



Spotlight report: early years



Reviews

All children and families should receive a review when the child reaches 12 months and 2-21/2 years old.

95.2% of North Somerset children received their 12-month review in 2022/23 compared to 84.1% across the South West and 82.6% across England. For the 2-21/2 years review 87.4% of North Somerset children received their review compared to 76.6% regionally and 73.6% nationally.

To note, this is 2022/23 data and is a change in reporting to previous years using an interim data collection method. More information can be found here.

Child development

Measures of child development at 2-21/2 years show North Somerset children on average are performing below regional and national averages in 'good level of development' and 'communication skills' but are performing above average regionally and nationally at all other elements. The exception to this is on which is below average. To note, this is 2022/23 data and is a change in reporting to previous years using an interim data collection method. More information can be found here.

	North Somerset	South West	England
Children achieving a good level of development	80.50%	82.30%	79.20%
Children achieving the expected level in communication skills	84.50%	86.90%	85.30%
Children achieving the expected level in gross motor skills	95.40%	91.70%	92.80%
Children achieving the expected level in fine motor skills	95.90%	93.00%	92.60%
Children achieving the expected level in problem solving skills	95.60%	91.90%	91.80%
Children achieving the expected level in personal-social skills	94.70%	90.90%	90.30%

Early education In 2021, 71% of

eligible 2-yearolds in North Somerset benefited from funded early education compared to an average of 62% across England.

98% of all funded early education was with good and/or outstanding providers.

In 2021, 92% of 3- and 4-yearolds in North Somerset benefitted from free early education compared to an average of 88% across England.

95% of all free early education was with good and/or outstanding providers.

Vaccinations

Population vaccination coverage in North Somerset during the early years as of 2022/23 is mixed when compared to regional and national averages with not all achieving the minimum 95% coverage.

	North Somerset	South West	England
Dtap / IPV / Hib (1 year old)	95.6%	94.4%	91.8%
Dtap / IPV / Hib (2 years old)	96.2%	95.2%	92.6%
Hib / MenC booster (2 years old)	94.0%	92.4%	88.7%
Hib / Men C booster (5 years old)	96.5%	94.9%	92.4%
PCV (pneumococcal infections)	94.7%	94.8%	93.2%
PCV booster	93.8%	92.5%	88.5%
MMR for one dose (2 years old)	94.1%	92.8%	89.3%
MMR for one dose (5 years old)	96.3%	94.8%	92.5%
MMR for two doses (5 years old)	91.4%	90.0%	84.5%

Hospital attendances and admissions

Based on the most recent data (2019/20), North Somerset has a lower rate per 1,000 of A&E attendances for those aged 0-4 years than the national average but is showing an increasing trend.

Emergency admission rates in North Somerset for early years are also lower than regional and national averages (2019/20) but also show an upwards trend.

Hospital attendances and admissions (crude rate per 1,000)

