# **Publication Report**







# **Psychology Services Workforce in NHSScotland**

Workforce Information as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 25<sup>th</sup> November 2014

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### Introduction

This publication is a collaborative piece of work between the Information Services Division (ISD) of NHS National Services Scotland (NSS) and NHS Education for Scotland (NES).

The publication presents information on NHSScotland Psychology Services workforce as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

The data are sourced from the NES-ISD National Psychology Services Workforce Information Database.

Information presented are:

- Data on clinical staff in post in NHSScotland psychology services including: Clinical Psychologists, Other Applied Psychologists, graduates of the MSc in Psychological Therapies in Primary Care, graduates of the MSc in Applied Psychology of Children&Young People, Cognitive Behavioural Therapists, Counsellors, Other Therapists and Assistant Psychologists.
- Data on vacancies.
- Data on trainees.
- Data are available by target age of clients seen, area of work, NHS Board, and gender, age and contract type.

The information collected and presented are used by NES, the Scottish Government and NHS Boards to support local, regional and national workforce planning, and to support educational training and planning.

The tables present figures in both Headcount numbers and Whole Time Equivalents (WTE). WTE adjust headcount staff figures to take account of part-time staff.

Within NHSScotland, recent years have seen an unparalleled demand for increased access to Applied Psychologists and Psychological Therapies. A demand from both patients and professionals has arisen due to the ever increasing evidence base for psychological interventions.

Contemporary Healthcare Policy recognises the importance of Psychological and Psychosocial factors for physical and mental health and well being across the life span. Government objectives for health improvement require change in what people (i.e. the public, service users and service providers), individually and collectively, think, feel and do about health and healthcare in Scotland. Psychology offers a scientific basis for understanding, and practical skills for influencing, how people think, feel and behave, with specific reference to physical health and mental well being. There is a strong evidence base, recognised in Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network (SIGN) and National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) guidelines for the effectiveness of psychological interventions in delivering positive health change for a wide range of clinical conditions.

Further data tables are available on the <u>Psychology Services Workforce</u> pages of the ISD website.

# **Key points**

The group 'Clinical Psychologists' is composed of staff whose professional group is Clinical Psychology. This is the largest staff group within NHSScotland Psychology Services.

'Other Applied Psychologists' comprises staff from professional groups Counselling Psychology, Health Psychology, Forensic Psychology and Neuropsychology.

'All Applied Psychologists' refers to the total of Clinical Psychologists plus Other Applied Psychologists.

### As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014:

- The total number of clinical staff employed in NHSScotland Psychology Services continues to rise, with 1202 staff (1013.1 WTE) including 868 (726.1 WTE) Clinical and Other Applied Psychologists in post as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014.
- There has been a significant increase over time in the number of Clinical and Other Applied Psychologists employed in NHSScotland from 426 (371.0 WTE) in 2003 to the current level of 868 (726.1 WTE) as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014.
- This total of 868 (726.1 WTE) equates to 808 (674.1 WTE) Clinical Psychologists plus 60 (52.0 WTE) Other Applied Psychologists. This represents a national staffing level of 13.6 WTE Applied Psychologist per 100,000 of the general population of Scotland.
- The total of 1202 staff represents a staffing level of Graduates of the MSc in Psychological Therapies in Primary Care (62.6 WTE), Graduates of the MSc in the Applied Psychology of Children and Young People (35.0 WTE), cognitive behavioural therapists (41.1 WTE), counsellors (25.9 WTE), other therapists (17.0 WTE), and other clinical staff (21.7 WTE).
- As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014, an additional 78.3 WTE posts throughout NHSScotland Psychology Services were between being advertised and being filled with start dates commencing in October 2014. A further 12.3 WTE posts were approved for recruitment but not yet advertised.

# **Results and Commentary**

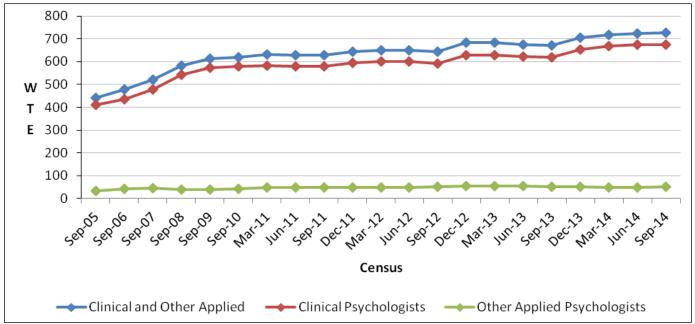
The information in this report is taken from the NES-ISD National Psychology Workforce database.

#### **Staff Groups**

The total number of clinical staff employed in NHSScotland Psychology Services continues to rise, with 1202 staff (1013.1 WTE) including 868 (726.1 WTE) Clinical and Other Applied Psychologists in post as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014. This total of 868 (726.1 WTE) equates to 808 (674.1 WTE) Clinical Psychologists plus 60 (52.0 WTE) Other Applied Psychologists (see Table 1).

There has been a significant increase over time in the number of Clinical and Other Applied Psychologists employed in NHSScotland from 426 (371.0 WTE) in 2003 to the current level of 868 (726.1 WTE) as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 (Figure 1). This reflects the successful expansion of the NES commissioned Doctorate in Clinical Psychology course and high retention rate of course graduates within NHSScotland Psychology Services.

