

Recorded Dementia Diagnoses: 2016-17

At 31 March 2017:



422,000

people aged 65 and over in England have a recorded dementia diagnosis. This is an **increase** from 414,000 in March 2016.



This represents

1 in 23 people aged 65+ registered with a GP.

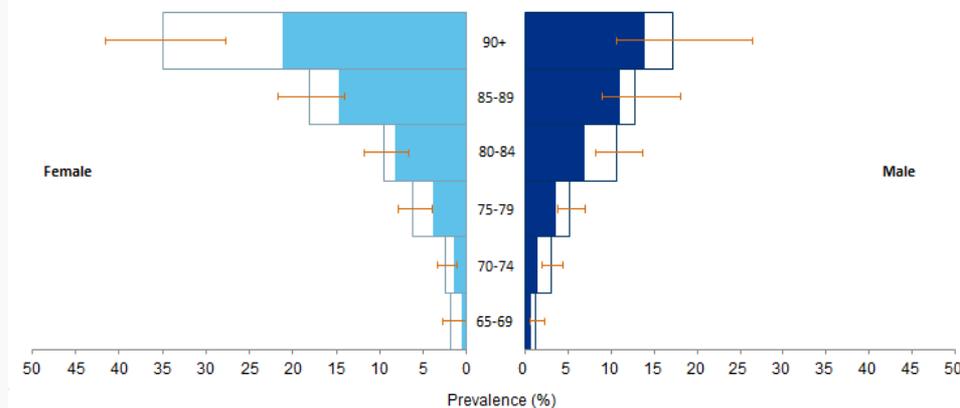


98 per cent of GP practices in England are represented within these data.

1 in 5 women aged 90 or over have a recorded dementia diagnosis, the highest prevalence for any group.

The number of people with a recorded dementia diagnosis is different to estimates from other research. The chart below compares the number of people thought to have dementia with the number of people diagnosed with dementia.

Comparison of recorded dementia prevalence (solid bars) and estimated prevalence from CFAS II¹ (unfilled bars)



Confidence intervals are displayed in orange for the CFAS II study to show the range in which we can be 95 per cent certain that the true dementia prevalence lies.

¹<http://www.cfias.ac.uk>

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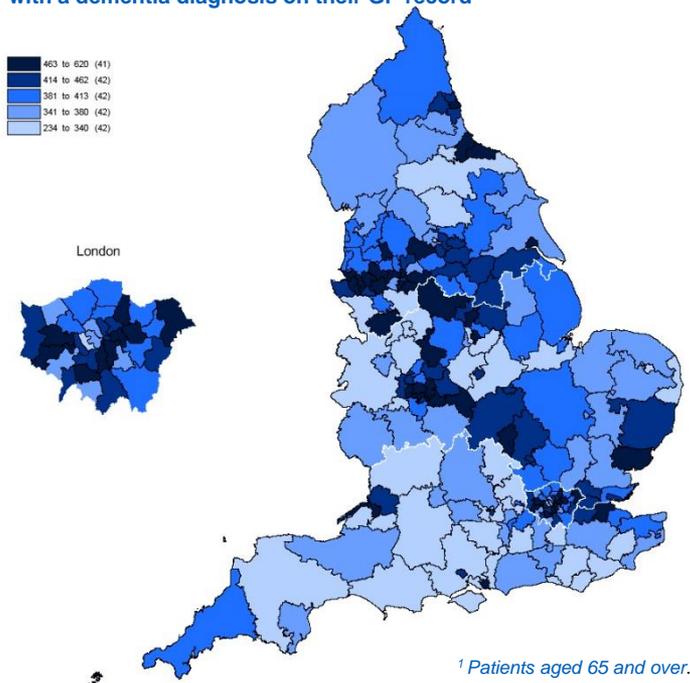
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Recorded Dementia Diagnoses in Primary and Secondary Care

Age standardised annual rate of emergency hospital admissions for unique patients¹ with a diagnosis of dementia per 1,000 patients¹ with a dementia diagnosis on their GP record



In 2016-17, there were **207,797** unique patients aged 65 and over admitted to hospital in an emergency with a diagnosis of dementia (provisional data).



