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Demographics	Total population	count	2024	21,326	36,018	9,140	8,356	18,270	19,150	112,260	5,546,900
	Ratio male to female	ratio	2024	1:1.03	1:1.1	1:1.07	1:1.07	1:1.12	1:1.09	1:1.08	1:1.06
	Population over 65	%	2024	21.6	28.4	28.4	26.6	28.6	30.3	27.3	20.5
	Population in the least deprived SIMD quintile	%	2020	0	27.5	0	0	23.7	37.4	19.1	20
	Population in the most deprived SIMD quintile	%	2020	56.2	3.1	23.4	7.9	3.6	9.4	16.4	20
Housing	Total number of households	count	2024	12,276	16,600	4,950	4,318	8,911	9,719	56,774	2,740,513

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	Households with single occupant tax discount	%	2024	45.3	34.2	37.3	35.2	36.2	38.5	38	38.4
	Households in Council Tax Band A-C	%	2024	74.4	37.3	72.9	60.5	35.1	44.2	51	58.5
	Households in Council Tax Band F-H	%	2024	3.3	27.6	3.8	10	15.3	23.5	16.3	13.9
Population Health	Male average life expectancy in years	mean	2020-2024*	71.2	79.1	74.3	76	79.2	78.7	76.8	77.2
	Female average life expectancy in years	mean	2020-2024*	77.4	81.9	79.8	81.8	82.8	82.2	81.3	81.1
	Deaths aged 15-44 per 100,000	rate	2022 - 2024	217.5	84.7	190.9	85.1	68	97.5	121.8	104.8

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	Population estimated to have at least one LTC	%	2024/25	30.4	28.7	29.5	29	28.7	29.4	29.2	22.5
	Cancer registrations per 100,000	rate	2020 - 2022	668.8	605.5	640.9	533.8	632.4	594.7	615.4	629.7
	Anxiety, depression & psychosis prescriptions	%	2024/25	29.8	22.7	27.1	23.4	21.5	20.4	23.9	20.8

*at HSCP and Scotland level, the time period is a 3-year aggregate (2022-2024)

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Lifestyle and Risk Factors	Alcohol-related hospital admissions per 100,000	rate	2023/24	1013	333.4	680.2	516.1	291.6	428.3	515.2	548.5
	Alcohol-specific mortality per 100,000	rate	2019 - 2023	36.7	10	19.9	31.9	14.3	13.4	18.8	21.8
	Drug-related hospital admissions per 100,000	rate	2021/22 - 2023/24	548.1	107.5	182.1	383.2	82.6	138.1	225.8	181.2
	Bowel screening uptake	%	2021 - 2023	58.4	71.5	69.3	66.9	71.6	70.6	68.5	66.4
Hospital & Community Care	Emergency admissions per 100,000	rate	2024/25	15,577	12,455	12,724	13,607	12,425	13,044	13,251	10,626
	Unscheduled bed days per 100,000	rate	2024/25	132,979	102,368	128,370	105,661	112,326	120,914	115,330	75,436

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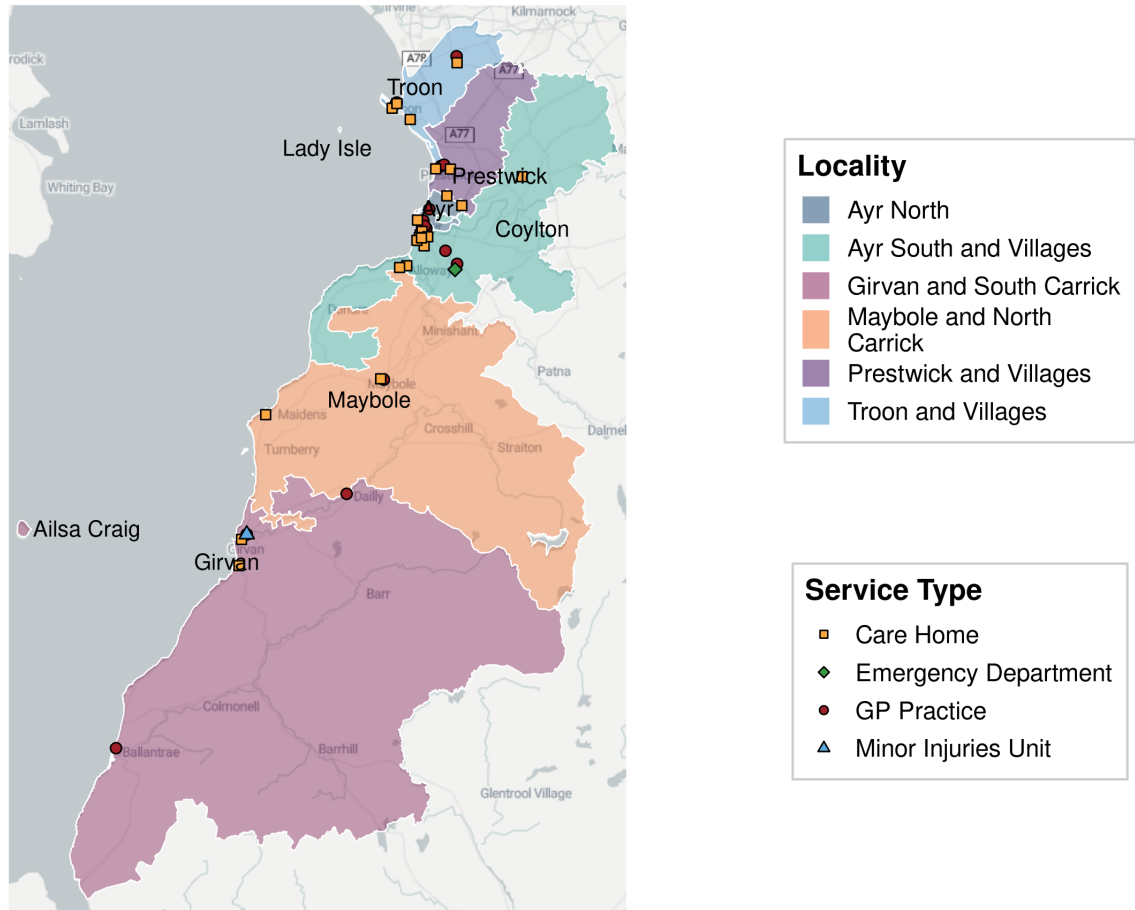
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	A&E attendances per 100,000	rate	2024/25	33,733	26,734	19,365	27,453	23,788	23,185	26,432	26,915
	Delayed discharges (65+) per 100,000	rate	2024/25	127,032	77,723	87,158	89,124	83,490	89,115	91,270	51,401
	Potentially Preventable Admissions per 100,000	rate	2024/25	2,837	2,035	2,090	2,094	2,146	2,042	2,215	1,694
Hospital (Mental Health) Care	Psychiatric patient hospitalisations per 100,000	rate	2021/22 - 2023/24	292	135.9	119	133.3	90	144.9	160.4	216.1
	Unscheduled bed days per 100,000	rate	2024/25	22,184	18,146	9,967	9,538	12,540	7,655	14,905	18,134

Notes for this profile

- All years shown are calendar years unless otherwise specified.
- Upper and lower 95% confidence intervals are shown throughout this document where available. In charts, these are displayed as shaded areas on either side of trend lines or as black error bars in bar charts. Confidence intervals show the range of possible values and a certainty that the true value falls within them.
- Definitions for the indicators shown are available in Appendix 1.
- Any zero figures for some indicators will indicate either suppression of small data or a complete lack of data available for this locality.

Services

Figure 1: Map of services by locality in South Ayrshire HSCP²



Source: Public Health Scotland

Table 1: Number of each type of service in South Ayrshire HSCP²

Service Type	Service	Number
Primary Care	GP Practice	20
A&E	Emergency Department	1
	Minor Injuries Unit	1
Care Home	Elderly Care	25
	Other	12

Demographics

Summary

For the most recent time period available, South Ayrshire HSCP had:

- A total population of **112,260** people, where **48%** were male, and **27.3%** were aged over 65.
- **19.1%** of people lived in the least deprived SIMD quintile, and **16.4%** lived in the most deprived quintile.

Population

In 2024, the total population of South Ayrshire HSCP was 112,260. The graph below shows the population distribution of the HSCP. Overall, **48%** of the population are male, and **52%** are female.

Figure 2: Population by age and sex.

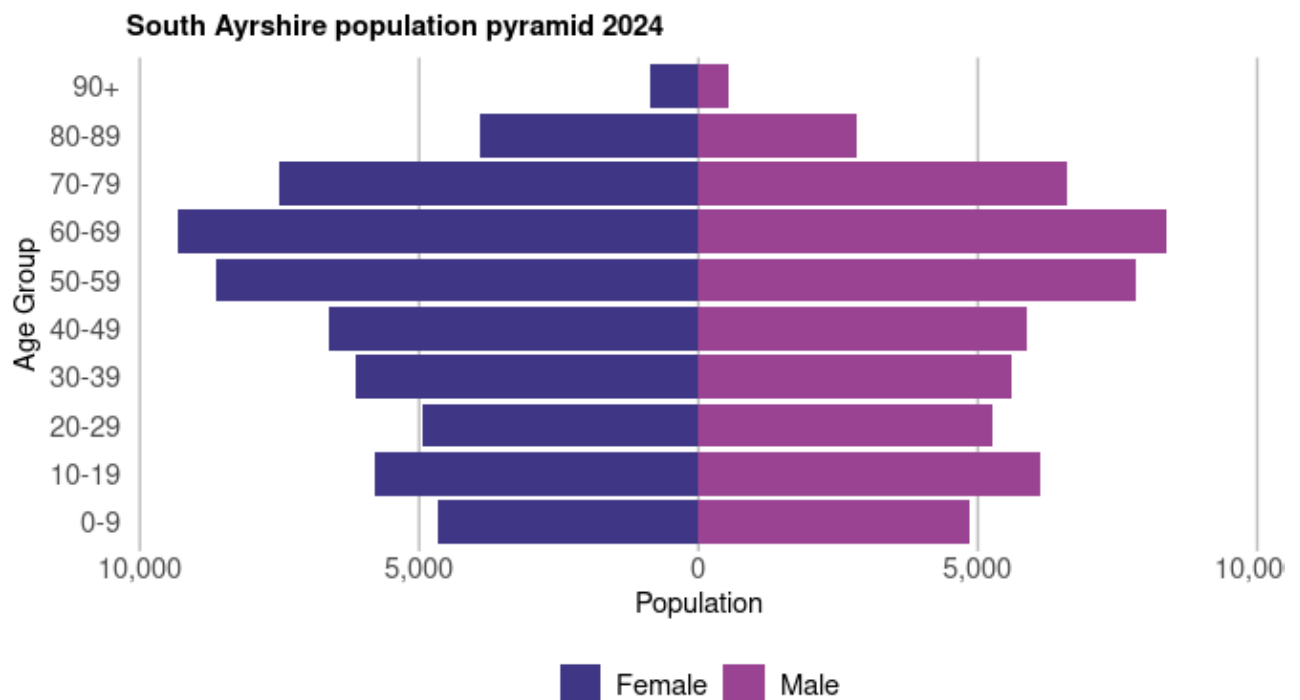


Figure 3 shows the historical population of South Ayrshire, along with the NRS population projections. The population has been falling in general, however it has risen since last year. The population in South Ayrshire is estimated to decrease by 0.3% from 2024 to 2033. *Please see the footnotes for more information on how the population projections were calculated¹.*

Figure 3: Population time trend and projection.

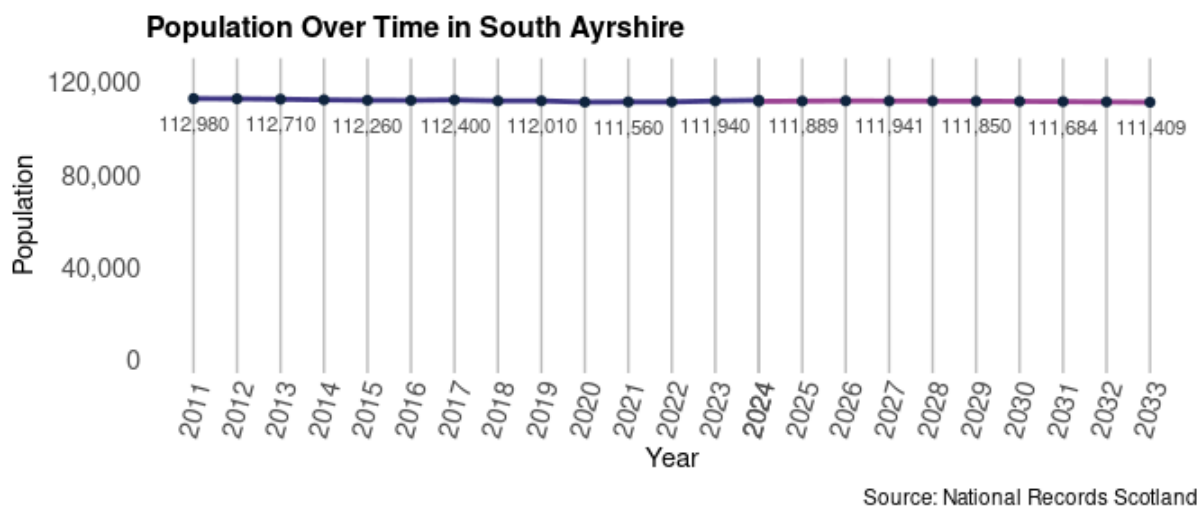


Figure 4 shows how the population structure has changed between 2019 and 2024.

Figure 4: Change in population structure over the last five years.

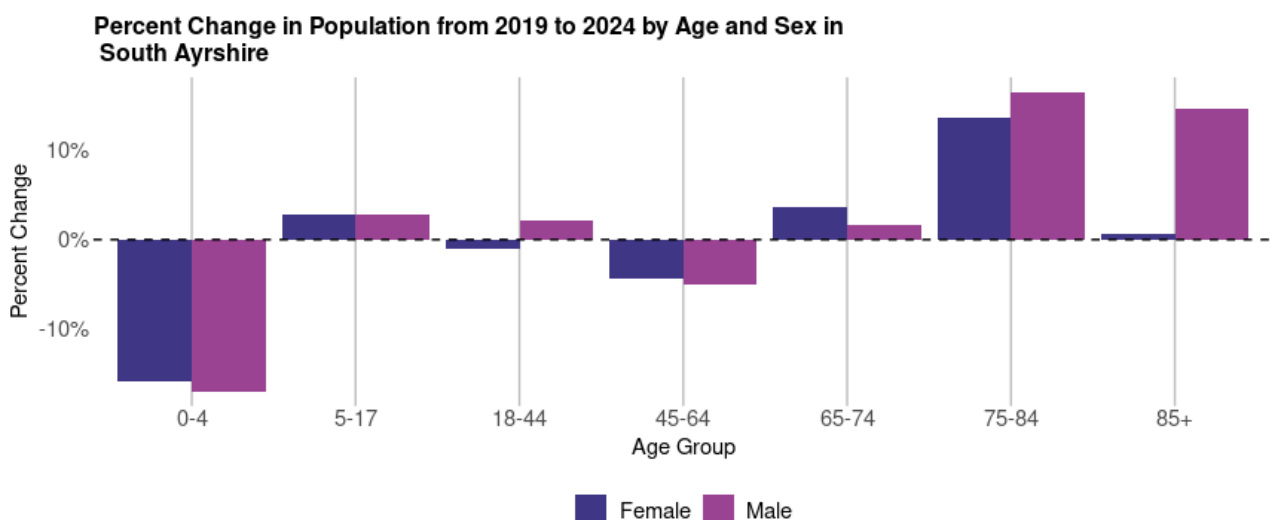
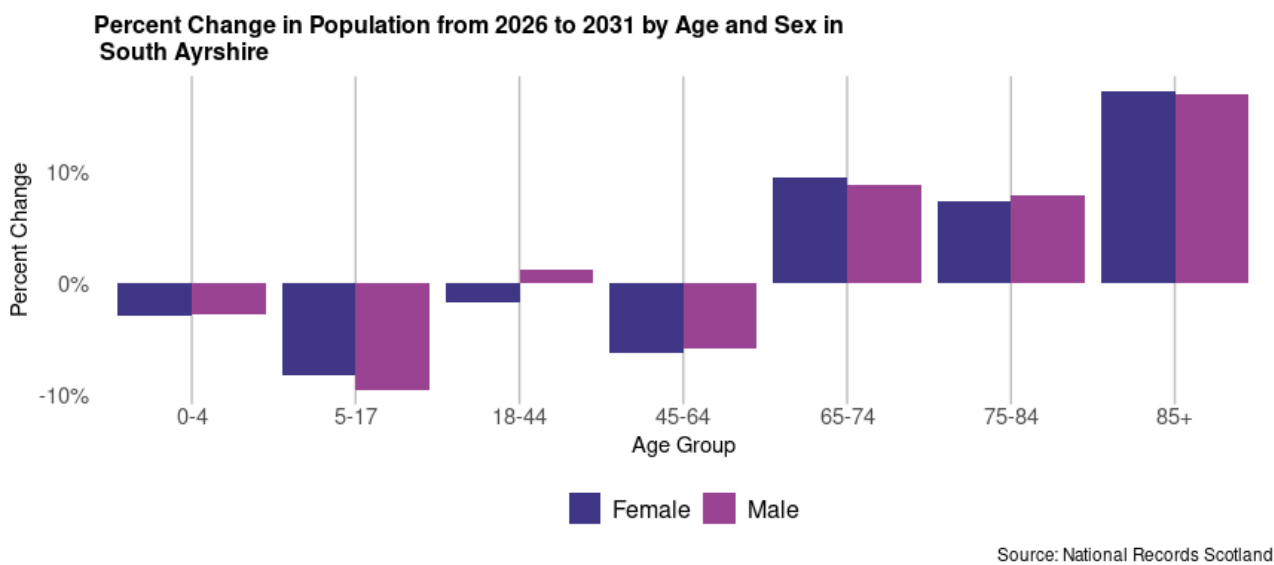


Figure 5 shows how the population structure is expected to change in the future between 2026 and 2031. This shows that although the overall population is projected to decrease, the older population of South Ayrshire is expected to increase, while the population aged under 65 is expected to decrease.

Figure 5: Projected change in population structure over the next five years.



Dependency Ratio

The dependency ratio is the number of people aged 0-15 and 65+ as a percentage of those aged 16-65. For South Ayrshire, the figure was 73.1% for the most recent year.

Figure 6: Dependency ratio by geographical area.

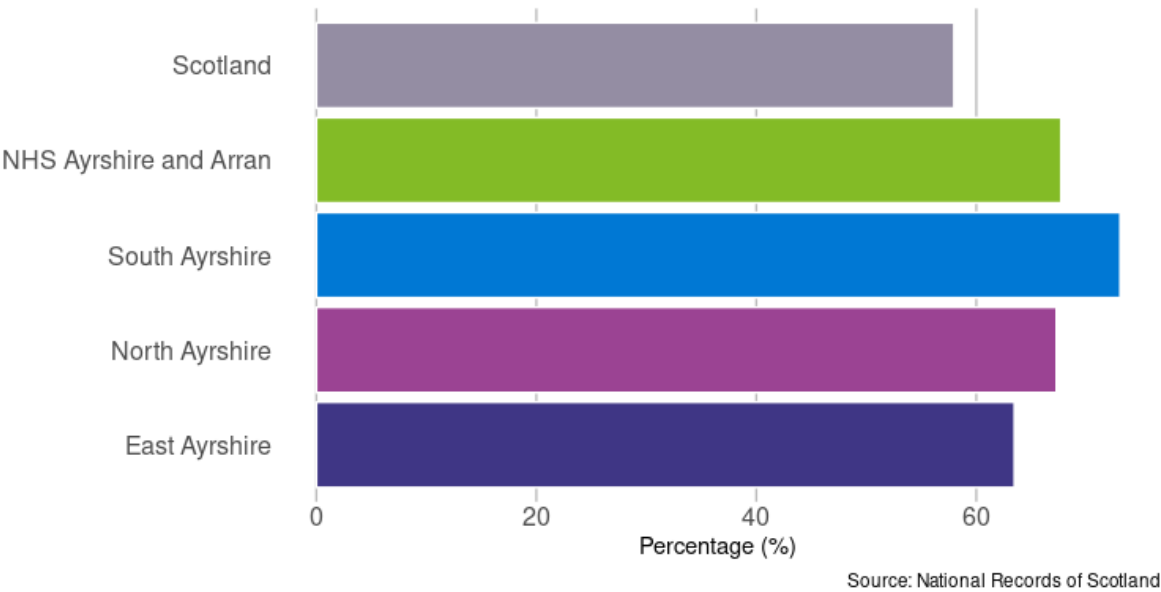
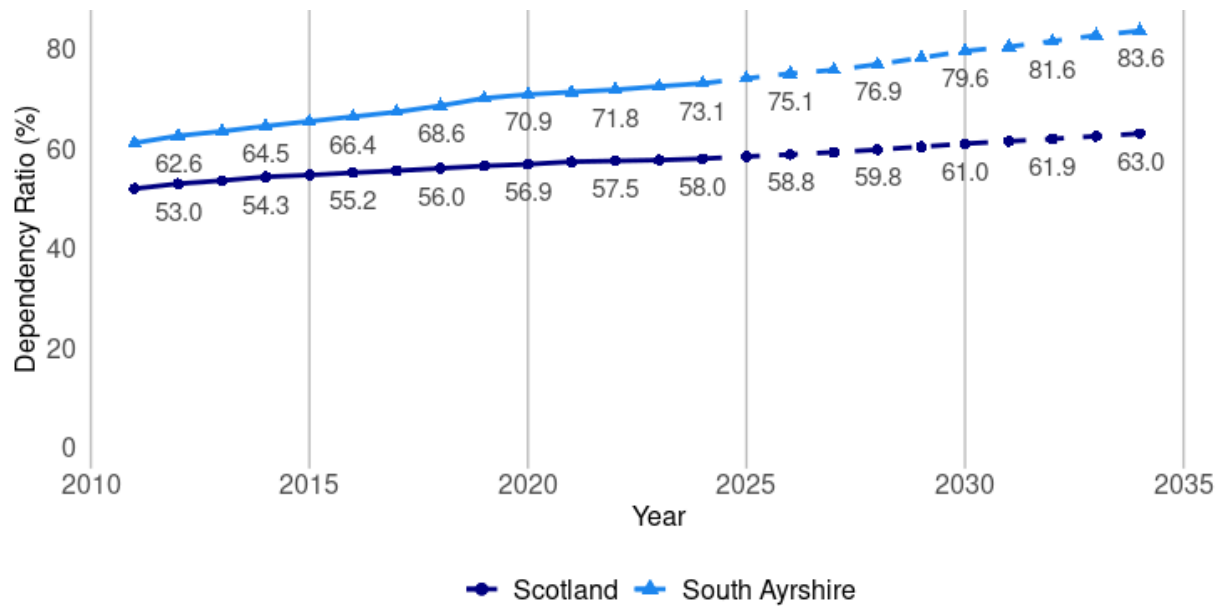


Figure 7 shows the projected change in the dependency ratio in the future. For South Ayrshire HSCP, the projected figure for 2034 is 83.6. As shown in Figure 5, this is due to the expected increase in the older population with a decrease in the younger population.

Figure 7: Projected dependency ratio.