Figure 1: WTE of all Clinical & Other Applied Psychologists in NHSScotland, as at census dates 30<sup>th</sup> September 2005 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014.



Please note that the WTE for clinical and other applied psychologists was 325.1 in Sep 2001, 359.3 in Sep 2002, 371.0 in Sep 2003 and 418.6 in Sep 2004.

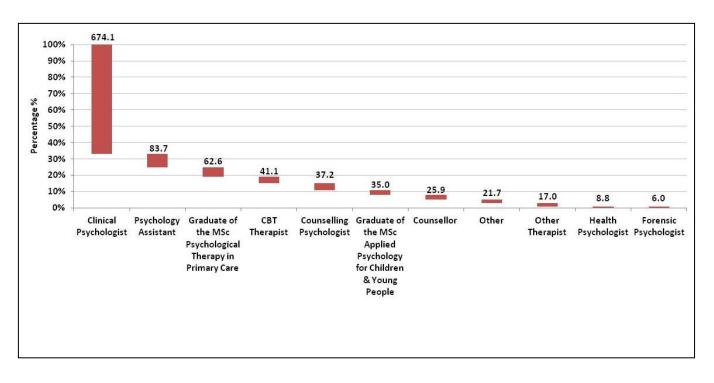
Psychology services increasingly employ a skill-mix of staff as illustrated in Table 1. Graduates of the MSc in Psychological Therapies in Primary Care (62.6 WTE), Graduates of the MSc in the Applied Psychology of Children and Young People (35.0 WTE), assistant psychologists (83.7 WTE), cognitive behavioural therapists (41.1 WTE), counsellors (25.9 WTE), other therapists (17.0 WTE), and other clinical staff (21.7 WTE), were employed in NHSScotland psychology services as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

Table 1: NHS Scotland Psychology workforce by Professional Group as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 (WTE).

Professional Group	Whole Time Equivalent (WTE)	Headcount	WTE per 100,000 population
Clinical Psychologist	674.1	808	12.7
Counselling Psychologist	37.2	42	0.7
Health Psychologist	8.8	11	0.2
Forensic Psychologist	6.0	7	0.1
Graduate of the MSc Psychological Therapy in Primary Care	62.6	71	1.2
Graduate of the MSc Applied Psychology for Children & Young People	35.0	38	0.7
CBT Therapist	41.1	46	8.0
Other Therapist	17.0	20	0.3
Counsellor	25.9	37	0.5
Psychology Assistant	83.7	90	1.6
Other	21.7	32	0.4
Total: All Groups	1013.1	1202	19.0

<sup>\*</sup> Other Staff include Nurses, Self-Help Workers, Allied Health Professionals, Nursery Workers.

Figure 2: NHS Scotland Psychology workforce as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 by Professional Group. Expressed as a percentage of total 1013.1 WTE.



## **Staff in NHS Boards**

Table 2: All Clinical Staff (WTE) employed in NHSScotland Psychology Services as at each census date, by NHS Board.

NHS Board	30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013	30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014	WTE Difference from 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014	% Difference from 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014
NHS Ayrshire & Arran	71.1	81.0	9.9	14.0%
NHS Borders	19.3	18.6	-0.6	-3.1%
NHS Dumfries & Galloway	35.5	37.5	2.1	5.9%
NHS Fife	79.1	77.0	-2.1	-2.7%
NHS Forth Valley	29.4	31.1	1.7	5.8%
NHS Grampian	63.3	65.7	2.4	3.8%
NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde	215.1	239.3	24.2	11.3%
NHS Highland	34.8	34.8	0.0	0.0%
NHS Lanarkshire	121.8	128.5	6.7	5.5%
NHS Lothian	125.3	162.5	37.2	39.7%
NHS Orkney	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.0%
NHS Shetland	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.0%
NHS State Hospital	19.6	18.7	-0.9	-4.6%
NHS Tayside	83.6	101.3	17.7	21.2%
NHS Western Isles	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0%
NHS National Waiting Times Centre	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0%
NHS Education for Scotland	9.2	14.3	5.1	55.4%
Total	909.8	1013.1	103.3	11.4%

Increases in all clinical staff during this time period include recruitment of graduates from the Doctorate in Clinical Psychology, MSc Applied Psychology of Children & Young People and MSc Psychological Therapies in Primary Care.



