

Publication Summary



Scottish Breast Screening Programme Statistics 2011-12

Annual update to 31st March 2012

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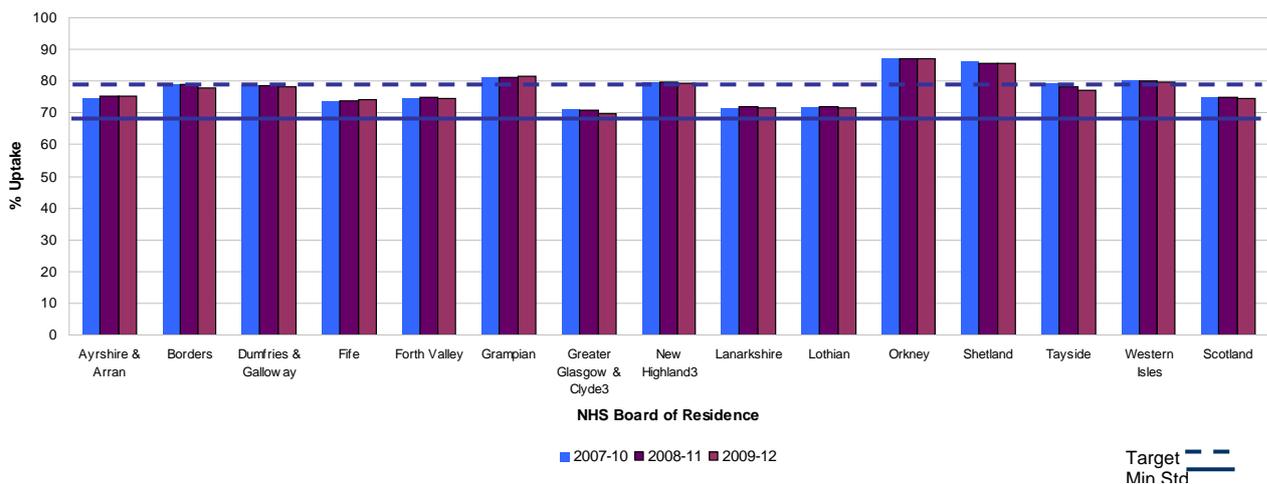


About this Release

Annual update of breast screening statistics to 31st March 2012; includes NHS Breast Screening Programme Performance Standards, attendance figures, cancer detection rates, uptake by deprivation category, biopsy results and screening outcomes.

Key Points

Figure 1. Percentage uptake¹ rates by NHS Board of Residence: 1st April 2007 to 31st March 2012. Three year rolling periods², females aged 50-70



1 Only routine appointments are included in the above figures. Self/GP referral and early recall appointments are excluded.

2 Women are invited to attend screening once every three years and NHS Boards are not necessarily screened evenly throughout the three year period.

3 New NHS Board areas including parts of former Argyll & Clyde.

NHSBSP Performance Standards, at 31st March 2012:

- Looking at three year performance standard attendance figures, uptake has dropped slightly from 74.9% in 2008-11 to 74.5% in 2009-12.
- Greater Glasgow and Clyde were the only NHS Board not to meet the minimum performance attendance standard of >70% of women invited during the previous three years. The attendance rate for Greater Glasgow and Clyde was 70.8% in 2008-11 but dropped slightly to 69.8% in 2009-12.
- In 2011-12, all but one of the NHS Breast Screening Programme Minimum Performance Standards and all but 3 of the 13 targets were met.

Background

The UK was one of the first countries in the world to establish a national population-based breast screening programme. The UK National Health Service Breast Screening Programme (NHSBSP), a UK-wide programme of free mammographic screening for breast cancer, was introduced in 1988 following a recommendation from a working party established by the four UK Departments of Health and chaired by Sir Patrick Forrest.

Within Scotland, data are collected by each of the six screening centres (which are supported by 19 mobile units) and retained on the Scottish Breast Screening Programme (SBSP) Information System. More information on the SBSP dataset can be found on our [Data sources](#) page. Data are routinely extracted from the SBSP Information system and analysed by ISD Scotland to help evaluate and monitor the effectiveness of the programme in Scotland.

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