

COVERAGE FIGURES, BREAST TEST WALES

Breast screening coverage is the proportion of women eligible for invitation in the population who have been screened within the previous three years. The figures are calculated using a strict three year timeframe - one day over this and a woman is not counted.

Coverage is affected by:

- programme slippage - the number of eligible women who have not been invited;
- acceptance - the number of women who do not attend;
- appointment rebooking - about 20% of women who are sent invitations change their appointment, invariably to a later date than first offered. They attend, but outside the three year period, even if they received their invitation within that time.

The above can have a marked effect on LHB coverage figures if local general practices are being screened at the time the figures are compiled. Such figures should not be regarded as final.

Uptake figures are a better measure of overall programme acceptance and these are published in the 'LHB Uptake' area of the 'Reports' section of the Breast Test Wales website.

KC63 01/04/05 - 31/03/06, Age 53-64

LHB	Resident & eligible women	Number screened within 3yrs of review period	Coverage
Anglesey	5779	4475	77.4%
Blaenau Gwent	5553	4405	79.3%
Bridgend	11415	8542	74.8%
Caerphilly	13484	10739	79.6%
Cardiff	19218	14278	74.3%
Carmarthen	14046	11190	79.7%
Ceredigion	7727	6121	79.2%
Conwy	9404	6989	74.3%
Denbighshire	8195	5204	63.5%
Flintshire	11661	9075	77.8%
Gwynedd	9608	6075	63.2%
Merthyr Tydfil	4144	2393	57.7%
Monmouthshire	7098	5855	82.5%
Neath Port Talbot	10405	8448	81.2%
Newport	9597	7350	76.6%
Pembrokeshire	10120	5706	56.4%
Powys	11538	8777	76.1%
Rhondda Cynon Taff	17850	14068	78.8%
Swansea	17297	13236	76.5%
Torfaen	6941	5367	77.3%
Vale of Glamorgan	8889	6508	73.2%
Wrexham	9996	7538	75.4%
Wales	229965	172339	74.9%