



Social Care and Mental Health Indicators from the National Indicator set - 2009-10 Final release

Guidance for using CSV Files

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1. Introduction

This guidance document has been produced to enable users to interpret and use data from the Social Care and Mental Health Indicators from the National Indicator Set Report.

There are a number of sources that feed into the calculations for the Indicators and the details of these are listed in the Editorial notes section of the provisional pdf report document. Which can be found at www.ic.nhs.uk/pubs/socmhi09-10

It needs to be read in conjunction with the following documents:

- Data Quality Document which is available from:
www.ic.nhs.uk/pubs/socmhi09-10
- Guidance for the social care data collections which are available from:
<http://www.ic.nhs.uk/services/social-care/social-care-collections/collections-2010>
- Proformas which councils use to submit their social care data which are available from:
<http://www.ic.nhs.uk/services/social-care/social-care-collections/collections-2010>
- Further Information for the Mental Health Minimum Dataset which is available from:
<http://www.ic.nhs.uk/services/mental-health/using-the-service/datasets-databases-and-data-collections/mental-health-minimum-dataset-mhmds>

2. Description of Data

Description of the Indicator Data

The zip file contains a number of csv files and these are all csv versions of the sheets within the excel annex files for this publication.

Not all councils provided all the data requested in the proforma. If a council has not provided a particular data item then this item will be set to “.” in the CSV file. Where a council has entered a zero in either the numerator or the denominator the indicator value will be set to “.”

Suppression has also been applied to the indicators to prevent accidental disclosure and where this has occurred a “-“ will appear.

Therefore you can not obtain national and regional totals by adding all the figures provided and should instead use the totals provided in the CSV files.

3. Feedback

We welcome any feedback you may have on the data itself and this guidance document. If you wish to provide feedback then please complete the form attached at annex A and email it to:

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Annex A: Feedback Form

Please complete this form and email it to: socialcarequeries@ic.nhs.uk

First Name	
Surname	
Organisation	
Email Address	
Job Title	
Roles & Responsibilities	
How are you using the CSV files?	
What problems have you encountered (if any?)	
What improvements would you make to the data file?	
What improvements would you make to this guidance document?	
Would you be interested in receiving further details about our user group?	