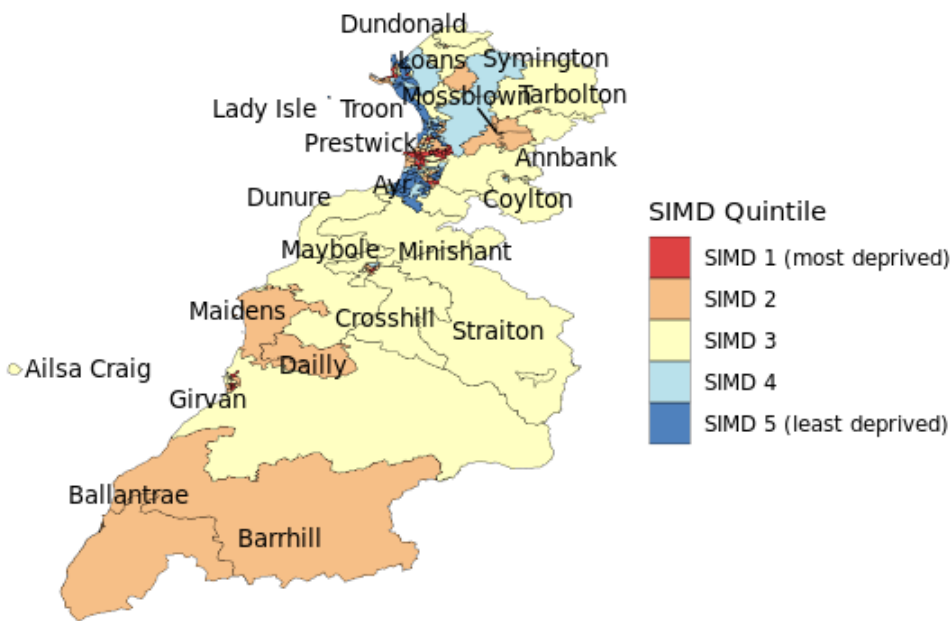
Source: National Records of Scotland

Deprivation

The following section explores the deprivation structure of South Ayrshire through the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD). The SIMD ranks all datazones in Scotland by a number of factors; Access, Crime, Education, Employment, Health, Housing and Income. Based on these ranks, each datazone is then given an overall deprivation rank, which is used to split datazones into Deprivation Quintiles (Quintile 1 being the most deprived, and Quintile 5 the least). The most recent SIMD ranking was carried out in 2020. This section mainly focuses on the SIMD 2020 classifications, however, the 2016 classifications are used to assess how deprivation has changed in South Ayrshire when compared to the rest of Scotland.

Of the 2024 population in South Ayrshire, **16.4%** live in the most deprived Quintile (SIMD 1), and **19.1%** live in the least deprived Quintile (SIMD 5).

Figure 8: Map of Data Zones within South Ayrshire coloured by SIMD quintiles.



Source: Scottish Government, Public Health Scotland

Table 2 details the percentage of the HSCP’s 2016 population living in the 2016 SIMD Quintiles, the percentage of the 2024 population living in the 2020 SIMD

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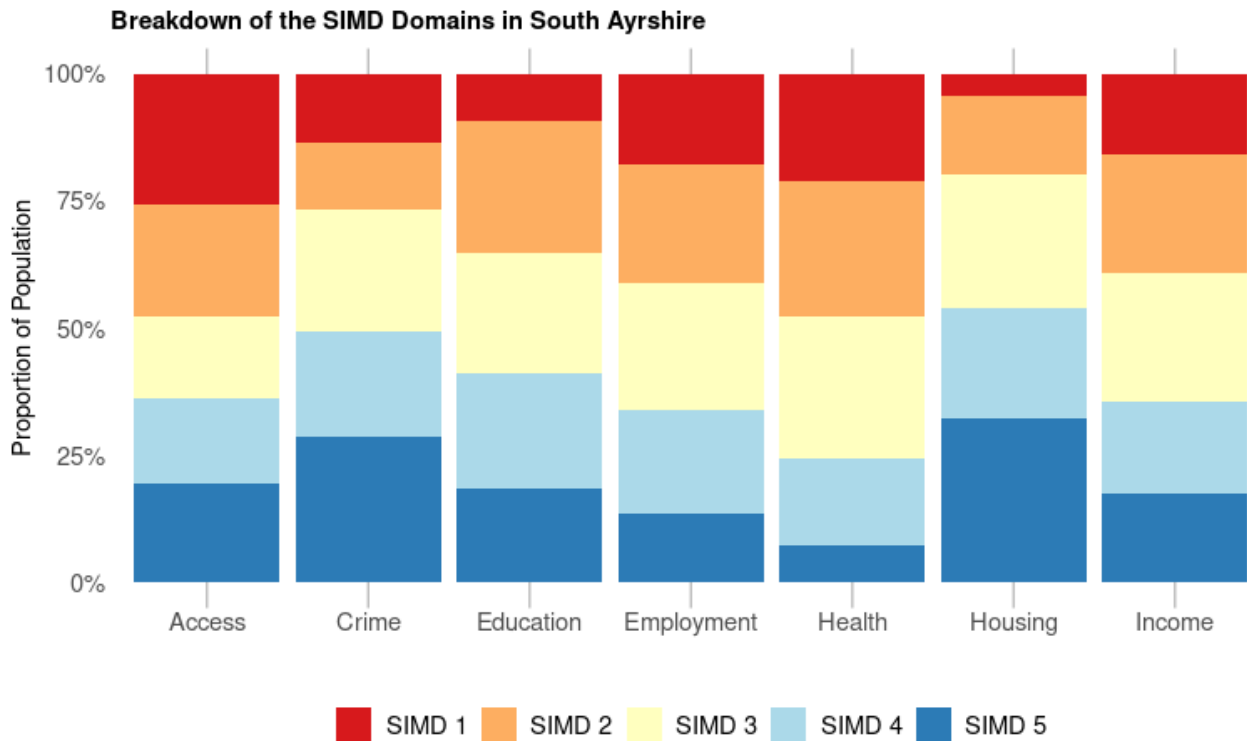
Quintiles, and their difference for comparison. Figure 9 then breaks down SIMD by domain in South Ayrshire.

Table 2: Percentage of the South Ayrshire population living in the 2016 and 2020 SIMD Datazone Quintiles in 2016 and 2024 respectively.

Quintile	Percent of 2016 Population (SIMD 2016 Ranking)	Percent of 2024 Population (SIMD 2020 Ranking)	Difference
SIMD 1	17.5%	16.4%	-1.1%
SIMD 2	27.1%	25.1%	-2.1%
SIMD 3	21.4%	23.3%	2.0%
SIMD 4	13.5%	16.2%	2.7%
SIMD 5	20.5%	19.1%	-1.4%

Source: Scottish Government, Public Health Scotland, National Records Scotland.

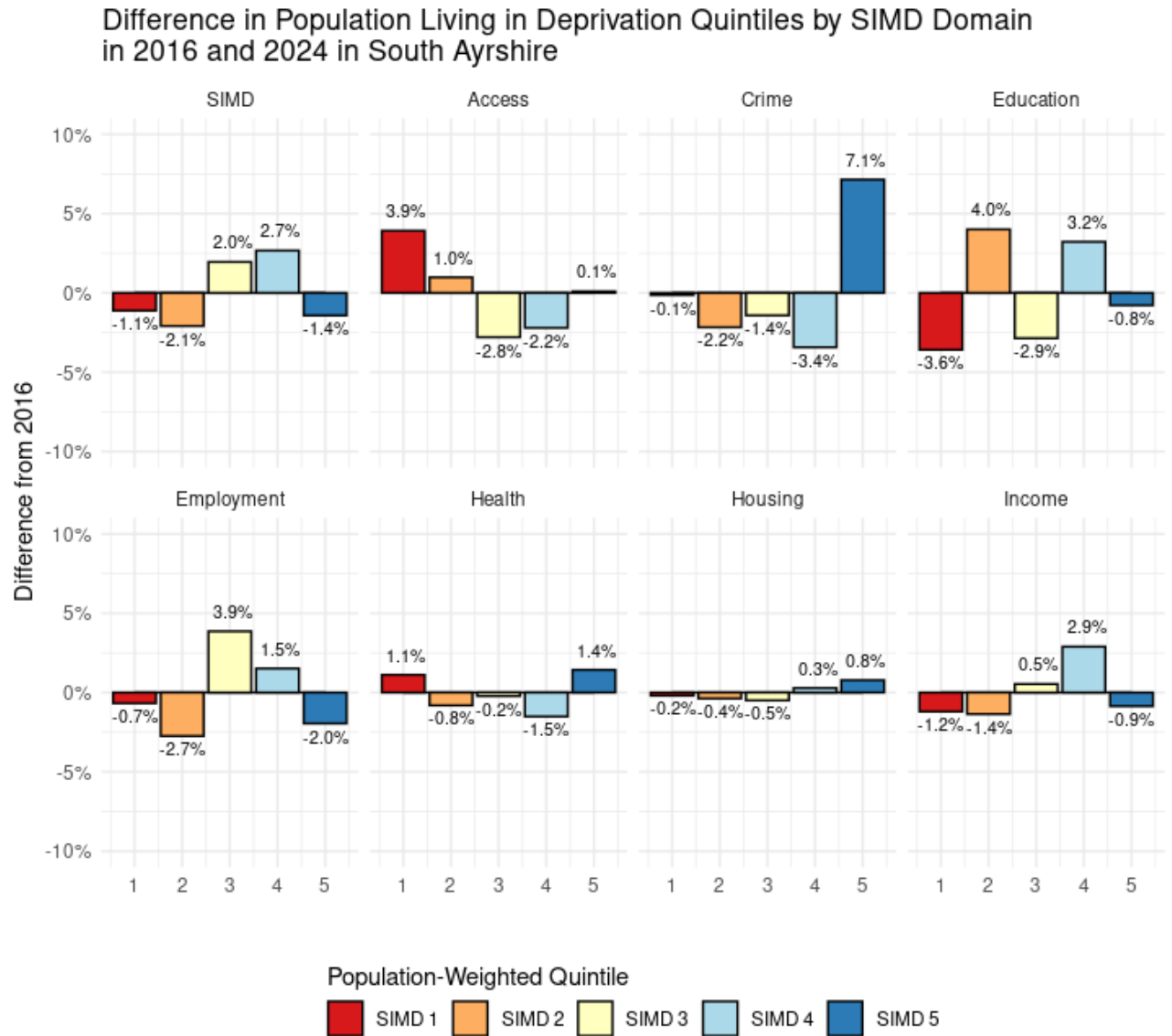
Figure 9: Proportion of the population that reside in each 2020 SIMD quintile by domain in 2024.



Source: Scottish Government, Public Health Scotland, National Records Scotland

Figure 10 presents a comparison between the 2016 SIMD ranking applied to 2016 population estimates, and the more recent 2020 SIMD ranking applied to 2024 population estimates. The percentages of the population living within each SIMD quintile by domain were calculated using the 2016 and 2020 SIMD datazone classifications respectively. The differences in these percentages are plotted in Figure 10. Negative values on the y-axis indicate a decrease in the percent of the population living within a quintile, while positive values indicate an increase in the percent of the population living within a quintile. **Please note that quintiles have been weighted by the Scottish population so, any local changes in SIMD quintile do not necessarily indicate a difference in deprivation, but rather a difference in deprivation in comparison to the rest of Scotland.**

Figure 10: Percentage of population in 2016 and 2024 living in the 2016 and the 2020 SIMD quintiles by domain.



Source: Scottish Government, National Records Scotland

Housing

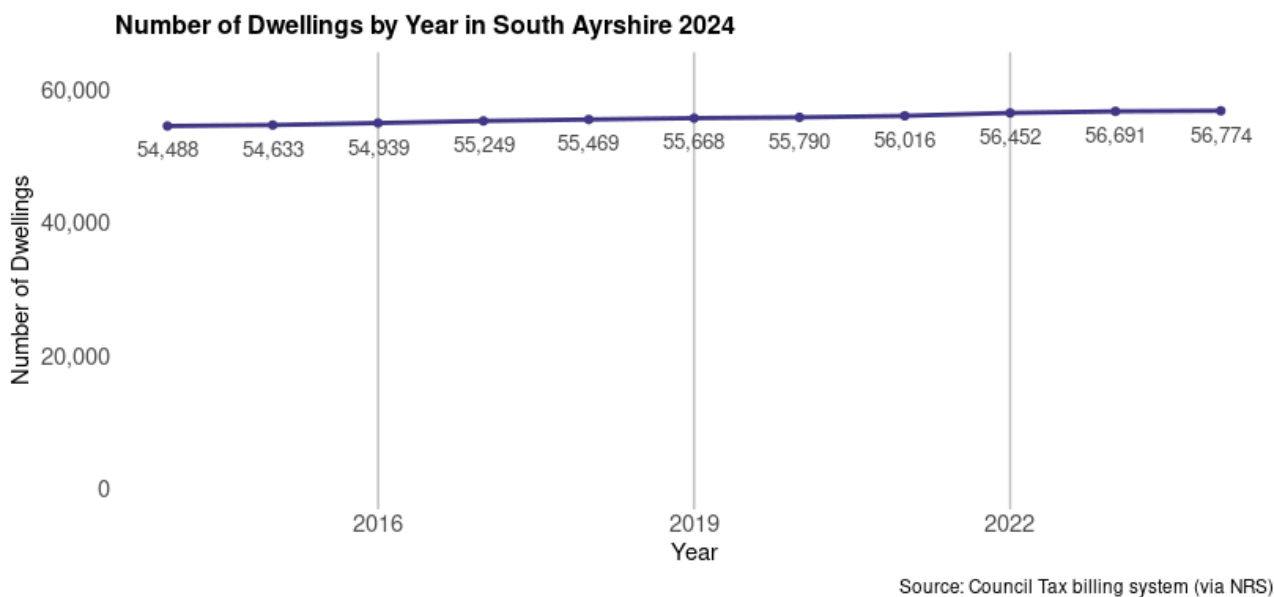
Summary

For the most recent time period available, South Ayrshire HSCP had:

- **56,774** dwellings, of which: **95.8%** were occupied and **0.77%** were second homes.
- **38%** of dwellings received a single-occupant council tax discount, and **1.3%** were exempt from council tax entirely.
- **51%** of houses were within council tax bands A to C, and **16.3%** were in bands F to H.

The graph below shows the number of dwellings in South Ayrshire from 2014 to 2024.

Figure 11: Number of dwellings time trend.



Of the total number of dwellings in 2024, 38% (21,560 households) were occupied by an individual receiving a single-occupant council tax discount. Furthermore, 1.3% (732 households) were occupied and exempt from council tax.

There were 438 dwellings classed as a second home in 2024, these dwellings made up 0.77% of the households in South Ayrshire.

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Table 3: Breakdown of dwelling types by year for South Ayrshire HSCP.

Year	Total Dwellings	Occupied Dwellings	Vacant Dwellings	Single Occupant Tax Discount	Council Tax Exempt Dwellings	Second Homes
2014	54,488	52,841	1,187	19,714	649	460
2015	54,633	52,828	1,338	19,535	658	467
2016	54,939	52,846	1,615	19,794	633	478
2017	55,249	53,072	1,699	20,204	625	478
2018	55,469	53,229	1,727	20,561	627	513
2019	55,668	53,590	1,605	18,999	681	473
2020	55,790	53,479	1,821	19,897	664	490
2021	56,016	53,738	1,773	20,507	636	505
2022	56,452	53,887	2,035	20,727	649	530
2023	56,691	54,246	1,936	21,152	682	509
2024	56,774	54,378	1,958	21,560	732	438

Source: Scottish Assessors' Association (via NRS)

The proportion of households within each council tax band are displayed in the chart below, figures are shown in Table 4.

Figure 12: Breakdown of households by council tax band for South Ayrshire in 2024.

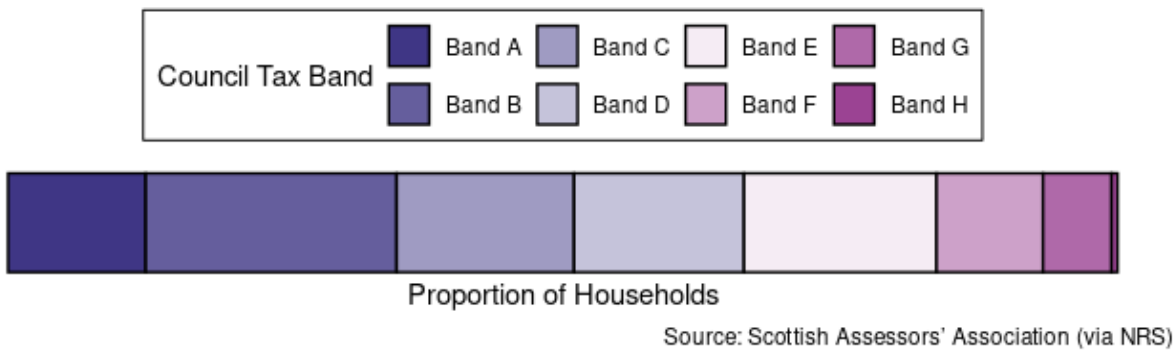


Table 4: Percentage of households by council tax band for South Ayrshire in 2024.

Tax Band	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Percent of households	12.4%	22.6%	16.0%	15.3%	17.3%	9.6%	6.2%	0.5%

Source: Scottish Assessors' Association (via NRS)

Population Health

Summary

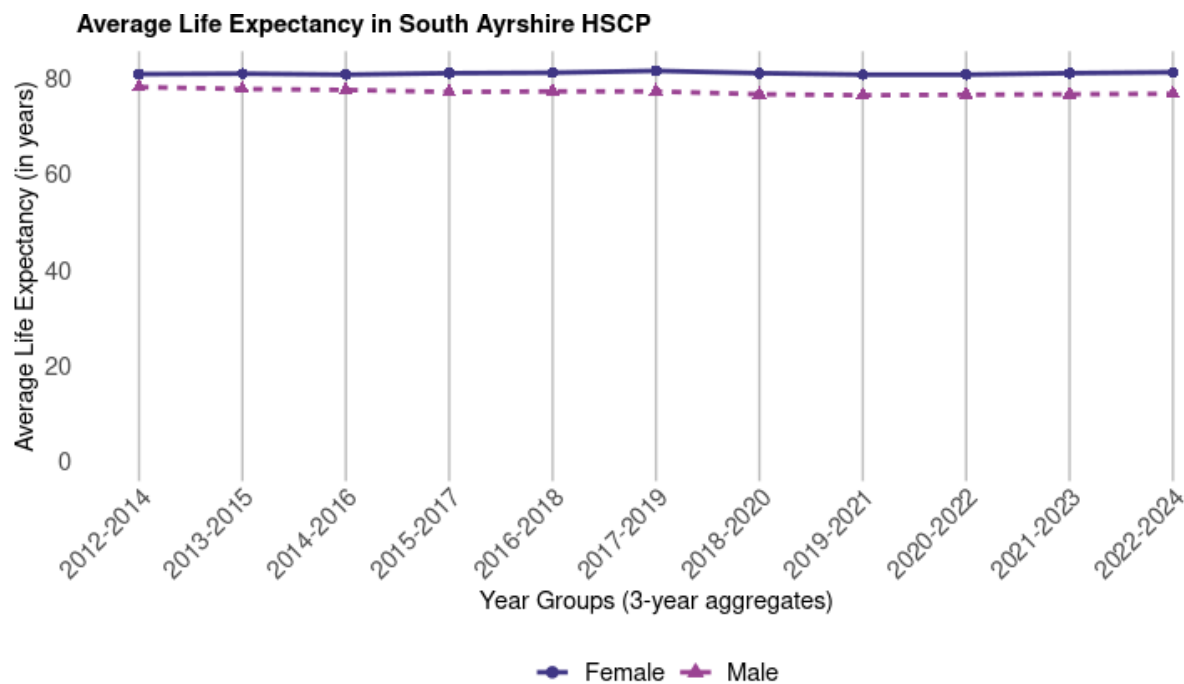
For the most recent time period available⁴, South Ayrshire had:

- An average life expectancy of **76.8** years for males and **81.3** years for females, compared to the national average of 77.2 and 81.1 years of age respectively.
- A death rate for ages 15 to 44 of **122** deaths per 100,000 age-sex standardised population. This is higher than Scotland (105 deaths per 100,000)⁴.
- **29.2%** of the HSCP's population with at least one long-term physical health condition. This is higher than Scotland (22.5%).
- A cancer registration rate of **615** registrations per 100,000 age-sex standardised population (compared to 630 in Scotland), and an early death rate (<75 years) from cancer of **146** per 100,000 age-sex standardised population (compared to 142 in Scotland)⁴.
- **23.9%** of the population being prescribed medication for anxiety, depression, or psychosis. This is a larger proportion than Scotland (20.8%).

Life Expectancy

In the latest time period available from 2020-2024 (3-year aggregate), the average life expectancy in South Ayrshire was 76.8 years for men, and 81.3 years for women. A 10-year time trend can be seen in figure 13.

Figure 13: Average life expectancy in men and women over time



Source: ScotPHO

Table 5 provides the average life expectancy for men and women in different areas for the latest time period available.

Table 5: Average life expectancy in years for the latest time periods (2020-2024 aggregated years for the HSCP; 2022-2024 aggregated years for other areas).

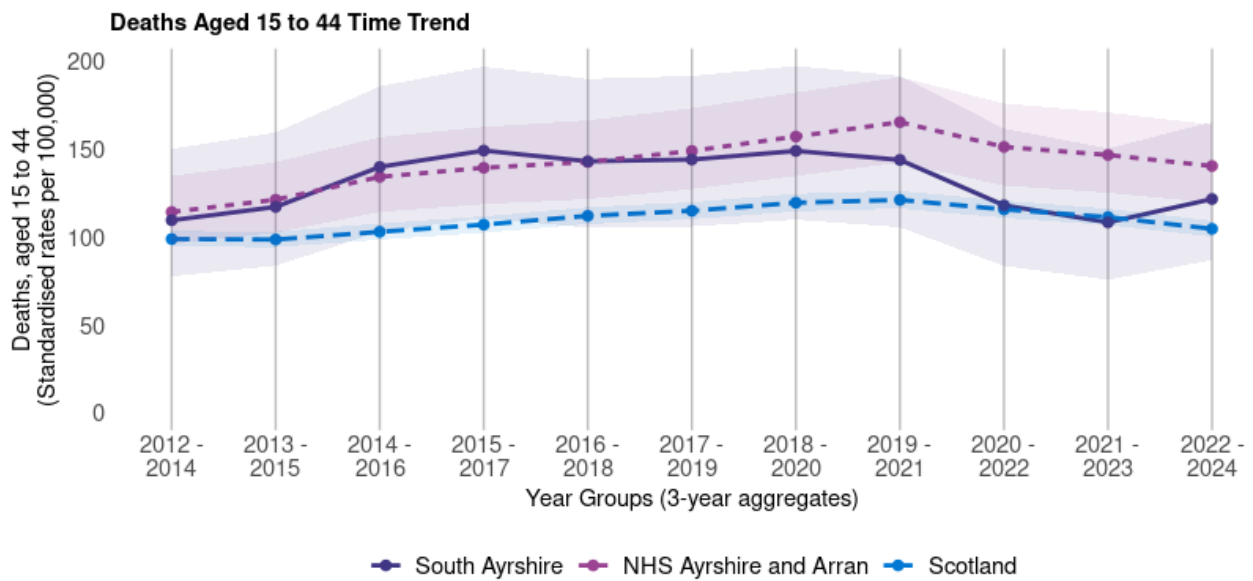
Sex	South Ayrshire	NHS Ayrshire and Arran	Scotland
Male	76.8	75.8	77.2
Female	81.3	80.0	81.1

Source: ScotPHO

Deaths, aged 15 to 44

The following chart shows a trend of death rates among people aged 15 to 44 per 100,000 age-sex standardised population⁴ by area. In the most recent aggregate time period available (2022 - 2024), the mortality rate in South Ayrshire was **122** deaths per 100,000 population.

Figure 14: Deaths aged 15 to 44 years by geographical area and over time.

