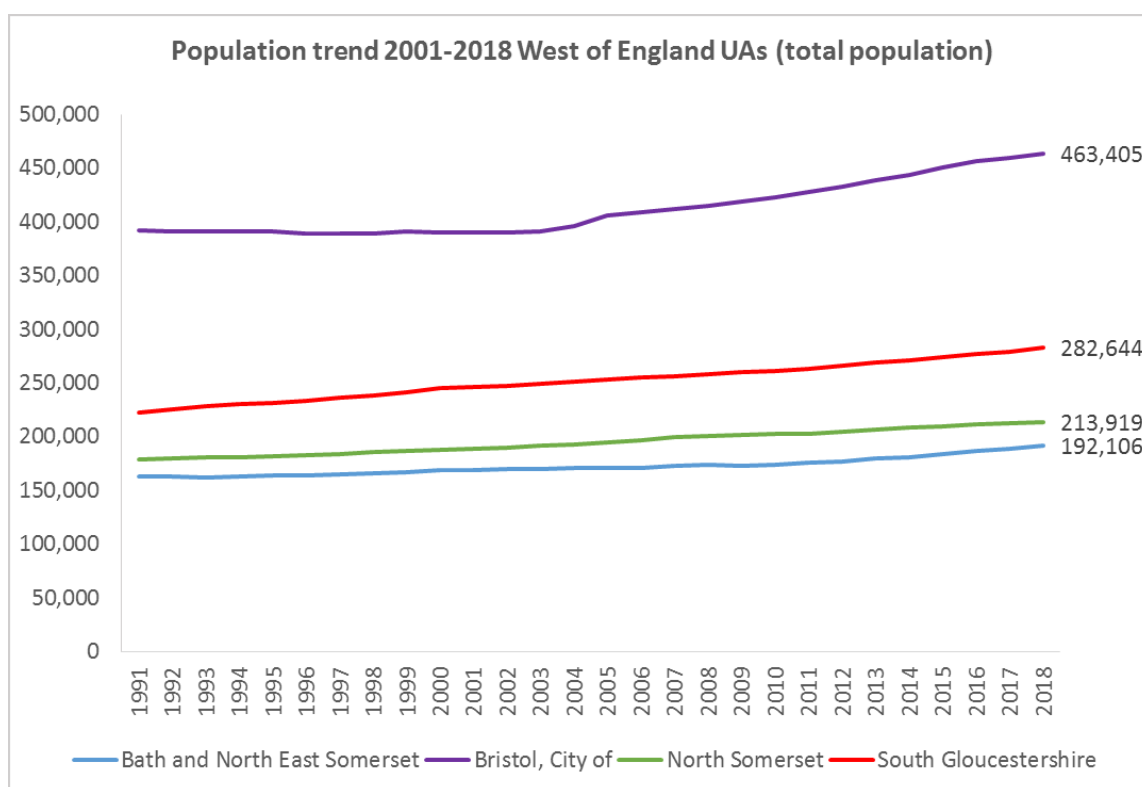


## Key Findings:

- South Gloucestershire’s mid-year population estimate for 2018 is 282,644, an increase of 3,617 (1.3%) on the 2017 estimate.
- Population change can be attributed to both natural change (i.e. births minus deaths) of 763 people and net migration and ‘other changes’ of 2,854 people.
- Net internal migration (migration from elsewhere in the UK) was the largest component of population change last year in South Gloucestershire last year.

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) has published the mid-2018 population estimates. The Mid-year Population Estimates are published for all local authorities and updated annually. They are the Government’s official population estimates and are used locally by the council and its partners for a wide range of purposes. Persons included in these estimates are those people usually resident in the district including students and school boarders at their term time address and long-term international migrants (i.e. those intending to come to the UK for more than a year). The estimates do not include short terms migrants i.e. people who intend to come to, or leave, the UK within a year.

