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What is a Local Government District (LGD)?

A Local Government District (LGD) in Northern Ireland is an administrative area established for the purposes of local governance. LGDs are responsible for delivering local services and facilities to the communities within their boundaries. These services typically include waste collection and management, local planning and development control, community services, leisure and recreational facilities, environmental health, and economic development. Each LGD is governed by an elected council that makes decisions on behalf of its constituents, ensuring that local needs and priorities are addressed. There are eleven LGDs in Northern Ireland, each contributing to the overall structure of regional governance.

What is a District Electoral Area (DEA)?

A District Electoral Area (DEA) is a subdivision within a Local Government District (LGD) in Northern Ireland, created for electoral purposes. Each DEA comprises a number of electoral wards and is represented by several councillors who are elected by the residents within that area. The purpose of DEAs is to organize local elections and ensure proportional representation on the council. The number of DEAs and the boundaries of each are determined by the Local Government Boundaries Commissioner, taking into account population size and distribution to maintain balanced representation. DEAs play a crucial role in local governance by facilitating fair and effective political representation within the LGDs.

What is a Super Data Zone (SDZ)?

A Super Data Zone (SDZ) is a geographical area used for statistical and data analysis purposes. These zones are typically larger than standard data zones and are designed to provide more robust statistical data by aggregating information from multiple smaller zones. SDZs are used in various fields, including public health, education, and economic development, to analyse trends, identify needs, and allocate resources effectively. The larger population size within an SDZ helps to ensure that the data collected is more comprehensive and statistically significant, aiding in more accurate and detailed analysis for policymaking and planning.

What is a Data Zone (DZ)?

A Data Zone is a small geographical unit used for statistical purposes, often employed in the analysis and dissemination of population, social, and economic data. These zones are designed to provide detailed and localized information that can support various aspects of public policy, planning, and resource allocation. Typically, a data zone encompasses a population ranging from 500 to 1,000 residents, allowing for the collection of granular data that reflects the characteristics and needs of specific communities.

Data Zones are used by government agencies, researchers and planners to monitor trends, assess the impact of policies and identify areas requiring intervention or support. By breaking down regions into smaller units, data zones facilitate more precise and actionable insights into local demographics, economic conditions, health outcomes and other critical metrics.

SECTION 1.0 DEMOGRAPHICS

1.1 Demographics - Mid and East Antrim Local Government District

Mid and East Antrim, established in 2015, is one of Northern Ireland's eleven local government districts. Located in the north-east, it combines the former Ballymena Borough, Carrickfergus Borough, and Larne Borough. The district features a mix of coastal towns and rural landscapes, supported by strong transport infrastructure that enhances its industrial and tourism sectors.

The population of Mid & East Antrim local government district in 2021 census is 139,200 people, of which 40,845 are aged 0-25 years, which equates to 29.4% of the population.

The council area is divided into seven District Electoral Areas (DEAs):

1. **Ballymena DEA:** Includes Ballymena town and surrounding areas.
2. **Bannside DEA:** Covers rural areas around Ahoghill and Portglenone.
3. **Braid DEA:** Includes areas around Broughshane and Cullybackey.
4. **Carrick Castle DEA:** Encompasses Carrickfergus town and surrounding areas.
5. **Coast Road DEA:** Covers coastal areas including Larne and Carnlough.
6. **Knockagh DEA:** Includes Greenisland and surrounding residential suburbs.
7. **Larne Lough DEA:** Covers Larne town and nearby areas.

1.2 Demographics - Youth Population Mid and East Antrim Local Government District

Table 1: Mid & East Antrim Local Government District Total Population

District	Population 2021 Census	Density per km2	Area in km2
Mid and East Antrim	139,200	133	1,045

Source: Census 2021

Table 2: Mid & East Antrim LGD Youth Population by gender (aged 0 – 25)

Age	Male	Female	Total
0 - 25 years	20,876	19,969	40,845
Percentage %	51.1%	48.9%	100%
NI average Percentage % (0 - 25)	51.3%	48.7%	100%

Source: Census 2021

Chart 1: Mid & East Antrim LGD Youth Population by Gender

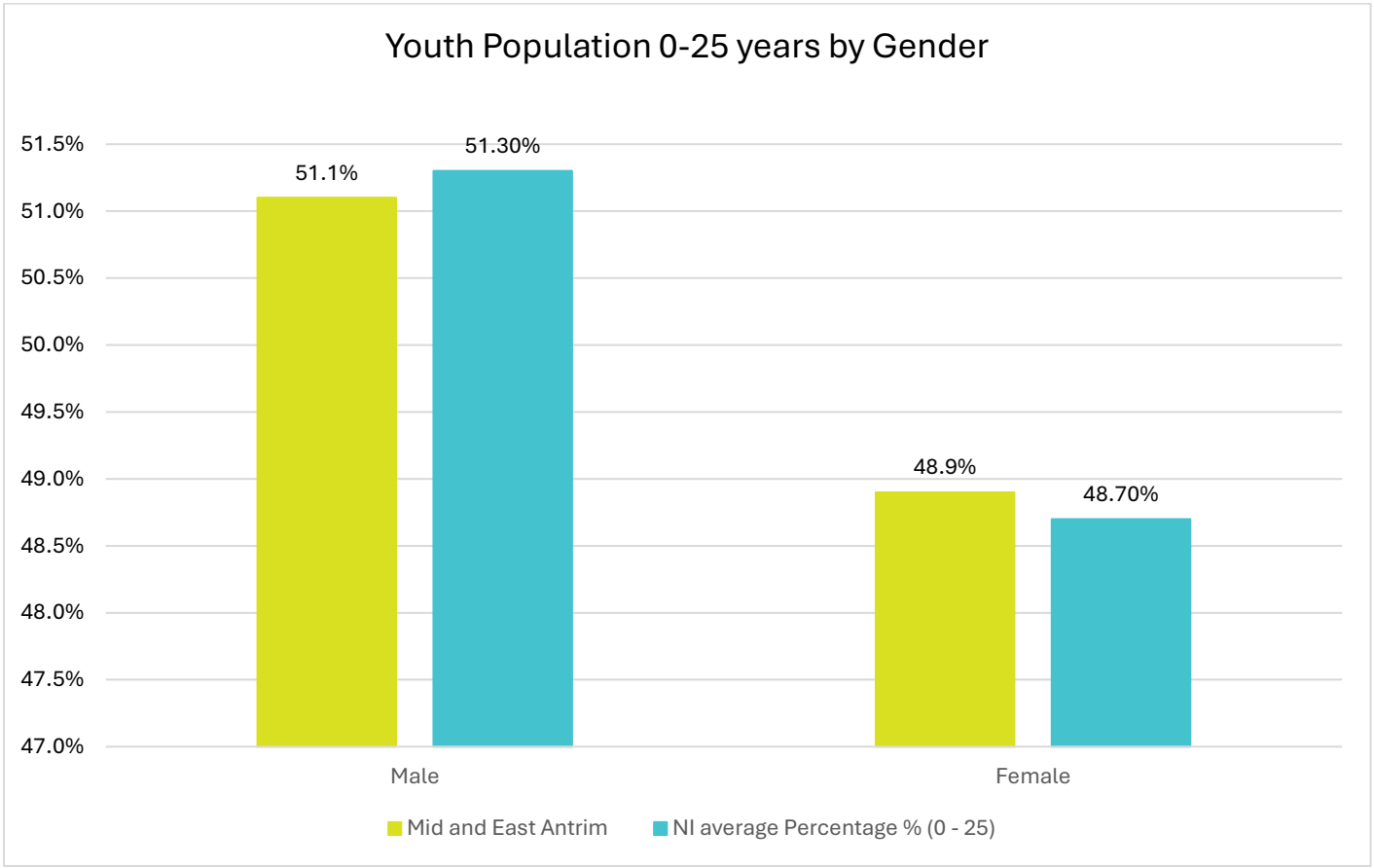


Table 3: Mid & East Antrim Youth Population Age-bands

LGD	Aged 0 - 3 years	Aged 4 - 8 years	Aged 9 - 13 years	Aged 14 - 18 years	Aged 19 - 25 years	Total 0-25 years	Percentage Cut of LGD 0-25yrs %
Northern Ireland	89,505	123,278	128,033	116,612	155,341	612,769	32.30%
Mid and East Antrim	5,883	8,136	8,487	8,320	10,019	40,845	29.40%

Source: Census 2021

Chart 2: Mid & East Antrim Youth Population Age-bands

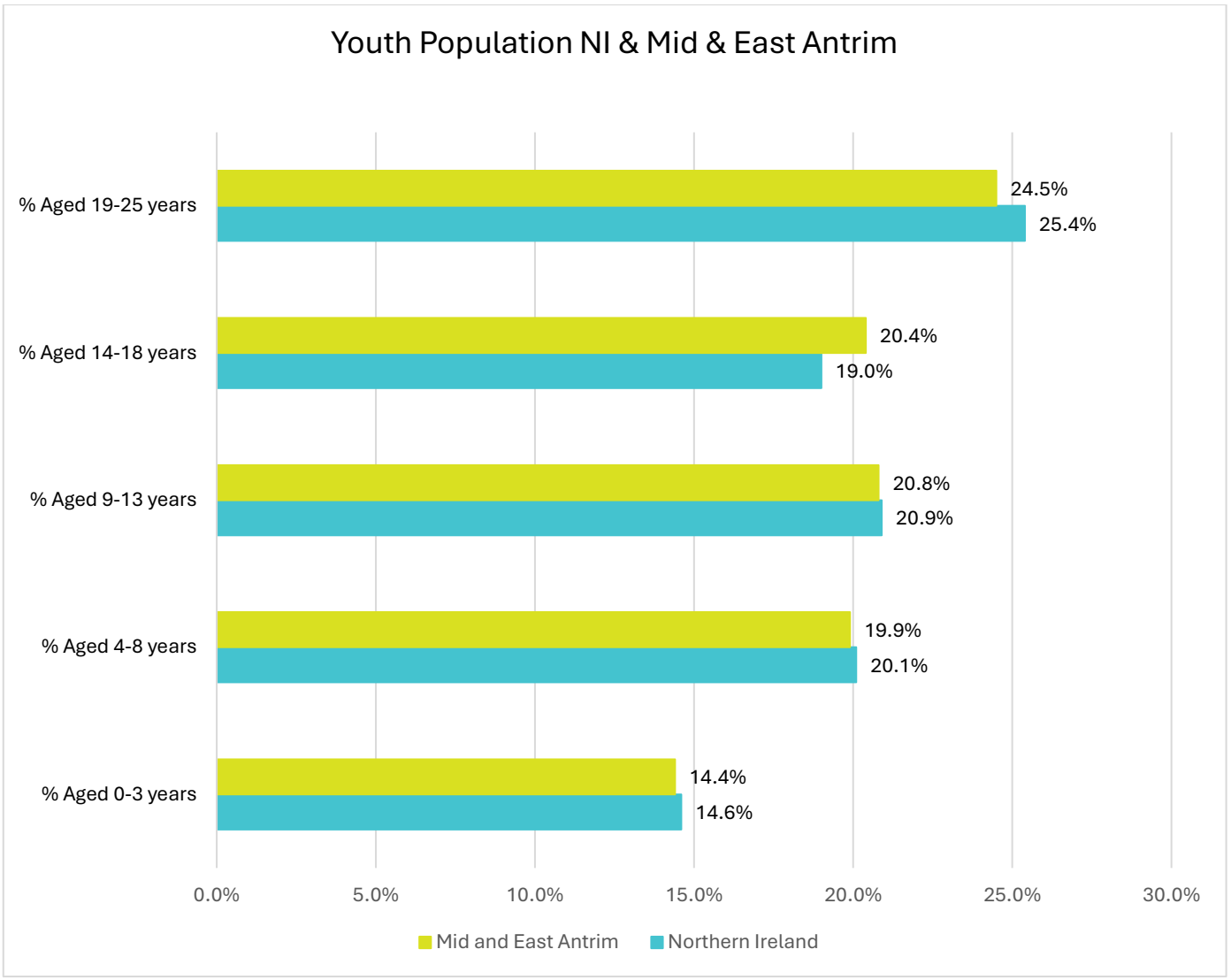


Table 4: Mid & East Antrim Youth Population Age-bands Percentage

LGD	% Aged 0-3 years	% Aged 4-8 years	% Aged 9-13 years	% Aged 14-18 years	% Aged 19-25 years
Northern Ireland	14.6%	20.1%	20.9%	19.0%	25.4%
Mid and East Antrim	14.4%	19.9%	20.8%	20.4%	24.5%

Source: Census 2021

Chart 3: Percentage breakdown of Youth Population

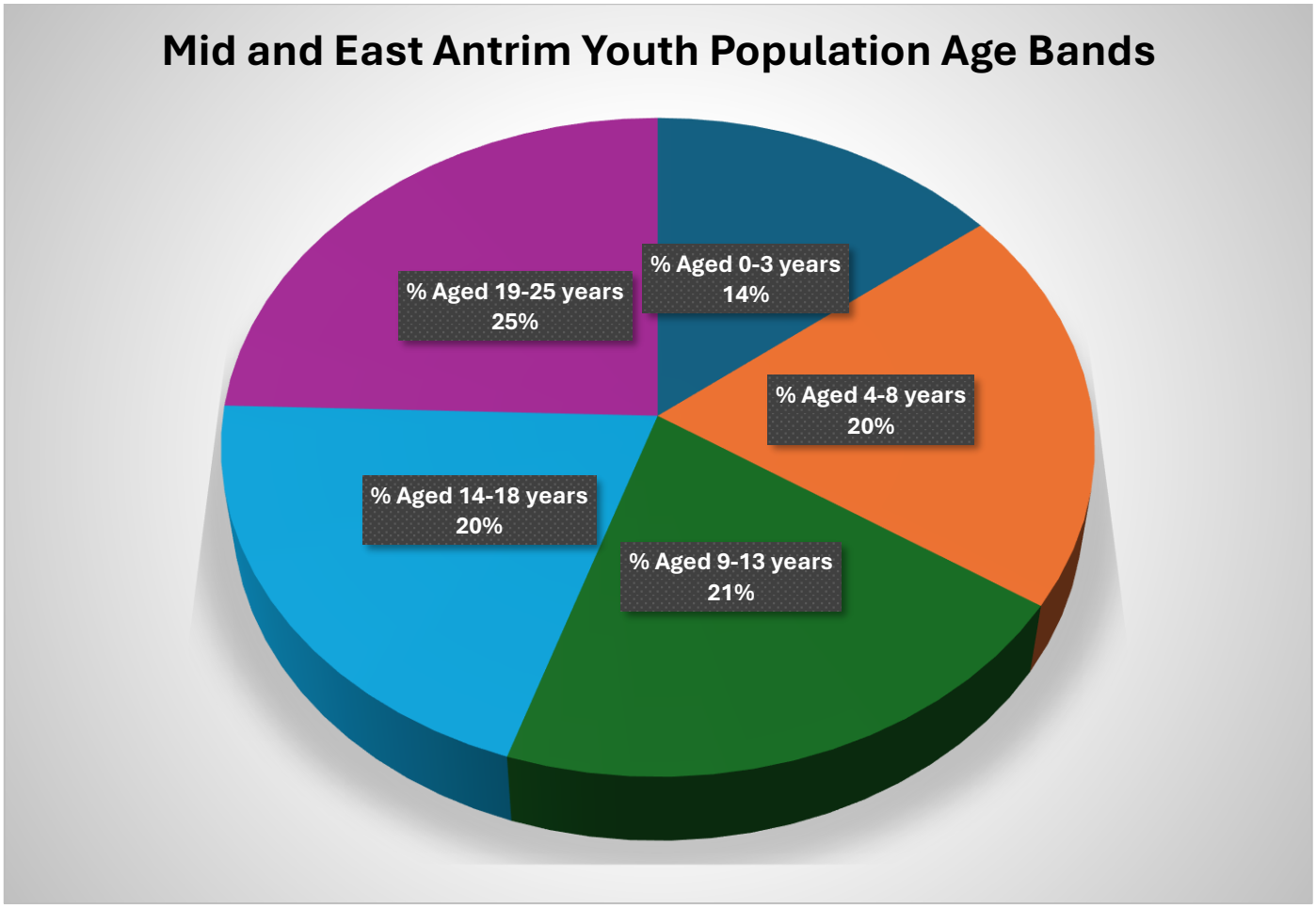


Table 5: Youth population Age bands by gender

LGD	Aged 0 - 3 years		Aged 4 - 8 years		Aged 9 - 13 years		Aged 14 - 18 years		Aged 19 - 25 years		Total 0-25 years	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Northern Ireland	45,865	43,634	63,244	60,029	65,395	62,645	59,718	56,893	80,087	75,250	314,309	298,451
Mid East Antrim	3,022	2,861	4,164	3,970	4,351	4,136	4,229	4,091	5,110	4,909	20,876	19,967

Source: Census 2021

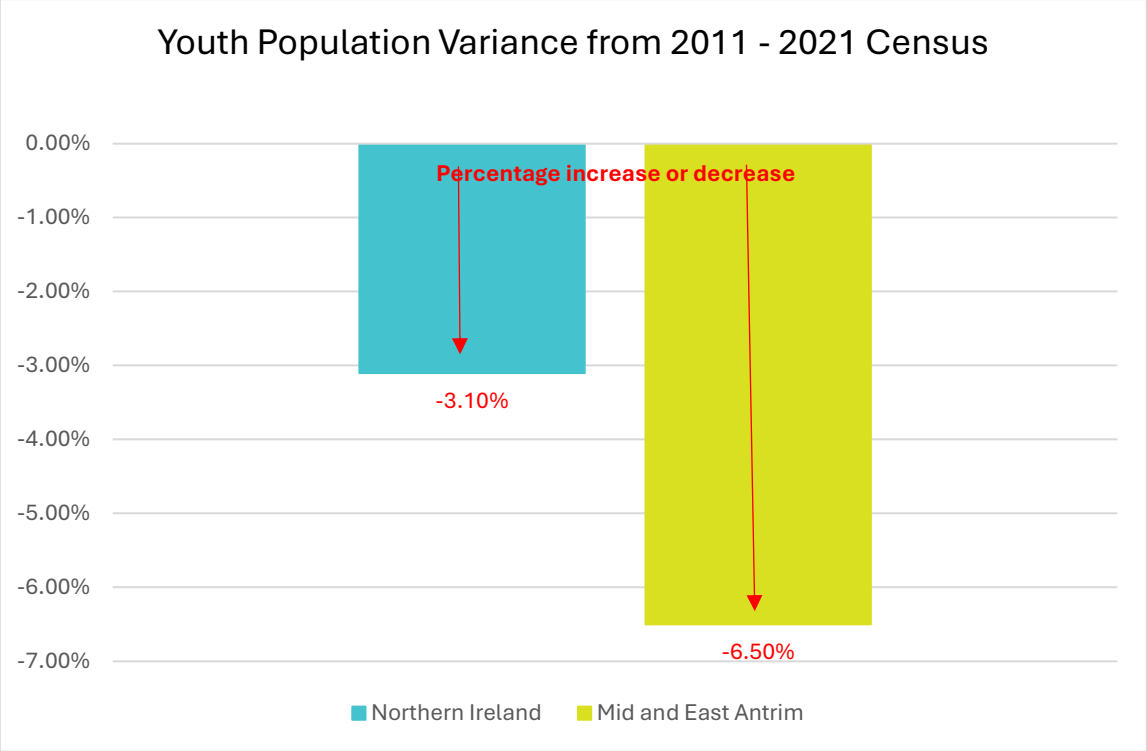
1.3 Variation in Youth Population aged 0-25 years, 2011-2021 Census and Population Projections

Table 6: Variation in Youth Population aged 0-25years from 2011 to 2021 Census

LGD	Total 0-25 years (2021)	Total 0-25 years (2011)	Percentage increase or decrease
Northern Ireland	612,769	632,227	-3.10%
Mid and East Antrim	40,845	43,679	-6.50%

Source: Census 2011 & 2021

Chart 4: Youth Population variance 2011 – 2021 census



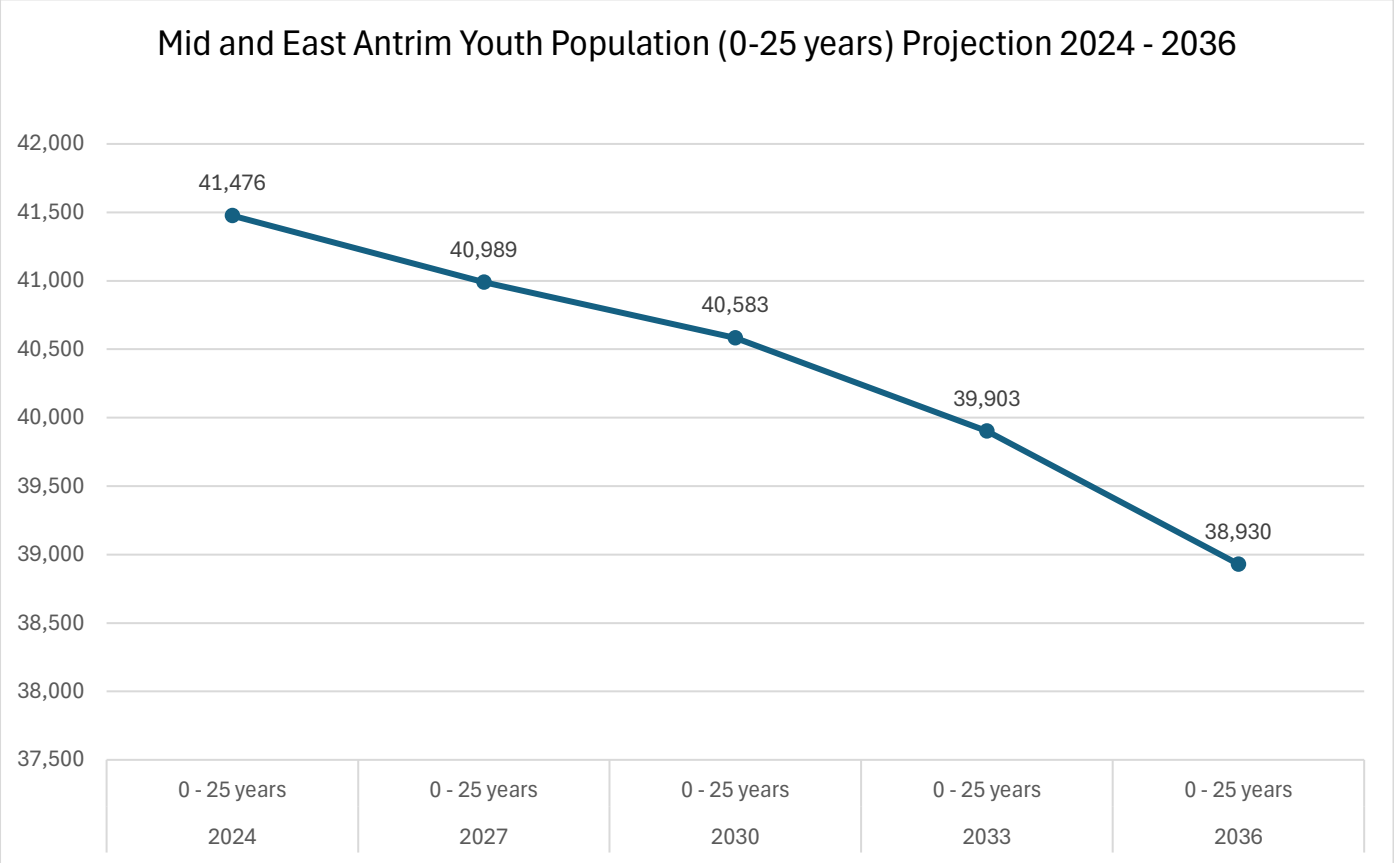
Youth Population Mid and East Antrim 4–25-year-olds

LGD	Total 4-25 years (2021)	Total 4-25 years (2011)	Percentage increase or decrease
Northern Ireland	523,264	531,929	-1.60%
Mid and East Antrim	34,962	37,046	-5.60%

Source: NISRA 2021 Census

Youth Population Projections for Mid and East Antrim 2024 -2036

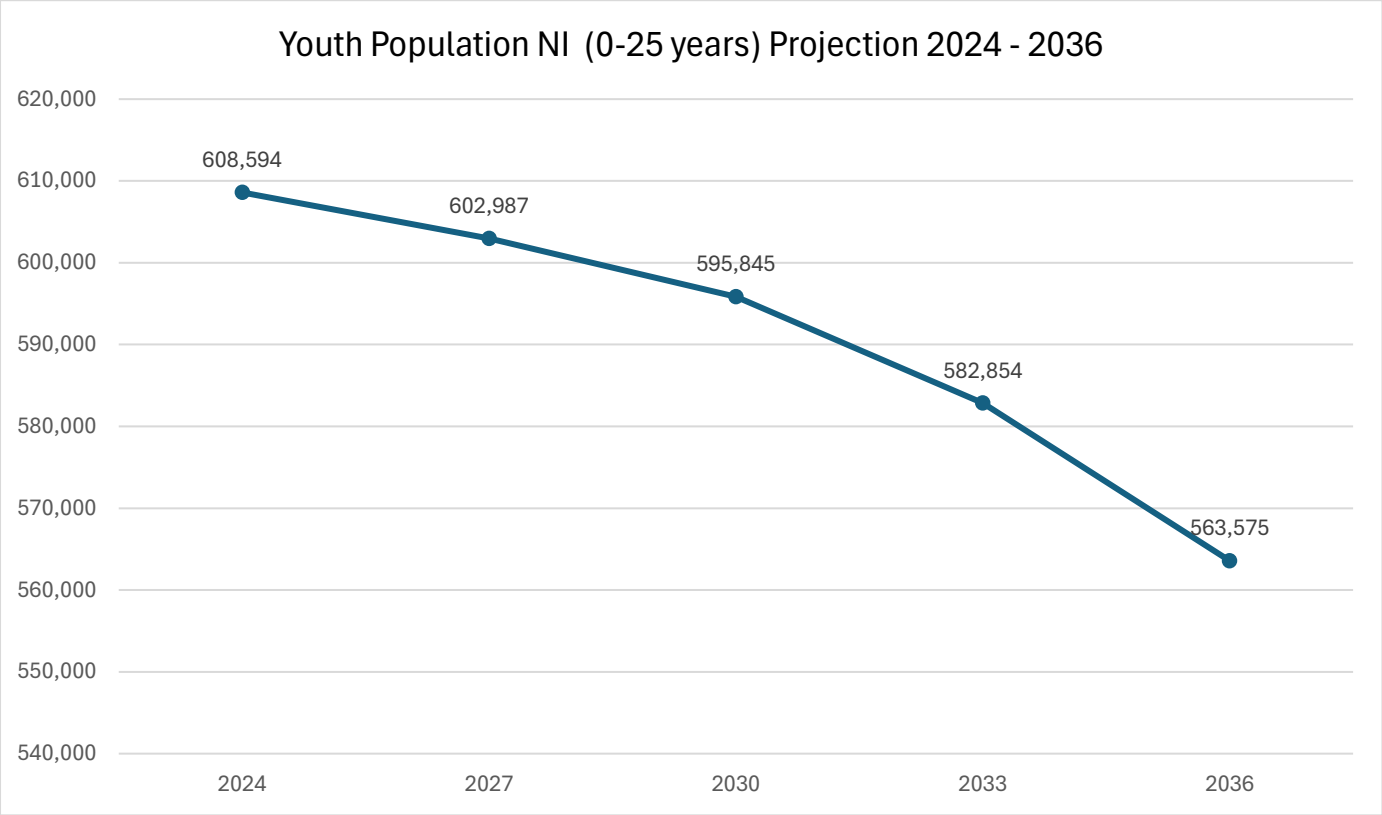
LGD	2024	2027	2030	2033	2036
	0 - 25 years	0 - 25 years	0 - 25 years	0 - 25 years	0 - 25 years
Mid and East Antrim	41,476	40,989	40,583	39,903	38,930



Source: https://www.nisra.gov.uk/statistics/population/sub-national-population-projections

Youth Population Projections for Northern Ireland 2024 -2036

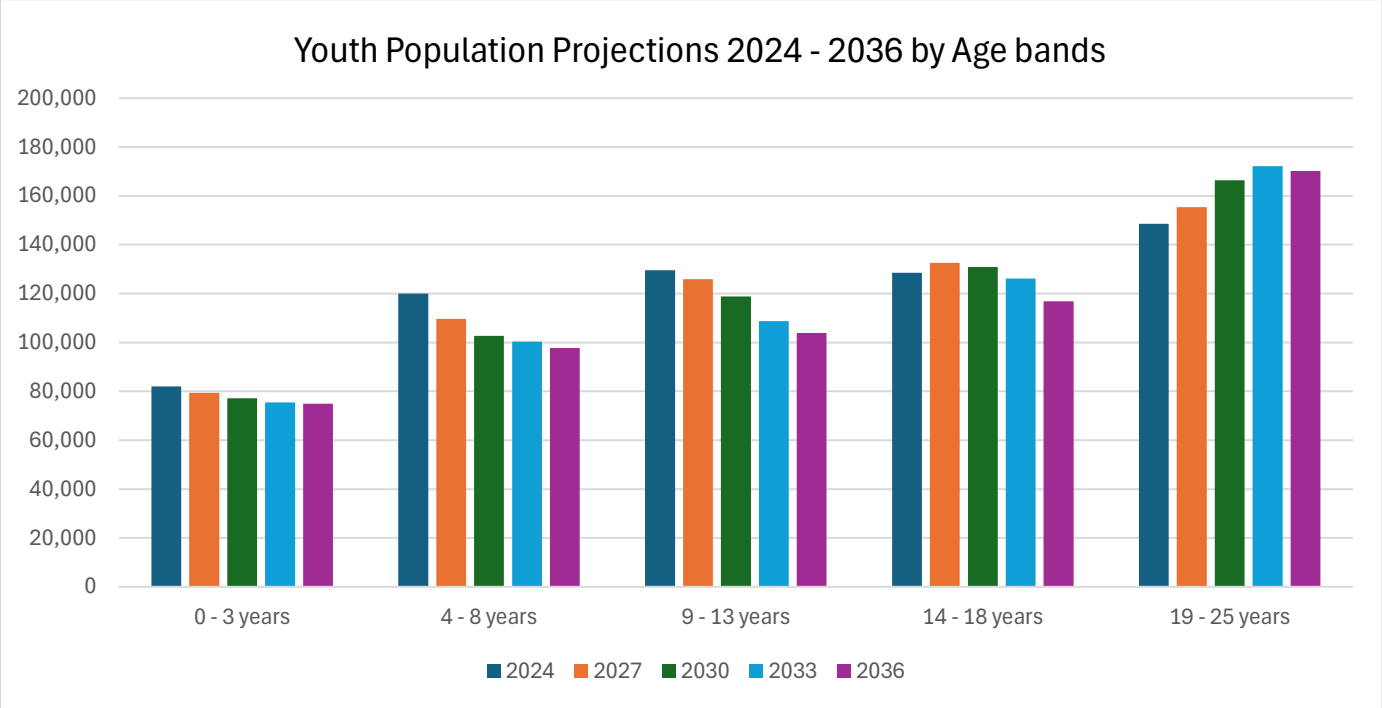
Age Band	2024	2027	2030	2033	2036
0-25 years	608,594	602,987	595,845	582,854	563,575



Source: https://www.nisra.gov.uk/statistics/population/sub-national-population-projections

Youth Population Projections for Northern Ireland by age bands 2024 -2036

Age Band	2024	2027	2030	2033	2036
0 - 3 years	81,979	79,340	77,162	75,442	74,912
4 - 8 years	120,003	109,660	102,695	100,296	97,726
9 - 13 years	129,570	125,948	118,800	108,771	103,882
14 - 18 years	128,465	132,640	130,832	126,228	116,873
19 - 25 years	148,557	155,399	166,356	172,117	170,182
0-25 years	608,594	602,987	595,845	582,854	563,575



Source: https://www.nisra.gov.uk/statistics/population/sub-national-population-projections

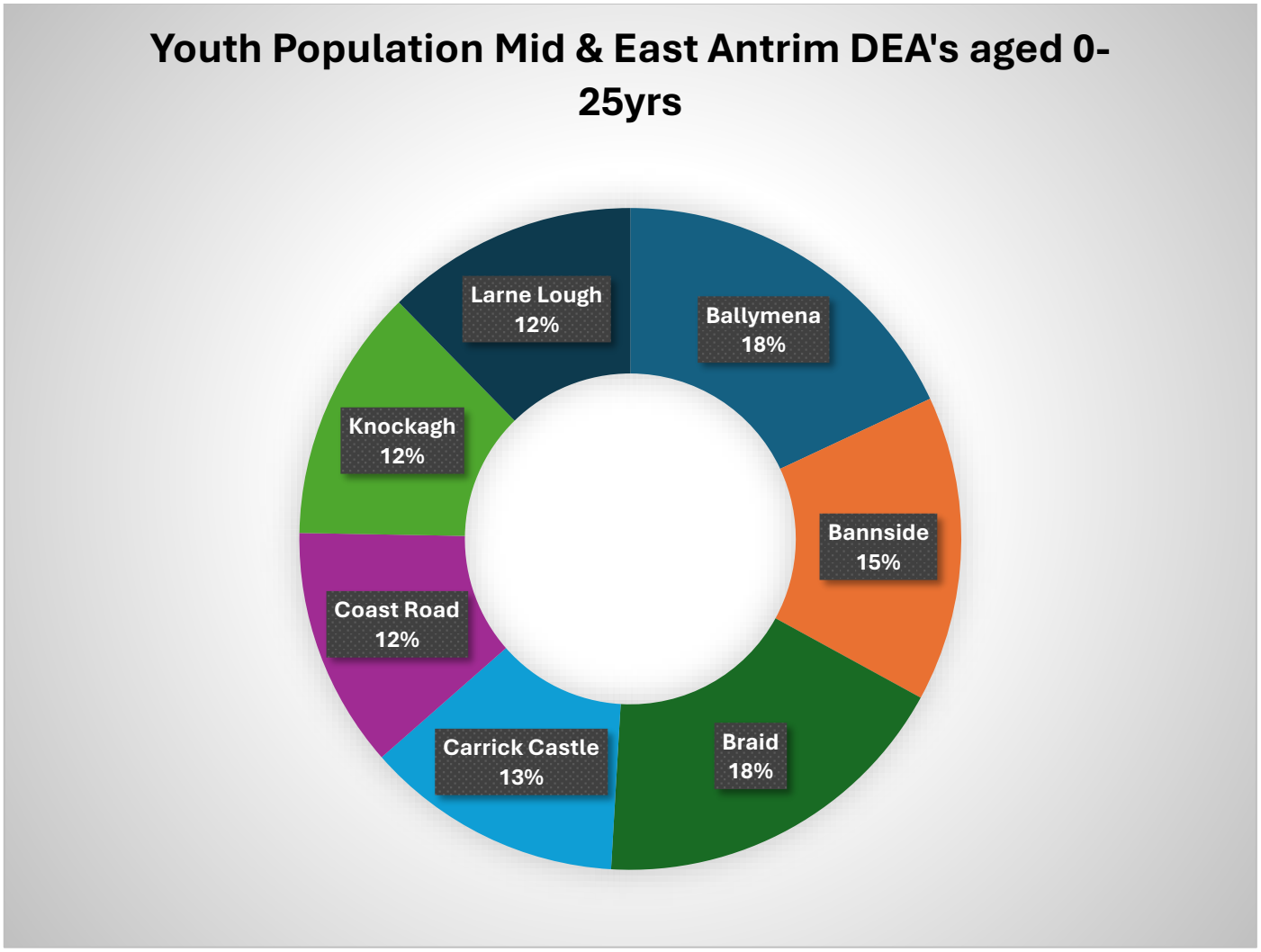
1.4 District Electoral Area's Demographics in Mid and East Antrim

Table 7: Mid & East Antrim DEAs by Age Bands

District Electoral Area	Total 0-3yrs	Total 4-8yrs	Total 9-13yrs	Total 14-18yrs	Total 19-25yrs	Total 0-25yrs
Ballymena	1,086	1,538	1,466	1,397	1,878	7,365
Bannside	902	1,221	1,322	1,253	1,398	6,096
Braid	1,092	1,487	1,526	1,545	1,684	7,334
Carrick Castle	713	960	1,037	1,057	1,379	5,146
Coast Road	670	937	979	1,018	1,196	4,800
Knockagh	704	946	1,075	1,055	1,279	5,059
Larne Lough	716	1,042	1,079	992	1,203	5,032

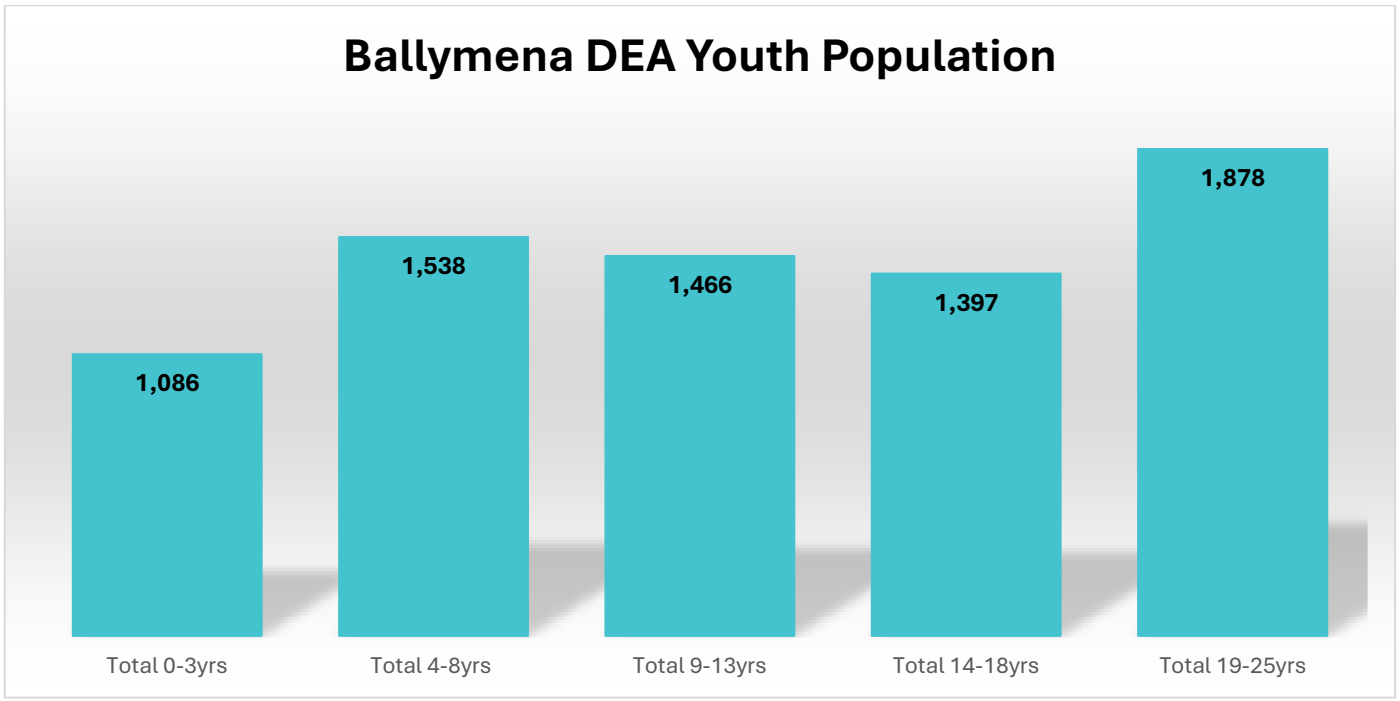
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Chart 5: Mid & East Antrim DEAs by Age Bands



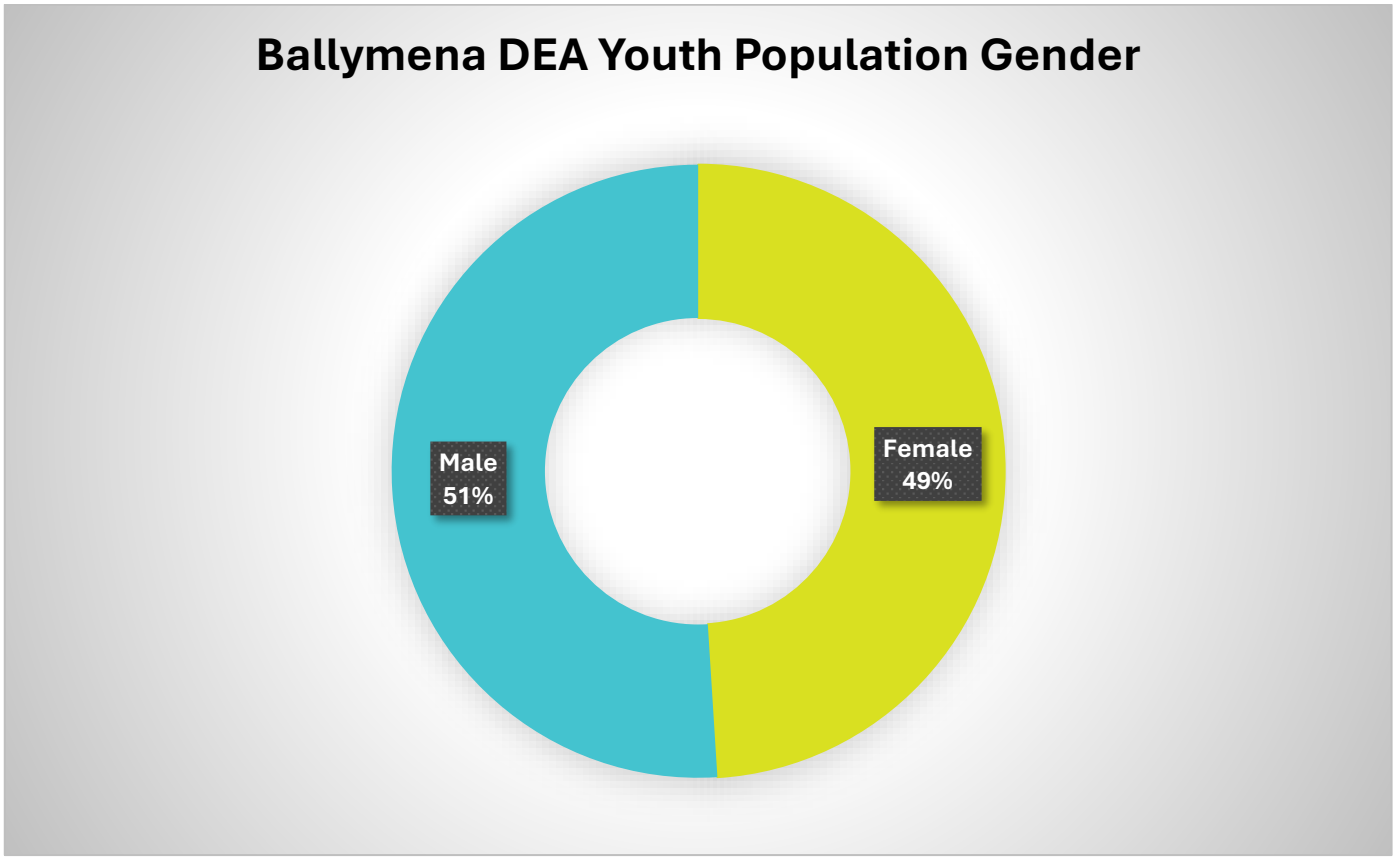
Ballymena DEA

Chart 6: Ballymena DEA youth population 0-25 years



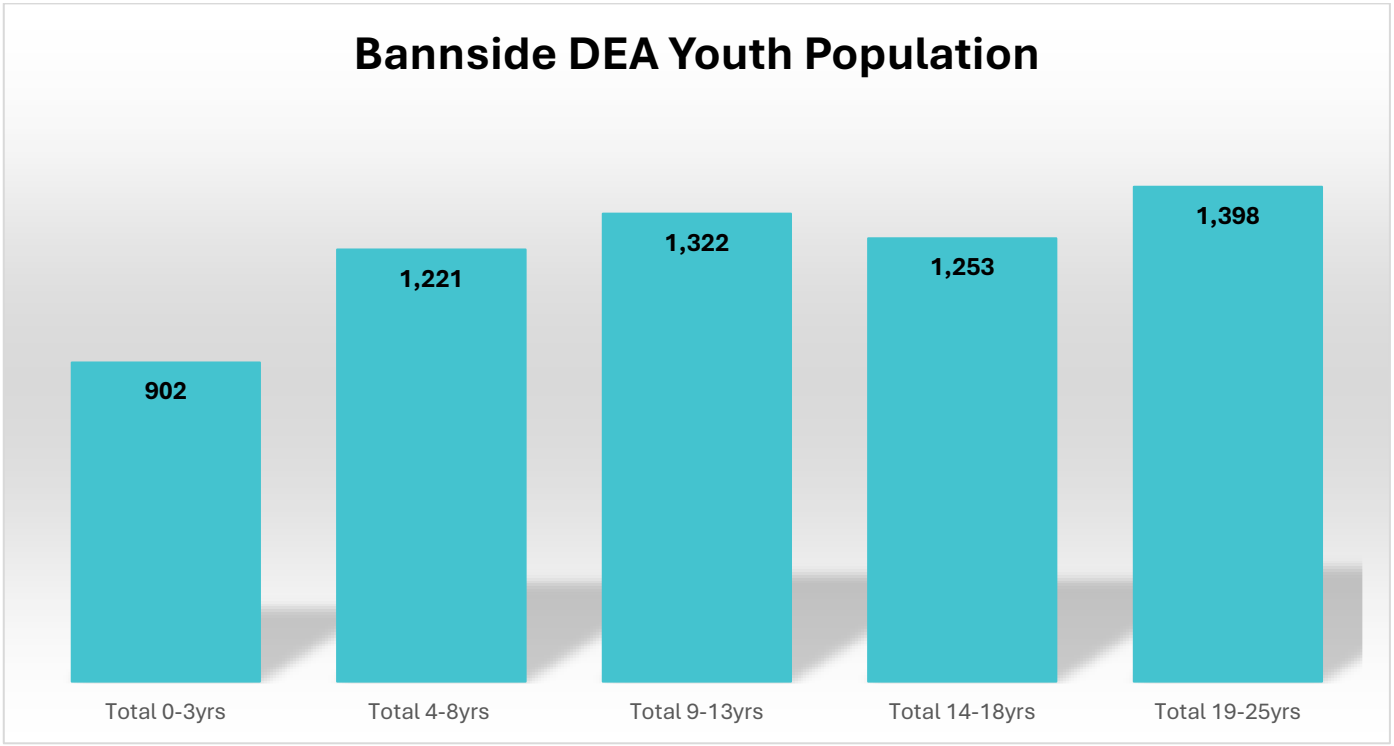
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Chart 7: Ballymena DEA Gender breakdown



