

## Adult Social Care - UK - 2021

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### This report looks at the following areas:

- The impact of COVID-19 on adult social care and how providers and care users will react to market conditions.
- How the adult social care market will adapt to the post-COVID-19 environment.
- The value of individual segments in the market in 2021.

Adult social care remains one of the largest areas of expenditure for local authorities across England, accounting for an average of 40% of a local authority's overall budget.

Occupancy in care homes fell from around 90% at the start of the pandemic to around 80% in February 2021. CQC found that large home care and specialist providers have been financially less affected by COVID-19.

Between 2018 and 2038, the total cost of care is projected to rise by 90% for adults aged 18-64 and 106% for over-65s.

MBD estimates the value of adult social care in the UK to grow by 9% between 2021/22 and 2025/26, with total spend in the market forecast to be worth £50.4 billion (excluding the value of informal care).



"With the demand on services only expected to increase, councils need to embrace more innovative solutions to mitigate the financial risk this issue presents. However, the continued delay in the publication of the Green Paper is a sign of the ongoing lack of consensus and thinking that should be being applied to the social care crisis in the UK."

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- Care home occupancy rates slowly recovering following the onset of the pandemic
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- More care providers embrace technology following adoption during pandemic

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