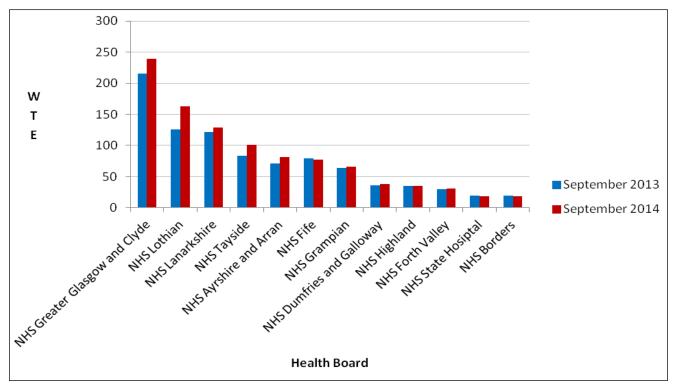
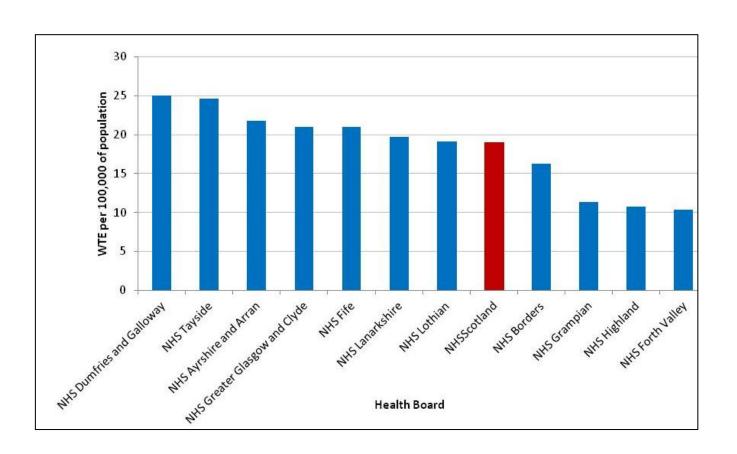
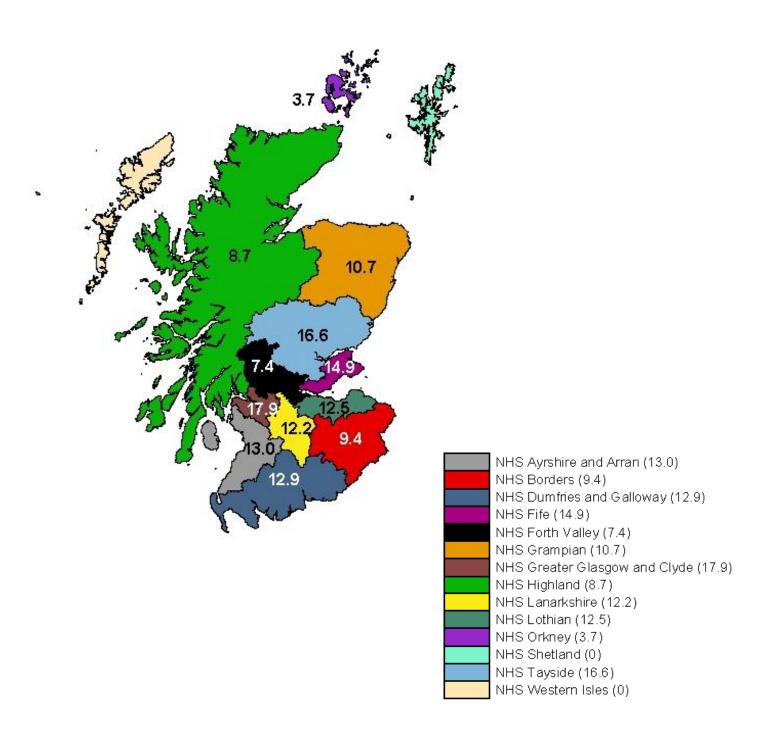


Figure 4: WTE of All Clinical Staff per 100,000 population by NHS Board as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014.



The level of service provision varies significantly across NHSScotland as shown in Figure 6 below.

Figure 5: WTE per 100,000 of the population for All Clinical & Other Applied Psychologists in NHSScotland as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014, by NHS Board.



Please note no Applied Psychologists are currently employed in Western Isles or Shetland; please refer to 'Services to the Island Boards' section for more information

#### **Trends**

Between 30<sup>th</sup> September 2013 and 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014, the following changes can be seen in the data:

 In total there were 868 (726.1 WTE) Clinical & Other Applied Psychologists employed in NHSScotland as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014. This is an increase of 8.5% headcount (+68hc), and an increase of 8.3% WTE (+55.8 WTE) from 30<sup>th</sup> September 2013.

Table 3: NHS Scotland Psychology workforce Trends by Professional Group from June 2013 to September 2014 (WTE).

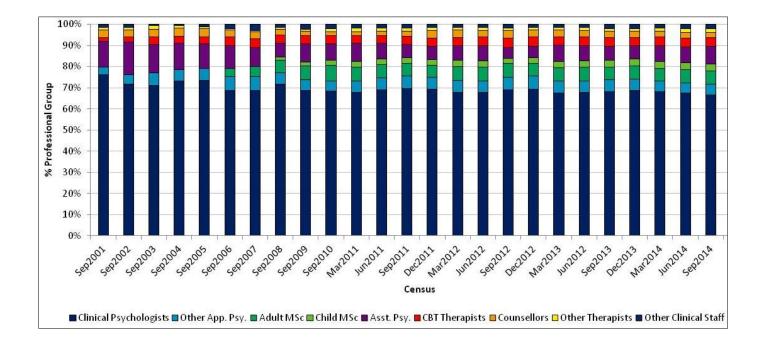
Professional Group	Jun- 13	Sep- 13	Dec- 13	Mar- 14	Jun - 14	Sep - 14	Annual Difference	%Annual Change
All Applied Psychologists;	676.0	670.3	706.3	716.4	724.2	726.1	55.81	8.3%
Clinical Psychologist	621.8	619.0	653.5	667.9	675.2	674.1	55.0	8.9%
Counselling Psychologist	32.8	34.7	34.7	33.6	34.2	37.2	2.5	7.2%
Health Psychologist	8.6	7.4	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.8	1.4	18.9%
Forensic Psychologist	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	0.0	0.0%
Neuropsychologist <sup>1</sup>	6.8	3.1	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-3.1	-100.0%
Other Clinical Staff;	261.2	239.5	245.5	263.9	277.0	287.0	47.5	19.8%
Graduate of the MSc Psychological Therapy in Primary Care <sup>2</sup>	59.9	55.8	57.0	60.1	62.4	62.6	6.9	12.3%
Graduate of the MSc Applied Psychology for Children & Young People <sup>2</sup>	33.5	29.5	31.1	32.1	31.5	35.0	5.5	18.7%
CBT Therapist	37.7	37.6	38.4	40.5	41.7	41.1	3.5	9.4%
Other Therapist	10.2	12.1	11.9	13.8	18.7	17.0	4.9	40.5%
Counsellor	29.3	27.4	27.1	25.7	25.2	25.9	-1.5	-5.5%
Psychology Assistant	76.7	58.7	60.5	73.4	76.9	83.7	25.0	42.6%
Other <sup>3</sup>	14.0	18.5	15.1	13.8	20.7	21.7	3.2	17.2%
Total: All Professional Groups	937.2	909.8	951.8	980.3	1001.2	1013.1	103.3	11.4%

