



Oxfordshire's growing population

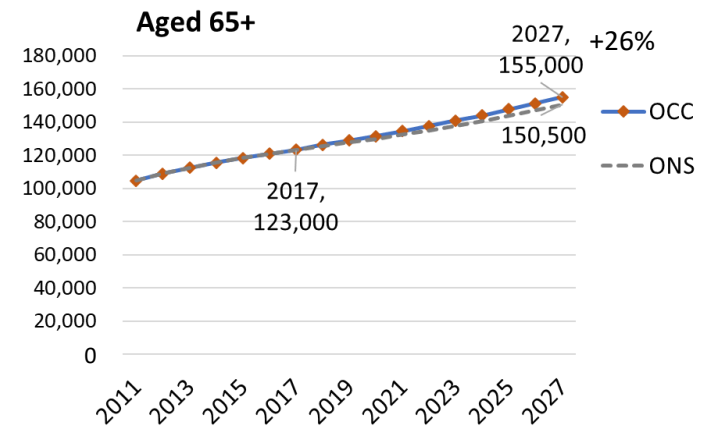
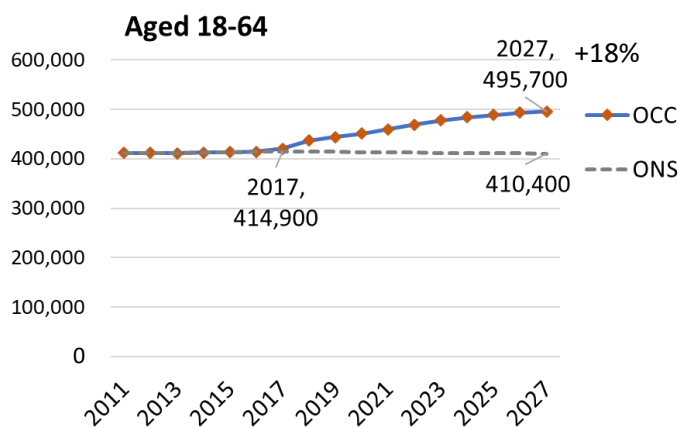
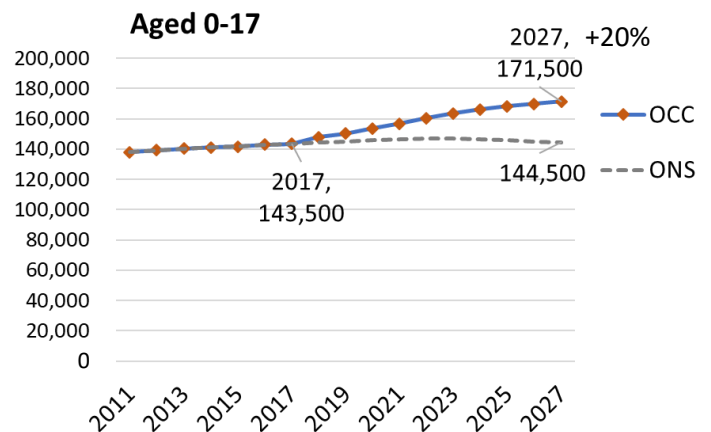
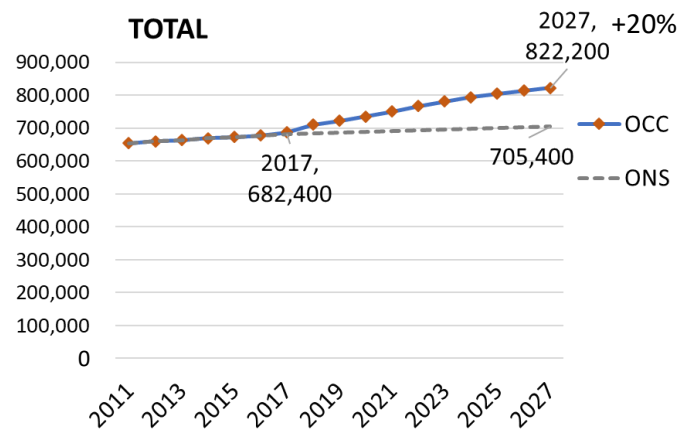


This bitesize compares the updated Oxfordshire County Council 2017 to 2027 population forecasts with the Office for National Statistics projections of population growth in Oxfordshire. The annex shows the forecast change in population by district and the main settlements in Oxfordshire.

There are two alternative scenarios for the future change in population: (1) Oxfordshire County Council's housing-led forecasts which incorporate district council plans for a higher rate of house building than in the recent past and (2) ONS projections based on past trends.