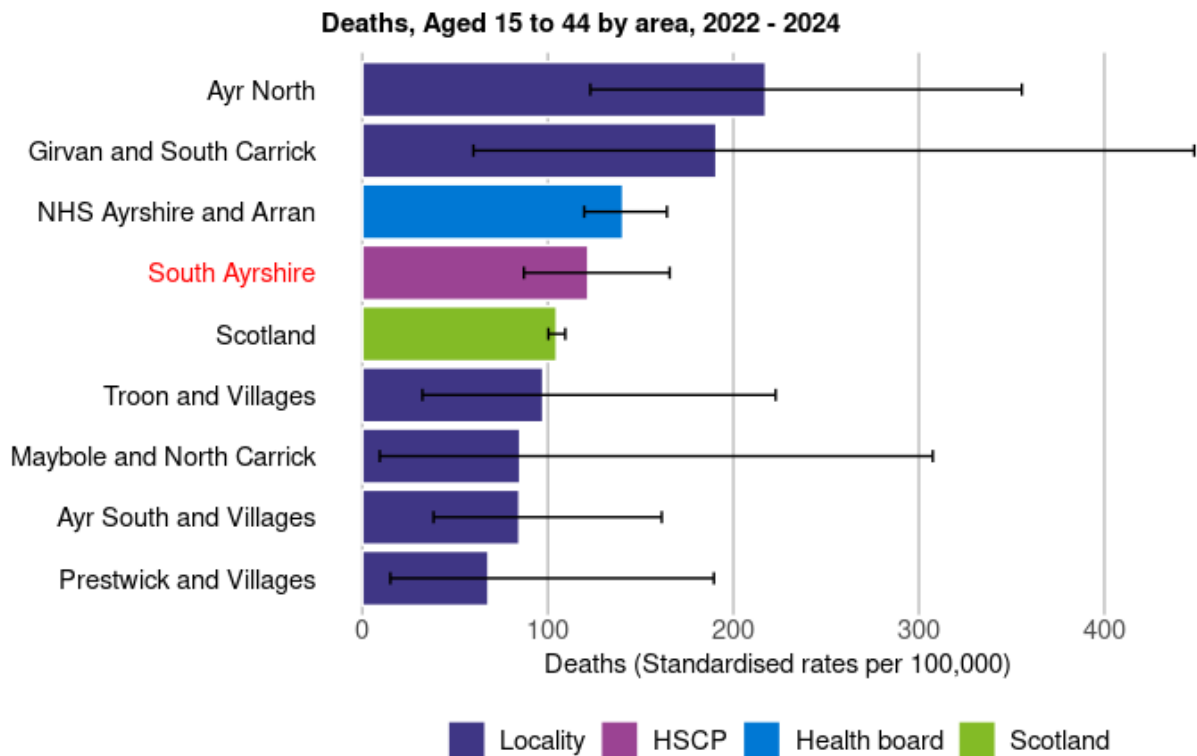


Source: ScotPHO

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Figure 15 provides comparisons of deaths at ages 15 to 44 across all areas including other localities in South Ayrshire. In 2022 - 2024, South Ayrshire had a higher rate than the rest of Scotland (122 compared to 105 deaths per 100,000).

Figure 15: Deaths at ages 15 to 44 by area for the latest time period available.

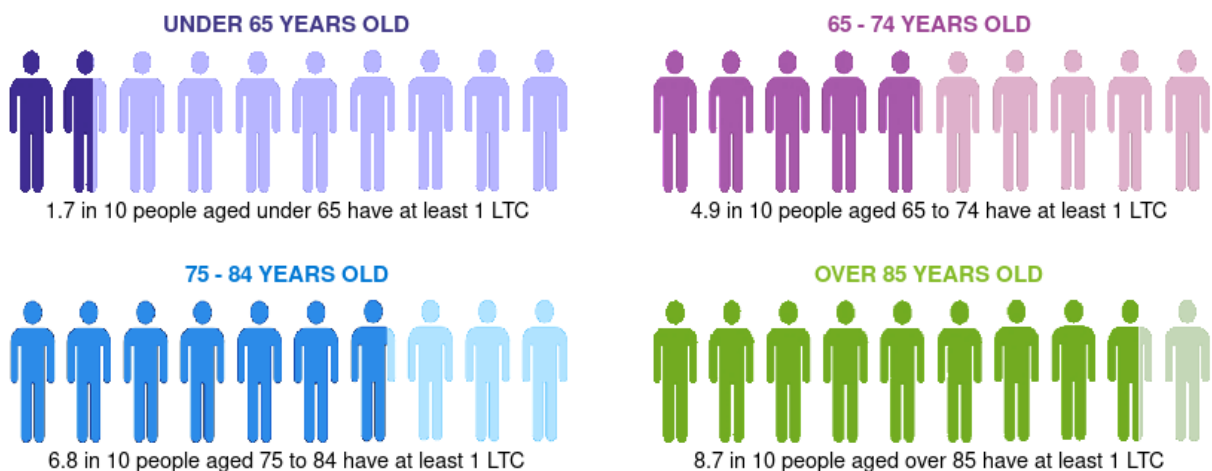


Source: ScotPHO

Long-Term Physical Health Conditions and Multi-morbidity

The estimates in the following sections are based on an individual being hospitalised with a relevant condition *at any point* in the past. This methodology can lead to both undercounts and overcounts depending on the condition; see the footnotes for more details.⁵

In the financial year 2024/25, in South Ayrshire, it is estimated that **29.2%** of the population had at least one physical long-term condition (LTC). These include cardiovascular, neurodegenerative, and respiratory conditions, as well as other organ conditions (namely liver disease and renal failure), arthritis, cancer, diabetes, and epilepsy. *Please note that estimates for this section are based on people who had contact with NHS services - see footnotes for further information and caveats on identifying LTCs.*⁶



The co-occurrence of two or more conditions, known as multi-morbidity, is broken down in Table 6, distinguishing between age groups. Overall, **4.1%** of those under 65 have more than one LTC, compared to **34.3%** of those over 65.

Table 6: Multi-morbidity of physical LTCs by age group in 2024/25

	Percentage over 65	Percentage under 65
1 LTC	26.7	13.2
2 LTCs	16.1	2.8
3 LTCs	9.2	0.8
4 or more LTCs	9.0	0.5

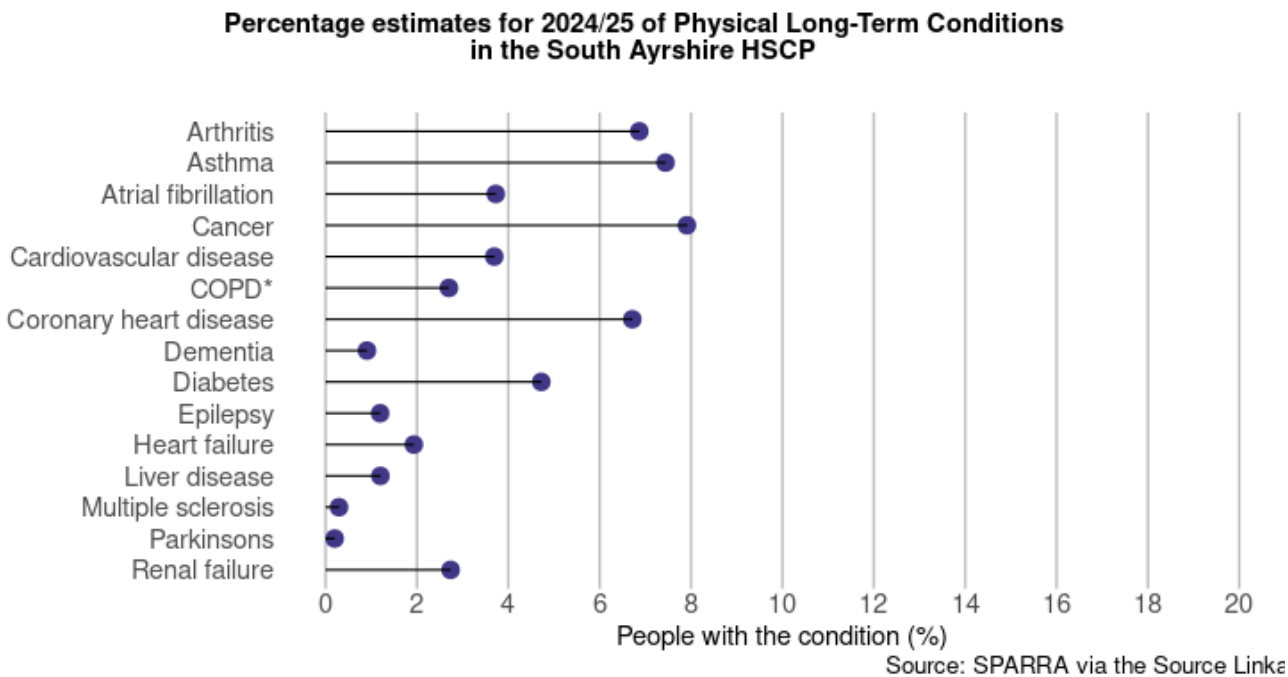
Most common physical Long-Term Conditions (LTCs)

- Figure 16 shows the Long-Term condition estimates for South Ayrshire in the financial year 2024/25 for under 65s and over 65s. This is based on whether someone has ever had a hospital admission for this condition.
- Table 7 orders the LTC estimates to show the most common five physical LTCs across all ages at the partnership, and Scotland levels.

Below is a breakdown of the estimated physical LTCs, for the financial year 2024/25.

Figure 16 shows the estimated percentage of different LTCs in each age group in South Ayrshire, and Table 7 illustrates the five most common physical LTCs across all ages at the partnership, and Scotland levels.

Figure 16: The percentage of people with each physical LTC by age group.



*COPD: Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

Table 7: Top five most common physical LTCs in, South Ayrshire as a percentage of the population for 2024/25, compared to Scotland.

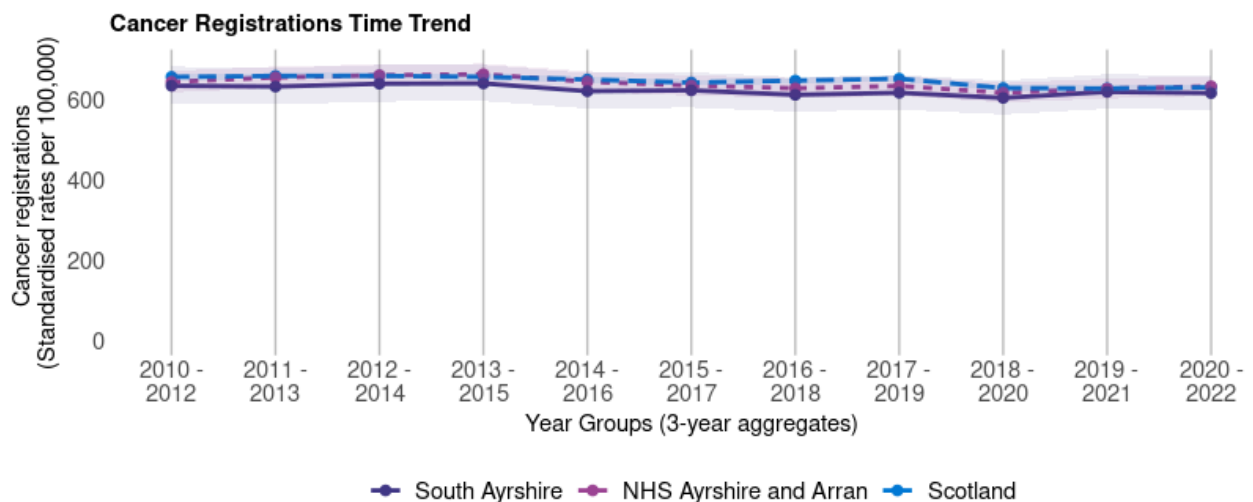
South Ayrshire HSCP	Scotland
Cancer 7.91 %	Arthritis 5.84 %
Asthma 7.44 %	Cancer 5.65 %
Arthritis 6.87 %	Asthma 5.05 %
Coronary heart disease 6.71 %	Coronary heart disease 4.7 %
Diabetes 4.72 %	Diabetes 3.57 %

Source: Source Linkage Files

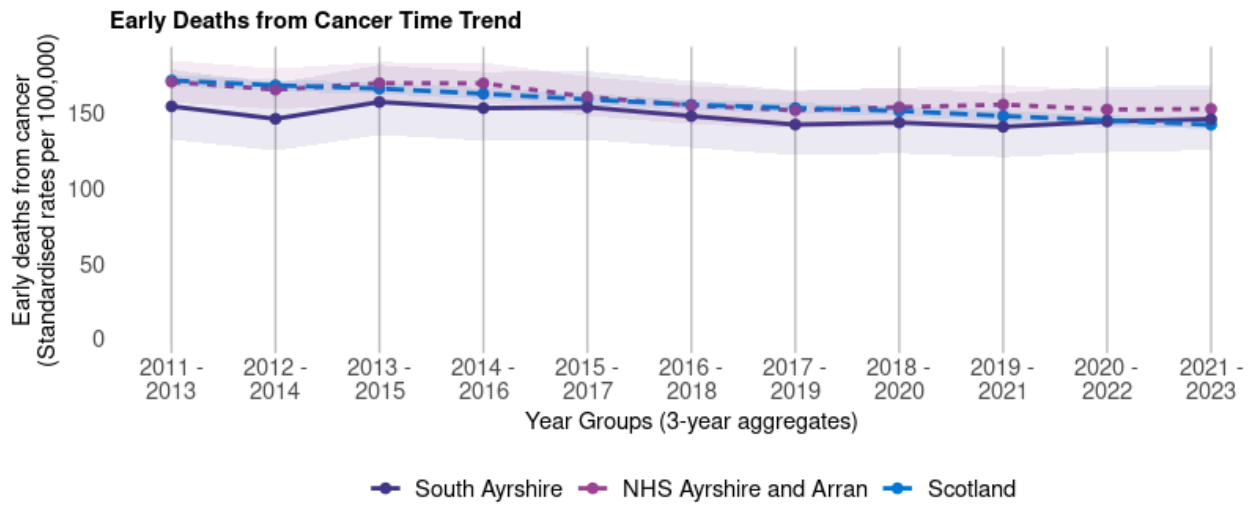
Cancer

For the period 2020 - 2022, there were **854** new cancer registrations per year on average (a rate of **615** registrations per 100,000 age-sex standardised population) in South Ayrshire. For the period 2021 - 2023, there were also **146** early deaths per 100,000 from cancer in the HSCP, this is a **5.5%** decrease compared to the rate 10 years prior.

Figure 17: Cancer registration rate over time and by area.



Source: ScotPHO

Figure 18: Early deaths from cancer (<75 years) over time and by area.

Source: ScotPHO

Hospitalisations by condition

Patient hospitalisations can indicate how certain diseases have varying impacts on people's lives. In the latest time period available in South Ayrshire, the condition with the highest rate of hospitalisations was Coronary Heart Disease.

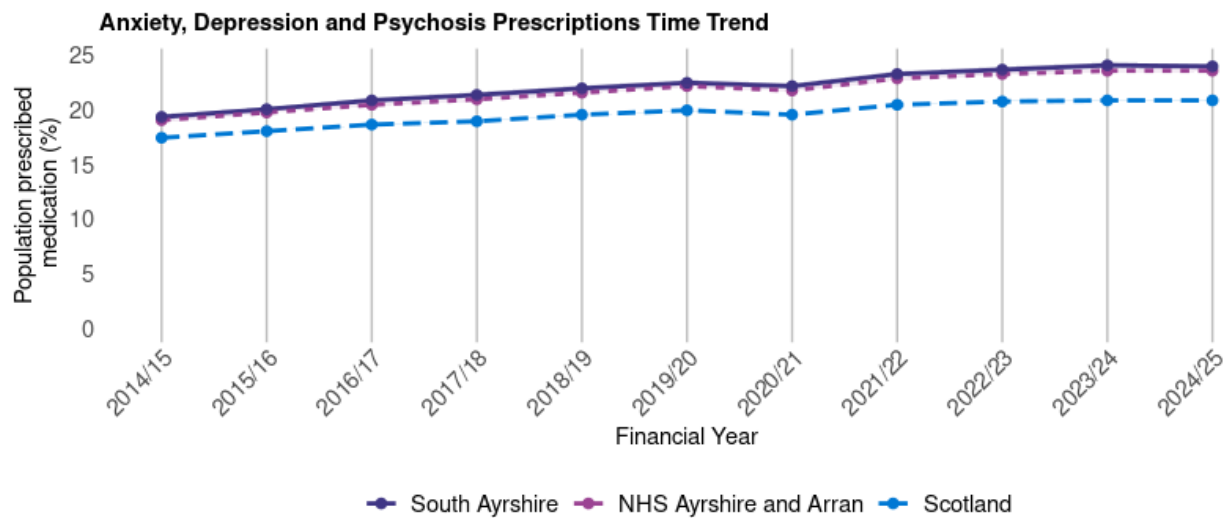
Table 8: Patient hospitalisations by condition and geographical area, age-sex standardised rates per 100,000.

Disease	Latest time period	South Ayrshire	NHS Ayrshire and Arran	Scotland
Asthma	2022/23 - 2024/25	98.8	106.5	81.2
Coronary Heart Disease	2022/23 - 2024/25	430.6	410.6	318.2
COPD	2022/23 - 2024/25	234.8	278.8	215.3

Anxiety, Depression and Psychosis (ADP) prescriptions

In 2024/25, **23.9%** of people were prescribed medication for anxiety, depression or psychosis in South Ayrshire. This is a **4.6 percentage point increase** from the rate 10 years prior in 2014/15 which was 19.3%.

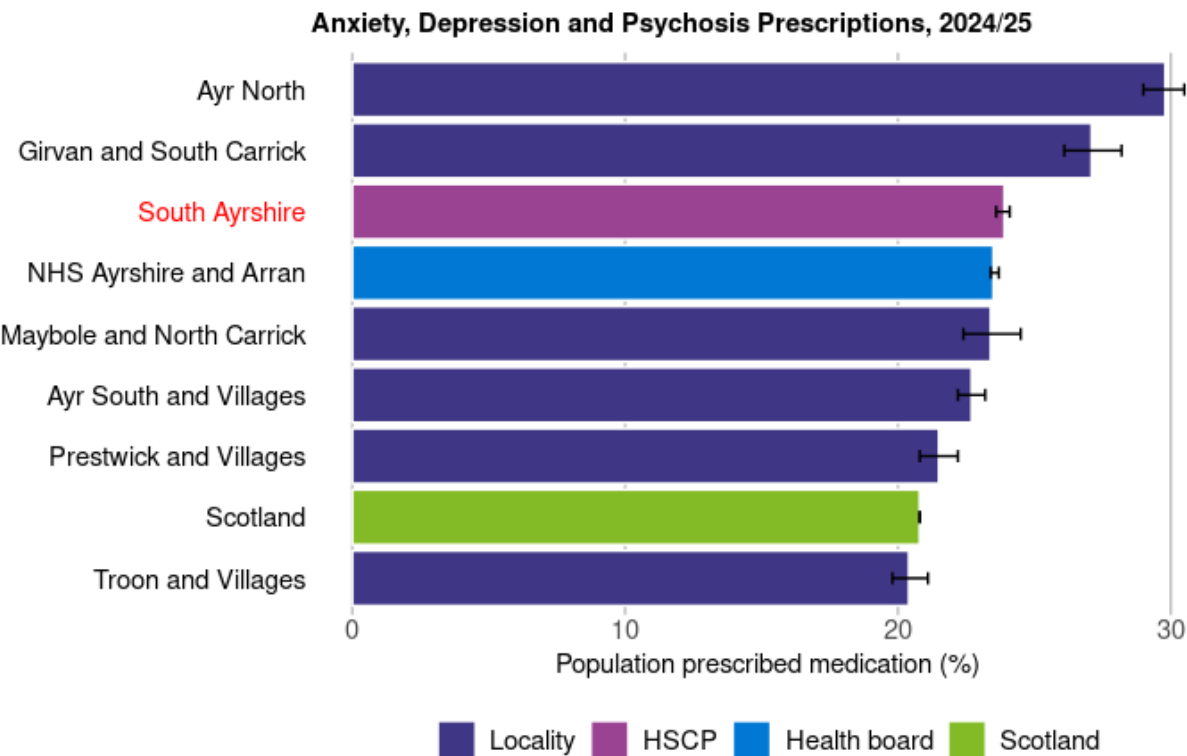
Figure 19: Anxiety, depression and psychosis prescriptions over time and by geographical area.



Source: ScotPHO

In 2024/25, South Ayrshire had a larger proportion of the population being prescribed ADP medication compared to the rest of Scotland (23.9% compared to 20.8%).

Figure 20: Percentage population prescribed medication for anxiety, depression and psychosis by area for the latest period available.



Source: ScotPHO

Lifestyle and Risk Factors

Summary

Mental and physical well-being has close ties with people's lifestyles and behaviours. Financial security, employment and location are influences that often have a bearing on these choices. Issues can develop when alcohol, smoking or drug use shape lives. This section provides data on drug-related hospital admissions, alcohol-related hospital admissions, alcohol-specific deaths and bowel screening uptake, to give an overview of some of the lifestyles and behaviours for the South Ayrshire. These can give an idea of quality of life and prosperity.

For the most recent time period available⁴, South Ayrshire had:

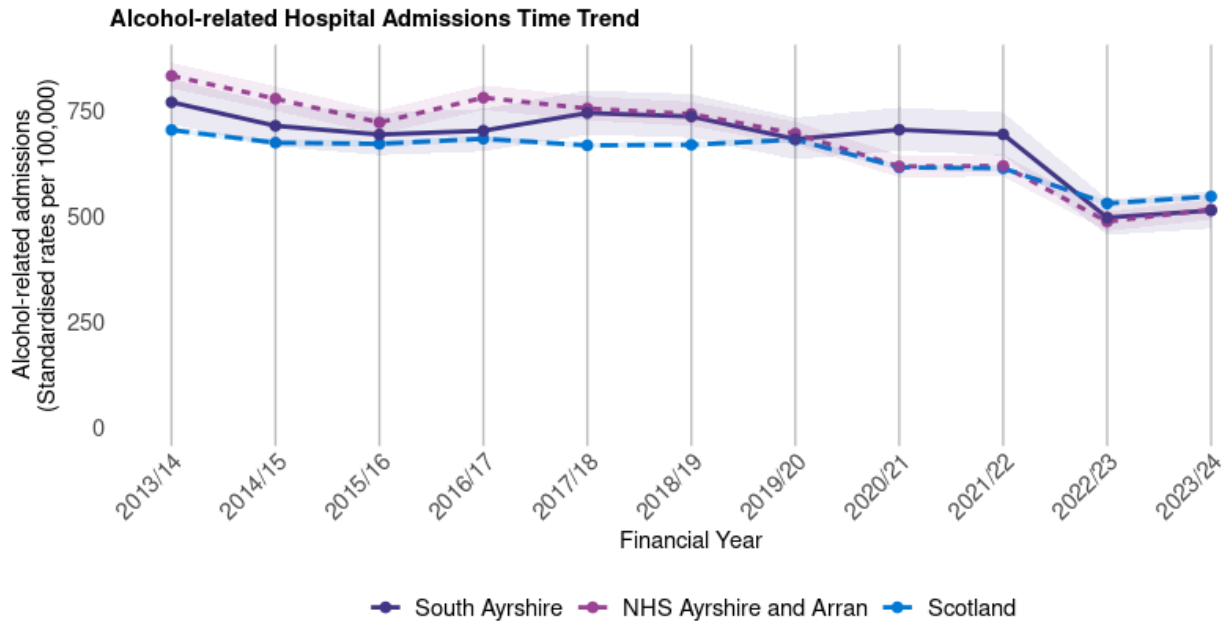
- **515** alcohol-related hospital admissions per 100,000 age-sex standardised population. This is lower than Scotland (549 admissions per 100,000)⁵.
- **18.8** alcohol-specific deaths per 100,000 age-sex standardised population. This is lower than Scotland (21.8 deaths per 100,000)⁵.
- **226** drug-related hospital admissions per 100,000 age-sex standardised population. This is higher than Scotland (181 admissions per 100,000)⁵.
- **68.5%** uptake of bowel screening among the eligible population, compared to 66.4% in Scotland.

