

# DEVON HEALTH AND WELLBEING OUTCOMES REPORT

## Priority 5: Life Long Mental Health

### Indicator: Emotional Wellbeing of Looked After Children

Period: 2016-17

**UPDATED INDICATOR**

#### RAG Rating

	Green
A	Amber
	Red

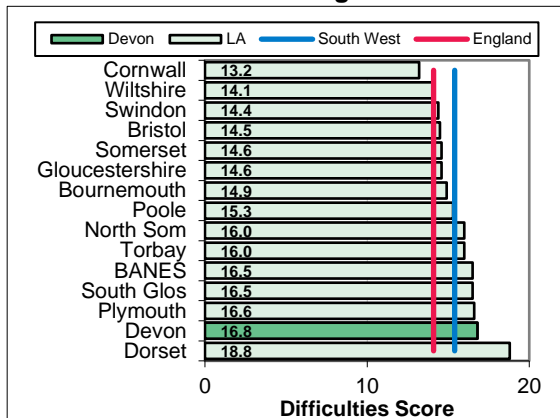
#### Overview

The difficulties score is collected through a strengths and difficulties questionnaire, with higher scores (on a scale of 0 to 40) highlighting greater emotional difficulties. The average difficulty score in Devon is 16.8, was higher than the South West (15.4), local authority comparator group (15.0), and England (14.1) averages. The DfE considers a score between 14 and 16 to be a borderline cause for concern and a score of over 17 to be a cause for concern.

#### Equalities

Detailed local breakdowns by equalities characteristics are not currently available. Nationally the difficulties score tends to increase with age with teenagers having higher difficulties scores. The older age profile of children in care in Devon may well influence the higher average scores observed.

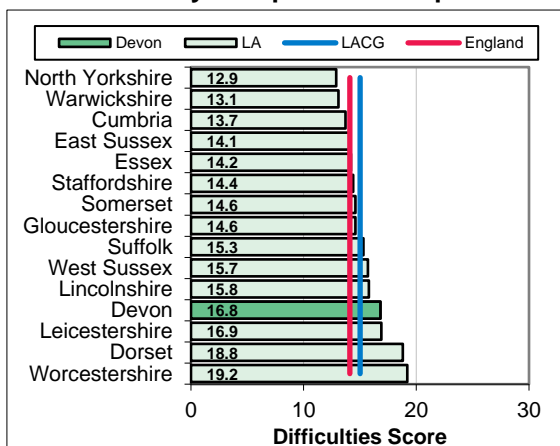
#### South West Benchmarking



#### Local Authority District

NOT CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AT LOCAL AUTHORITY DISTRICT LEVEL

#### Local Authority Comparator Group



#### CCG and Locality Comparison

NOT CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AT CCG / LOCALITY LEVEL

#### Trend



#### Inequalities

NOT CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AT A LOCAL LEVEL

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## INDICATOR SPECIFICATION

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<b>Description</b>	Average of total difficulties score for all looked after children aged between four and 16 (inclusive) at the date of their latest assessment, who have been in care for at least 12 months on 31 March.
<b>Source</b>	Department for Education (Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire - SDQ)
<b>Update Frequency</b>	Annual, 2017-18 due May 2019
<b>Outcomes Framework</b>	Public Health Outcomes Framework Indicator 2.08
<b>Detailed Specification</b>	Data is collected by local authorities through the SDQ. A single summary figure for each child (the total difficulties score), ranging from 0 to 40, is submitted to the Department for Education through the SSSDA903 data return. A higher score indicates greater difficulties. The mean of total difficulties score for all looked after children aged between 4 and 16 (inclusive) at the date of their latest assessment, who have been in care for at least 12 months on 31st March is calculated. Average scores have been rounded to one decimal place and have been derived from unrounded numerator and denominator values.
<b>Chart Notes South West</b>	Compares Upper Tier / Unitary Local Authorities in the South West Region. 95% confidence intervals are not calculable.
<b>Chart Notes Local Authority</b>	Rates are not currently available at a local authority district level.
<b>Chart Notes Comparator</b>	Compares Devon to similar upper tier / unitary local authorities using the 15 closest comparator councils from the Institute of Public Finance (IPF) statistical neighbours for 2015. 95% confidence intervals are not calculable.
<b>Chart Notes CCG/Locality</b>	Rates are not currently available at a Clinical Commissioning Group and locality level.
<b>Chart Notes Trend</b>	Compares Devon rate with South West region and England over time.
<b>Chart Notes Inequalities</b>	Rates are not currently available by inequality characteristics within Devon.