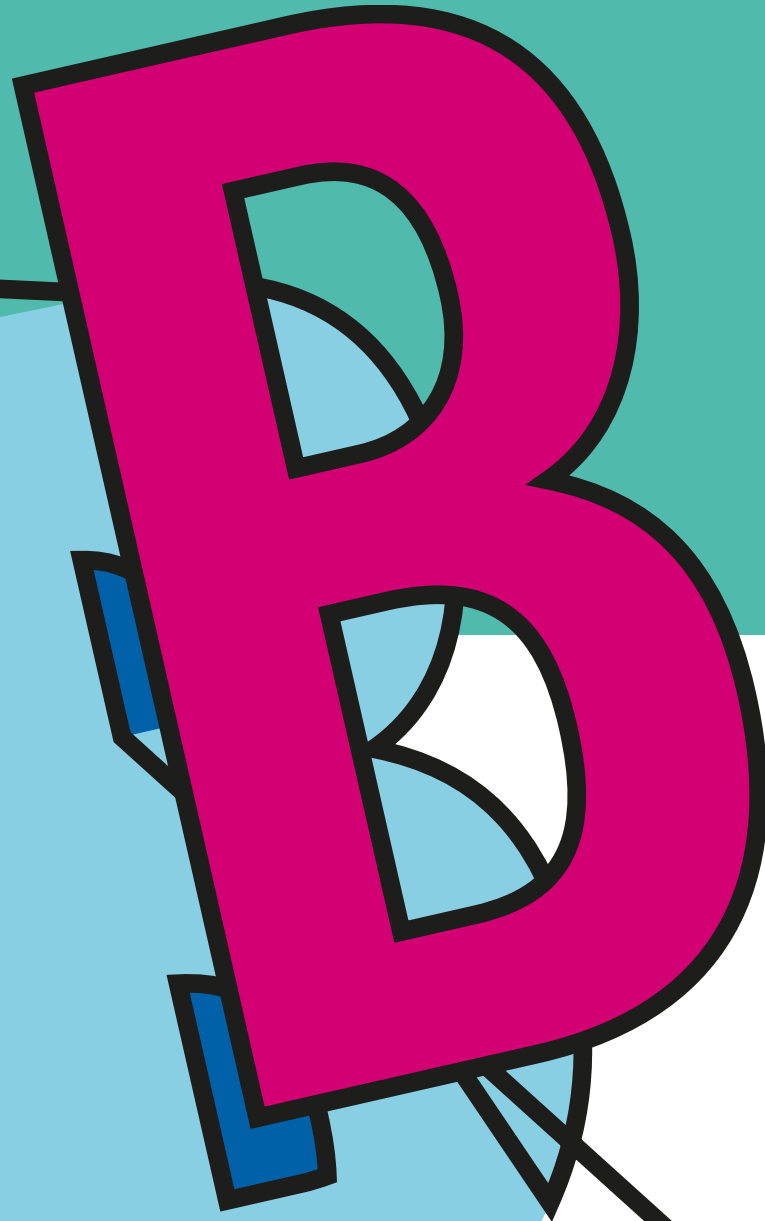


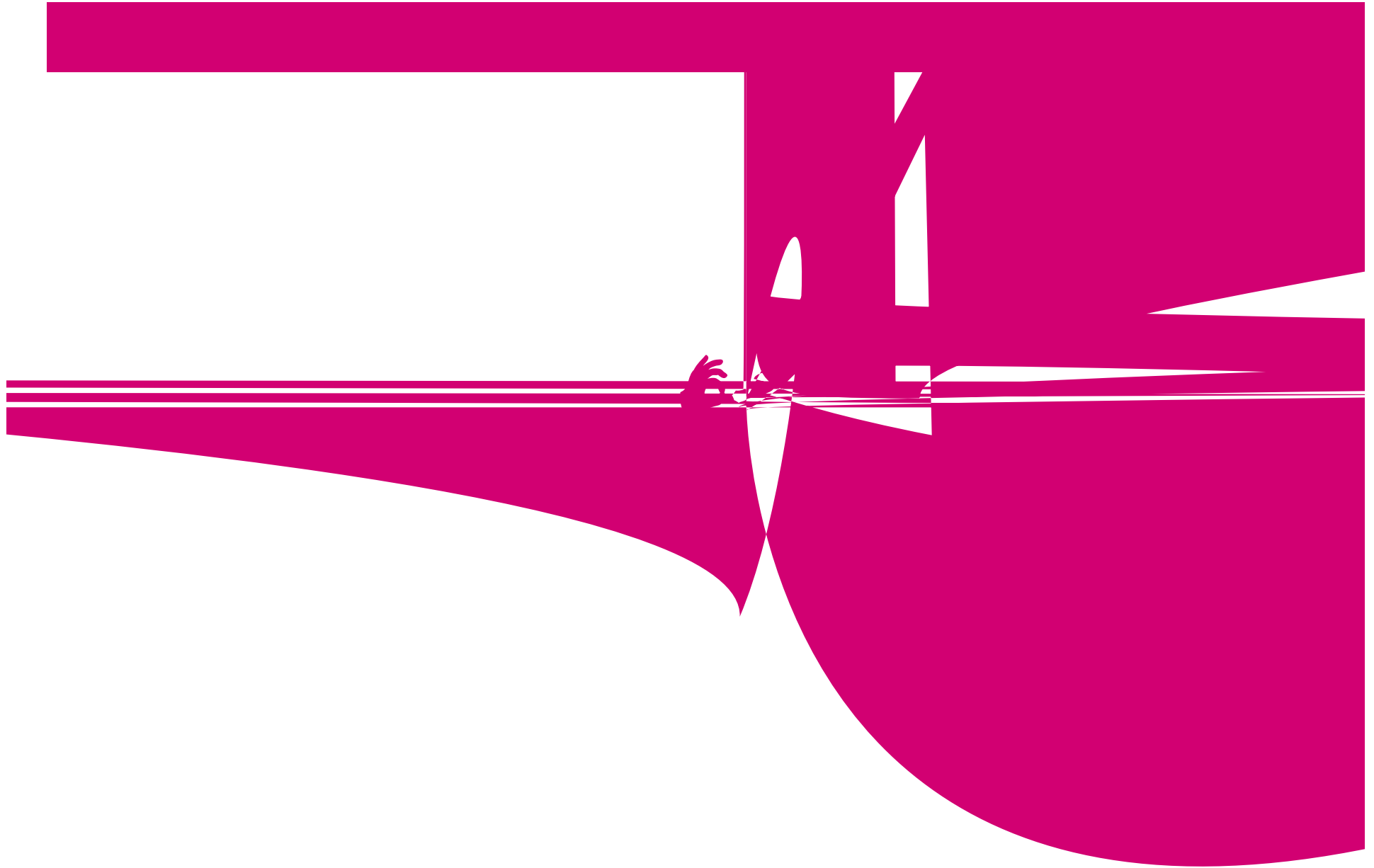


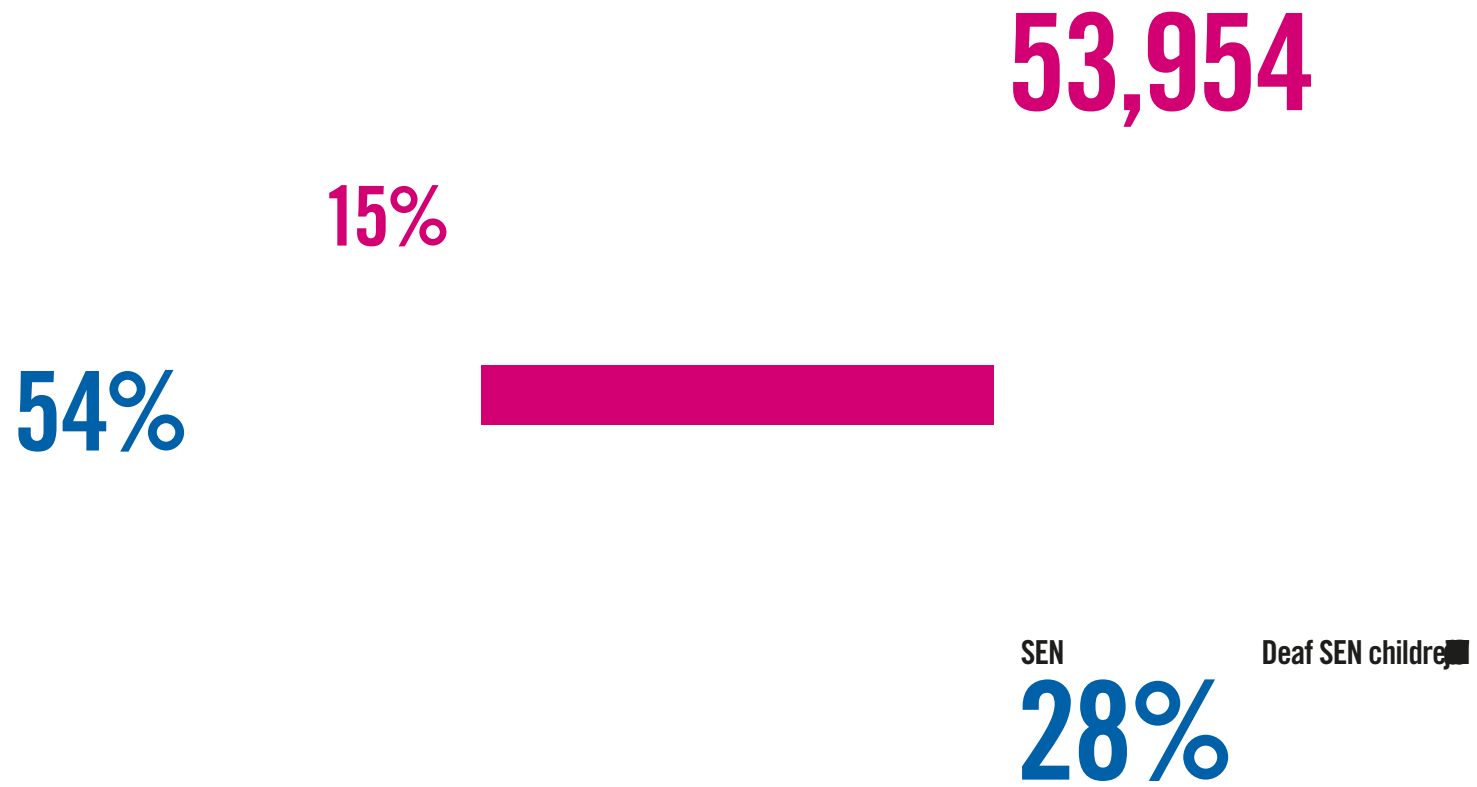
DEAF AND HEARING LOSS

**COMMUNITY
HEALTH
PROFILE** **2022**



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WORKING AND LEARNING WELL

In the academic year 2019/20, on average, deaf pupils achieved a grade 4 for each subject, this was



1 ON AVERAGE THAN HEARING STUDENTS

of deaf students achieved 2 A-levels (2019/20), or equivalent compared to

PROTECT AND DETECT

CANCER SCREENING PEOPLE WITH HEARING LOSS ARE

11% more likely to attend cancer screening compared to people with no physical disability

DIABETES

OF DEAF PEOPLE HAD HIGHER THAN NORMAL BLOOD SUGAR LEVELS

and were not aware of this (2% general pop). This suggests that undiagnosed diabetes may be more common in deaf people

ACTIVE AT EVERY AGE AND ABILITY

are the main activities that people with hearing loss partake in

SAID THAT COMMUNICATION WAS THE MAIN BARRIER TO SPORT

WORKING LIFE



73% OF DEAF PEOPLE'S EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES were limited because of their hearing loss

