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careers and opportunities in the **CARE SECTOR** ESSEX 2016-17

The care sector is a big industry in Essex - 28% of all apprenticeships started in Essex were in the health, public services and care sector. So why is it so popular? Probably because the care sector is one of the most rewarding areas to work in, allowing you to make a real difference to the people who need it most and develop true friendships along the way!

1.3K

different care
businesses
across Essex

2m

new workers
needed in health
and care in UK
by 2022

137K

people will need
care support in
Essex by
2030



What do these four have in common?

Like everyone, they need someone to be there for them. Across a wide range of personal circumstances, from mental health and physical disability to child support and elderly care, there are thousands of people who need your support. This section will show you what the care sector in Essex has to offer and give you all the latest information too.



THE CARE ACT

The new Care Act (2014) is a pretty big deal. In fact, it is a law which is changing the way that social care is provided across the UK by local councils. Local councils are some of the biggest employers in the care sector so this document ensures that they can give the very best service to the people in their area.



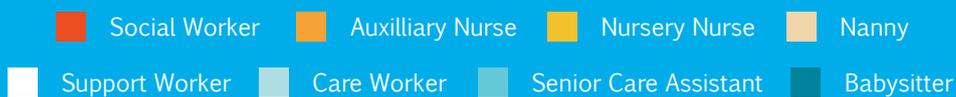
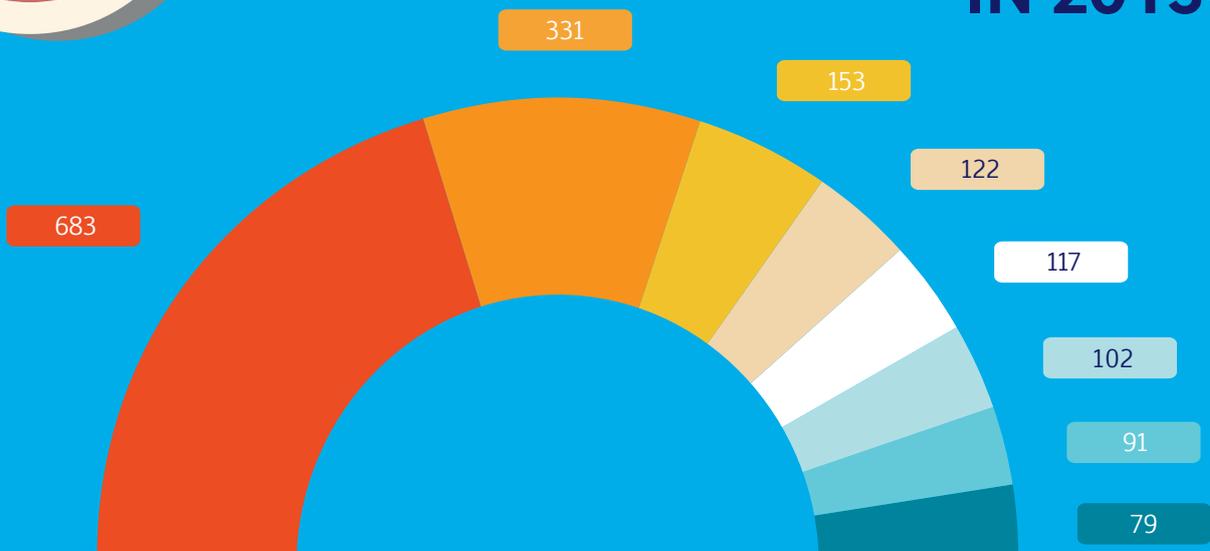
What it says:

- Councils should introduce more services that prevent problems, not just treat them.
- Services will start working together more to provide better care.
- Councils now get support in keeping adults safe from abuse or neglect.
- Councils should give advice on care to everyone who wants it.

This is just one of the ways that care is changing in Essex. Now take a look and see what kind of positions are available in the care sector.



5,500+ ESSEX JOB VACANCIES IN 2015-16



Less competitive



More competitive

WHAT'S OUT THERE FOR ME?

There are hundreds of opportunities available in this sector. We will only show you seven for now, but take a look at some of the different roles available in care and click to go to [HSCIC](#) if you're looking for something else within this sector!



Social Worker £26k - £33k+

Social Workers work with people and families to support them through difficult times and make sure that they are safe. They offer information and advice to families to help them through financial, mental health, physical health or legal issues.

Youth Worker £20k - £30k+

Your childhood can affect what you do in life and everyone deserves the opportunity to do their best. Youth Workers give support and encouragement to children and teens in their personal and academic life, as well as give them an opportunity to talk to someone about what makes them happy or unhappy.



