

Where it started: Priority Wards

Areas with high levels of deprivation and with higher-than-expected rates of urgent and emergency admissions are referred to as “priority wards”

There are 11 priority wards in Blackburn with Darwen

Blackburn Central Overview



- The population is 12,827 people. 100% of the population is considered to be in the 10% most deprived communities in England (Index of Multiple Deprivation, ONS).
- Located in the Blackburn West PCN. Population registered at 12 surgeries across BwD with William Hopwood (1,515), Pringle St (1,044), Corner Stone (1,367) and St Georges (1,367) the largest shares.
- Top 5 Long Term Conditions (recorded prevalence) are:
 - Depression – 1,707
 - Hypertension – 1,499
 - Diabetes – 1,137
 - Asthma – 846
 - Coronary Artery Disease - 441
 - COPD – 355 – not in top 5...
- 8344 people have no recorded long term conditions (65%).

Blackburn Central – Non Elective Admissions (All)



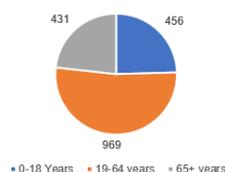
From November 2021 to December 2022 there were **1,856*** unplanned hospitalisations (all admissions – 1,032 people ~8% of ward population).

This used **7,574** bed days. This is the equivalent of **21** beds being in use every day of the year.

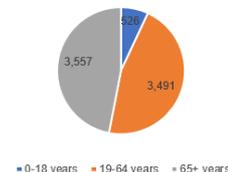
The average age of this cohort was 40 years of age.

*Equates to ~£8.9m cost based 2+ day LOS

Blackburn Central Emergency Admissions



Blackburn Central LOS



Reasons for admissions:

- 17% Unknown / unspecified
- 16% COPD
- 10% Injury and Poisoning
- 9% disease of circulatory
- 10% disease of digestive system