<sup>1.</sup> During 2014, those individuals previously recorded as Neuropsychologists (n= 4 headcount as at 31st December 2013) have been aligned with those professional groups regulated by the HCPC (Health and Care Professionals Council), and are thus now recorded as Clinical Psychologists (ie a headcount of n= 4 Neuropsychologists as at 31st December 2013 appear in the data as at 31st March 2014 as Clinical Psychologists). Those Clinical Psychologists, who in addition to their D Clin Psych qualification hold a Stage II BPS Neuropsychology qualification total a headcount of n=24 as at 31st March 2014. The breakdown by NHS Board is: NHS Ayrshire&Arran n= 1; NHS Dumfries&Galloway n=2; NHS Fife n=2; NHS Grampian n=4; NHS Greater Glasgow&Clyde n=5; NHS Highland n=1; NHS Lothian n=7; NHS State Hospital n=1; NHS Tayside n=1.

For more employment detail of the Graduates of the MSc courses, please refer to the psychology workforce
publication 2014-11-25-Psychology-Workforce-Tables (Psychology Service in NHSScotland), tab 12 in the
workbook.

<sup>3.</sup> Please note that self help workers, nurses and allied health professionals are included within the 'Other' professional group within this table.

Figure 6: Percentage staff by professional group as at census date (September 2001-September 2014).



### **Vacancy Information**

As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 vacant posts within NHSScotland Psychology Services were:

- 78.3 WTE posts were between being advertised and being filled, with start dates commencing in October 2014.
- 12.3 WTE posts were approved for recruitment, but not yet advertised.

In practice many vacancies may arise as a result of the internal movement of staff within a service. This may result in there being no immediate net gain to the workforce in terms of numbers.

Table 4: WTE of vacancy posts within NHSScotland psychology services which at the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 were between being advertised and being filled.

Job Title	NHSScotland WTE
All Applied Psychologists;	54.3
Clinical Psychologist	53.7
Counselling Psychologist	0.6
Other Clinical Staff;	24.0
Clinical Associate in Applied Psychology	4.4
CBT Therapist	3.6
Other Therapist	1.6
Counsellor	0.6
Psychology Assistant	13.8
Total	78.3

The following Boards failed to submit a response: NHS Forth Valley Child and State Hospital.

#### **Area of Work**

- Mental Health is the principal area of work, employing 381.0 WTE Clinical and Other Applied Psychologists. This is an increase of 9.1% compared to the WTE Mental Health figure as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2013.
- The rest of the workforce is distributed across services for people with learning disabilities, physical health, neuropsychology, forensic, alcohol & substance misuse and other specialty services. Please see tables 4 and 5 for details.

Table 5: All Applied Psychologists (WTE) employed in NHSScotland Psychology Services as at each census date, by Area of Work.

Area of Work	31 <sup>st</sup> Mar 2013	30 <sup>th</sup> Jun 2013	30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2013	31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2013	31 <sup>st</sup> Mar 2014	30 <sup>th</sup> Jun 2014	30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014	WTE Difference from 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014	% Difference from 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014
Mental									
Health	360.7	352.2	349.1	369.0	368.5	379.0	381.0	31.9	9.1%
Learning Disabilities	68.8	66.7	67.1	66.0	64.8	64.9	63.9	-3.2	-4.8%
Physical									
Health	84.9	83.2	81.6	86.0	93.7	90.6	92.9	11.3	13.8%
Forensic	40.1	40.9	39.6	40.3	40.9	42.8	40.3	0.7	1.8%
Neuro- psychology	38.7	38.4	38.8	40.8	42.0	43.1	44.5	5.7	14.7%
Alcohol &									
Substance									
Misuse	23.8	24.8	24.1	28.6	27.6	26.5	26.5	2.4	10.0%
Other	66.1	69.7	70.1	75.6	78.9	77.5	77.1	7.0	10.0%
Total	683.1	676.0	670.3	706.3	716.4	724.2	726.1	55.8	8.3%

Please note that ongoing collaborative data quality exercises are being carried out with staff working in physical health, and with staff working in neuropsychology with the aim of ensuring more robust and accurate data are captured and reported. This enhancement in data quality may be reflected in the trends.

Table 6: All Clinical Staff (WTE) employed in NHSScotland Psychology Services as at each census date, by Area of Work.