The population of South Gloucestershire for mid-2018 is estimated to be **282,644**; an increase of 3,617 (1.3%) on the mid-2017 estimate (279,027). The population increase can be attributed to both natural change (i.e. births minus deaths) of 763 people and ‘net migration and other changes’ of 2,854 people.



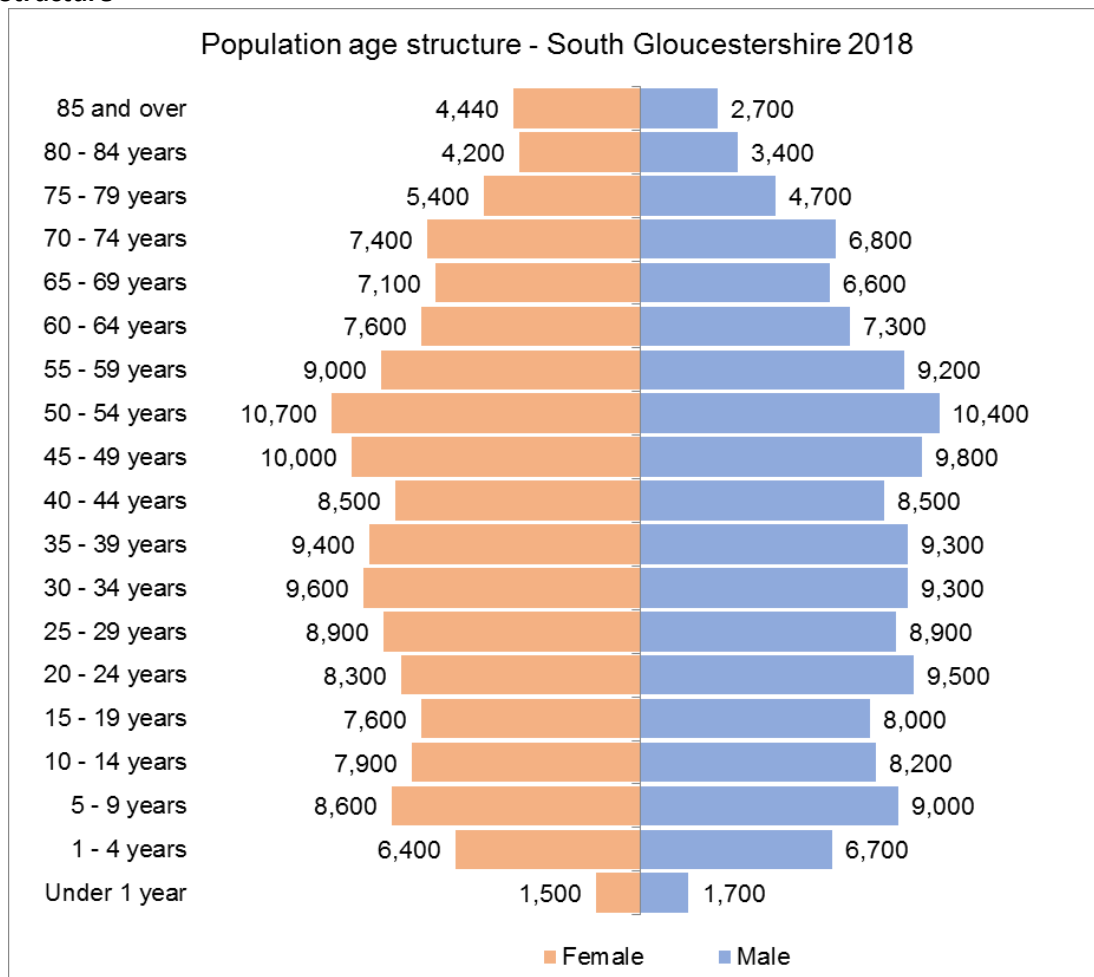
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Across the West of England sub-region, last year BANES was the local authority which experienced the highest rate of population growth (1.8%) and North Somerset was the lowest (0.5%).

