

# A summary of the adult social care sector and workforce in Telford & Wrekin 2023/24



Skills for Care is the strategic workforce development and planning body for adult social care in England. We work with employers, Government, and partners to ensure social care has the right people, skills, and support required to deliver the highest quality care and support, now and in the future. Our role is to respond and adapt to the emerging trends and needs within social care, using data and evidence to drive forward widescale change.

The information within this summary has been produced by Skills for Care using the Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set (ASC-WDS). We use the data collected by the ASC-WDS to create workforce models that, in turn, allow for estimates of the whole adult social care workforce and its characteristics to be produced. The \* notation indicates the figure has been suppressed.

## Size and structure of the workforce

In 2023/24 the adult social care sector in England had an estimated 18,500 organisations with 40,000 care-providing locations and a workforce of around 1.84 million posts.

The total number of posts in Telford & Wrekin was around 6,900 in 2023/24. This was comprised of 6,400 filled posts and 550 vacant posts across all sectors.

Since the previous year, the total number of posts has increased by 250 (4%), the number of filled posts has increased by 350 (6%) and the number of vacancies has decreased by 100 (16%).

Across England, the vacancy rate has decreased compared to last year and the number of filled posts has increased. During this period international recruitment increased which has impacted these trends.

Workers in Telford & Wrekin had on average 8.6 years of experience in the sector and 73%

## **Qualifications, training and skills**

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