SEXUAL HEALTH

THE DEAF COMMUNITY EXPERIENCES HIGHER RATES OF UNPLANNED PREGNANCY AND STIs THAN THE REST OF THE POPULATION

AROUND 8 IN 10 DEAF PEOPLE SAID THAT THEY WOULD PREFER PLAYING IN A MIXED ENVIRONMENT WITH DEAF AND HEARING PEOPLE

BARRIERS AT WORK

Reasons for early retirement due to hearing loss included

DIFFICULTIES USING THE PHONE

COMMUNICATION CHALLENGES WITH COLLEAGUES

ONLY 35%

of deaf students knew that condoms could prevent the transmission of infections, and almost all were not aware of the term STI

The top three reasons for being active within the hearing loss community are

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CLOSING THE GAPS

30% of Deaf people communicate with a doctor in BSL
80% WOULD LIKE TO

YEARS LIVED WITH DISABILITY

In 2016 sense order diseases were ranked in the top five contributory factors to overall Disability-Adjusted Life Years (DALYs).

411 PEOPLE AGED 18+ WITH A HEARING IMPAIRMENT

received adult social care packages from Birmingham City Council

GREEN AND SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

MAJOR ELEMENTS INVOLVED IN d/DEAF INTERACTIONS WITH THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

MITIGATING THE IMPACT OF COVID

MENTAL HEALTH

d/Deaf people reported that the pandemic had a major impact on their mental health

CHALLENGES

SICKNESS SOCIAL ISOLATION INTERPRETER

AGEING AND DYING WELL

NEARLY ONE THIRD OF DEAF PARTICIPANTS HAD ELEVATED LEVELS OF CHOLESTEROL

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

32%
DEAF POPULATION

50%
GENERAL POPULATION

Older people with dual sensory loss are

3X more likely to have falls compared to people with sight loss

CANCER

Some types of head and neck cancer (nasopharyngeal) can cause hearing loss. Radiotherapy or chemotherapy (the drug cisplatin) may cause tinnitus. This is often temporary but can sometimes be permanent

The risk of developing dementia increases with hearing loss. The risk in those with hearing loss is said to be

41% of deaf woman had high cholesterol, versus

The reported rates of chronic respiratory conditions among deaf participants is

COPD