

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 01/04/06 - 31/03/07, Age 53-64

LHB	Resident & eligible women	Number screened within 3yrs of review period	Coverage
Anglesey	5855	4316	73.7%
Blaenau Gwent	5588	4387	78.5%
Bridgend	11537	8552	74.1%
Caerphilly	13714	10888	79.4%
Cardiff	19626	14360	73.2%
Carmarthen	14249	10520	73.8%
Ceredigion	7941	6286	79.2%
Conwy	9599	7244	75.5%
Denbighshire	8345	5974	71.6%
Flintshire	11672	8760	75.1%
Gwynedd	9673	7327	75.7%
Merthyr Tydfil	4143	3196	77.1%
Monmouthshire	7175	5321	74.2%
Neath Port Talbot	10641	8432	79.2%
Newport	9681	7079	73.1%
Pembrokeshire	10114	7441	73.6%
Powys	11825	9269	78.4%
Rhondda Cynon Taff	17997	14154	78.6%
Swansea	17522	13587	77.5%
Torfaen	7037	5557	79.0%
Vale of Glamorgan	9088	7114	78.3%
Wrexham	10124	5021	49.6%
Wales	233146	174785	75.0%