Health and income in Southwark

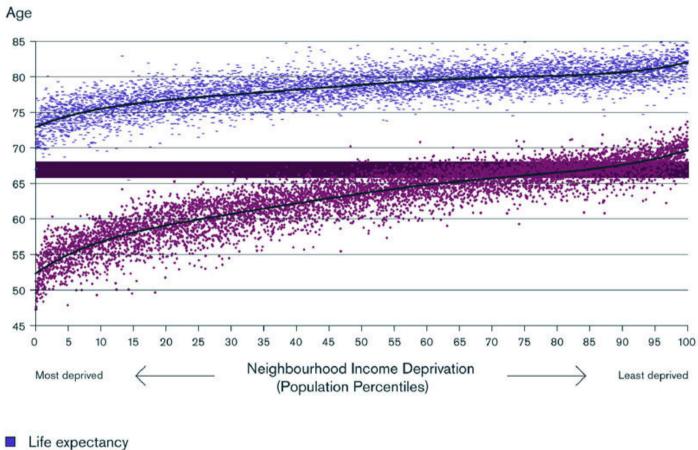
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Socio-economic status is a major determinant of life expectancy and disability-free life expectancy



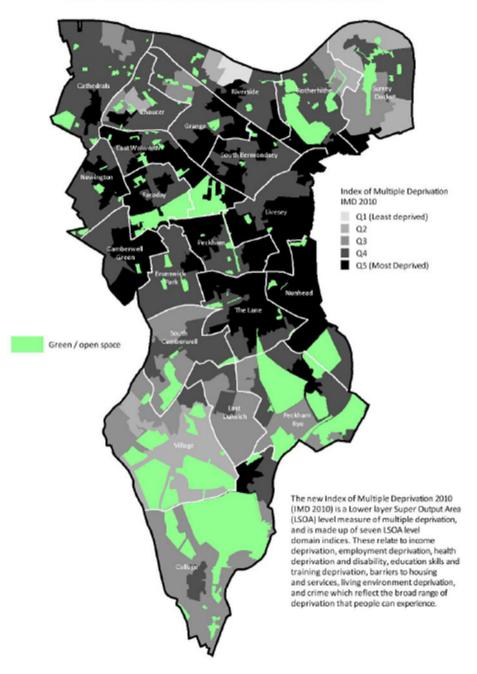
- Disability free life expectancy
- Pension age increase 2026-2046

Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) 2010, Southwark, national context

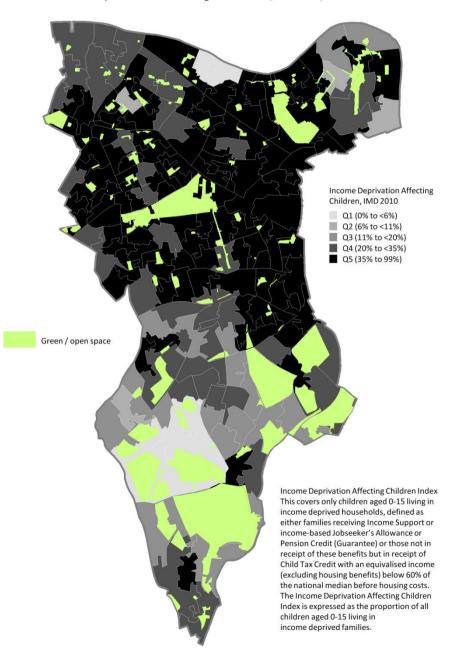
Southwarkoverall deprivation IMD 2010

Overall the most deprived areas are In the middle of the borough.

The split between North and South Is likely to have increased already as a result of the raise in house prices especially along the Thames.

