

# North Lincolnshire

## Local Migration Profile 2020 Summary Document



This document summarises the main migration trends and latest data that we can access for North Lincolnshire. You are welcome to share this document publicly.

The full Local Migration Profile document contains information about data sources and is available at: [www.migrationyorkshire.org.uk/statistics](http://www.migrationyorkshire.org.uk/statistics).



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# Summary of migration trends in North Lincolnshire

## Overall population change

The **local population** was estimated at 172,300 people in 2019 [the 'mid year estimate']; an increase of around 300 people [0.2%] since 2018.

**Population change** is affected by natural change [births and deaths] and migration [internally within the UK and internationally]. Population growth in North Lincolnshire is usually driven by international migration, although internal migration [i.e. people who moved to/from North Lincolnshire from/to another part of the UK] also contributes. Population growth would be a little higher were it not for negative natural change.

## New arrivals

Different measures of immigration suggest between 750-1,400 new **long-term immigrants** [immigrants who are expected to stay more than a year] arrived in North Lincolnshire in 2019. The official estimate from the Office for National Statistics [ONS] falls at the lower end of this range.

**Net migration** to North Lincolnshire was around 370 in 2019, a noticeable decrease compared with the previous year.

Around 300 **short-term immigrants** visited North Lincolnshire in 2017 to work or study for up to 12 months. Just over three quarters were short term workers rather than students.

## Reasons for migration

### Work

The overall number of **new migrant workers** arriving in North Lincolnshire in 2019 was just over 1,350, around 150 fewer than in 2018. The decrease was mainly due to a fall in arrivals from accession countries. The biggest change in individual nationalities was a fall in the number of Romanian arrivals, around 170 fewer than in 2018.

- The number of new migrant **workers from EU accession countries** continues to dominate, despite numbers falling by almost 250 to around 1,020 arrivals in 2019.
- The level of **workers from non-accession countries** increased by around 80 to 290 arrivals in 2019, the top country of origin being India.

Romania remains the top country of origin overall with 731 arrivals. Poland is in second place with 149 arrivals, followed by Lithuania with 103 arrivals.

### Study

There are no **international students** undertaking Higher Education courses at registered institutions in North Lincolnshire although some establishments may offer Further Education courses to international students [see Education section below].

### Protection

There are no **asylum seekers** housed in North Lincolnshire through the Home Office dispersal system, although very small numbers of asylum seekers may have moved here independently [there were three individuals recorded as receiving subsistence-only support from the Home Office as at the end of December 2020].

There were also around 15 **unaccompanied asylum seeking children** [UASC] being looked after by the local authority at the end of March 2020. These are children who are in the UK without family and have claimed asylum in their own right. They are separate to the dispersal system for asylum seekers described above.

Those granted protection by the Home Office may then stay in the area as **refugees**. Other groups of refugees are resettled directly from another country, for example, through the Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme [VPRS] and the Vulnerable Children's Resettlement Scheme [VCRS]; although no resettled refugees arrived in North Lincolnshire during the past year through these programmes [January – December 2020].

### **Indicators of diversity**

The diversity of North Lincolnshire's population is suggested by several longer-term indicators:

- In North Lincolnshire, 6% of the community are non-British, just below the Yorkshire and Humber regional average of 7%.
- Those who were not born in the UK form 8% of North Lincolnshire's population, below the 10% average for Yorkshire and Humber as a whole; with a fairly even split between EU and non-EU nationals.
- Around 2,730 pupils at school in North Lincolnshire have a first language that is not English. This is equivalent to 12% of primary pupils and 9% of secondary pupils; both figures are small increases on the previous year, but remain lower than the Yorkshire and Humber averages of 18% and 14% respectively.
- 8 in every 1,000 new GP registrations in North Lincolnshire are made by people who previously lived abroad, compared with an average of 10 per 1,000 across Yorkshire and Humber.
- The fertility rate in North Lincolnshire is only slightly above the regional average. Births to mothers who were born outside the UK are lower than average but rising, totalling 18% of all new births in 2019 compared to 21% across the Yorkshire and Humber.

### **Further indicators of migration**

#### Research

Migration Yorkshire has an online database of migration reports covering Yorkshire and the Humber, with the option of filtering results by migrant group, theme, topic and place. Search the database at [www.migrationyorkshire.org.uk/researchdatabase](http://www.migrationyorkshire.org.uk/researchdatabase).

#### Employers

A number of organisations in the region can employ migrants from outside the EU under the Points Based System – including skilled workers [Tier 2] and temporary workers [Tier 5]. Full details of the registered employers in your area can be downloaded from: [www.gov.uk/government/publications/register-of-licensed-sponsors-workers](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/register-of-licensed-sponsors-workers)

#### Education

A number of educational institutions in the region are registered to sponsor migrant students from outside the EU under Tier 4 of the Points Based System. Full details at: [www.gov.uk/government/publications/register-of-licensed-sponsors-students](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/register-of-licensed-sponsors-students)

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