Wirral

This is a Spearhead area

This profile gives a snapshot of health in your area. With other local information, this Health Profile has been designed to support action by local government and primary care trusts to tackle health inequalities and improve people's health.

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Wirral at a glance

- The health of people in Wirral is generally worse than
 the England average, including the estimated
 percentage of adults who binge drink, the rate of
 claimants of incapacity benefits for mental illness and
 early deaths from cancer. There are also a number of
 indicators that are similar to the England average, such
 as smoking in pregnancy and infant deaths. A few
 indicators are significantly better.
- There are health inequalities by gender and level of deprivation. For example, men from the most deprived areas have ten years shorter life expectancy than men from the least deprived areas, and women from the most deprived areas live over six years less than those from the least deprived areas.
- Over the last ten years the death rate from all causes for men and women, the early death rate from cancer and the early death rate from heart disease and stroke have decreased. However, the rates remain above the England averages.
- The rate of hospital stays related to alcohol is the second worst in the country.
- The percentage of physically active children is significantly better than the England average.
- Local priorities for health and wellbeing within Wirral's Local Area Agreement include improving life expectancy and reducing alcohol-related harm.
- The Wirral Annual Public Health Report provides further detail on the health of this area and is available at www.wirralpct.nhs.uk



Deprivation: a national perspective

This map shows differences in deprivation between small areas in this local authority, *compared to the whole of England* (based on IMD 2007).

National deprivation groups

1 Least deprived fifth of areas in England

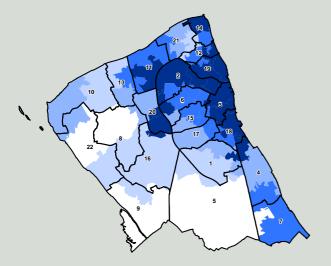
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5 Most deprived fifth of areas in England



Deprivation: a local perspective

This map shows differences in deprivation between small areas in this local authority, *compared to the local authority as a whole* (based on IMD 2007).

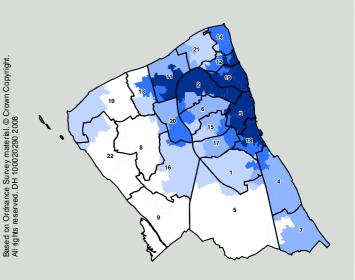
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5 Most deprived fifth in this local authority



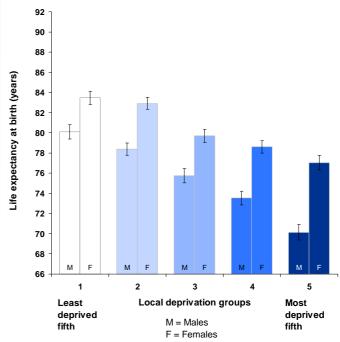
Ward legend

- 1 Bebington
- 2 Bidston and St James
- 3 Birkenhead and Tranmere
- 4 Bromborough
- 5 Clatterbridge
- 6 Claughton
- 7 Eastham
- 8 Greasby, Frankby and Irby
- 9 Heswall
- 10 Hoylake and Meols
- 11 Leasowe and Moreton East
- 12 Liscard
- 13 Moreton West and Saughall Massie
- 14 New Brighton
- 15 Oxton
- 16 Pensby and Thingwall
- 17 Prenton
- 18 Rock Ferry
- 19 Seacombe
- 20 Upton
- 21 Wallasey
- 22 West Kirby and Thurstaston

Ward boundaries 2005 are superimposed upon MSOA (Middle Super Output Area) boundaries. Each MSOA is shaded by Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) 2007. For details refer to www.communities.gov.uk. Numbers correspond to ward legend. Ward boundaries may have changed.

Health inequalities: a local perspective

Inequalities in life expectancy (2002-2006) for men and women who live in areas with different levels of deprivation (within this local authority).



95% confidence interval. These indicate the level of uncertainty about each value on the graph. Longer/wider intervals mean more uncertainty. When two intervals do not overlap it is reasonably certain that the two groups are truly different.

Health inequalities: changes over time

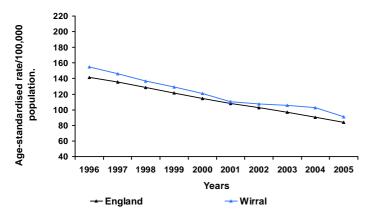
These trend graphs show how changes in health for this local authority compare with changes for the whole of England. Data points are mid-points of 3 year moving averages of annual rates i.e. 1996 represents the 3 year period 1995-97.

Trend 1 compares death rates (at all ages and from all causes) in this local authority with those for England.

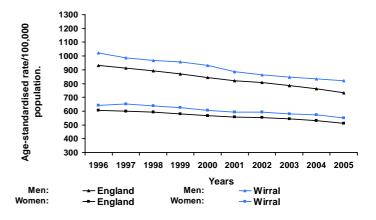
Trend 2 compares rates of early death from heart disease and stroke (in people under 75) in this local authority with those for England.

Trend 3 compares rates of early death from cancer (in people under 75) in this local authority with those for England.

