

NE LINCOLNSHIRE JSNA INDICATOR SUMMARY

TITLE:	3.03xv Population vaccination coverage – Flu, at risk
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SUBTITLE:	Flu vaccine uptake in those in at risk groups aged 6 months to 64 years excluding pregnant women
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Domain:	Health Protection
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Frequency of Availability:	Annual
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Time Period Of Data Analysis:	Flu Season 1st September 2014 to 31st January 2015
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AVAILABLE COMPARISONS

TYPE	AVAILABLE
National, Regional or Peer Group	Yes
Electoral Ward / NELCCG Practice	No
Neighbourhood	No
Socioeconomic Differences	No
Targets, Trends & Projections	Yes

KEY POINTS

-- North East Lincolnshire has the 5th lowest (worst) uptake of the seasonal flu vaccine, however there is little difference compared to the regional and national rates.
-VE The uptake of the SFV has remained fairly static over the last 5 years.

DESCRIPTION

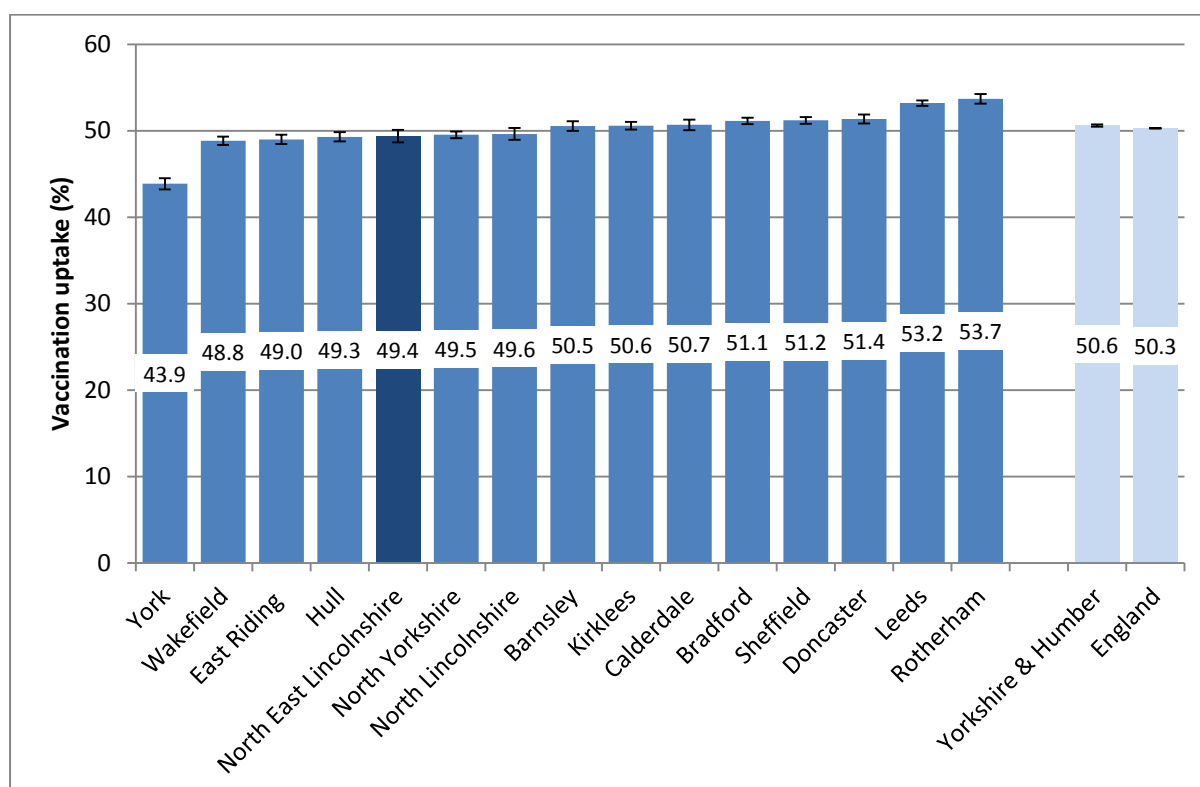
Vaccination coverage is the best indicator of the level of protection a population will have against vaccine preventable communicable diseases. Immunisation is one of the most effective healthcare interventions available and flu vaccines can prevent illness and hospital admissions among these groups of people. Increasing the uptake of flu vaccine among these high risk groups should also contribute to easing winter pressure on primary care services and hospital admissions. Coverage is closely related to levels of disease. Monitoring coverage identifies possible drops in immunity before levels of disease rise. Influenza (also known as Flu) is a highly infectious viral illness spread by droplet infection. The flu vaccination is offered to people who are at greater risk of developing serious complications if they catch flu.

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NATIONAL & REGIONAL

North East Lincolnshire has the 5th lowest (worst) uptake of the seasonal flu vaccine (SFV) in the Yorkshire and Humber region, although with an uptake of 49.4% the rate is only slightly lower than the regional rate of 50.6% and the national rate of 50.3%.

Figure 1 SFV uptake in at risk individuals (excluding pregnant women) aged 6 months to 64 years, 1st September 2014 to 31st January 2015, local authorities in the Yorkshire and Humber



Source: Public Health England

TRENDS

The local SFV uptake for those at risk and aged under 65 (excluding pregnant women) has remained slightly lower than the regional and national averages each year and just above or just below 50%. There is no overall increasing trend in North East Lincolnshire, Yorkshire and Humber or England, see Table 1.

Table 1 SFV uptake in at risk individuals (excluding pregnant women) aged 6 months to 64 years, trend in North East Lincolnshire, Yorkshire and Humber and England

Time Period	North East Lincolnshire	Yorkshire & Humber	England
2010/11	47.6	50.6	50.4
2011/12	48.9	51.5	51.6
2012/13	50.9	51.4	51.3
2013/14	51.1	51.8	52.3
2014/15	49.4	50.6	50.3

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