About this release

The Information Services Division has released a report describing the current availability of equality data in routine national administrative health datasets in Scotland. These datasets are used for a number of secondary uses such as planning, performance monitoring, benchmarking and research. The report provides information about what equality data are collected and how complete they are, discusses possible data quality issues and gives examples of how routine health service data can be used to measure differences between equality groups. It also highlights and explains the gaps in equality data and explores ways in which these could be addressed.

Find out more

Alongside the report, ISD has published a new web-based ISD Equality Evidence Finder, which is intended to complement the broader Scottish Government Equality Evidence Finder and make it easier for users to establish what equality data are available for routine health datasets and how they can be accessed.

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