In England, the rate of emergency hospital admissions for patients aged 65+ with a diagnosis of dementia is **492 per 1,000** patients with a dementia diagnosis on their GP record. When standardised by age this rate varies by CCG, from 235 in NHS Windsor, Ascot & Maidenhead to 620 in NHS Solihull

Variation in admission rates between CCGs could be caused by a number of reasons. Higher rates of admission may mean that there are low diagnosis rates of dementia in Primary Care resulting in a lower than expected denominator. Conversely lower rates of admission in some areas may result from efforts to improve the diagnosis and recording of dementia by GP practices.

To view the full underlying data for recorded dementia diagnoses please visit:

<http://content.digital.nhs.uk/qofdementia>

For more information on secondary care please see: <http://content.digital.nhs.uk/hesdata>

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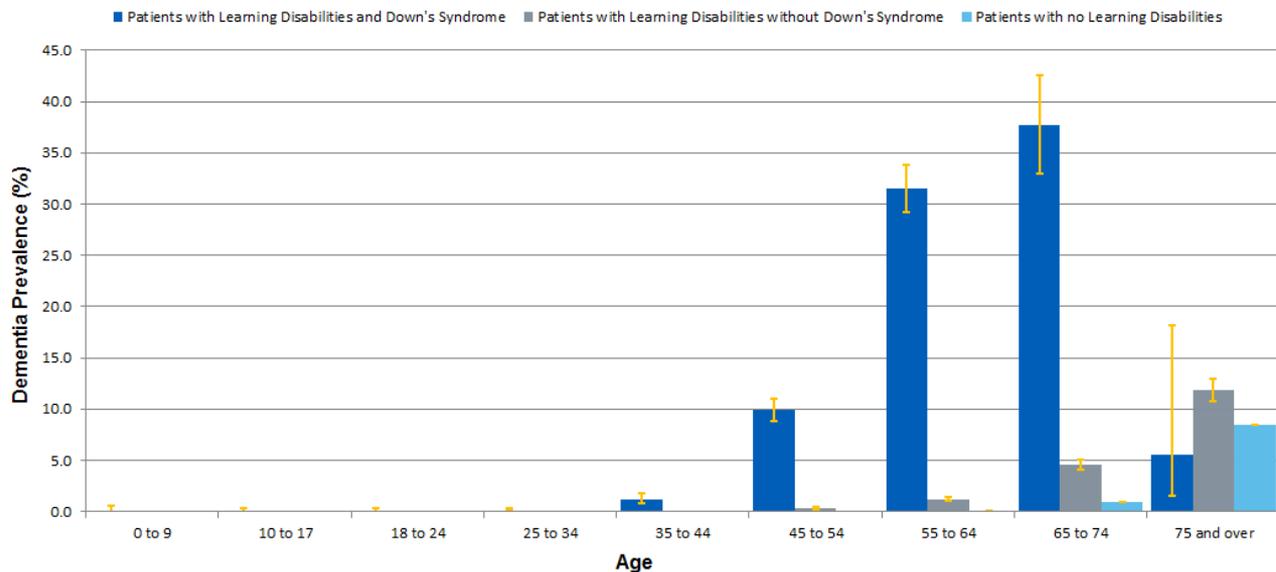
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Dementia in Patients with Learning Disabilities

Dementia prevalence by age and comorbidity of Down syndrome and/or learning disabilities, 2015-16



Confidence intervals are displayed in orange to show the range in which we can be 95 per cent certain that the true dementia prevalence lies.

Data were recently collected from over half of GP practices in England to identify potential differences in the health and care of people with learning disabilities compared to the rest of the population.

Dementia is more common in people with learning disabilities, particularly for individuals with Down syndrome who appear to develop dementia at younger ages.

This chart shows the earlier presentation and higher rates of dementia in people with Down syndrome. This is less clear in patients aged 75 and over as less people with Down syndrome survive to this age.

To view the full underlying data please visit: <http://www.content.digital.nhs.uk/catalogue/PUB23781>

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