Alcohol-related Hospital Admissions

In 2023/24, the rate of alcohol-related admissions was **515** per 100,000 age-sex standardised population in South Ayrshire. This is a 33.3% decrease overall since 2013/14. Figure 21 shows a trend of alcohol-related hospital admissions for South Ayrshire compared with NHS Ayrshire and Arran, and Scotland from financial year 2013/14 to 2023/24.

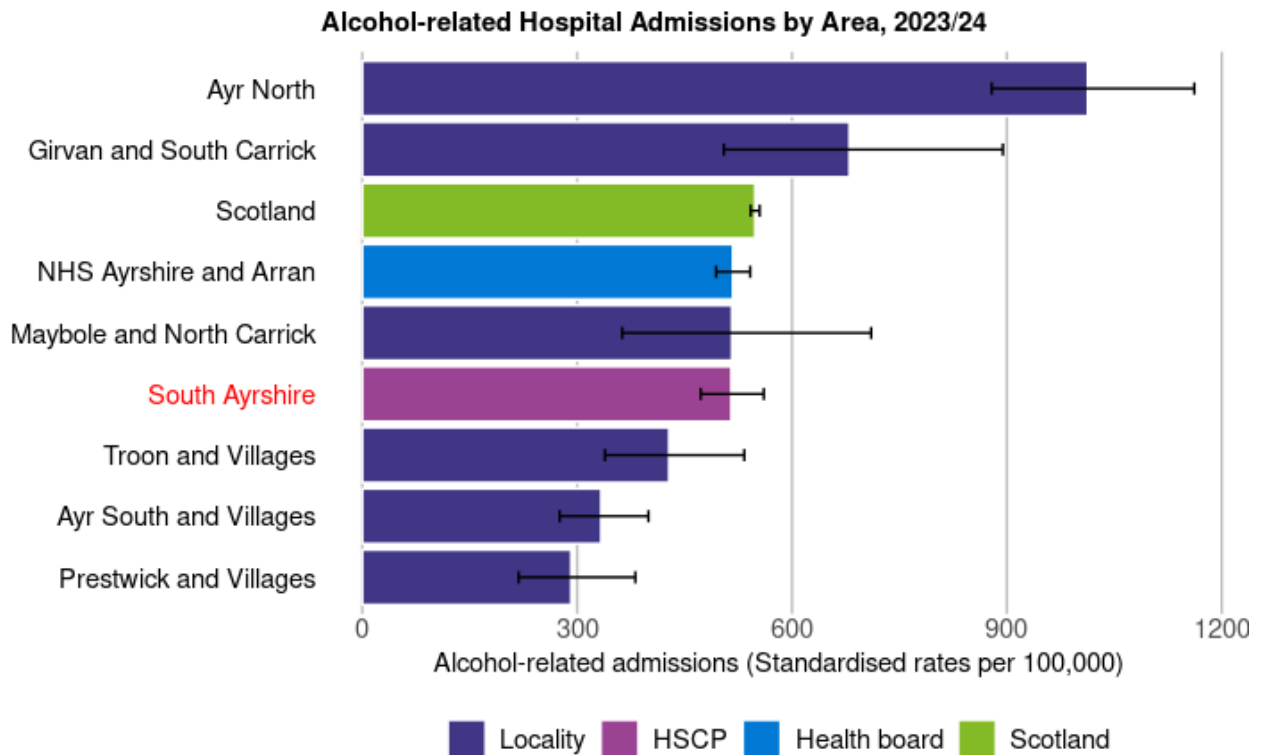
Figure 22 then compares different areas for the latest financial year. This bar chart shows that in 2023/24, South Ayrshire had a lower alcohol-related hospital admissions rate compared to Scotland (515 and 549 admissions respectively).

Figure 21: Alcohol-related hospital admission rates by area and over time.



Source: ScotPHO

Figure 22: Alcohol-related hospital admissions by area for the latest time period.

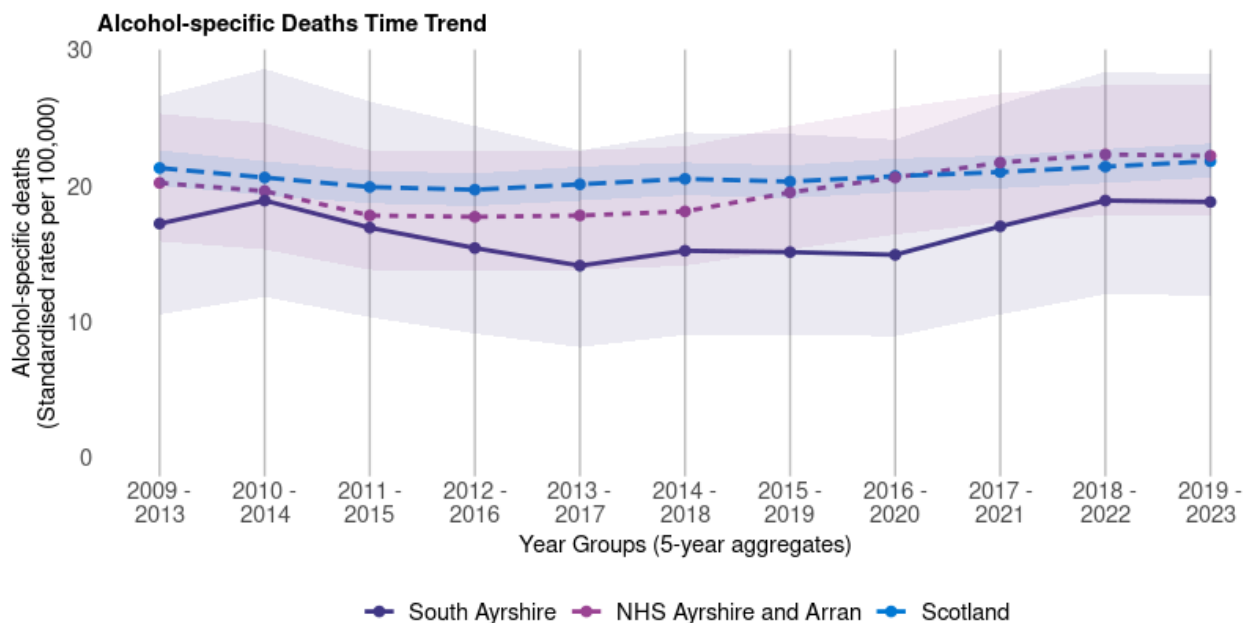


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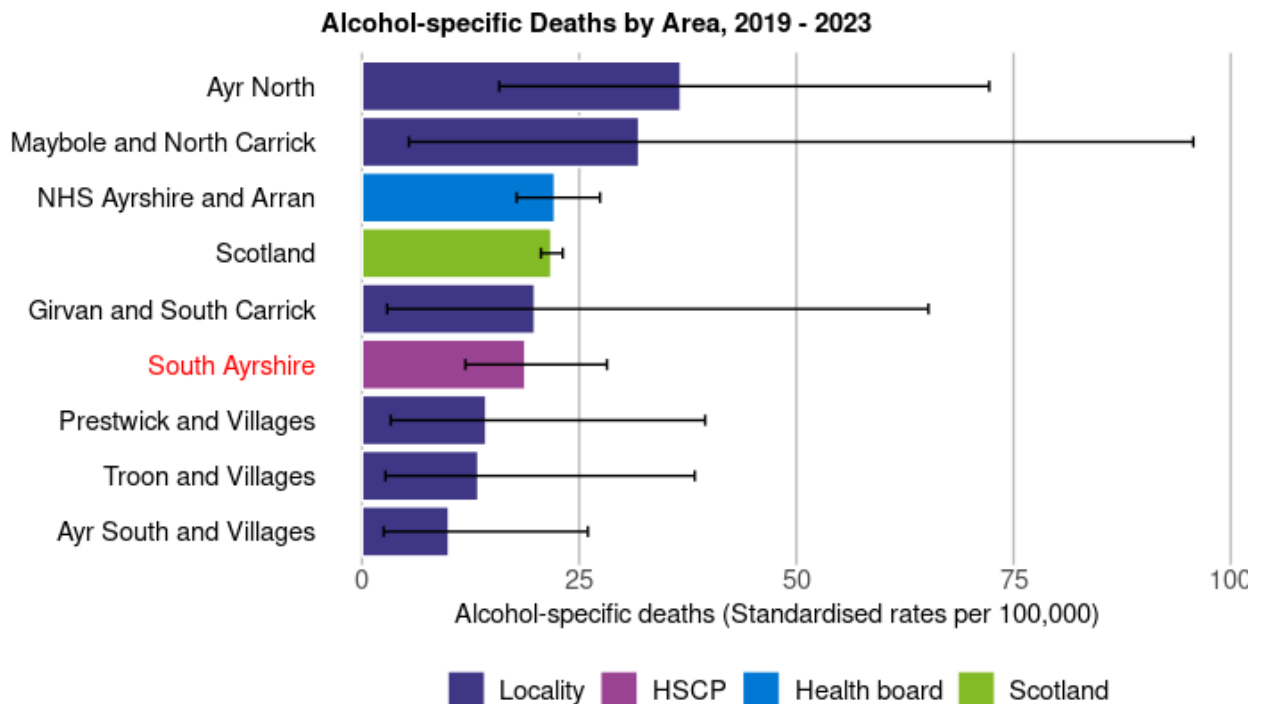
Alcohol-Specific Deaths

Data on alcohol-specific deaths is available as 5-year aggregates. In South Ayrshire, the latest rate of alcohol-specific deaths was **18.8** deaths per 100,000 age-sex standardised population. This is 9.3% higher than the rate in 2009 - 2013. Figure 24 also shows that the HSCP has a lower alcohol-specific death rate compared to Scotland overall (21.8 deaths per 100,000).

Figure 23: Alcohol-specific deaths by area and over time.



Source: ScotPHO

Figure 24: Alcohol-specific deaths by area for the latest time period available.

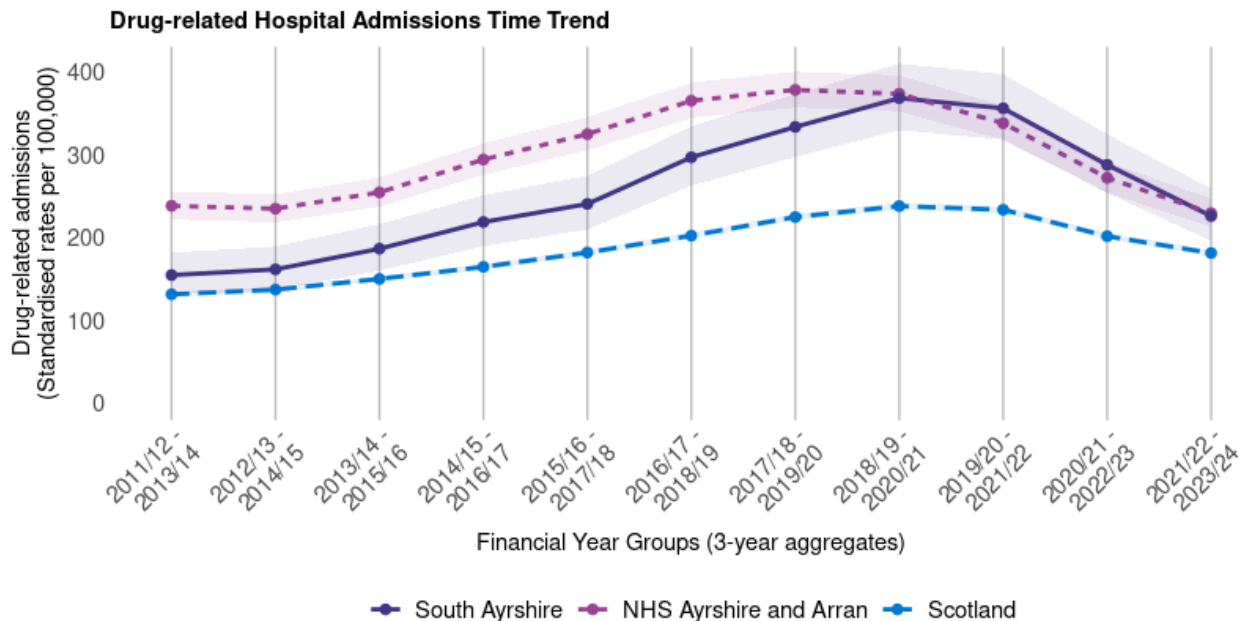
Source: ScotPHO

Drug-related Hospital Admissions

There were **226** drug-related hospital admissions per 100,000 age-sex standardised population⁴ in the South Ayrshire in the time period 2021/22 - 2023/24 (3-year financial year aggregate). This is a 46.1% increase since 2011/12 - 2013/14. A trend of the change in drug-related hospital admissions for the locality and comparable areas is shown in Figure 25 from 2011/12 - 2013/14 onward.

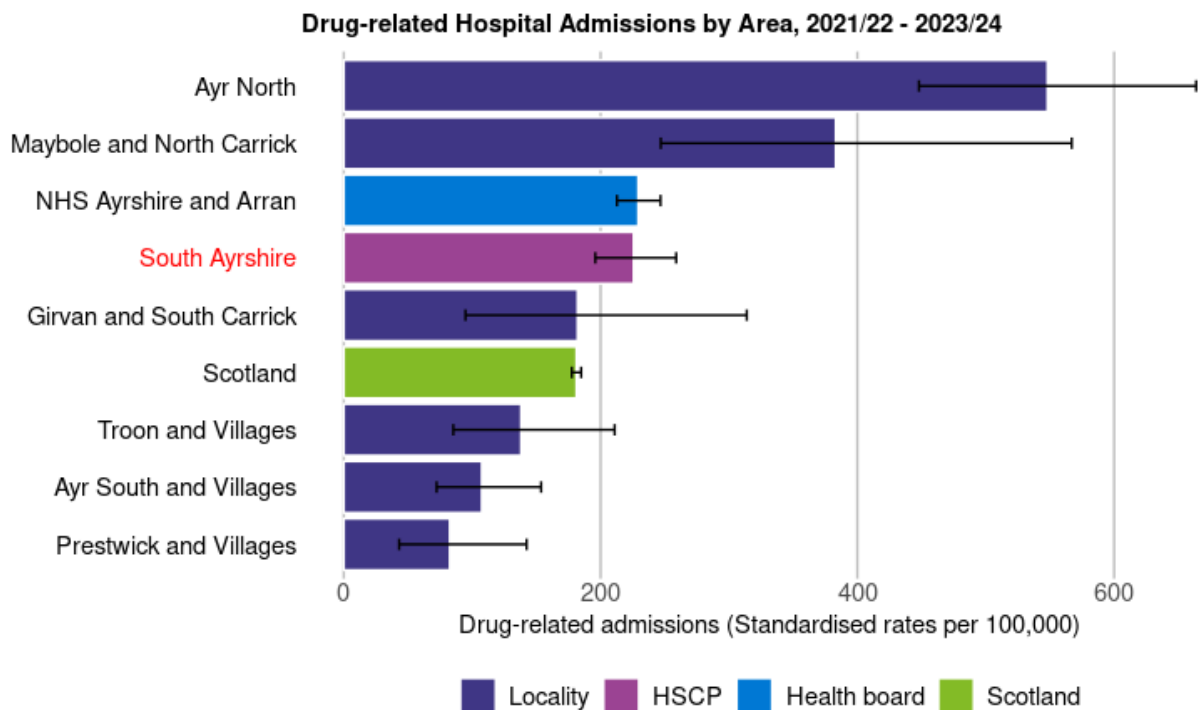
A comparison of areas at the most recent time period (2021/22 - 2023/24 aggregated financial years) is available in Figure 26 This shows the South Ayrshire has a higher rate of drug-related hospital admissions than Scotland (181 admissions per 100,000).

Figure 25: Drug-related hospital admission rates by area and over time.



Source: ScotPHO

Figure 26: Drug-related hospital admission rates by area for the latest time period available.



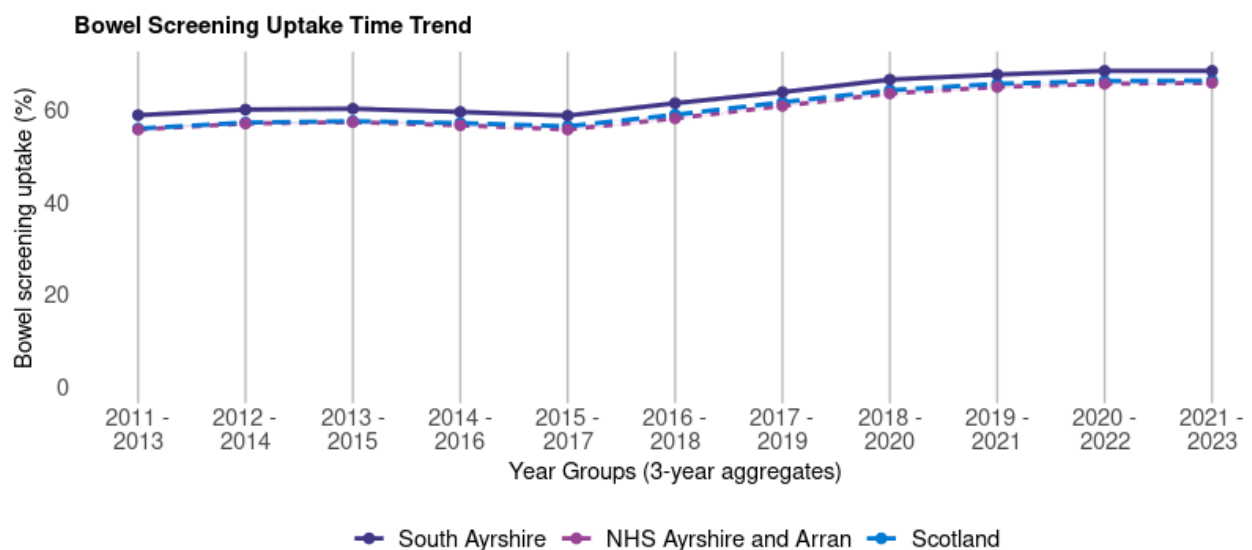
Source: ScotPHO

Bowel Screening Uptake

Bowel screening is offered every two years to eligible men and women aged between 50-74 years old. Eligible people are posted a test kit which is completed at home. Since 1st April 2013, those aged 75 and over can also self-refer and opt into screening.

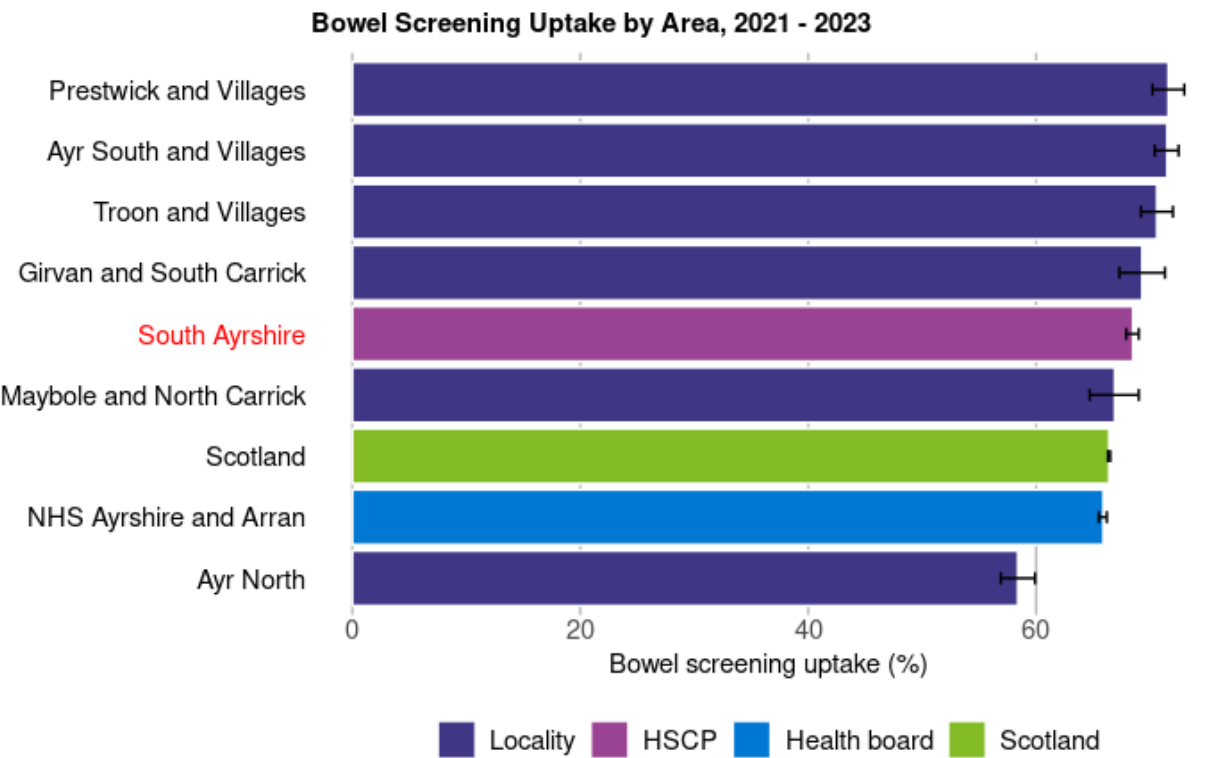
A trend of the percentage uptake of bowel screening among the eligible population is shown for South Ayrshire and comparable areas. Data is presented as 3-year aggregates. The 2021 - 2023 uptake rate for South Ayrshire is **68.5%**. This is a 9.6 percentage point increase since 2011 - 2013. As can be seen in Figure 28, in the latest estimate, the uptake in South Ayrshire was higher than the uptake in Scotland overall (66.4%).

Figure 27: Bowel screening uptake for eligible men and women, by area and over time.



Source: ScotPHO

Figure 28: Bowel screening uptake by area for the latest time period available.



Source: ScotPHO

Hospital and Community Care

Summary

For the most recent time periods available, South Ayrshire had:

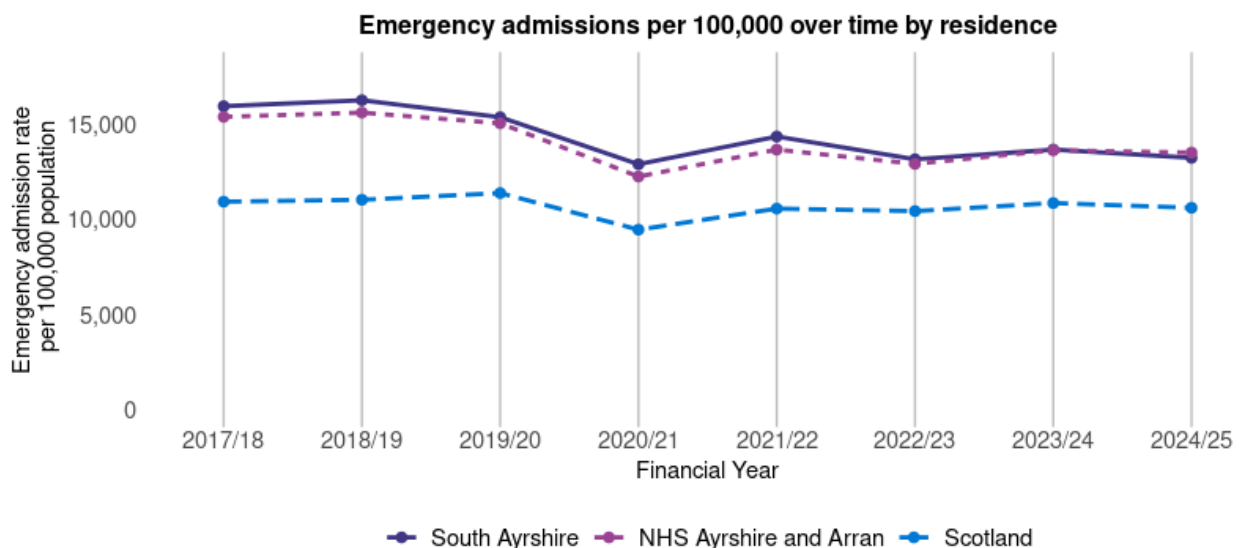
- **13,251** emergency hospital admissions per 100,000 population, compared to 10,626 in Scotland.
- **115,330** unscheduled acute specialty bed days per 100,000 population, compared to 75,436 in Scotland.
- **26,432** A&E attendances per 100,000 population, compared to 26,915 in Scotland.
- **91,270** delayed discharge bed days per 100,000 population aged over 65, compared to 51,401 in Scotland.
- **2,010** emergency hospital admissions from falls per 100,000 population aged over 65, compared to 2,233 in Scotland.
- **102.7** emergency readmissions (28 day) per 1,000 discharges, compared to 103.1 in Scotland.
- **2,215** potentially preventable hospital admissions per 100,000 population, compared to 1,694 in Scotland.

