

ISD - publications metadata

Metadata indicator	Description
Publication title	Scottish Breast Screening Programme Statistics
Description	Annual breast screening statistics including National NHS Breast Screening Programme Performance Standards, attendance figures, uptake rates by deprivation category and NHS Board, cancer detection rates, biopsy results and screening outcomes.
Theme	Health and Social Care
Topic	Conditions and Diseases
Format	Excel workbooks
Data source(s)	Scottish Breast Screening Programme (SBSP) Information System
Date that data is acquired	January 2010
Release date	Tuesday 27 th July 2010
Frequency	Annual
Timeframe of data and timeliness	Data up to 31 st March 2009. No delays between receipt and processing of data for publication.
Continuity of data	<p>Uptake by deprivation category (50 to 64 years) is reported from 1990.</p> <p>Uptake by NHS Board (50 to 64 years) and Attendance by appointment type are reported from 1991.</p> <p>Biopsy results are reported from 1996.</p> <p>Three year NHSBSP Performance standards (50 to 64 years) are reported from 2001.</p> <p>Uptake by deprivation category (50 to 70 years) is reported from 2003.</p> <p>Data is reported from 2004 for the following tables: Uptake by NHS Board (50 to 70 years), Three year NHSBSP Performance standards (50 to 70 years), Outcomes.</p> <p>Uptake by type of invitation is reported from 2006.</p>

Revisions statement	<p>Up until 31st March 2008, the NHSBSP Performance Standards were based on women aged 50-64; to reflect the expansion of the age range, they have been extended to include women up to the age of 70 in the current publication. The present release includes data to 31st March 2009. Previously published trends in NHSBSP Performance Standards to 31st March 2008, for women aged 50-64, are still available.</p> <p>For continuity of reporting and to allow for trend analysis in the 50-70 age group some tables have been back mapped to 2004.</p>
Concepts and definitions	<p>Please see Breast Screening FAQ and Glossary document found at the bottom of the Breast Screening pages www.isdscotland.org/breast_screening</p>
Relevance and key uses of the statistics	<p>ISD's Scottish Breast Screening Programme statistics are designed for monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of the Scottish Breast Screening Programme, including progress against specific national standards and performance indicators. The statistics are used for a variety of other purposes, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • informing Scottish Government planning, including NHS spending and the development of the Scottish cancer care action plans; • informing Health Boards' planning and commissioning of cancer services; • health services research and clinical audit; • promoting changes in societal behaviour, such as increasing screening uptake rates; and • providing information to compare with UK and international health data.
Accuracy	<p>Breast screening data are subject to validation and quality assurance procedures and checks by the Quality Assurance Reference Committee (QARC).</p>

Completeness:	At time of extraction, data for the most recent year are estimated to be complete. See above note on Revisions.
Comparability	Breast Screening data are regularly compared mainly to the UK as a whole (e.g KC62 and BASO). In such comparisons, data are provided mainly at national (Scotland) level.
Accessibility	It is the policy of ISD Scotland to make its web sites and products accessible according to published guidelines. See attached link for further details: http://www.isdscotland.org/isd/2412.html
Coherence and clarity	All Breast Screening tables are accessible via the ISD website at www.isdscotland.org/breast_screening Breast Screening data are presented within Excel spreadsheets for each table.
Value type and unit of measure	Number of women invited to attend for screening and number of women screened are reported as a count; uptake/attendance, biopsy results, recall for assessment, early recall are reported as a percentage; cancer detection is reported as a rate per 1,000 women screened and as Standardised detection ratios. Number e.g 1.1
Disclosure	The ISD protocol on Statistical Disclosure Protocol is followed: http://www.isdscotland.org/isd/4489.html For this publication, at the levels of aggregation presented, the risk of disclosure was assessed as being low risk and so no further statistical disclosure control methods were employed.
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