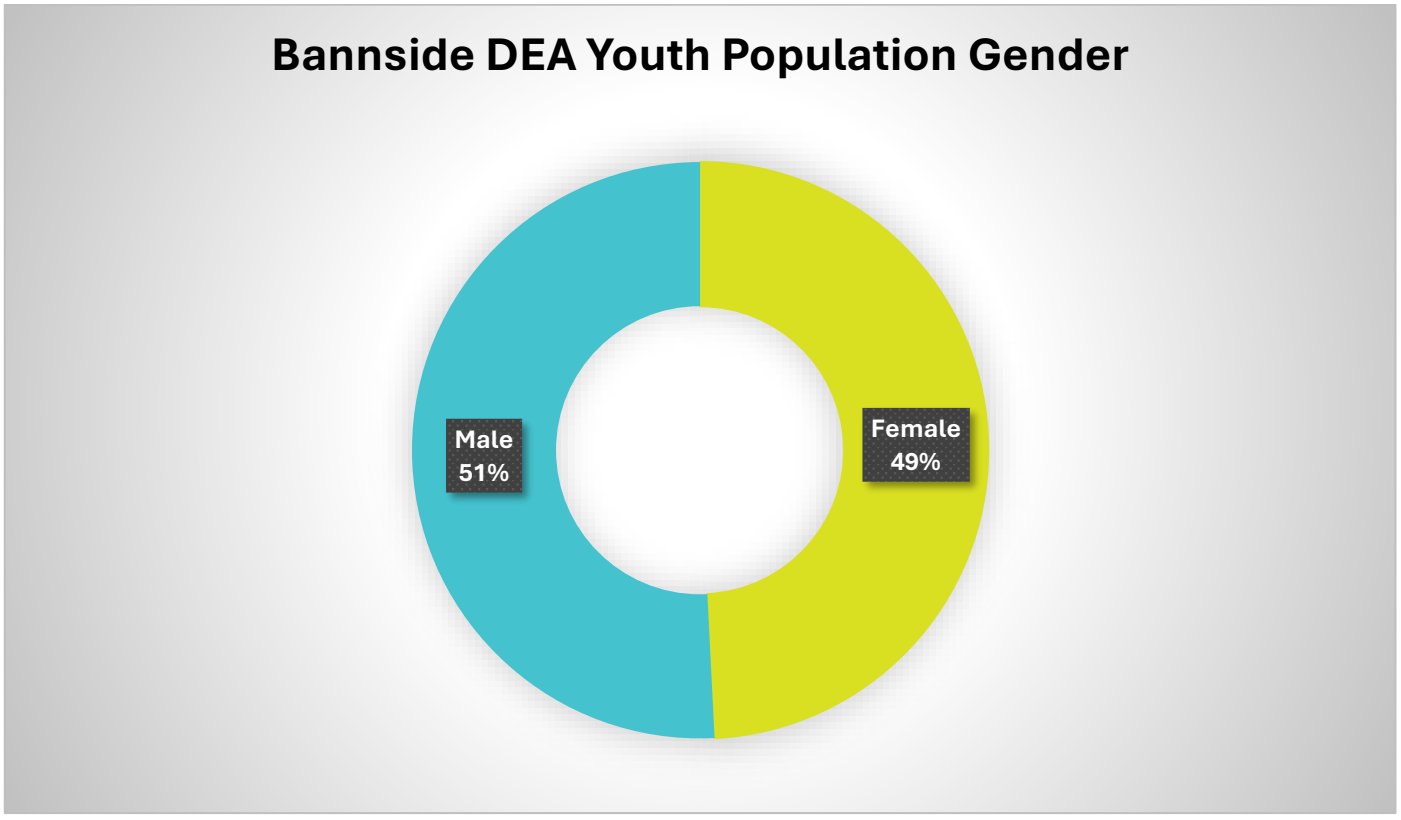
Bannside DEA

Chart 8: Bannside DEA youth population 0-25 years



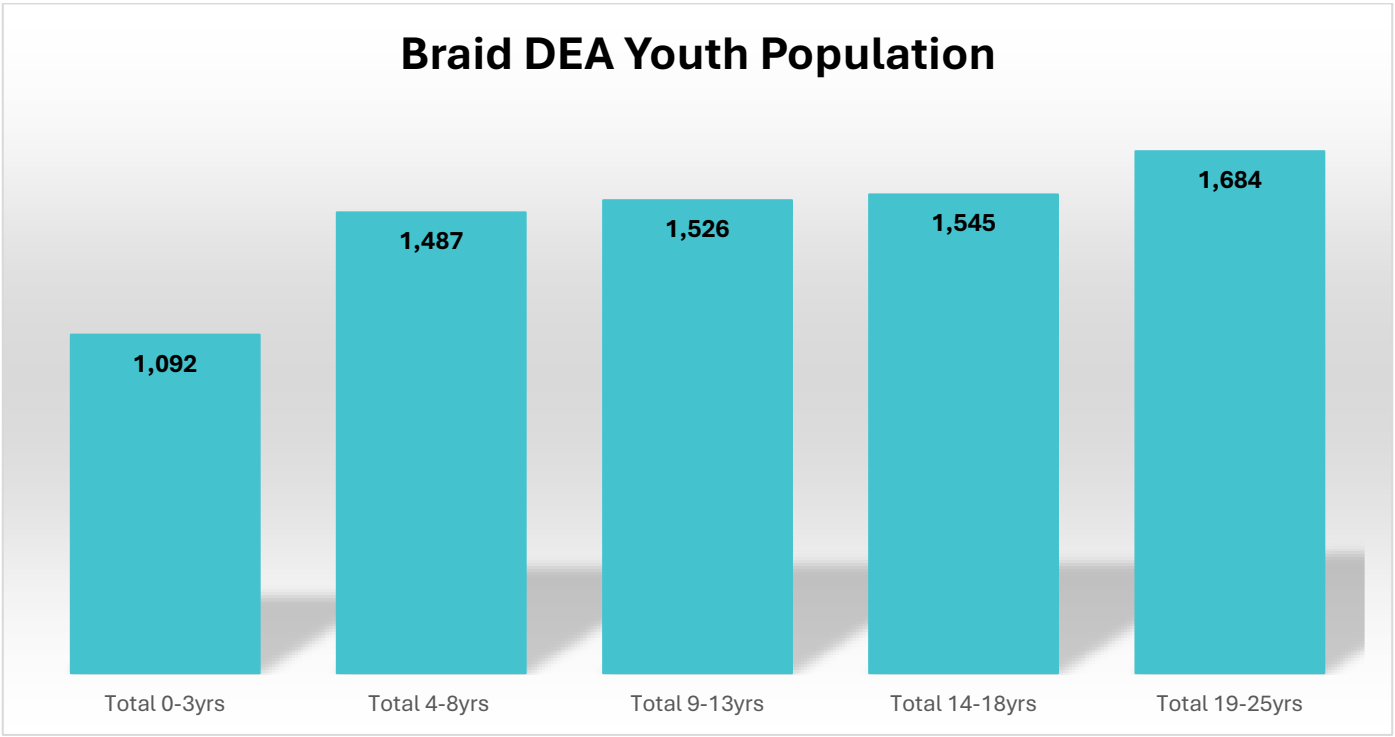
Source: Census 2021

Chart 9: Bannside DEA Gender breakdown



Braid DEA

Chart 10: Braid DEA youth population 0-25 years



Source: Census 2021

Chart 11: Braid DEA Gender breakdown

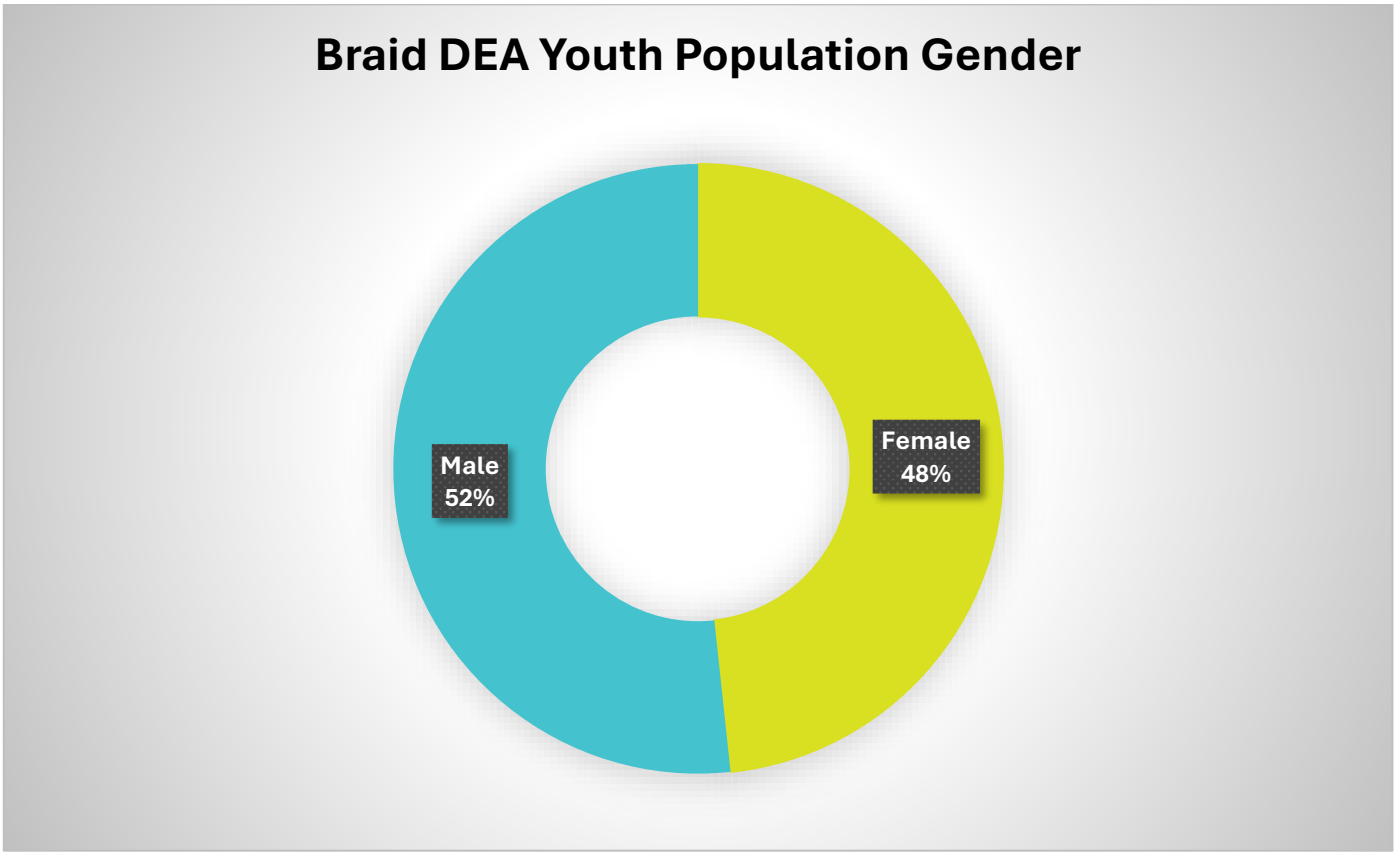
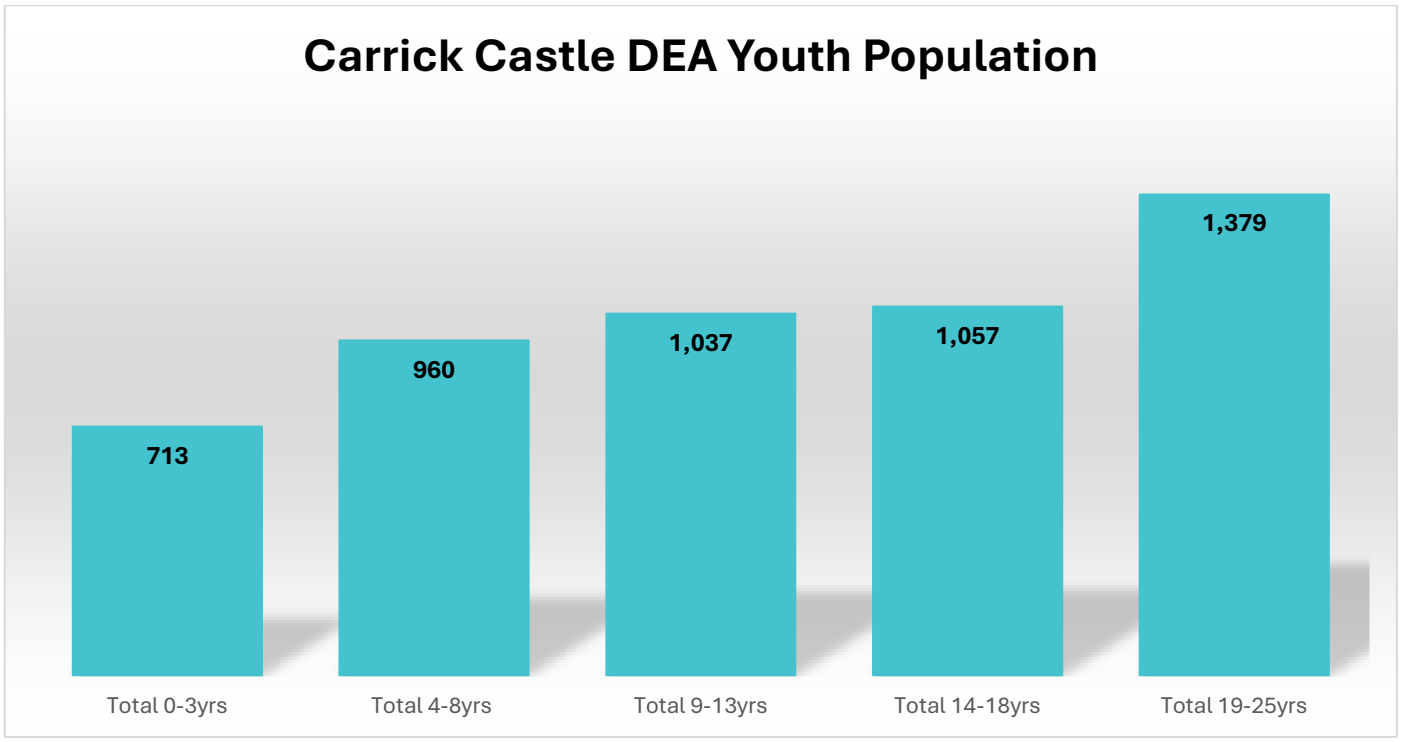
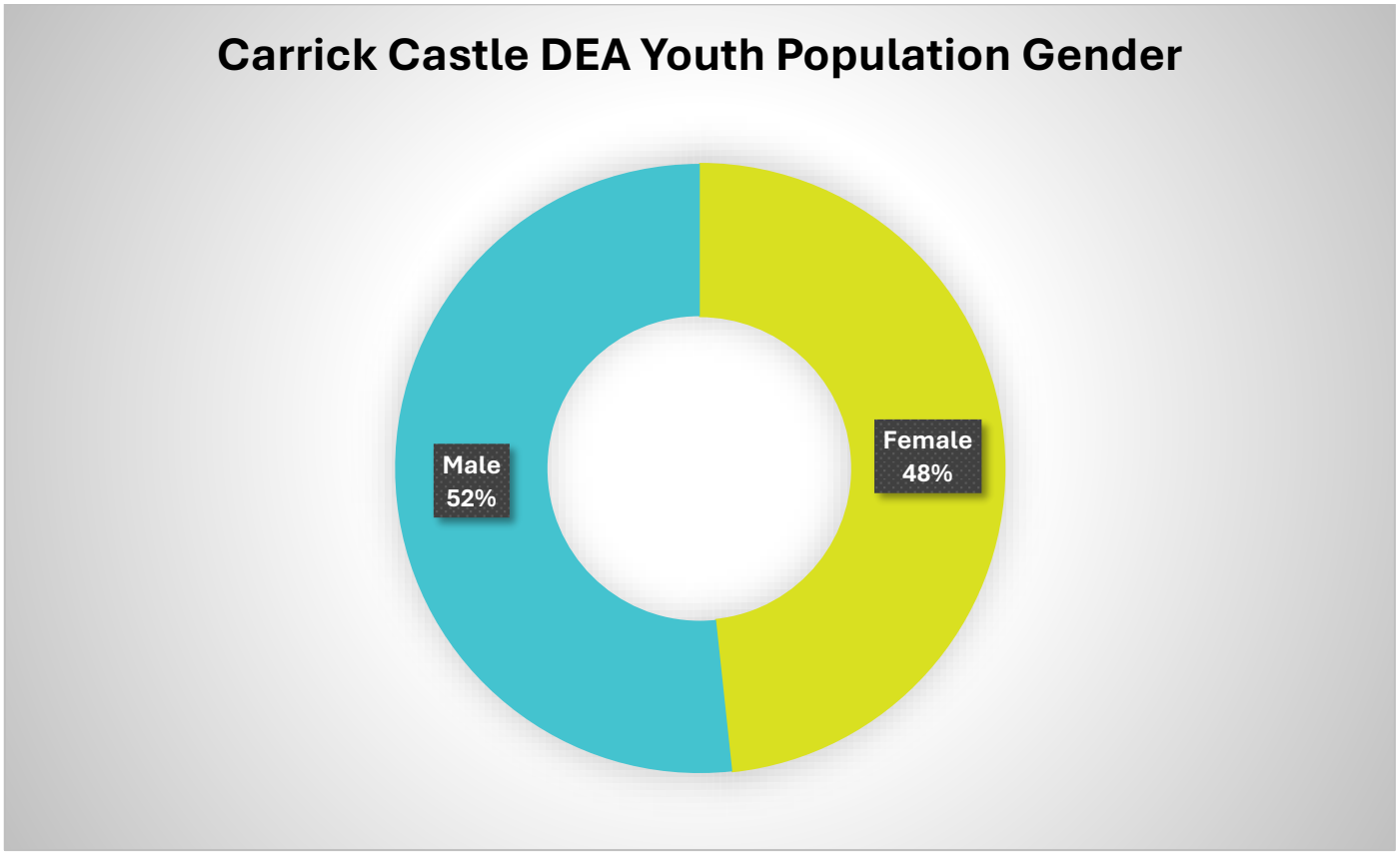


Chart 12: Carrick Castle DEA youth population 0-25 years



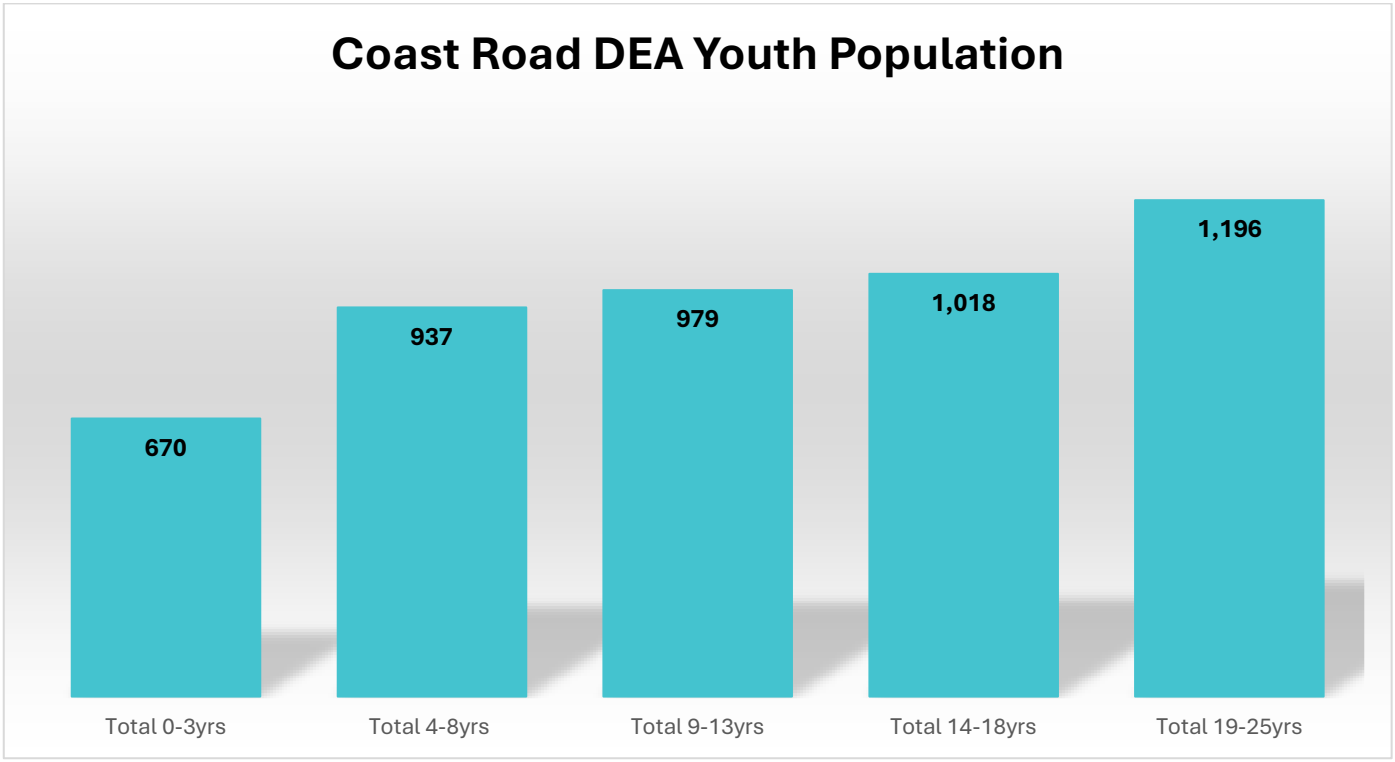
Source: Census 2021

Chart 13: Carrick Castle DEA Gender breakdown



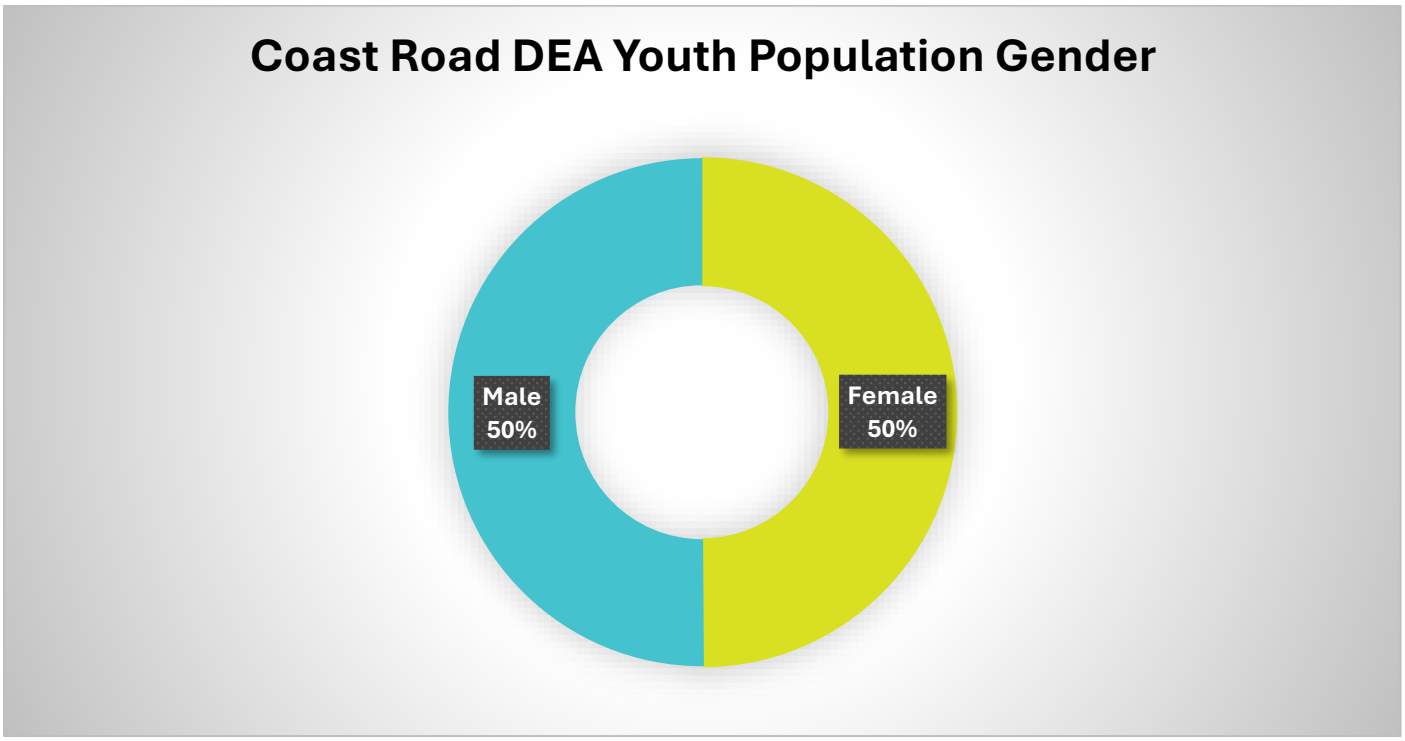
Coast Road DEA

Chart 14: Coast Road DEA youth population 0-25 years



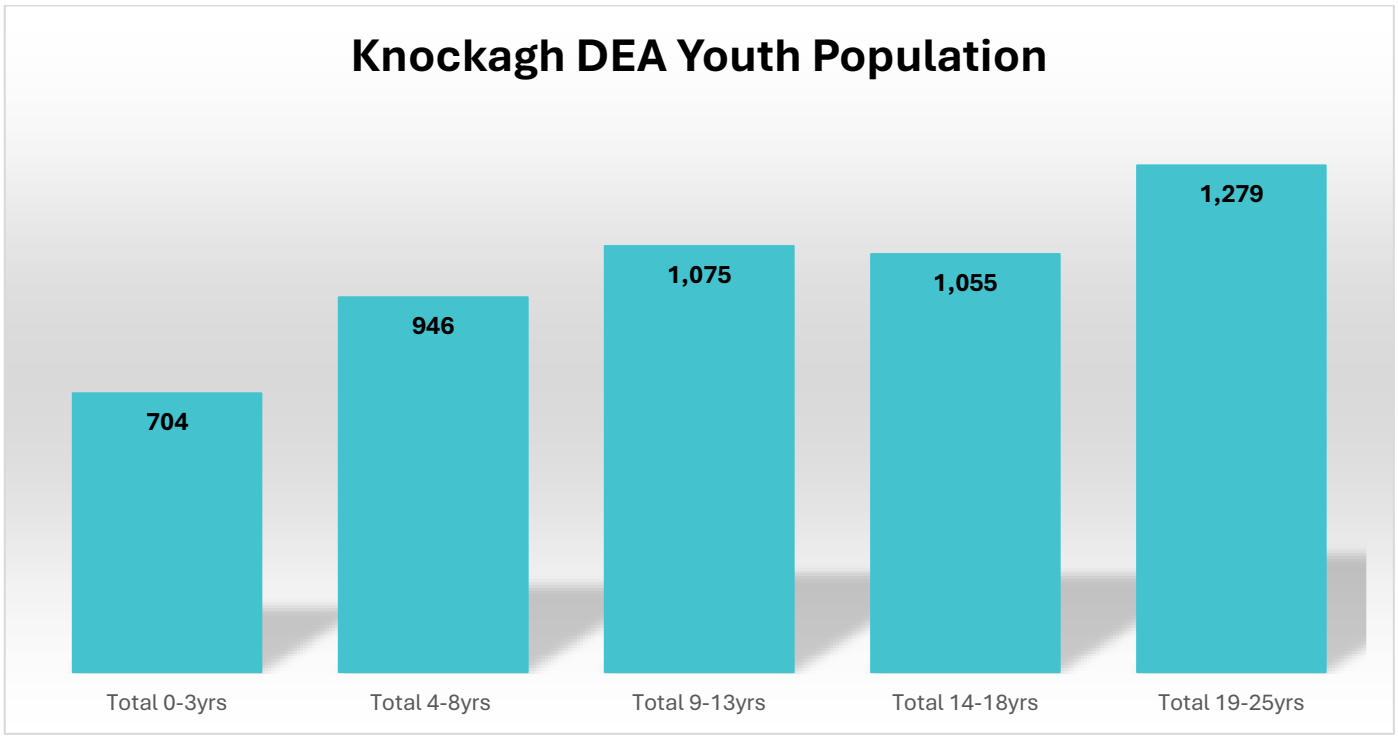
Source: Census 2021

Chart 15: Coast Road DEA Gender breakdown



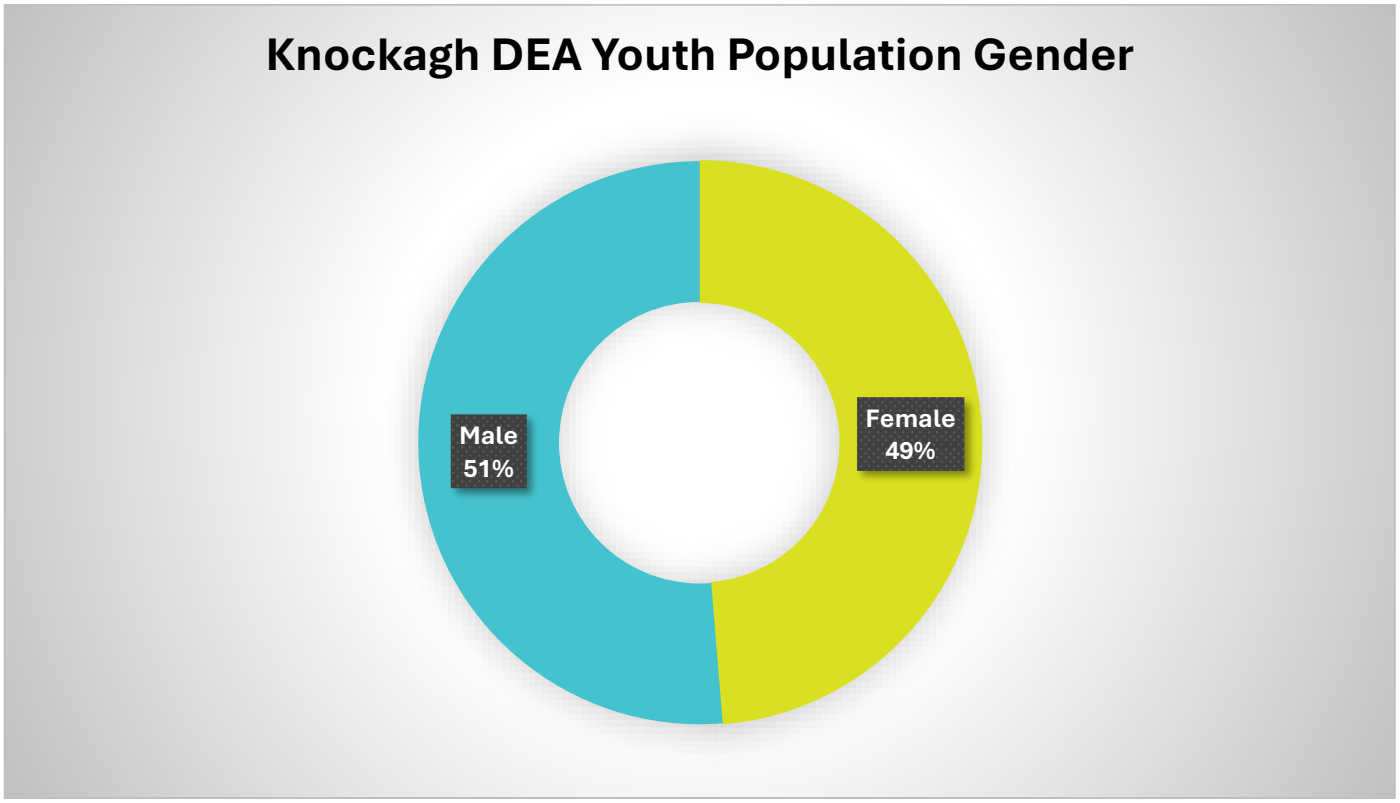
Knockagh DEA

Chart 16: Knockagh DEA youth population 0-25 years



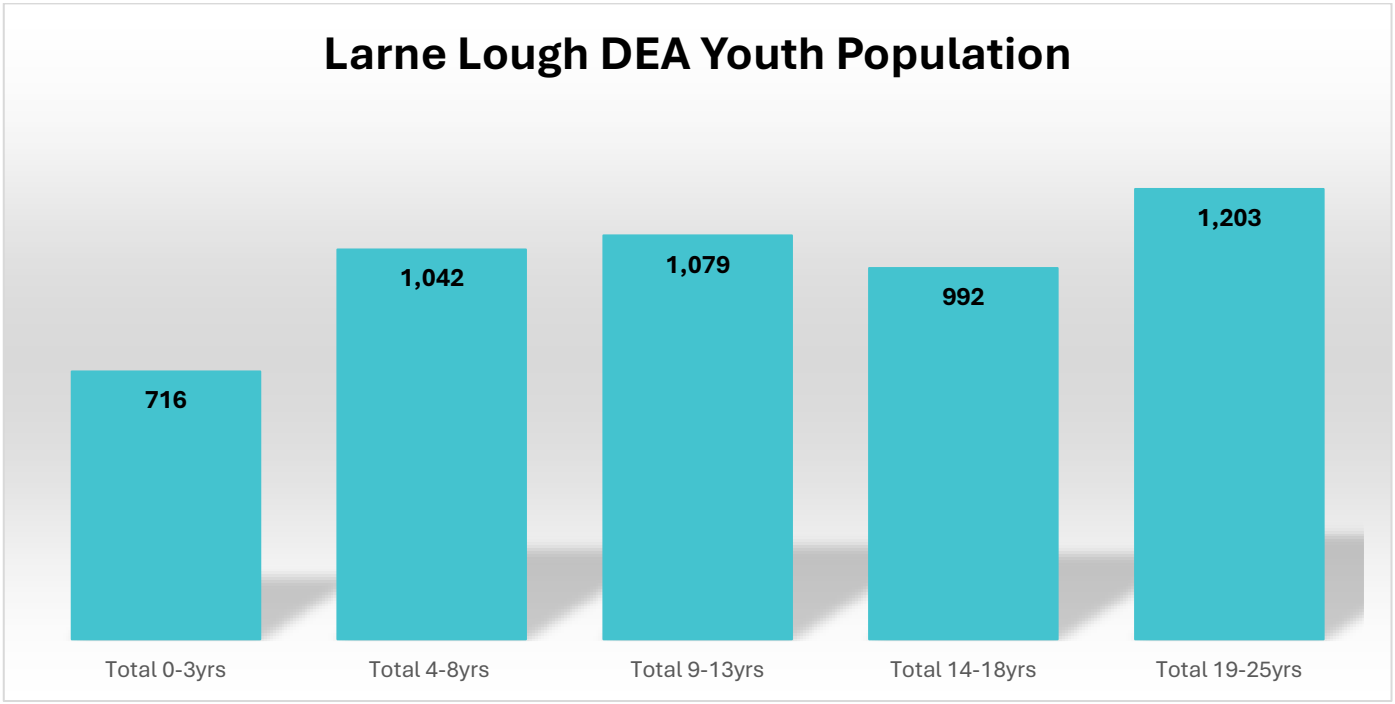
Source: Census 2021

Chart 17: Knockagh DEA Gender breakdown



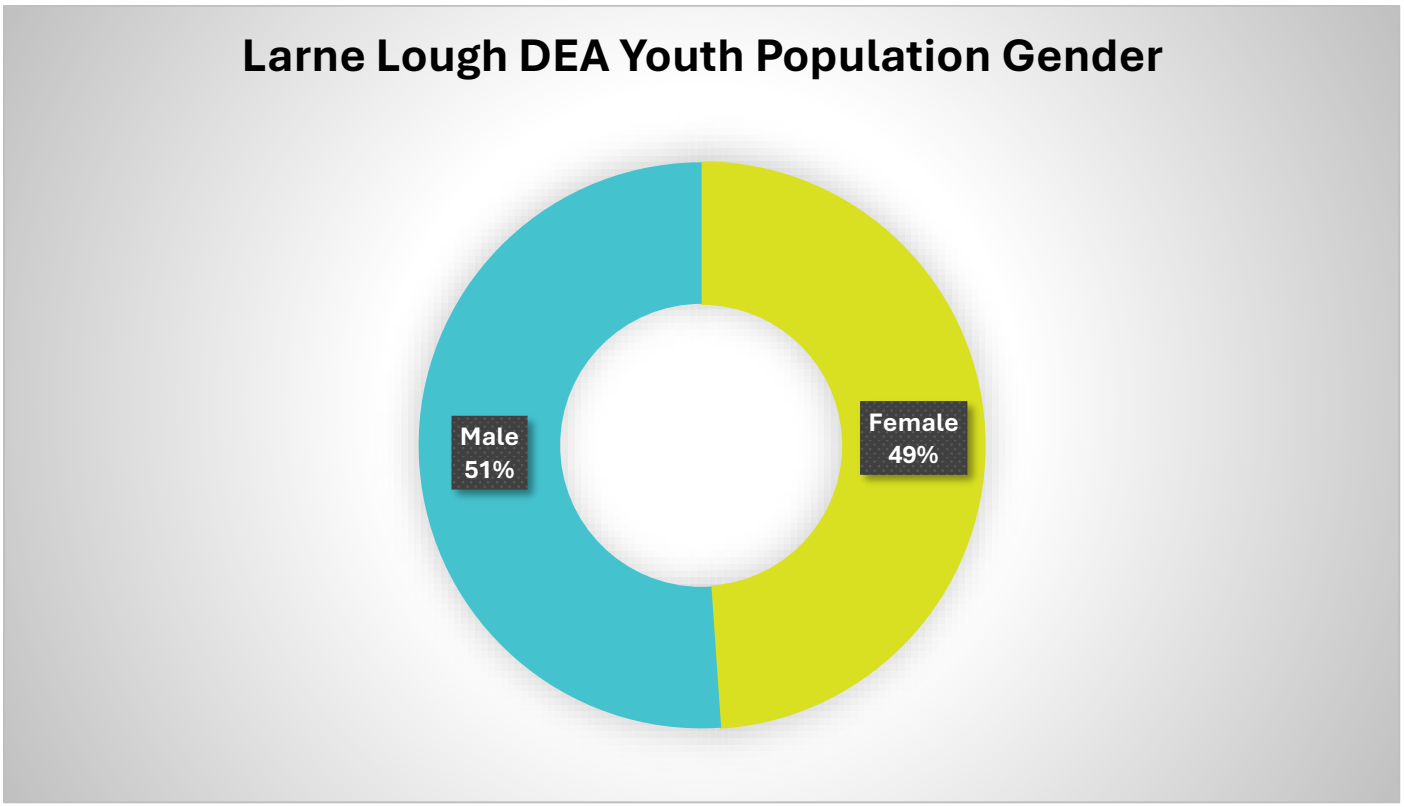
Larne Lough DEA

Chart 18: Larne Lough DEA youth population 0-25 years



Source: Census 2021

Chart 19: Larne Lough DEA Gender breakdown



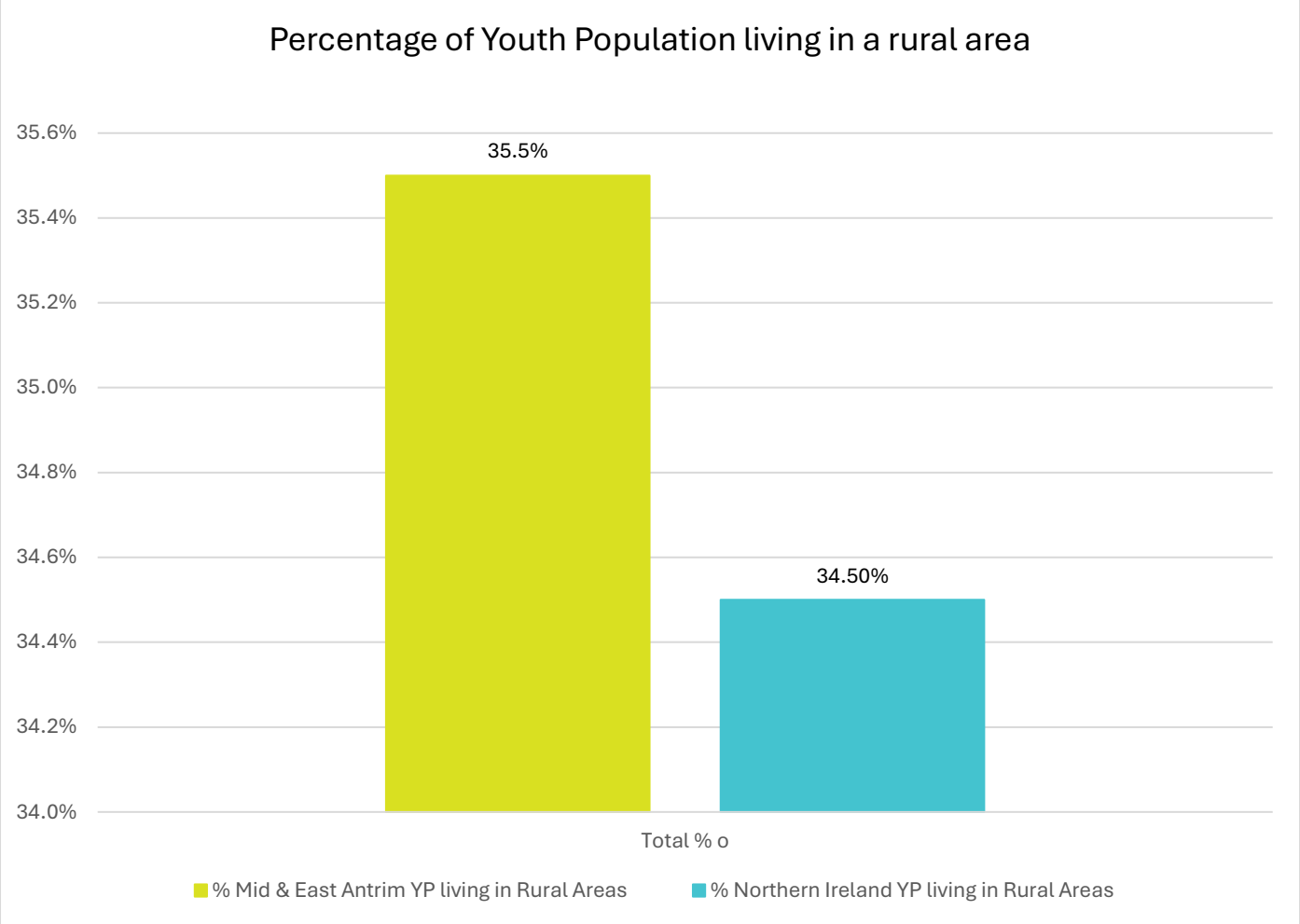
1.5 Rural Living

Table 8: Total number of young people living a rural area in Mid and East Antrim

LGD 2014	Aged 0 - 3 years	Aged 4 - 8 years	Aged 9 - 13 years	Aged 14 - 18 years	Aged 19 - 25 years	Total 0-25 years
Mid & East Antrim YP	5,883	8,136	8,487	8,320	10,019	40,845
Mid & East Antrim YP living in Rural Areas	2,089	2,889	3,013	2,954	3,557	14,500
% Mid & East Antrim YP living in Rural Areas	35.50%	35.50%	35.50%	35.50%	35.50%	35.50%
% Northern Ireland YP living in Rural Areas	34.50%	34.50%	34.50%	34.50%	34.50%	34.50%

Source: Census 2021

Chart 20: Percentage of Youth Population living in a Rural area in Mid and East Antrim



1.6 Household Composition

Chart 21: Percentage of population age 0-24 by Household Composition. Household types condensed into four main categories.

[Source: Census 2021]

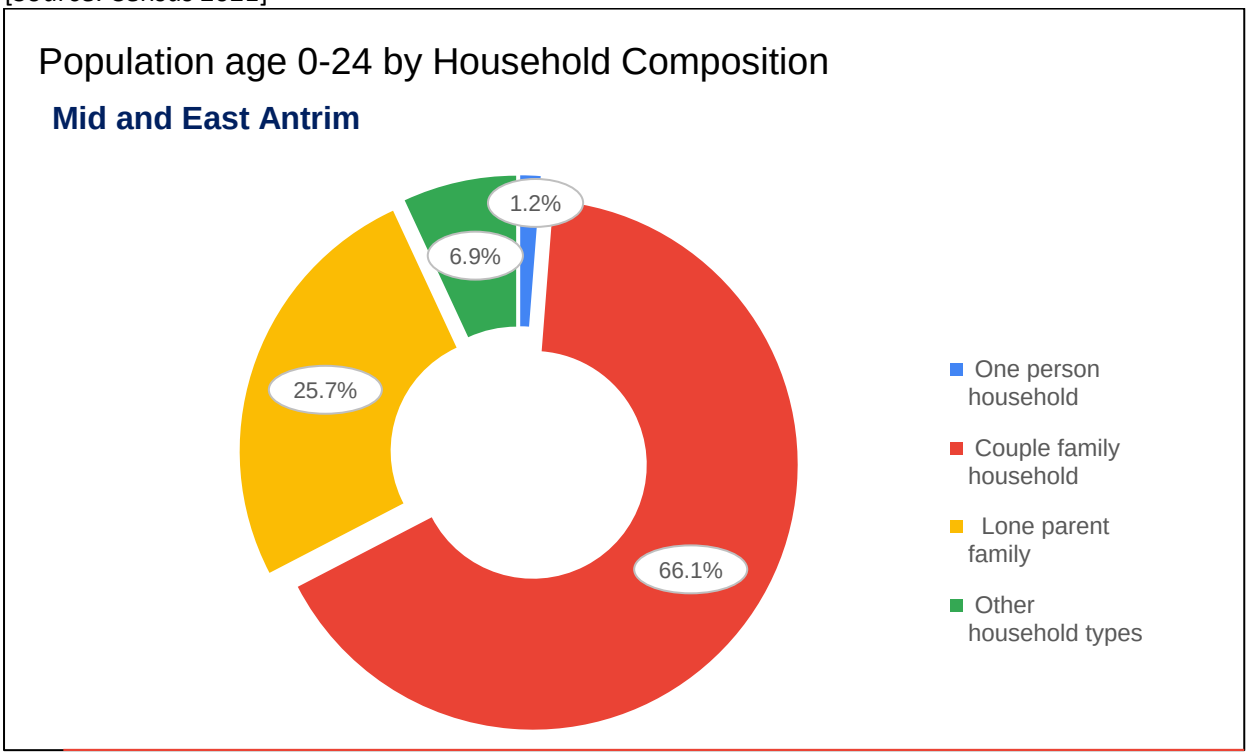


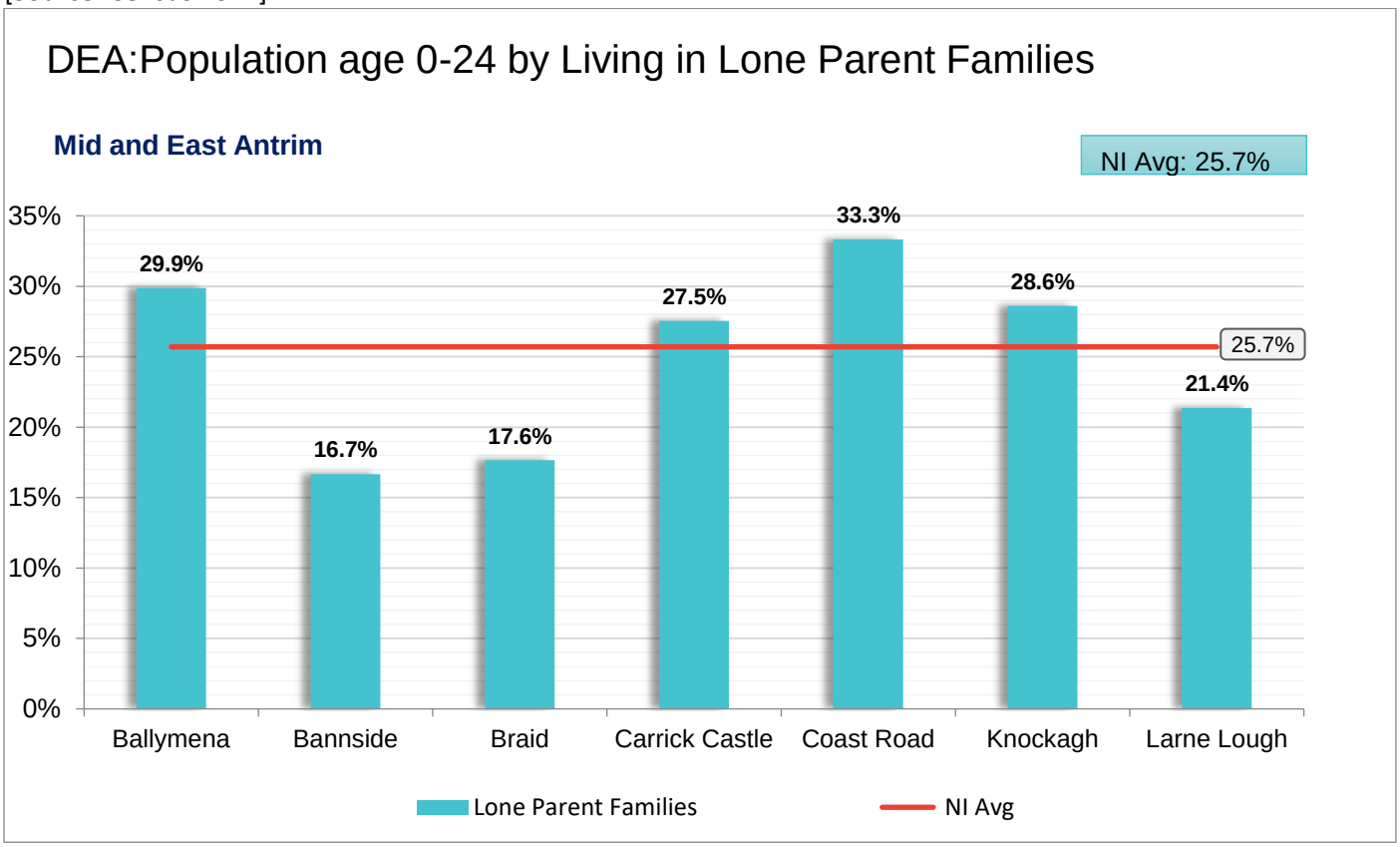
Table 9: Household composition by DEA, counts and percentages of the 0-24 population living in each type of household. Red shading indicates values in the top 20% throughout Northern Ireland for each variable.