Estimated Resident Population change 2017-2018 for authorities in the West of England					
	Bath & NE Somerset	Bristol	North Somerset	South Gloucestershire	West of England
2018 MYE	192,106	463,405	213,919	282,644	1,152,074
Change 2017-18	3,428	4,153	1,085	3,617	12,283
% Change 2017-18	1.8%	0.9%	0.5%	1.3%	1.10%

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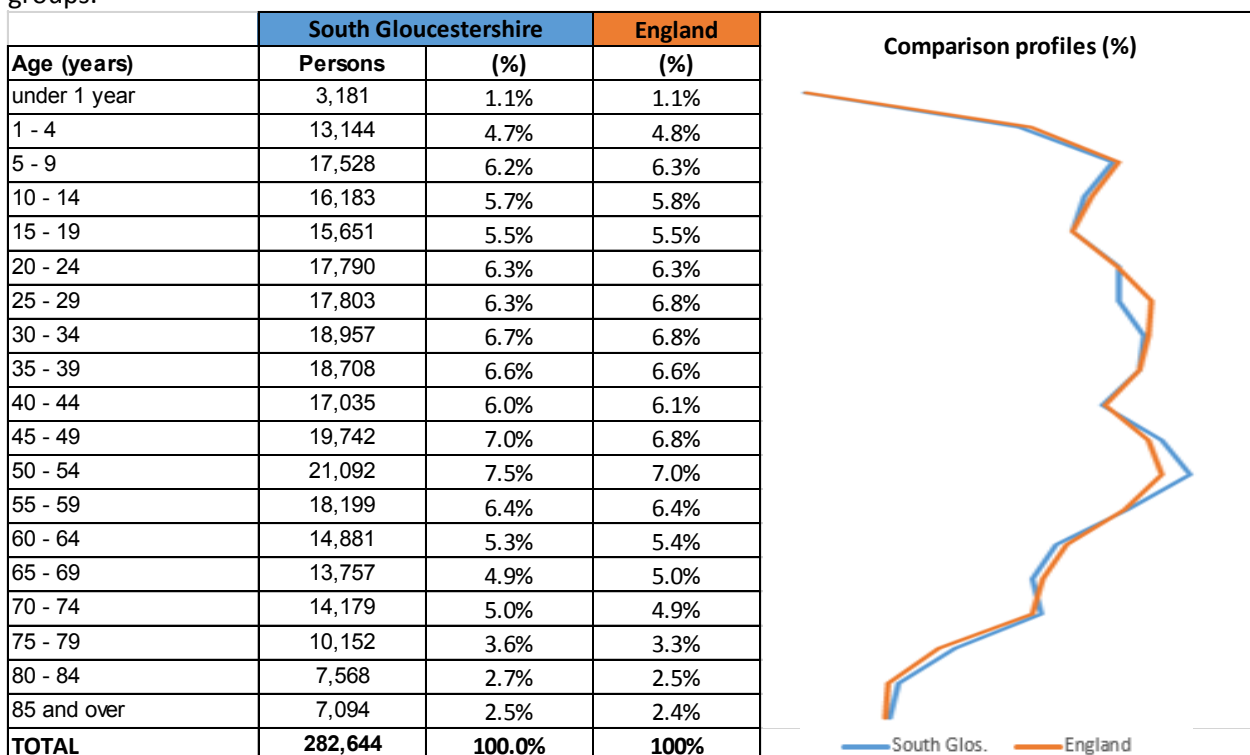
## Population Structure



Source: 2018 Mid-year population estimates. Population Estimates Unit, ONS: Crown Copyright 2019. Totals may not sum due to rounding.

