

Publication Summary



ScotPHO Local Tobacco Profiles

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About this Release

Local tobacco profiles have been chosen as the first set of profiles to be included in a new online tool which is being launched by the Scottish Public Health Observatory (ScotPHO) to support NHS Boards. Alongside the launch of the tool, an NHS Board overview report is also being published which summarises the key findings from the profiles.

Key Points

The local tobacco profiles brings together 34 new and existing health indicators to provide a compendium of data that can help local health services to assess the effect of tobacco use on their local populations, benchmark against other health board and CHP areas, and inform planning decisions to tackle tobacco use and improve the health of local communities. They provide a snapshot of the extent of tobacco use, tobacco related harm and measures being taken to reduce this harm at a local level. Findings include:

- The percentage of women who reported that they smoked at their first antenatal booking appointment has declined from 26% in 2002-04 to 21% in 2008-10, and a decrease is seen for women in both the most and least deprived areas. This deprivation information is shown at NHS Board level for the first time.
- Over the period 2001-03 to 2009-11, around 24% of deaths in Scotland can be attributed to smoking, and this has remained unchanged over the time period

Over the coming year more profiles will be published in this way on a range of topics including drugs and alcohol use and the elderly. There will also be updates to the existing national health and wellbeing profiles.

The report and tool can be accessed at: <http://www.scotpho.org.uk/profiles>

Background

The ScotPHO website contains comprehensive information on a wide range of topics grouped into sections including: behaviour; health, wellbeing and disease; and clinical risk factors. Along with summary data and statistics, the website provides background information, interpretation, policy notes, commentaries on data sources, references and links to further information.

Tobacco profiles were chosen as the first topic for launch following requests and interest expressed from NHS Boards in Scotland into local tobacco profiles similar to those developed for England by the London Health Observatory.

The profiles will be kept up-to-date through annual updates of new data.

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Further Information

Further information can be found on the [ScotPHO website](#).

Metadata and pre-release access information for this publication is available [here](#).

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About ScotPHO

The Scottish Public Health Observatory (ScotPHO) collaboration is led by ISD Scotland and NHS Health Scotland, and includes the Glasgow Centre for Population Health, National Records of Scotland and Health Protection Scotland. Our aim is to make public health information more accessible and usable to improve health and reduce inequalities in Scotland.