

How the county is doing – by section



Census 2026 - Trends - Cambridgeshire									
Name	Squirrels			Beavers			Cubs		
	2025	2026	Growth	2025	2026	Growth	2025	2026	Change
Cambridge	60	50	-10	325	352	+27	484	491	+7
Cambridge Crafts Hill	53	78	+25	241	218	-23	344	330	-14
Cromwell	51	61	+10	216	228	+12	255	237	-18
Ely	83	80	-3	175	136	-39	196	189	-7
Fenland	42	41	-1	145	125	-20	164	145	-19
Hinchingbrooke	28	50	+22	182	199	+17	268	251	-17
Newmarket	24	33	+9	164	166	+2	209	190	-19
Peterborough District	74	73	-1	166	193	+27	200	218	+18
Total	415	466	+51	1614	1617	+3	2120	2051	-69

Census 2026 - Trends - Ca						
Name	Scouts			Explorers		
	2025	2026	Change	2025	2026	Change
Cambridge	539	557	+18	168	183	+15
Cambridge Crafts Hill	345	358	+13	94	113	+19
Cromwell	222	236	+14	70	76	+6
Ely	172	172	-	42	36	-6
Fenland	142	148	+6	60	59	-1
Hinchingbrooke	229	239	+10	72	75	+3
Newmarket	171	140	-31	45	55	+10
Peterborough District	215	225	+10	83	105	+22
Total	2035	2075	+40	634	702	+68

- Squirrels up 51 – 12% increase
- Beavers maintain, but Cubs down 69 – 3.3% decrease
- Scouts up 40 – 2% increase
- Explorers up 68 – 10.7% increase

How the county is doing – Explorers



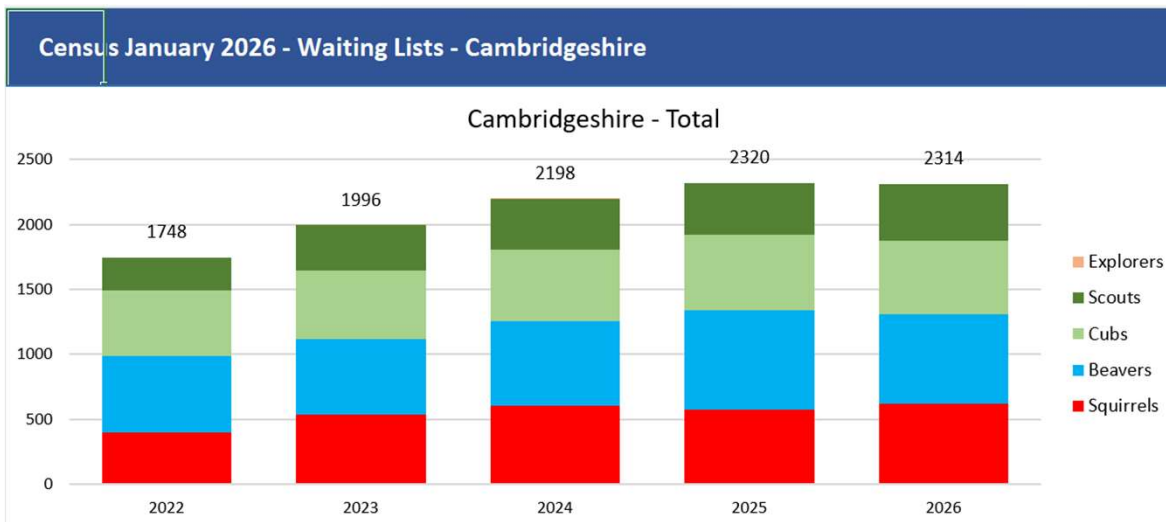
Explorers & Young Leaders Census 2026												
	2026 Total	2026 YL Unit	2026 ESUs	2026 All Young Leaders	2025 Total	2025 YL Unit	2025 ESUs	2025 All Young Leaders	Movement Total	Movement YL Unit	Movement ESUs	Movement All Young Leaders
Cambridge	183	36	147	87	168	35	133	79	15	1	14	8
Crafts Hill	113	14	99	45	94	19	75	49	19	-5	24	-4
Cromwell	76	20	56	48	70	22	48	46	6	-2	8	2
Ely	36	19	17	25	42	17	25	28	-6	2	-8	-3
Fenland	59	14	45	24	60	28	32	23	-1	-14	13	1
Hinchingbrooke	75	24	51	27	72	23	49	34	3	1	2	-7
Newmarket	55	30	25	30	45	25	20	31	10	5	5	-1
Peterborough	105	17	88	45	83	15	68	49	22	2	20	-4
	702	174	528	331	634	184	450	339	68	-10	78	-8

- 702 Explorers is up 68 on 2025 – a 10.7% increase
- 528 Explorers across 31 Explorer Scout Units is 17 young people per Unit
- Peterborough has the biggest increase in Explorers – up 26.5%
- 6 Districts increased, 2 fell back but not by much
- 331 Young Leaders overall and 174 in Young Leader Unit is comparable with 2025
- Of 528 Explorer Scouts attending Units, 157 are also Young Leaders – that's 30%
- Overall, 331 of 702 Explorers are Young Leaders – that's 47%
- With 360 sections across the County, that's 0.92 Young Leaders per section

How the county is doing – other indicators **Scouts**

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Census January 2026 - T									
Name	Total on Waiting Lists			Top Awards			Small Sections *		
	2025	2026	Change	2025	2026	Change	2025	2026	Change
Cambridge	455	518	+63	158	178	+20	11	12	+1
Cambridge Crafts Hill	528	584	+56	132	174	+42	1	4	+3
Cromwell	356	437	+81	156	156	-	6	2	-4
Ely	101	129	+28	80	117	+37	4	7	+3
Fenland	113	109	-4	127	117	-10	8	9	+1
Hinchingbrooke	566	322	-244	150	160	+10	13	17	+4
Newmarket	72	57	-15	130	178	+48	10	12	+2
Peterborough District	129	158	+29	68	70	+2	18	18	-
Total	2320	2314	-6	1001	1150	+149	71	81	+10



- If only we could address our Want to Join backlog
- 14.9% increase in Top Awards, only 1 District fell back
- Increase in number of small sections suggests challenges across all Districts

