Over the past 5 years, participation in sports and active recreation has increased in three of Oxfordshire’s districts:

- Sport England’s latest *Active People* survey has shown an increase in adults (aged 16+) participating in sport and active recreation in West and South Oxfordshire and Oxford city since 2005/06.
  - West Oxfordshire is currently ranked 3 out of 325 Local Authority (and Unitary Authority) areas in England and South Oxfordshire is ranked 7.
  - Oxford has moved up 194 to 29, a change of +165 places.

- Results for Cherwell and Vale of White Horse have remained unchanged.
  - Although participation appears to have declined in Cherwell, the change is within the confidence limits and is, therefore, not statistically significant.
Adult participation in sport and active recreation, at moderate intensity, for at least 30 minutes on 3 or more days a week (formerly NI8)

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Source: Sport England Active People survey

Notes

Indicator = the percentage of the adult (age 16 and over) population in a local area who participate in sport and active recreation, at moderate intensity, for at least 30 minutes on at least 12 days out of the last 4 weeks (equivalent to 30 minutes on 3 or more days a week).

The data compares from Active People Survey 1 (Oct 2005-Oct 2006) with the latest 24 months (Apr 2010 - Apr 2012) for single tier authorities and district authorities. The combined 24 month result means these data are based on a target sample of 1,000 respondents. There is overlap between the APS4/5 results and the latest rolling 24 month results.

A statistically significant change is indicated by ‘increase’ or ‘decrease’ and this means that Sport England are 95% certain that there has been a real change.

The ‘Base’ refers to the sample size, i.e. the number of respondents

Results are for all local authority areas in place after the local government reorganisation of 1 April 2009.

For more information


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