



# **Emergency Department**

Syndromic Surveillance System: England & Northern Ireland

#### 04 October 2016

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Total attendances.

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### Key messages

Data to: 02 October 2016

During week 39 there were no further increases in respiratory attendances, including acute respiratory infections and asthma/ wheeze/ difficulty breathing (figures 7, 8, 10).

There was however a further increase in attendances for bronchitis/ bronchiolitis attendances in young children, as would be expected at this time of year (figure 10, 11).

Note: a data transfer problem in 4 EDs has persisted throughout week 39 resulting in a decrease in total attendances reported (figure 1).

### Diagnostic indicators at a glance:

Further details on the syndromic indicators reported can be found on page 9.

Indicator	<b>Current trend</b>
Triage Severity Ratio	no trend
Respiratory	no trend
Acute Respiratory Infection	increasing
Bronchitis/ Bronchiolitis	increasing
Influenza-like Illness	no trend
Pneumonia	no trend
Asthma/ Wheeze/ Difficulty Breathing	decreasing
Gastrointestinal	no trend
Gastroenteritis	no trend
Cardiac	decreasing
Myocardial Ischaemia	no trend
Meningitis	no trend

	t	Total Attendances	Triage Category Coded		Diagnoses Coded		EDs
t			Number		Number		Reporting
	26/09/2016	7,460	5,131	68.8	5,672	76.0	31
	27/09/2016	6,926	4,800	69.3	5,232	75.5	31
	28/09/2016	7,083	4,956	70.0	5,355	75.6	31
	29/09/2016	6,856	4,704	68.6	5,098	74.4	31
	30/09/2016	6,761	4,617	68.3	5,044	74.6	31
	01/10/2016	6,425	4,537	70.6	4,833	75.2	31
	02/10/2016	6,844	4,801	70.1	5,239	76.5	31
	Total	48,355	33,546	69.4	36,473	75.4	(max)* 31

3 diagnosis coding systems in use:

Snomed-CT (14EDs) ICD10 (6EDs) CDS (15EDs)

\*Data from the new EDs will be presented in charts following a 14 day data validation.

# EDSSS weekly report statistics

Including new EDs which have recently started reporting\*.

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#### 1: Total attendances.

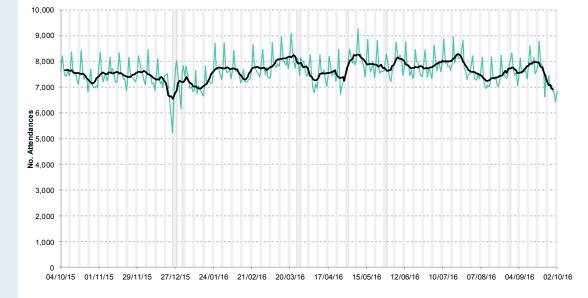
Daily number of total attendances recorded across the EDSSS network.

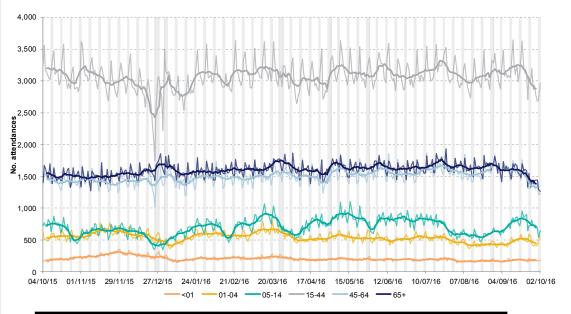
# 2: Daily attendances by age: Numbers.

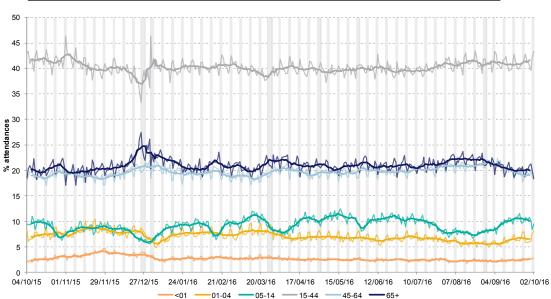
Daily number of total attendances, by age group, recorded across the EDSSS network.

#### 3: Daily attendances by age: Percentages.

Daily percentage of total attendances by age group, recorded across the EDSSS network.







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### 4: Triage category: severity of illness.

Triage category is assigned according to the clinical priority of each presenting patient.

Includes 33/35 EDs.