Area of Work	30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013	30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014	WTE Difference from 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014	% Difference from 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014
Mental Health	525.6	587.4	61.8	11.8%
Learning Disabilities	83.6	84.1	0.5	0.6%
Physical Health	87.6	104.3	16.7	19.1%
Forensic	53.5	60.4	6.9	12.9%
Neuropsychology	42.4	49.6	7.2	17.0%
Alcohol and Substance Misuse	25.1	28.3	3.2	12.7%
Other	92.0	99.0	7.0	7.6%
Total	909.8	1013.1	103.3	11.4%

Please note that ongoing collaborative data quality exercises are being carried out with staff working in physical health, and with staff working in neuropsychology with the aim of ensuring more robust and accurate data are captured and reported. This enhancement in data quality may be reflected in the trends.

# **Target Age**

Table 7: All Applied Psychologists (WTE) employed in NHSScotland Psychology Services as at each census date, by Target Age of Patients seen.

Target Age of of Patients Seen	31 <sup>st</sup> Mar 2013	30 <sup>th</sup> Jun 2013	30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2013	31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2013	31 <sup>st</sup> Mar 2014	30 <sup>th</sup> Jun 2014	30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014	WTE Difference from 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014	% Difference from 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014
Children 0-19 yrs	185.3	183.3	184.2	200.9	198.4	197.0	197.5	13.3	7.2%
Adults 20-64 yrs	423.3	420.2	402.8	414.7	422.1	432.7	434.1	31.3	7.8%
Older People 65+ yrs	37.0	37.8	36.0	37.4	34.6	33.9	34.3	-1.7	-4.7%
Age Non specific	37.5	34.7	47.2	53.2	61.3	60.7	60.2	13.0	27.5%
Total	683.1	676.0	670.3	706.3	716.4	724.2	726.1	55.8	8.3%

Table 8: All Clinical Staff (WTE) employed in NHSScotland Psychology Services as at each census date, by Target Age of Patients seen.

Target Age of Patients Seen	30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013	30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014	WTE Difference from 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014	% Difference from 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2014
Children 0-19 years	245.9	267.9	22.0	8.9%
Adults 20-64 years	570.0	632.4	62.4	10.9%
Older People 65+				
years	39.6	44.2	4.6	11.6%
Age Non specific	54.3	68.6	14.3	26.3%
Total	909.8	1013.1	103.3	11.4%

Please note the discrepancies in Area of Work and Professional Group totals are due to the conversion of hours worked to sessions.

### Age, Band and Contract

Figure 7: Age Profile of All Clinical Staff within NHS Scotland Psychology Services as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014. (Headcount)

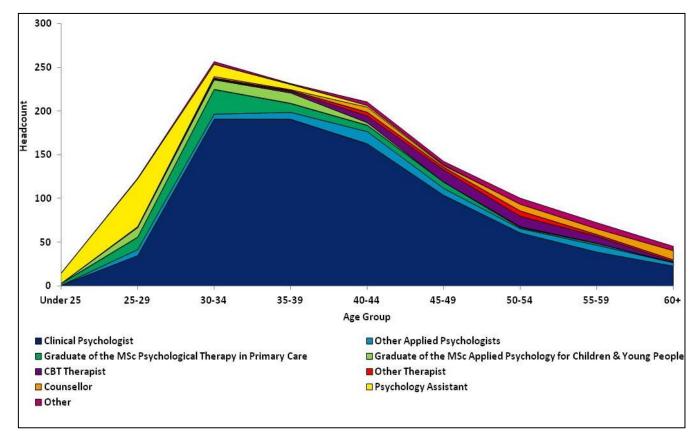


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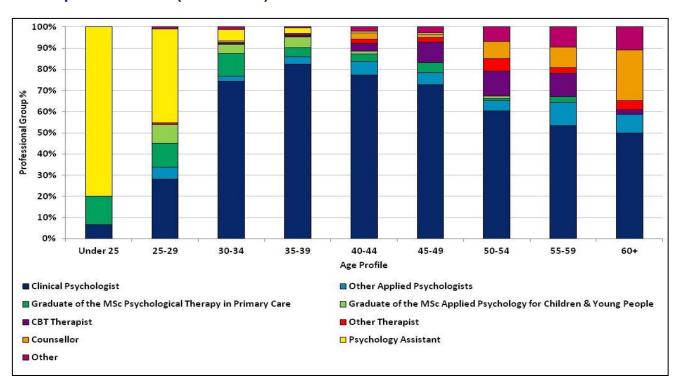


Figure 9: Workforce Tree Plot of All Clinical Staff within NHS Scotland Psychology Services by pay band & professional group, as a percentage of total 1013.1WTE.

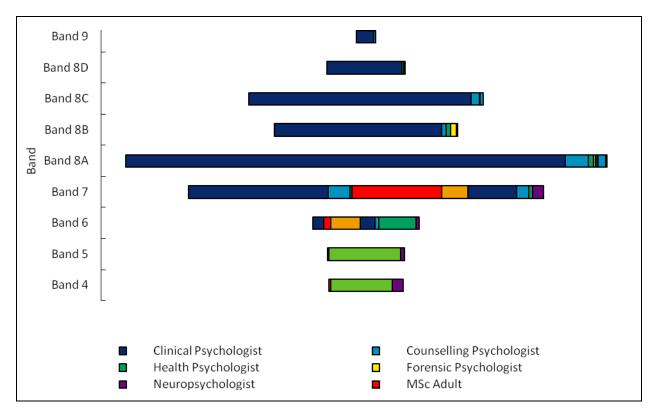


Figure 10: Contract Type of All Clinical Staff Staff within NHS Scotland Psychology Services, as a percentage of total 1013.1WTE, by professional group.

