About this Release
This release forms part of the quarterly workforce publication cycle, and includes information on staff in post across all NHS staff groups, staff turnover and vacancy information for nursing and midwifery, allied health professions, and consultants as at 30th June 2014.

Key Points
Overall staff
- The total number of NHSScotland staff in post continues to increase with 135,880.7 whole time equivalent (WTE) and 159,058 headcount on 30th June 2014.

Staff groups
- The annual increase in staff of 1.9% WTE is mainly due to increases in:
  - nursing and midwifery (1,309.6 WTE),
- administrative services (345.5 WTE)
- medical (286.2 WTE)
- allied health professions (226.4 WTE).

- The largest group in the workforce continues to be nursing and midwifery, which accounted for 43.0% of all staff with 58,462.3 WTE at 30th June 2014.
- The number of consultants in post (excluding directors of public health) has seen an annual increase of 3.6% from 4,525.9 WTE at 30th June 2013 to 4,690.3 WTE at 30th June 2014.

**Vacancies**
- On the 30th June 2014, the total number of vacancies for:
  - consultants (excluding directors of public health) was 346.7 WTE, a rate of 6.9%.
  - nursing and midwifery was 1,865.3 WTE, a rate of 3.1%.
  - allied health profession was 481.2 WTE, a rate of 4.1%.
- The number of consultant vacancies has increased from 221.9 WTE (4.7%) on 30th June 2013.

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