

Isle of Wight Joint Strategic Needs Assessment: Core Dataset

2009

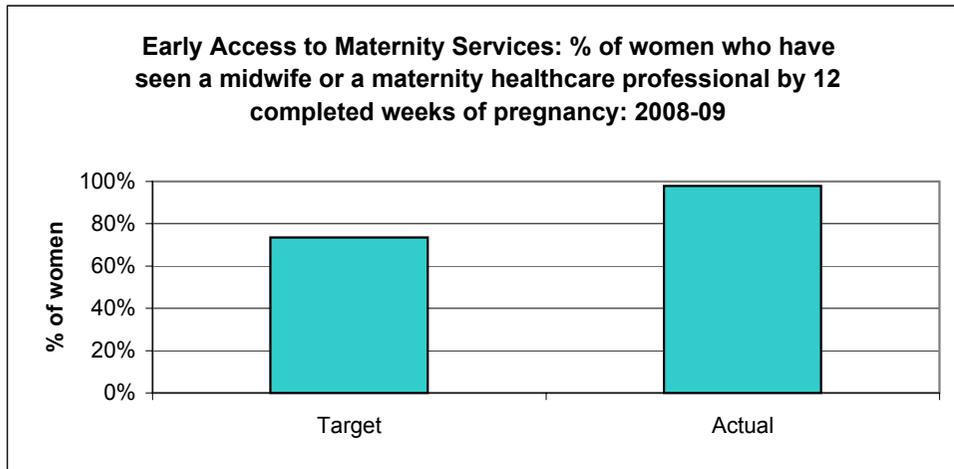


Domain: Services
Sub-Domain: Health services
Sub-sub- Domain: Maternity

Indicator: Early access for women to maternity services
Indicator Reference: National Indicator 126 / Vital Sign VSB06
Data Source: Primary Care Trust
Indicator definition: [see below](#)

Isle of Wight: % of women who have seen a midwife or a maternity healthcare professional by 12 completed weeks of pregnancy

IW: % of pregnant women	2008-09
target	74%
actual	98%



COMMENTARY

The Department of Health has introduced this indicator with the aim of increasing the percentage of women who have seen a midwife or a maternity healthcare professional for assessment of health and social care needs, risks and choices by 12 weeks and 6 days of pregnancy. This will give pregnant women the full benefit of personalised maternity care, improve outcomes and experience for mother and baby, and support women in making well informed decisions about their care throughout pregnancy, birth and postnatally.

The data and chart **above** show the Isle of Wight's performance against target for this indicator for 2008-09. The IW comfortably exceeded the target. Comparative data for England has not yet been published.

INDICATOR DEFINITION

Indicator:	Access to Maternity Services
Definitions:	% of women who have seen a midwife or maternity healthcare professional, for health and social care assessment of needs, risks and choices, by 12 weeks and 6 days of pregnancy.
Numerator (number of people or events)	Number of women who have seen a midwife or maternity healthcare professional by 12 weeks and 6 days of pregnancy.
Denominator (total population or events)	Number of women who give birth to 1 or more live or still-born babies of at least 24 weeks gestation where the baby is delivered by either midwife or a doctor and the place of delivery is either at home or in an NHS Hospital.
Geographic Coverage	Primary Care Trust
Time period	2008-09
Data Source(s)	Primary Care Trust
Significance for Health	Higher rates indicate better access to services. Lower rates indicate poorer access to services.
Factors that might affect the Accuracy of this Indicator	

