

This is the second publication of the **Dementia Assessment and Referral** data collection in England by NHS England for the period covering July 2013 in England. It was released on 2nd October 2013 according to the arrangements approved by the UK Statistics Authority.

Dementia Assessment and Referral data collection – July 2013

Key points

The key results for data collected on the number and proportion of patients aged 75 and over admitted as an emergency for more than 72 hours who have been identified as potentially having dementia, who are appropriately assessed and, where appropriate, were referred on to specialist services are as follows:

- 78% of admitted patients were initially assessed for potential dementia in July 2013, an increase of 7 percentage points from 71% in Q1 2013/14.
- 89% of admitted patients potentially having dementia were appropriately assessed in July 2013, an increase of 3 percentage points from 86% in Q1 2013/14.
- 89% of appropriately assessed patients were referred on to specialist services in July 2013, an increase of 2 percentage points from 87% in Q1 2013/14.
- The percentages of trusts in July 2013 achieving 90% or over of their emergency admissions for these measures were:
 - 60% of the trusts carried out initial assessments for cases of dementia, an increase of 4 percentage points from 56% in Q1 2013/14;
 - 64% carried out further diagnoses, a decrease of 5 percentage points from 69% in Q1 2013/14;
 - 70% referred cases on to specialist services, a decrease of 5 percentage points from 75% in Q1 2013/14.

The full data tables can be found in the NHS England website:

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/dementia/>