Cervical Screening Programme

England, 2016-17

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Statistics relate to the NHS Cervical Screening Programme in England in 2016-17. The report includes data on the call and recall system, on screening samples examined by pathology laboratories and on referrals to colposcopy clinics.

National coverage*

The percentage of eligible women screened adequately within the specified period.

72.0% coverage for women aged 25-64 at 31 March 2017
(a decrease from 72.7% at 31 March 2016)

Regional coverage*

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Number of women tested

3.18 million women aged 25-64 were tested by the screening programme in 2016-17
(an increase from 3.09 million women in 2015-16)

Local coverage*

Out of 150 Local Authorities:

40 achieved coverage of 75% and over
65 achieved coverage of 70% to less than 75%
45 achieved coverage of less than 70%

* Women aged 25-49 screened within the last 3.5 years and women aged 50-64 screened within the last 5.5 years.