The OCC housing-led forecasts predict a total population in Oxfordshire of **822,200** by 2027, a growth of 134,800 (+20%). Over the same period the ONS projections show an increase of +3%.

Differences are particularly apparent for the younger and working age groups. For older people aged 65 and over, the predicted growth is similar.



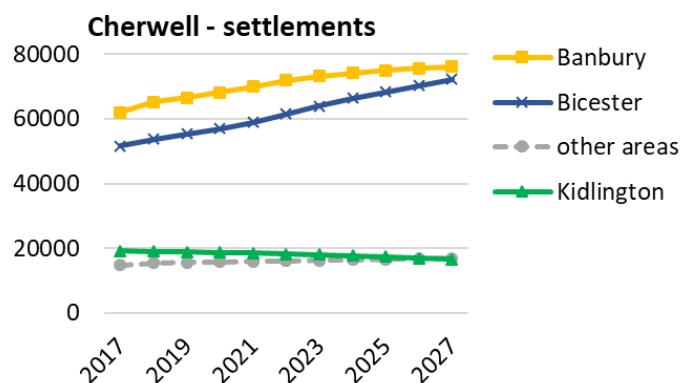
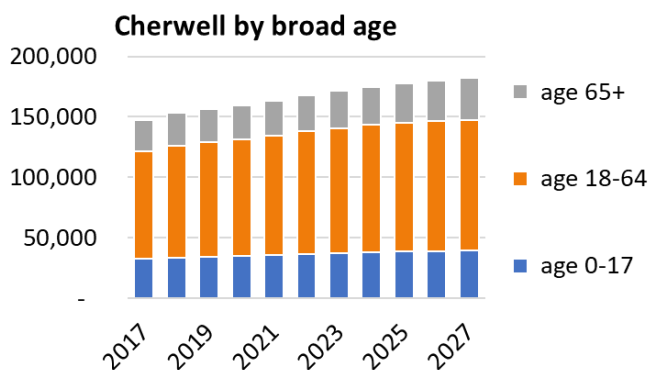
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Cherwell

The housing-led forecasts show the population of Cherwell increasing from 147,600 in 2017 to 181,900 by 2027 (+34,300, +23%).

There are expected to be significant increases in the populations of the Banbury area and the Bicester area with major developments south of Salt Way and at Bankside in Banbury and at Graven Hill and sites in south east and south west Bicester.

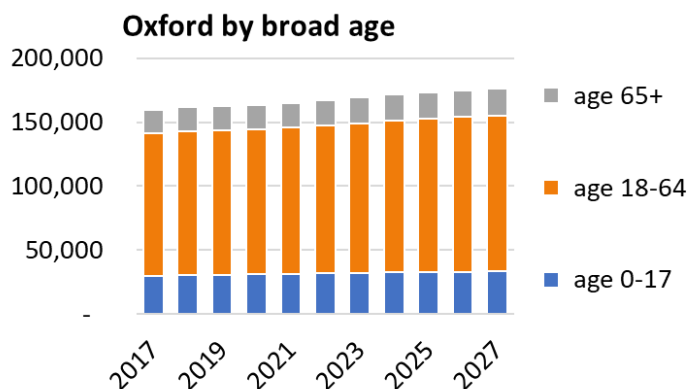
- The population of Banbury and the surrounding area is expected to grow from 62,000 to 76,200 (+23%).
- The population of Bicester and the surrounding area is expected to grow from 51,700 to 70,400 (+40%).
- Kidlington is expected to see a slight decline as there is limited housing growth predicted.



Oxford

The housing-led forecasts show the population of Oxford increasing from 159,600 in 2017 to 176,200 by 2027 (+16,600, +10%).

Major housing development sites are Barton Park and the Northern Gateway (near Wolvercote).