Activities Coordinator £16k - £26k+

Activity Coordinators are responsible for developing an activity plan for care home residents which will stimulate new interests and skills and meet their individual needs. Put the fun in people's lives with the events you organise and deliver.

Equality and Diversity Officer £18k - £25k+

Everybody's equal but, unfortunately, not everybody's treated that way. Equality and Diversity Officers support those who have been discriminated against - in any way: age, race, gender, religion. These officers deal with the issues and take action to prevent them happening in the future within schools or companies.



Care Assistant £12k - £18k+

Simple tasks like getting food or making a bed can make a lot of difference to the people that can't do them for themselves. Care Assistants help make someone's day to day living a little easier by making sure they are happy and safe; what could be more rewarding than that?

Community Development Worker £15k - £26k+

Community Development Workers look to improve the communities people live in. Finding out the issues people face in their community, bringing them together, providing them with valuable activities and making their home a better place.



Psychotherapist £27k - £34k+

A Psychotherapist has a good understanding of how the mind works so that they can treat emotional problems and mental health conditions. They are trained to listen and help a person to find out what is causing the problem, and how to resolve it too.

SKILL CITY



It's easy to get from A to B when you know how. Here's a little guide to give you an idea of how you can get to your next stop. Whatever your path, there are no dead-ends! Employability skills are crucial in your rise to an awesome career so the fastest way to the top is to get as much experience as you can!



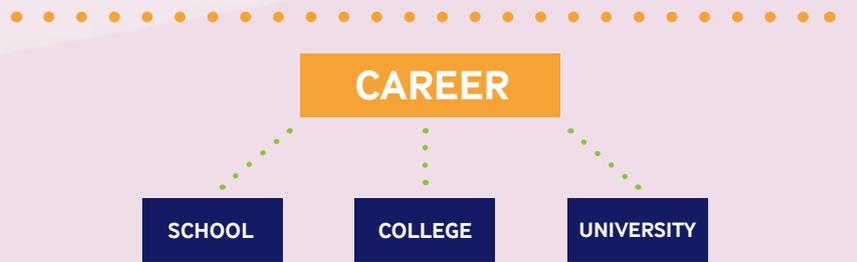
How many people work in the care sector in the UK? Well, it's only a bit more than the Essex population (1.4 million). Sounds like a lot, but the sector is struggling to meet the needs of the UK population! **One in eight people in the UK are not getting the support they need.**



The care sector desperately needs more skilled people entering it, could you be one of them?

Care companies are more likely to employ lots of people. This means that there are plenty of opportunities for career progression!

Nearly one third of the adult social care workforce is in London and the South East - that's nearly 300,000 people!



As long as you want to give your help to someone who needs it, then the care sector could be for you. This industry relies on people who can prove their skills. To do that, the options are limitless: from apprenticeships to degrees and everything in between, the care sector is ready for you to put your skills in action.

Essex is already home to 300,000 over-65s, imagine how many more people that will be in ten years time; imagine how many people will need you to give your help!

WHERE IN ESSEX?

Essex is actually a pretty big place so there are lots of opportunities here for you! Have a look at the amount of positions available in 2015 and some of the care companies located close to where you live.

VACANCIES BY DISTRICT



LOCAL BUSINESSES

BASILDON -Basildon Council -Companion Care -Willbrook Family Centre	BRAINTREE -Bluebird Care -Caring 4 U -Kilkee Lodge	BRENTWOOD -Brentwood Care Centre -CareCo -Crossroads Care
CASTLE POINT -Carers Choices -Hopes Green Care Homes	CHELMSFORD -Essex County Council -Forest Homecare -YMCA Chelmsford	COLCHESTER -NHS North East Essex -Pathways Care -Right Care
EPPING FOREST -Closer than Close Homecare -Epping Babysitters -Epping Nursery	HARLOW -ECL Wellbeing Hub -Mears Group -Mind West Essex	MALDON -Firstlings Ltd. -Goldsborough Home Care -Longfield
ROCHFORD -Coachman Court Assisted Living -Runwood Homes	SOUTHEND -Age UK -Strathmore Care -Vibrance Care	TENDRING -Aldanat Care -Spring Lodge -Teen Talk
THURROCK -Bluebell Court -John Stanley's Care Agency Ltd -Thurrock Fostering	UTTLESFORD -Caremark -Hargrave Care Home -Uttlesford Carers	

