

## **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 Health Board 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 'Reports' section of the Breast Test Wales website.

**KC63 01/04/09 - 31/03/10, Age 53-70**

Health Board	Resident & eligible women	Number screened within 3yrs of review period	Coverage
Abertawe Bro Morgannwg	56661	41707	73.6%
Aneurin Bevan	60805	45966	75.6%
Betsi Cadwaladr University	78192	58478	74.8%
Cardiff & Vale University	41019	29318	71.5%
Cwm Taf	31037	23749	76.5%
Hywel Dda	46026	32785	71.2%
Powys Teaching	17283	12279	71.0%
<b>Wales</b>	<b>331023</b>	<b>244282</b>	<b>73.8%</b>