[Source: Census 2021]

DEAs: Household Composition, by % of population age 0-24- Mid & East Antrim LGD						
DEA	Population age 0-24	One person household	Couple family household	Lone parent family	Other family composition (including all aged 66 and over)	Other household types
Ballymena	7,089	1.3%	54.7%	29.9%	1.3%	12.6%
Bannside	5,873	0.5%	76.7%	16.7%	0.4%	5.7%
Braid	7,095	0.6%	74.5%	17.6%	0.7%	6.4%
Carrick Castle	4,938	1.5%	65.0%	27.5%	0.6%	5.1%
Coast Road	4,634	1.5%	59.2%	33.3%	0.4%	5.5%
Knockagh	4,864	1.4%	63.8%	28.6%	0.6%	5.6%
Larne Lough	4,852	1.0%	71.6%	21.4%	0.4%	5.5%
Northern Ireland	**589,829**	**0.9%**	**62.9%**	**25.7%**	**0.7%**	**8.4%**

Chart 22: Percentage of the population age 0-24 who live in Lone Parent families. This includes dependent children and those aged 0-24 as parents or HHPs (Household Reference Persons).

[Source: Census 2021]



SECTION 2.0 SOCIO-ECONOMIC INDICATORS

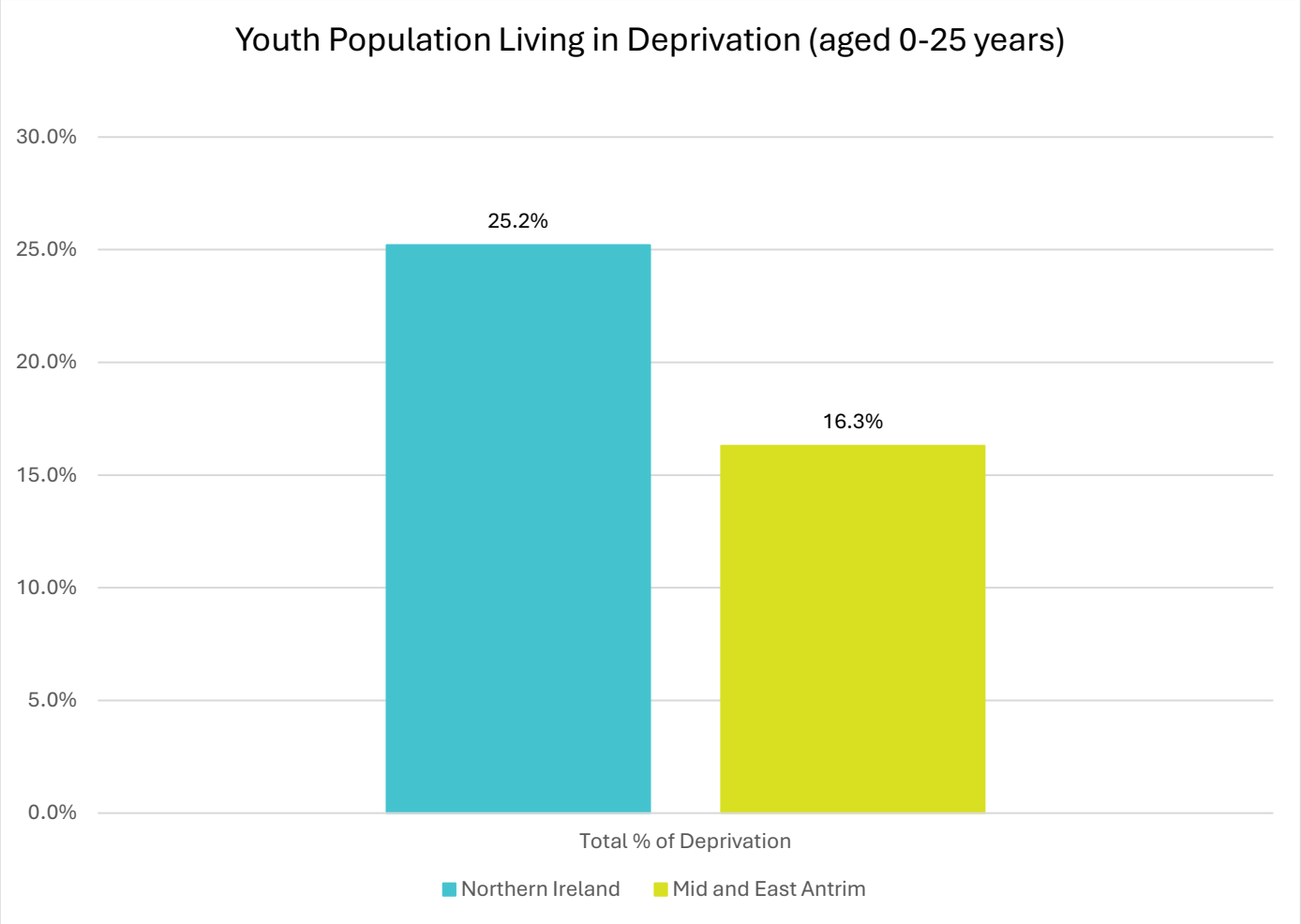
2.1 Deprivation

Table 10: Number of Young People Living in Deprived areas (Aged 0-25 years)

LGD	Aged 0 - 3 years	Aged 4 - 8 years	Aged 9 - 13 years	Aged 14 - 18 years	Aged 19 - 25 years	Total 0 - 25 years	Total % of Deprivation
Northern Ireland	22,556	31,066	32,265	29,387	39,145	154,419	25.20%
Mid and East Antrim	959	1,327	1,384	1,357	1,633	6,659	16.30%

Source: Census 2021

Chart 23: Percentage of Youth Population living in Deprivation



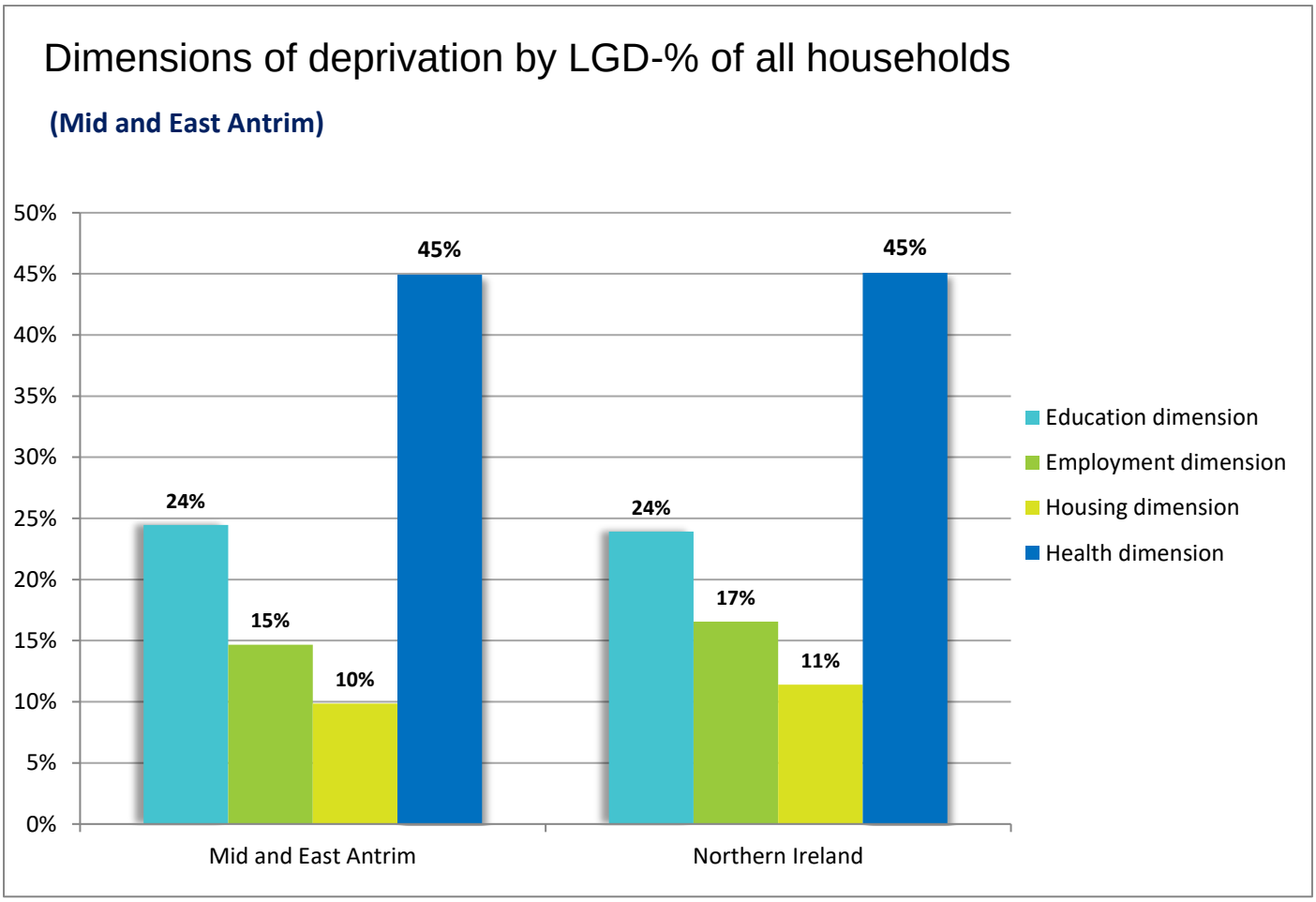
2.2 Dimensions of household deprivation (Census 2021)

The dimensions of deprivation used to classify households are indicators based on four selected household characteristics using 2021 Census data:

1. **Education** - A household is classified as deprived in the education dimension if no one has at least level 2 education and no one aged 16 to 18 years is a full-time student.
2. **Employment** - A household is classified as deprived in the employment dimension if any member, not a full-time student, is either unemployed or economically inactive due to long-term sickness or disability.
3. **Housing** - A household is classified as deprived in the housing dimension if the household's accommodation is either overcrowded or has no central heating.
4. **Health** - A household is classified as deprived in the health dimension if any person in the household has a health problem or disability lasting or expected to last 12 months or more that reduces their ability to carry out day to day activities and/or who has general health that is bad or very bad.

2.2.1 Dimensions of Household Deprivation, Mid and East Antrim

Chart 24: Percentage of households that are deprived in each dimension for Mid and East Antrim.



2.2.2 Dimensions of Household Deprivation, by DEA

Chart 25: Percentage of households that are deprived in the Education dimension, by DEA

[Source: Census 2021]

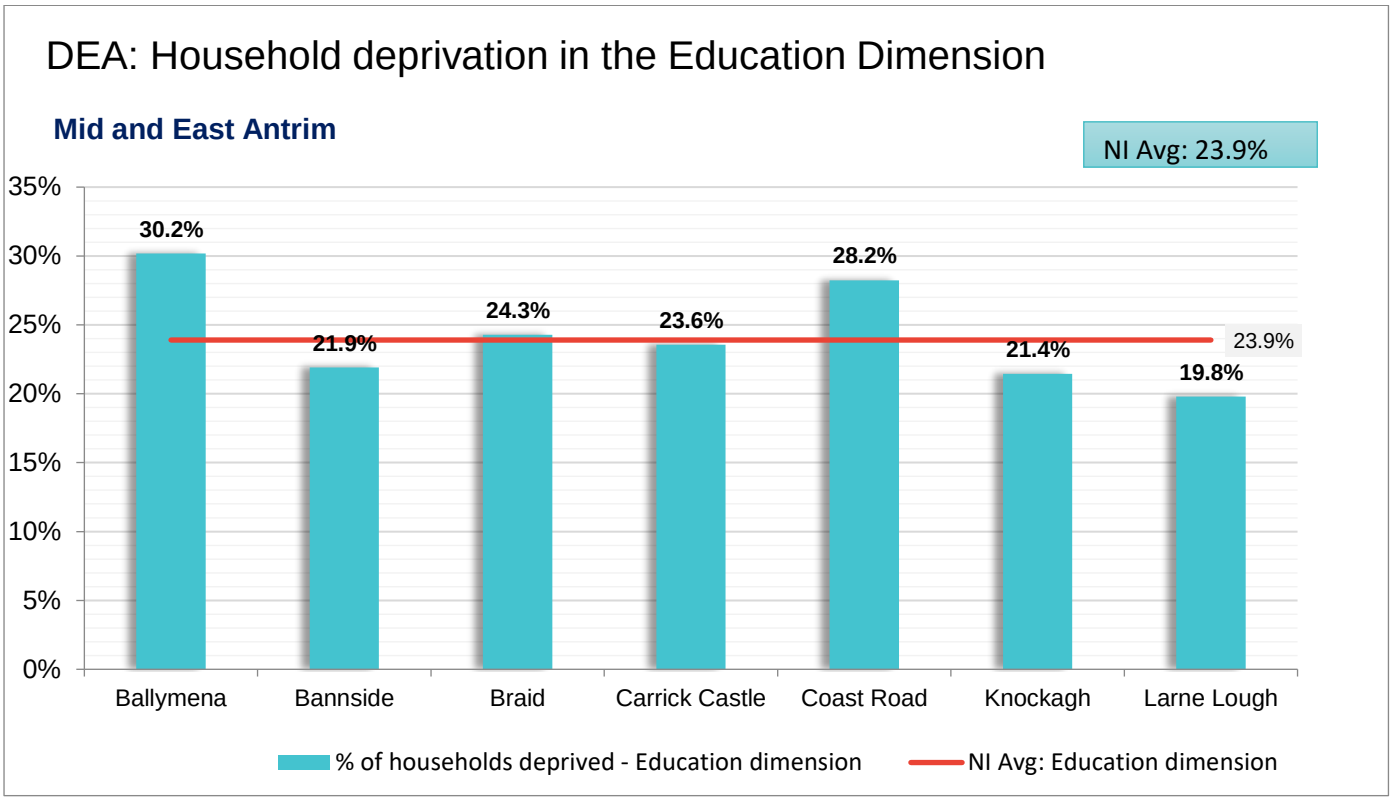


Chart 26: Percentage of households that are deprived in the Employment dimension, by DEA

[Source: Census 2021]

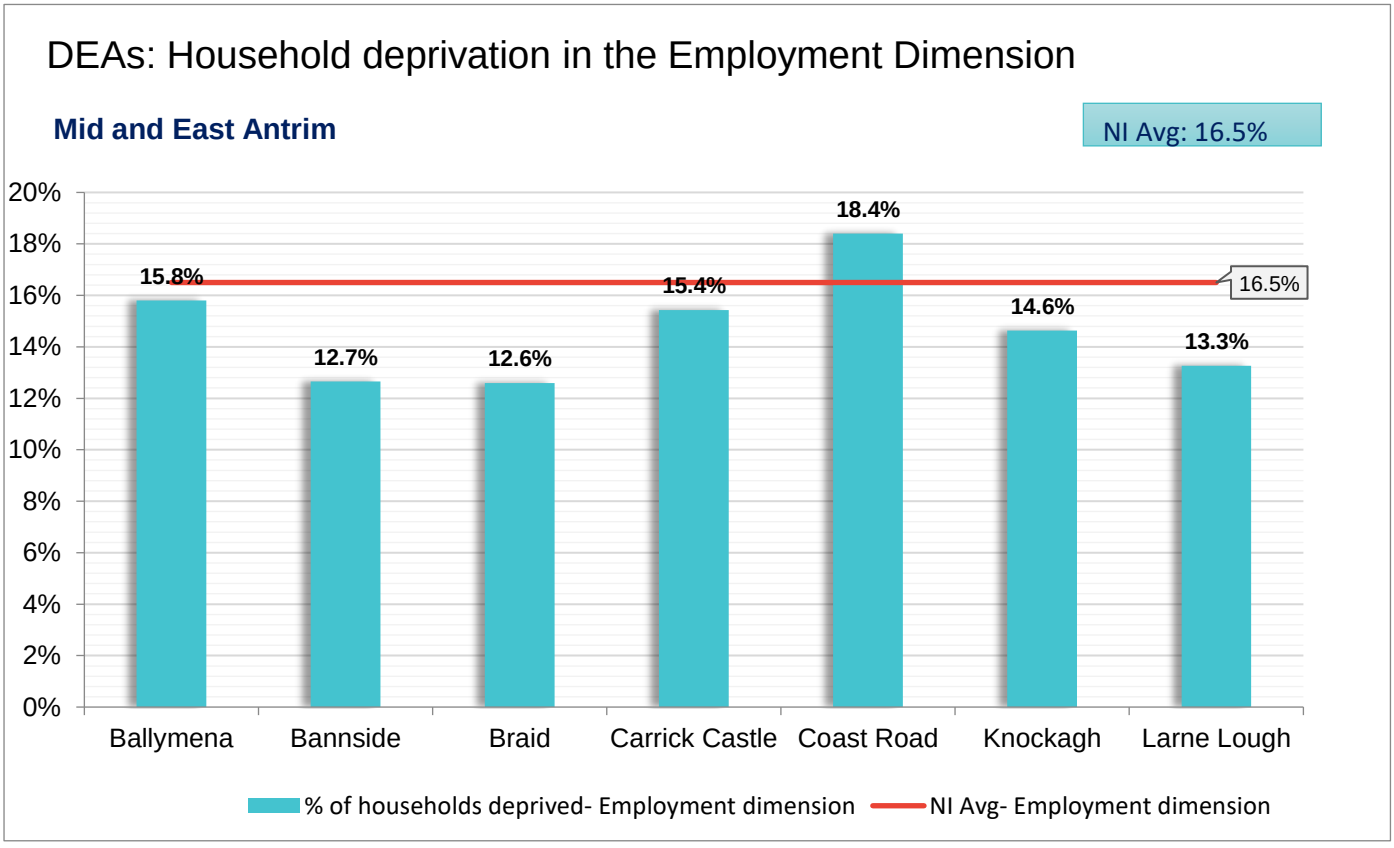


Chart 27: Percentage of households that are deprived in the Housing dimension, by DEA

[Source: Census 2021]

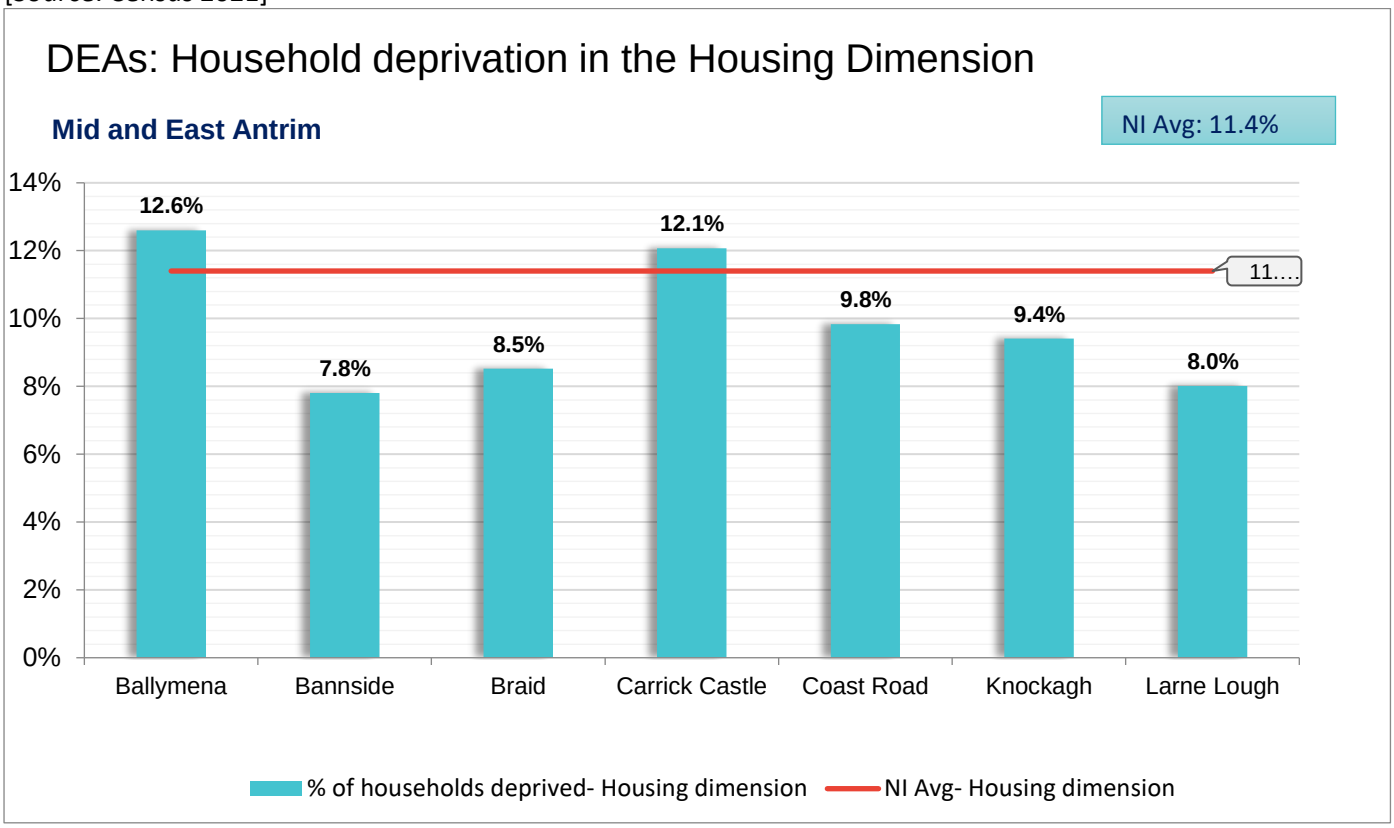
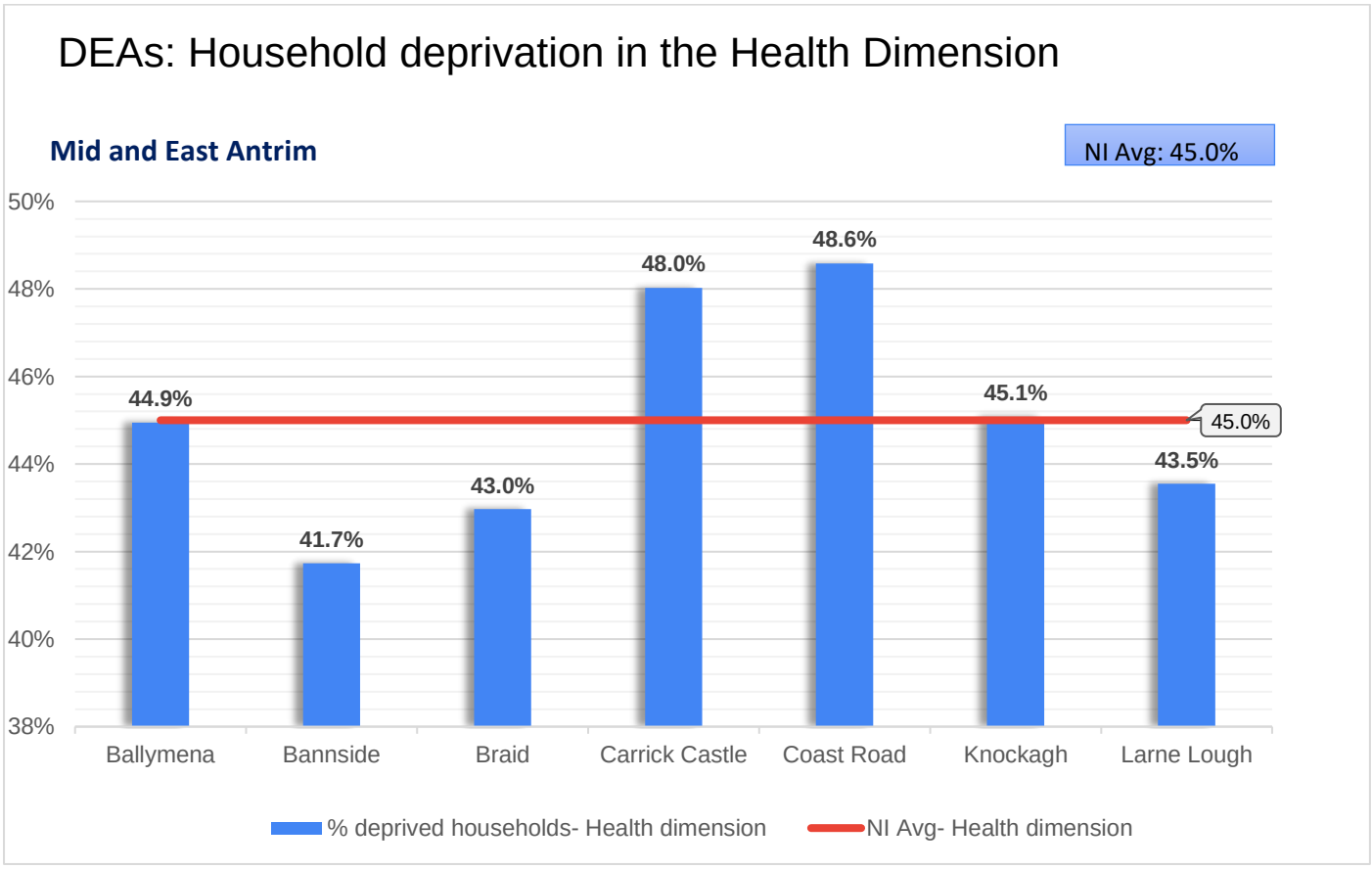


Chart 28: Percentage of households that are deprived in the Health dimension, by DEA

[Source: Census 2021]



2.3 Social Grade

The 2021 Census has classified households based on approximated social grade using the occupational status of the Household Reference Person, as follows:

- AB: Higher and intermediate managerial, administrative and professional occupations
- C1: Supervisory, clerical, and junior managerial, administrative and professional occupations
- C2: Skilled manual occupations
- D and E: Semi-skilled and unskilled manual occupations; unemployed and lowest grade occupations

Chart 29: Social Grades D and E represents low social grade and a proxy measure of socio-economic deprivation.

[Source: Census 2021]

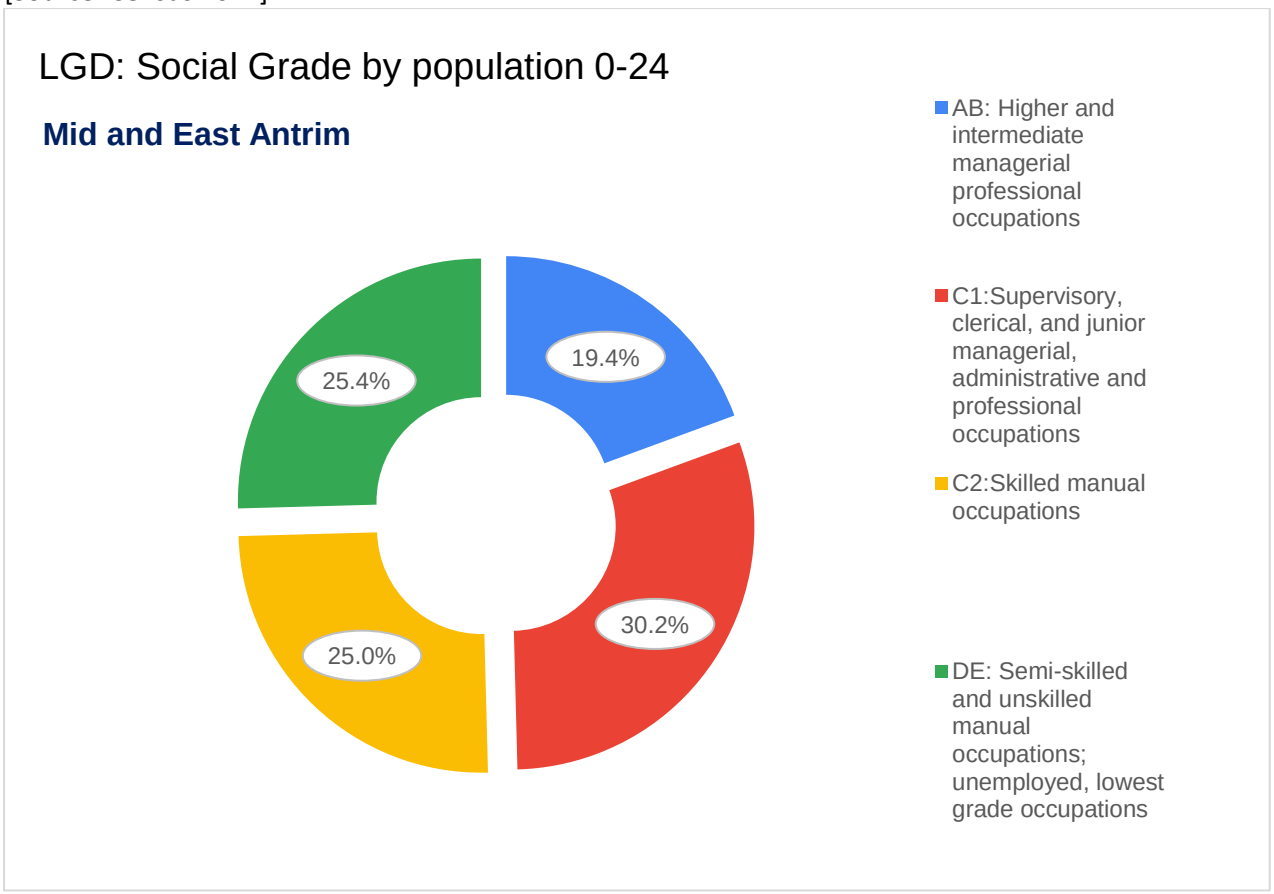


Chart 30: Counts of population with percentage representation age 0-24 living in households classified by social grade, by DEA

[Source: Census 2021]

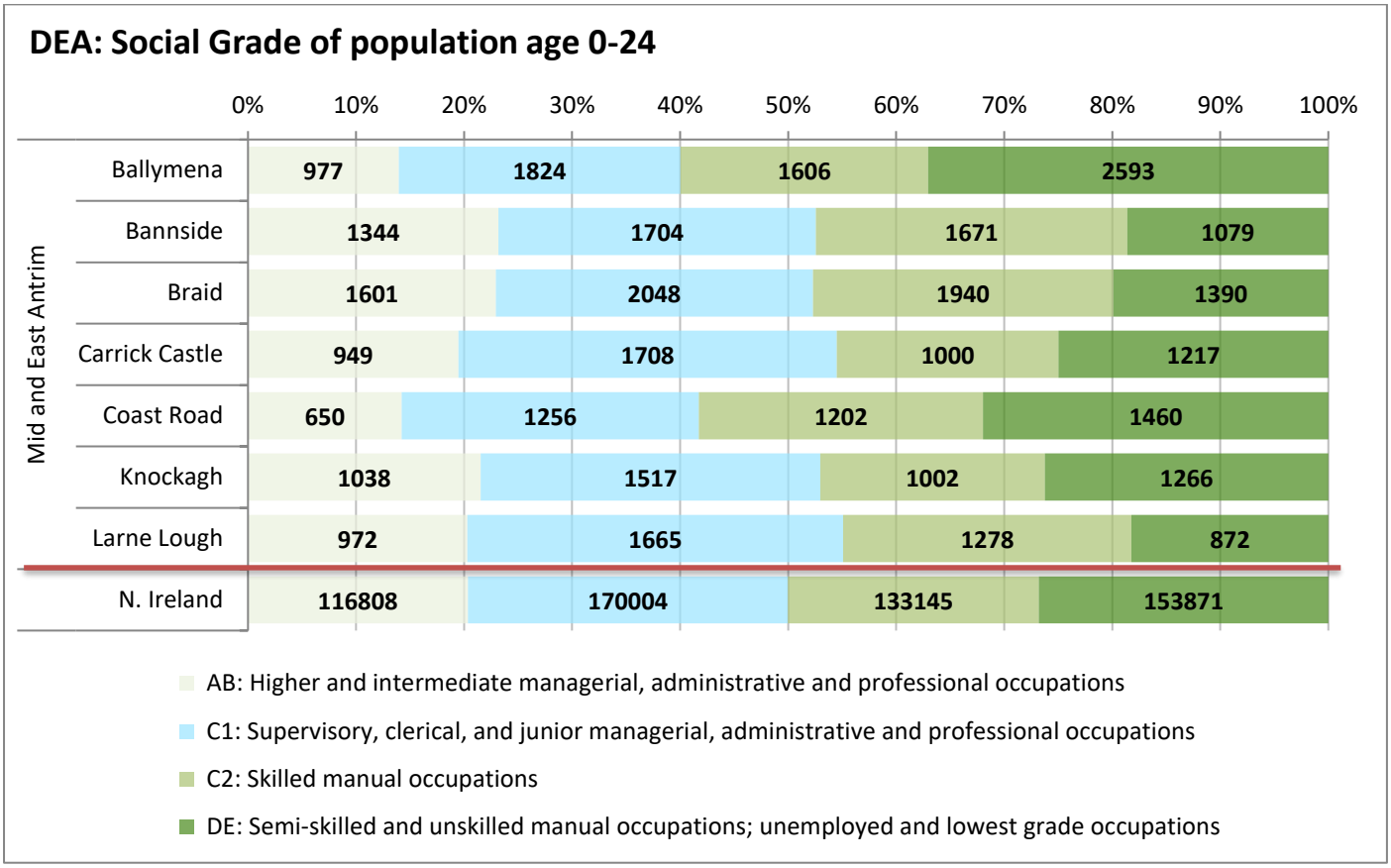
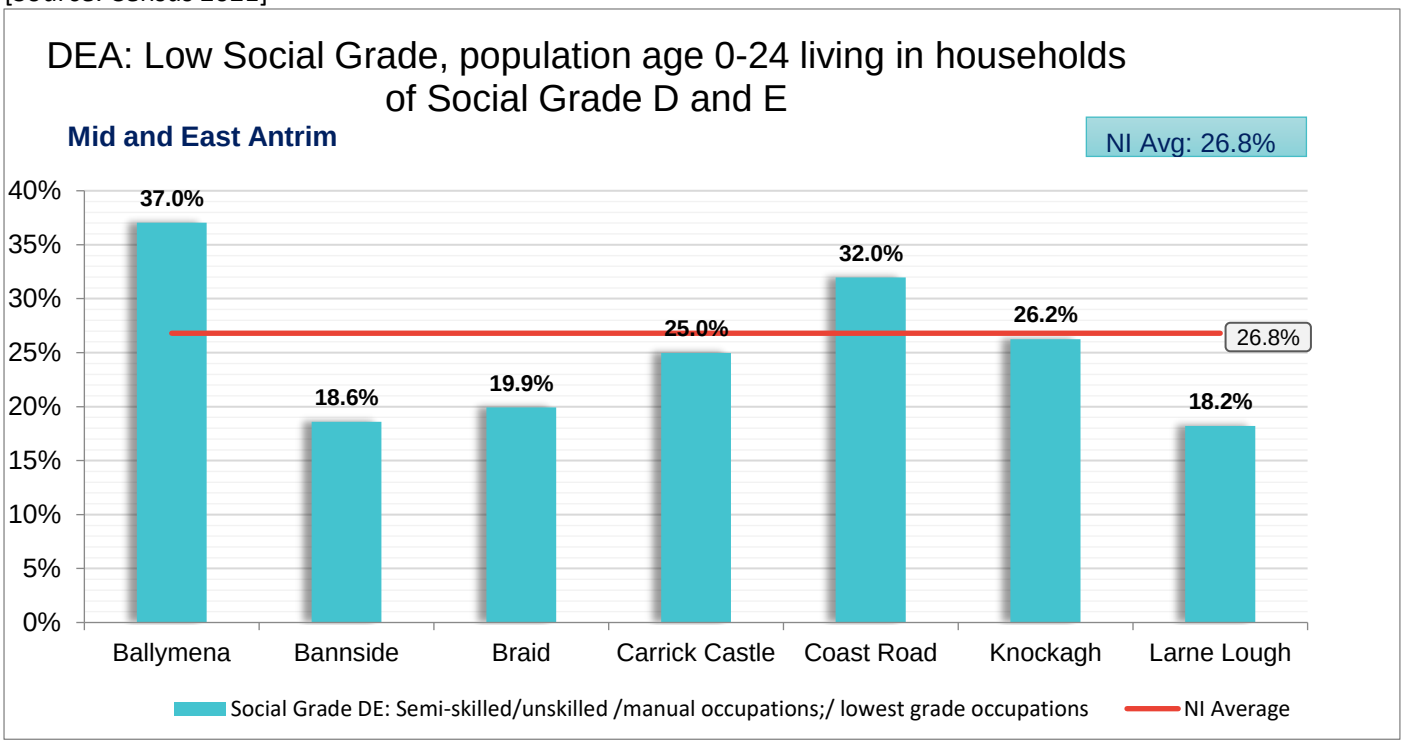


Chart 31: Percentage of the population age 0-24 living in households of Low social grade (Social Grades D & E), by DEA

[Source: Census 2021]



2.4 Adult unemployment

Chart 32: Percentage of households that do not have at least one adult in employment in Mid and East Antrim. A comparison between all households and only those that contain dependent children is shown [Source Census 2021].

A dependent child is a person aged 0 to 15 in a household (whether or not in a family) or aged 16 to 18 in full-time education and living in a family with his or her parent(s) or grandparent(s). It does not include any children who have a spouse, partner or child living in the household.

[Source: Census 2021]

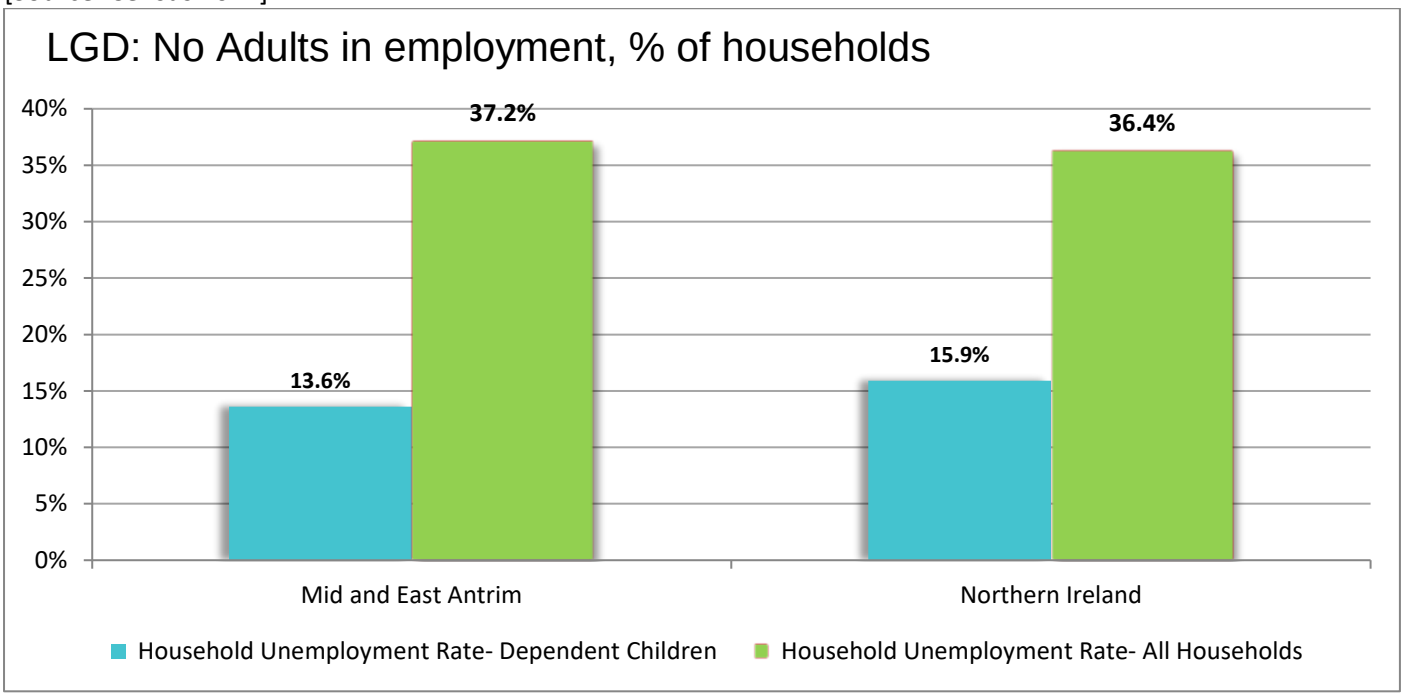
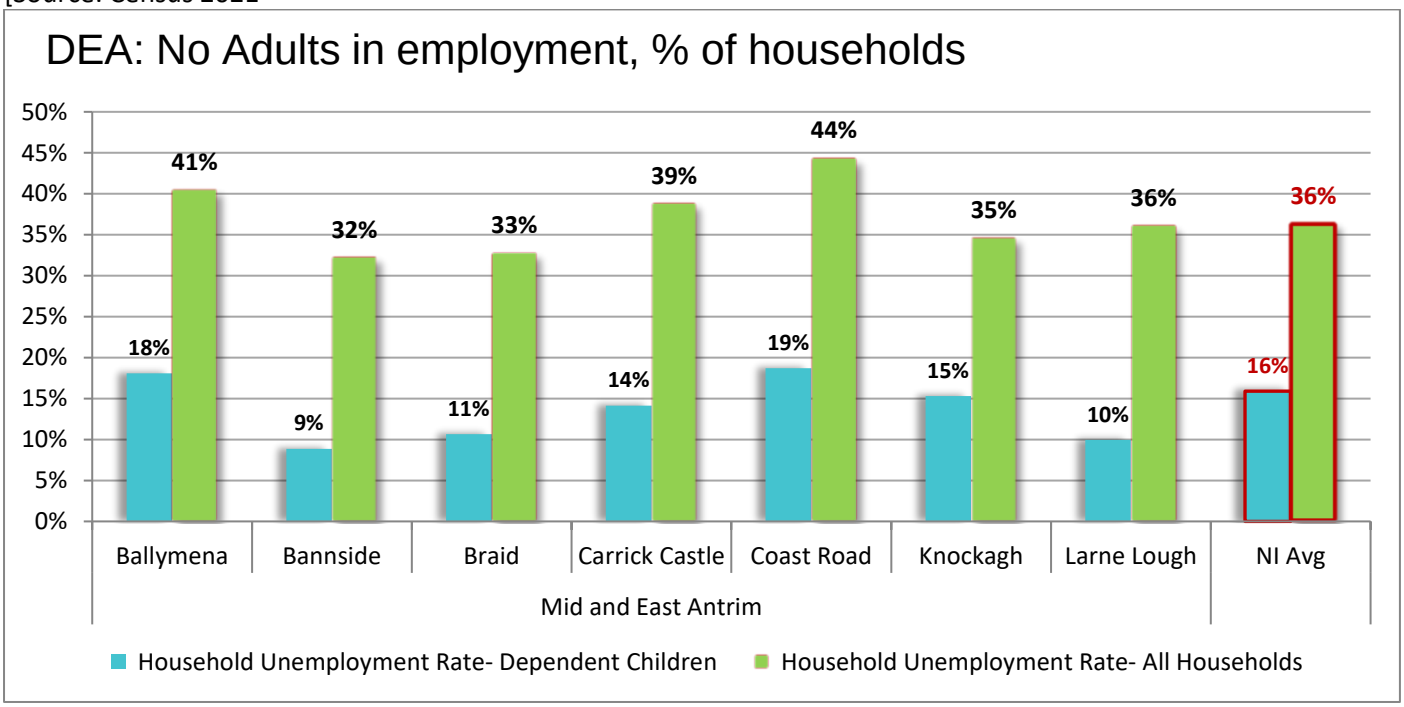


Chart 33: Percentage of households that do not have at least one adult in employment in Mid & East Antrim, by DEA. A comparison between all households and only those that contain dependent children is shown.

[Source: Census 2021



2.5 Lack of access to independent household transport

LGD/NI Table Percentage of the 0-24 population in Mid & East Antrim who live in households where no cars or vans are owned or are available for use by household members compared with all households where no cars or vans are available for use.

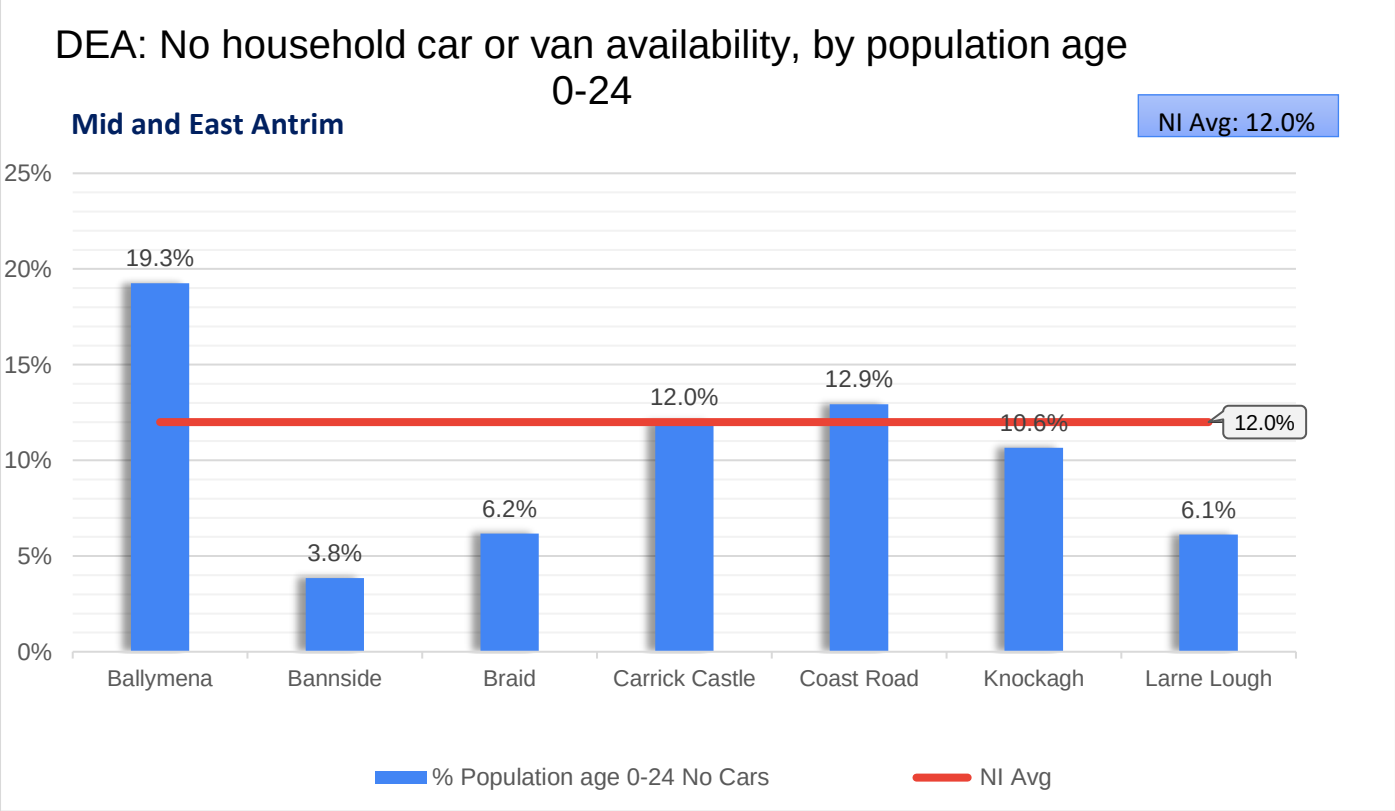
Table 11: Lack of access to independent household transport

No car or van availability, by LGD				
LGD	Count: All households with No cars or vans available	Count: Pop 0-24 living in households with no cars or vans available	Percent: No cars or vans available- All Households %	Percent: No cars or vans available- Pop 0-24
Mid & East Antrim	10,163	4,036	17.4%	10.3%
Northern Ireland	**150,289**	**70,594**	19.5%	12.0%

[Source: Census 2021]

Chart 34: Percentage of the 0-24 population in who live in households where no cars or vans are owned or are available for use by household members, by DEA.