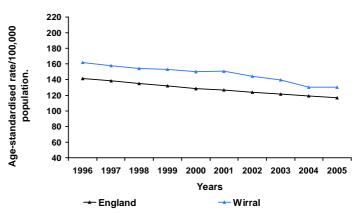
Trend 2: Early death rates from heart disease and stroke



Trend 1:
All age, all cause mortality



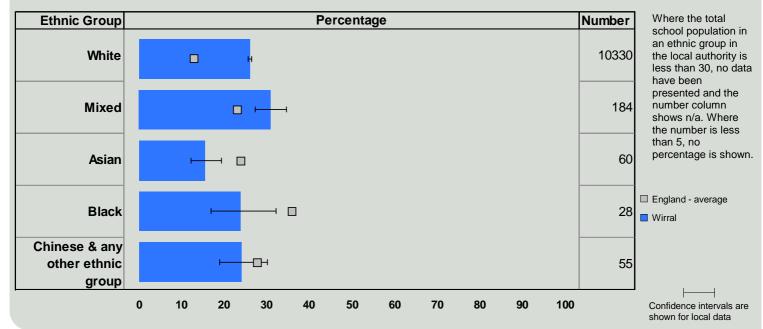
Trend 3: Early death rates from cancer



Health inequalities: ethnicity

This chart compares the percentage of children in each ethnic group who are eligible for free school meals (2007). Eligibility for free school meals is an indicator of deprivation, and people who suffer more deprivation tend to have poorer health. Comparing deprivation by ethnic group helps identify potential health inequalities between groups.

Percentage and number of children eligible for free school meals



Health summary for Wirral

The chart below shows how people's health in this local authority compares to the rest of England. The local result for each indicator is shown as a circle, against the range of results for England which is shown as a bar. A green circle may still indicate an important public health problem.

Significantly worse than England average
 Not significantly different from England average
 Significantly better than England average
 England Worst

England Best

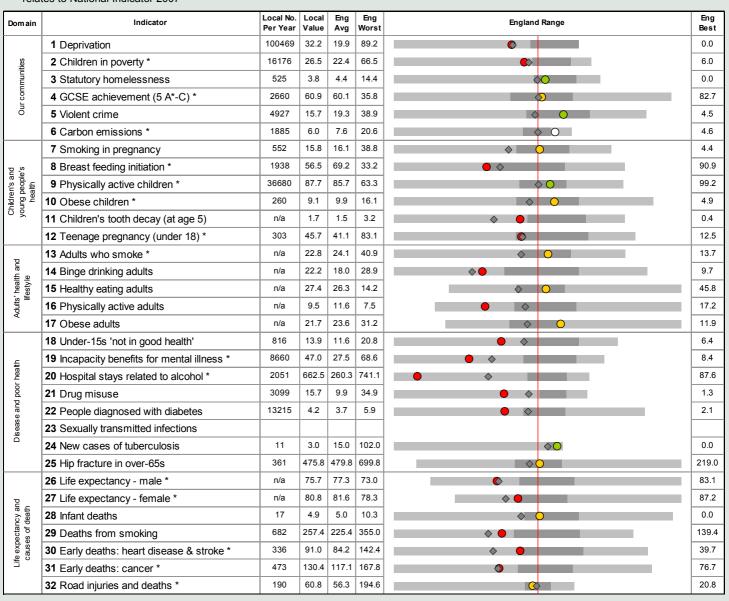
25th

Percentile

75th

Percentile

- O No significance can be calculated
 - * relates to National Indicator 2007



Note (numbers in bold refer to the above indicators)

1 % of people in this area living in 20% most deprived areas of England 2005 2 % of children living in families receiving means-tested benefits 2005 3 Crude rate per 1,000 households 2005-2006 4 % at Key Stage 4 2006-2007 5 Recorded violence against the person crimes (crude rate per 1,000 population) 2006-2007 6 Total end user CO2 emissions per capita (tonnes CO2 per resident) 2005 7 % of mothers smoking in pregnancy where status is known 2006-2007 8 % of mothers initiating breast feeding where status known 2006-2007 9 % 5-16 year olds who spend at least 2 hrs/wk on high quality PE and school sport 2006-2007 10 %. Schoolchildren in Reception year. 2006-2007 11 Average (mean) number of teeth per child which were actively decayed, filled, or had been extracted (age 5) 2005-2006 12 Under-18 conception rate per 1,000 females (crude rate) 2004-2006 (provisional) 13 %. Modelled estimate from Health Survey for England. 2003-2005 14 %. Modelled estimate from Health Survey for England. 2003-2005 16 % aged 16+ 2005/06 17 %. Modelled estimate from Health Survey for England. 2003-2005 18 % who self assessed general health as 'not good' (directly age standardised) 2001 19 Crude rate per 1,000 working age population. 2006 20 Directly age and sex standardised rate per 100,000 pop. 2006-2007 21 Crude rate per 1000 population aged 15-64. No significance calculated for lower tier authorities. 2004-2005 22 % of people on GP registers with a recorded diagnosis of diabetes. 2005-2006 23 Indicator blank as data not yet available for local authorities. 24 Per 100,000 population (3-year average crude rate) 2004-2006 25 Directly age-standardised rate for emergency admission 2006/07 26 At birth, years 2004-2006 27 At birth, years 2004-2006 28 Rate /1,000 live births 2004-06 29 Per 100,000 population age 35+, directly age standardised rate. 2004-2006 30 Directly age standardised rate/100,000 popunder 75 2004-2006 31 Directly age standardised rate/100,000 popunder 75 2004-2006 31 Directly age standardised rate/100,000 popunder 75 2004-200

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