A summary of the adult social care sector and workforce in Camden 2023/24



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

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

Size and structure of the workforce

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

The total number of posts in Camden

Workforce demographics

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

Workers in Camden had on average 8.6 years of experience in the sector and 74% of the workforce had been working in the sector for at least three years.

We have many resources and tools available to help. Please visit our <u>values-based</u> recruitment page for more information.

Skills for Care have also collaborated with the adult social care sector and people who draw on care and support to develop a <u>Workforce Strategy</u>, which includes <u>attraction</u> recommendations and commitments.

Employment information

We estimate Camden had 6,100 adult social care filled posts in the local authority and independent sectors. These included 650 managerial roles, 225 regulated profession roles, 4,400 direct care (including 3,600 care workers), and 800 other-non-care proving roles.

The average number of sickness days taken in the last year in Camden was 5.3, (4.2 in London and 5.3 across England). With an estimated directly employed workforce of 4,600, this means employers in Camden lost approximately 24,000 days to sickness in 2023/24.

Around two thirds of the workforce (60%) usually worked full-time hours in Camden and 40% were part-time.

Around a third (33%) of the workforce were on zero-hours contracts.