Emergency Admissions

Figure 29 presents the emergency admissions rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire from 2017/18 to 2024/25.

As presented in Figure 29, the emergency admissions rate in the South Ayrshire for 2024/25 is 13,251, a 17% decrease since 2017/18. The NHS Ayrshire and Arran health board rate is 13,526 in 2024/25, a 12.2% decrease since 2017/18 and the Scotland rate is 10,626, a 2.9% decrease since 2017/18.

Figure 29: Emergency admissions by geographical area

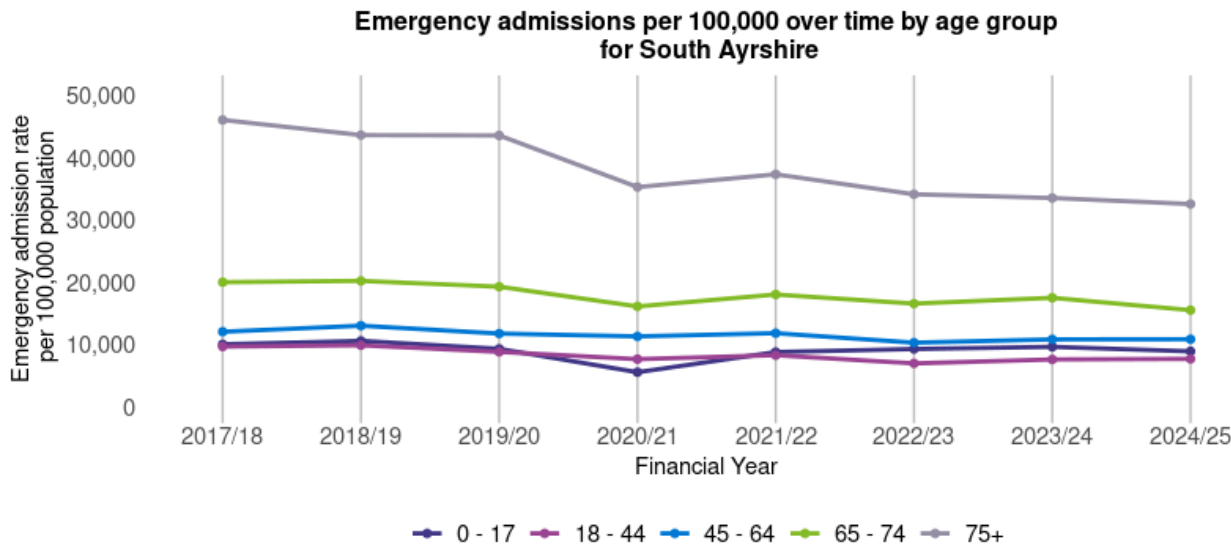


Source: PHS SMR01

Figure 30 presents the emergency admissions rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire from 2017/18 to 2024/25 by age group.

As presented in Figure 30, the highest emergency admissions rate for the South Ayrshire in 2024/25 is 32,625 per 100,000 population for the 75+ age group with a percentage decrease of 29.3% since 2017/18. The lowest emergency admissions rate for South Ayrshire in 2024/25 is 7,770 per 100,000 population for the 18 - 44 age group with a percentage decrease of 20.3% since 2017/18.

Figure 30: Emergency admissions by age group



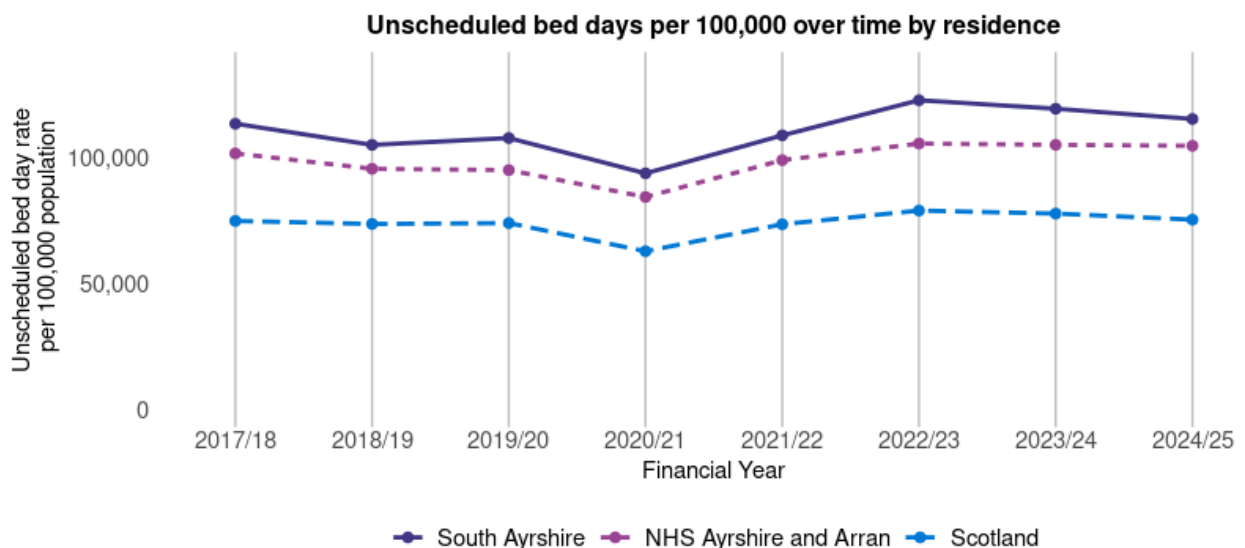
Source: PHS SMR01

Unscheduled Acute Bed Days

Figure 31 presents the unscheduled bed days rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire from 2017/18 to 2024/25.

As presented in Figure 31, the unscheduled bed days rate in the South Ayrshire is 115,330, a 1.7% increase since 2017/18. The NHS Ayrshire and Arran health board rate for 2024/25 is 104,703, a 3% increase since 2017/18 and the Scotland rate is 75,436, a 0.7% increase since 2017/18.

Figure 31: Unscheduled acute bed days by geographical area

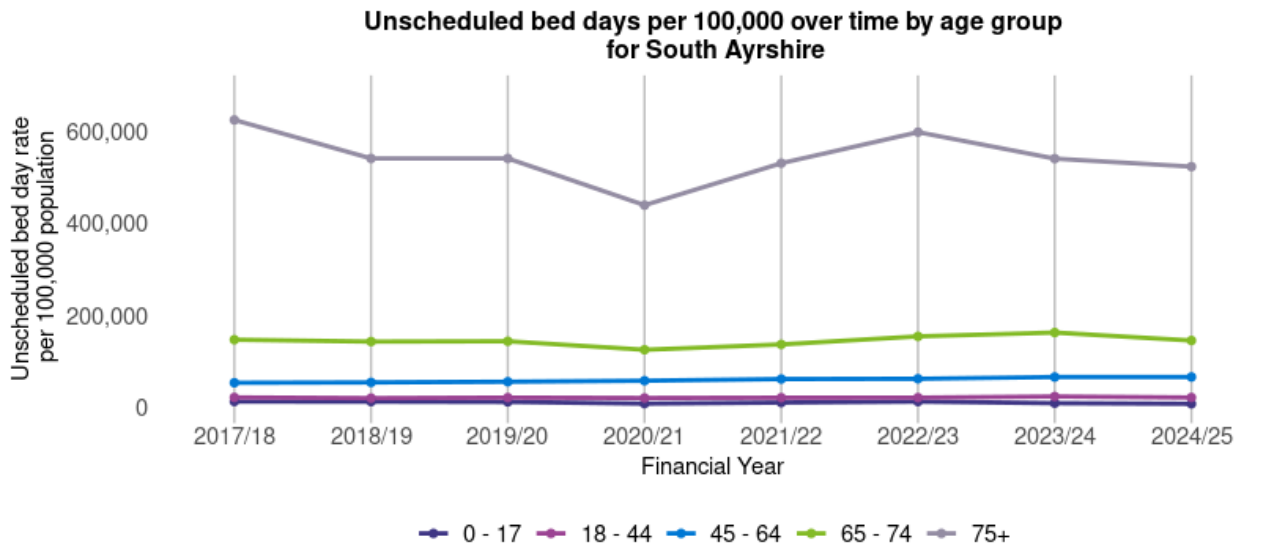


Source: PHS SMR01

Figure 32 presents the unscheduled bed days rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire from 2017/18 to 2024/25 by age group.

As presented in Figure 32, the highest unscheduled bed days rate for the South Ayrshire in 2024/25 is 523,522 bed days per 100,000 population for the 75+ age group with a percentage decrease of 16.2% since 2017/18. The lowest unscheduled bed days rate for South Ayrshire in 2024/25 is 7,613 bed days per 100,000 population for the 0 - 17 age group with a percentage decrease of 39.4% since 2017/18.

Figure 32: Unscheduled acute bed days by age group



A&E Attendances

Figure 33 presents the A&E attendance rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire from 2016/17 to 2024/25.

As presented in Figure 33, the A&E attendance rate per 100,000 in the South Ayrshire is 26,432, a 23.6% decrease since 2016/17. The NHS Ayrshire and Arran health board rate for 2024/25 is 26,306, a 16.8% decrease since 2016/17 and the Scotland rate is 26,915, a 1.5% decrease since 2016/17.

Figure 33: A&E attendances by geographical area

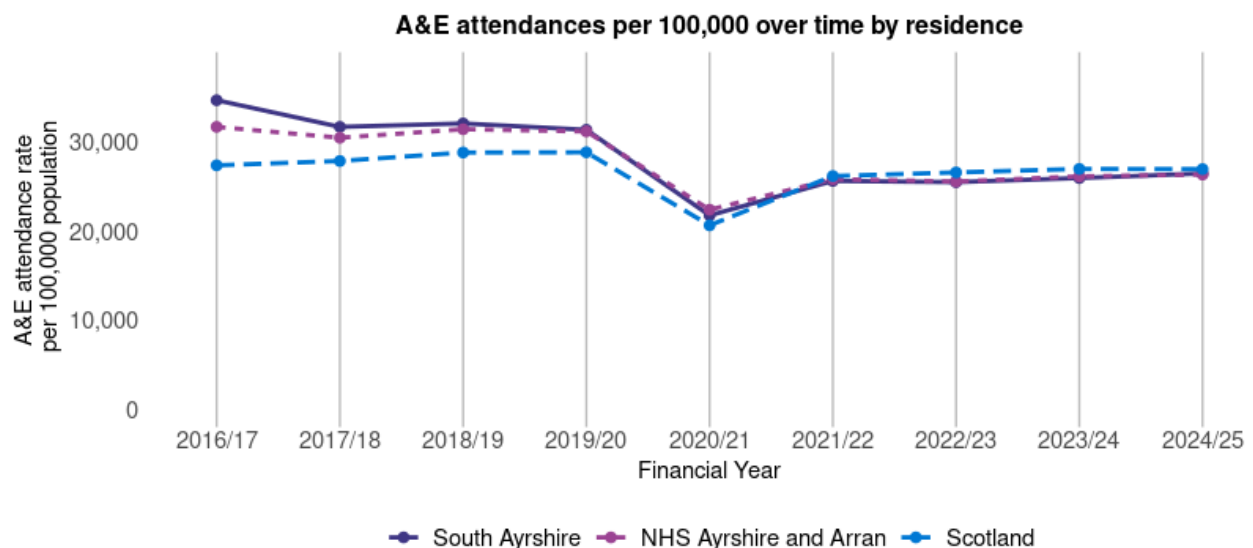
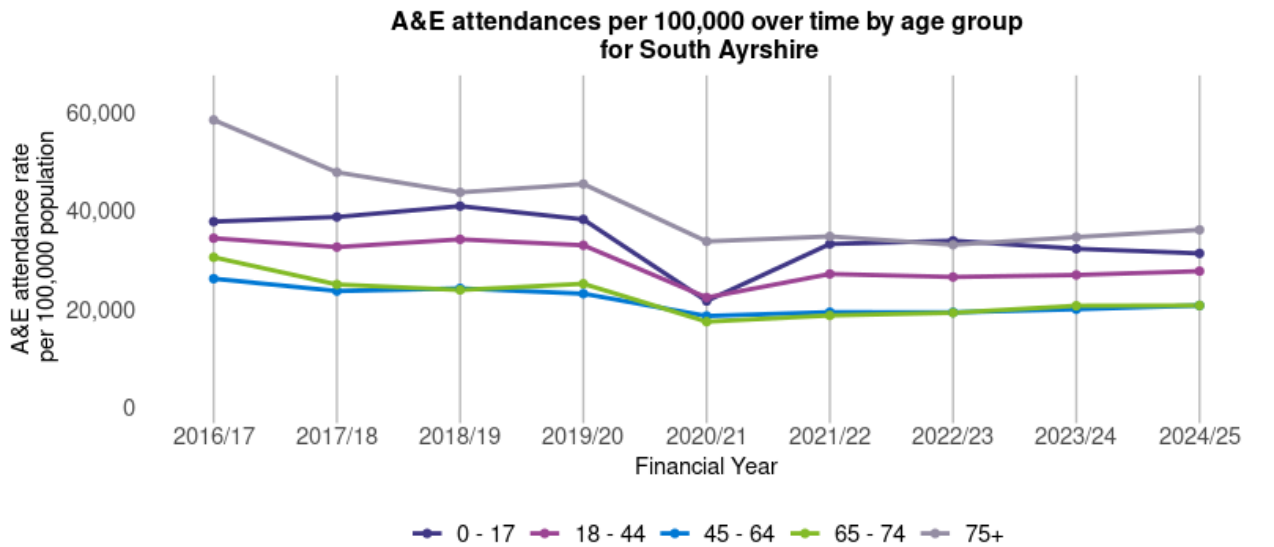


Figure 34 presents the A&E attendance rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire from 2016/17 to 2024/25 by age group.

As presented in Figure 34, the highest A&E attendance rate for the South Ayrshire in 2024/25 is 36,075 per 100,000 population for the 75+ age group with a percentage decrease of 38.2% since 2016/17. The lowest A&E attendance rate for South Ayrshire in 2024/25 is 20,696 per 100,000 population for the 45 - 64 age group with a percentage decrease of 20.8% since 2016/17.

Figure 34: A&E attendances by age group

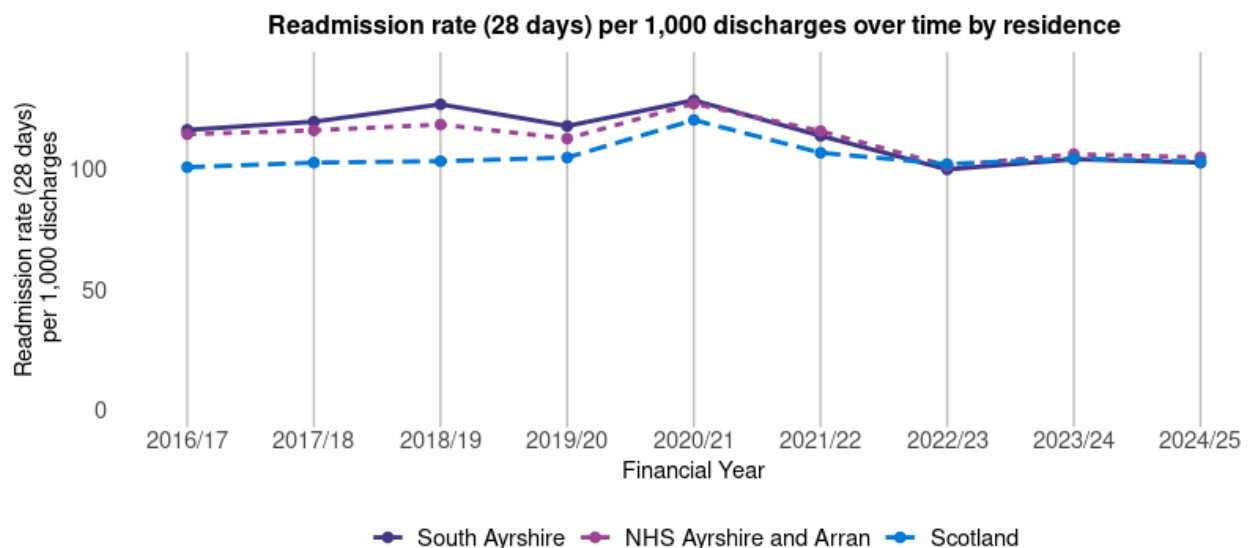


Emergency Readmissions (28 days)

Figure 35 presents the emergency readmission (28 days) rate per 1,000 discharges in the South Ayrshire from 2016/17 to 2024/25.

As presented in Figure 35, the emergency readmission (28 days) rate per 1,000 discharges in the South Ayrshire is 102.7, a 11.7% decrease since 2016/17. The NHS Ayrshire and Arran health board rate for 2024/25 is 104.9, an 8.4% decrease since 2016/17 and the Scotland rate is 103.1, a 2.3% increase since 2016/17.

Figure 35: Emergency readmissions (28 days) by geographical area

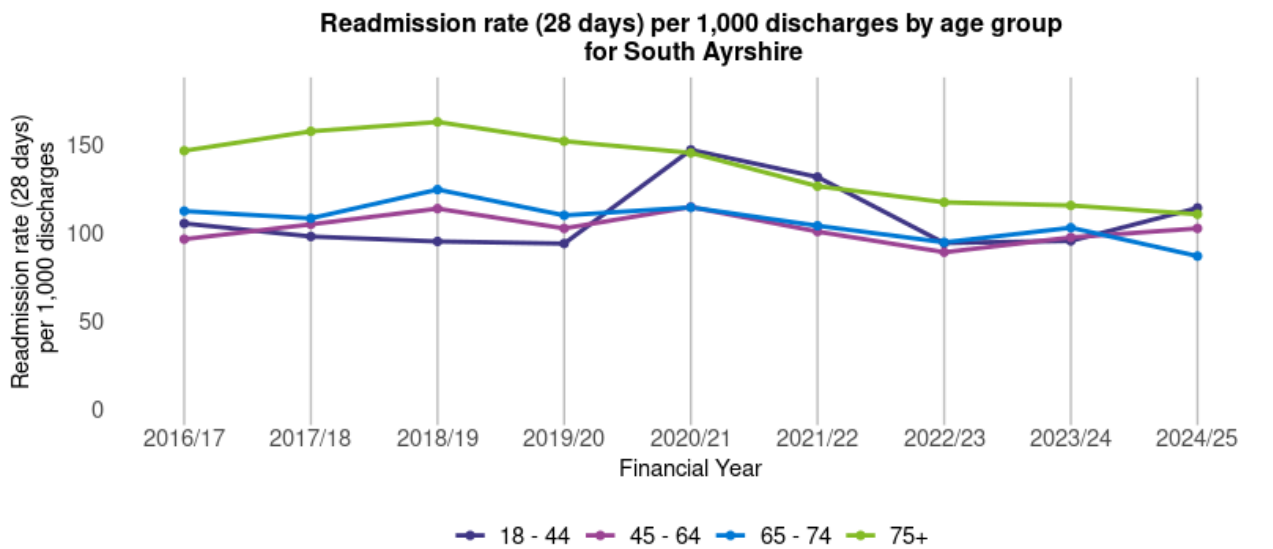


Source: PHS SMR01

Figure 36 presents the emergency readmission (28 days) rate per 1,000 discharges in the South Ayrshire from 2016/17 to 2024/25 by age group.

As presented in Figure 36, the highest emergency readmission (28 days) rate for the South Ayrshire in 2024/25 is 114.1 per 1,000 discharges for the 18 - 44 age group with a percentage increase of 8.4% since 2016/17. The lowest emergency readmission (28 days) rate for the South Ayrshire in 2024/25 is 86.8 per 1,000 discharges for the 65 - 74 age group with a percentage decrease of 22.7% since 2016/17.

Figure 36: Emergency readmissions (28 days) by age group



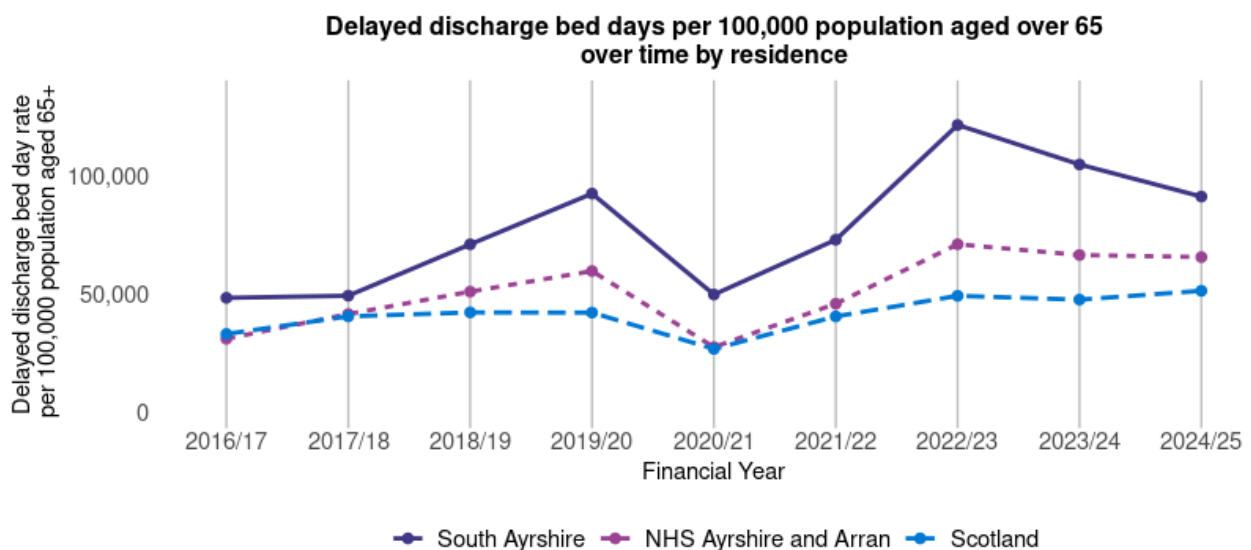
Source: PHS SMR01

Delayed Discharge Bed Days

Figure 37 presents the number of delayed discharge bed days per 100,000 population aged over 65+ in the South Ayrshire from 2016/17 to 2024/25.

As presented in Figure 37, the number of delayed discharge bed days per 100,000 population aged over 65+ in the South Ayrshire is 91,270, an 88.5% increase since 2016/17. The NHS Ayrshire and Arran health board rate for 2024/25 is 65,672, a 111.2% increase since 2016/17 and the Scotland rate is 51,401, a 55.1% increase since 2016/17.