[Source: Census 2021]



2.6 Housing Tenure

Chart 35: Percentage of households in Mid & East Antrim LGD by housing tenure.
[Source: Census 2021]

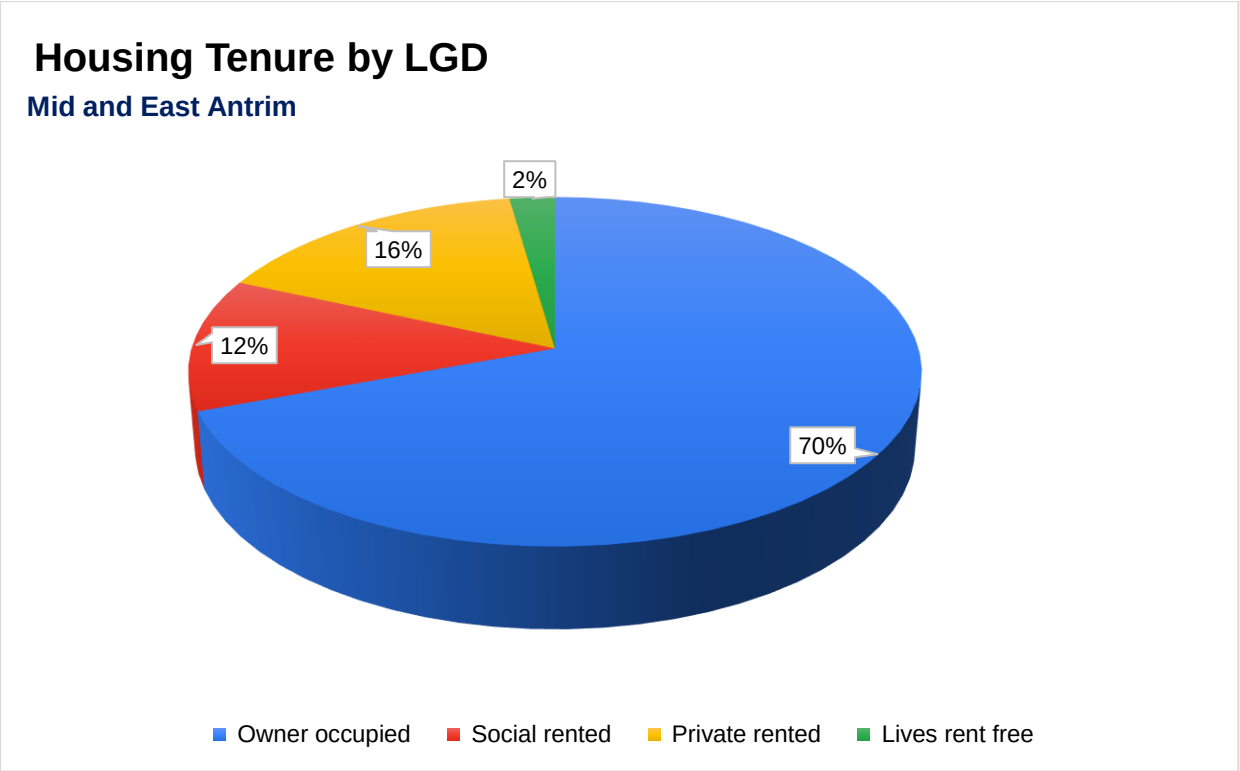
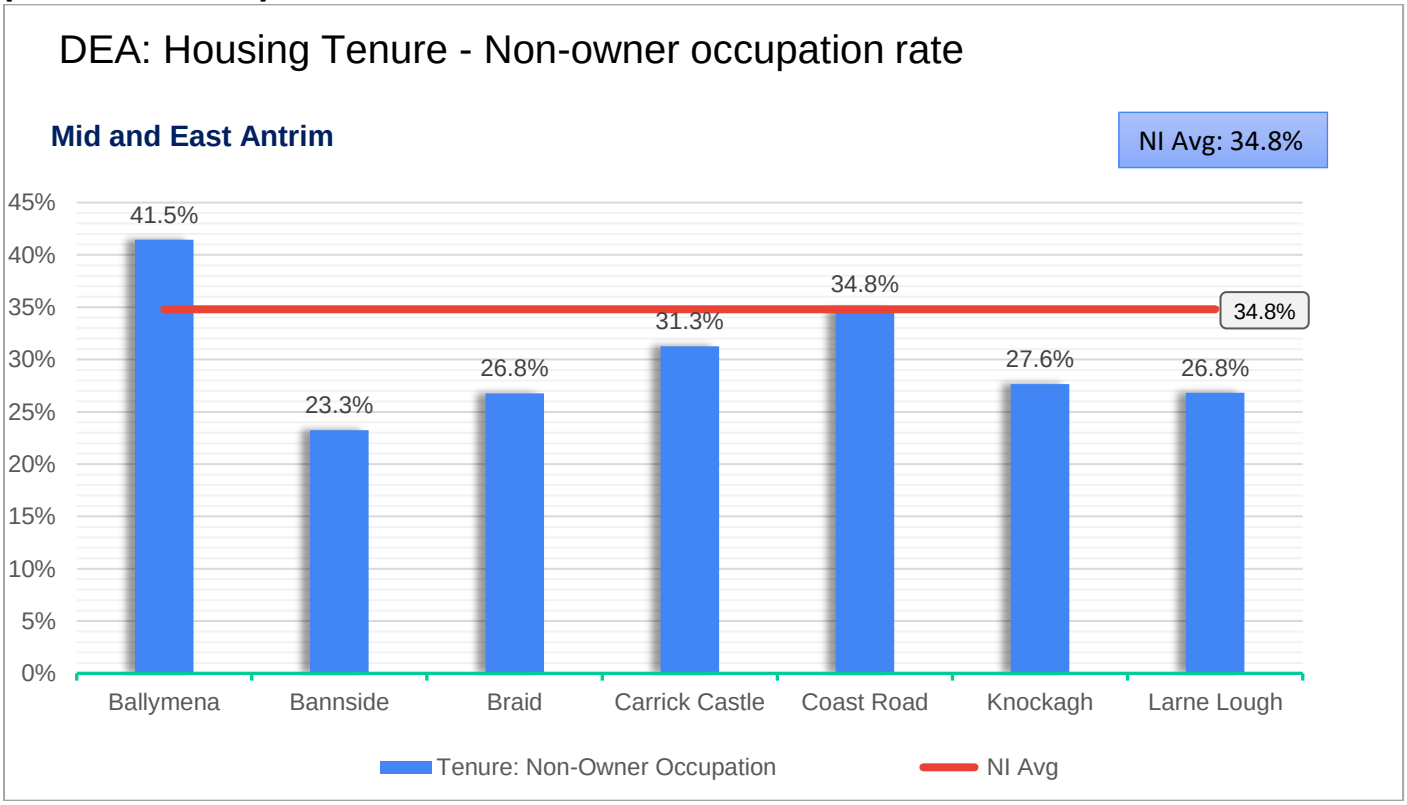


Chart 36: Percentage of households in Mid & East Antrim LGD by that are non-owner occupied (private rented, social rented and rent free), by DEA.

[Source: Census 2021]



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2.7 Child Poverty

Children in Poverty

The proportion of children in relative poverty (Before Housing Costs) is estimated to be 24% (approximately 109,000) in 2022/23, which is higher than the estimate of 18% in 2021/22. This is a statistically significant increase. Children living in absolute poverty rose from 15% to 19% (approximately 86,000), over the same period.[1]

Over the last ten years, the proportion of children in relative poverty (Before Housing Costs) has fluctuated between a high of 25% in 2014/15 and a low of 18% in 2021/22. The proportion of children in absolute poverty (Before Housing Costs) shows a decreasing trend between 2012/13 and 2017/18 before beginning to fluctuate in more recent years.

The long-term trend shows that children are at a higher risk of living in poverty than the overall Northern Ireland population in both relative and absolute measures.[2]

Relative Poverty

In 2022/23 18% of individuals in NI (approximately 349,000), were considered to be in relative poverty (BHC), an increase from 16% in 2021/22.

An individual is considered to be in relative poverty if they are living in a household with an equivalised income below 60% of UK median income in the year in question.

This is a measure of whether those in the lowest income households are keeping pace with the growth of incomes in the population as a whole.

In 2022/23 the relative poverty threshold for a couple with no children was an income of £373 per week (Before Housing Costs) from all sources. For a couple with children the threshold would be higher and for a single person (without children) the threshold would be lower (£250).

What is Absolute Poverty

In 2022/23 14% of individuals in NI (approximately 271,000), were considered to be in absolute poverty (Before Housing Costs), an increase from 13% in 2021/22.

An individual is considered to be in absolute poverty if they are living in a household with an equivalised income below 60% of the (inflation adjusted) UK median income in 2010/11.

This is a measure of whether those in the lowest income households are seeing their incomes rise in real terms.

In 2022/23 the absolute poverty threshold for a couple with no children was an income of £347 per week Before Housing Costs (). For a couple with children the threshold would be higher and for a single person (without children) the threshold would be lower (£232).

[1] https://www.communities-ni.gov.uk/news/northern-ireland-poverty-and-income-inequality-report-2022-23-released#:~:text=Children%20%2D%20Poverty%20(Before%20Housing%20Costs,19%25%20over%20the%20same%20period.
[2] https://datavis.nisra.gov.uk/communities/PII_report_2223.html

SECTION 3.0 EDUCATION

3.1 GCSE Examination Results 2022/23

The table below shows the proportion of pupils achieving 5 or more GCSEs at grades A*-C (incl. equivalents) and the number of pupils achieving 5+ GCSEs at grades A*-C (incl. equivalents) incl. GCSE English and maths for Mid and East Antrim LGD in academic year 2022/2023.

Table 12: GCSE examination performance Mid and East Antrim 2022/23

Local Government District	Number of Year 12 pupils achieving 5+ GCSEs at grades A*-C (incl. equivalents)	% of Year 12 pupils achieving 5+ GCSEs at grades A*-C (incl. equivalents)	Number of Year 12 pupils achieving 5+ GCSEs at grades A*-C (incl. equivalents) incl. GCSE English and maths	% of Year 12 pupils achieving 5+ GCSEs at grades A*-C (incl. equivalents) incl. GCSE English and maths
Northern Ireland average	1,738	89.8%	1,485	76.1%
Mid and East Antrim	1,347	89.2%	1,129	74.8%

Source: DE school census 2022/23

Table 13: Education attainment by school – year 12 pupils achieving 5+ GCSEs grades A*-C (including equivalents) and 5+ GCSE's including English and GCSE maths academic year 2022/23.

School Name	DEA	% year 12 pupils achieving 5+ GCSEs grades A*-C (including equivalents)	% year 12 pupils achieving 5+ GCSEs grades A*-C (including equivalents) including GCSE English and GCSE maths
Cullybackey College	Bannside	86.7%	38.1%
St Patrick's College	Ballymena	68.4%	38.6%
Carrickfergus Academy	Knockagh	72.4%	43.6%
Dunclug College	Ballymena	75.8%	48.4%
Ulidia Integrated College	Carrick Castle	74.3%	66.7%
St Killian's College	Coast Road	90.2%	72.0%
Slemish College	Braid	93.6%	72.9%
Northern Ireland	**NI Average**	**89.8%**	**76.1%**
Larne Grammar School	Coast Road	96.3%	95.4%
Cambridge House Grammar School	Ballymena	97.8%	95.6%
Ballymena Academy	Ballymena	99.4%	98.3%
Carrickfergus Grammar School	Knockagh	100.0%	100.0%
St Louis Grammar School	Ballymena	100.0%	100.0%

Source: DE school census 2022/23

3.2 A Level Examination Results 2022/23

The table below shows the proportion of pupils achieving 3+ A-levels grades A*-C (including equivalents) and the number of pupils achieving 2+ A-levels grades A*-E (including equivalents) in academic year 2022/2023.

Table 14: Education attainment for A-level pupils 2022/23 by school

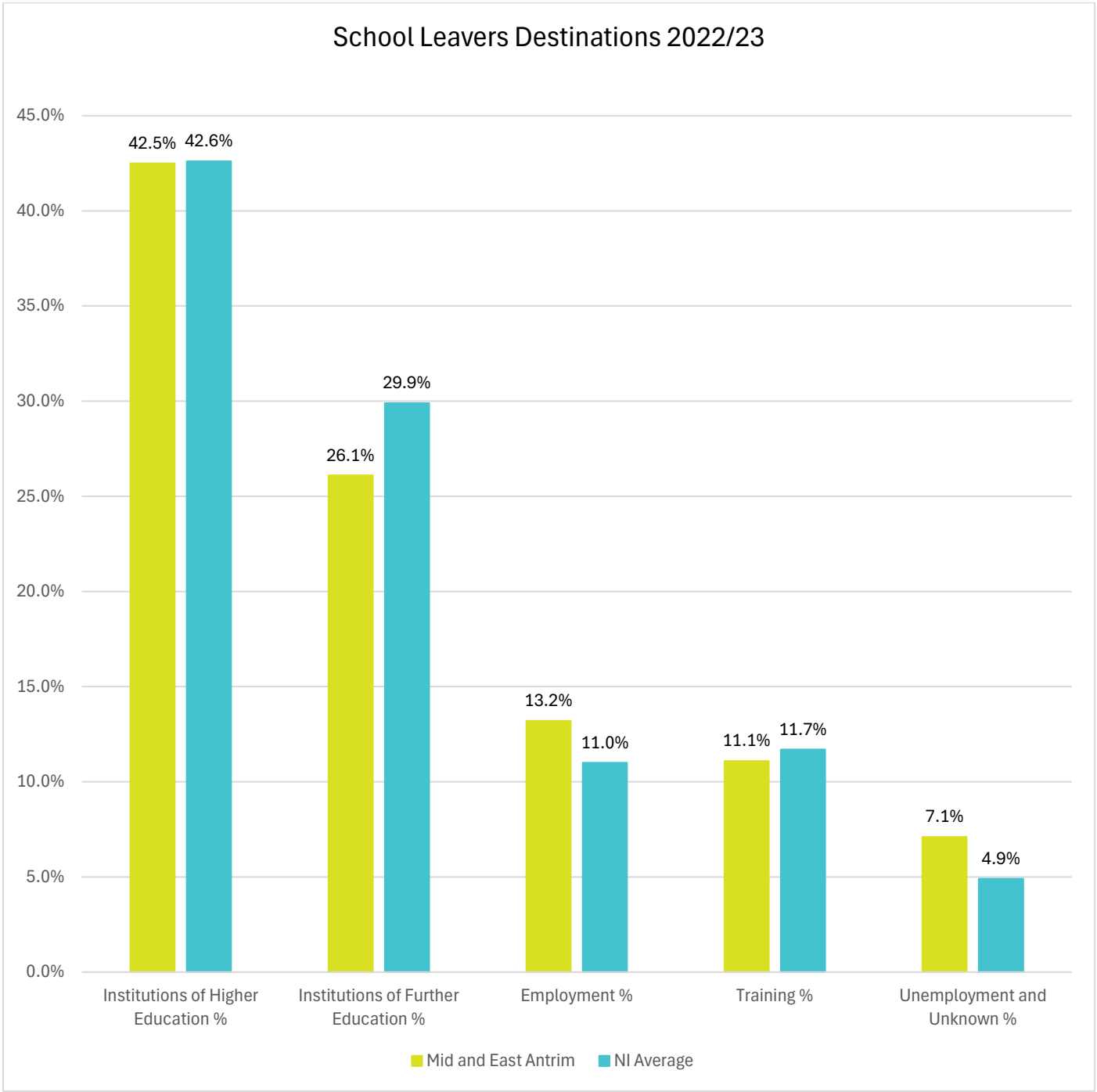
School Name	DEA	No. of pupils in the final year of an A-level (or equivalent) course eligible for inclusion in SAER returns	% of pupils in the final year of a level 3 course achieving 3+ A-levels grades A*-C (including equivalents)	% of pupils in the final year of a level 3 course achieving 2+ A-levels grades A*-E (including equivalents)
Dunclug College	Ballymena	41	31.7%	92.7%
Carrickfergus Academy	Knockagh	73	34.2%	97.3%
Ulidia Integrated College	Carrick Castle	60	43.3%	100.0%
Northern Ireland	**NI Average**		**42.1%**	**56.2%**
St Patrick's College	Ballymena	30	46.7%	96.7%
Cullybackey College	Bannside	52	50.0%	98.1%
Slemish College	Braid	71	66.2%	100.0%
Cambridge House Grammar School	Ballymena	99	73.7%	100.0%
St Killian's College	Coast Road	71	74.6%	98.6%
Carrickfergus Grammar School	Knockagh	101	78.2%	100.0%
Ballymena Academy	Ballymena	166	84.9%	100.0%
Larne Grammar School	Coast Road	93	95.7%	100.0%
St Louis Grammar School	Ballymena	158	97.5%	100.0%

Source: DE school census 2022/23

3.3 School Leavers Destination Mid and East Antrim LGD and DEAs 2022/23

3.3.1 School Leavers Destination by LGD 2022/23

Chart 37: School leavers destinations 2022/23



3.3.2 School Leavers Destinations by DEA 2022/23

The school leaving cohort in each academic year comprises of Year 12,13 and 14 pupils leaving mainstream, grant aided, post-primary schools. It does not include special or independent schools. The data refers to the home residence of the pupils.

Chart 38: School leavers going into employment 2022/23

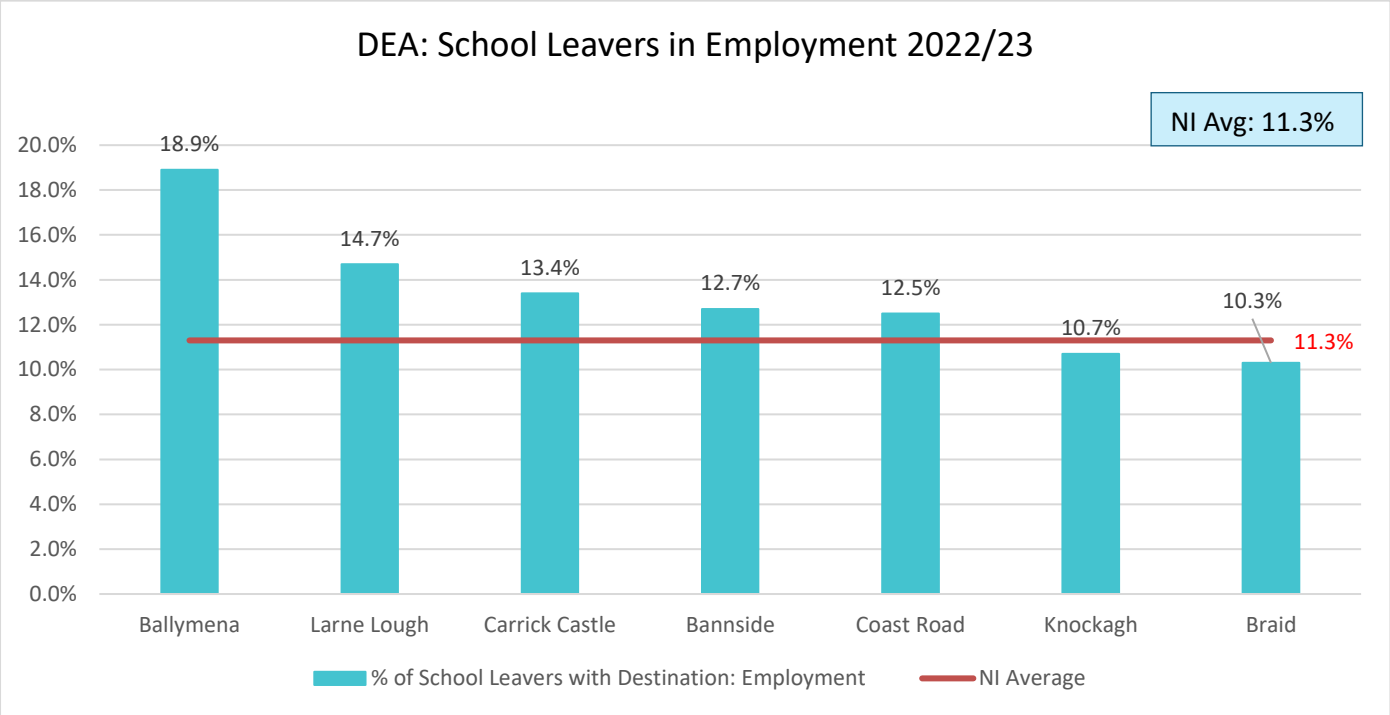


Chart 39: School leavers going into Further Education 2022/23

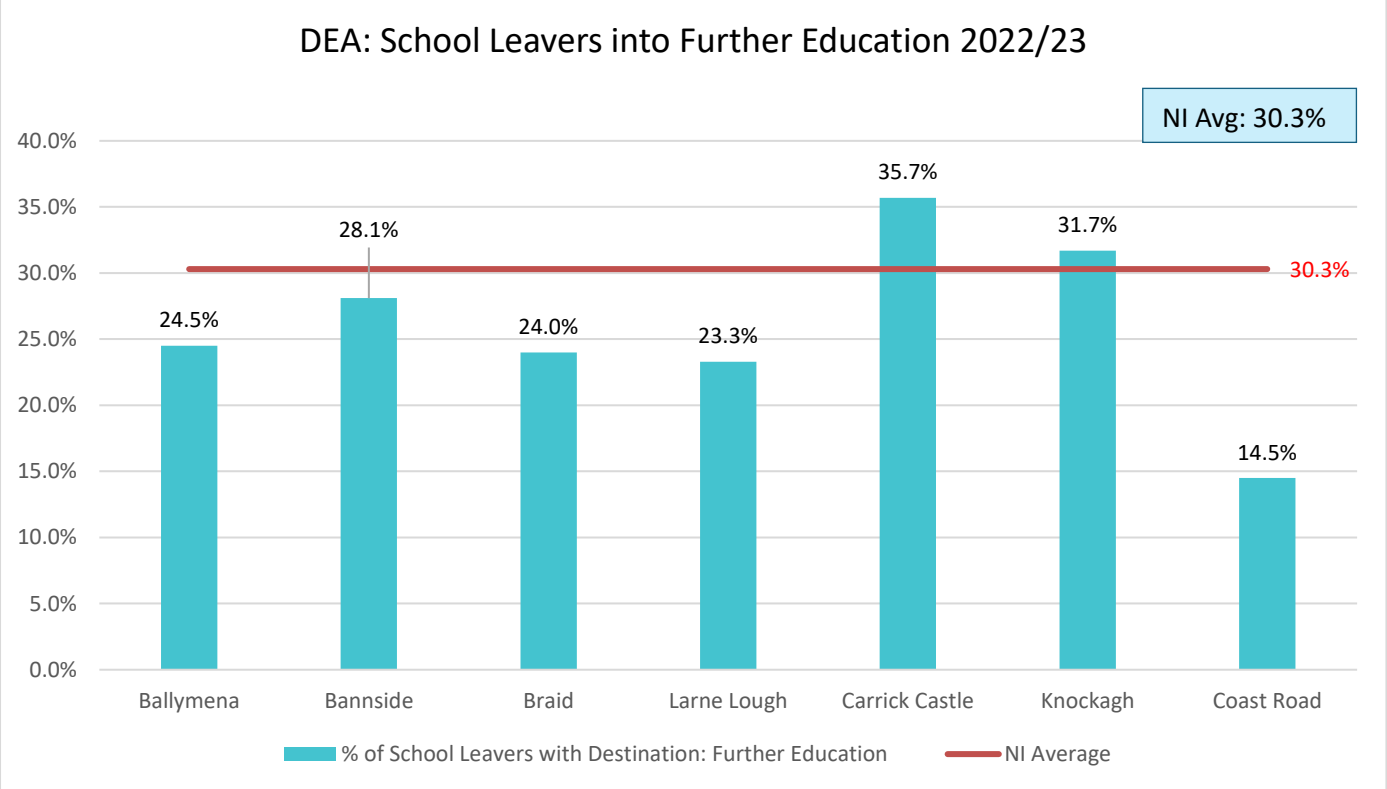


Chart 40: School leavers going into Higher Education 2022/23

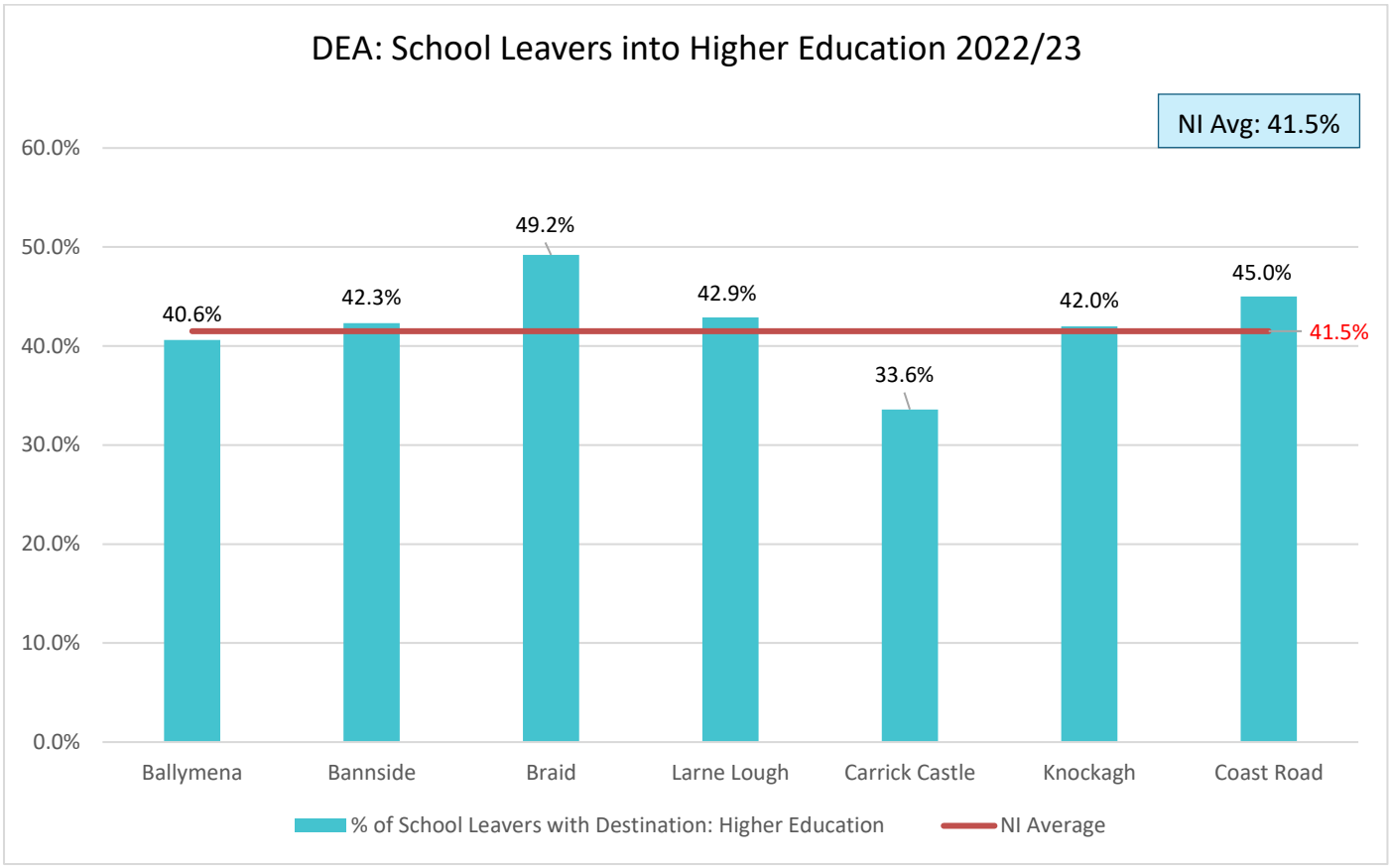


Chart 41: School leavers going into Training 2022/23

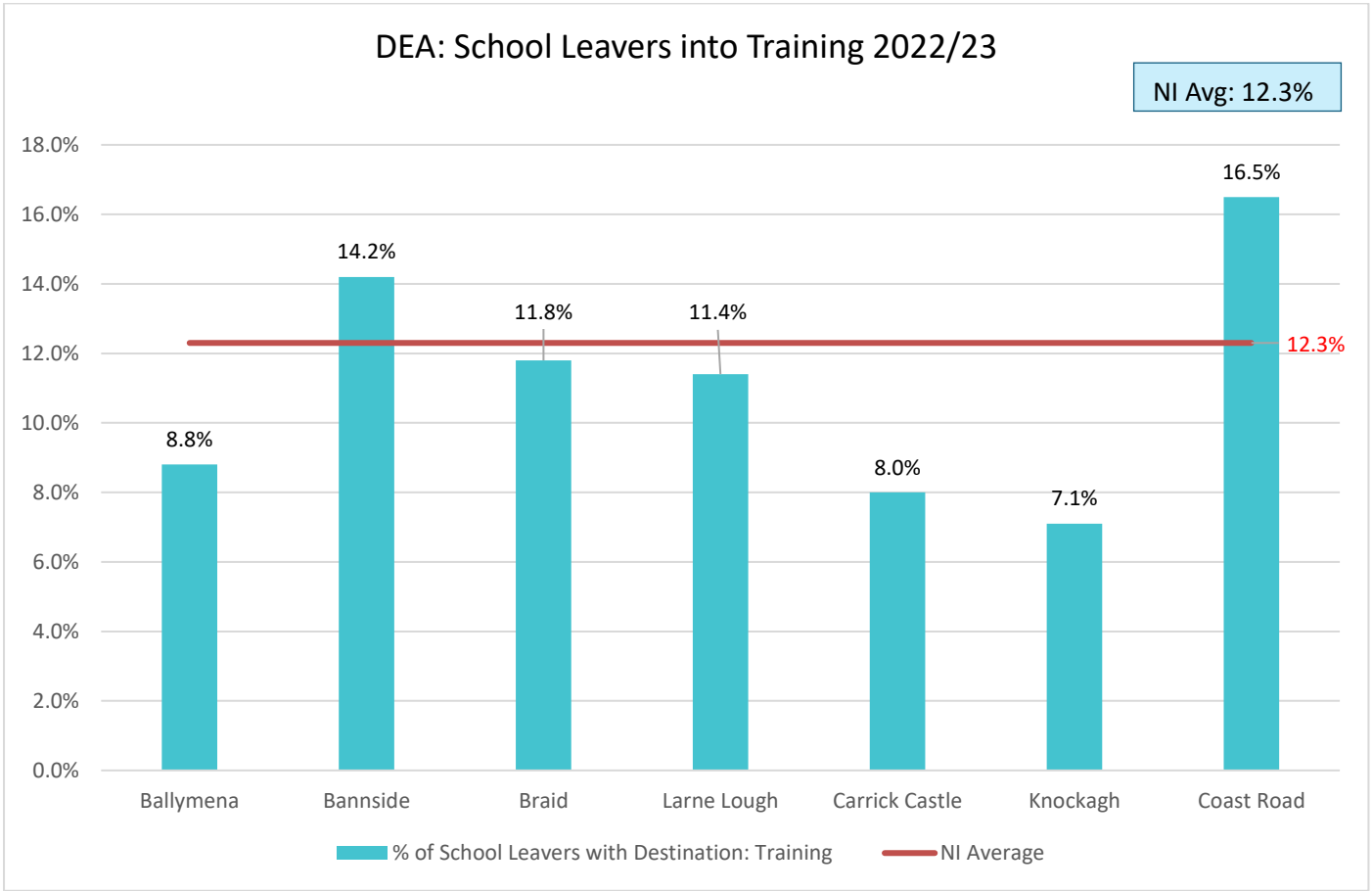
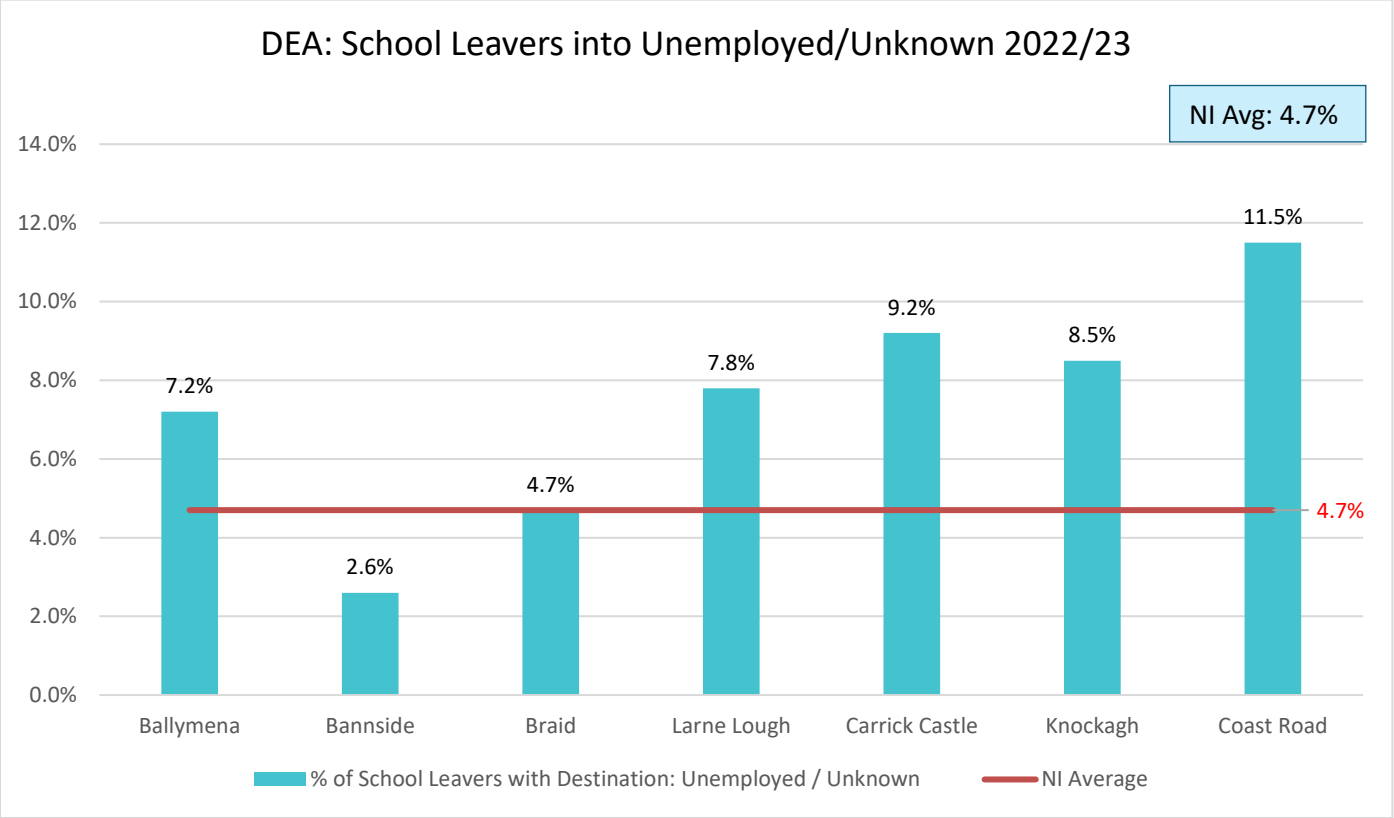
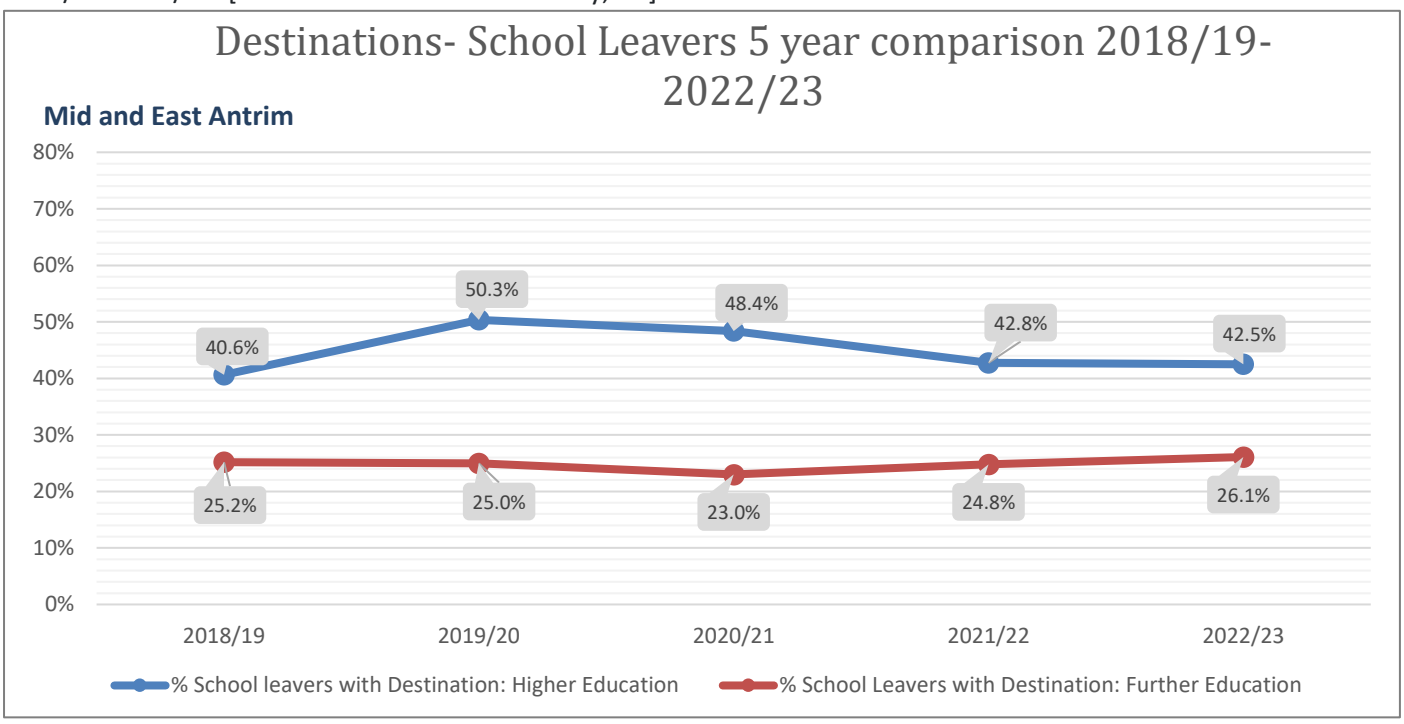


Chart 42: School leavers unemployed/unknown 2022/23



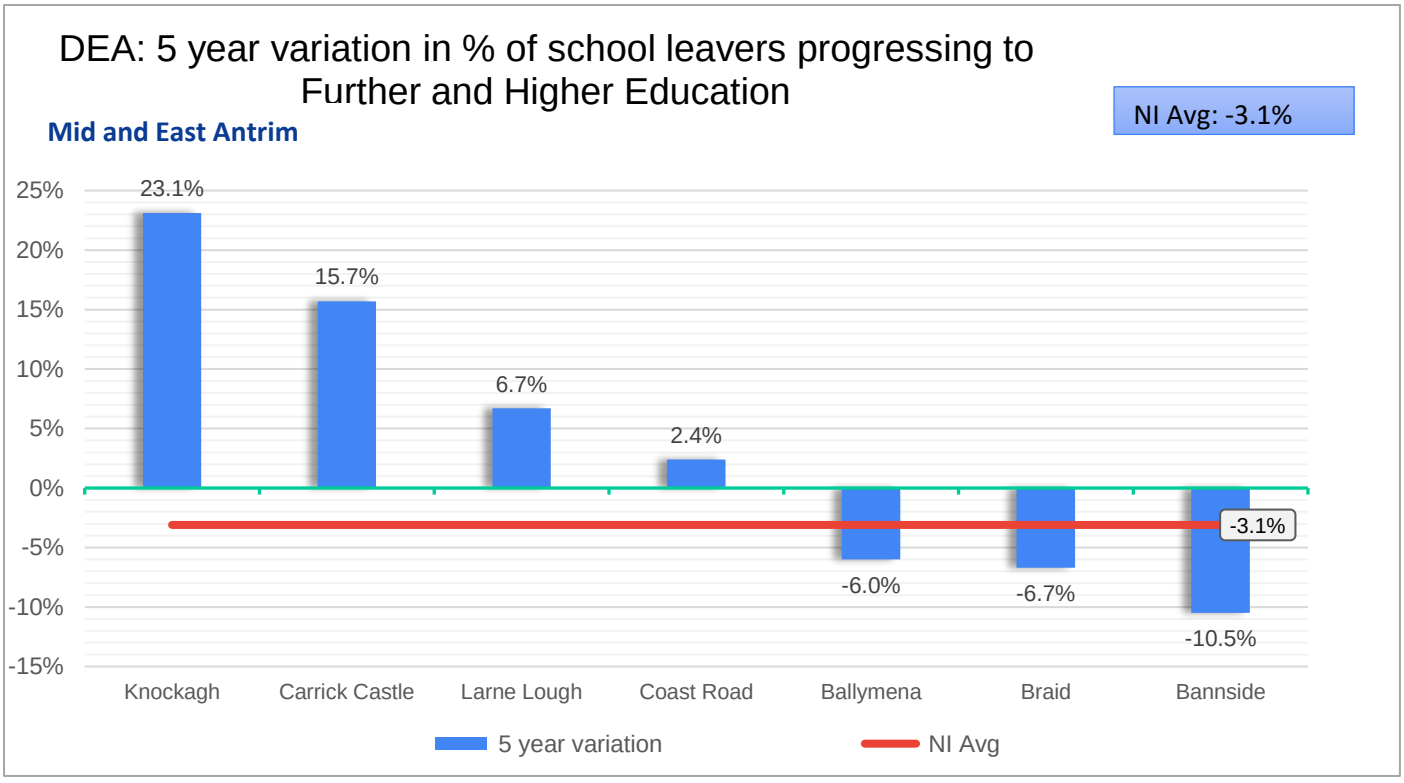
3.3.3 School Leavers Destinations 5-year trends for Mid and East Antrim LGD

Chart 43: Distribution of percentage rates of school leavers entering Further and Higher Education over 5 years, 2018/19-2022/23 [Source: School Leavers Survey, DE]



3.4 School leavers' Educational attainment 5-year comparison 2018-19-2022-23, by DEA

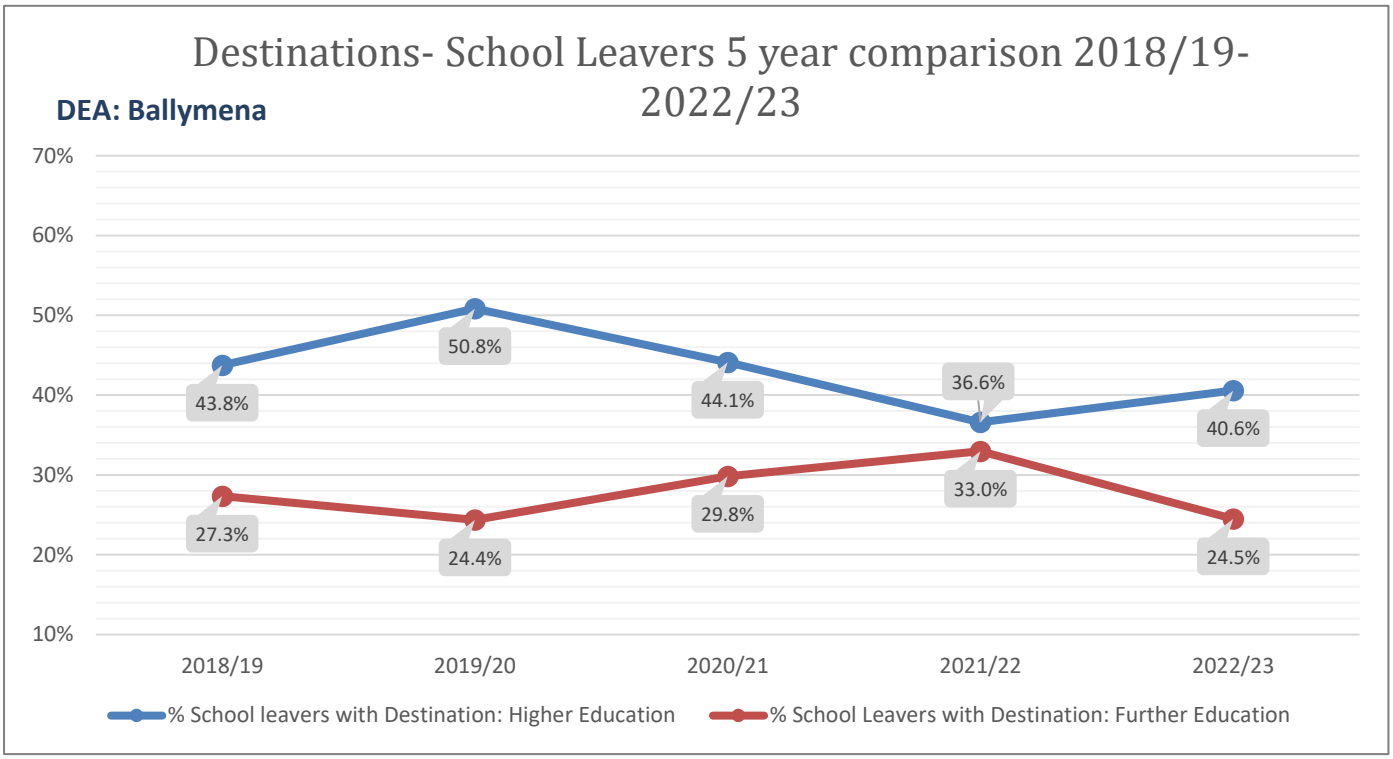
Chart 44: Percentage variation over 5 years of school leavers progressing to either Further or Higher Education, By DEAs in Mid and East Antrim. [Source: School Leavers Survey, DE]



Ballymena DEA

Chart 45: Percentage progression rates of school leavers to Further and Higher Education over 5 years