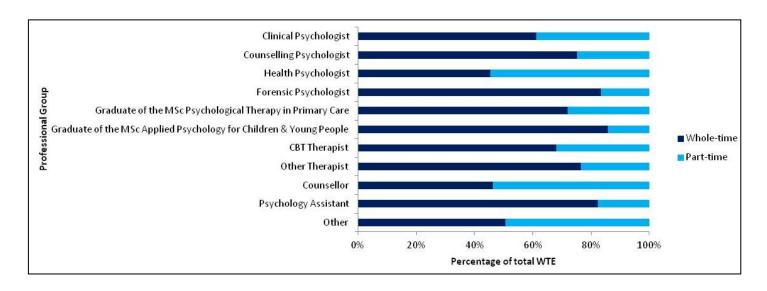
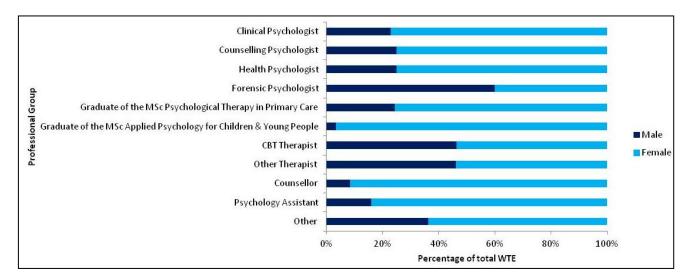


Figure 11: Gender Profile of All Clinical Staff within NHS Scotland Psychology Services, as a percentage of total 1013.1 WTE, by professional group.



#### **Trainees**

NHS Education for Scotland (NES) has responsibility for the pre-registration training of Clinical Psychologists for NHSScotland i.e. the main source of psychology workforce supply. The impact of the expansion and modernisation of Clinical Psychology training is accruing as successive cohorts join the workforce. The current numbers in training are shown in Table 9 below.

NES also has responsibility for commissioning two masters level training courses aimed at enhancing the skill mix; MSc Psychological Therapy in Primary Care and MSc Applied Psychology in Children&Young People.

Table 9: NHS Scotland Psychology Services Headcount of Trainees in Applied Psychology as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

Training Course	Headcount
Doctorate in Clinical Psychology <sup>1</sup>	190
MSc Psychological Therapy in Primary Care	24
MSc Applied Psychology of Children & Young People	17
BPS Stage 2 Qualification in Health Psychology	9
Total Number in Training	240

<sup>1.</sup> In order to meet strategic objectives, training is aligned to strategic priorities. Of this total of 190, as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014, 24 were Forensic aligned posts, 22 were aligned to Older People's services and 34 were CAMHS aligned posts, funded by the Scottish Government.

#### **Additional Information**

#### **Scottish Prison Service Transfer**

As of the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2011, NHSScotland has responsibility for employing Healthcare staff within prisons. Previously, these people were employed directly by the Scottish Prison Service (SPS). This has resulted in a total of approximately 350 staff (headcount) transferring to NHSS. As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 none of the staff involved were within NHSS Psychology Services with the exception of NHS Grampian 0.5 WTE is currently being delivered via backfill with 1.5 WTE currently being recruited.

#### **Maternity Leave**

As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014, 60.8 WTE (6.0%) of the 1013.1 WTE total staff in post were on maternity leave. The majority of these posts are not backfilled.

# **NHS Highland**

NHS Highland and The Highland Council are working towards developing an integrated model for health and social care. This new service model will involve an estimated 1,400 staff in adult community care services transferring from The Highland Council to NHS Highland. In addition, an estimated 230 NHS Highland staff in child health services will transfer to The Highland Council. It was anticipated that this new service model would have a direct impact on this release; however due to ongoing discussions locally within NHS Highland, the implementation date for this new model has been extended. The impact on any workforce statistics will be highlighted ahead of the corresponding release. As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 none of the staff involved were within NHSS Psychology Services.