Figure 37: Delayed discharge bed days in the population aged 65+ by geographical area



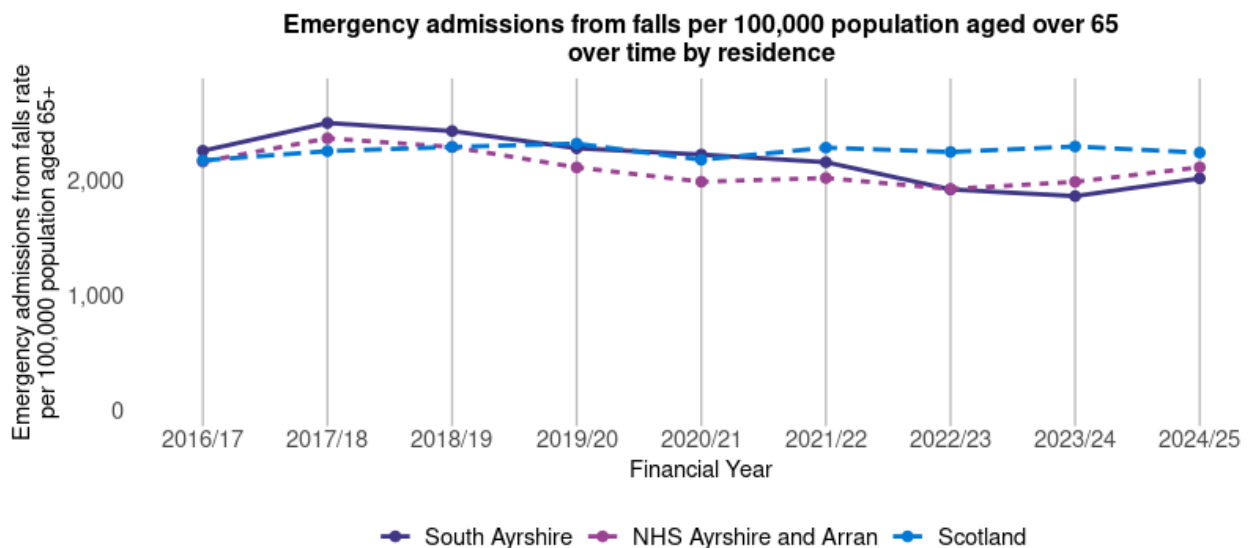
Source: PHS Delayed Discharges

Emergency admissions from a fall

Figure 38 presents the emergency admissions from falls rate per 100,000 population aged 65 and over in the South Ayrshire from 2016/17 to 2024/25.

As presented in Figure 38, the emergency admissions from falls rate per 100,000 population aged over 65+ in the South Ayrshire is 2,010, a 10.6% decrease since 2016/17. The NHS Ayrshire and Arran health board rate for 2024/25 is 2,106, a 2.2% decrease since 2016/17 and the Scotland rate is 2,233, a 3.1% increase since 2016/17.

Figure 38: Falls in the population aged 65+ by geographical area



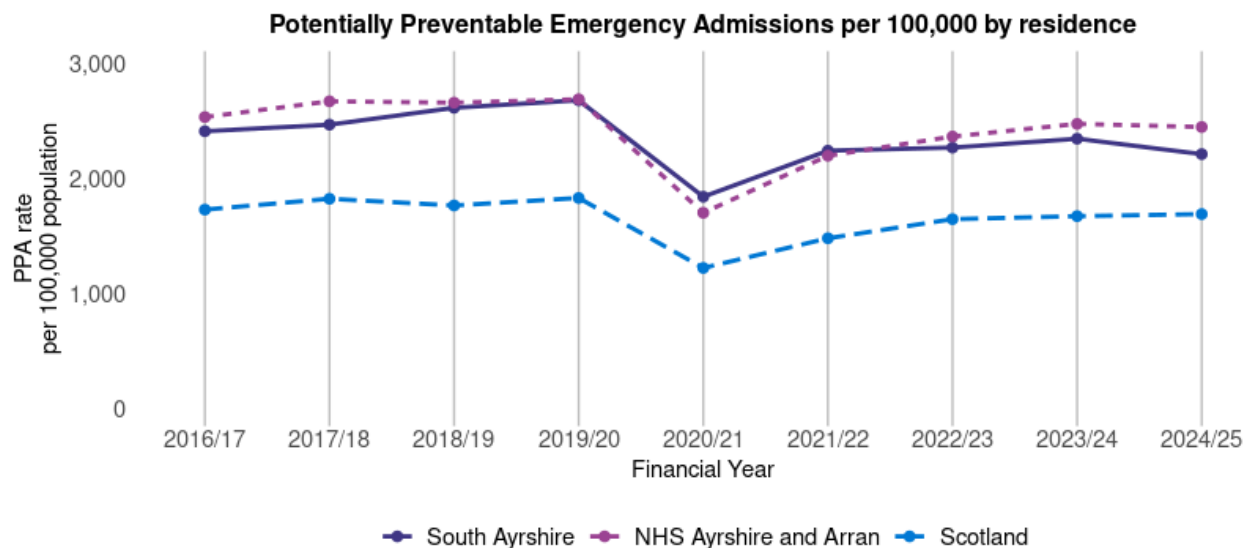
Source: PHS SMR01

Potentially Preventable Admissions (PPAs)

Information on the conditions included in Potentially Preventable Admissions (PPA)s is available in Appendix 3. In 2024/25, **52.2%** of PPAs in South Ayrshire were amongst those aged 65 and over, and **47.8%** were amongst those aged under 65.

Figure 39 presents the PPA rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire from 2016/17 to 2024/25. The rate per 100,000 population for PPAs in the South Ayrshire for 2024/25 is 2215, an 8.2% decrease since 2016/17. The NHS Ayrshire and Arran health board rate for 2024/25 is 2,451, a 3.4% decrease since 2016/17, 2024/25 and the Scotland rate is 1,694, a 2.3% decrease since 2016/17.

Figure 39: Potentially Preventable Admissions (PPAs) by geographical area



Source: PHS SMR01

Hospital Care (Mental Health Specialty)

Summary

This section looks at mental health-related unscheduled care indicators. For the most recent time period available, South Ayrshire had:

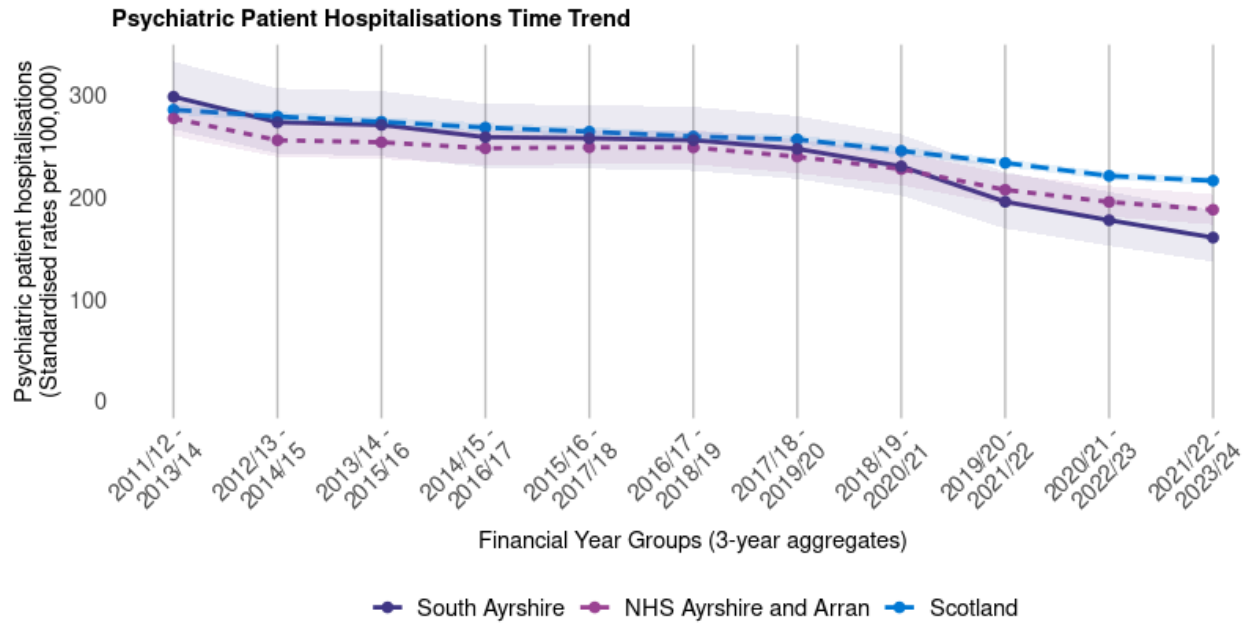
- **160.4** psychiatric patient hospitalisations per 100,000, compared to 216.1 in Scotland⁵.
- **14,905** unscheduled mental health specialty bed days per 100,000, compared to 18,134 in Scotland.

Psychiatric patient hospitalisations

Figure 40 presents the psychiatric patient hospitalisation 3-year aggregate rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire from 2011/12 - 2013/14 to 2021/22 - 2023/24.

As presented in Figure 40, the 3-year aggregate psychiatric patient hospitalisation rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire for 2021/22 - 2023/24 is 160.4, a 46.2% decrease since 2011/12 - 2013/14. The NHS Ayrshire and Arran health board the 3-year aggregate rate for 2021/22 - 2023/24 is 187.7, a 32.3% decrease since 2011/12 - 2013/14 and the Scotland the 3-year aggregate rate is 216.1, a 24.4% decrease since 2011/12 - 2013/14.

Figure 40: Psychiatric patient hospitalisations by geographical area



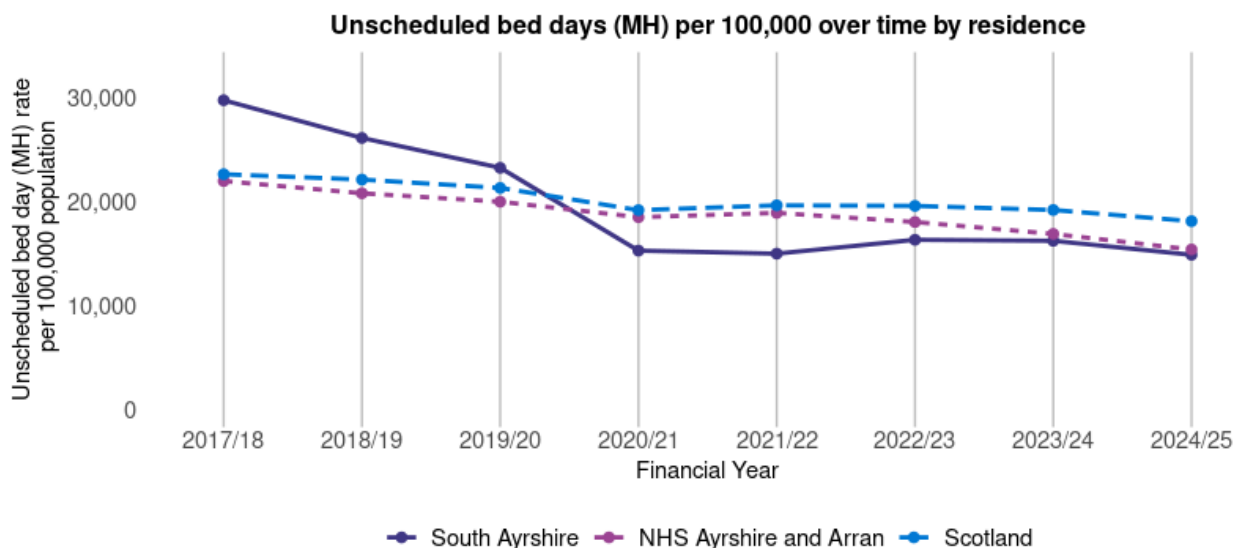
Source: ScotPHO

Unscheduled Mental Health Specialty Bed Days

Figure 41 presents the unscheduled mental health bed days rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire from 2017/18 to 2024/25.

As presented in Figure 41, the unscheduled mental health bed days rate per 100,000 population in the South Ayrshire is 14,905, a 49.9% decrease since 2017/18. The NHS Ayrshire and Arran health board rate for 2024/25 is 15,414, a 29.9% decrease since 2017/18 and the Scotland rate is 18,134, a 19.9% decrease since 2017/18.

Figure 41: Unscheduled mental health specialty bed days by geographical area



Source: PHS SMR04

Child Health

Summary

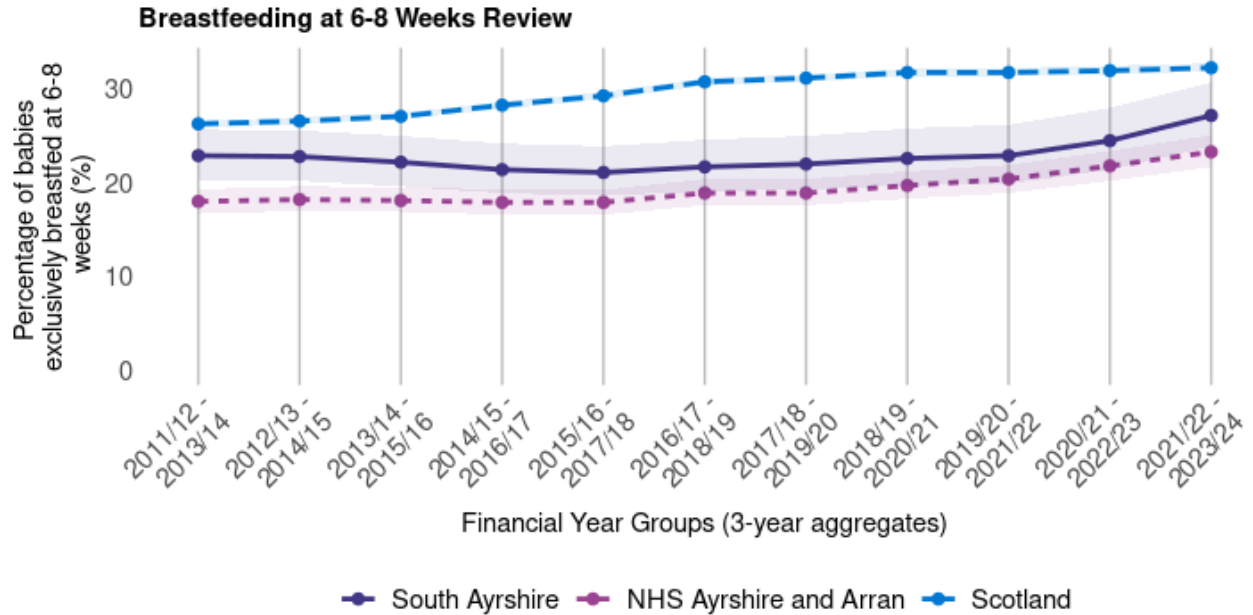
This section looks at indicators relating to children and young people's health outcomes. For the most recent time period available, South Ayrshire had:

- **27.2%** of babies being exclusively breastfed at the 6-8 week review, compared to 32.3% for Scotland overall.
- **11.2%** of mothers smoked at the time of the first antenatal booking appointment, compared to 9.6% for Scotland overall.
- a teenage pregnancy rate of **22** per 1,000 females aged 15-19, compared to 23.6 for Scotland overall.
- **97.7%** uptake of the 6-in-1 immunisation, compared to 96.2% for Scotland overall.
- **95.3%** uptake of the MMR immunisation at 24 months, compared to 93.2% for Scotland overall.
- **70%** of primary 1 children with no dental caries, compared to 73.9% for Scotland overall.
- **72.6%** of primary 1 children with a healthy weight, compared to 74.5% for Scotland overall.
- **17.3%** of children with one or more developmental concerns at the 27-30 month review, compared to 17.5% for Scotland overall.

Breastfeeding

In the latest time period available 2021/22 - 2023/24, the percentage of babies who were exclusively breastfed at 6-8 weeks in South Ayrshire was **27.2%**. Figure 42 compares the HSCP, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

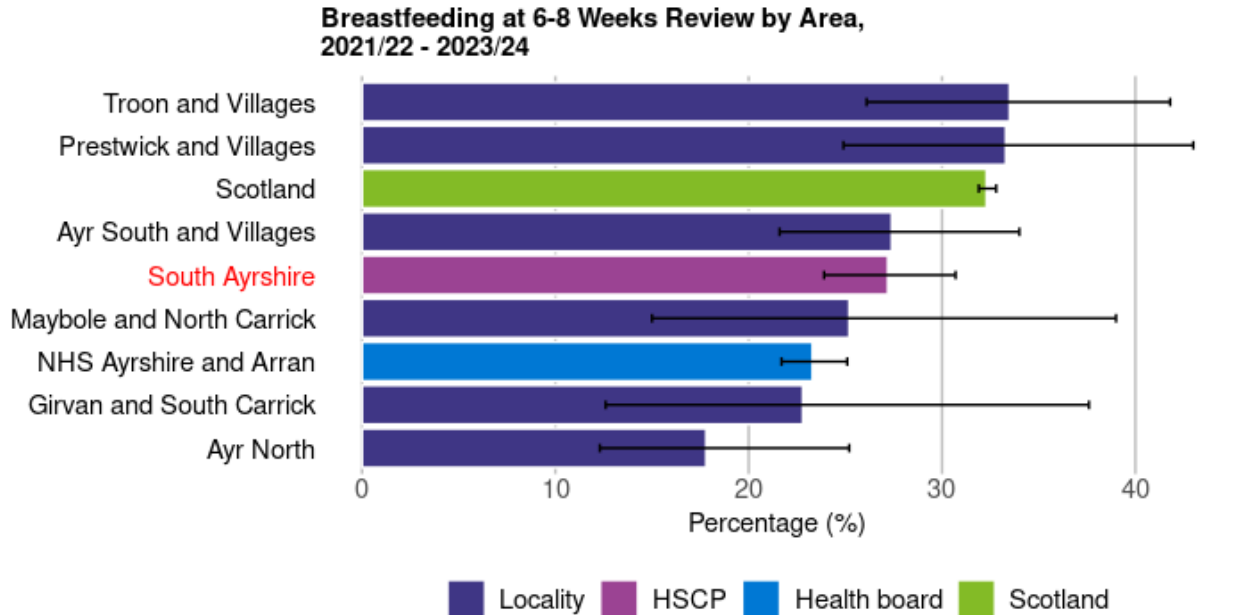
Figure 42: Percentage of babies exclusively breastfed at 6-8 weeks by geographical area.



Source: ScotPHO

Figure 43 provides comparisons of breastfeeding between South Ayrshire HSCP and Scotland. In 2021/22 - 2023/24, South Ayrshire had a lower rate than the rest of Scotland (27.2% compared to 32.3%).

Figure 43: Percentage of babies exclusively breastfed at 6-8 weeks by area for the latest time period available.



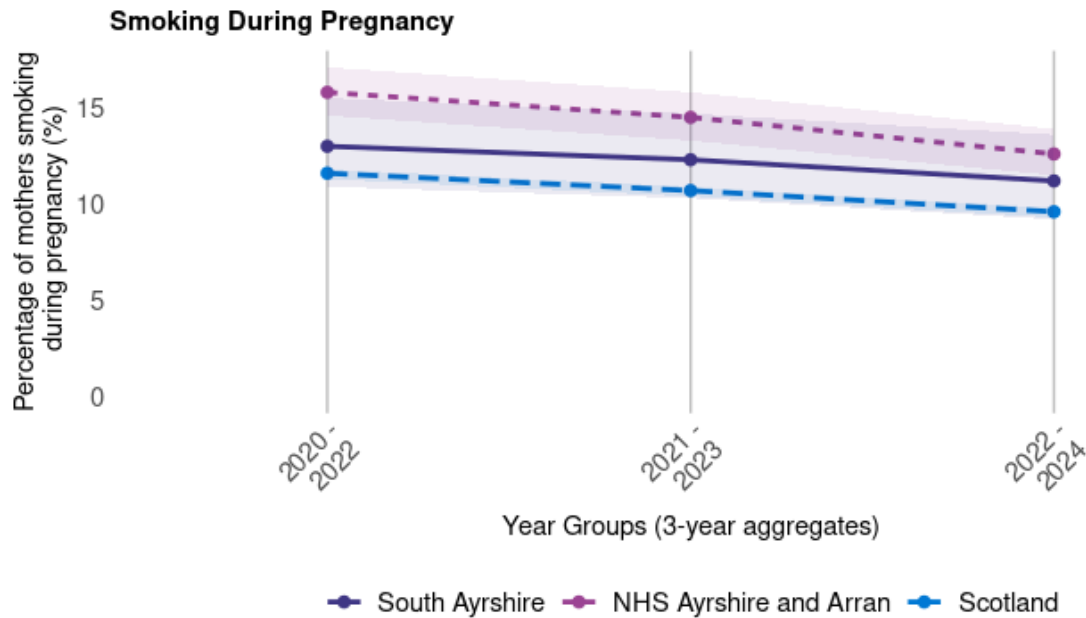
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Smoking during pregnancy

In the latest time period available 2022 - 2024, the percentage of women smoking at the time of the first antenatal booking appointment in South Ayrshire was **11.2%**.

Figure 44 compares the HSCP, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

Figure 44: Percentage of women smoking during pregnancy by geographical area.

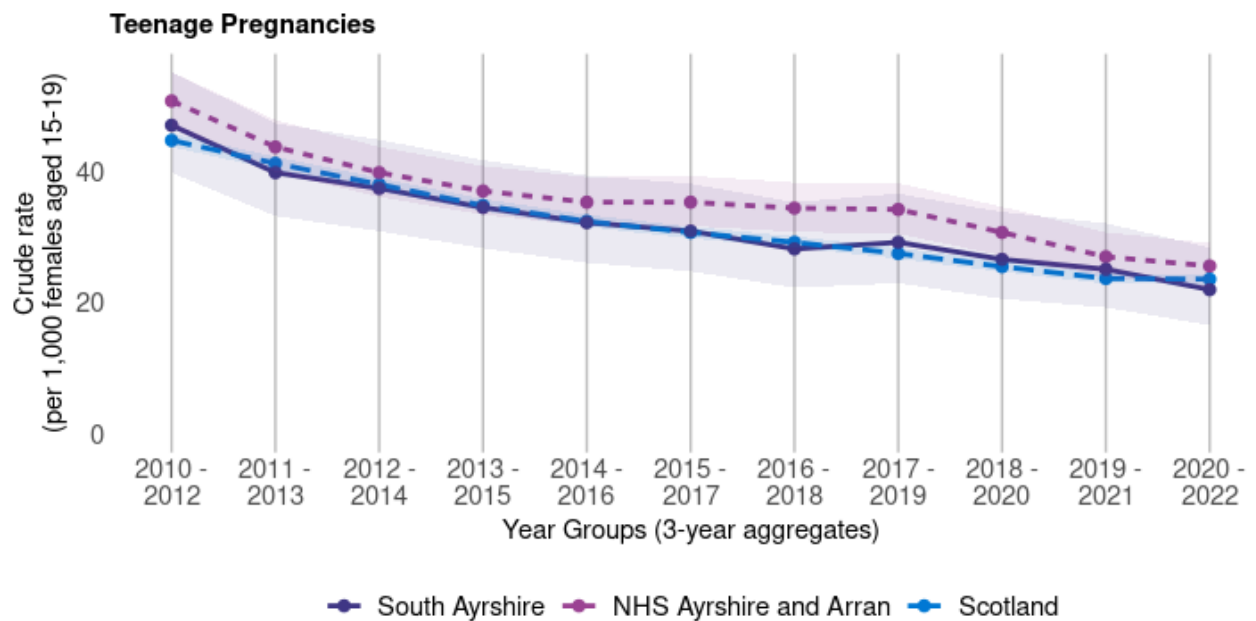


Source: ScotPHO

Teenage pregnancies

In the latest time period available 2020 - 2022, the rate of teenage pregnancies per 1,000 females aged 15-19 in South Ayrshire was **22**. Figure 45 compares the HSCP, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

Figure 45: Rate of teenage pregnancies by geographical area.