According to the latest estimates, in South Gloucestershire 49.6% of the population are male and 50.4% are female. The broad age structure is largely consistent with the national (England) average, however compared to the national average, South Gloucestershire has:

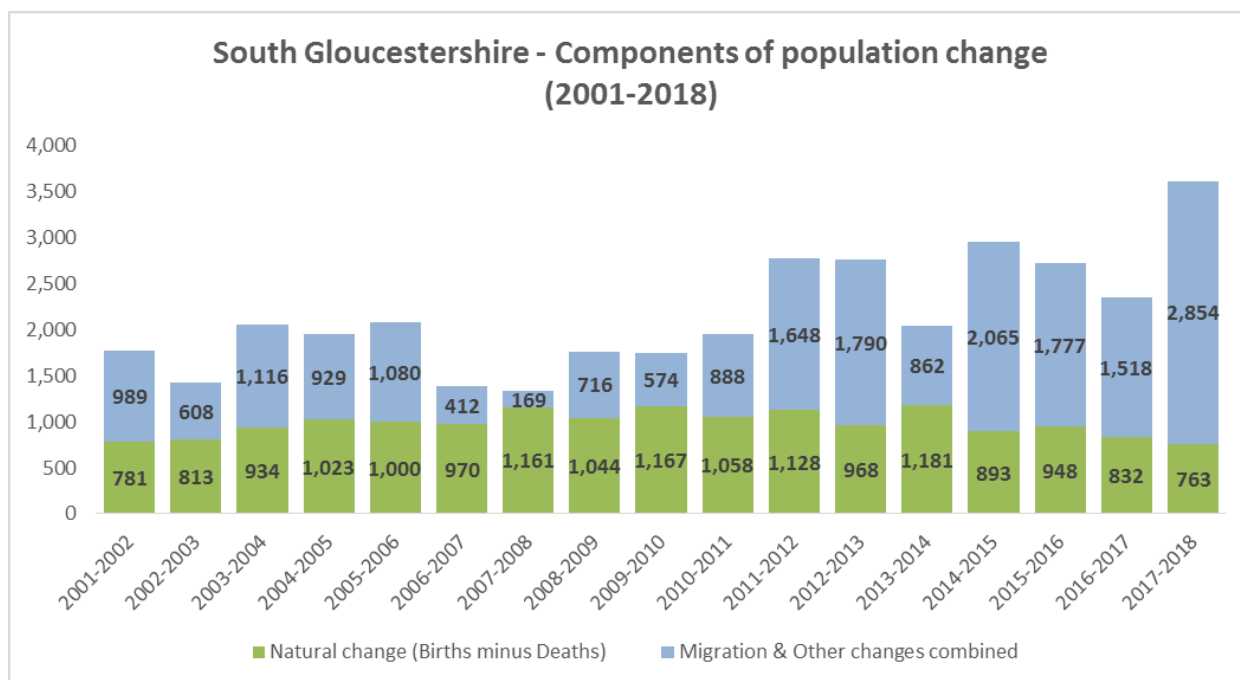
- A lower proportion of the population in the 25-29 age group (0.5% below the national average)
- A higher proportion of the population in both the 50-54 (0.5% above the national average) and over 70 age groups.



