





The **RNIB sight loss data tool** contains information on blindness, visual impairment and sight loss for Lancashire, the North West and England; in Lancashire there are

- 2800 people registered blind
- 265 certified visually impaired
- 37090 living with sight loss

(source: <u>RNIB</u>)

deaf & blind people

- approximately 250,999 deafblind people in the UK
- 222,000 of these aged over 70
- 33,000 adults aged 20-69
- 4,000 children aged 0-19
- estimated 7,743 deafblind people and 2,901 with more severe impairment living in Lancashire

(source: <u>Sense</u>)

getting to know our communities



UK mental health

- one in four people will experience some kind of mental health problem in the course of a year
- **anxiety and depression** is the most common mental disorder
- women are more likely to have been have been treated for a mental health problem than men
- around ten percent of children have a mental health problem at any one time
- depression affects one in five older people
- men are three times more likely to die by suicide than women
- the UK has one of the **highest self-harm rates in Europe**: 400 per 100,000 population
- only one in ten prisoners has no mental disorder

(source: mentalhealth.org.uk)