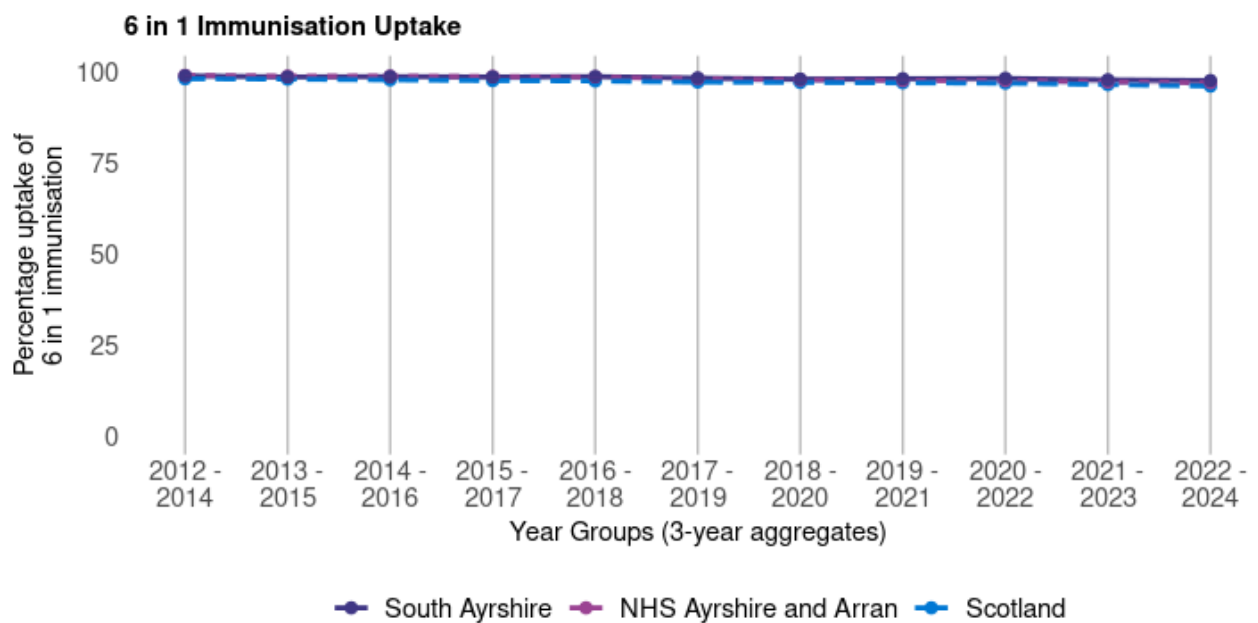


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6 in 1 immunisation

In the latest time period available 2022 - 2024, the uptake of the 6-in-1 immunisation in South Ayrshire was **97.7%**. Figure 46 compares the HSCP, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

Figure 46: Percentage uptake of 6 in 1 immunisation by geographical area.

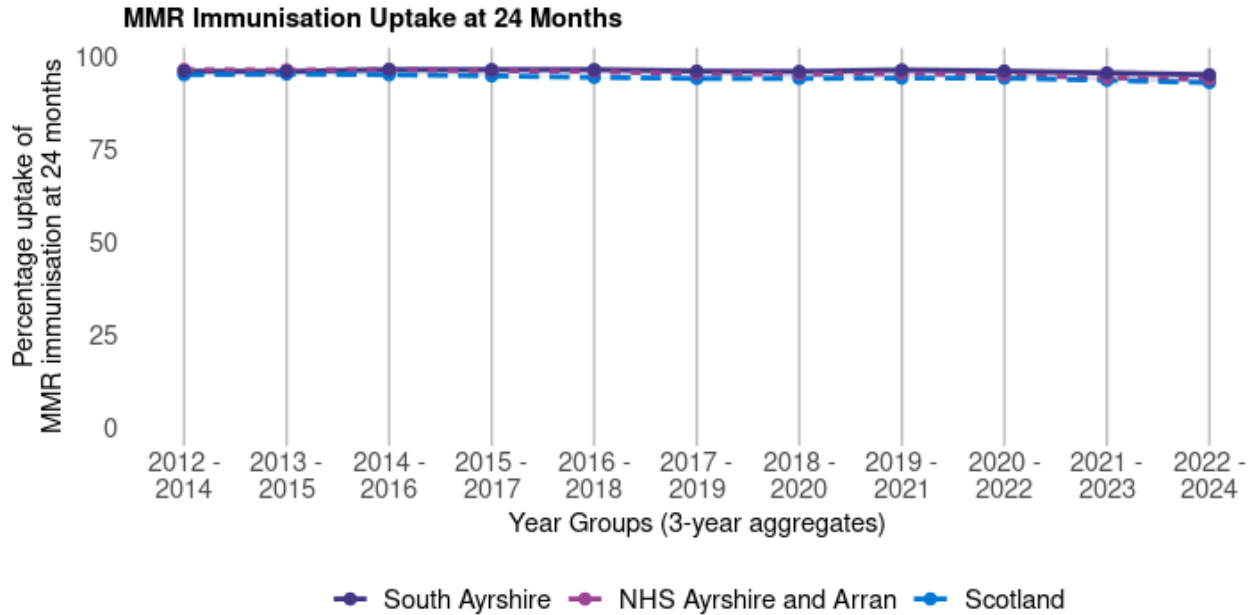


Source: ScotPHO

MMR immunisation at 24 months

In the latest time period available 2022 - 2024, the uptake of the MMR immunisation at 24 months in South Ayrshire was **95.3%**. Figure 47 compares the HSCP, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

Figure 47: Percentage uptake of MMR immunisation at 24 months by geographical area.

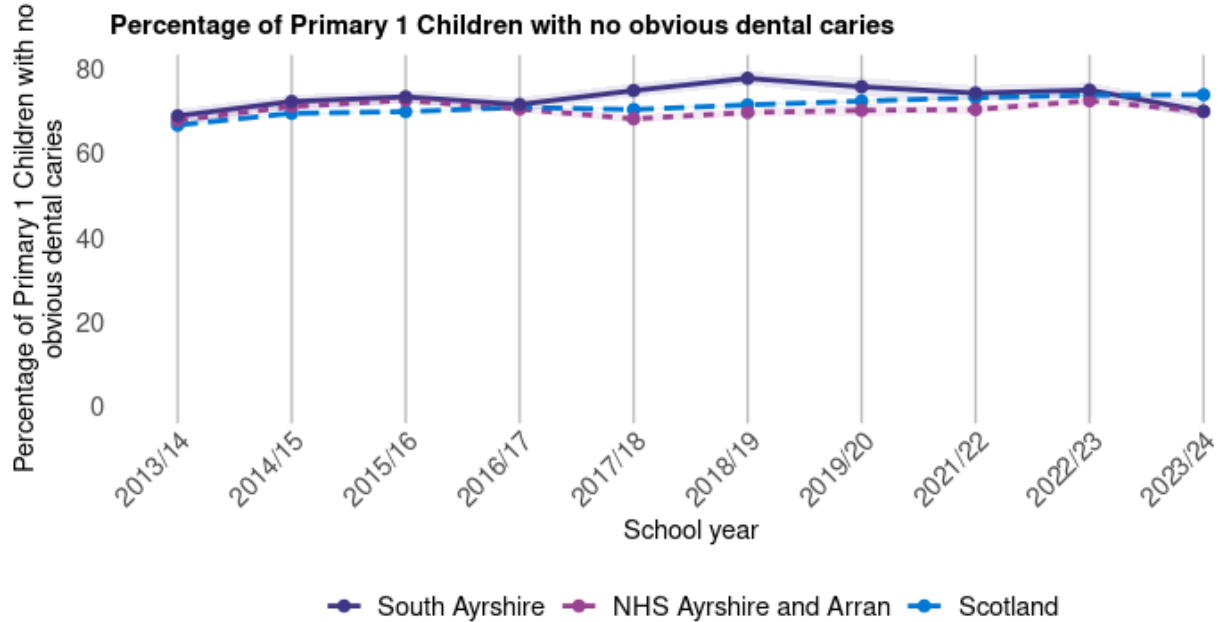


Source: ScotPHO

Child dental health in primary 1

In the latest time period available 2023/24, the percentage of primary 1 children with no obvious dental caries in South Ayrshire was **70%**. Figure 48 compares the HSCP, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

Figure 48: Percentage of primary 1 children with no obvious dental caries by geographical area.

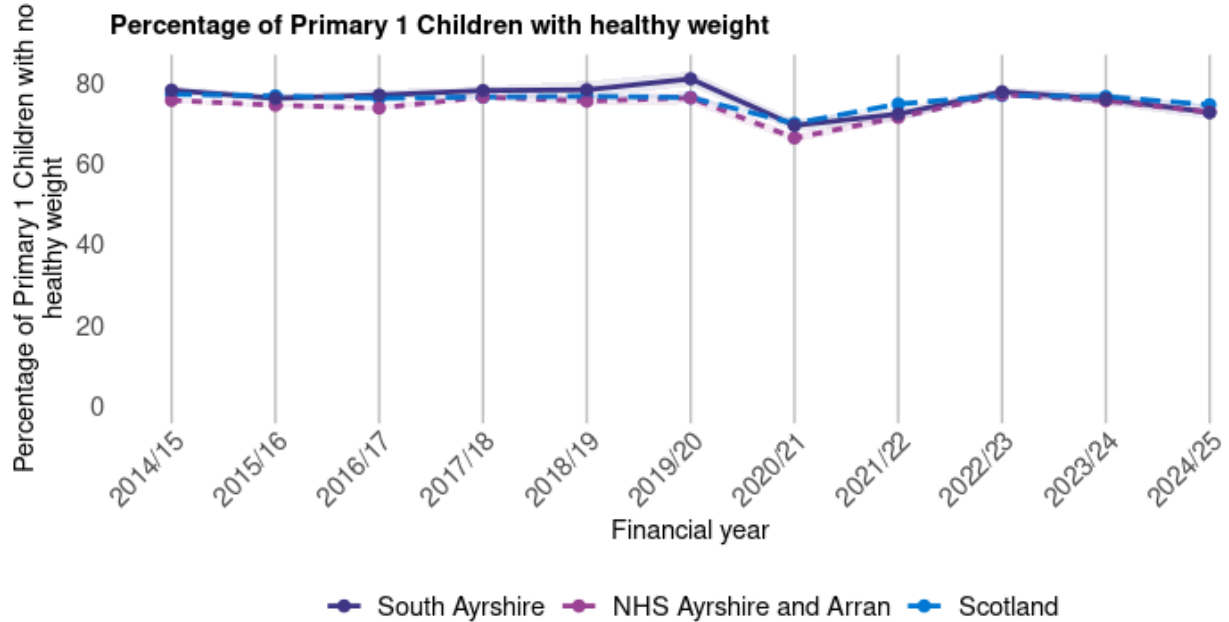


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Child healthy weight in primary 1

In the latest time period available 2024/25, the percentage of primary 1 children with a healthy weight in South Ayrshire was **72.6%**. Figure 49 compares the HSCP, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

Figure 49: Percentage of primary 1 children with healthy weight by geographical area.

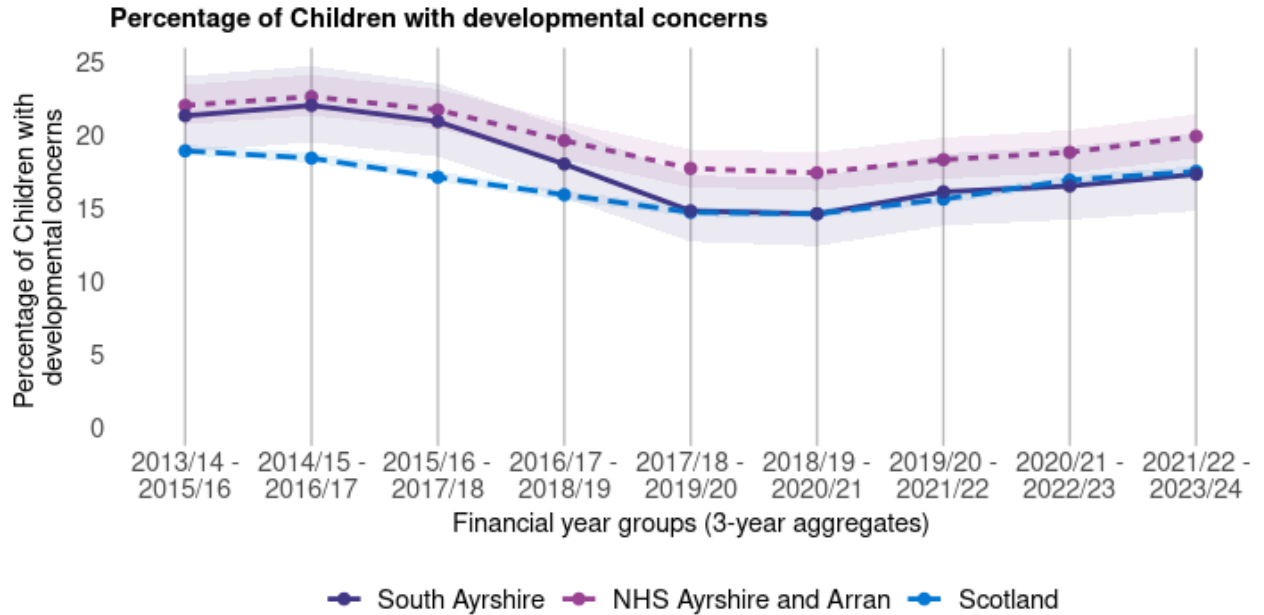


Source: ScotPHO

Developmental concerns at 27-30 months

In the latest time period available 2021/22 - 2023/24, the percentage of children with one or more developmental concerns at 27-30 months in South Ayrshire was **17.3%**. Figure 50 compares the HSCP, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

Figure 50: Percentage of children with one or more developmental concerns (27-30 month review) by geographical area.



Source: ScotPHO

Crime and fires

Summary

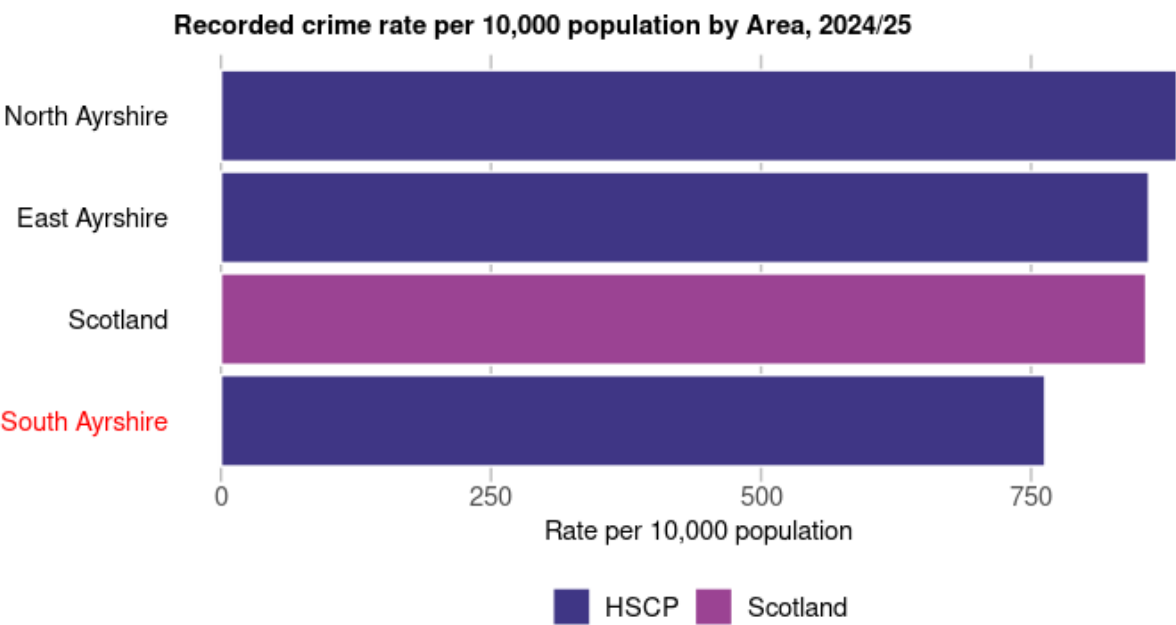
This section looks at the rates of recorded crime and non-accidental fires. For the most recent time period available, South Ayrshire had:

- **763** recorded crimes per 10,000 population.
- **205** non-accidental fires per 100,000 population.

Recorded crime

In 2024/25, recorded crime rate in South Ayrshire was **763** per 10,000 population. Figure 51 compares the three Ayrshire HSCPs and Scotland.

Figure 51: Recorded crime rate per 10,000 population by geographical area.



Source: ScotPHO

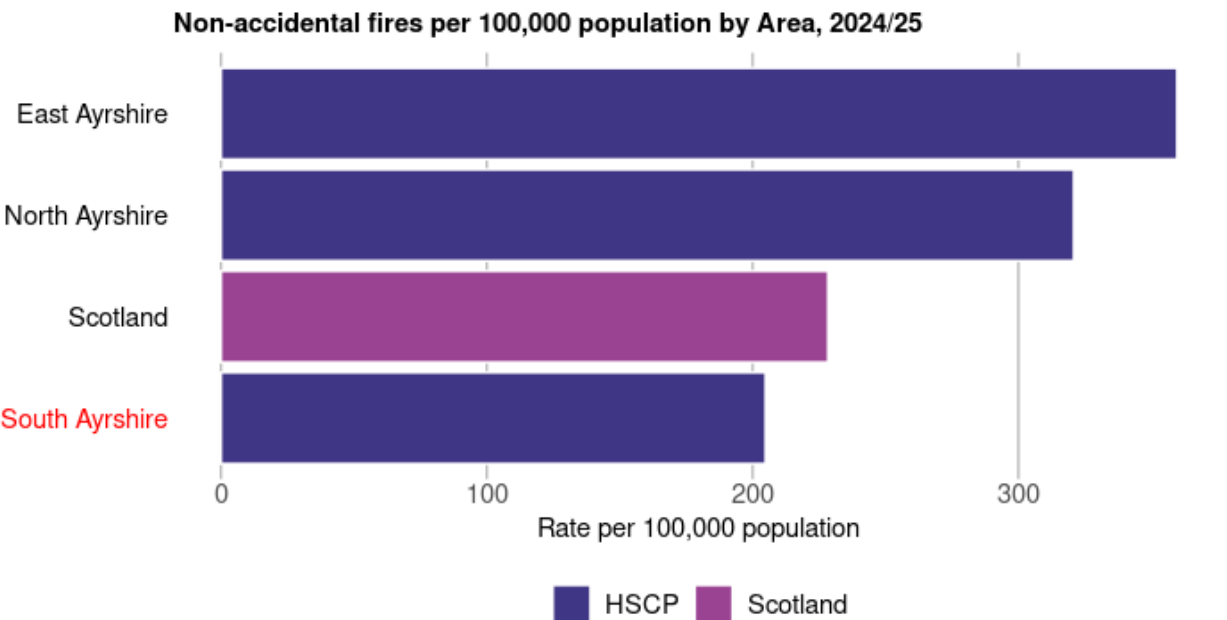
Note: The figures differ from previous versions of the report as the chart has been

corrected to show the rate for both crimes and offences. Previously, the rate was shown for crimes only.

Non-accidental fires

In 2024/25, the rate of non-accidental fires in South Ayrshire was **205** per 100,000 population. Figure 52 compares the three Ayrshire HSCPs and Scotland.

Figure 52: Non-accidental fires as a rate per 100,000 population by geographical area



Source: Scottish Fire and Rescue Incident Statistics

Environment

Summary

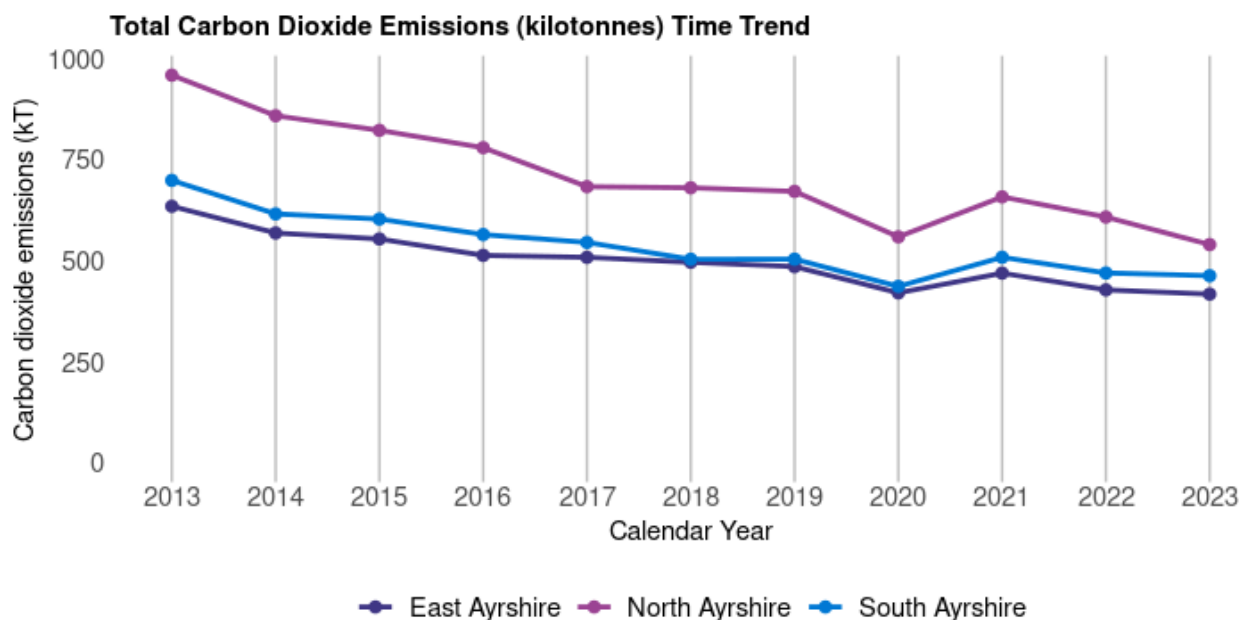
This section looks at the amount of carbon dioxide emissions. For the most recent time period available, within South Ayrshire:

- **463** kilo tonnes of carbon dioxide were emitted.

Total carbon dioxide emissions

In 2023, a total of **463** kilo tonnes of carbon dioxide were emitted within South Ayrshire. The total emissions are 33.8% lower compared to ten years earlier. Figure 53 shows the trends for the three Ayrshire HSCPs.

Figure 53: Total carbon dioxide emissions by geographical area.