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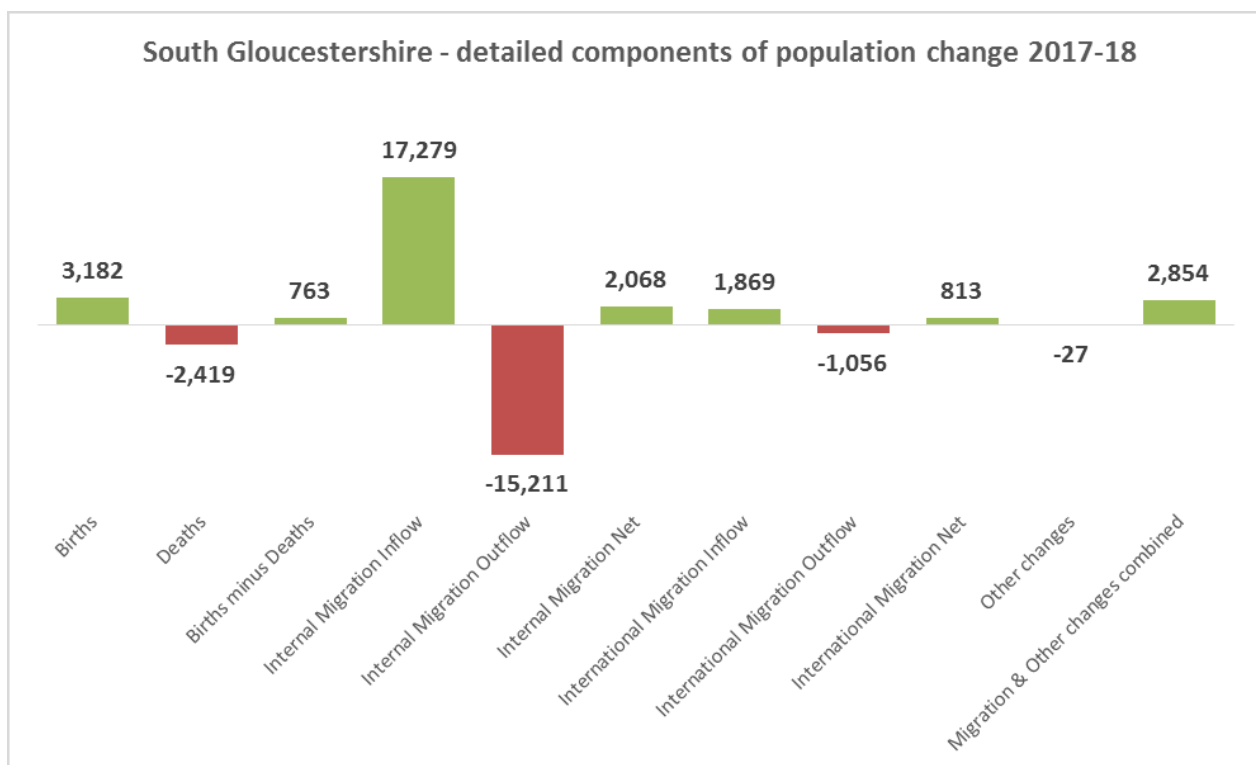
## Components of population change

In South Gloucestershire, the population increase over the last year can be attributed to both 'natural change' (i.e. births minus deaths) of 763 people and 'net migration and other changes' of 2,854 people. The number of people migrating into South Gloucestershire in 2017/18 is estimated to be significantly higher than previous years.



