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General practice activity: April 2024 to June 2024

Information on appointments in general practices including analysis of mode, type of practitioner and consultation; and selected additional activities for April 2024 to June 2024.

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Between April and June 2024

- There were an estimated 4.8 million appointments scheduled in general practices, an increase of 2.2% from the same quarter in the previous year.
- 94.8% of appointments were attended, a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the same quarter in the previous year.
- There were an estimated 78,000 appointments scheduled per working day, a
 decrease of 1.1% from the same quarter in the previous year and an
 estimated 74,000 appointments were attended per working day, a decrease
 of 1.3% from the same quarter in the previous year.
- 65.2% of attended appointments were face-to-face, an increase of 2.3 percentage points from the same quarter in the previous year.
- 33.6% of attended appointments were remote, a decrease of 2.3 percentage points from the same quarter in the previous year.
- 68.2% of attended appointments were with a GP or independent prescriber, an increase of 0.3 percentage points from the same quarter in the previous year.
- 31.8% of attended appointments were with a nurse, allied health professional or other clinical staff member, a decrease of 0.3 percentage points from the same quarter in the previous year.
- 62.9% of attended appointments were for chronic, planned or non-acute reasons, an increase of 0.3 percentage points from the same quarter in the previous year.
- 37.1% of attended appointments were for urgent or acute reasons, a decrease of 0.3 percentage points from the same quarter in the previous year.

In addition to appointments, there were:

- 410,000 referrals for specialist services and 160,000 fit notes issued
- 7.0 million calls received, equivalent to 110,000 per working day. Six out of ten calls were answered within two minutes
- 1.8 million letters or emails issued, 1.3 million text messages sent and received, and 1.5 million digital requests submitted

Notes

This publication is based on data extracted from the Primary Care Information Portal on 6 September 2024.

Data revision

Data for July 2023 to March 2024 have been revised in line with our **planned revisions policy**. There were small changes at Wales level with changes ranging between less than 0.1% and 0.3% for the appointments data and between less than 0.1% and 2.5% for selected additional activities data.

The data for October 2024 to June 2024 will be revised in the next publication.

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