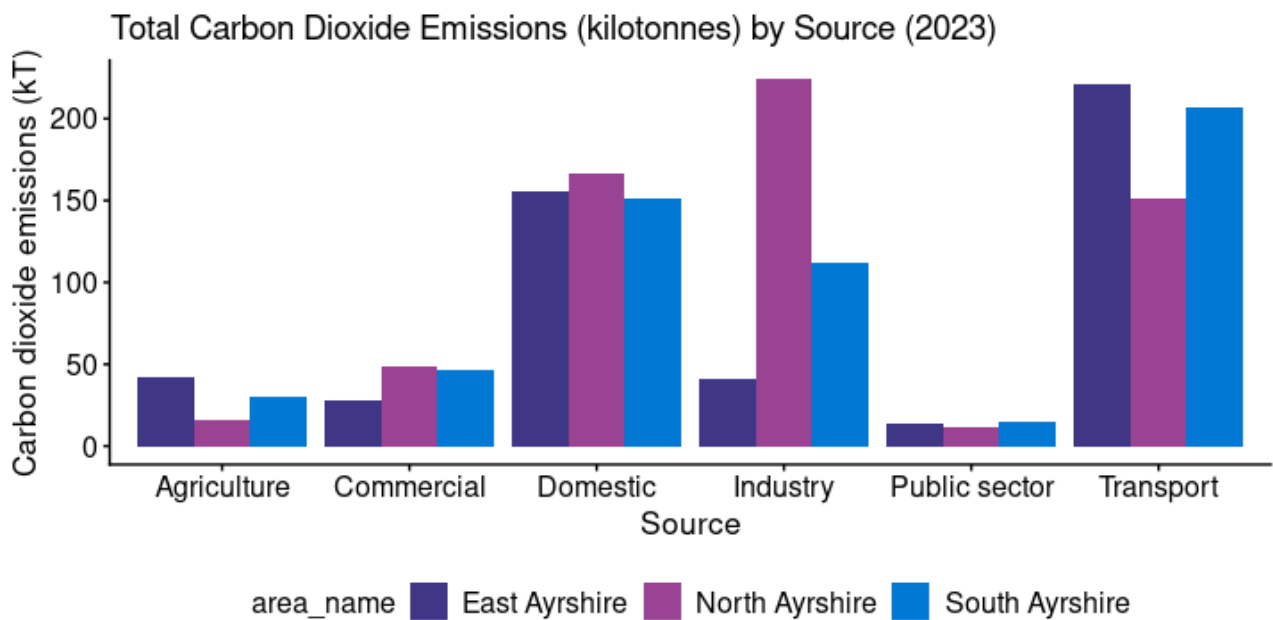


Source: UK Government Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Emissions by source

In 2023, the transport sector had the largest carbon dioxide emissions in South Ayrshire with **207** kilo tonnes. Figure 54 compares the three Ayrshire HSCPs by sector.

Figure 54: Total carbon dioxide emissions by source



Source: UK Government Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Economy and benefits

Summary

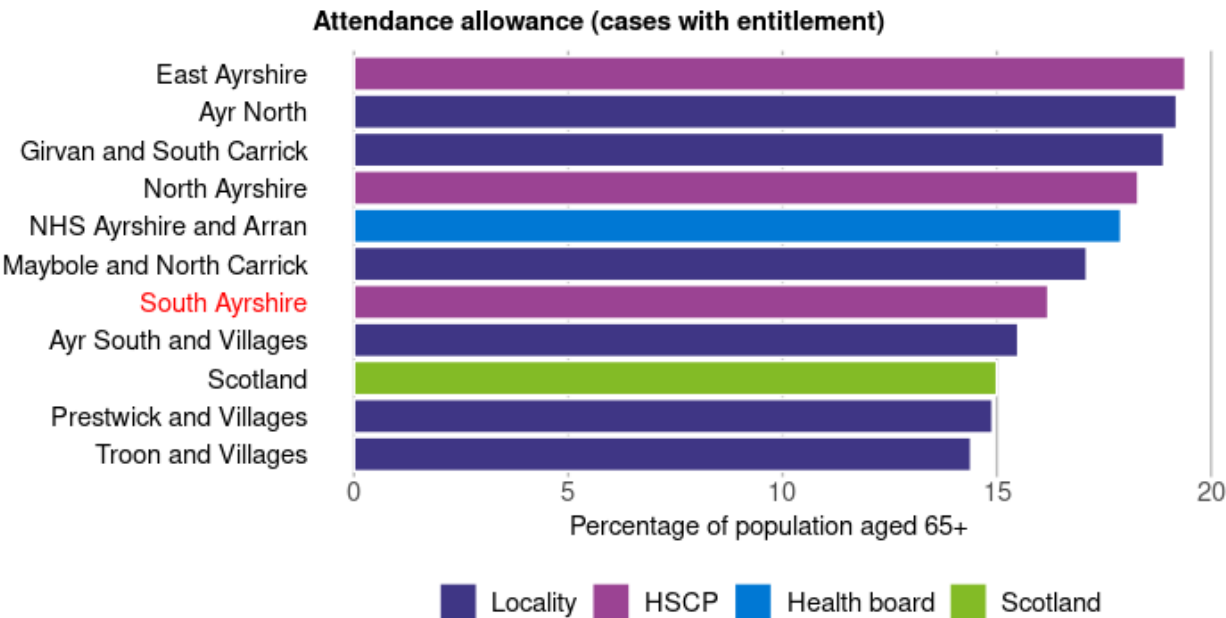
This section looks at the percentage of the population who receive different types of benefit. For the most recent time period available, South Ayrshire had:

- **16.2%** of people aged over 65 were in receipt of attendance allowance.
- **9.6%** of people aged over 65 were in receipt of pension credit.
- **14.7%** of people aged over 16 were in receipt of universal credit.

Attendance allowance

In February 2025, the percentage of the population aged over 65 in receipt of attendance allowance in South Ayrshire was **16.2%**. Figure 55 compares the three Ayrshire HSCPs, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

Figure 55: Percentage of the population aged 65+ in receipt of attendance allowance by geographical area.

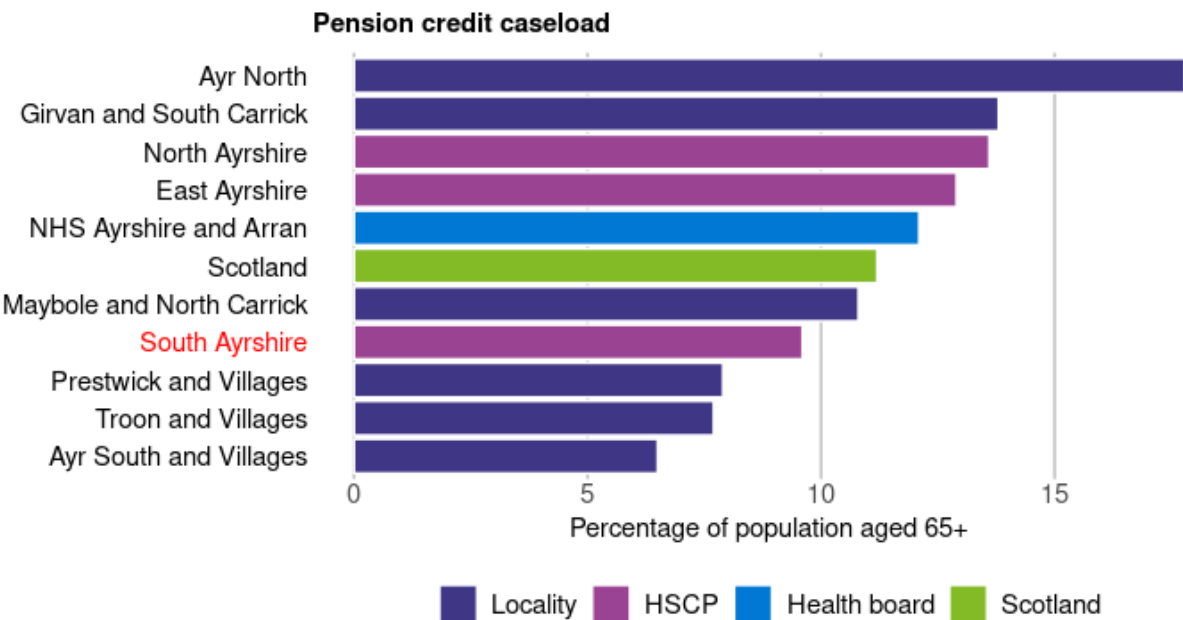


Source: UK Government Department for Work and Pensions

Pension credit

In November 2025, the percentage of the population aged over 65 in receipt of pension credit in South Ayrshire was **9.6%**. Figure 56 compares the three Ayrshire HSCPs, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

Figure 56: Percentage of the population aged 65+ in receipt of pension credit by geographical area

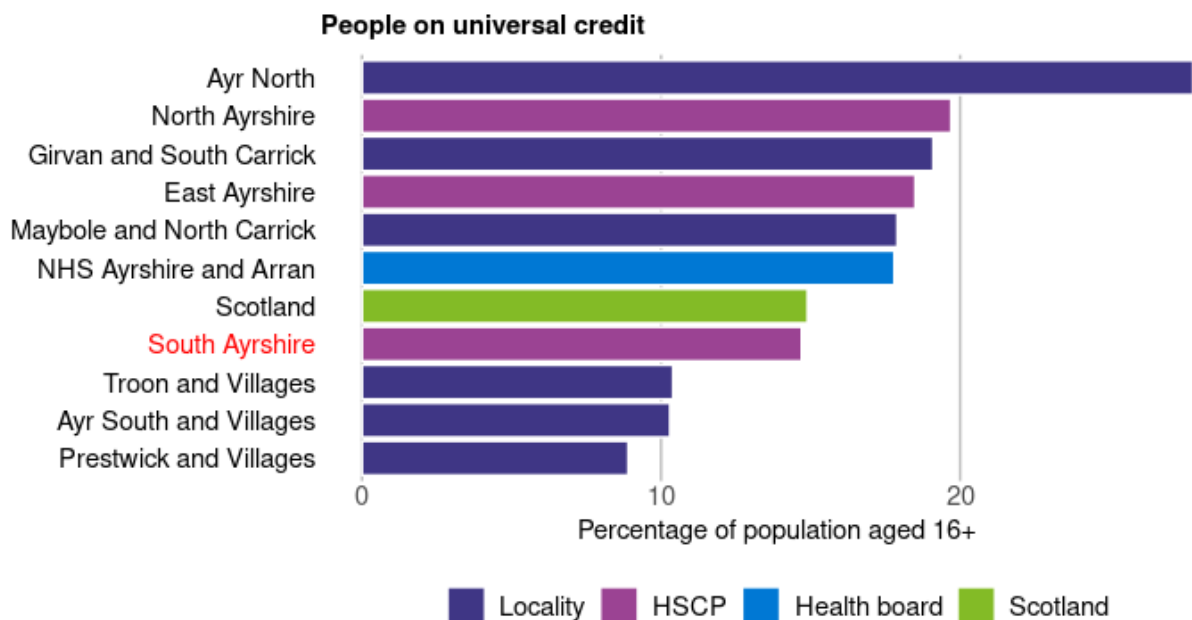


Source: UK Government Department for Work and Pensions

Universal credit

In February 2026, the percentage of the population aged over 16 in receipt of universal credit in South Ayrshire was **14.7%**. Figure 57 compares the three Ayrshire HSCPs, NHS Ayrshire & Arran and Scotland.

Figure 57: Percentage of the population aged 16+ in receipt of universal credit by geographical area



Source: UK Government Department for Work and Pensions

Footnotes

1. The National Records Scotland (NRS) does not currently provide population projections at the HSCP level for all HSCPs. To explore how the population in South Ayrshire is expected to change in the future, the percent changes in population projection to 2025 for South Ayrshire by age group and gender were calculated using the NRS Local Authority Population Projections. These percent changes were then applied to the South Ayrshire 2022 mid-year population estimates (also split by age group and gender) to obtain population projection estimates for South Ayrshire, based on the projections for the HSCP.
2. Care Home data included in the Services Map and Table was sourced from the [Care Inspectorate](#). [GP Practice](#), [Hospital](#) and [A&E](#) data were sourced from Public Health Scotland Open Data platform. Only services within the physical boundary of the HSCP are included in the map and table, so there may be services outside South Ayrshire that residents use but are not shown. Information on access deprivation was taken from the [ScotPHO profiles](#) (The Scottish Public Health Observatory).
3. Sourced from [ScotPHO](#). More recent data may be available for the indicators elsewhere.
4. ScotPHO data is often reported using the European Age-Sex Standardised Rate per 100,000. This allows for comparisons across different areas to be made. For more information on how these rates are calculated, please refer to the [PHS website: Geography, population and deprivation support](#).
5. Data on physical long-term conditions (LTC) is sourced from the SPARRA LTC table via the Source Linkage Files (SLFs). These conditions are identified using ICD-9 and ICD-10 diagnosis codes on acute (SMR01) admissions which have occurred since 1981. This underlying methodology will result in undercounts where individuals have an LTC but don't have a hospitalisation, and undercounts when individuals have a relevant hospitalisation but subsequently have no other symptoms. These under and overcounts will vary in scale for each condition. Additionally, LTC rates are based on an adjusted population indicator in the Source Linkage Files, ensuring that the population sizes align more closely with official estimates.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Indicator Definitions

Indicator	Definition
A&E attendances	The rate of A&E attendances per 100,000 population, includes data from 'New' and 'Unplanned Return' attendances at A&E, i.e. excludes those who are 'Recall' or 'Planned Return'. This indicator only contains data from all sites that submit episode level data. This impacts Highland and Aberdeenshire partnerships in particular as they have a number of sites which submit aggregate data.
Alcohol-related hospital admissions	General acute inpatient and day case stays with diagnosis of alcohol misuse in any diagnostic position (ICD-10 code: E24.4, E51.2, F10, G31.2, G62.1, G72.1, I42.6, K29.2, K70, K85.2, K86.0, O35.4, P04.3, Q86.0, R78.0, T51.0, T51.1, T51.9, X45, X65, Y15, Y57.3, Y90, Y91, Z50.2, Z71.4, Z72.1). All rates have been standardised against the European standard population (ESP2013) and 2011-based population estimates.
Alcohol-specific deaths	Alcohol related deaths (based on new National Statistics definition): 5-year rolling average number and directly age-sex standardised rate per 100,000 population. (ICD-10 codes from the primary cause of death: E24.4,F10,G31.2,G62.1,G72.1,I42.6,K29.2,K70,K85.2,K86.0, Q86.0,R78.0,X45,X65,Y15).
Asthma patient hospitalisations	Patients discharged from hospital (annually) diagnosed with asthma: 3 year rolling average number and directly age-sex standardised rate per 100,000 population. All rates are standardised against the European standard population(ESP2013) and 2011-base population estimates.

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	Patient is selected only once per year, based on their first asthma related hospital admission that year.
Bowel screening uptake	Bowel screening uptake for all eligible men and women invited (aged 50-74): 3-year rolling average number percentage. Eligible men and women are posted a guaiac-based faecal occult blood test kit (FOBT) which should be completed at home. This involves collecting 2 samples from each of 3 separate bowel movements. The kit is returned in a pre-paid envelope to the central screening centre in Dundee and tested for hidden traces of blood in the stool. Individuals who have a positive FOBT result are referred to their local hospital for assessment and, where appropriate, offered a colonoscopy as the first line of investigation.
Cancer registrations	New cancer registrations: 3 year rolling average number and directly age-sex standardised rate per 100,000 population. All rates have been standardised against the European standard population (ESP2013) and 2011-base population estimates. ICD10: C00-C96 excluding C44 (principal diagnosis only).
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease patient hospitalisations	Patients aged 16 and over discharged from hospital with COPD: 3-year rolling average number and directly age-sex standardised rate per 100,000 population.
Coronary Heart Disease patient hospitalisations	Patients discharged from hospital with coronary heart disease: 3-year rolling average number and directly age-sex standardised rate per 100,000 population. All rates have been standardised against the European standard population(ESP2013) and 2011-base population estimates. Patient is selected only once per year, based on their first CHD related admission to hospital that year.
Death, aged 15-44	Deaths from all causes (ages 15-44 years), 3 year rolling average number and directly age sex standardised rate per

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	100,000 population. All rates have been standardised against the European standard population (ESP2013). Deaths assigned to year based on death registration date.
Delayed discharge bed days	The number of bed days occupied by people over the age of 65 experiencing a delay in their discharge from hospital, per 100,000 population. Includes the following reason groups: all reasons, health and social care, patient/carer/family-related and code 9s. Length of delay is calculated from the patient's ready for discharge date to either their discharge date within the specific calendar month or the end of the calendar month for patients who are still in delay.
Drug-related hospital admissions	General acute inpatient and day case stays with diagnosis of drug misuse in any diagnostic position (ICD10: F11-F16, F18, F19, T40.0-T40.9), 3-year rolling average number and directly age-sex standardised rate per 100,000 population. All rates have been standardised against the European standard population (ESP2013) and 2011-based population estimates.
Early deaths from cancer	Deaths from cancer (<75 years), 3 year rolling average number and directly age sex standardised rate per 100,000 population. All rates have been standardised against the European standard population (ESP2013). Death figures are based on year of registration.
Emergency admissions	Rate of emergency (non-elective) admissions of patients of all ages per 100,000 population, derived from data collected on discharges from non-obstetric and non-psychiatric hospitals (SMR01) in Scotland. Only patients treated as inpatients or day cases are included. The specialty of geriatric long stay is excluded. Data are reported by month of discharge.
Emergency admissions from a fall	Rate of acute emergency admissions (non-elective) of patients of all ages where a fall was logged as an ICD-10 code. ICD-10 codes W00-W19 were searched for in all

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Indicator	Definition
	diagnostic positions, in conjunction with the admission type codes 33 (Patient injury, home accident), 34 (Patient injury, incident at work) and 35 (Patient injury, other).
Emergency readmissions (28 day)	The rate of readmissions of all adults (18+) within 28 days of an admission per 1,000 discharges. An emergency readmission is where the subsequent admission is an emergency and occurs up to and including 28 days from the initial admission. The initial admission can be of any type but must end within the time period of interest.
Life expectancy, females	Estimated female life expectancy at birth in years, multi-year average (over 3 years for NHS Boards and Local Authorities, 5 years for Intermediate zones). Mortality data are based on year of registration. They also include non-Scottish residence so the number of deaths match those produced by NRS.
Life expectancy, males	Estimated male life expectancy at birth in years, multi-year average (over 3 years for NHS Boards and Local Authorities, 5 years for Intermediate zones) Mortality data are based on year of registration. They also include non-Scottish residence so the number of deaths match those produced by NRS.
People living in 15% most 'access deprived' areas	Number and percentage of population living in 15% most 'access deprived' areas (data zones) in Scotland. Calculated using 2011-base population estimates.
Physical Long-Term Conditions (LTCs)	Health conditions that last a year or longer, impact a person's life, and may require ongoing care and support. The LTCs presented are: Arthritis, Atrial Fibrillation, Cancer, Coronary Heart Disease, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), Cerebrovascular Disease, Dementia, Diabetes, Epilepsy, Heart Failure, Liver Failure, Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's, and Renal Failure.

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Indicator	Definition
Population prescribed drugs for anxiety/depression/psychosis	Estimated number and percentage of population being prescribed drugs for anxiety, depression or psychosis.
Potentially Preventable Admissions (PPA)	Emergency admissions (non-elective) of patients of all ages for conditions based on 19 "ambulatory care sensitive conditions" from "The health of the people of NEW South Wales - Report of the Chief Medical Officer". These conditions result from medical problems that may be avoidable with the application of public health measures and/or timely and effective treatment usually delivered in the community by the primary care team. Please see complete list of ICD-10 codes included in Appendix 3.
Psychiatric patient hospitalisations	Patients discharged from psychiatric hospitals: 3-year rolling average number and directly age-sex standardised rate per 100,000 population. Data taken from SMR04. All rates have been standardised against the European standard population(ESP2013) and 2011-base population estimates. Patient is selected only once per year, based on their discharge date.
Unscheduled bed days	Rate of unscheduled bed days of patients of all ages per 100,000 population, derived from data collected on discharges from non-obstetric and non-psychiatric hospitals (SMR01) in Scotland. Only patients treated as inpatients or day cases are included. Bed days for each month have been calculated based on the month in which the bed days were occupied. This differs from other analysis where bed days are reported by the month of discharge.
Unscheduled bed days (Mental Health specialty)	Rate of unscheduled bed days of patients of all ages per 100,000 population. Includes all occupied bed days within a continuous hospital stay following an emergency or urgent admission. Episodes beginning with a transfer have also been

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Indicator	Definition
	included as many of these episodes will have started as unplanned acute admission. Bed days for each month have been calculated based on the month in which the bed days were occupied. This differs from other analysis where bed days are reported by the month of discharge.

Appendix 2: Date of Indicator Data Extractions

Section	Indicator	Date of data extraction
Demographics	Population structure	11/05/2026
Demographics	Population projection	11/05/2026
Demographics	SIMD2016	11/05/2026
Demographics	SIMD2020	11/05/2026
Housing	Household estimates	23/03/2026
Housing	Household in each council tax band	23/03/2026
Services	GP practice locations	24/03/2026
Services	Care Home locations	24/03/2026
Services	A&E locations	24/03/2026
Population Health	Life expectancy males	24/03/2026
Population Health	Life expectancy females	24/03/2026
Population Health	Deaths ages 15-44 years	24/03/2026
Population Health	Physical Long-Term Conditions	24/03/2026
Population Health	Cancer registrations	24/03/2026
Population Health	Early deaths from cancer	24/03/2026
Population Health	Asthma patient hospitalisations	24/03/2026
Population Health	Coronary Heart Disease patient hospitalisations	24/03/2026
Population Health	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease patient hospitalisations	24/03/2026

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Section	Indicator	Date of data extraction
Population Health	Population with a prescription for anxiety, depression or psychosis	24/03/2026
Lifestyle & Risk Factors	Alcohol related hospital stays	23/03/2026
Lifestyle & Risk Factors	Alcohol related mortality	23/03/2026
Lifestyle & Risk Factors	Drug-related hospital admissions	23/03/2026
Lifestyle & Risk Factors	Bowel screening uptake	23/03/2026
Hospital & Community Care	Emergency admissions (acute)	16/03/2026
Hospital & Community Care	Unscheduled bed days (acute)	23/03/2026
Hospital & Community Care	A&E Attendances	16/03/2026
Hospital & Community Care	Delayed discharges aged 65+	16/03/2026
Hospital & Community Care	Fall admissions aged 65+	16/03/2026
Hospital & Community Care	Emergency readmissions (28 day)	16/03/2026
Hospital & Community Care	Potentially Preventable Admissions (PPAs)	16/03/2026
Hospital Care (Mental Health Specialty)	Psychiatric patient hospitalisations	23/03/2026
Hospital Care (Mental Health Specialty)	Unscheduled bed days	23/03/2026

Appendix 3: Conditions included as Potentially Preventable Admissions (PPAs)

Condition	ICD10 codes included	Comments
Ear Nose And Throat	H66, J028, J029, J038, J039, J06, J321	
Dental	K02, K03, K04, K05, K06, K08	
Convulsions And Epilepsy	G40, G41, R56, O15	
Gangrene	R02	
Nutritional Deficiencies	E40, E41, E43, E550, E643, M833	
Dehydration And Gastroenteritis	E86, K522, K528, K529	
Pyelonephritis	N10, N11, N12	
Perforated Bleeding Ulcer	K250, K251, K252, K254, K255, K256, K260, K261, K262, K264, K265, K266, K270, K271, K272, K274, K275, K276, K280, K281, K282, K284, K285, K286	Excludes episodes with following main OPCS4 codes: S06, S57, S68, S70, W90, X11
Cellulitis	L03, L04, L080, L088, L089, L980	
Pelvic Inflammatory Disease	N70, N73	
Influenza And Pneumonia	J10, J11, J13, J181	
Other Vaccine Preventable	A35, A36, A370, A379, A80, B05, B06, B161, B169, B26	

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Condition	ICD10 codes included	Comments
Iron Deficiency	D501, D508, D509	
Asthma	J45, J46	
Diabetes Complications	E100, E101, E102, E103, E104, E105, E106, E107, E108, E110, E111, E112, E113, E114, E115, E116, E117, E118, E120, E121, E122, E123, E124, E125, E126, E127, E128, E130, E131, E132, E133, E134, E135, E136, E137, E138, E140, E141, E142, E143, E144, E145, E146, E147, E148	
Hypertension	I10, I119	Exclude episodes with following main OPCS4 codes: K01 - K50, K56, K60 - K61
Angina	I20	Exclude episodes with main OPCS4 codes: K40, K45 K49, K60, K65, K66
COPD	J20, J41, J42, J43, J44	J20 only included if secondary diagnosis has one of J41 - J44
Congestive Heart Failure	I110, I50, J81	Exclude episodes with following main OPCS4 codes: K01 - K50, K56, K60 - K61