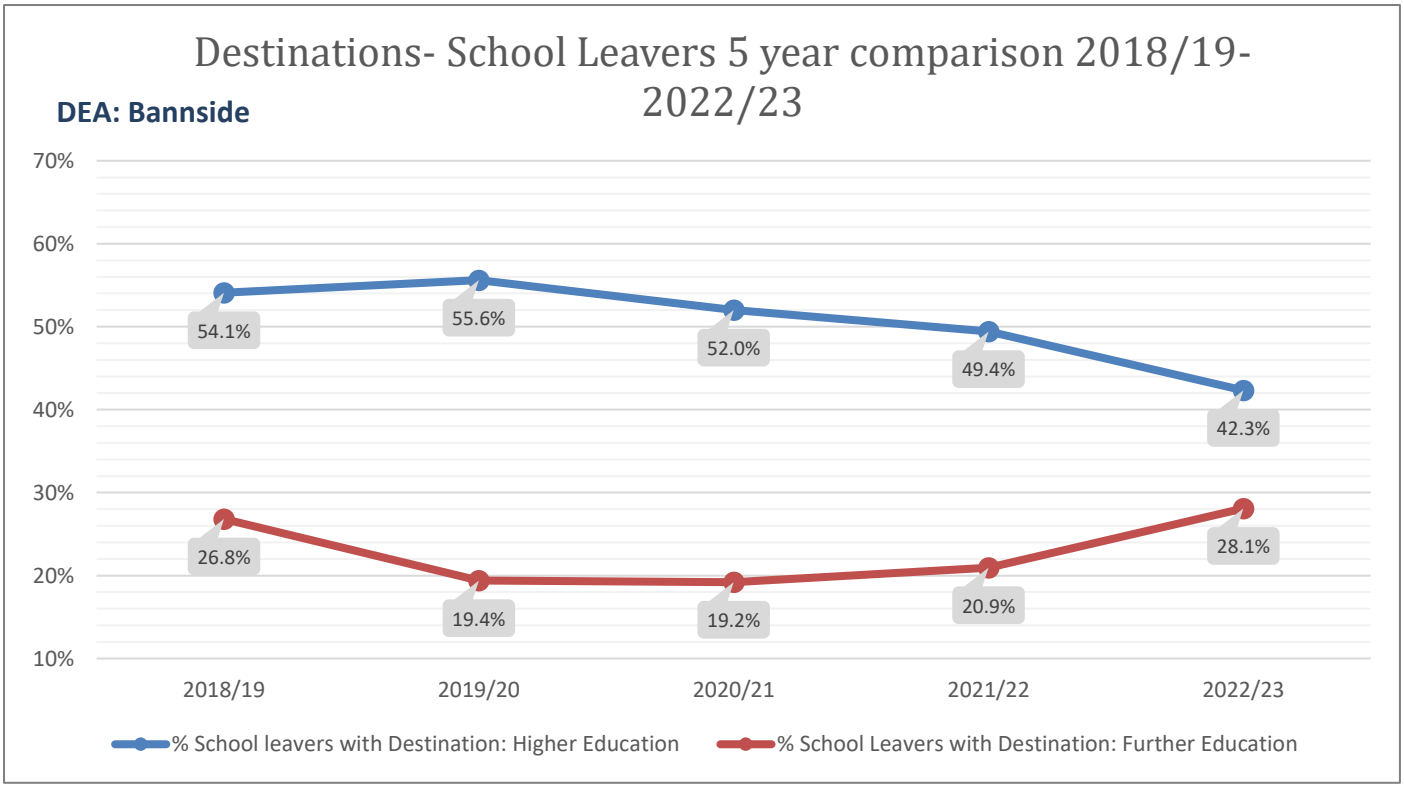
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Bannside DEA

Chart 46: Percentage progression rates of school leavers to Further and Higher Education over 5 years

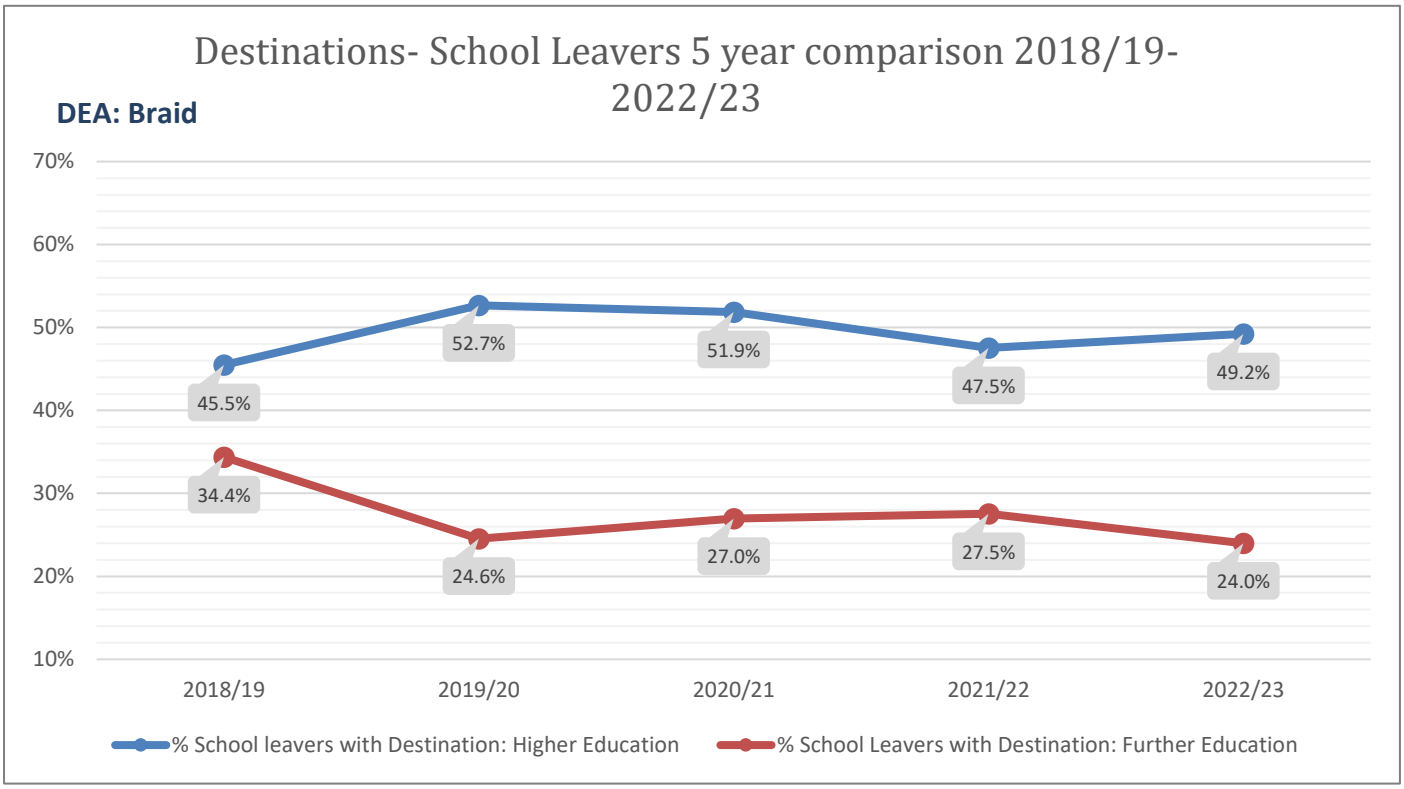
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Braid DEA

Chart 47: Percentage progression rates of school leavers to Further and Higher Education over 5 years

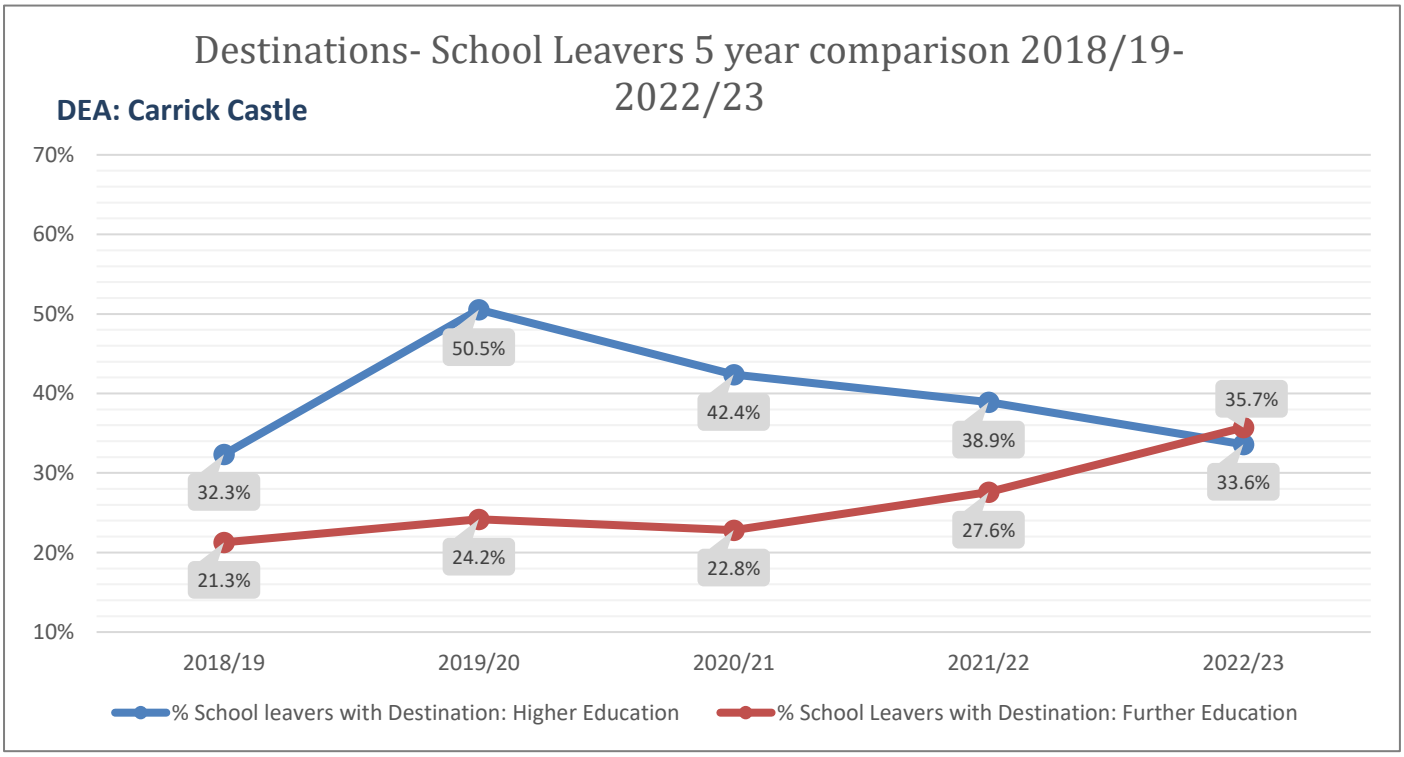
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Carrick Castle DEA

Chart 48: Percentage progression rates of school leavers to Further and Higher Education over 5 years

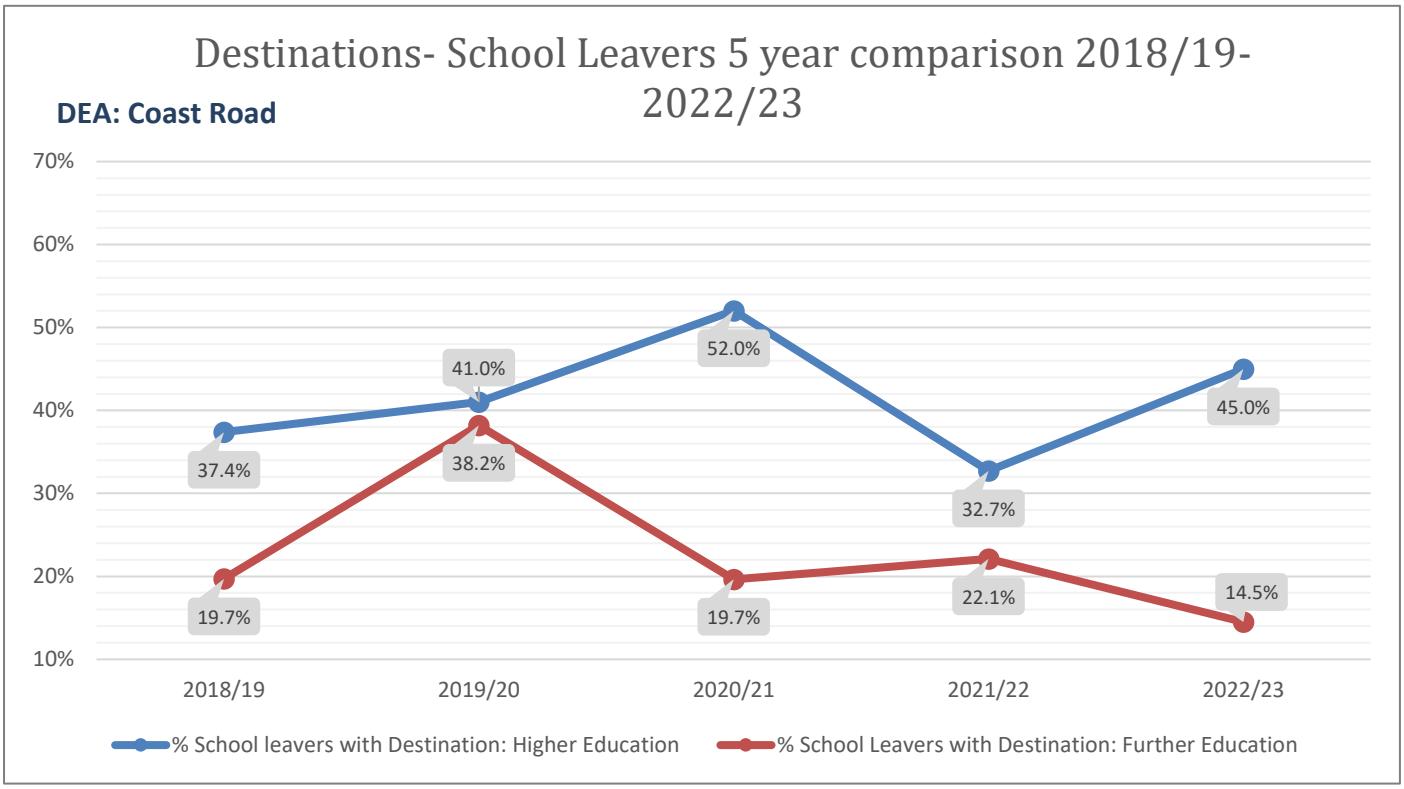
[Source: School Leavers Survey, DE]



Coast Road DEA

Chart 49: Percentage progression rates of school leavers to Further and Higher Education over 5 years

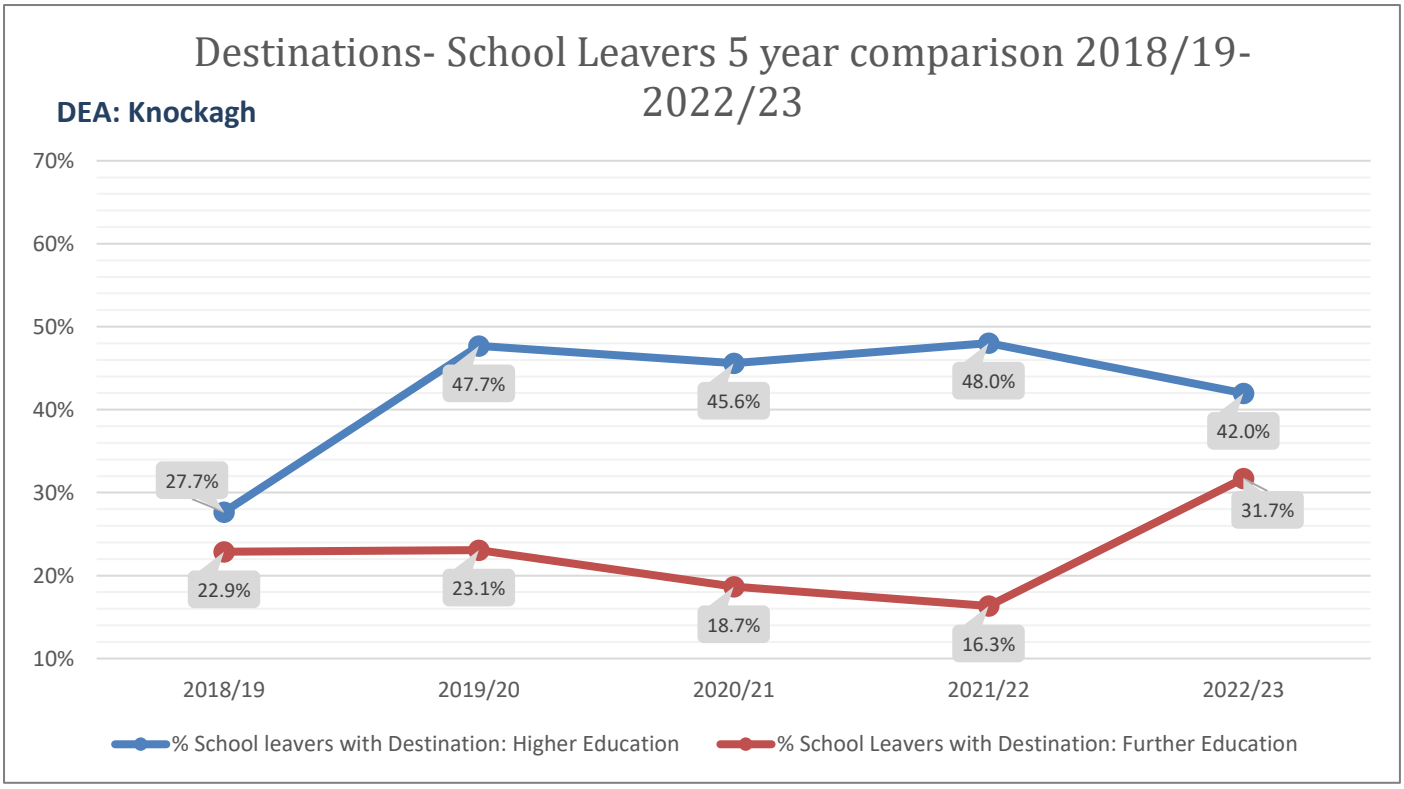
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Knockagh DEA

Chart 50: Percentage progression rates of school leavers to Further and Higher Education over 5 years

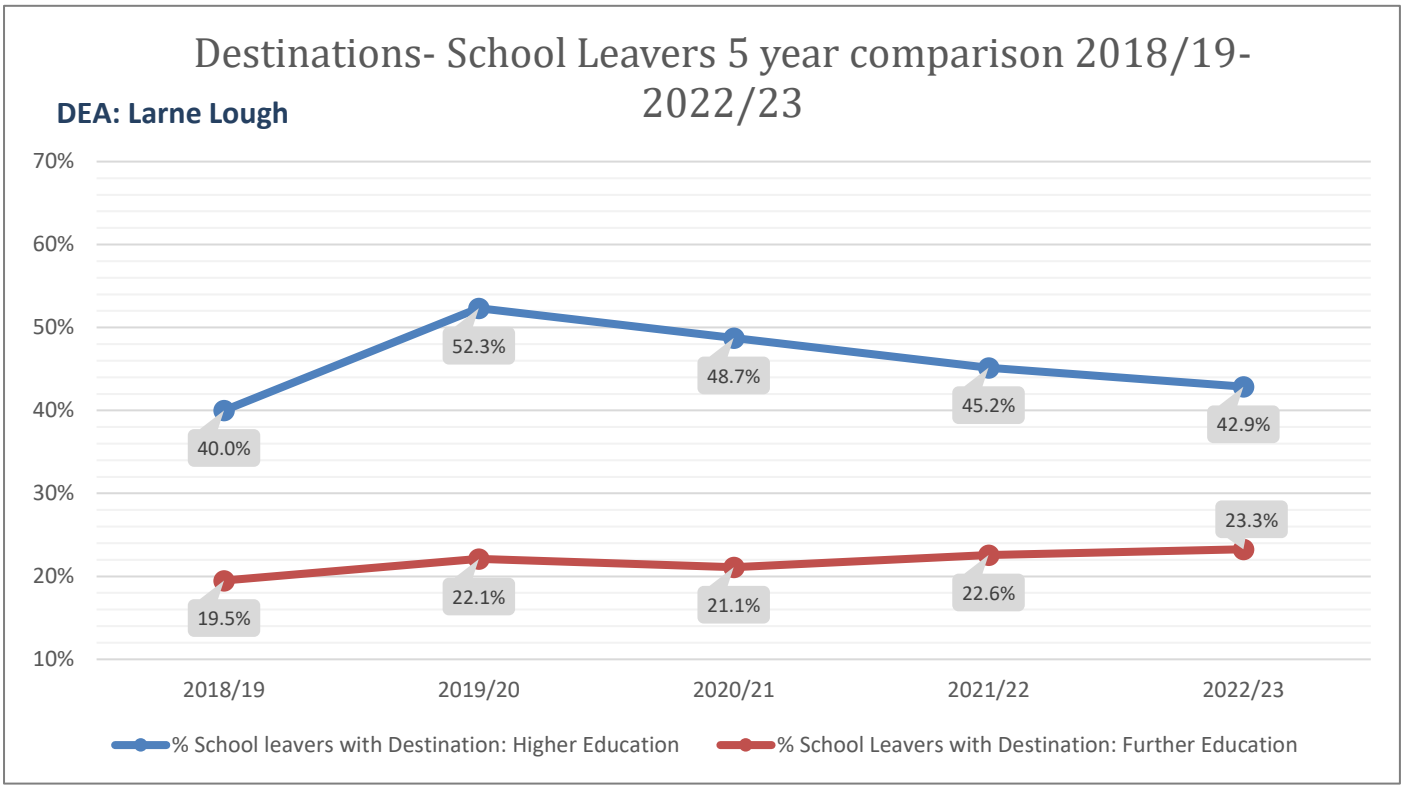
[Source: School Leavers Survey, DE]



Larne Lough DEA

Chart 51: Percentage progression rates of school leavers to Further and Higher Education over 5 years

[Source: School Leavers Survey, DE]



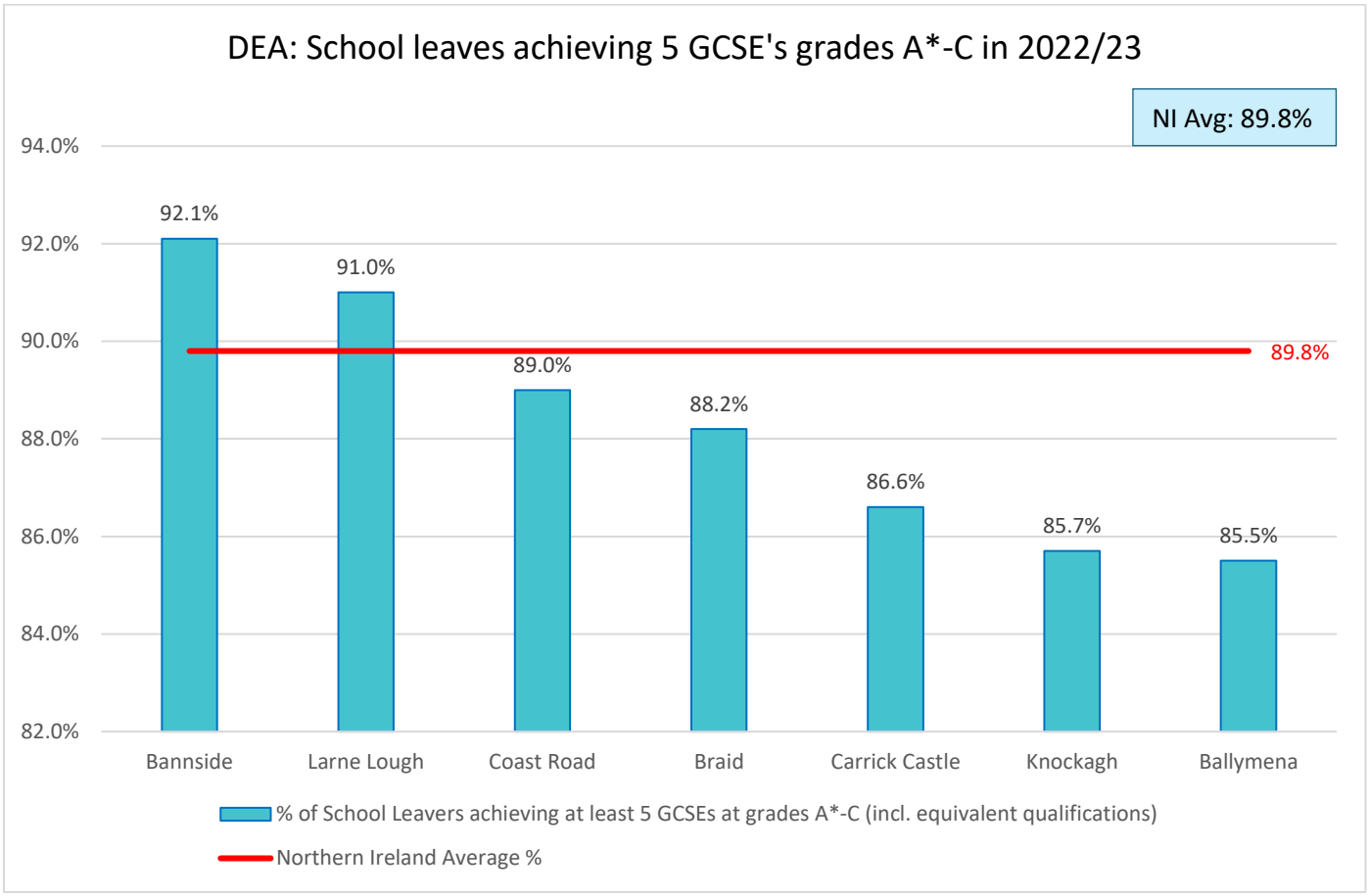
3.4.1 School Leavers Education Attainment Mid and East Antrim 2022/23 by DEA

Table 15: Education attainment by DEA 2022/23

DEA 2022/23	School Leavers	% of School Leavers achieving at least 5 GCSEs at grades A*-C (incl. equivalent qualifications)	% of School Leavers achieving at least 5 GCSEs at grades A*-C (incl. equivalent qualifications) including GCSE English and maths	% of School Leavers achieving at least 2 A-levels at grades A*-E (incl. equivalent qualifications)
Ballymena	249	85.5%	63.5%	49.0%
Carrick Castle	238	86.6%	73.5%	53.4%
Braid	321	88.2%	75.1%	57.0%
Knockagh	224	85.7%	75.9%	57.1%
Coast Road	200	89.0%	76.0%	57.0%
Northern Ireland	**23,073**	**89.8%**	**76.1%**	**56.2%**
Larne Lough	245	91.0%	79.2%	63.7%
Bannside	267	92.1%	80.5%	55.8%

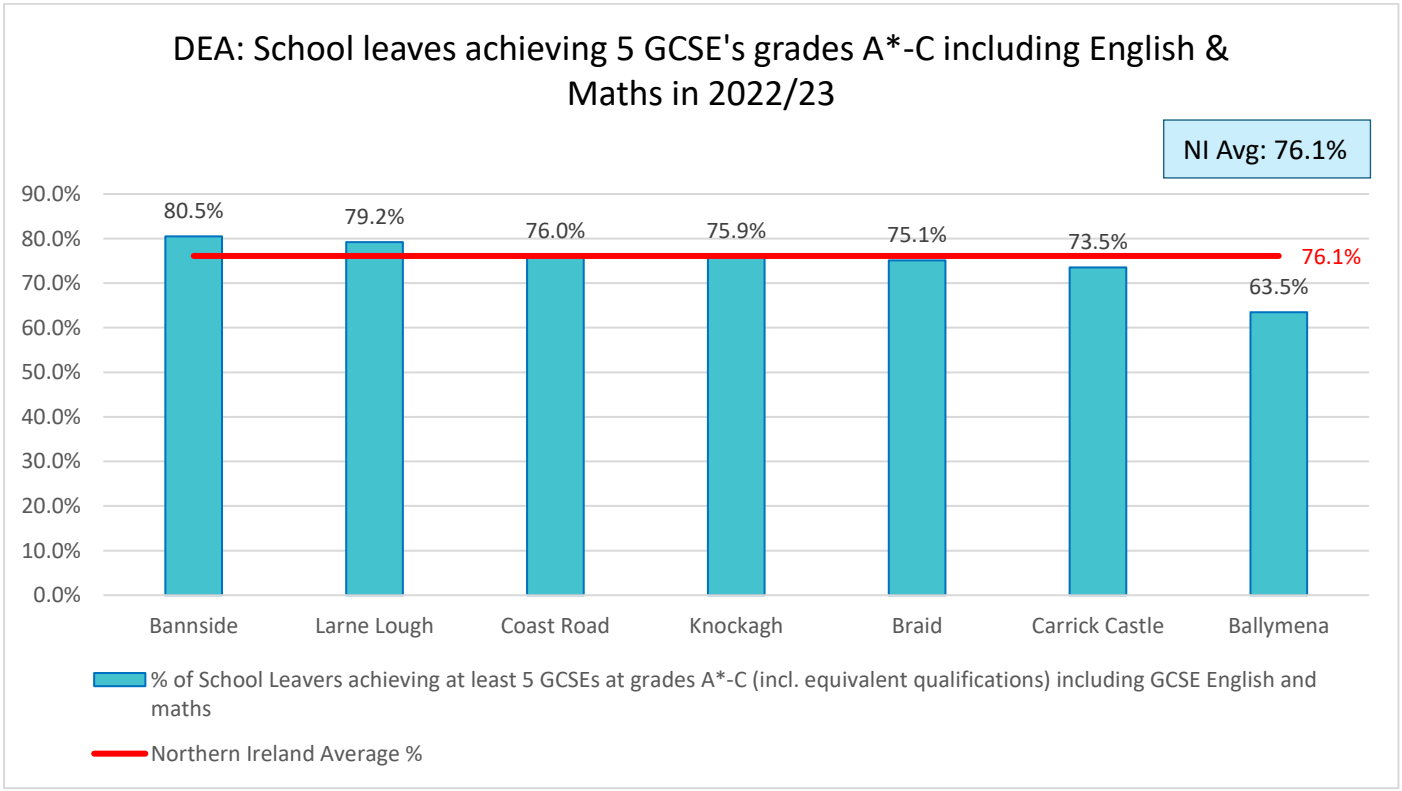
Source: DE- (pupil address)

Chart 52: School leavers achieving 5 GCSEs at grades A*-C by DEA 2022/23



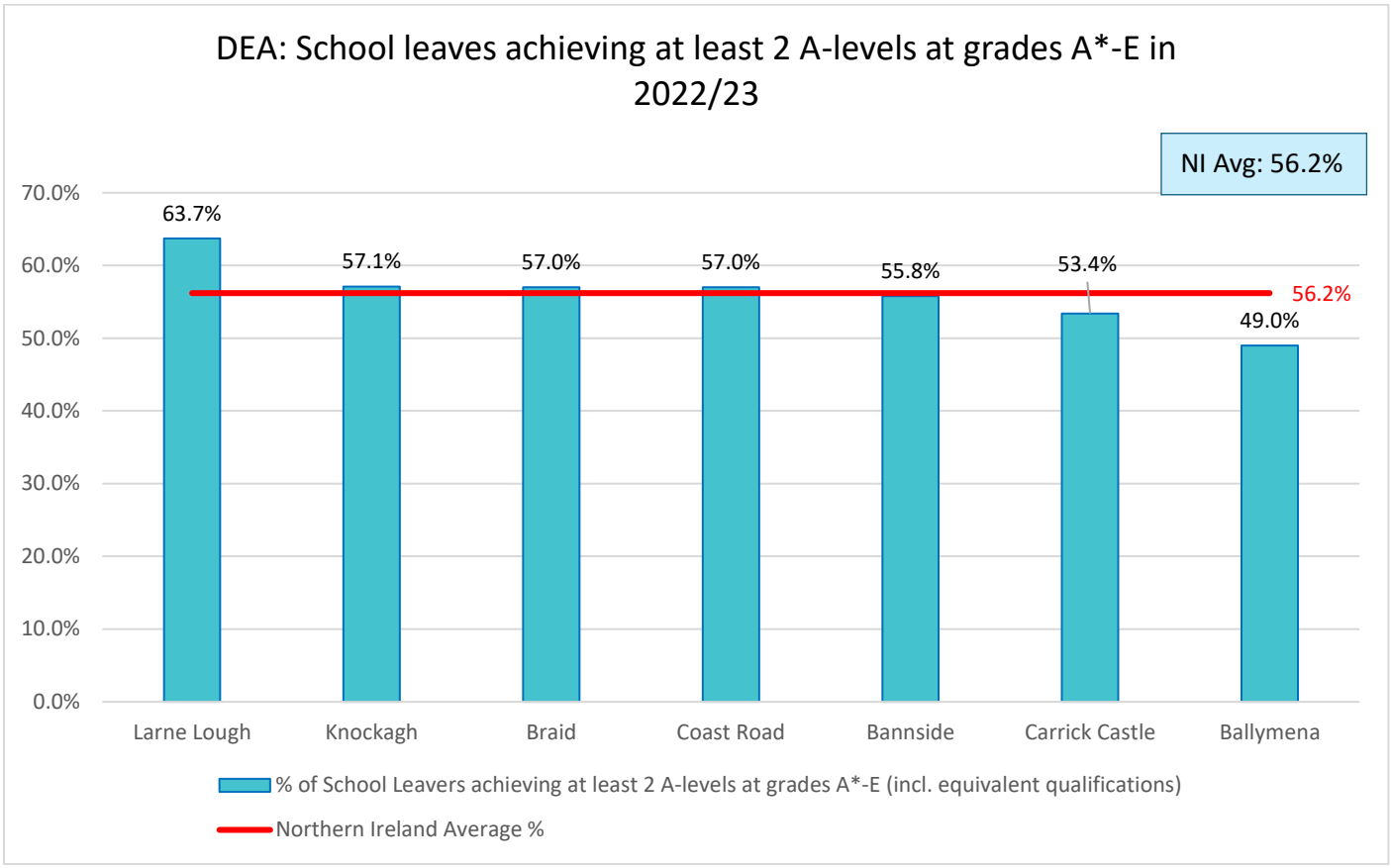
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Chart 53: School leavers achieving 5 GCSEs at grades A*-C including English and Maths by DEA 2022/23



Source: DE- (pupil address)

Chart 54: School leavers achieving at least 2 A-levels at grades A*-E by DEA 2022/23

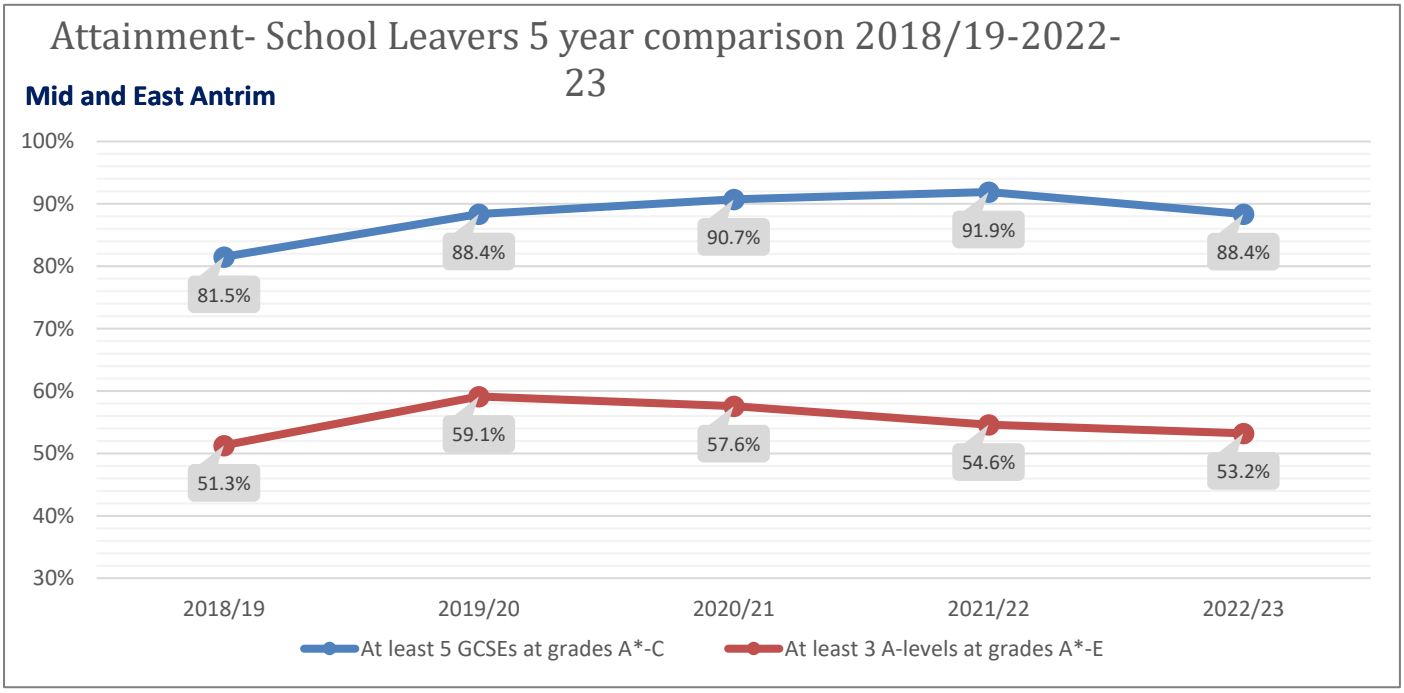


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3.4.2 School leavers' Educational attainment 5-year comparison 2018/19-2022/23

Chart 55: Percentage attainment rates at GCSE and A- Level over 5 years, Mid and East Antrim)

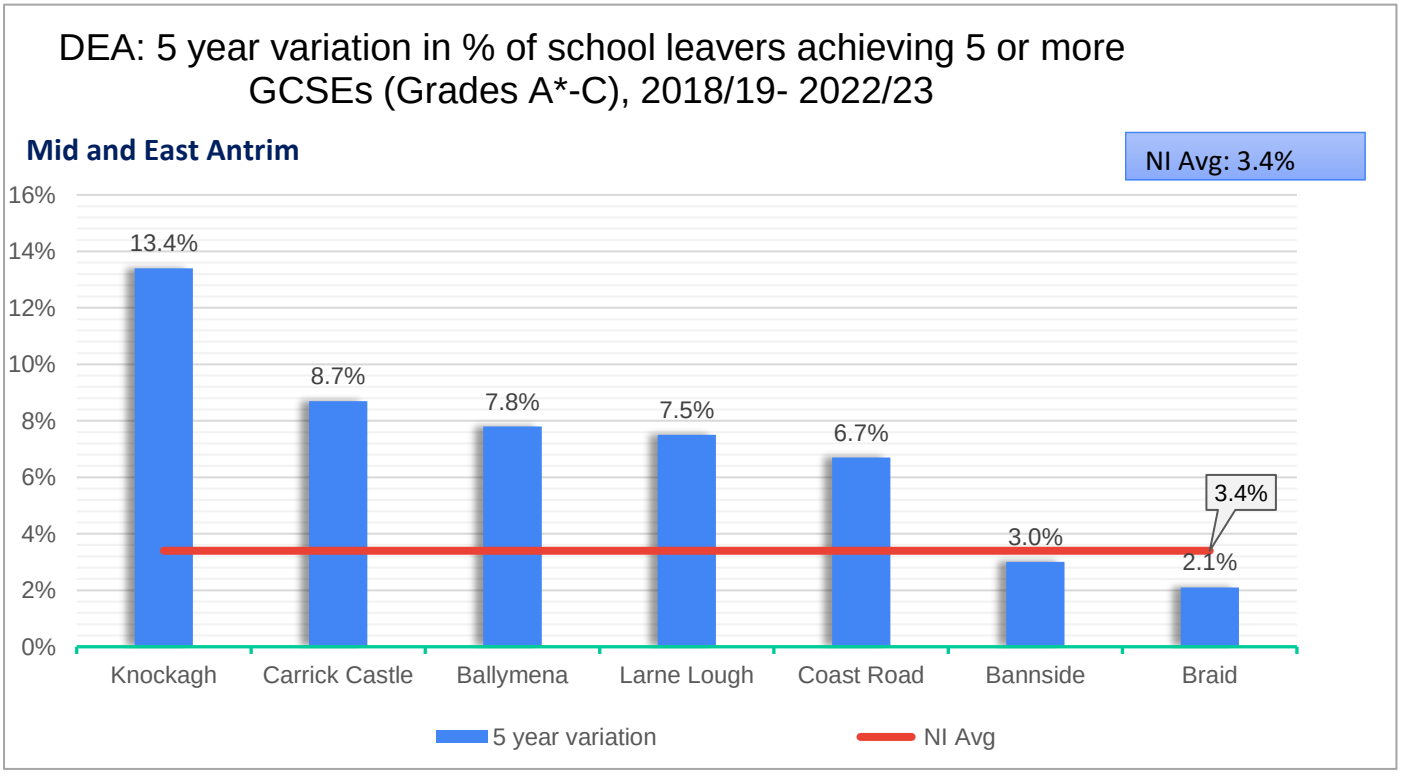
[Source: School Leavers Survey, DE]



3.4.3 School leavers' Educational attainment 5-year comparison 2018-19-2022-23, by DEA

Chart 56: Percentage variation over 5 years of school leavers attaining 5 or more GCSEs, By DEAs in Mid and East Antrim

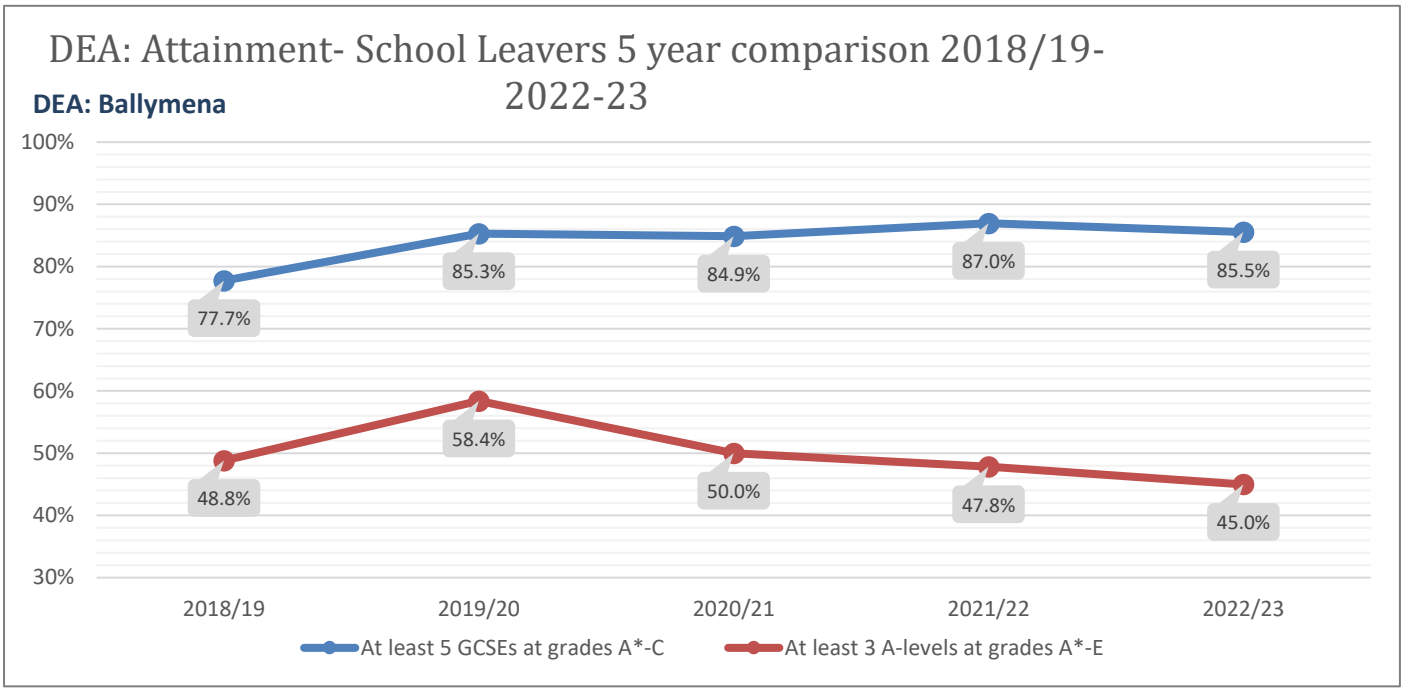
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Ballymena DEA

Chart 57: Percentage attainment rates at GCSE and A- Level over 5 years

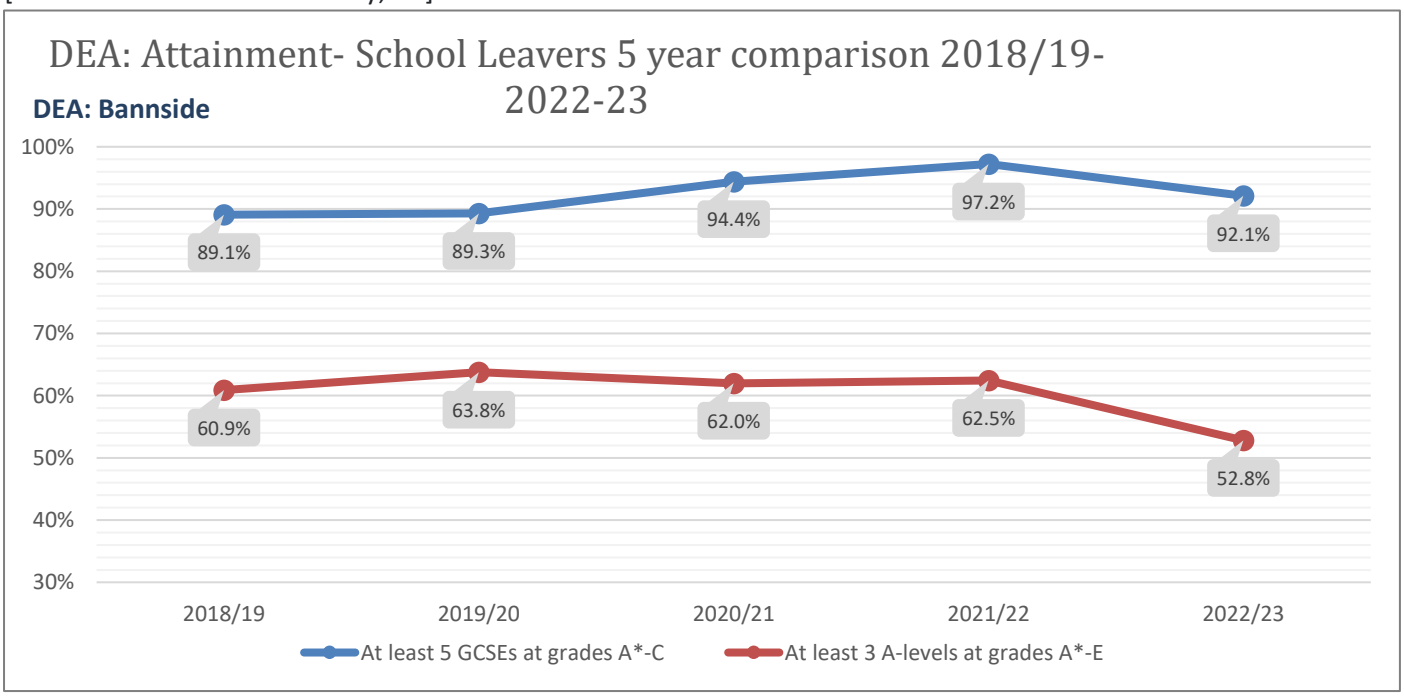
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Bannside DEA