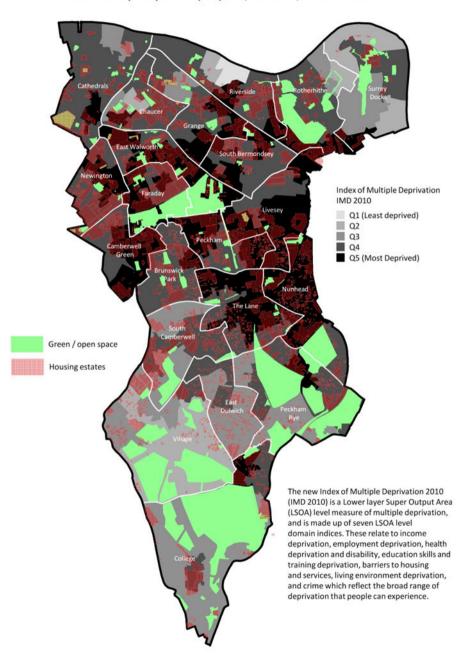


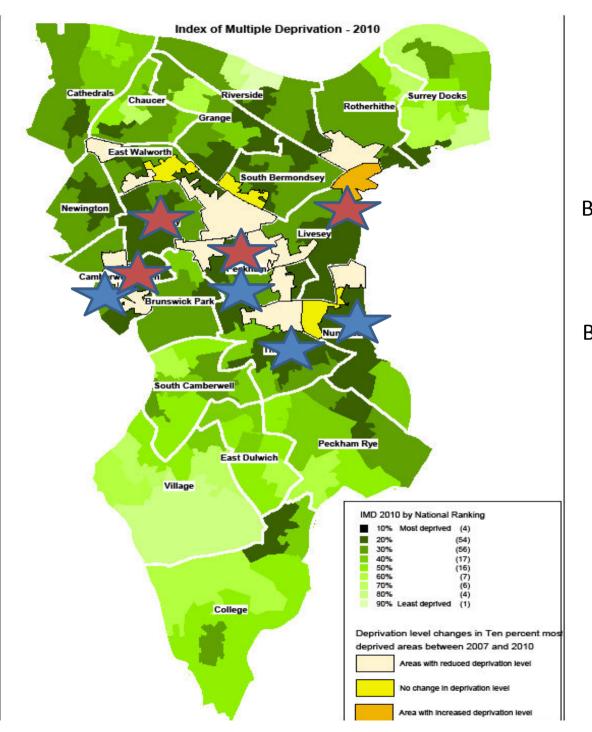
Southwark map of children living in deprivation



Distribution of deprivation & housing estate:

The majority of the social housing own by the council are located in most deprived areas. This could mean that social housing is responding to needs, but also that there are greater economic development needs in these areas.





Black African

Black Caribbeans

Debt and Health

Key facts

- At London level, demand for debt advice services increased by nearly 20% in 2010/11, and unsecured debt was on average £13,088
- 5% of Southwark Housing Benefit recipients reported themselves as not having a bank account
- Around 37,000 people expected to claim Universal Credit = around 2000 will need a bank account

Key Facts

- 60% of payday loan shop borrowers 'vulnerable'
- 64% of payday loan shop borrowers agreed that this type of credit trapped them into a cycle of borrowing
- 24% of people with a payday loan prioritised paying back their loan over paying for food

Uses of payday loans

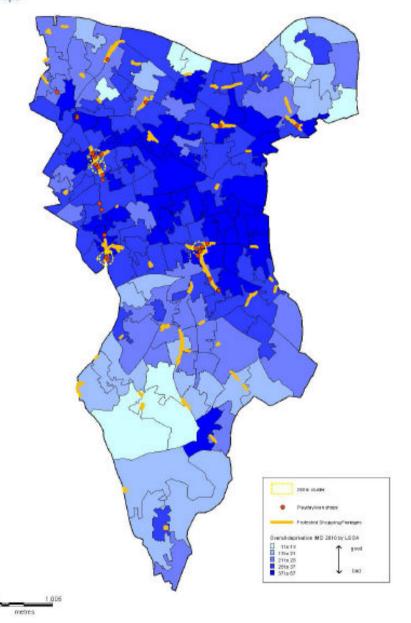
- 25 to 35 year olds: food, child essentials, vehicle expenses and utility bills
- 35 to 44 year olds: food, emergency needs, to pay off loans and credit cards and to pay utility bills
- 45 to 54 year olds: university fees, family expenses and emergency expesses

