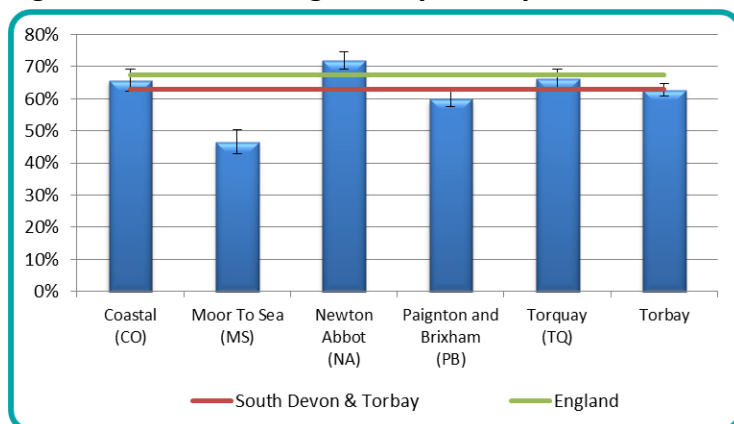


The purpose of this profile is to provide an overview of dementia diagnosis across South Devon and Torbay. Dementia is associated with decreasing cognitive function and ability including symptoms such as memory loss and confusion. Early diagnosis can help people with dementia get the right treatment and support, and help those close to them to prepare and plan for the future. With treatment and support, many people are able to lead active, fulfilled lives. Dementia mainly affects older people, and after the age of 65, the likelihood of developing dementia roughly doubles every five years.

As society ages, the number of people with dementia is expected to increase. Across South Devon there are around **3,000** (Jan '17 QOF) registered patients on a dementia disease register (4.1% of those aged 65+). However, population level prevalence estimates suggests the actual number of persons with dementia is nearer **4,800** (6.5% of those aged 65+). This difference represents a potential level of unmet need in the population of around **1,800** (2.4% of those aged 65+) – the numbers are shown in table 1.

This difference (3,000 of 4,800) suggests that 63% of those with dementia are known to primary care. This figure is known as dementia diagnoses i.e. 63% of those with dementia have been diagnosed. Across South Devon and Torbay there is noticeable variation in dementia diagnosis, from over 70% in Newton Abbot, to less than 50% in Moor to Sea.

**Figure 1: Dementia diagnosis by locality**

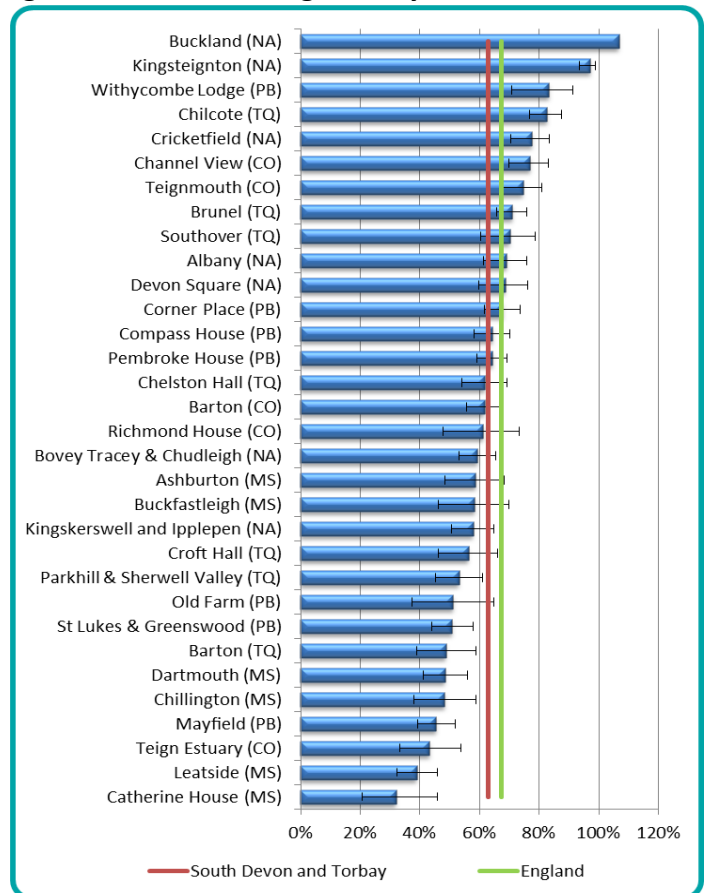


Source: GP registered population, NHS D, CFAS II prevalence estimates, Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF)

Across England the dementia diagnosis is 67.4%, this is higher than the official South Devon and Torbay diagnosis of 61.4%. The local estimate\*\* for South Devon and Torbay is 63.0% and 62.7% in Torbay.