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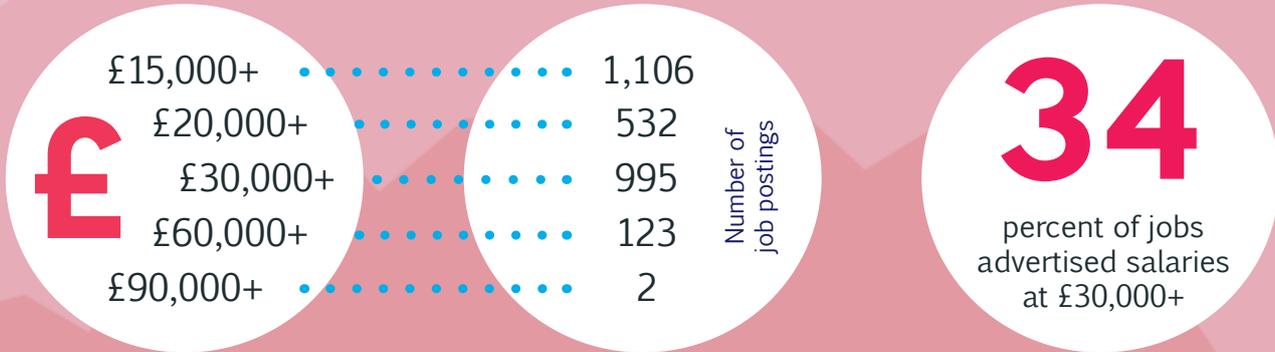
OCCUPATIONS

Care Worker | Nursery Nurse | Play Worker | Care Companion

Childminder | Youth & Community Officer | Social Service Manager

Probation Officer | Child Officer | Senior Carer | Care Manager

SALARIES



TOP SKILLS ESSEX EMPLOYERS ARE LOOKING FOR...

Communication | Planning | Supervision | Writing | Teaching

Staff Coordination | Leadership | Computer Skills | Team Work

Budgeting | Research | Listening | People Skills | Initiative



WHAT NOW?

Sounds good, right?! So what can you do to begin your career in care? There are lots of places for you to get your hands on even more information:

Community Care - communitycare.co.uk

HSCIC - hscic.gov.uk

Skills for Care - skillsforcare.org.uk

Also, remember that gaining skills through experience is really important. Whether you are on a college course, an apprenticeship, or undertaking voluntary work, employers will always want to hear about your knowledge and skills!



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NOT MY THING!

If you can't see yourself working in care, don't worry, there's still plenty out there! You might feel more comfortable working in a larger team or working on more short-term projects or even travelling for your career. There are many other sectors in Essex which offer a real diversity in what you can do. Here's a small list of different sectors you can get into, but you can find out more information on six other sectors by visiting our website: essexsb.co.uk



LOGISTICS

Freight Forwarder £28k - £32k+

The kings and queens of transport strategy. They plan the most effective means of getting cargo where it needs to be. From route planning, costing, security and more. Freight forwarders always keep moving in the right direction.

Rural Surveyor £25k - £40k+

CONSTRUCTION

Rural Surveyors transform muddy fields into goldmines! These land managers value property and assets and plan and develop land use. Data is their secret weapon, gaining as much information on their area as possible to exploit it for maximum result.



MANUFACTURING & ENGINEERING

Mechanical Engineer £20k - £28k+



Most industries rely on a form of mechanical systems and mechanical engineering to produce and repair a whole host of products. We're not just talking about engines either - we mean from the most intricate, to the most powerful creations: mechanical hearts, production processers and medical robots.

Physiologist £18k - £30k+

HEALTH

When your body's not moving quite the way it should, these experts will help you out. Physiologists know all the muscles in the body and just what they need to get better! Sports stars all have physiologists to make sure they can perform to the best of their ability at all times.



CHECK OUT ALL OF OUR SECTOR FACT SHEETS ONLINE

The collage features six fact sheets with the following key data points:

- Manufacturing & Engineering:** 1.3K different Care Businesses across Essex; 2m new members needed in Health and Care by UK by 2022; 137K people will need care support in Essex by 2022.
- Care Sector:** 10K job postings were available in 2015 in Essex; £103bn in 2014; 6.2% jobs in the UK were in Construction in 2013.
- Construction:** 2.2m people employed in this sector in the UK; 12% of the total UK total economic output from this sector - nearly £200bn!
- Finance & Insurance:** 25K employed in our in Essex.
- Health:** 213,000 jobs in the Creative economy across the East of England in 2015; 2.2m employed in the Logistics sector in the UK as of 2015; 1st in skills in two years down through.
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