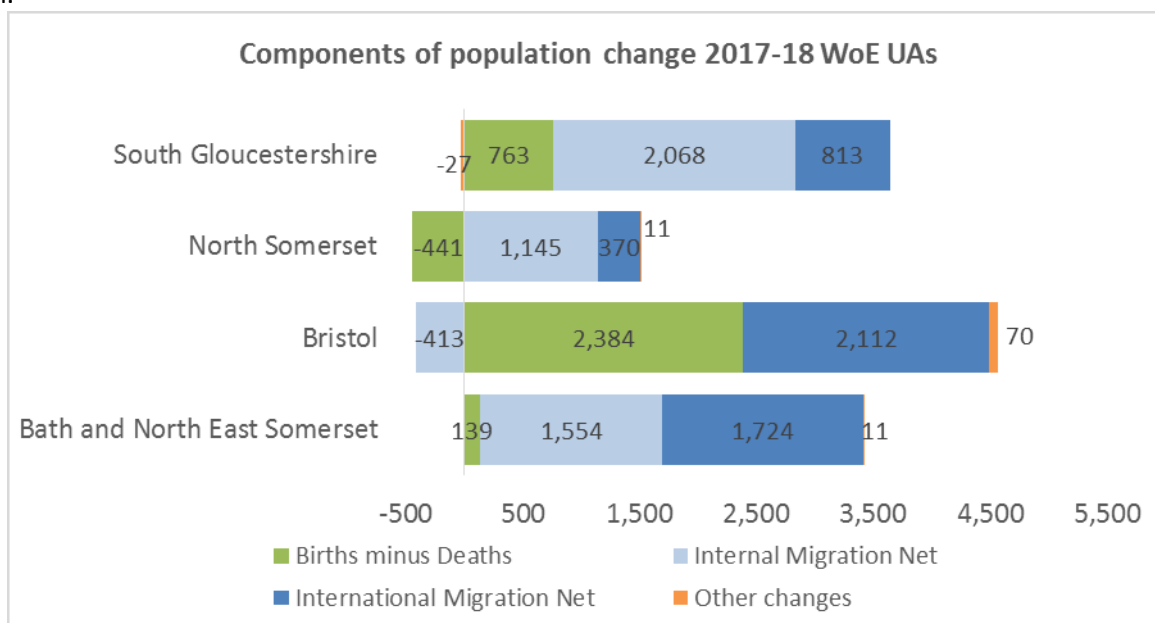
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A more detailed analysis of the components of population change illustrates the high flows of people moving into and out of South Gloucestershire from other areas of the UK (i.e. internal 'in' and 'out' migration). In 2017-18 it is estimated that 17,279 people moved into South Gloucestershire from elsewhere in the UK and 15,211 people moved out of South Gloucestershire to elsewhere in the UK – resulting in a net increase of 2,068 people. Population changes through international migration are less dramatic, it is however worth noting that in 2017-18 South Gloucestershire experienced a net increase of 813 people through international migration.



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The drivers of population change are different across the West of England sub-region. Natural change was the largest component of population change in Bristol (+2,384), whereas it had a negative impact in North Somerset as there were more deaths than births (-441). Internal migration was the main component of population change in both North Somerset and South Gloucestershire but for BANES the main component of change was international migration.



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### Source and destination of internal migrants

As part of this release, ONS have published (rounded) data relating to the ‘origin and destination’ of internal migration between local authority areas<sup>1</sup>.

- Moves into South Gloucestershire:** Between June 2017 and June 2018, approx. 17,300 people moved to South Gloucestershire from elsewhere in the UK. Of these approx. 6,700 (38.9%) moved from Bristol, 3.6% from BANES and 3.1% from North Somerset. The table below shows the top 10 destinations people moved to South Gloucestershire from:

Into South Gloucestershire from... (Top 10)		
Destination	No. of people	% of total internal migration inflow
Bristol, City of	6,712	38.9%
Bath and North East Somerset	617	3.6%
North Somerset	536	3.1%
Wiltshire	391	2.3%
Cardiff	366	2.1%
Stroud	311	1.8%
Plymouth	308	1.8%
Cornwall	298	1.7%
Scotland	141	0.8%
Swansea	133	0.8%

<sup>1</sup> Due to rounding, figures do not exactly match the internal migration inflow / outflow data shown elsewhere in this report.

- **Moves from South Gloucestershire:** Between June 2017 and June 2018, approx. 15,200 people moved from South Gloucestershire to elsewhere in the UK. Of these approx. 30.5% (4,600 people) moved to Bristol, 5.8% moved to Bath & North East Somerset and 4.6% to North Somerset. The table below shows the top 10 destinations people moved to from South Gloucestershire:

Out of South Gloucestershire to...(Top 10)		
Destination	No. of people	% of total internal migration outflow
Bristol, City of	4,642	30.5%
Bath and North East Somerset	880	5.8%
North Somerset	699	4.6%
Stroud	648	4.3%
Wiltshire	477	3.1%
Newport	331	2.2%
Cornwall	302	2.0%
Cardiff	292	1.9%
Monmouthshire	265	1.7%
Plymouth	200	1.3%

#### Further information

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