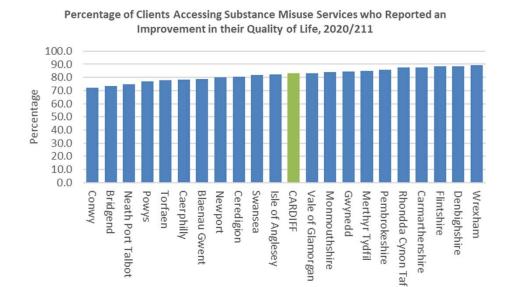


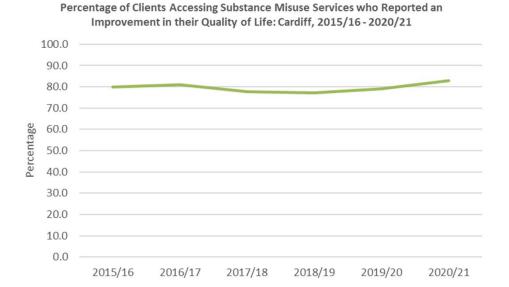


# 22. Percentage of clients accessing substance misuse services who reported an improvement in their quality of life

#### **Key Points:**

- · Cardiff is mid-ranked amongst Welsh Local Authorities
- Since 2016/17, there has been a slight increase from 81% to 83% in 2020/21, despite an initial decline



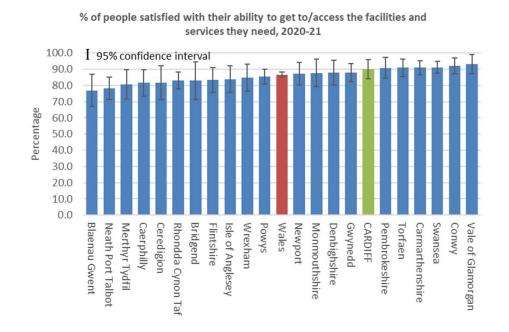


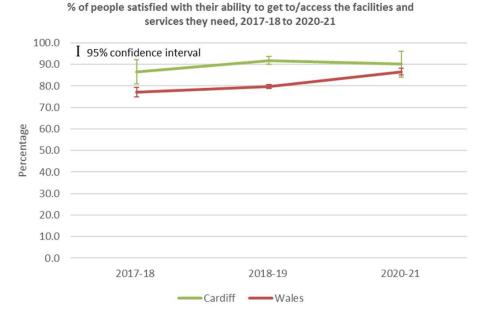
Source: Welsh National Database for Substance Misuse

# 23. Percentage of people satisfied with their ability to get to/access the facilities and services they need

#### **Key Points:**

• Cardiff is in the top third of Welsh Local Authorities with 90% of respondents satisfied with access to facilities and services in the 2020/21 National Survey for Wales





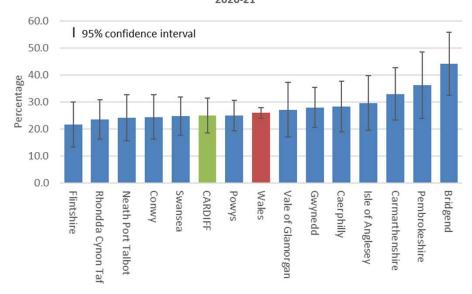
Source: National Survey for Wales, Welsh Government

# 24. Percentage that agree that they can influence decisions affecting their local area

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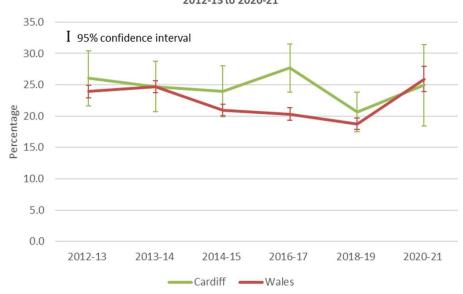
- Cardiff is mid ranked but the highest performing urban authority.
- The percentage has dropped from 28% in 2016/17 to 25% in the 2020/21 survey

% of people that agree they can influence decisions affecting their local area, 2020-21



NB. Data for Blaenau Gwent, Ceredigion, Denbighshire, Merthyr Tydfil, Monmouthshire, Newport, Torfaen, Wrexham is disclosive or not sufficiently robust for publication

% of people that agree they can influence decisions affecting their local area, 2012-13 to 2020-21

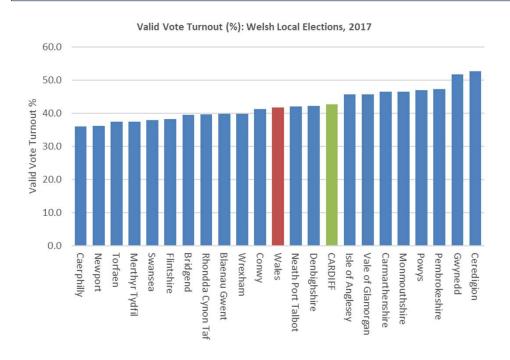


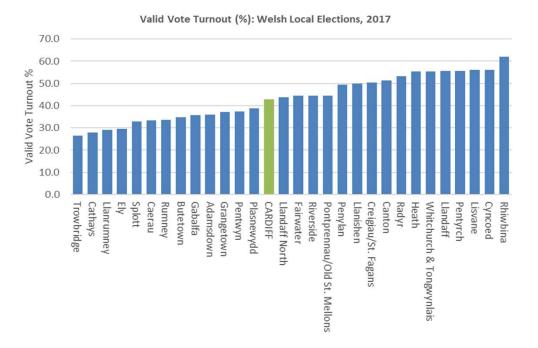
Source: National Survey for Wales, Welsh Government

