About this Release

New data on the health and wellbeing of Scotland’s 32 Local Authorities (LA) has been published in an update to the ScotPHO Online Profiles Tool.

The purpose of these profiles is to provide service providers, planners and policy makers with the robust information they need to improve understanding of local health issues, to set local issues in a national context and to take action to improve the health of local communities.

The individual LA profiles are based on a set of 65 health indicators, covering health outcomes (eg deaths and hospitalisations), behaviour (eg smoking, alcohol and drug use) and wider determinants of health (eg employment, education and the environment.)

These are the first in a series of updates to the Health and Wellbeing Profiles. Updated NHS Board level data will be available in April once the boundaries have been aligned with Local Authority areas.

Additionally, profiles will be released later in the year for lower-level geographical areas and for time series data across all geographies.

Key Points

- Life expectancy for males in Scotland in 2008-2010 ranged from 71.6 years in Glasgow City LA to 79.4 years in East Dunbartonshire LA. Life expectancy for females in Scotland in 2008-2010 ranged from 78.0 years in Glasgow City LA to 82.7 years in East Dunbartonshire LA.

- The number of people discharged from hospital with coronary heart disease in 2010-2012 ranged from 350 per 100,000 per year in Shetland LA to 563 in West Dunbartonshire LA.
The proportion of the working age population (16-64 yrs) claiming Jobseekers Allowance (quarter ending Feb 2012) varied from 1.4% in Aberdeenshire LA to 6.7% in West Dunbartonshire LA.

Pupil achievement in the fourth year of secondary school (as reflected in average tariff scores in S4) in 2011/12 (school year) ranged from 162 in Dundee City LA to 264 in East Renfrewshire LA.

The 2013 European Standard Population (ESP2013) has been used to calculate the European Age-Sex Standardised Rates (EASRs) within the Health & Well-Being Profiles 2014. The European Standard Population (ESP), which was first used in 1976, was revised in 2013. Figures using ESP1976 and ESP2013 are not comparable.

The population estimates used in the calculation of EASRs in the Health & Well-Being Profiles 2014 are based on the 2011 Census results.

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.

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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.