Chart 58: Percentage attainment rates at GCSE and A- Level over 5 years

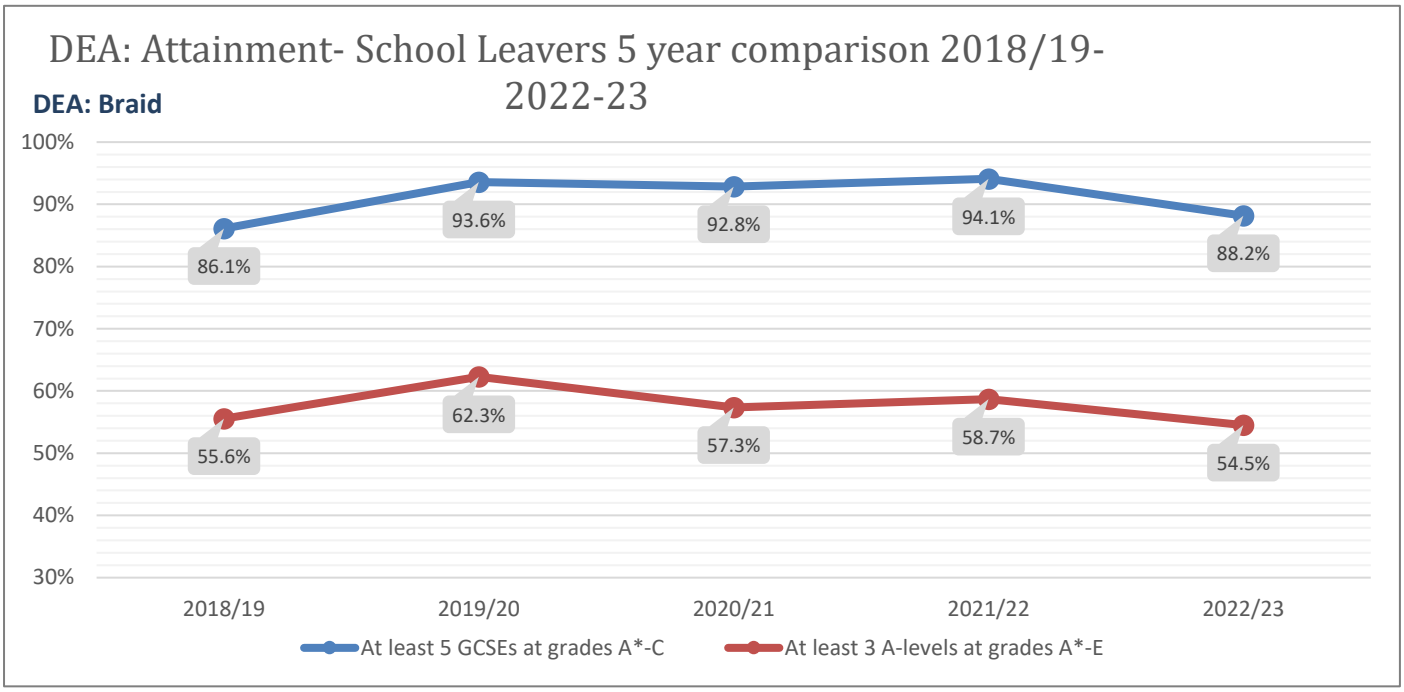
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Braid DEA

Chart 59: Percentage attainment rates at GCSE and A- Level over 5 years

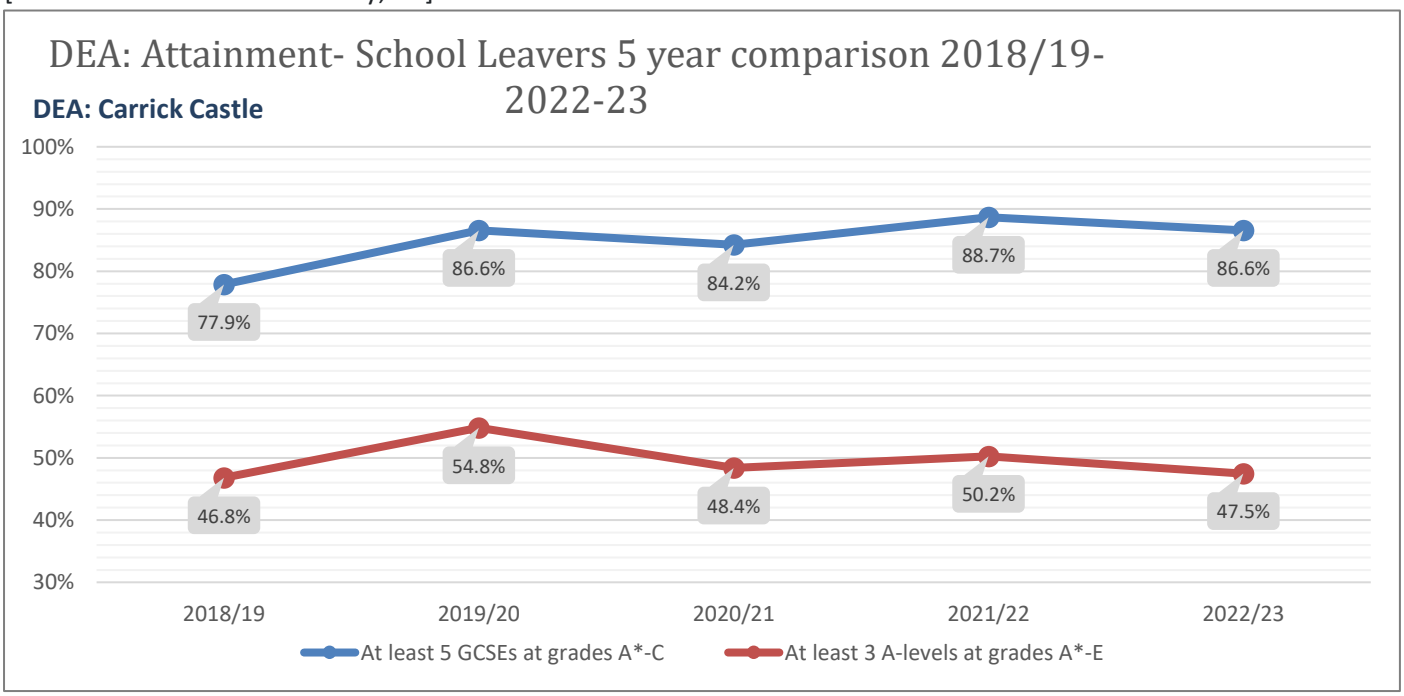
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Carrick Castle DEA

Chart 60: Percentage attainment rates at GCSE and A- Level over 5 years

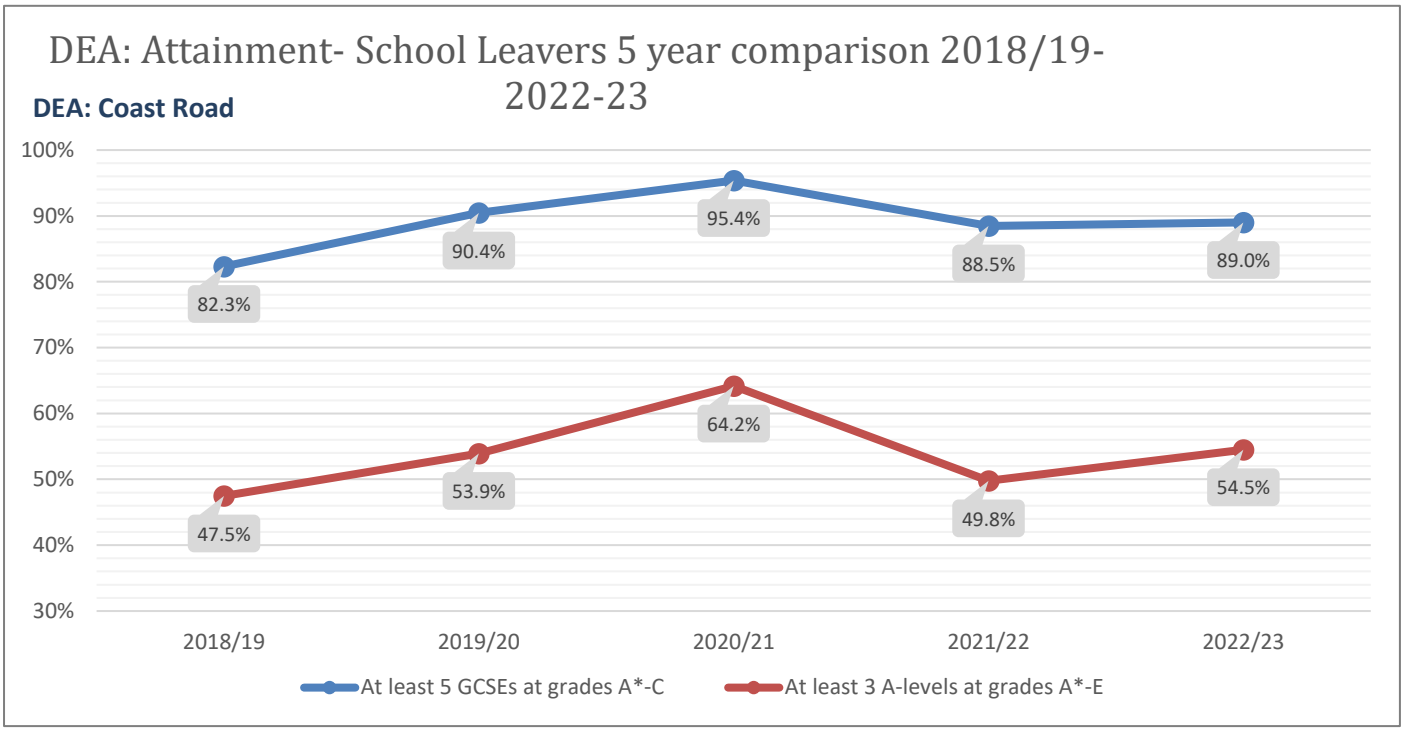
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Coast Road DEA

Chart 61: Percentage attainment rates at GCSE and A- Level over 5 years

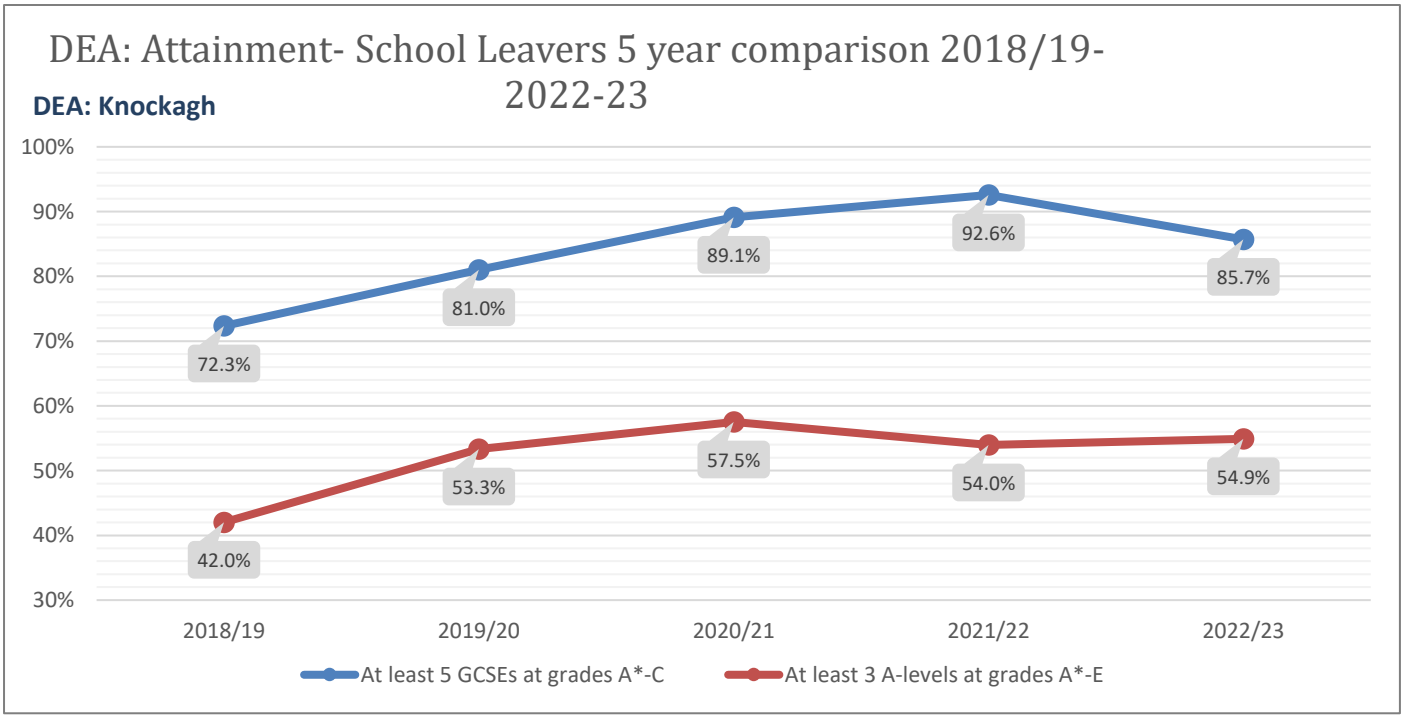
[Source: School Leavers Survey, DE]



Knockagh DEA

Chart 62: Percentage attainment rates at GCSE and A- Level over 5 years

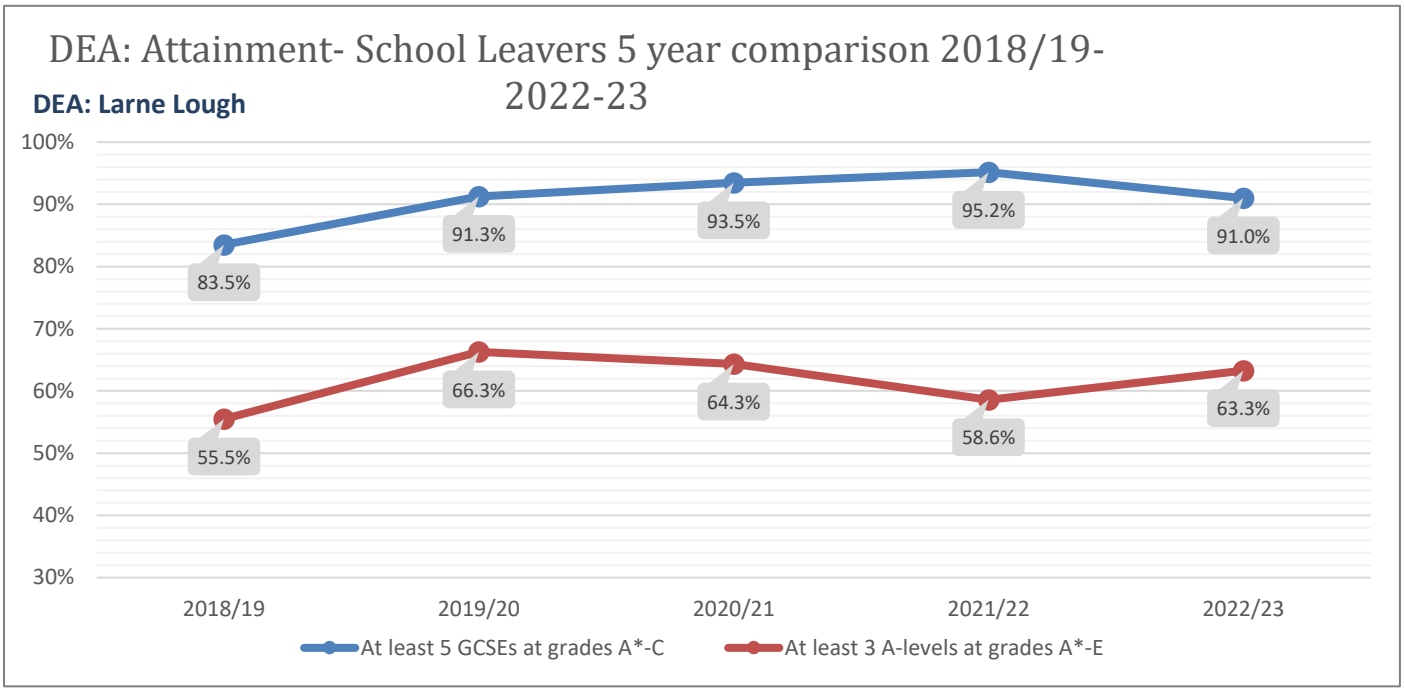
[Source: School Leavers Survey, DE]



Larne Lough DEA

Chart 63: Percentage attainment rates at GCSE and A- Level over 5 years

[Source: School Leavers Survey, DE]



3.5 DEA Primary School Education Data 2023/24 – (Enrolment, FSME, SEN, Newcomers)

School census data averages

Northern Ireland school census data averages	
NI Average FSME %	28%
Newcomers	5%
% Pupils with a Statement of SEN (all school types)	7%
% Pupils with a Statement of SEN in primary schools	5%
% Pupils SEN Stage (1-2)	12%
% Pupils SEN Stage (1-3)	19%

Ballymena DEA

Table 16: Ballymena DEA Primary Schools data (Enrolment, FSME, SEN, Newcomers)

School name	Total Enrolment	Free School Meals Entitled %	Pupils with statement of SEN %	Pupils at Stage 1 - 2 of SEN %	Pupils with SEN Stage 1-3 %	% of Pupils Newcomers
Ballykeel Primary School, Ballymena	423	53.4%	5.9%	5.9%	11.8%	0.9%
Harryville Primary School, Ballymena	228	44.7%	7.5%	32.9%	40.4%	55.3%
Dunclug Primary School, Ballymena	161	43.5%	21.1%	12.4%	33.5%	26.7%
Braidside Integrated Primary School, Ballymena	319	38.9%	2.8%	23.2%	26.0%	8.2%
St Brigid's Primary School, Ballymena	387	31.0%	4.4%	10.3%	14.7%	30.5%
Ballymena Primary School	244	24.6%	6.1%	10.2%	16.4%	54.5%
St Colmcilles Primary School, Ballymena	425	17.4%	3.5%	11.8%	15.3%	29.6%
Carniny Primary School, Ballymena	287	14.3%	3.1%	4.5%	7.7%	7.7%

Source: DE school censes 2023/24

Bannside DEA

Table 17: Bannside DEA Primary Schools data (Enrolment, FSME, SEN, Newcomers)

School name	Total Enrolment	Free School Meals Entitled %	Pupils with statement of SEN %	Pupils at Stage 1 - 2 of SEN %	Pupils with SEN Stage 1-3 %	% of Pupils Newcomers
Buick Memorial Primary School, Ballymena	277	25.6%	6.1%	18.8%	24.9%	1.4%
Fourtowns Primary School, Ahoghill	268	18.3%	4.1%	15.7%	19.8%	0.7%
St Mary's Primary School, Portglenone	244	16.4%	2.5%	9.8%	12.3%	1.2%
Gracehill Primary School, Ballymena	426	9.2%	2.8%	4.9%	7.7%	4.2%
Portglenone Primary School	134	9.0%	3.0%	11.9%	14.9%	1.5%
Millquarter Primary School, Toomebridge	125	8.0%	4.0%	13.6%	17.6%	0.0%
The Diamond Primary School, Cullybackey	151	6.6%	5.3%	6.0%	11.3%	0.0%
St Paul's Primary School, Ahoghill	26	3.8%	7.7%	19.2%	26.9%	3.8%

Source: DE school censes 2023/24

Braid DEA

Table 18: Braid DEA Primary Schools data (Enrolment, FSME, SEN, Newcomers)

School name	Total Enrolment	Free School Meals Entitled %	Pupils with statement of SEN %	Pupils at Stage 1 - 2 of SEN %	Pupils with SEN Stage 1-3 %	% of Pupils Newcomers
Kirkinriola Primary School, Ballymena	93	30.1%	5.4%	21.5%	26.9%	3.2%
Camphill Primary School, Ballymena	388	25.5%	1.8%	9.8%	11.6%	2.8%
Carnaghts Primary School, Shankbridge	94	17.0%	7.4%	21.3%	28.7%	0.0%
Broughshane Primary School, Ballymena	309	16.5%	5.5%	9.4%	14.9%	0.3%
Mary Queen of Peace Primary School, Cargan	227	14.1%	3.5%	10.6%	14.1%	0.0%
Kells and Connor Primary School, Ballymena	221	12.2%	3.2%	12.7%	15.8%	6.8%
Hazelbank Primary School, Ballymena	162	11.7%	1.9%	6.2%	8.0%	0.0%
Clough Primary School	189	9.5%	3.2%	4.8%	7.9%	0.0%
Moorfields Primary School, Ballymena	209	6.7%	1.9%	5.3%	7.2%	0.0%

Source: DE school censes 2023/24

Carrick Castle DEA

Table 19: Carrick Castle DEA Primary Schools data (Enrolment, FSME, SEN, Newcomers)

School name	Total Enrolment	Free School Meals Entitled %	Pupils with statement of SEN %	Pupils at Stage 1 - 2 of SEN %	Pupils with SEN Stage 1-3 %	% of Pupils Newcomers
Central Integrated Primary School, Carrickfergus	140	42.1%	7.9%	16.4%	24.3%	5.7%
Oakfield Primary School, Carrickfergus	278	30.9%	2.5%	7.2%	9.7%	0.7%
Acorn Integrated Primary School, Carrickfergus	223	27.4%	6.3%	12.6%	18.8%	5.4%
Victoria Primary School, Carrickfergus	410	23.4%	6.3%	15.6%	22.0%	2.4%
Eden Primary School, Carrickfergus	207	23.2%	2.9%	13.5%	16.4%	0.0%
St Nicholas' Primary School, Carrickfergus	131	14.5%	4.6%	19.8%	24.4%	27.5%
Carrickfergus Model Primary School, Carrickfergus	364	11.0%	1.1%	9.1%	10.2%	14.8%

Source: DE school censes 2023/24

Coast Road DEA

Table 20: Coast Road DEA Primary Schools data (Enrolment, FSME, SEN, Newcomers)

School name	Total Enrolment	Free School Meals Entitled %	Pupils with statement of SEN %	Pupils at Stage 1 - 2 of SEN %	Pupils with SEN Stage 1-3 %	% of Pupils Newcomers
St Anthony's Primary School, Larne	71	47.9%	9.9%	15.5%	25.4%	8.5%
Moyle Primary School, Larne	421	37.3%	13.3%	7.1%	20.4%	3.6%
Linn Primary School, Larne	408	35.5%	4.4%	12.3%	16.7%	1.0%
Carnlough Integrated Primary School, Ballymena	27	33.3%	7.4%	11.1%	18.5%	7.4%
St John's Primary School, Carnlough	146	27.4%	5.5%	6.8%	12.3%	0.0%
Corran Integrated Primary School, Larne	220	23.6%	3.2%	19.1%	22.3%	0.9%
Cairncastle Primary School, Ballygally	66	19.7%	4.5%	22.7%	27.3%	0.0%
Seaview Integrated Primary School, Glenarm	108	18.5%	2.8%	17.6%	20.4%	1.9%

Source: DE school censes 2023/24

Knockagh DEA

Table 21: Knockagh DEA Primary Schools data (Enrolment, FSME, SEN, Newcomers)

School name	Total Enrolment	Free School Meals Entitled %	Pupils with statement of SEN %	Pupils at Stage 1 - 2 of SEN %	Pupils with SEN Stage 1-3 %	% of Pupils Newcomers
Sunnylands Primary School, Carrickfergus	200	59.5%	8.0%	28.0%	36.0%	10.0%
Silverstream Primary School, Greenisland	147	44.2%	5.4%	13.6%	19.0%	15.6%
Woodlawn Primary School, Carrickfergus	135	43.7%	14.1%	10.4%	24.4%	4.4%
Woodburn Primary School, Carrickfergus	197	28.9%	3.0%	8.1%	11.2%	0.0%
Greenisland Primary School, Carrickfergus	410	8.5%	3.2%	8.3%	11.5%	0.2%

Source: DE school censes 2023/24

Larne Lough DEA

Table 22: Larne Lough DEA Primary Schools data (Enrolment, FSME, SEN, Newcomers)

School name	Total Enrolment	Free School Meals Entitled %	Pupils with statement of SEN %	Pupils at Stage 1 - 2 of SEN %	Pupils with SEN Stage 1-3 %	% of Pupils Newcomers
Larne & Inver Primary School	200	29.0%	4.0%	13.5%	17.5%	5.5%
Glynn Primary School, Larne	87	27.6%	4.6%	17.2%	21.8%	0.0%
Upper Ballyboley Primary School, Ballyclare	11	27.3%	27.3%	18.2%	45.5%	0.0%
Ballycarry Primary School, Carrickfergus	38	26.3%	2.6%	10.5%	13.2%	0.0%
Islandmagee Primary School	138	19.6%	4.3%	12.3%	16.7%	0.0%
St MacNissi's Primary School, Larne	169	19.5%	3.0%	10.7%	13.6%	1.2%
Whitehead Primary School, Carrickfergus	415	19.0%	2.9%	6.5%	9.4%	1.9%
Olderfleet Primary School, Larne	114	18.4%	3.5%	6.1%	9.6%	0.9%
Toreagh Primary School, Larne	114	13.2%	4.4%	7.0%	11.4%	0.0%

Source: DE school censes 2023/24

3.6 DEA Post Primary School Education Data 2023/24 – (Enrolment, FSME, SEN, Newcomers)

Table 23: Mid and East Antrim Post Primary schools' data (Enrolment, FSME, SEN, Newcomers)

School name	DEA	Total pupils	Free School Meals Entitled %	Pupils with Statement of SEN %	Pupils at Stage 1 - 2 of SEN %	Pupils with SEN Stage 1-3 %	% of Pupils Newcomers
Dunclug College, Ballymena	Ballymena	893	37.5%	8.8%	17.0%	25.9%	4.9%
Larne High School	Coast Road	806	36.4%	14.3%	25.9%	40.2%	2.2%
St Patrick's College, Ballymena	Ballymena	442	33.3%	5.2%	7.7%	12.9%	46.8%
Carrickfergus Academy	Knockagh	985	33.1%	7.2%	7.1%	14.3%	1.9%
Cullybackey College	Bannside	672	27.1%	5.8%	23.2%	29.0%	0.9%
Ulidia Integrated College	Carrick Castle	697	24.5%	9.6%	14.6%	24.2%	1.4%
Slemish Integrated College, Ballymena	Braid	1,029	22.6%	8.2%	12.1%	20.2%	1.3%
St Killian's College, Garron Tower Campus	Coast Road	831	22.6%	4.3%	7.7%	12.0%	1.2%
Cambridge House Grammar School, Ballymena	Ballymena	913	12.8%	1.4%	1.5%	3.0%	0.2%
Carrickfergus Grammar School	Knockagh	770	11.3%	1.7%	2.1%	3.8%	0.1%
Larne Grammar	Coast Road	751	9.6%	1.6%	2.5%	4.1%	0.3%
St Louis' Grammar, Ballymena	Ballymena	1,181	6.4%	1.6%	3.7%	5.3%	0.3%
Ballymena Academy	Ballymena	1,235	5.7%	0.8%	3.5%	4.3%	0.5%

Source: DE school censes 2023/24

3.7 Highest level of qualification

Level 1: 1 to 4 GCSEs, O levels, CSEs (any grades); 1 AS Level; NVQ level 1; or equivalent
Level 2: 5 or more GCSEs (A*-C or 9-4), O levels (passes) CSEs (grade 1); 1 A level, 2-3 AS Levels; NVQ level 2, BTEC General, City and Guilds Craft; or equivalent
Level 3: 2 or more A Levels, 4 or more AS Levels; NVQ Level 3, BTEC National, OND, ONC, City and Guilds Advanced Craft; or equivalent
Level 4 and above: Degree (BA, BSc), foundation degree, NVQ Level 4 and above, HND, HNC, professional qualifications (teaching or nursing, for example), or equivalent
Other: Apprenticeships; other qualifications, equivalent unknown

Chart 64: Counts and percentages of the population age 16-24 in Mid and East Antrim by their highest level of qualification.

[Source: Census 2021]

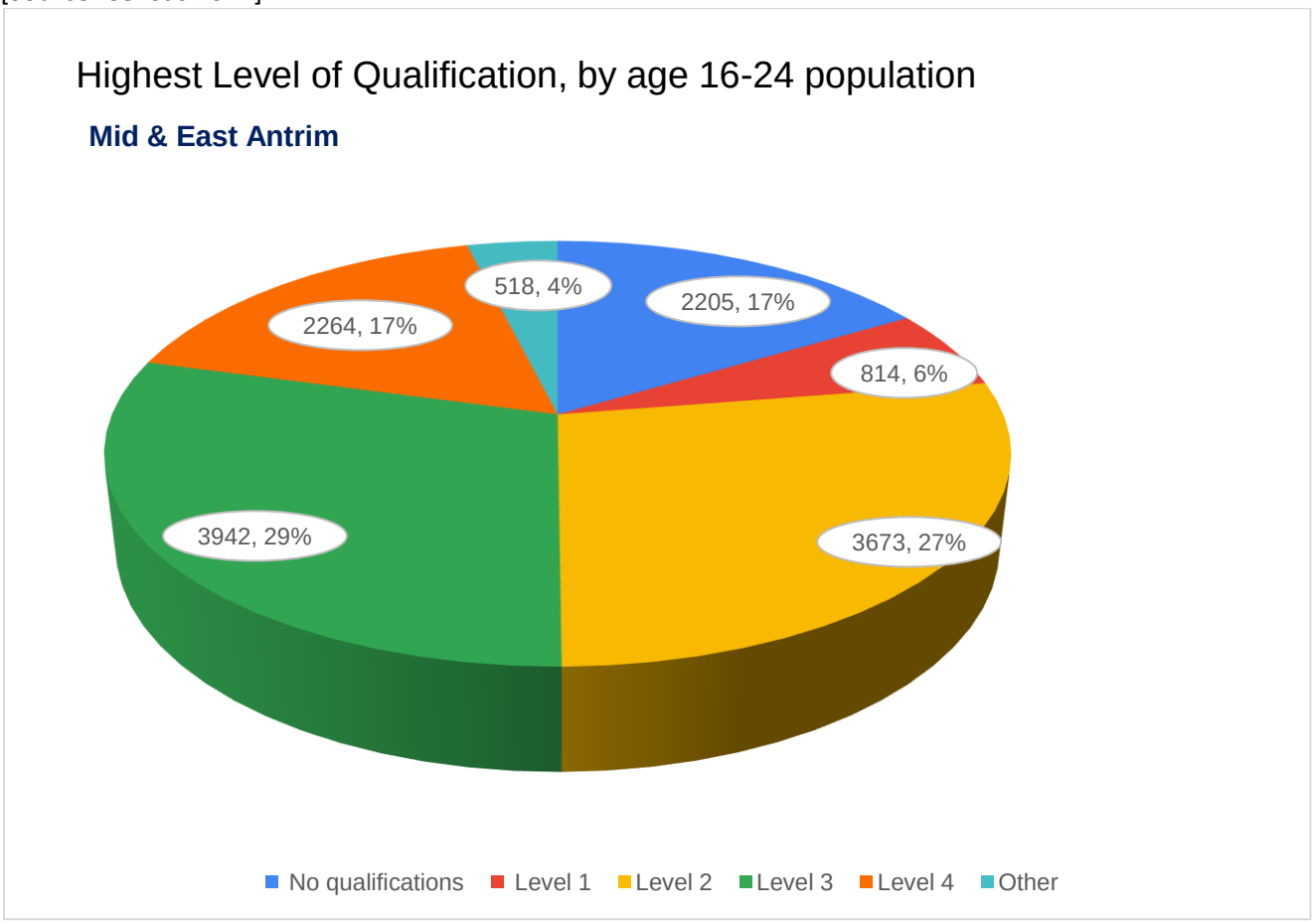


Chart 65: Counts (and percentage representation) of the population age 16-24 in Mid and East Antrim by highest level of qualification, by DEA.

[Source: Census 2021]

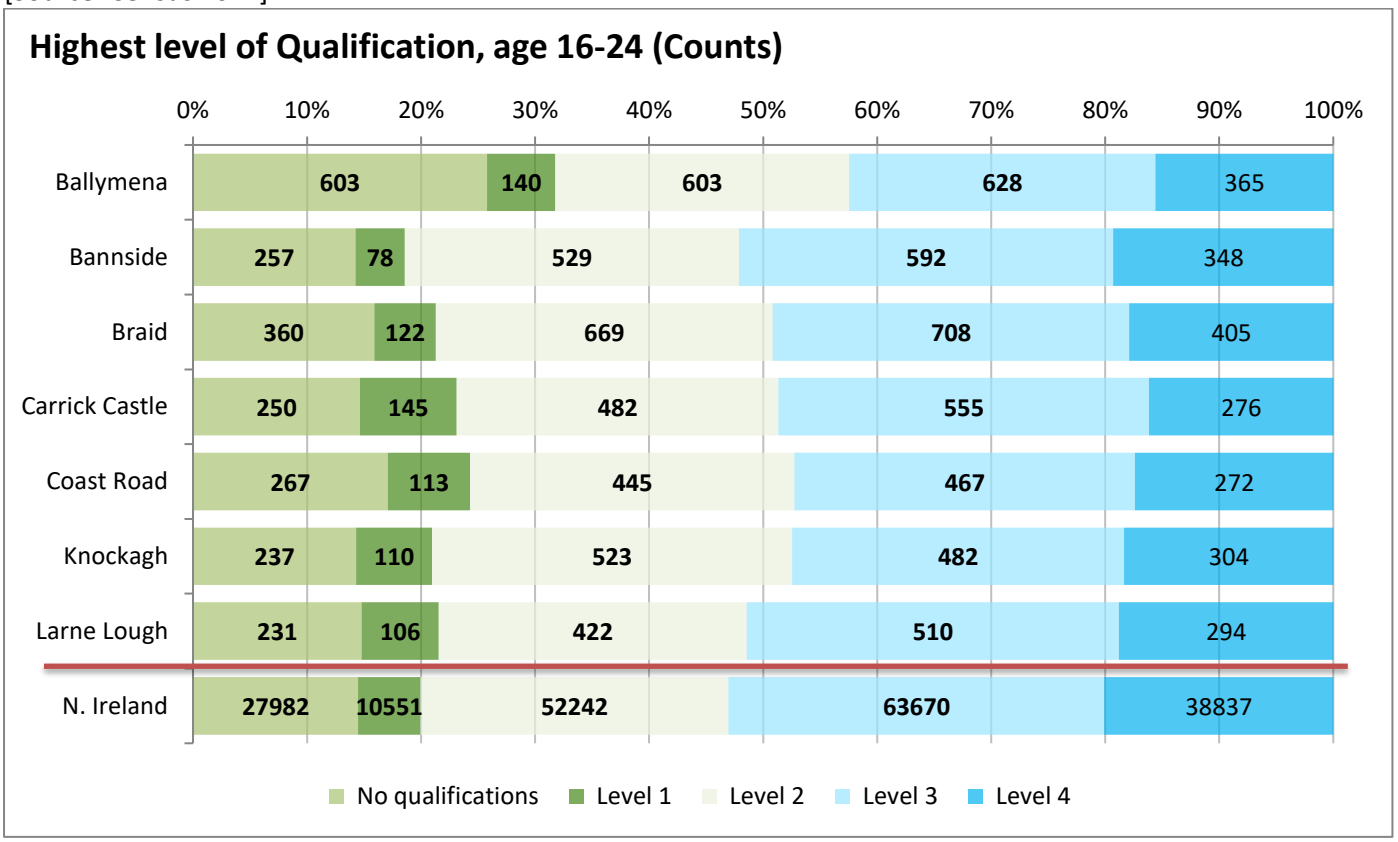


Chart 66: Low levels of qualification showing percentages of the population age 16-24 who have either no qualifications or a maximum of level 1, by DEA.

[Source: Census 2021]

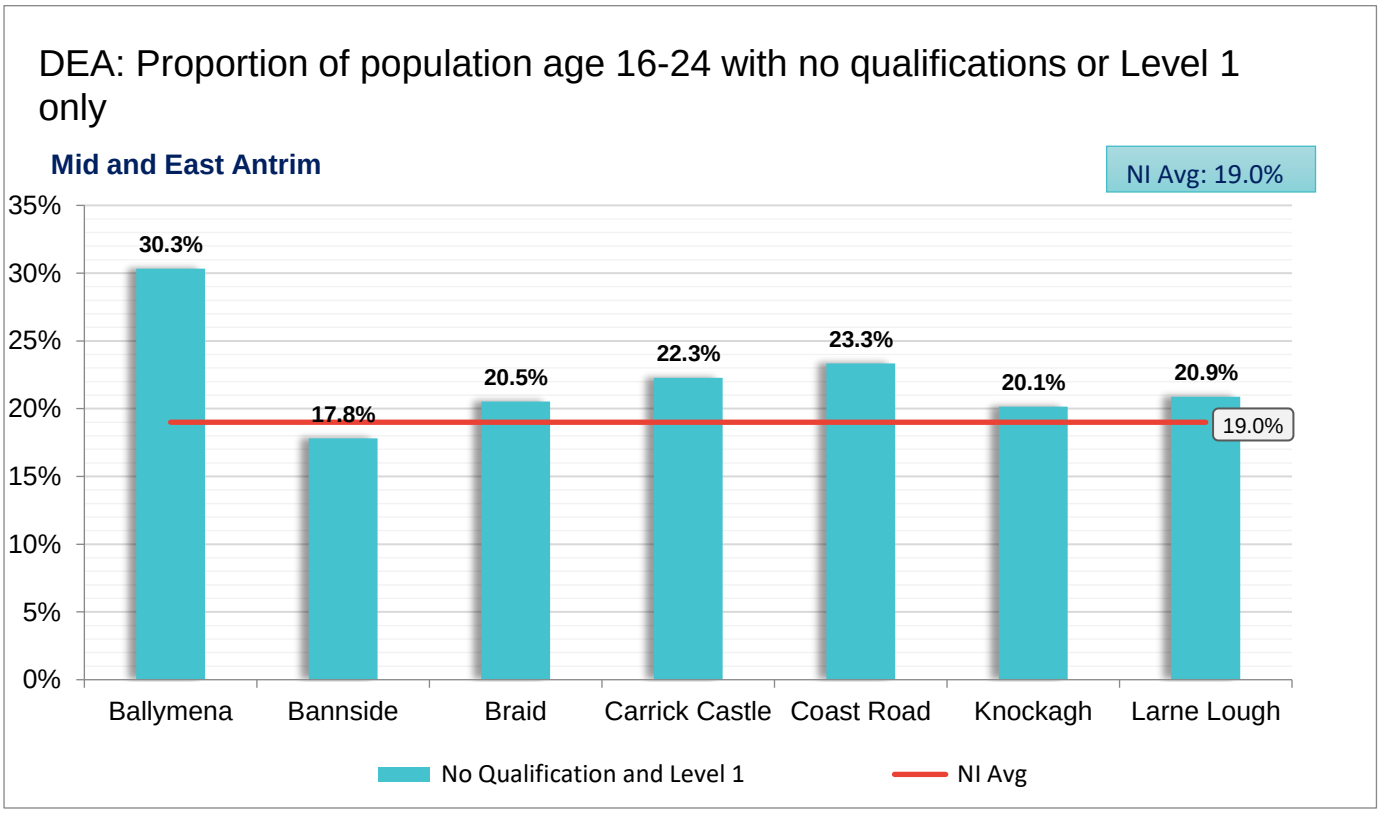


Table 24: Population counts and percentages of the population age 16-24 in Mid and East Antrim who are educational qualifications levels as their highest level, by DEA. Red text indicated a value among the top 20% in Northern Ireland.

[Source: Census 2021]

Age 16-24 by Qualifications (Highest Level), DEAs in Mid & East Antrim							
District Electoral Area	**Population age 16-24**	**No qualifications**	**Level 1: Percent**	**Level 2: Percent**	**Level 3: Percent**	**Level 4 and above: Percent**	**Other: Percent**
Ballymena	2,449	24.6%	5.7%	24.6%	25.6%	14.9%	4.5%
Bannside	1,880	13.7%	4.1%	28.1%	31.5%	18.5%	4.0%
Braid	2,348	15.3%	5.2%	28.5%	30.2%	17.2%	3.6%
Carrick Castle	1,774	14.1%	8.2%	27.2%	31.3%	15.6%	3.7%
Coast Road	1,628	16.4%	6.9%	27.3%	28.7%	16.7%	3.9%
Knockagh	1,723	13.8%	6.4%	30.4%	28.0%	17.6%	3.9%
Larne Lough	1,614	14.3%	6.6%	26.1%	31.6%	18.2%	3.2%
NI Average	**201,365**	**13.9%**	**5.2%**	**25.9%**	**31.6%**	**19.3%**	**4.0%**

3.8 Young people not in employment and with no qualifications aged 20-24years old

Table 25: Young people aged 20-24 years old in employment with and without qualifications and the number of young people aged 20-24 years old not in employment with or without qualifications by DEA.

District Electoral Area	% In employment (including full-time students) with No qualifications	% In employment (including full-time students) Has qualifications	% Not in employment No qualifications	% Not in employment Has qualifications	% Total In employment (including full-time students) Qualifications and No qualifications	% Total Not in Employment Qualifications and No Qualifications
Ballymena	12.0%	53.8%	8.7%	25.5%	65.8%	34.2%
Bannside	2.6%	71.7%	3.2%	22.5%	74.3%	25.7%
Braid	2.8%	68.7%	5.1%	23.4%	71.5%	28.5%
Carrick Castle	1.7%	66.2%	5.2%	26.8%	67.9%	32.1%
Coast Road	2.8%	64.1%	6.4%	26.8%	66.8%	33.2%
Knockagh	1.8%	68.5%	5.4%	24.3%	70.3%	29.7%
Larne Lough	3.2%	70.5%	3.4%	22.8%	73.7%	26.3%

Source: Census 2021

Chart 67: Percentage of young people aged 20-24 years old not in employment and with no qualifications

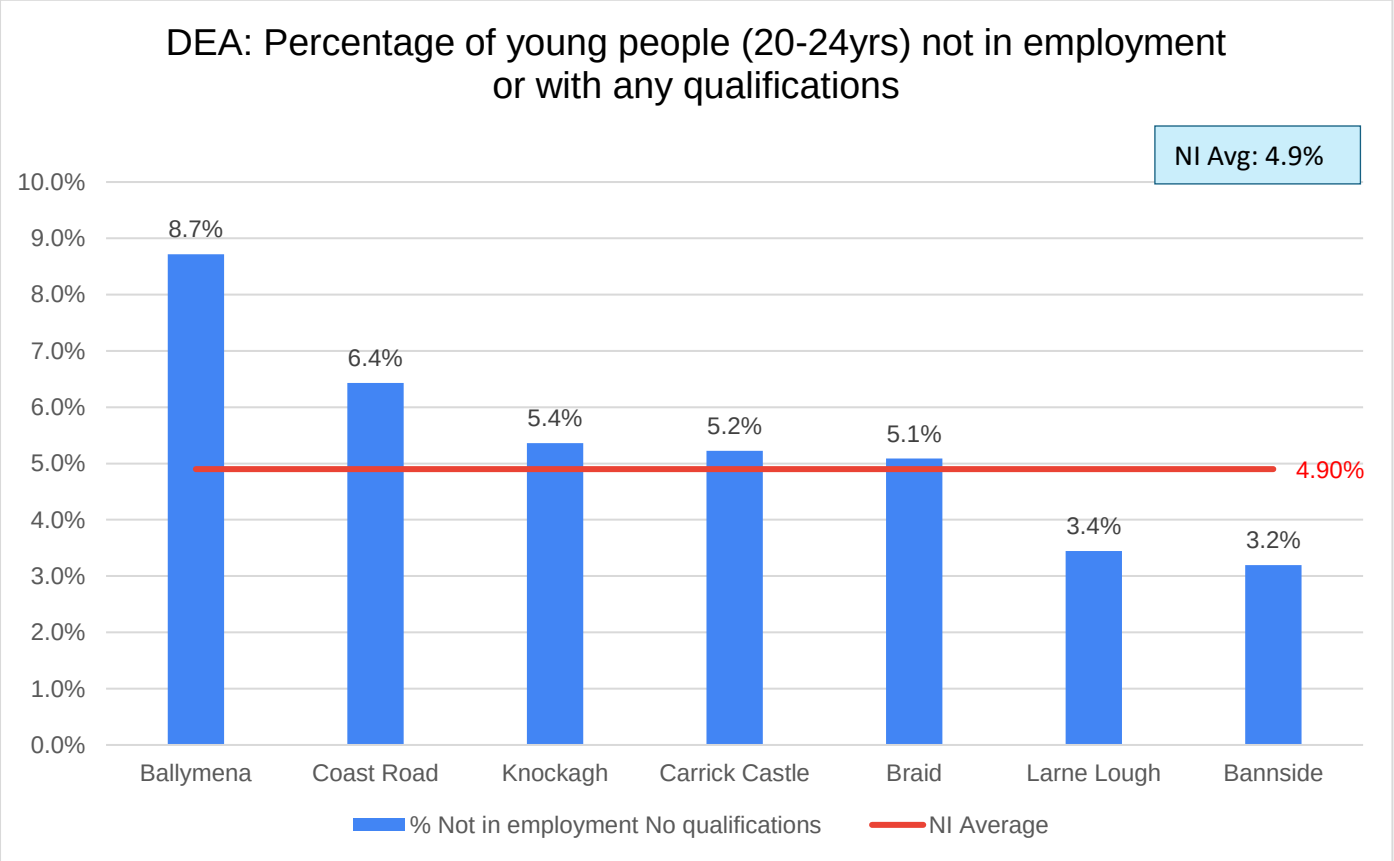
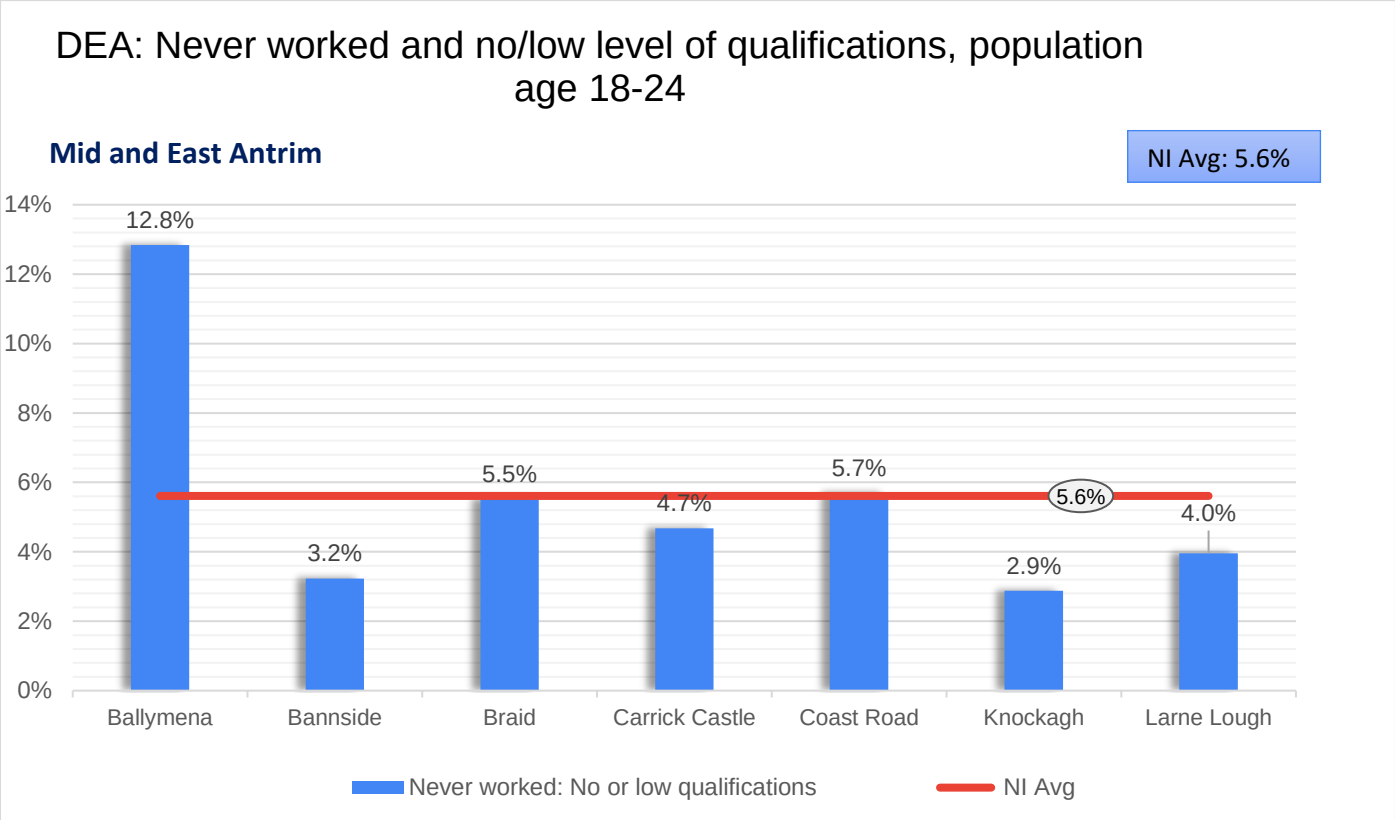


Chart 68: Percentage of the population age 18-24 who have never worked and have no qualifications or a low level of qualifications (Level 1 only).