# 5: Triage category severity ratio.

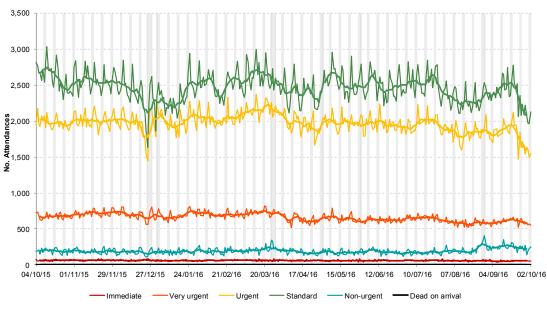
The ratio of patients classified as very urgent or urgent to those classified as standard or non-urgent.

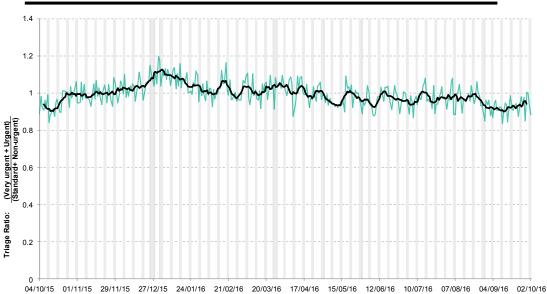
Includes 33/35 EDs.

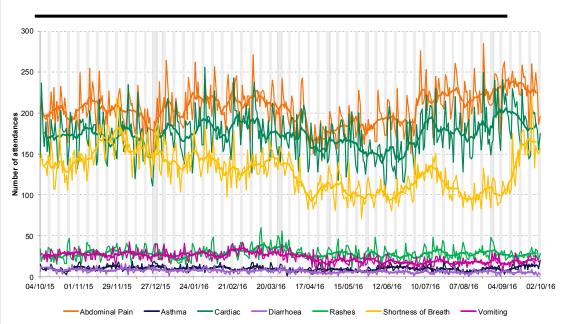


Triage presentation indicators are based on the triage descriptors recorded in each ED. Data are displayed as the number of attendances recorded with triage information.

**Includes 21/35 EDs** which report standard terms, not using free text.









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#### 7: Respiratory.

Daily percentage of all attendances recorded as respiratory attendances across the EDSSS network.

Includes 35/35 EDs.

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# 8: Acute Respiratory Infection.

Daily percentage of all attendances recorded as acute respiratory infection attendances across the EDSSS network.

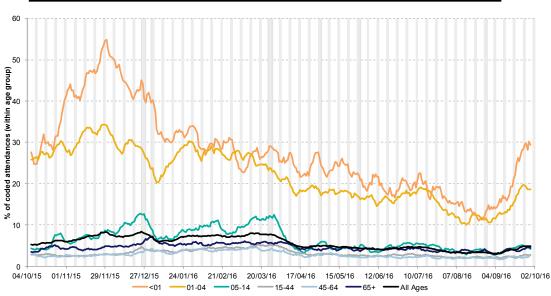
Includes 20/35 EDs.

#### 9: Acute Respiratory Infection by age group.

7 day moving average of ARI attendances presented as a proportion of the attendances within each age group.

Includes 20/35 EDs.





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#### 10: Bronchitis/ Bronchiolitis.

Daily percentage of all attendances recorded as bronchitis/ bronchiolitis attendances across the EDSSS network.

#### Includes 20/35 EDs.

#### 11: Bronchitis/ Bronchiolitis by age group

7 day moving average of bronchitis/ bronchiolitis attendances presented as a proportion of the attendances within each age group.

#### Includes 20/35 EDs.

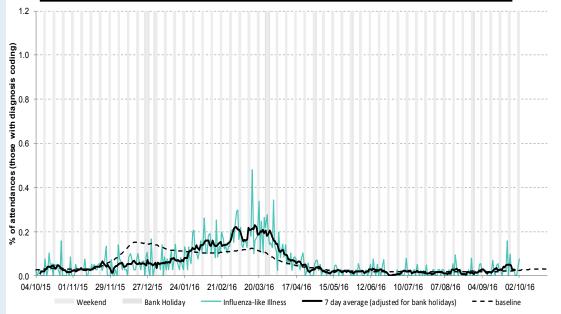
#### 12: Influenza-like Illness.

Daily percentage of all attendances recorded as influenza-like illness attendances across the EDSSS network.

