

Explanatory notes for the Pharmacy Extended Services

Dashboard

Source

Extended Services statistics published here are based on information obtained from claims submitted to the NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership for payment in accordance with the provisions Pharmaceutical Services (Advanced and Enhanced Services) (Wales) Directions.

Coverage

The statistics cover all claims made by community pharmacies in Wales over a rolling 24-month period.

Dates

It should be noted that the statistics are based on the date that the service was delivered. However, community pharmacies submit their claims up to 12 months in arrears. Therefore, totals may change over time as more claims are received.

Glossary

Term	Description
Cluster	<p>A group of primary care providers (e.g. GP Practices, pharmacies, optometrists) working closely together in order to share resources, increase uptake of specialised services to improve quality of patient care.</p> <p>Clusters are represented here as geographical entities but boundaries may be fluid and subject to change.</p> <p>Clusters are managed by a single Health Board.</p>
Items Dispensed	<p>Items dispensed is used in some views as a denominator to indicate the “size” of a community pharmacy. It represents the number of prescription items dispensed by that pharmacy over the given period.</p>
Registered patients	<p>The number of patients registered to a GP practice aggregated by the Health Board to which that practice is contracted or the cluster to which it belongs.</p> <p>Where data is presented at pharmacy level this is simply the number of patients registered to a cluster divided by the number of pharmacies in the cluster. This is because there is no relationship between a pharmacy and the number of patients registered with a GP practice.</p>

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