# **Statements Provided by Heads of Psychology Service**

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Statement provided by:	Statement on Psychology Workforce Figures as at 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2014
NHS Ayrshire & Arran	The staffing levels increased in 2014 following recruitment to five additional posts across the AMH Community, Community Paediatric and Older Adult/Physical Health/Neuropsychology Specialties/ Learning Disabilities. There has also been an unprecedented level of Maternity Leave during 2013-2014 (currently 15 posts across the Service. Two permanent posts have been approved to meet local needs related to Maternity Leave. Apparent reductions in "other" category due to leaving of temporary staff covering dual specialties or vacancies. Other apparent increases due to reductions in hours and reconfiguration of staff as a result. Thus, overall actual increase in establishment is 2.0 wte but there have been other increases over establishment which have inflated figures this year and will reduce as temporary staff leave.
NHS Borders	The apparent loss of Learning Disability staffing reflects the moving of the post to the LD service, thus it is no longer in the main psychology service. This highlights a potential problem with the current rules for data reporting rather than a loss of staff. Core establishment remains the same; we still have a temporary QUEST funded assistant psychologist.
NHS Dumfries & Galloway	Temporary service gap in Learning Disability services as a result of difficulties in recruiting. Reorganisation of Clinical Health Psychology services has now addressed previous uneven provision of services and has enhanced availability of services in primary care.
NHS Fife	The differences are due to several factors: An LD maternity leave cover Assistant who inflated LD wte by 1.0 in 2013 & also a project Assistant in a project which has now come to an end. Vacancies which have not yet been advertised in AMH & Physical Health.
NHS Forth Valley	The slight increase in staffing in Forth Valley is due to the creation of new posts in clinical health services and adult mental health services. These were made possible by additional investment. There has also been recent investment in new temporary posts which were not recruited to at the point of data collection, in both adult mental health and substance misuse/prison services.
NHS Grampian	Although the summary data reflect an apparent stability in the workforce, some of our services have faced considerable challenges due to significant changes in staffing over the past year. CAMHS and general AMH services in particular have experienced an unprecedented number of staff leaving post or going on maternity leave which has resulted in gaps in service and adversely affected our ability to achieve the HEAT targets for access to psychological therapies. Recruitment to some vacant posts has also proved difficult with the relatively high cost of housing in the Aberdeen area proving to be a factor in deterring some interested candidates.

NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde	The HEAT target continues to be a focus for services. The swift replacement of vacancies has assisted in our performance to date. We have also introduced 6 peripatetic posts from psychology underspend across GGC to enable us to maintain the gains we have achieved. We continue to have areas which can be difficult to recruit to and we are vulnerable to recruitment challenges for Band 7 and to losing our Band
NII (0 1 II 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	7 staff to other Boards due to the absence of a preceptorship style arrangement.
NHS Highland	Still maternity leave continues in both Argyll and north Highland, with problems recruiting locums. One full time person will be leaving Adult services in Highland with no replacement.
NHS Lanarkshire	The transfer of psychology services from Rutherglen/Cambuslang (GG&C) to NHS Lanarkshire took place on 1st October 2014, with additional resources being deployed into this locality. As previously noted, there continue to be difficulties in covering staff on maternity leave, due to financial limitations. Otherwise, clinical staffing remains relatively stable.
NHS Lothian	It should be noted that the substantial increase in workforce in mental health settings, to both Applied Psychology and Psychological Therapist posts, has been established to meet the HEAT increasing access to Psychological Therapies treatment target. This funding is non-recurring in the next financial year. The decrease in learning disability psychology staffing is a temporary workforce fluctuation. (It results mainly from staff leaving the service and new staff not being recruited by date of audit). The increase in forensic posts is also a temporary fluctuation resulting from the appointment of staff on non-reoccurring research and development funding.
NHS Tayside	The uplift in posts is due to new monies being made available for Neuropsychology, Health Psychology and Forensic Psychology plus the appointment to vacant posts in other specialties.
NHS State Hospital	The discrepancies shown are due to delays in filling posts.
NHS Education for Scotland	NHS Education for Scotland directly employs 14.3 WTE clinical staff included in the psychology workforce figures. There are also 4.6 WTE staff on secondment from NHSScotland boards, mostly on short-term contracts in supporting research roles; these staff are not included in the overall figures.
HOOPS (Heads of Older People's Psychology Services)	Despite changing demographics, overall staff numbers have remained much the same. Reductions in some areas have been due to "incremental drift" and a secondment opportunity - from an already limited resource: this highlights the need to consider banding structure and career development issues within older people's services. Staff increase in one area relates to Change Fund initiatives; on-going funding of which requires to be addressed for continuation of these posts.

# Services to the Islands Boards as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014

NHS Board	Description of Staff in post and services received from mainland NHS Boards.
NHS Orkney	Employs a 0.8 WTE counselling psychologist as part of the community mental health team, offering a psychology service for individuals aged 18 and upwards.
	NHS Grampian Clinical Psychology staff have contractual obligations to Orkney in the following areas; 1/Adult Neuropsychology in Orkney - a clinical neuropsychologist can visit on a needs basis when travel to Aberdeen is difficult for clients however all other clients are seen in Aberdeen, 2/Adult Eating Disorders in Orkney - Currently a vacancy in Eating Disorders, therefore a 0.5 WTE psychologist provides approximately 1-2 appointments per month, 3/CAMHs Psychology - NHS Grampian are contracted to provide 3 days psychology service 4 times per year to Orkney. 4/Adult Learning Disabilities in Orkney - Currently there is no SLA in place to provide a service to Orkney.
NHS Shetland	NHS Shetland obtains CAMHS psychology input from a self-employed clinical psychologist.
	Grampian Health Board Clinical Psychology staff have contractual obligations Shetland in the following areas; 1/Adult Neuropsychology in Shetland - a clinical neuropsychologist can visit on a needs basis when travel to Aberdeen is difficult for clients however all other clients are seen in Aberdeen, 2/Adult Eating Disorders in Shetland - Currently a vacancy in Eating Disorders, therefore a 0.5 WTE psychologist provides approximately 1-2 appointments per month, 3/Adult Learning Disabilities in Shetland - 2 days every 4 months; 1 staff member.
NHS Western Isles	There is an agreement between NHS GG&C and the Western Isles of 0.1 WTE clinical psychologists in CAMHS. There is also a telemedicine clinic from the Southern general Hospital to the Western Isles.