#### Includes 20/35 EDs.







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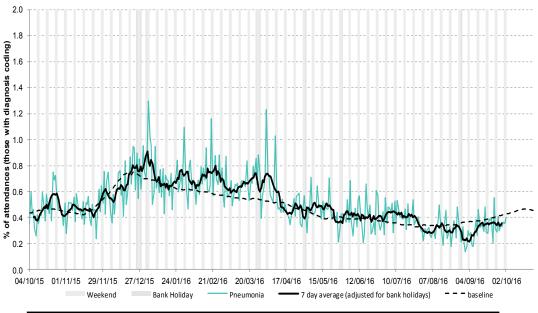
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#### 13: Pneumonia.

Daily percentage of all attendances recorded as pneumonia attendances across the EDSSS network.

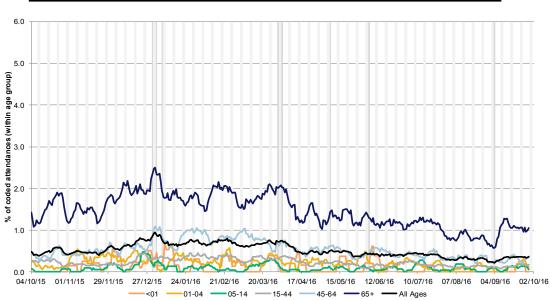
#### Includes 20/35 EDs.



# 14: Pneumonia by age group.

7 day moving average of pneumonia attendances presented as a proportion of the attendances within each age group.

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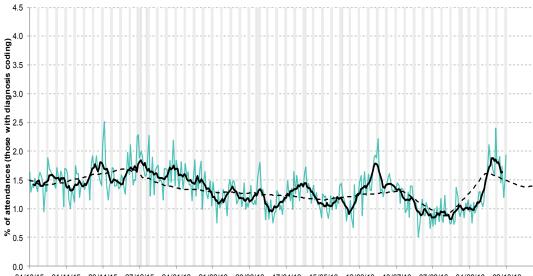
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#### 15: Asthma/Wheeze/ Difficulty Breathing.

Daily percentage of all attendances recorded as asthma/wheeze/ difficulty breathing attendances across the EDSSS network.

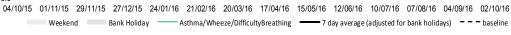
#### Includes 20/35 EDs.

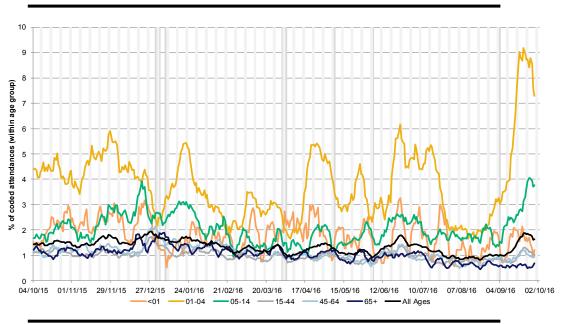




7 day moving average of asthma/wheeze/ difficulty breathing attendances presented as a proportion of the attendances within each age group.

Includes 20/35 EDs.





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#### 17: Gastrointestinal.

Daily percentage of all attendances recorded as gastrointestinal attendances across the EDSSS network.

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#### 18: Gastroenteritis

Daily percentage of all attendances recorded as gastroenteritis attendances across the EDSSS network.

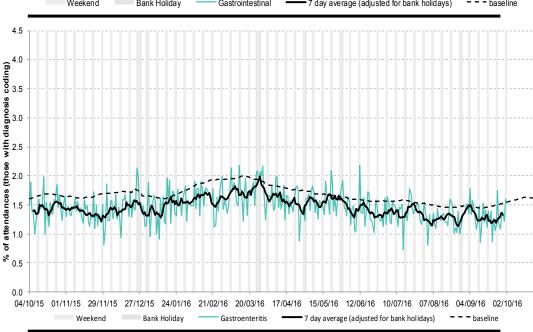
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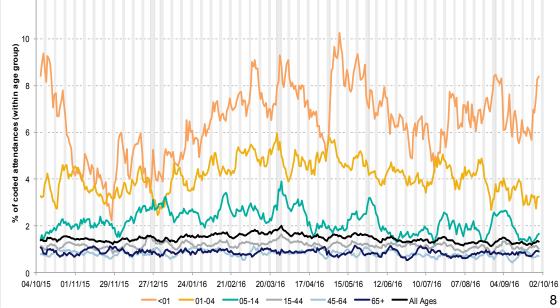
#### 19: Gastroenteritis by age group.