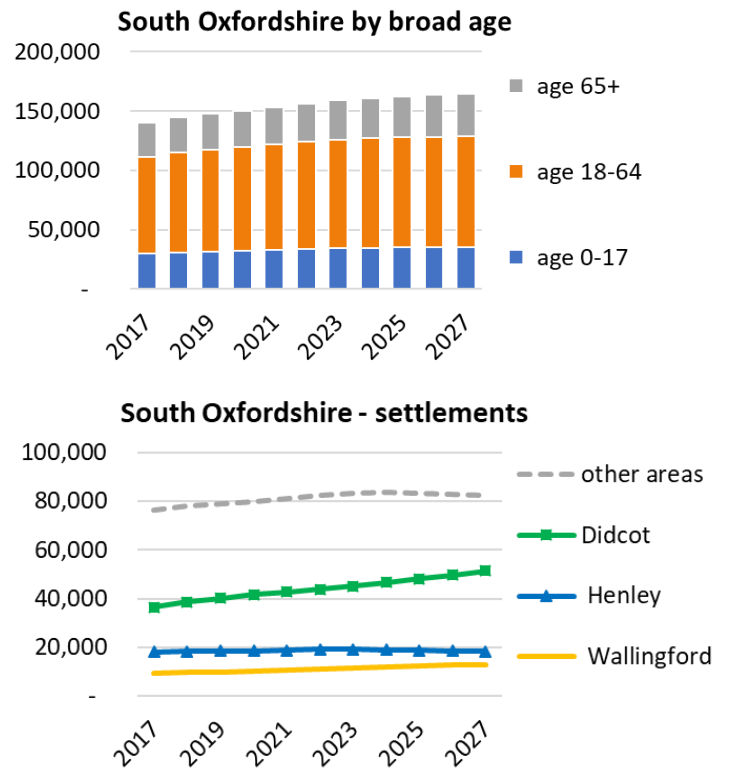
South Oxfordshire

The housing-led forecasts show the population of South Oxfordshire increasing from 139,800 in 2017 to 164,700 by 2027 (+24,900, +18%).

There is expected to be a significant increase in the population of the Didcot area with major developments in Great Western Park and east of Didcot.

- The population of Didcot and the surrounding area is expected to grow from 36,400 to 51,400 (+41%).

Note that Didcot-related developments to the west of the town, based in Vale of White Horse district, are included in the forecasts for Vale of White Horse.

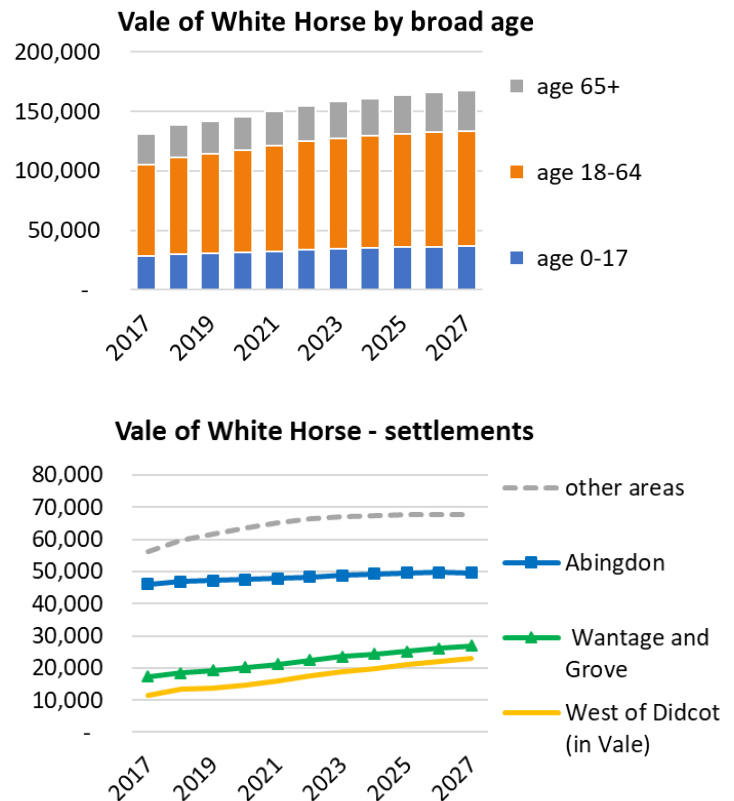


Vale of White Horse

The housing-led forecasts show the population of Vale of White Horse increasing from 131,200 in 2017 to 167,200 by 2027 (+36,000, +27%).

There is expected to be a significant increase in the population of the Wantage and Grove area with developments at Grove airfield and north east Wantage. The area west of Didcot within the Vale of White Horse includes the major Valley Park development.

- The population of Wantage and Grove is expected to grow from 17,300 to 27,000 (+56%).
- The area west of Didcot is expected to double in population, from 11,500 to 23,000.

