Health and Social Care Integrated Resource Framework
NHSScotland and Local Authority Social Care Expenditure

Years Ending March 2012-2015

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About this release

This publication by Information Services Division (ISD) shows the total expenditure of care provided by NHS Boards and Local Authorities between 2011/12 and 2014/15. The information is provided at national and local integration partnership level and is part of the Integrated Resource Framework (IRF).

Main Points

- There was £12.6bn of expenditure on health & social care in 2014/15. Of this total, £5.1bn (42%) was for delivering services to individuals aged 65 and over (who account for 18% of the population).

- Care that is delivered in a community setting accounted for 44% (£5.9bn) of the total health and social care expenditure, with the remaining 56% (£6.7bn) being provided in either a hospital or care home. These proportions have remained unchanged over the past four years.

- For those services delivered to people aged 65 and over, £3.7bn (72%) was spent in a health setting and £1.4bn (28%) in a social care setting.

- 40% of expenditure (£1.5bn) within the NHS for people aged over 65 is as a result of an unplanned admission into hospital.

A data visualisation of these data can be found here

Background

This publication is the third public release of Integrated Resource Framework (IRF) expenditure data. The information contained within this release has previously been reported through the IRF as management information.

The IRF helps health and social care partnerships to evaluate services by providing a better understanding of historical patterns of service to provide the basis for strategic planning and change. Through the IRF, we can understand more clearly resource use, enabling a better understanding of costs, activity and variation for different population groups. The IRF can also facilitate better anticipatory care planning, early intervention and prevention. It is also key to supporting the new Integration Authorities.
ISD contributes to the integration and improvement of health and social care through the provision and development of information and intelligence, in particular to help:

- shift the balance of care from institutional to community-based provision;
- maximise the number of individuals able to live and be cared for in their own homes;
- encourage better joint working between NHS Boards, Local Authorities, carers and the voluntary sector; and
- reshape care for older people in response to Scotland’s growing older population’s needs.

The information within the IRF has been developed within the Source project formally ‘Health and Social Care Data Integration and Intelligence Project’ (HSCDIIP). Through this, ISD is providing integration authorities with data and analytical support.

The source for the NHS mapped expenditure is the published Scottish Health Service Costs for 2014/15 (referred to at the Costs Book). This currently reports on around 95% of the NHS net operating costs. This includes expenditure on the provision of hospital and primary care within the 14 territorial NHS Boards, the State Hospital, and the Golden Jubilee National Hospital. It is this net expenditure that the mapping attempts to break down into partnership and age group level.

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