

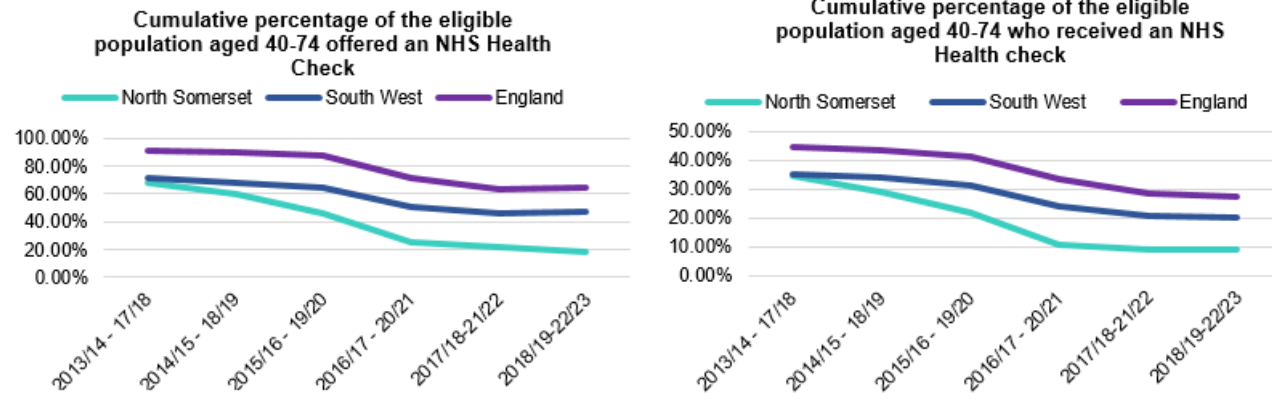


Spotlight report: screenings and vaccinations



NHS health checks

The NHS Health Check is a health check-up for adults in England aged 40 to 74. It's designed to spot early signs of stroke, kidney disease, heart disease, type 2 diabetes, or dementia. As we get older, we have a higher risk of developing one of these conditions. The percentage of the eligible population offered and received an NHS health check in North Somerset is significantly below the regional and national averages and shows a downward trend.



Cancer screening

Cancer screening coverage is generally higher in North Somerset than national averages:

- Breast cancer: 71.2% as of 2023 compared to 66.2% nationally.
- Cervical cancer (ages 50 to 64 years): 77% as of 2023 compared to 74.4% nationally.
- Bowel cancer: 76% as of 2023 compared to 72% nationally.

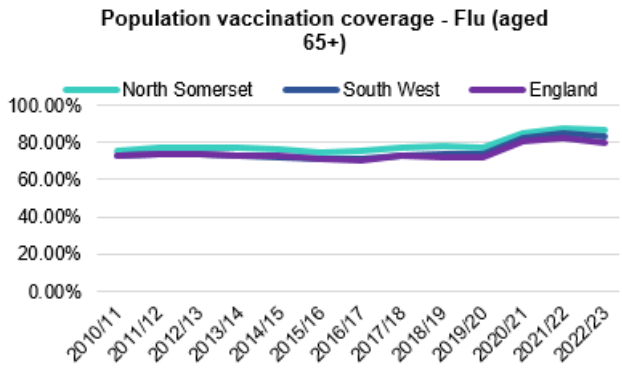
Percentage of cancers discovered early

The percentage of cancers discovered at stages 1 and 2 has fluctuated over recent years locally, regionally and nationally but has not dropped below 56% locally and nationally but increased regionally.

Specific [cancer screening data](#) is available at Clinical Commissioning Group level.

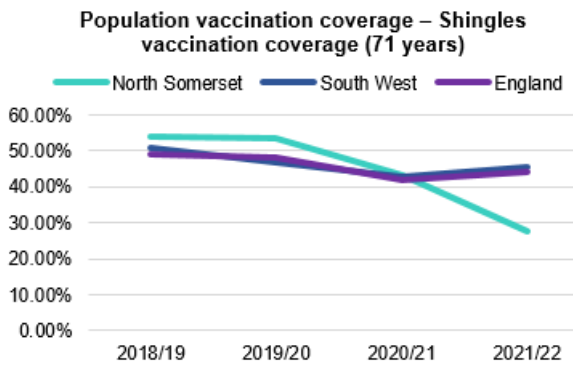
Flu vaccinations

In 2022/23, 86.4% of individuals aged over 65 years had a flu vaccination. It is an increase on previous years when it did not exceed 80%. Increase was seen regionally (85.5%) and a decrease nationally (79.9%).



Shingles vaccinations

In 2021/22, 27.5% of individuals aged over 71 years had a shingles vaccination, this is lower to the previous years and below the regional average (45.5%) and the national average (44%).



Preventable sight loss (based on new Certifications of Visual Impairment)

- Preventable sight loss due to age related macular degeneration has not improved over recent years. As of 2022/23 in North Somerset, the rate was 81.5 per 100,000. It compares to a rate of 110.3 regionally and 105.6 nationally.
- Preventable sight loss due to glaucoma has not improved over recent years. As of 2022/23 in North Somerset, the rate was 14.3 per 100,000. This compares to a rate of 13.9 regionally and 13.5 nationally.
- As of 2022/23 in North Somerset preventable sight loss measured by sight loss certifications was at a rate of 40.6 per 100,000. This compares to a rate of 48.9 regionally and 42 nationally.