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7 day moving average of gastroenteritis attendances presented as a proportion of the attendances within each age group.

Includes 20/35 EDs.





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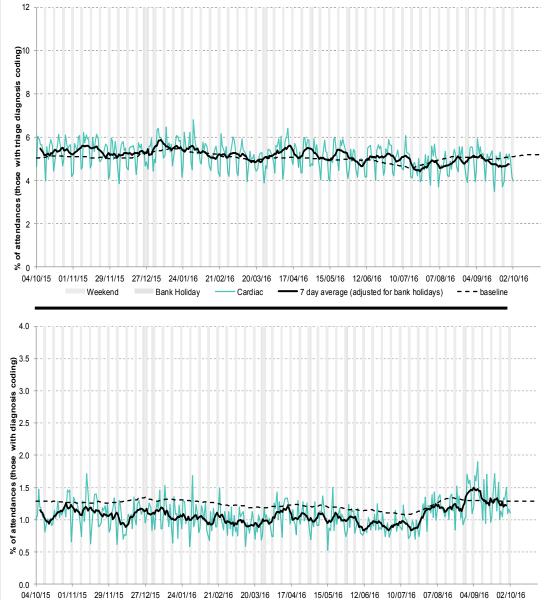


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#### 20: Cardiac.

Daily percentage of all attendances recorded as cardiac attendances across the EDSSS network.

Includes 35/35 EDs.



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7 day average (adjusted for bank holidays)

## 21: Myocardial Ischaemia.

Daily percentage of all attendances recorded as myocardial ischaemia attendances across the EDSSS network.

Includes 20/35 EDs.

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Weekend

Bank Holiday

- - - baseline



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Introduction to the EDSSS charts:	<ul> <li>Weekends and Bank holidays are marked by vertical grey lines (bank holidays darker).</li> <li>The entry of each new ED is marked by a vertical red line.</li> <li>A new site is not included in charts until it has reported a minimum of 14 days.</li> <li>A 7 day moving average is overlaid on the daily data reported in each chart, unless specified.</li> <li>Where the percentage attendances related to an individual syndromic indicator is given, the denominator used is the total number of attendances with a diagnosis code recorded.</li> <li>Baselines represent seasonally expected levels of activity and are constructed from historical data. Furthermore, they take into account any known substantial changes in data collection, population coverage or reporting practices. Baselines are refreshed using the latest data on a regular basis.</li> </ul>
Notes and caveats:	<ul> <li>During July/August 2016 there were changes in clinical working practices at selected EDs which may impact on coding, and therefore the graphs/data presented in this report. Where appropriate, caveats will be included.</li> <li>Participating Hospital Emergency Departments (EDs) report to EDSSS through the automated daily transfer of anonymised data to PHE, for analysis and interpretation by the PHE Real-time Syndromic Surveillance Team (ReSST).</li> <li>Several EDSSS contributing departments are now using the new RCEM Unified Diagnostic Dataset (UDDA) to record diagnoses. Where UDDA is in place the ICD-10 or Snomed CT code is extracted for EDSSS reporting.</li> <li>The syndromic indicators presented in this bulletin are based on the WHO recommendations for syndromes to be used for mass gatherings. Each code system has been mapped to the syndromes described:</li> <li>Level 1: Broad, generic indicator, available using all ED coding systems reported.</li> <li>Level 2: More specific indicator, available from EDs using ICD-10 and Snomed CT. Level 3: Very specific indicator, available from EDs using ICD-10 and Snomed CT.</li> <li>Respiratory: All respiratory diseases and conditions (infectious and non infectious). Acute Respiratory Infections (ARI): All acute infectious respiratory diseases.</li> <li>Asthma/Wheeze/Difficulty Breathing: As indicated by title (excluding 'chronic'). Influenza-like Illness (LL): As indicated by title.</li> <li>Pneumonia: As indicated by title.</li> <li>Cardiac: All cardiac conditions (including 'chest pair').</li> <li>Myocardial Ischaemia: All Ischaemic heart disease.</li> <li>Gastrointestinal: All gastrointestinal diseases and conditions (infectious and non infectious). Gastroenteritis: All infectious gastrointestinal diseases.</li> <li>Other (chart only presented when a public health need):</li> <li>Meningitis: All cause meningitis (exc. meningococcal disease with no mention of meningitis). Head' sunstroke: As indicated by</li></ul>
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