The variation is further pronounced at practice level, with Buckland in Newton Abbot (NA) having slightly more than expected on the dementia register, and Catherine House in Moor to Sea (MS) having around 1 in 3 of the expected number.

**Figure 2: Dementia diagnosis by GP Practice**



Source: GP registered population, NHS D, CFAS II prevalence estimates, Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF)

# DEMENTIA DIAGNOSIS RATES

## AN OVERVIEW OF SOUTH DEVON AND TORBAY – 2017

**Table 1: Dementia counts and diagnosis by GP practice and locality (Jan '17)**

Area	Locality	GP Practice	Population aged 65+	QOF Dementia Register 65+	Dementia prevalence estimates	Potential unmet need	Dementia diagnosis
South Devon	Coastal (CO)	Barton (Dawlish)	3,964	157	255	98	61.7%
		Channel View	2,384	121	157	36	77.0%
		Richmond House	770	32	52	20	61.3%
		Teign Estuary	1,272	37	86	49	43.2%
		Teignmouth	2,187	114	153	39	74.6%
	<b>Coastal Total</b>		<b>10,577</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>702</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>65.6%</b>
	Moor To Sea (MS)	Ashburton	1,481	53	90	37	58.6%
		Buckfastleigh	1,137	37	63	26	58.4%
		Catherine House	725	16	50	34	32.0%
		Chillington	1,352	41	85	44	48.4%
		Dartmouth	2,540	81	167	86	48.4%
	Leatside	3,402	78	200	122	38.9%	
	<b>Moor To Sea Total</b>		<b>10,637</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>46.6%</b>
	Newton Abbot (NA)	Albany	2,268	104	151	47	69.0%
		Bovey and Chudleigh	3,861	147	248	101	59.3%
Buckland		514	35	33	-2	106.9%	
Cricketfield		2,387	125	161	36	77.6%	
Devon Square		1,793	83	121	38	68.6%	
Kingskerswell		2,855	106	183	77	57.8%	
Kingsteignton		2,431	167	172	5	97.3%	
<b>Newton Abbot Total</b>		<b>16,109</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>1,068</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>71.8%</b>	
<b>South Devon Total</b>			<b>37,323</b>	<b>1,534</b>	<b>2,427</b>	<b>893</b>	<b>63.2%</b>
Torbay	Paignton and Brixham (PB)	Compass House	3,707	152	236	84	64.4%
		Corner Place	3,439	155	228	73	67.8%
		Mayfield and Cherrybrook	3,791	105	231	126	45.5%
		Old Farm	812	24	47	23	51.1%
		Pembroke House	4,825	222	345	123	64.4%
		St Lukes and Greenwood	3,177	103	202	99	50.9%
		Withycombe	708	42	50	8	83.4%
	<b>Paignton and Brixham Total</b>		<b>20,459</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>1,340</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>59.9%</b>
	Torquay (TQ)	Barton (Torquay)	1,595	45	92	47	48.7%
		Brunel	4,243	220	310	90	71.0%
		Chelston Hall	2,484	94	152	58	61.8%
		Chilcote	2,804	159	192	33	82.6%
		Croft Hall	1,515	53	94	41	56.4%
Parkhill		2,220	78	147	69	53.2%	
Southover	1,338	64	91	27	70.3%		
<b>Torquay Total</b>		<b>16,199</b>	<b>713</b>	<b>1,078</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>66.1%</b>	
<b>Torbay Total</b>			<b>36,658</b>	<b>1,516</b>	<b>2,418</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>62.7%</b>
<b>South Devon and Torbay Total</b>			<b>73,981</b>	<b>3,050</b>	<b>4,845</b>	<b>1,795</b>	<b>63.0%</b>
<b>Official South Devon and Torbay</b>				<b>3,050</b>	<b>4,965</b>	<b>1,915</b>	<b>61.4%</b>

\*\* the local estimate is derived from national data (NHS D), the registered population used in the local estimates is for 1<sup>st</sup> Jan, and official dementia diagnosis estimates use the registered population from 31<sup>st</sup> Jan. The latter is not in the public domain hence a subtle difference in population affects the overall population prevalence

Source: GP registered population, NHS D, CFAS II prevalence estimates, Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF)

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