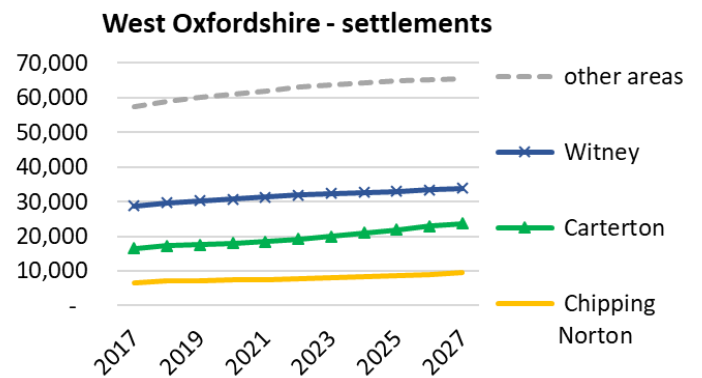
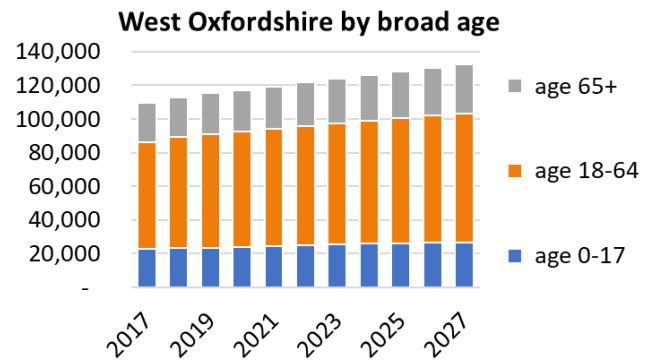


West Oxfordshire

The housing-led forecasts show the population of West Oxfordshire increasing from 109,300 in 2017 to 132,400 by 2027 (+23,100, +21%).

Growth is expected across all areas of West Oxfordshire.

- The population of Witney and the surrounding area is expected to grow from 28,800 to 33,800 (+18%).
- Carterton's population is expected to grow from 16,500 to 23,700 (+43%).
- Chipping Norton is expected to grow from 6,600 to 9,400 (+42%).



DATA TABLE: Count of residents 2017 and 2027, by settlement and broad age

	#	aged 0-17		aged 18-64		aged 65+		TOTAL			
		2017	2027	2017	2027	2017	2027	2017	2027	2017 to 2027	
Cherwell	19	32,661	39,260	88,556	108,072	26,385	34,551	147,602	181,888	34,286	23%
Banbury	8	14,184	17,120	36,853	44,945	11,025	14,097	62,062	76,165	14,103	23%
Bicester	6	11,635	15,781	32,284	45,358	7,757	11,103	51,676	72,241	20,565	40%
Kidlington	3	3,716	3,123	11,264	8,598	4,153	4,870	19,133	16,593	-2,540	-13%
Rest of Cherwell	2	3,126	3,236	8,155	9,171	3,450	4,481	14,731	16,889	2,158	15%
Oxford	18	29,882	33,277	111,178	121,887	18,538	20,987	159,598	176,149	16,551	10%
South Oxfordshire	20	29,945	35,567	80,966	93,021	28,856	36,084	139,767	164,670	24,903	18%
Didcot	5	8,426	13,015	22,709	31,225	5,288	7,163	36,423	51,403	14,980	41%
Henley	3	3,855	3,501	9,718	9,522	4,404	5,208	17,977	18,231	254	1%
Wallingford	1	2,037	2,954	5,231	7,684	1,977	2,239	9,245	12,877	3,632	39%
Rest of South	11	15,627	16,097	43,308	44,590	17,187	21,474	76,122	82,159	6,037	8%
Vale of White Horse	14	28,342	36,600	76,626	96,478	26,259	34,109	131,227	167,188	35,961	27%
Abingdon	5	10,074	10,508	27,361	27,862	8,657	11,168	46,092	49,538	3,446	7%
West of Didcot (in Vale)	1	2,691	5,768	6,520	13,899	2,271	3,390	11,482	23,057	11,575	101%
Wantage and Grove	2	3,573	5,784	10,040	16,175	3,682	5,000	17,295	26,958	9,663	56%
Rest of Vale	6	12,004	14,540	32,705	38,542	11,649	14,551	56,358	67,635	11,277	20%
West Oxfordshire	15	22,614	26,829	63,513	76,236	23,139	29,286	109,266	132,349	23,083	21%
Carterton	3	4,636	5,901	14,479	18,195	3,471	4,713	22,586	28,809	6,223	28%
Chipping Norton	1	1,310	1,835	3,769	5,571	1,525	1,977	6,604	9,383	2,779	42%
Witney	4	7,467	8,083	20,645	22,716	6,960	9,294	35,072	40,092	5,020	14%
Rest of West	7	9,201	11,010	24,620	29,754	11,183	13,302	45,004	54,065	9,061	20%
Oxfordshire TOTAL	86	143,444	171,533	420,839	495,694	123,177	155,017	687,460	822,244	134,784	20%

#= count of MSOAs

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