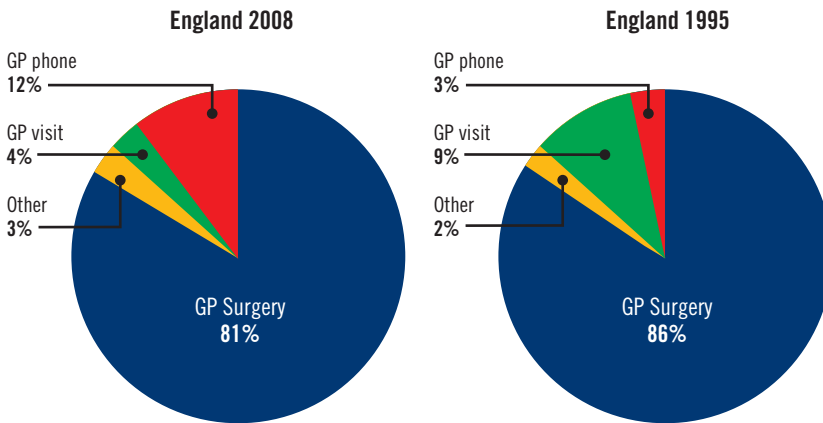


THE UK BY NUMBERS HEALTH

Our at-a-glance overview of the changing face of lifestyle, **health** and treatment in Britain today

GP consultations

Percentage of consultations by location



Since 1995 home visits and consultations at a GP's surgery have fallen, while the percentage of consultations by telephone has quadrupled. (Source: QResearch, University of Nottingham)

"Life is not merely to be alive, but to be well" Martial

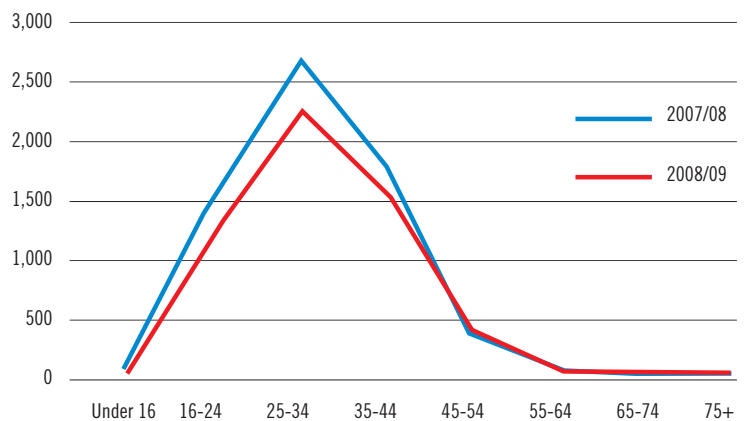


"The greatest wealth is health" Virgil

- 24%** In 2007, almost a quarter of adults were clinically obese. (Source: The Health and Social Care Information Centre – HSCIC)
- 48%** Just under half of the population drank more than twice a week. (Source: Office for National Statistics – ONS)
- 24%** In 2007, almost a quarter of respondents to the National Travel Survey reported that they took walks of at least 20 minutes less than once a year or never. (Source: HSCIC)
- 44%** Those aged 20 to 24 reported the highest prevalence of smoking. (Source: ONS)
- 37%** The number of death certificates in England and Wales mentioning methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) fell from 1,230 in 2008 to 781 in 2009. (Source: ONS)
- 16%** Deaths involving SA (including those which did not specify methicillin resistance) fell by 16% from 1,500 in 2008 to 1,253 in 2009. (Source: ONS)

Drug-related admissions

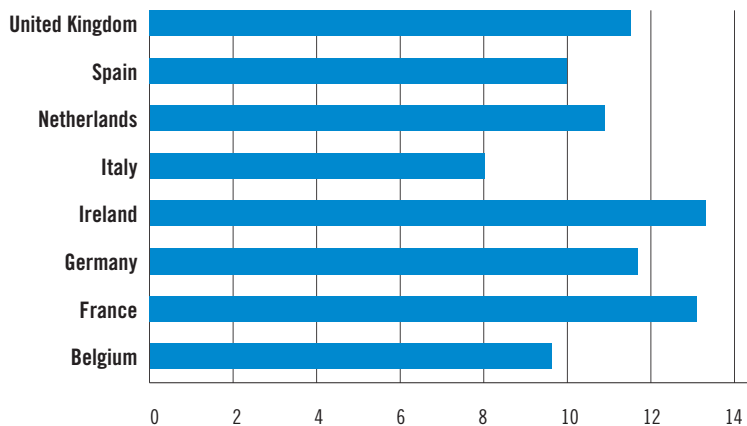
Hospital admissions in England where there was a primary diagnosis of drug-related mental health and behavioural disorders, by age group



Hospital admissions from drug-related mental health disorders are more than twice as likely to be from the 25-34 age group as from the 16-24 age group. (Source: NHS Information Centre)

Alcohol consumption

Equivalent pure alcohol consumption, litres per capita, age 15+ (2005)



In Western Europe the Irish consume the most alcohol per capita, followed by France. The UK is fourth, just behind Germany. (Source: World Health Organization)



Life expectancy

Within the UK, life expectancy varies by country. England has the highest life expectancy at birth, **78.0** years for males and **82.1** years for females, while Scotland has the lowest, **75.3** years for males and **80.1** years for females. Life expectancy at age 65 is also higher for England than for the other countries of the UK.

(Source: Office for National Statistics, November 2010)

Teenage conception

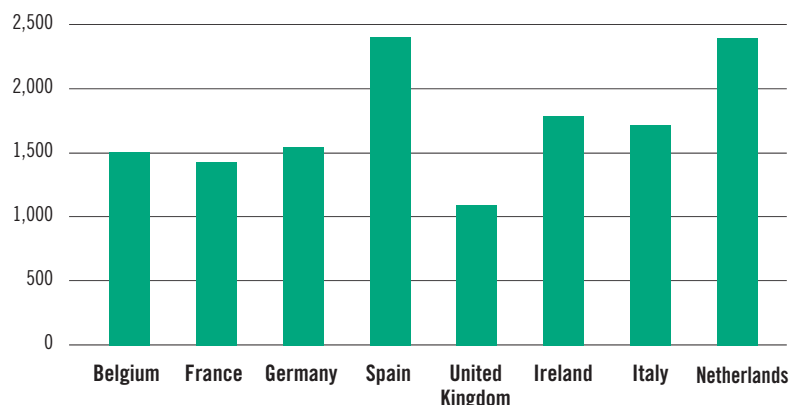
In 2008 the number of conceptions to women aged under 18 was 41,361 compared with 42,988 in 2007, a **decline of 3.8 per cent**. Nearly half (49.4 per cent) of conceptions to women aged under 18 in 2008 led to a legal abortion.

(Source: Office for National Statistics, November 2010)

Cigarettes consumed

Number of cigarettes consumed per person smoking per year

The British are relatively light smokers. (Source: World Health Organization)



Cancer survival

Five year survival % for adults (15-99 years) diagnosed with cancer

Breast cancer in women and prostate cancer in men remain the two most survivable types of cancer. (Source: Office for National Statistics)