# **Glossary**

A4C Agenda for Change

CAMHS Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services

HOOPS Heads of Older People's Psychology Services

HOPS Heads of Psychology Services ISD Information Services Division

NES NHS Education for Scotland

NHSS NHSScotland

PRA Pre-Release Access

PTT Psychological Therapies Team

WTE Whole Time Equivalent; Adjusts staff headcount to take account of part time

staff.

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#### **Appendix**

#### A1 - Background Information

Within NHSScotland, recent years have seen an unparalleled demand for increased access to Applied Psychologists and Psychological Therapies.

Contemporary Healthcare Policy recognises the importance of Psychological and Psychosocial factors for physical and mental health and well being across the life span. Government objectives for health improvement require change in what people (i.e. the public, service users and service providers), individually and collectively, think, feel and do about health and healthcare in Scotland.

NHS Education for Scotland has two major areas of responsibility for psychology in NHSScotland:

- Training of psychologists for NHSScotland.
- Upskilling the existing multi-professional workforce in psychological care.

Training of Psychologists for NHSScotland: responsibility for the pre-registration training of Clinical Psychologists for NHSScotland i.e. the main source of psychology services workforce supply. The impact of expansion and modernisation of psychology training is accruing as successive cohorts of those who have completed the Doctorate in Clinical Psychology, and the new Masters programmes in Psychological Therapy in Primary Care, and in Applied Psychology of Children&Young People enter the workforce.

A summary of the training programmes is shown on page 28.

Educational Level	Training	Competences
Doctoral	Clinical Psychology	Breadth and depth of psychological knowledge and skill. Multiple theoretical models across lifespan in mental and physical health, disability and systemic domains, consultancy, training supervision and independent research.
		Specific theoretical model(s) for specific client group with predefined range and severity of problems. Supervised research.
Masters	Psychological Therapy in Primary Care (MSc PTPC)	MSc Psychological Therapy in Primary Care: Cognitive Behavioural approaches for moderate anxiety and depression in primary care.
	Applied Psychology for Children and Young People (MSc APCYP)	MSc Applied Psychology of Children and Young People: Early intervention approaches for children and young people and families with moderate emotional and behavioural concerns.

#### Mental Health Policy and Targets

Developments in mental health care have been driven by a series of reports and policy recommendations:

The Mental Health Strategy: 2012-2015 (2012) sets the policy direction for the next four years and includes a commitment to enhancing the delivery of psychological therapies in NHSScotland in NHSScotland. http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/357051/0120639.pdf

A HEAT target was set in April 2011 to provide faster access to mental health services by delivering 18 weeks referral to treatment for Psychological Therapies from December 2014.

The Psychological Therapies 'Matrix' is a guide to planning and delivering evidence-based Psychological Therapies within NHS Boards in Scotland. It provides a summary of the information on the current evidence base for various therapeutic approaches, a template to aid in the identification of key gaps in service, and advice on important governance issues. <a href="http://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/education-and-training/by-discipline/psychology/matrix/the-psychological-therapies-matrix.aspx">http://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/education-and-training/by-discipline/psychology/matrix/the-psychological-therapies-matrix.aspx</a>

Further information on Older People's psychology services can be found in the paper: 'The Challenge of Delivering Psychological Therapies for Older People in Scotland' (2011), a report of Older People's Psychological Therapies Working Group http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/0039/00392673.pdf

For more details on psychology forensic services, please refer to the following paper: 'Psychological Care in the Context of Forensic Mental Health Services: New Responsibilities for Health Boards in Scotland (2011), Report by Heads of Psychological Services in NHSScotland.

For more information on psychology services in NHSScotland please see the 'Applied Psychologists and Psychology in NHSScotland: Working Group Discussion Paper' available at: http://www.sehd.scot.nhs.uk/mels/CEL2011 10.pdf

#### Links to Related Publications

There is a differing age range of service provision across the boards in child services, for more details of this please refer to CAMHS publication, available at the following link: <a href="http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Workforce/CAMHS/">http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Workforce/CAMHS/</a>

Data on Psychological Therapies waiting times in NHSScotland are available at: <a href="http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Waiting-Times/Publications/2014-11-25/2014-11-25-WT-PsychTherapies-Report.pdf">http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Waiting-Times/Publications/2014-11-25/2014-11-25-WT-PsychTherapies-Report.pdf</a>

Further information on Mental Health services in NHSScotland can be found on the website: <a href="http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Mental-Health/">http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Mental-Health/</a>

For further information on training programmes within applied psychology in NHSScotland please see:

http://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/education-and-training/by-discipline/psychology.aspx

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uses of the statistics	Known Uses of the Psychology Data	
	Previous years have seen an increase in staffing; these figures have attracted considerable media attention in the past due to modernisation of Clinical Psychology training agenda in NHSScotland.	
Accuracy	100% sign off received from Heads of Psychology Services and Heads of Specialties	
Completeness	100% of data returned, all used for analysis	
Comparability	Psychologists can be compared to psychologists providing services to an age group of child and/or adolescent in the CAMHS Workforce Planning Project <a href="http://www.isdscotland.org/Health%2DTopics/Workforce/CAMHS/">http://www.isdscotland.org/Health%2DTopics/Workforce/CAMHS/</a>	

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	Data are presented by: Professional group; NHS Board; Area of work; Target Age and A4C band. Trainee Data is not included in the main workforce tables.
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