Level 1: 1 to 4 GCSEs, O levels, CSEs (any grades); 1 AS Level; NVQ level 1; or equivalent

[Source: Census 2021]



3.9 Special Education Needs (SEN) LGD and DEA

Table 26: Special Education Needs (SEN) Mid and East Antrim

LGD	All pupils			Statemented pupils			SEN (stages 1-2)		
	Total	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male
Mid and East Antrim	22,941	11,383	11,558	1,531	431	1,100	2,314	844	1,470
NI Total	342,317	168,591	173,726	24,020	6,655	17,365	40,666	16,248	24,418

Source: School census data 22/23 – (pupils address)

Table 27: Special Education Needs (SEN) statemented pupil's gender

	Statemented pupils			NI Average Statemented pupils%
LGD	% Statemented	*Female %*	*Male %*	
Mid and East Antrim	6.7%	28.1%	71.9%	7%
NI Total	7.0%	27.7%	72.3%	7%

Source: School census data 22/23 – (pupils address)

Table 28: Special Education Needs (SEN) Mid and East Antrim DEA's

DEA (pupil address)	All pupils			Statemented pupils			SEN (stages 1-2)		
	Total	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male
Ballymena	3,952	1,930	2,022	279	82	197	407	152	255
Bannside	3,570	1,826	1,744	193	57	136	375	160	215
Braid	4,194	2,038	2,156	248	67	181	411	149	262
Carrick Castle	2,790	1,388	1,402	226	65	161	250	101	149
Coast Road	2,665	1,333	1,332	228	52	176	344	118	226
Knockagh	2,836	1,422	1,414	193	61	132	241	70	171
Larne Lough	2,934	1,446	1,488	164	47	117	286	94	192

Source: School census data 22/23 – (pupils address)

Table 29: Mid and East Antrim DEA, percentage of pupils with a SEN Statement

DEA	% of pupils statemented	NI Average Statemented pupils
Coast Road	8.6%	7%
Carrick Castle	8.1%	7%
Ballymena	7.1%	7%
Knockagh	6.8%	7%
Braid	5.9%	7%
Larne Lough	5.6%	7%
Bannside	5.4%	7%

Source: School census data 22/23 – (pupils address)

Table 30: Mid and East Antrim DEA SEN Percentages all levels (all pupils residence)

DEA (pupil address)	% pupils SEN 1-3	NI Average % pupils SEN 1-3	% pupils SEN 1-2	NI Average %	% pupils Sen 3 Statement	NI Average %
Ballymena	17.4%	19.0%	10.3%	12.0%	7.1%	7%
Bannside	15.9%	19.0%	10.5%	12.0%	5.4%	7%
Braid	15.7%	19.0%	9.8%	12.0%	5.9%	7%
Carrick Castle	17.1%	19.0%	9.0%	12.0%	8.1%	7%
Coast Road	21.5%	19.0%	12.9%	12.0%	8.6%	7%
Knockagh	15.3%	19.0%	8.5%	12.0%	6.8%	7%
Larne Lough	15.3%	19.0%	9.7%	12.0%	5.6%	7%

Source: School census data 22/23 – (pupils address)

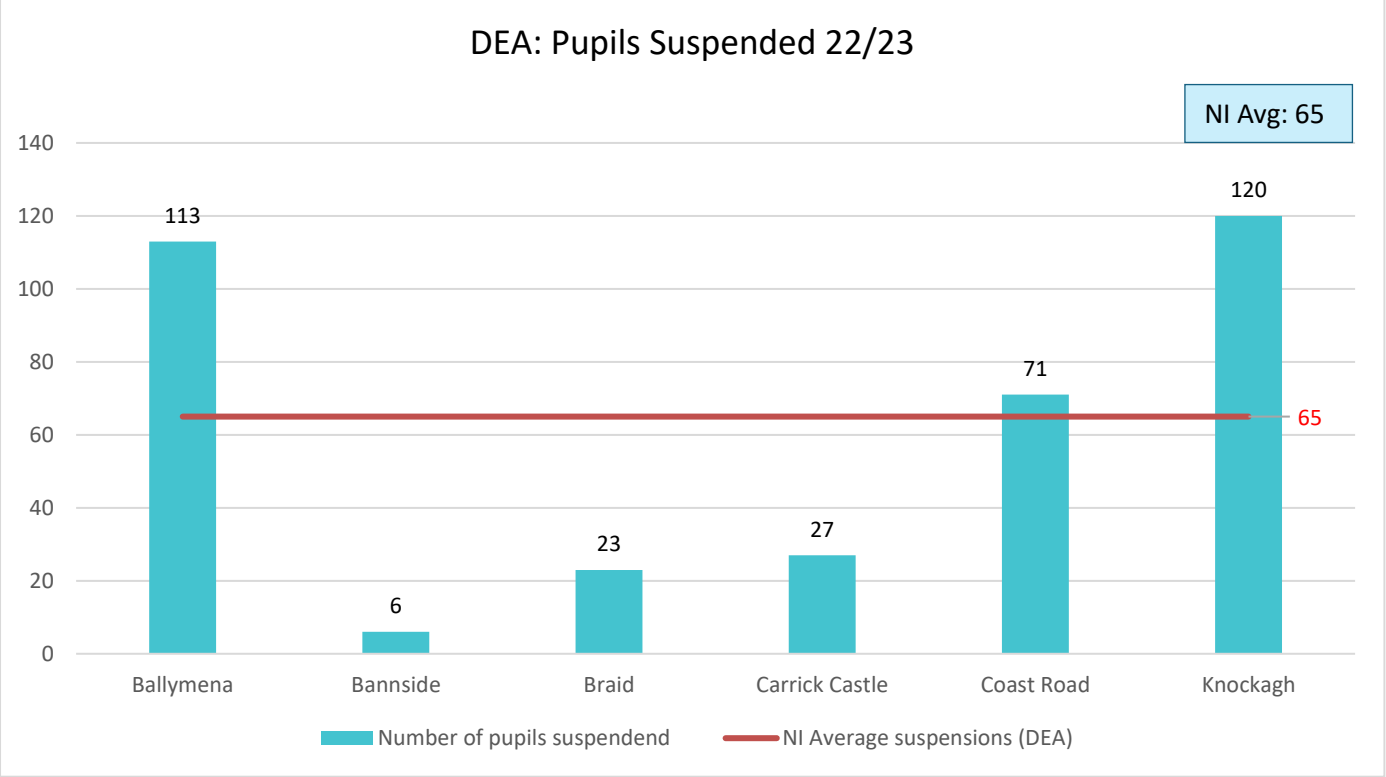
3.10 Pupils Suspended in Mid and East Antrim District Electoral Areas (DEA's)

Table 31: Pupils Suspended in 2022/2023 by DEA

DEA Name	Number of pupils suspended	NI Average suspensions (DEA)
Ballymena	113	65
Bannside	6	65
Braid	23	65
Carrick Castle	27	65
Coast Road	71	65
Knockagh	120	65

Source: School census data 22/23

Chart 69: Pupils Suspended by DEA (includes ps and pp)



3.11 Rates of non-attendance at school (post-primary)

Chart 70: Non-attendance rates in post-primary schools though unauthorised absence over 5 years, Mid and East Antrim LGD [Source: School census, DE]

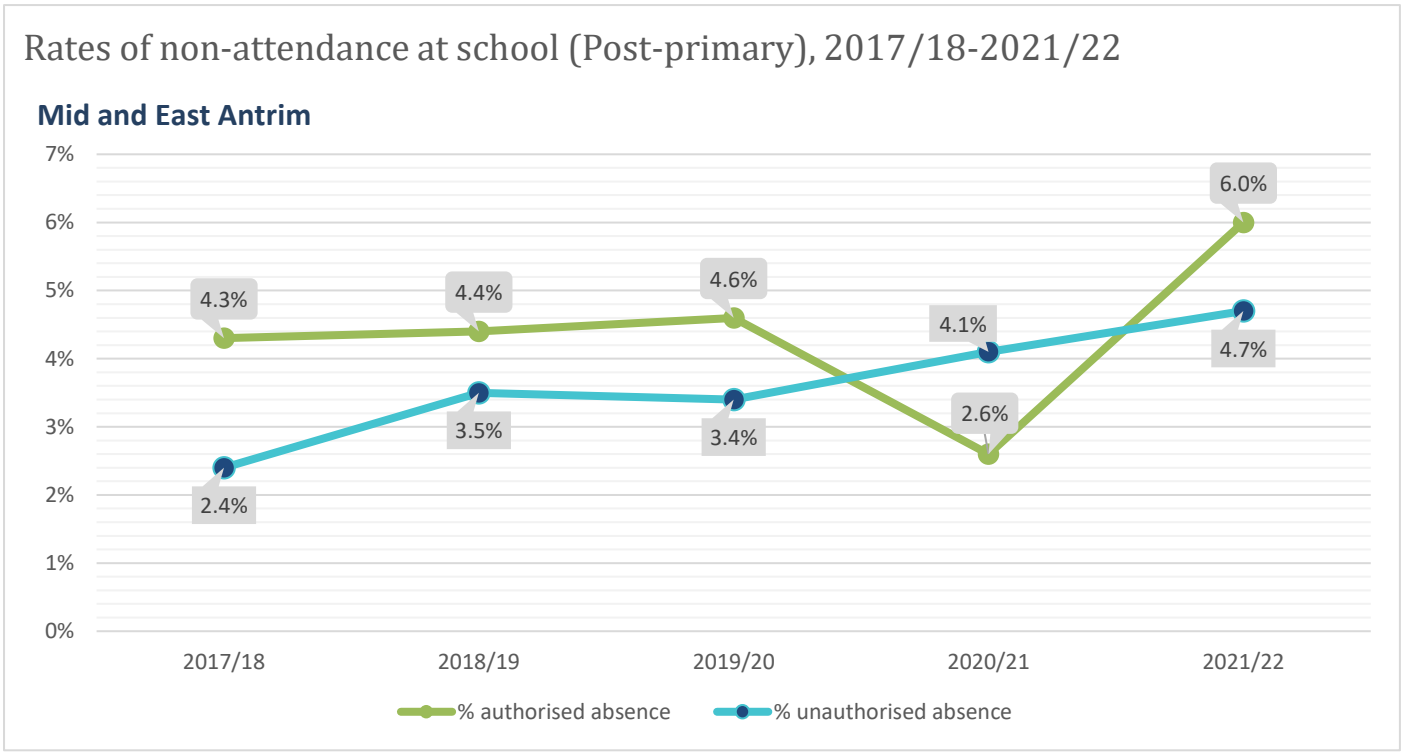


Chart 71: Non-attendance rates in post-primary schools though unauthorised absence, by DEA

[Source: School census, DE]

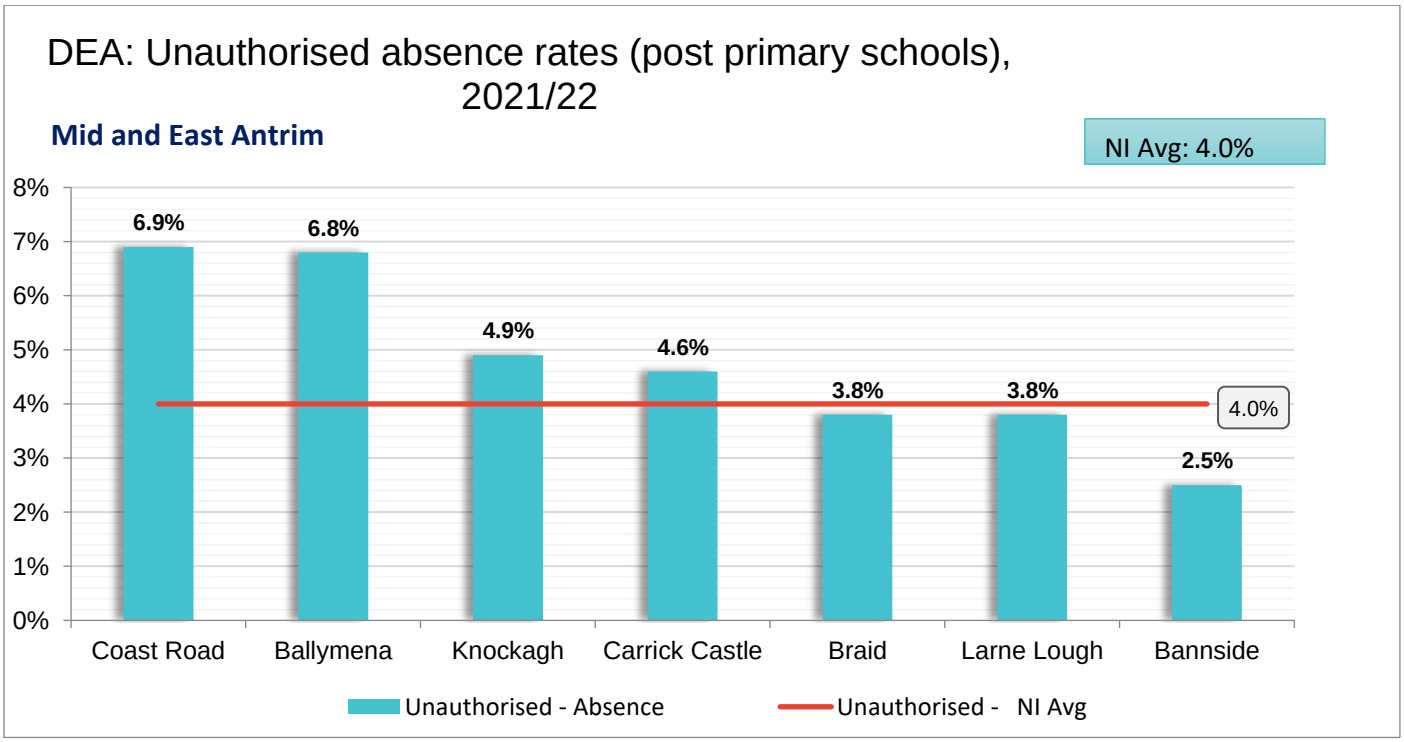
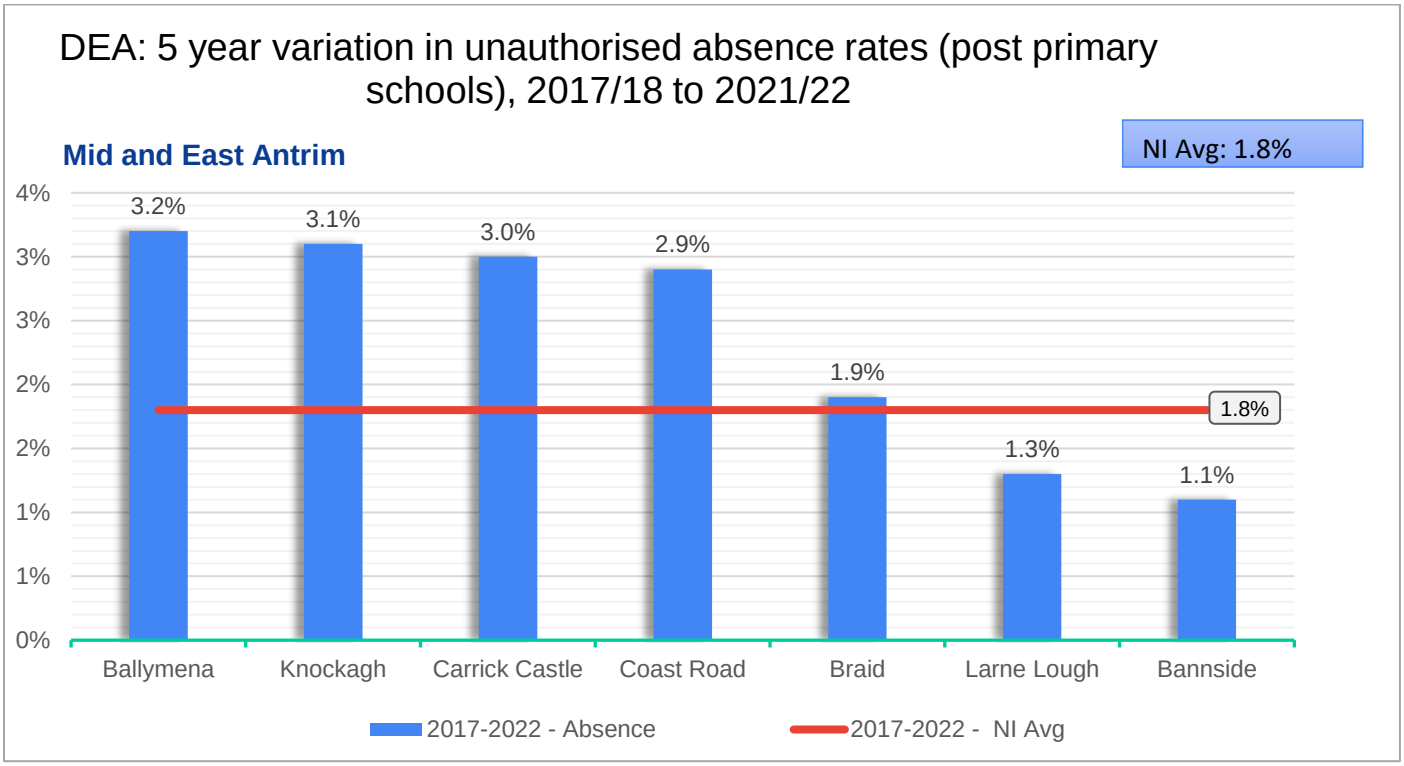


Chart 72: 5-year change in rates of non-attendance rates in post-primary schools though unauthorised absence, by DEA

[Source: School census, DE]



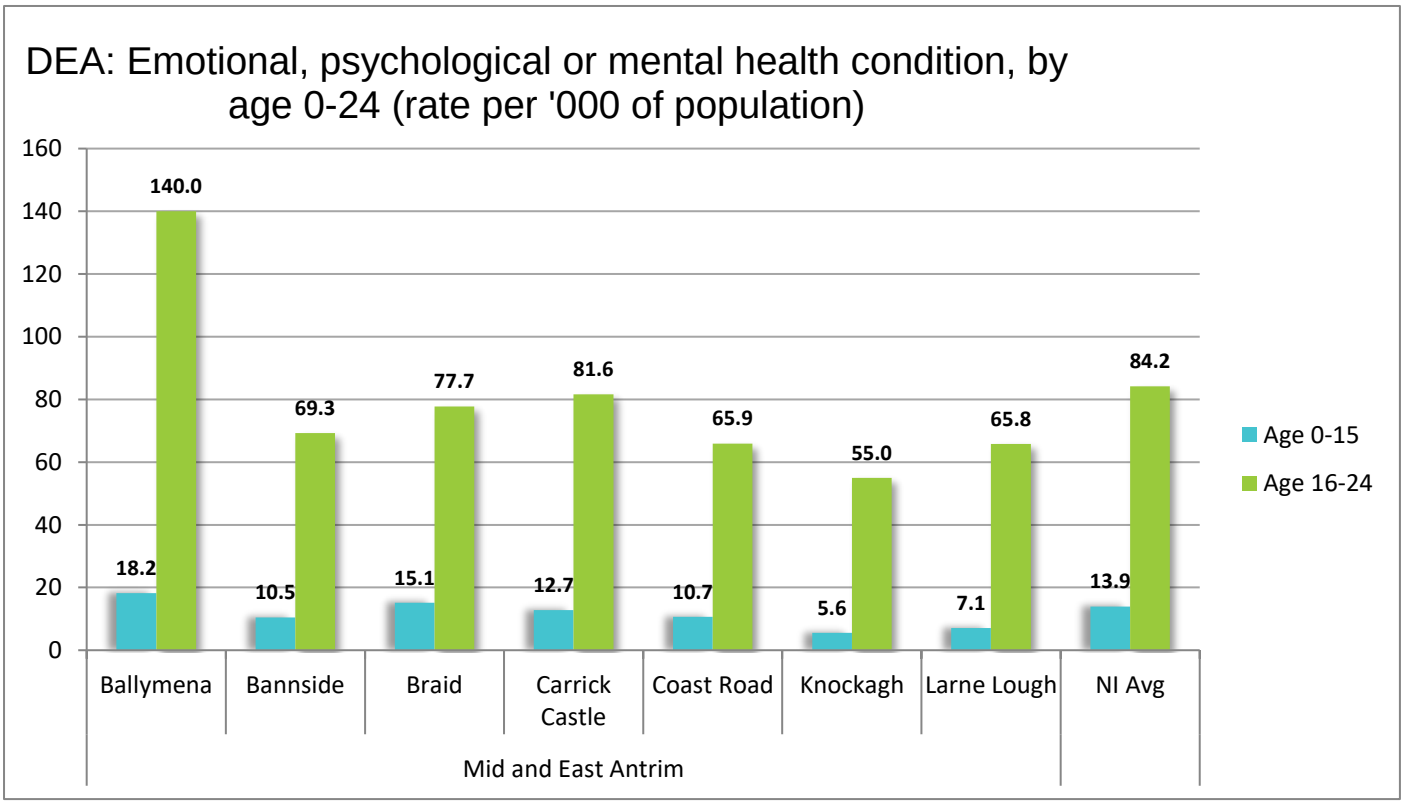
SECTION 4.0 HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

4.1 Mental and Emotional Health

Chart 73: Rates per '000 of the 0-24 population (comparing the 0-15 and 16-24 age categories) resident in Mid and East Antrim who have an emotional, psychological or mental health condition, by DEA.

This data is derived from a self-assessment of whether a person has a long-term emotional, psychological or mental health condition.

[Source: Census 2021]

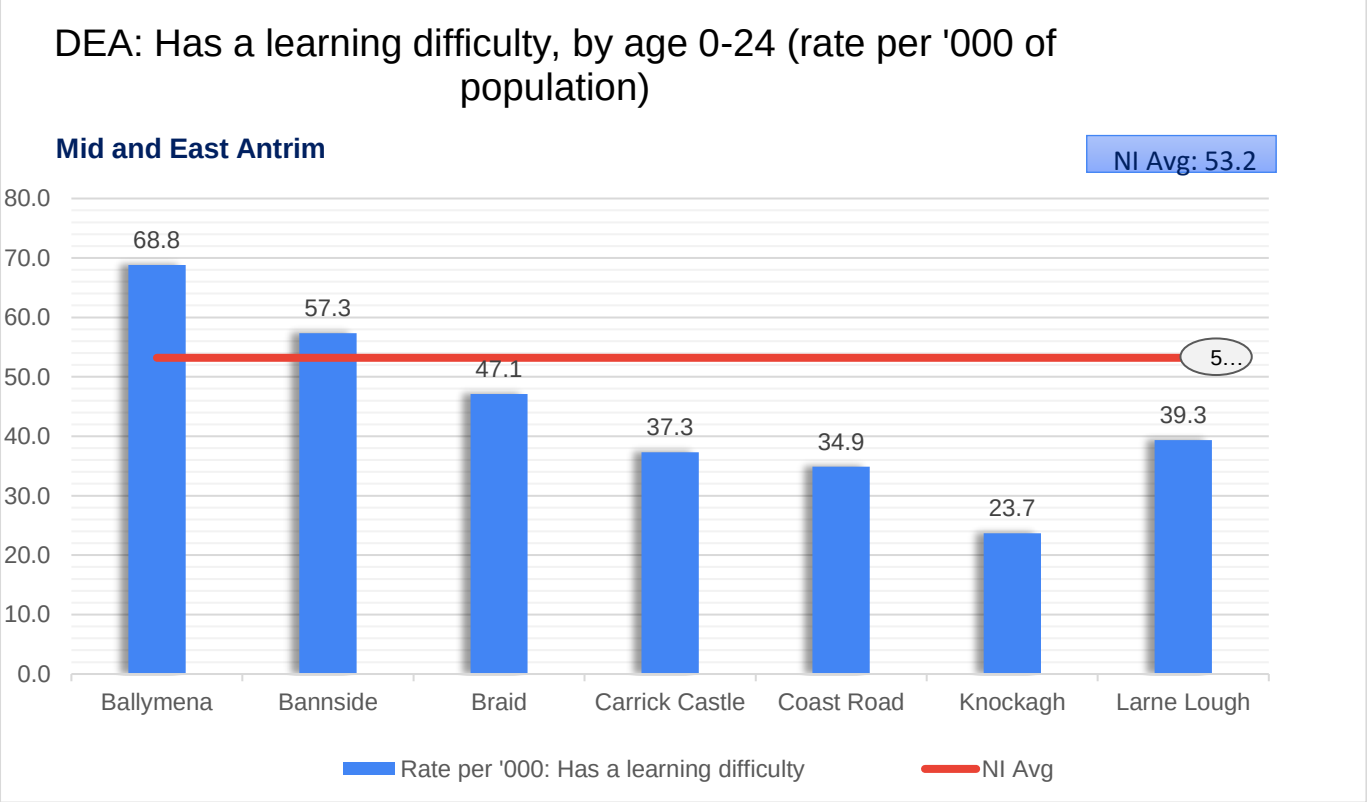


4.2 Learning Difficulty

Chart 74: Rate per'000 of the population age 0-24 resident in Mid and East Antrim who have a learning difficulty, by DEA.

Information is based on a self-assessment of whether a person has a long-term learning difficulty (for example dyslexia).

[Source: Census 2021]



4.3 Autism or Aspergers syndrome

Chart 75: Rate per'000 of the population age 0-24 resident in Mid and East Antrim who have Autism or Aspergers syndrome, by DEA.

Information is based on a self-assessment of whether a person has Autism or Aspergers syndrome

[Source: Census 2021]

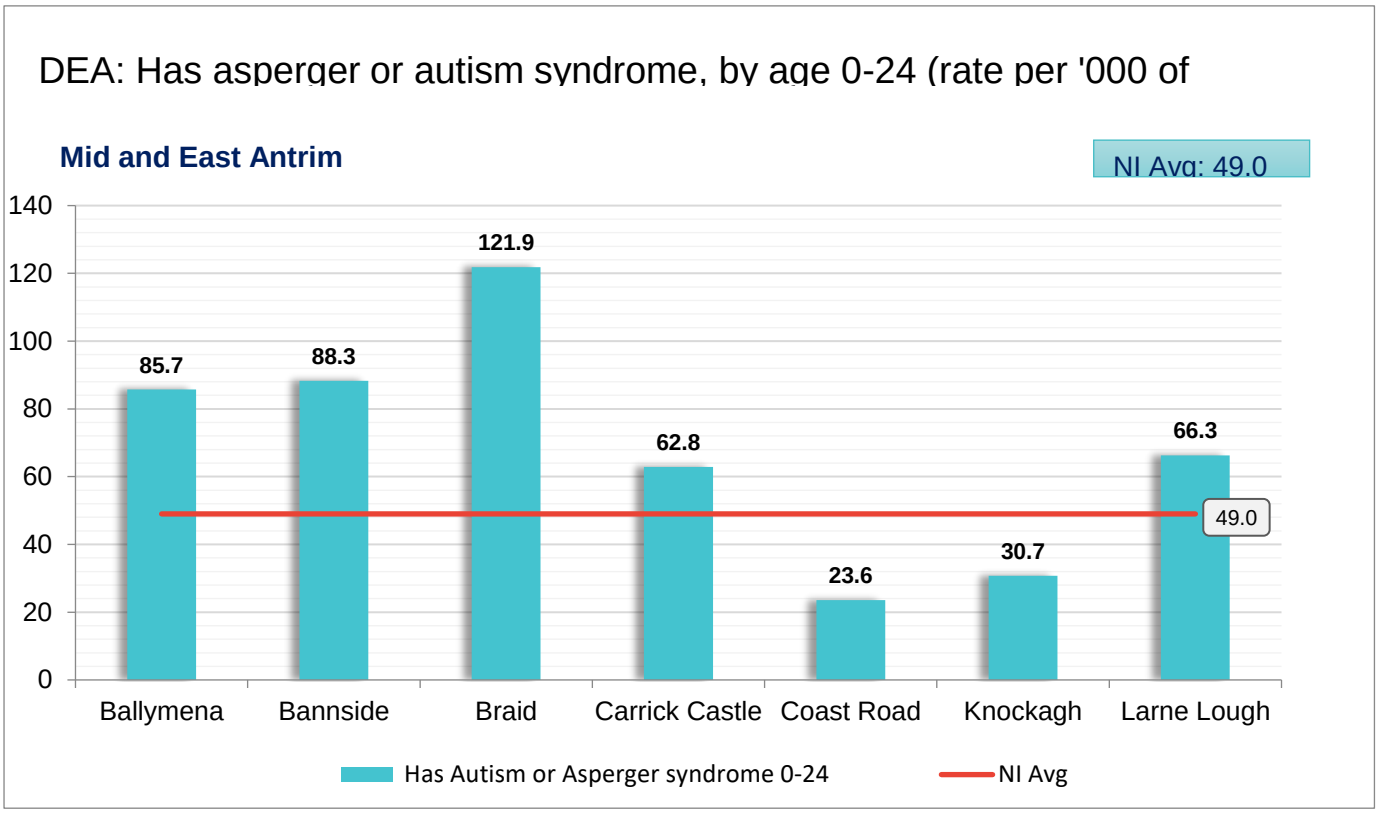


Table 32: Counts of population age 0-24 resident in Mid and East Antrim who have self-reported mental, emotional and learning conditions, by DEA

[Source: Census 2021]

Health Conditions by age 0-24, population counts 0-24 years, DEAs in Mid & East Antrim LGD				
District Electoral Area	**Population age 0-24**	**Has an emotional, psychological or mental health condition**	**Has Autism or Asperger syndrome**	**Has a learning difficulty**
Ballymena	4,852	285	416	334
Bannside	4,621	140	408	265
Braid	6,622	234	807	312
Carrick Castle	7,640	257	480	285
Coast Road	7,683	212	181	268
Knockagh	12,049	253	370	285
Larne Lough	6,049	158	401	238
Mid & East Antrim LGD	**49,516**	**1,539**	**3,063**	**1,987**

4.4 Long-term health conditions

Chart 76: Distribution of long-term health conditions reported by the age 0-24 population in Mid and East Antrim. A long-term health condition is one which has lasted, or is expected to last, at least 12 months. In census, this is a self-assessment question.

[Source: Census 2021]

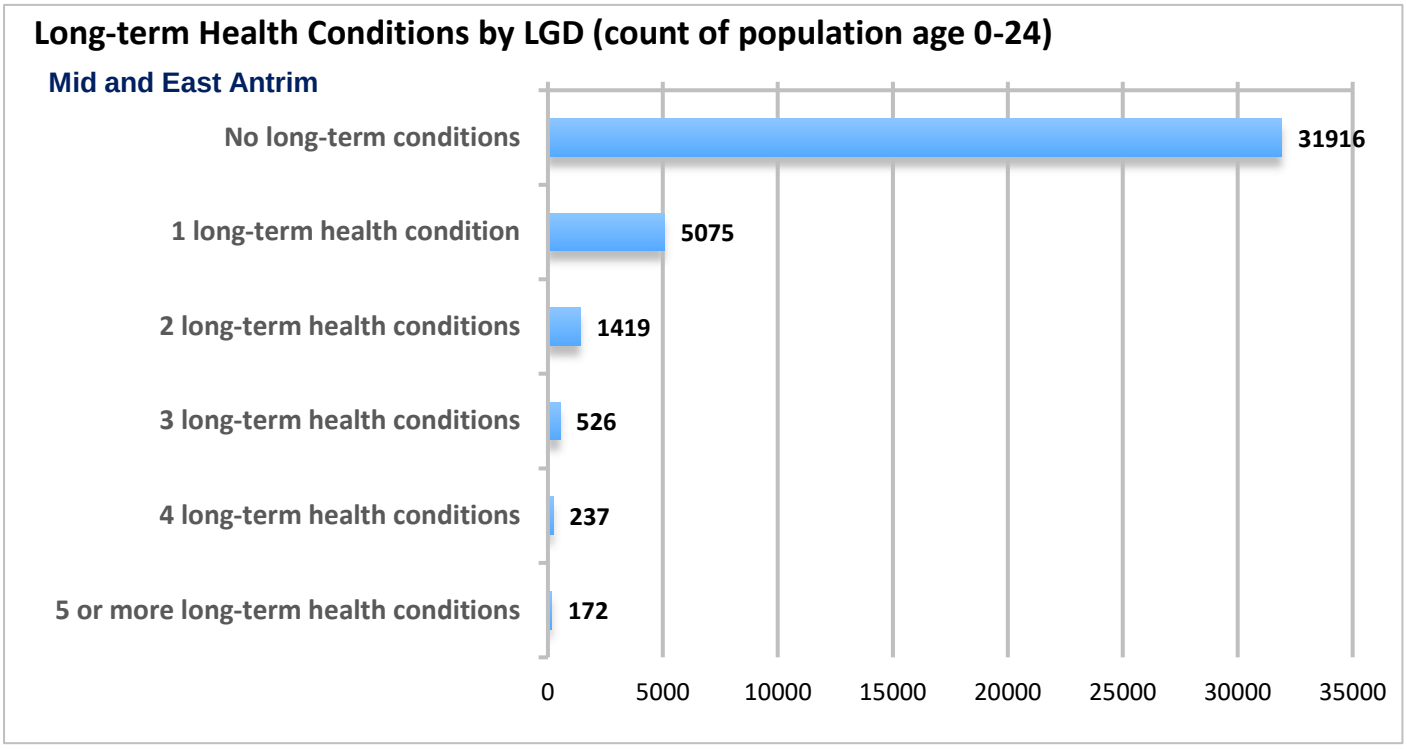
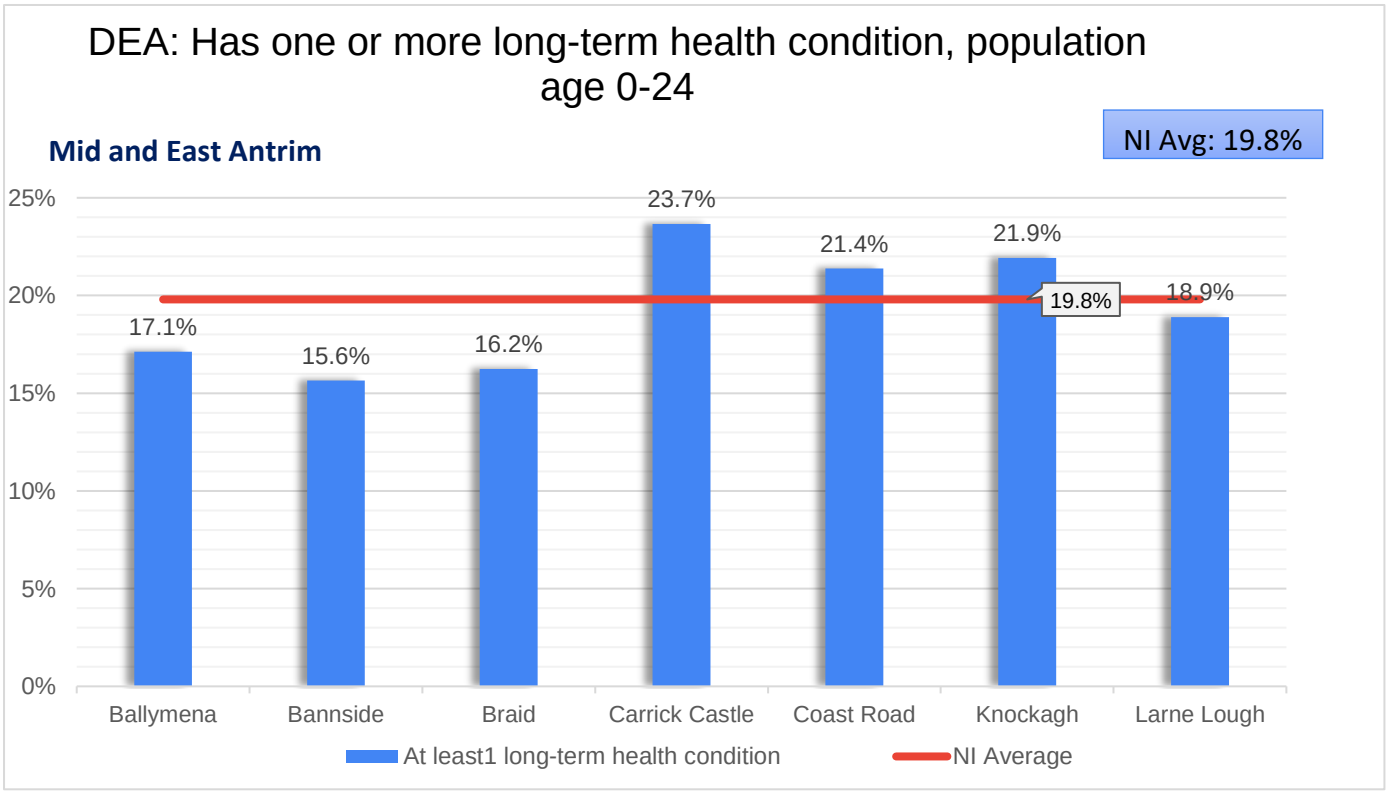


Chart 77: Percentage of the population age 0-24 resident in Mid and East Antrim who have at least one long-term health condition, by DEA.

[Source: Census 2021]



4.5 Childhood Obesity and Overweight Health

Diet/childhood BMI

Chart 78: The proportion of children who are classified as obese or, overweight or obese, extracted from the Child Health System.

overweight/obese figures and obesity figures are presented by academic year. The information relates to the height and weight information of Primary 1 pupils who were aged between 4 years 2 months and 6 years 2 months and of Year 8 pupils who were aged between 11 years 2 months and 13 years 2 months at the time of measurement. The height and weight information is converted into a Body Mass Index score for each pupil. The BMI has been categorized using International Obesity Task Force growth charts which consider age and gender, allowing those who are either overweight or obese to be identified.

[Source: Childhood BMI, Public Health Information and Research Branch]

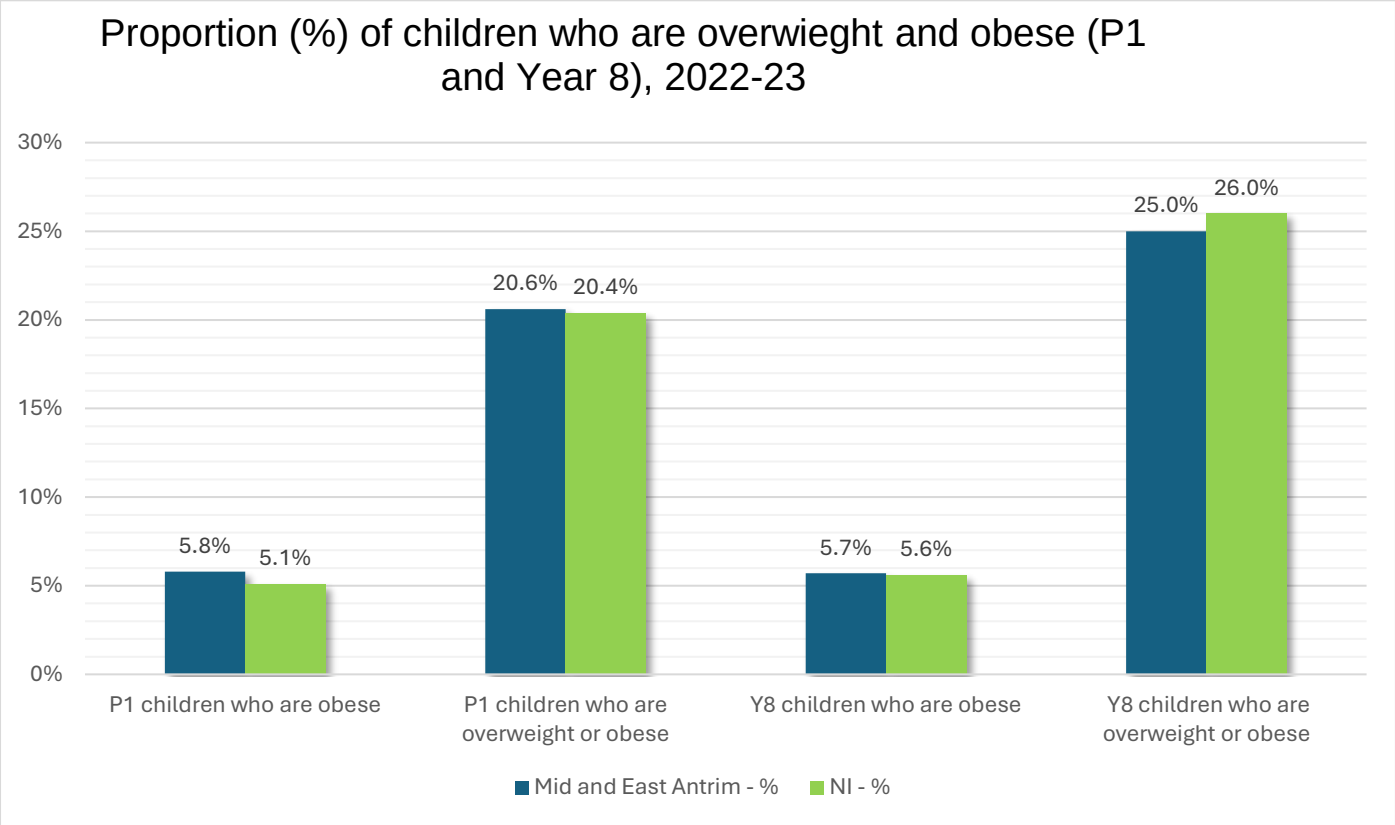


Chart 79: 5-year trend, child BMI at Year 8 by gender, Mid and East Antrim

Please note that data for the years 2020/21 and 2021/22 are not available.