### 25. Elections

#### **Key Points:**

- A 42.7% turnout in the 2017 Welsh Local Elections was just above the Wales average
- Voting turnout by Ward in Cardiff ranged from 26.6% in Trowbridge to 61.9% in Rhiwbina
- In the 2019 General Election, Cardiff returned 68.3%, just above the Wales average
- In the 2021 Senedd Election, Cardiff returned 49.5%, above the Wales average



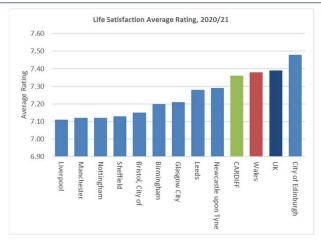


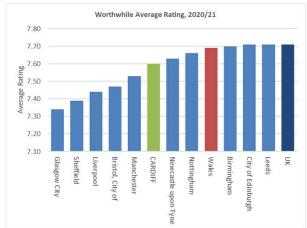
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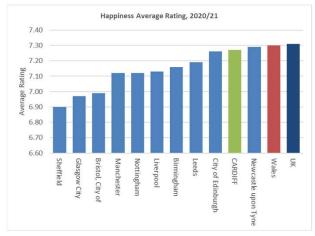
# 26a. Personal Well-being: Life satisfaction, Happiness, Worthwhile, Anxiety

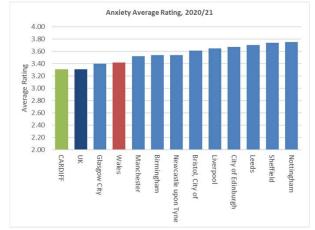
#### **Key Points:**

- Second highest Core City rating for Life Satisfaction, but below both the Wales and UK average rating.
- Mid-ranked in terms of worthwhile rating, but below both the Wales and UK average rating.
- Second highest Core City for happiness rating but below both the Wales and UK average rating.
- Lowest 'Anxiety' level, matching the UK figure and comparing favourably with Wales.







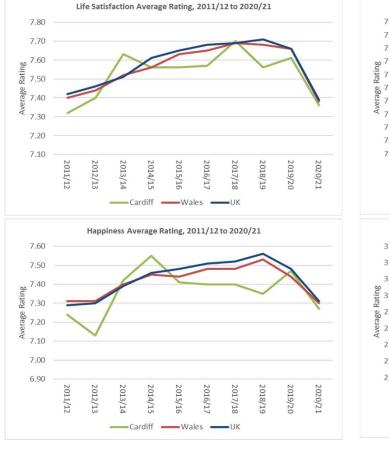


Source: ONS

# 26b. Personal Well-being: Life Satisfaction, Happiness, Worthwhile, Anxiety (continued)

### **Key Points:**

- Cardiff's average rating for Life Satisfaction, feeling Worthwhile and Happiness have exceeded the 7/10 mark since 2011/12. However, 2020/21 saw incremental drops across all of these indicators of personal well-being, presumably as a result of the pandemic.
- Levels have generally been below the Wales and UK averages for Life Satisfaction, feeling Worthwhile and for Happiness.
- Over the last 5 years, anxiety levels have seen an upward trend and, with the exception of 2020/21, have been above the Wales and UK averages.



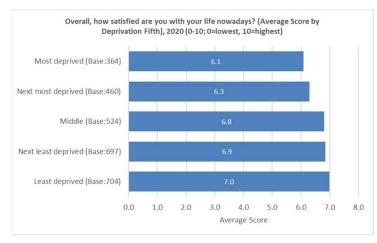


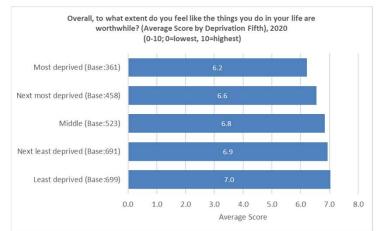
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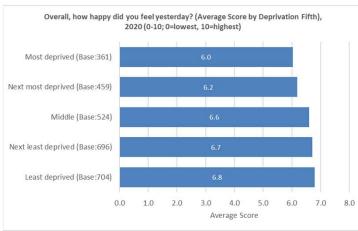
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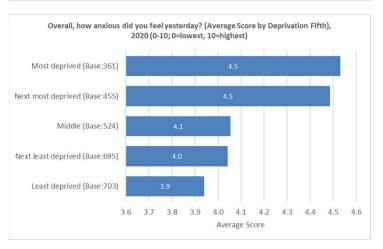
### **Key Points:**

• Across the range of measures, personal wellbeing deteriorates as deprivation increases.







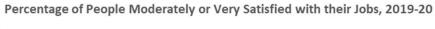


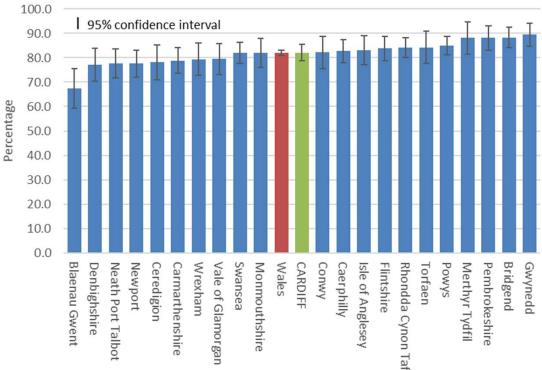
Source: Ask Cardiff Survey, Cardiff Council

# 27. Percentage of People Moderately or Very Satisfied with their Jobs

### **Key Points:**

• More than four-fifths of people in Cardiff are moderately or very satisfied with their jobs, the same proportion as for Wales as a whole.





Source: National Survey for Wales, Welsh Government