Pay day loan shops and LSOA deprivation

All cluster of pay day loans are in most deprived areas of the borough

Payday loan shops

Map 8-9: Indices of Deprivation Overall Score by LSOAs – payday loan shops



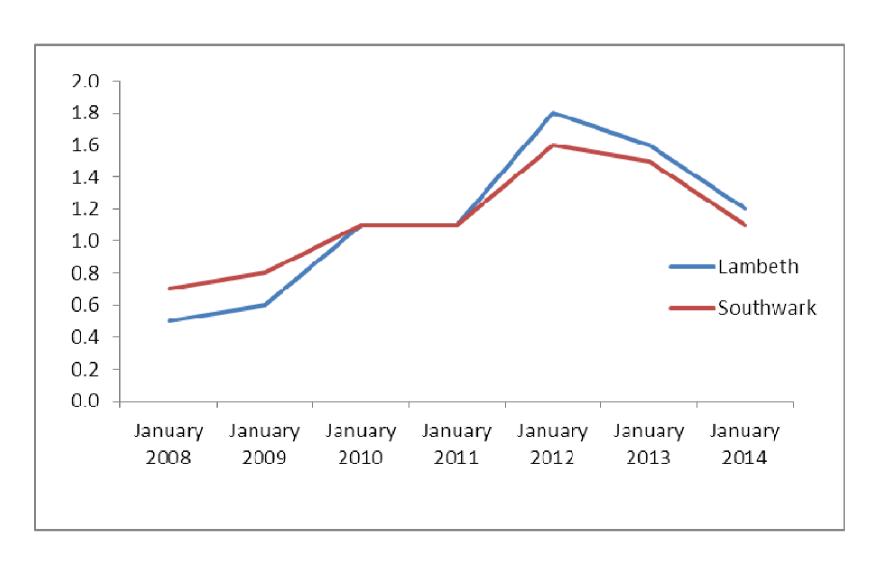
Debt and health

- Unmanageable debts 33% higher risk of developing depression and anxiety
- 1 in 2 adults with debt have a mental disorder
 - 4x more likely phobic disorders
 - 3x more likely panic disorder
 - 2x more likely OCD, depressive disorder and anxiety disorder
- Poorer physical health also associated with unsecured debt
 - 17% higher risk of hypertension
 - 15% higher risk of stroke

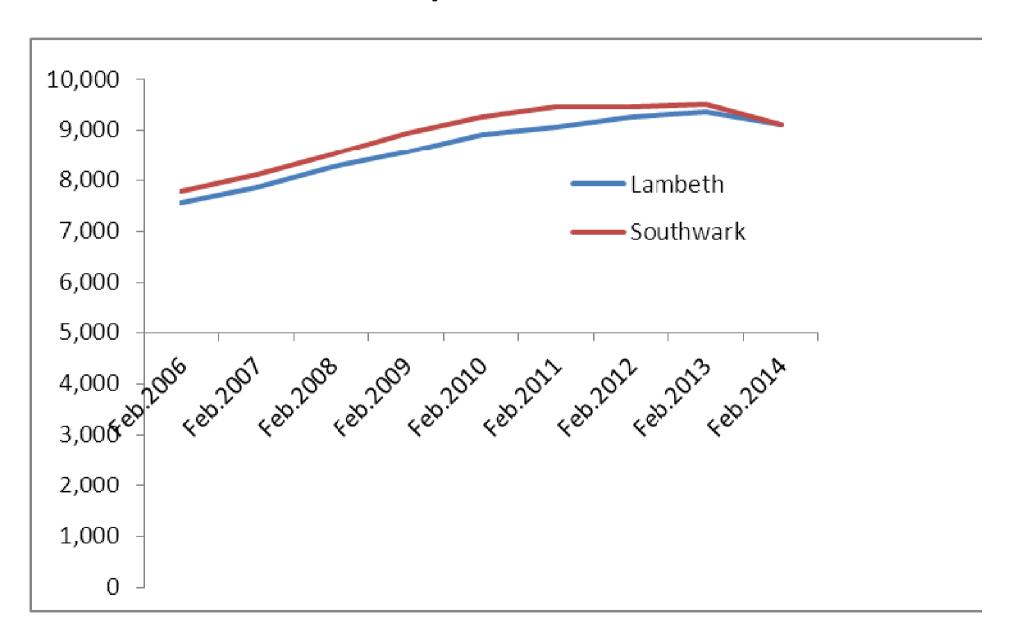
Mental health and debt

- 1 in 4 adults with mental disorders are in debt
- People with addictive disorder 8x more likely to be in debt

Proportion of resident population aged 16-64 claiming JSA for over 12 months



Number of 16-65 y old on DLA Southwark



- Strong link between low income and poor health and wellbeing
- Areas and populations with low income in Southwark, despite average income increase
- Potential to develop links between health services and financial advice, and health and employment
- Create environments that reduce risk of high cost borrowing/gambling
- Increase access to low cost borrowing