[Source: Childhood BMI, Public Health Information and Research Branch]

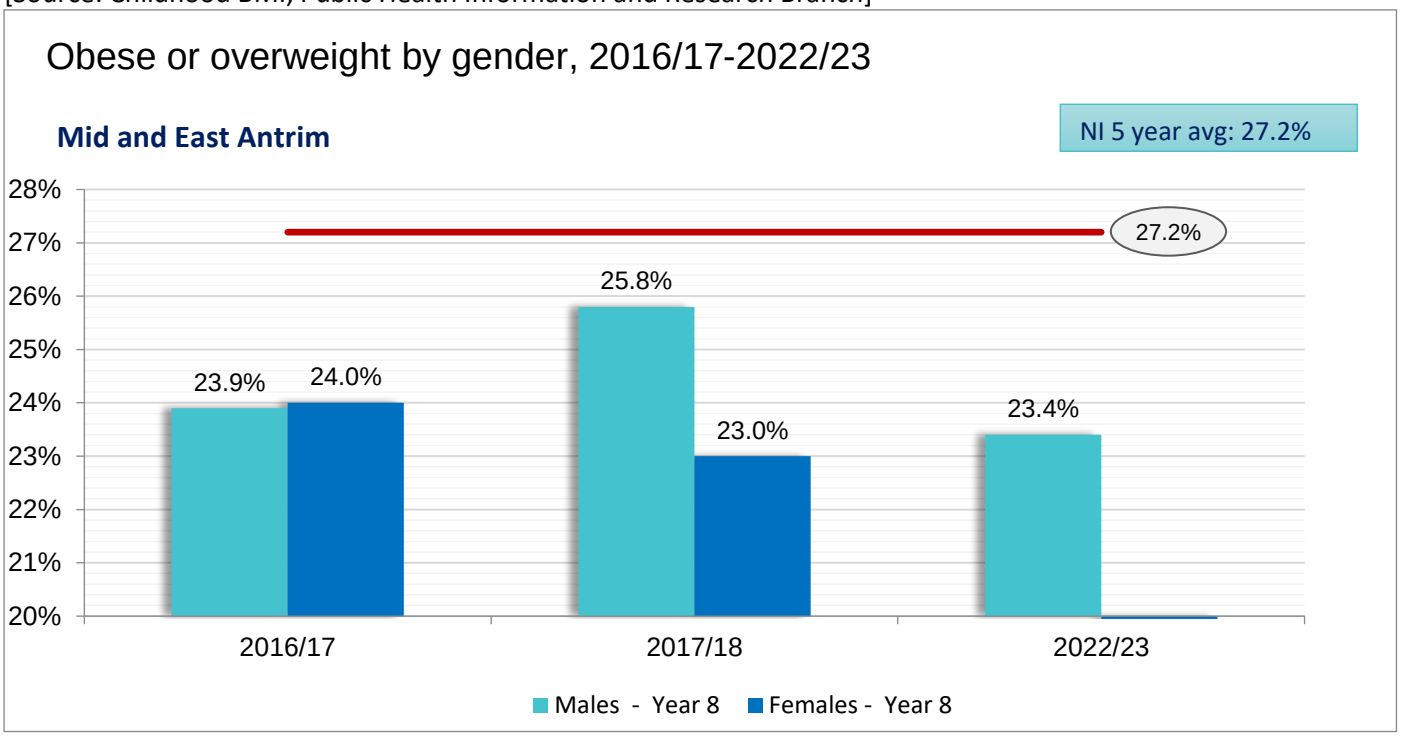


Chart 80: Child BMI by age and gender 2022-23, Mid and East Antrim

[Source: Childhood BMI, Public Health Information and Research Branch]

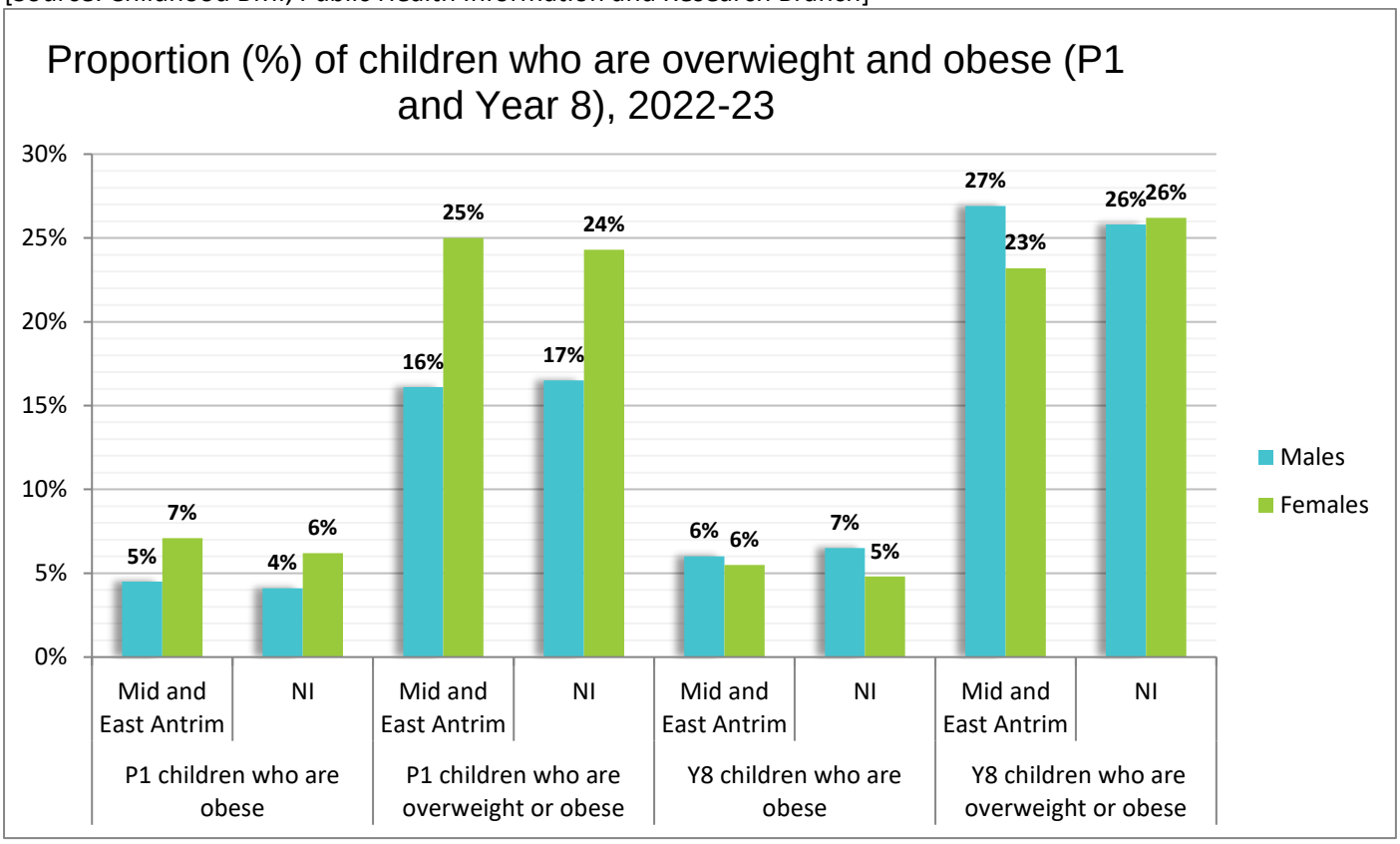
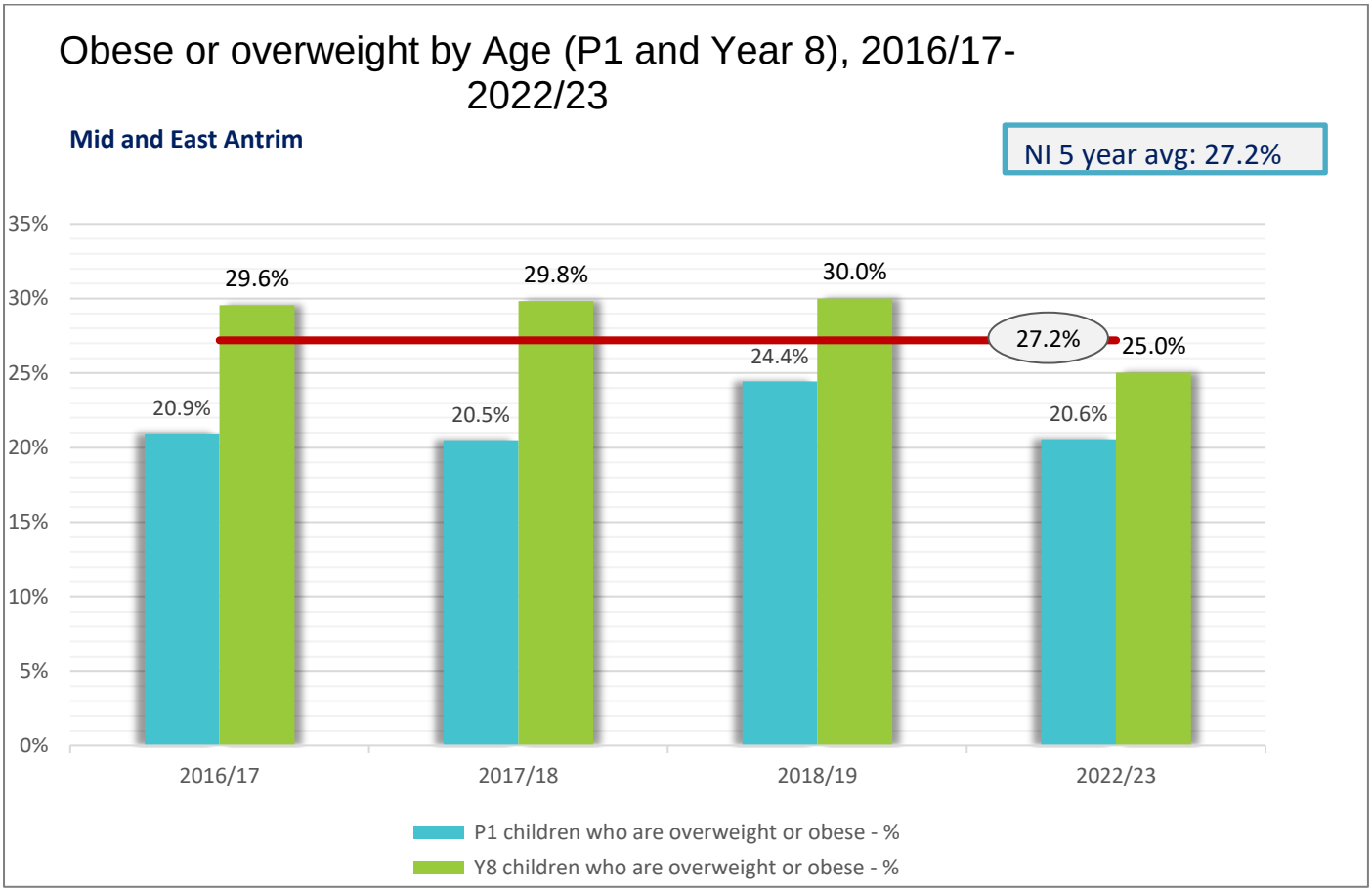


Chart 81: 5-year trend, child BMI by age, Mid & East Antrim

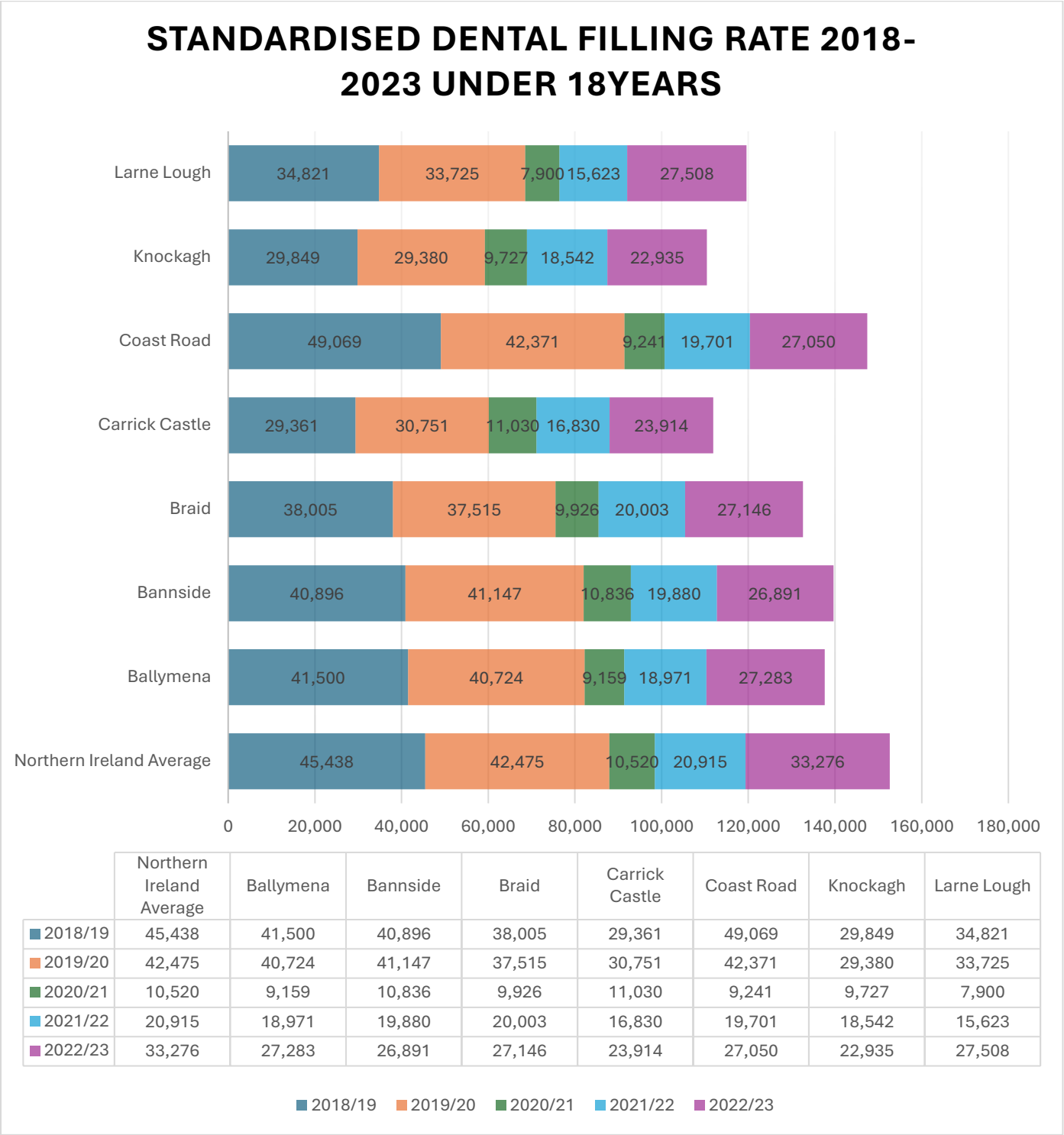
Please note that data for the years 2020/21 and data for P1 children from 2019/20 are not available.

[Source: Childhood BMI, Public Health Information and Research Branch]



4.6 Dental Health for Mid and East Antrim DEAs 2018 - 2023

Chart 82: Standardised Dental Fillings by DEA

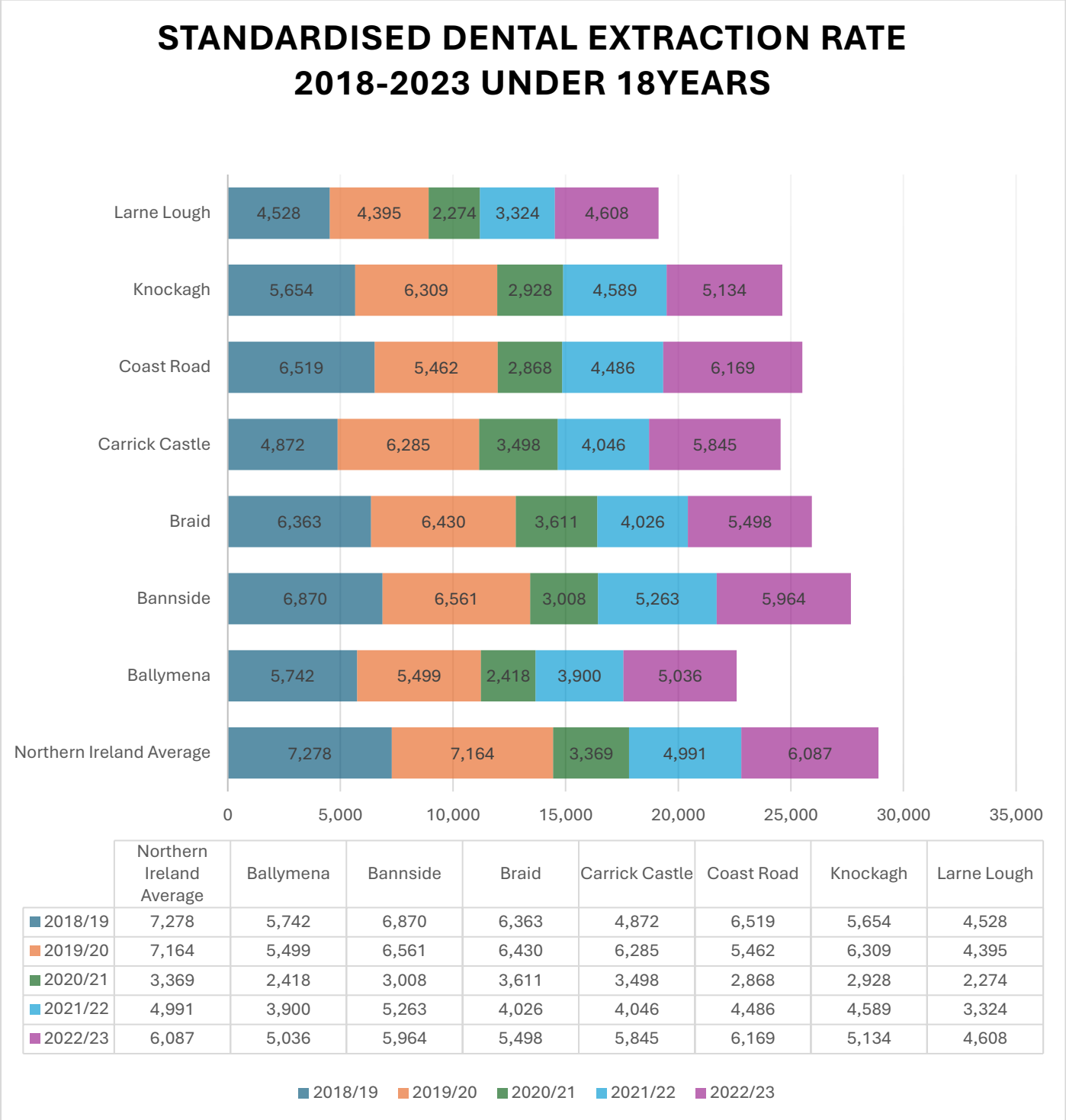


	Northern Ireland Average	Ballymena	Bannside	Braid	Carrick Castle	Coast Road	Knockagh	Larne Lough
2018/19	45,438	41,500	40,896	38,005	29,361	49,069	29,849	34,821
2019/20	42,475	40,724	41,147	37,515	30,751	42,371	29,380	33,725
2020/21	10,520	9,159	10,836	9,926	11,030	9,241	9,727	7,900
2021/22	20,915	18,971	19,880	20,003	16,830	19,701	18,542	15,623
2022/23	33,276	27,283	26,891	27,146	23,914	27,050	22,935	27,508

Source: NISRA 22/23

4.7 Dental Extractions for Mid and East Antrim DEAs 2018 - 2023

Chart 83: Standardised Dental Extractions by DEA



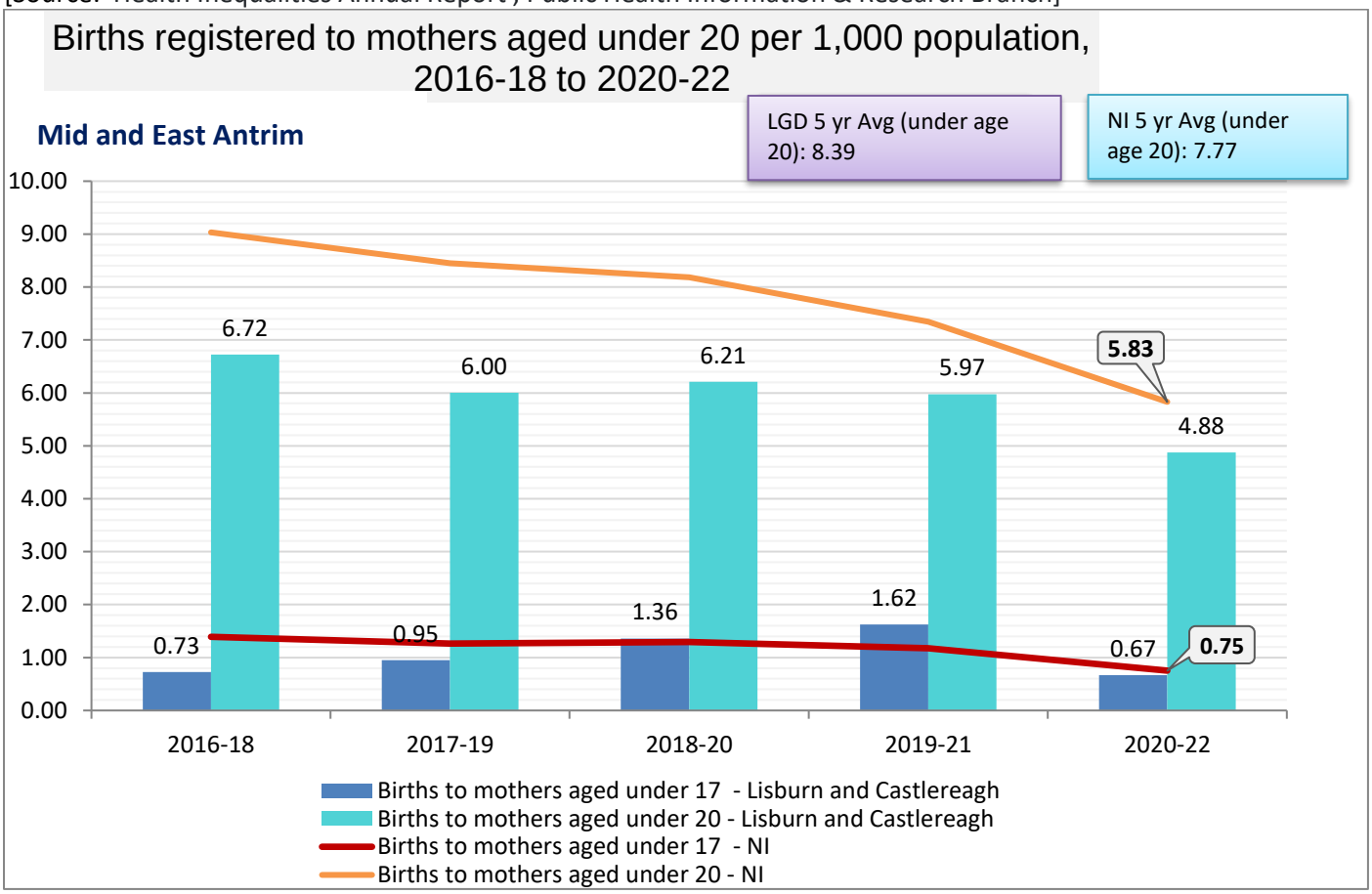
	Northern Ireland Average	Ballymena	Bannside	Braid	Carrick Castle	Coast Road	Knockagh	Larne Lough
2018/19	7,278	5,742	6,870	6,363	4,872	6,519	5,654	4,528
2019/20	7,164	5,499	6,561	6,430	6,285	5,462	6,309	4,395
2020/21	3,369	2,418	3,008	3,611	3,498	2,868	2,928	2,274
2021/22	4,991	3,900	5,263	4,026	4,046	4,486	4,589	3,324
2022/23	6,087	5,036	5,964	5,498	5,845	6,169	5,134	4,608

Source: NISRA 22/23

4.8 Teenage birth rates

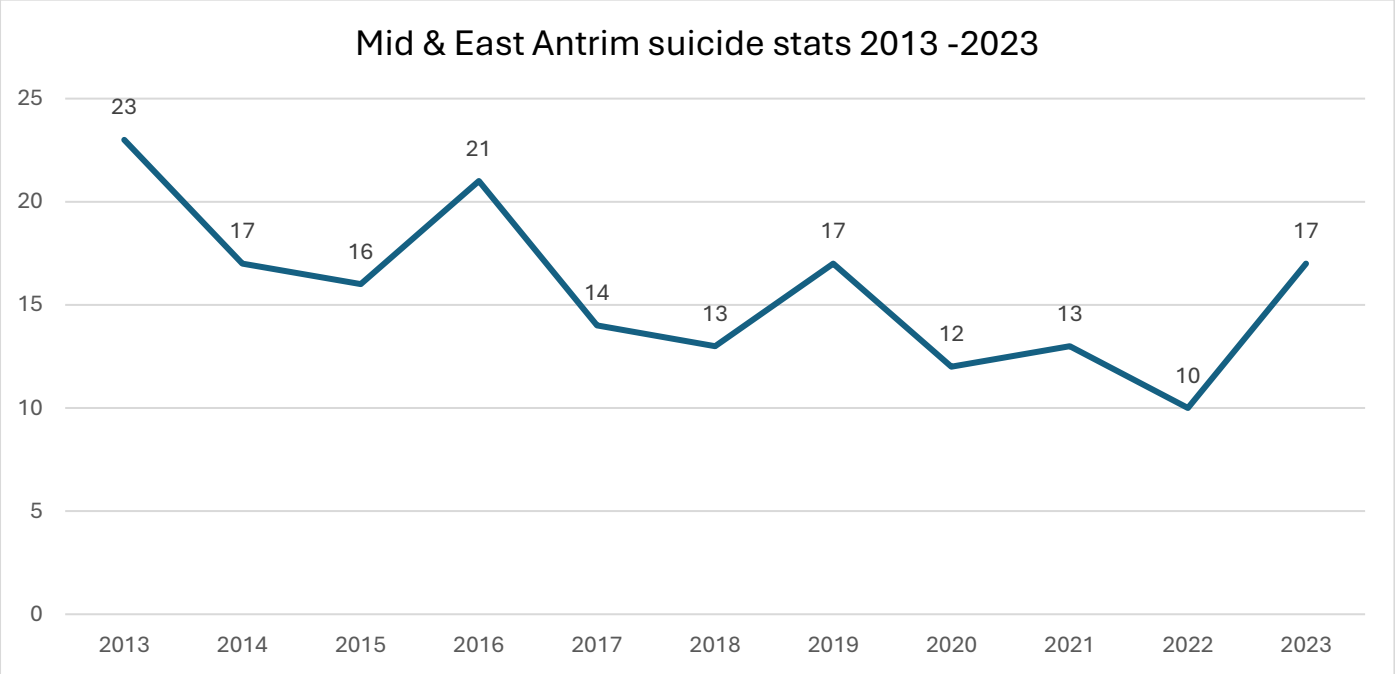
Chart 84: Births registered to mothers under the age of 17 (between 13 and 16 years of age inclusive) and under the age of 20 (between the ages of 13 and 19 inclusive) per 1,000 females since 2016 by two-year cycles.

[Source: 'Health Inequalities Annual Report', Public Health Information & Research Branch]



4.9 Suicide Deaths in Northern Ireland

Chart 85: Mid & East Antrim suicide stats 2013-2023



Source: NISRA 2025

In 2023, one in every five suicide deaths was someone under the age of 30. This is in line with previous years. Suicide remains the leading cause of death in males under 50. Of the 561 male deaths registered in 2023 where the deceased was under 50 years of age,107 were to suicide (19.1%).

In 2023, suicide deaths were highest for men between the ages of 25 and 29 at 26 deaths, while for women the highest number of suicide deaths were between the ages of 50 and 54.

The suicide rate (age-standardised) in Northern Ireland was 13.3 deaths per 100,000 population in 2023. This rate has fluctuated since the start of the revised series (2015), ranging from 11.9 per 100,000 in 2016 to 14.3 per 100, 000 in both 2018 and 2021.

The percentage of suicides in 2023 within Northern Ireland's most deprived areas (28.5 per cent) was over twice that of the least deprived areas (13.1 per cent).

The Northern Trust had the highest number of suicides in 2023 (56), followed by Belfast Trust (50). The Western Trust had the lowest number of suicides in 2023 (36).

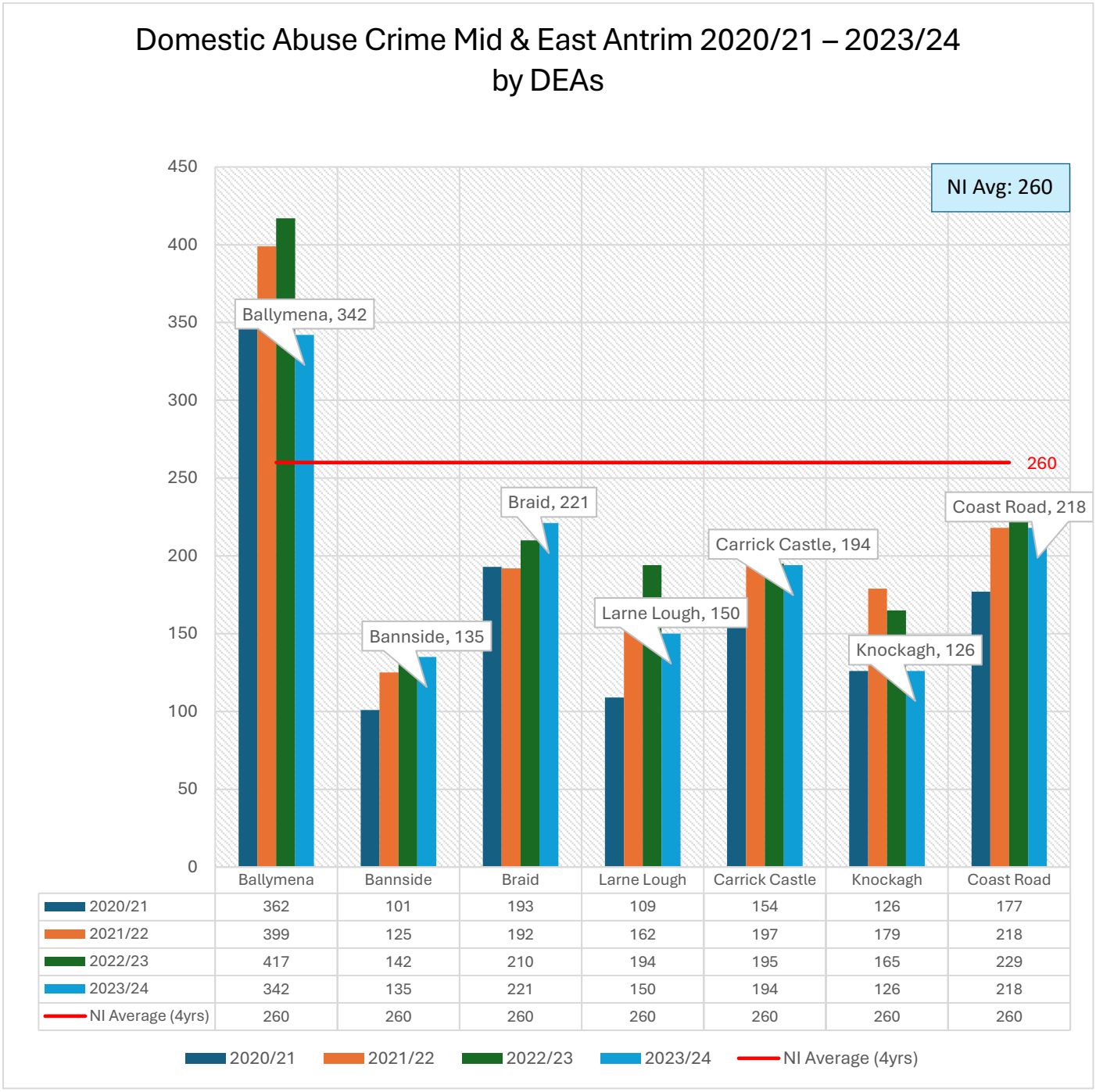
171 (77.4 per cent) of the 221 suicide deaths in 2023 were males and 50 (22.6 per cent) were females. The age-standardised rate for males increased from 19.2 per 100,000 males in 2022 to 20.9 in 2023, while for females, the equivalent rate increased from 5.7 per 100,000 females in 2022 to 5.9 in 2023.

Source: NISRA 2025

SECTION 5.0 LIVING IN SAFETY AND STABILITY

5.1 Domestic Abuse Crimes Mid and East Antrim DEAs

Chart 86: Domestic Abuse by DEAs from 2020 – 2024

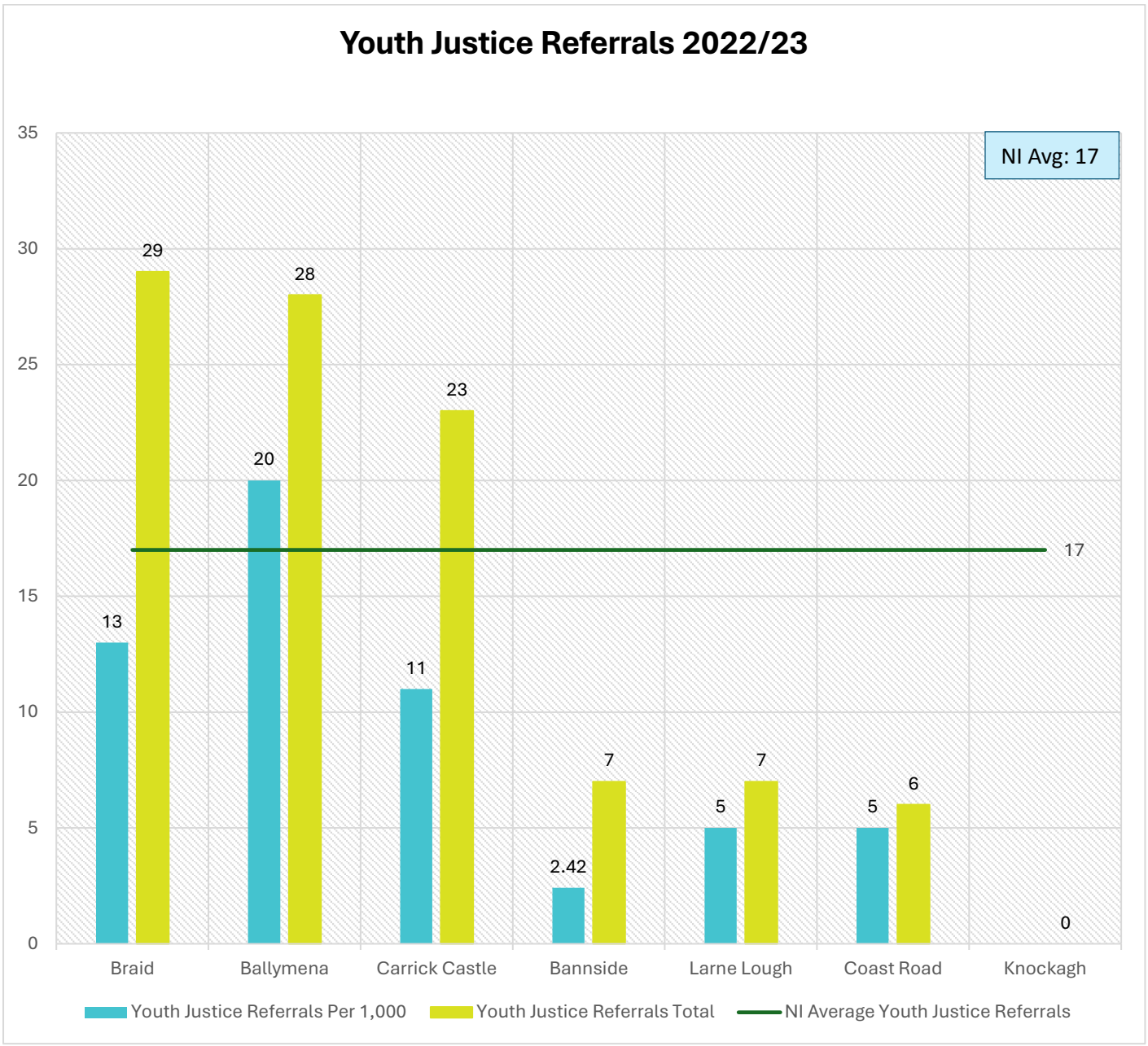


	Ballymena	Bannside	Braid	Larne Lough	Carrick Castle	Knockagh	Coast Road
2020/21	362	101	193	109	154	126	177
2021/22	399	125	192	162	197	179	218
2022/23	417	142	210	194	195	165	229
2023/24	342	135	221	150	194	126	218
NI Average (4yrs)	260	260	260	260	260	260	260

Source: NISRA 2024

5.2 Youth Justice Referrals Mid and East Antrim DEAs 2022/2023

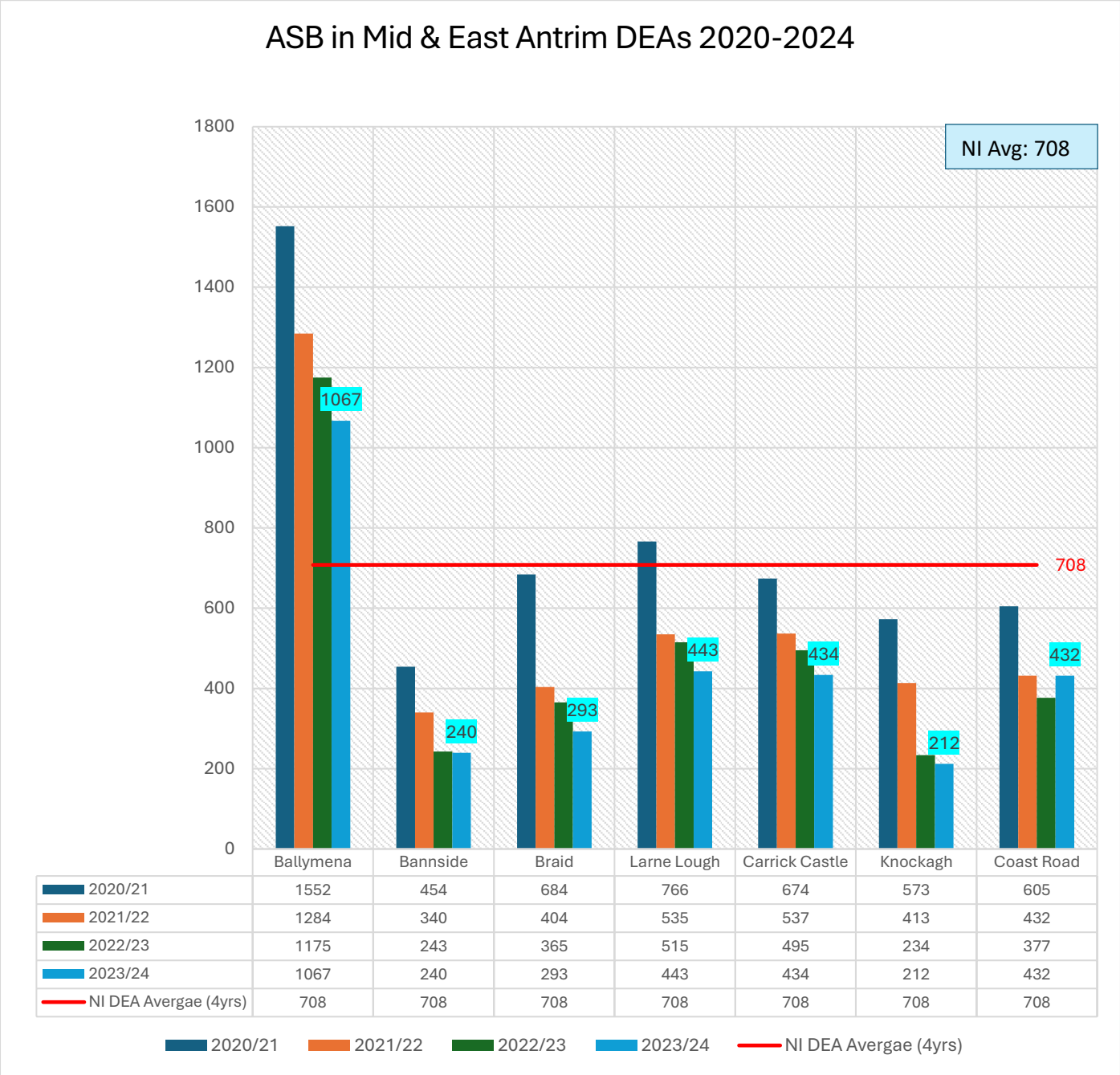
Chart 87: Youth Justice Referrals by DEA



Source: NISRA 2024

5.3 Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents Mid and East Antrim DEAs 2020 - 2024

Chart 88: Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents by DEA 2020 – 2024



	Ballymena	Bannside	Braid	Larne Lough	Carrick Castle	Knockagh	Coast Road
2020/21	1552	454	684	766	674	573	605
2021/22	1284	340	404	535	537	413	432
2022/23	1175	243	365	515	495	234	377
2023/24	1067	240	293	443	434	212	432
NI DEA Avergae (4yrs)	708	708	708	708	708	708	708

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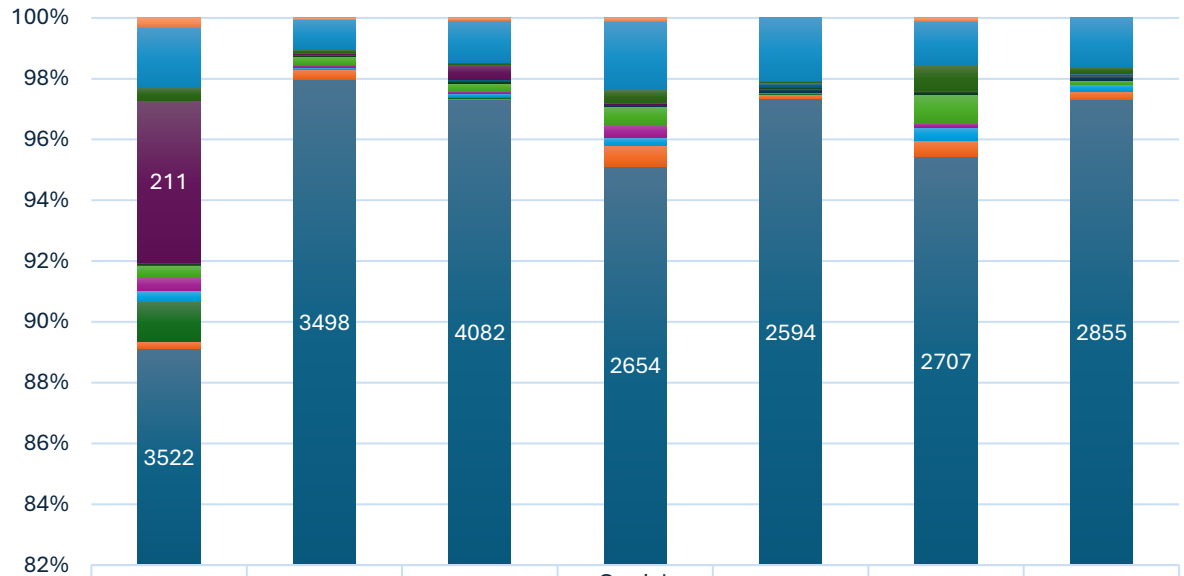
Source: NISRA 2024

SECTION 6.0 INCLUSION, DIVERISTY & EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

6.1 Ethnicity of pupils in Mid and East Antrim DEAs

The table below highlights the ethnicity of pupils in nursery, primary, post primary and special schools by District Electoral Area for 2022/23.

Chart 89: Ethnicity of pupils by DEA



	Ballymena	Bannside	Braid	Carrick Castle	Coast Road	Knockagh	Larne Lough
Unclassified	12	2	3	3	0	3	0
Mixed Ethnic Group	78	35	58	63	55	40	47
Other Non White	17	4	3	12	2	25	7
Roma	211	2	21	1	0	0	0
Vietnamese	1	1	1	0	4	0	2
Malaysian	2	1	4	0	1	3	0
Korean	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bangladeshi	1	0	0	2	3	0	4
Black	15	10	11	17	1	27	4
Pakistani	18	3	3	12	0	4	0
Indian/Sri-Lankan	14	3	5	7	0	12	7
Irish Traveller	52	0	2	0	1	0	0
Chinese/Hong Kong	9	11	1	19	4	15	8
White	3522	3498	4082	2654	2594	2707	2855

Source: DE school censes 2022/23 - (pupil address)

6.2 Main language spoken other than English

Chart 90: Distribution of main languages spoken other than English, by population age 4-24 for Mid and East Antrim LGD.

A person's main language as stated in the census. Main Language is applicable to people aged 3 and over, thus the age categories are amended to age 4-24.

[Source: Census 2021]

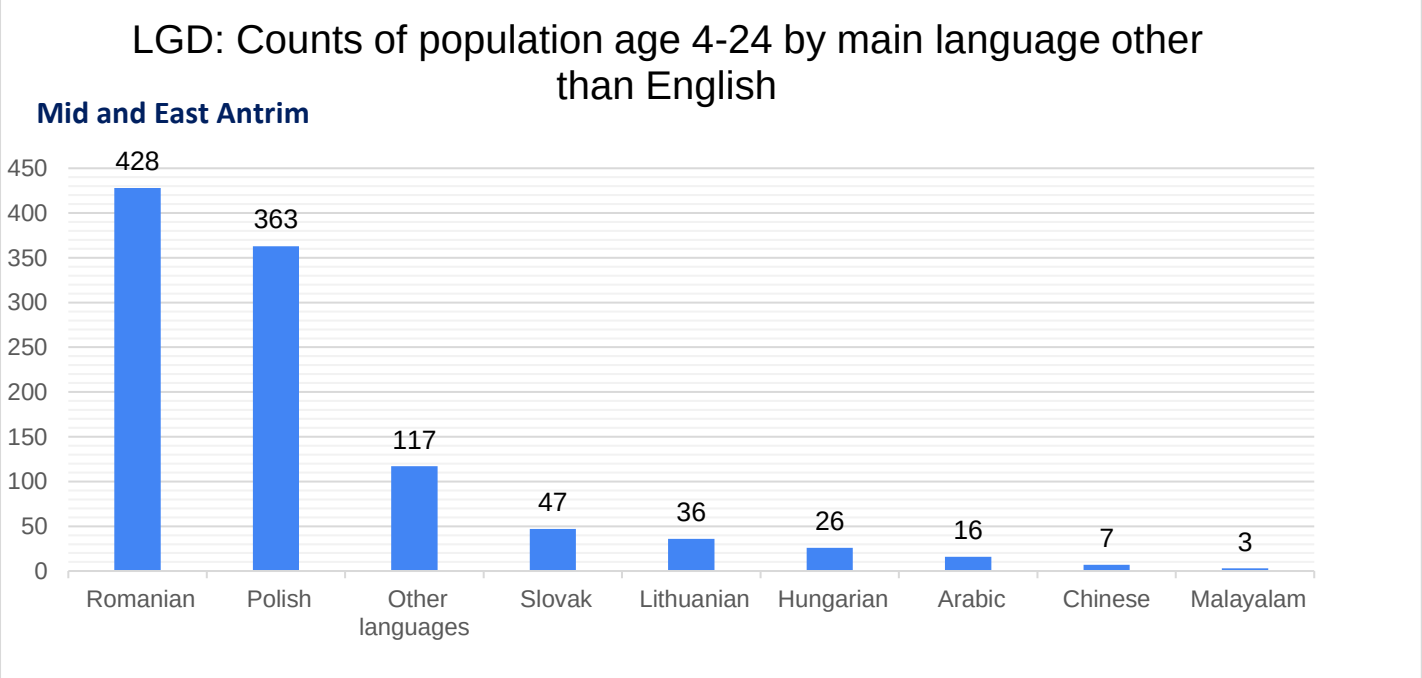
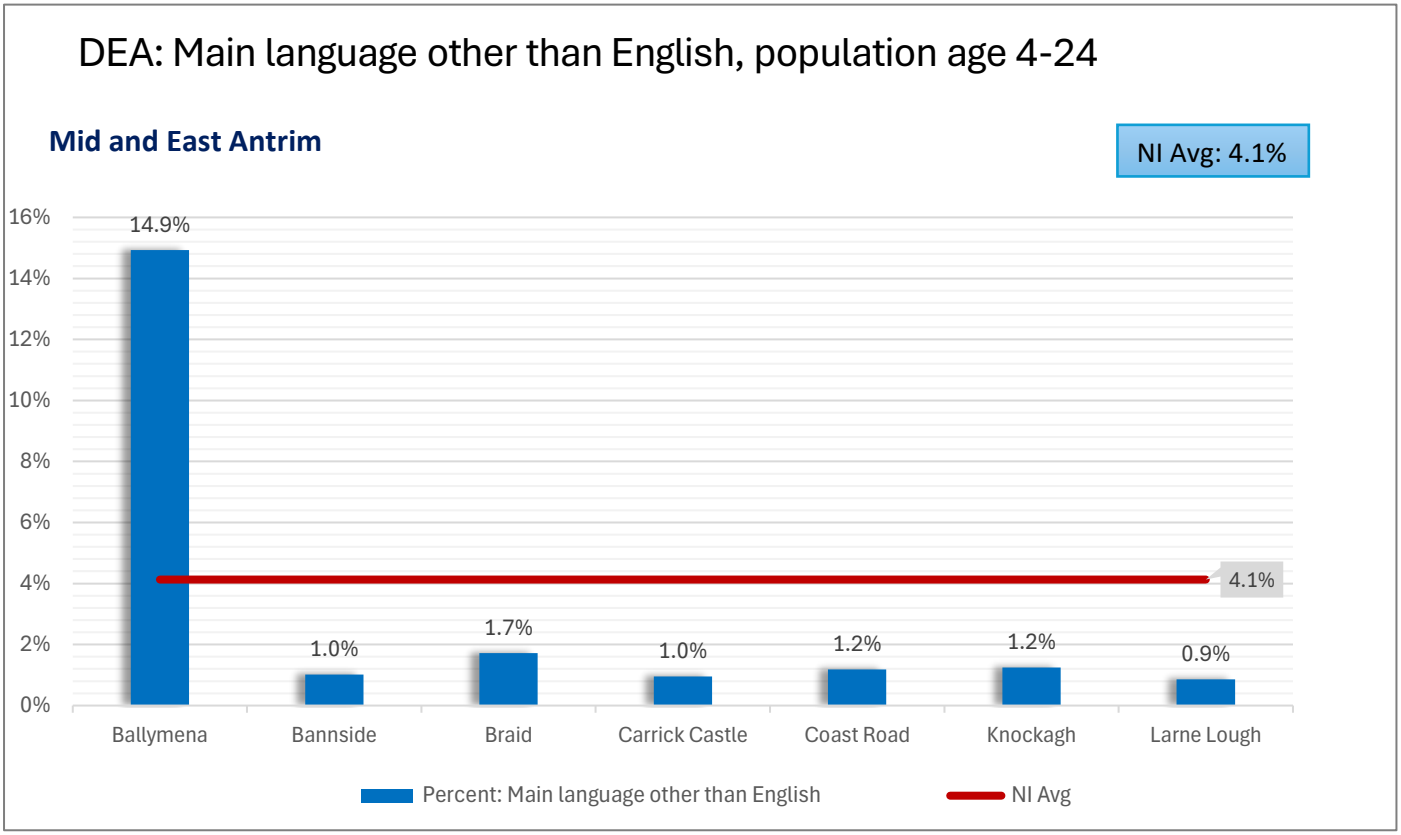


Chart 91: Percentage of population age 4-24 for whose main language is not English, by DEA.

[Source: Census 2021]



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Table 33: Counts of population age 4-24 whose main language is not English, by DEA

[Source: Census 2021]

Main language spoken, age 4-24: Mid & East Antrim			
District Electoral Area	**Population 4-24**	**Percent: Other languages age 4-24**	**Count: Other languages age 4-24**
Ballymena	6,285	14.9%	938
Bannside	5,209	1.0%	53
Braid	6,298	1.7%	108
Carrick Castle	4,419	1.0%	42
Coast Road	4,144	1.2%	49
Knockagh	4,336	1.2%	54
Larne Lough	4,313	0.9%	37
All Mid & East Antrim	**35,004**	**3.7%**	**1,281**