



# PHE Syndromic Surveillance Summary

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Year: 2016 Week: 35

## Syndromic surveillance national summary:

### Reporting week: 29 August to 04 September 2016

There have been small increases in levels of children under 5 years attending emergency departments and diagnosed with asthma/ wheeze/ difficulty breathing.

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## Remote Health Advice:

There were decreases in insect bites and heatstroke calls in week 35 (figures 10 & 10a, 11 & 11a).

[Click to access the Remote Health Advice bulletin](#)

## GP In Hours:

GP consultations for insect bites remain elevated (figures 23 & 23a) and heat stroke has returned to baseline levels (figures 22 & 22a).

[Click to access the GP In Hours bulletin](#)

## Emergency Department:

There was a slight increase in asthma/ wheeze/ difficulty breathing attendances in children under 5 years during week 35 (figures 11 & 16).

[Click to access the EDSSS bulletin](#)

## GP Out of Hours:

Heatstroke consultations during week 35 have decreased (figure 11).

[Click to access the GPOHSS bulletin](#)

## RCGP Weekly Returns Service:

[Click here to access reports from the RCGP website](#) [external link]

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## Syndromic surveillance summary notes

- Key messages are provided from each individual system.
- The different syndromic surveillance systems in operation within PHE access data from different areas of the national health care system.
- Each system is able to monitor a different selection of syndromic indicators based upon a different case mix of patients.
- Access to the full version of each syndromic surveillance bulletin is available through the Syndromic Surveillance website found at: (<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/syndromic-surveillance-systems-and-analyses>); reports will be made available on Thursday afternoons.
- Further weekly and annual reports are available from the RCGP Research and Surveillance web pages: <http://www.rcgp.org.uk/clinical-and-research/our-programmes/research-and-surveillance-centre.aspx>

## Syndromic surveillance systems

### Remote Health Advice

*A remote health advice syndromic surveillance system that monitors syndromic calls from remote health advice services e.g. NHS 111 each day across England*

### GP In-Hours Syndromic Surveillance System

*A large UK-based general practitioner surveillance system monitoring daily consultations for a range of clinical syndromic indicators*

### Emergency Department Syndromic Surveillance System (EDSSS)

*A sentinel ED network across England monitoring daily attendances and presenting symptoms/diagnoses*

### GP Out-of-Hours Syndromic Surveillance System (GPOOHS)

*A syndromic surveillance system monitoring daily GP out-of hours activity and unscheduled care across England using a range of clinical syndromic indicators*

### RCGP Weekly Returns Service (RCGP WRS)

*A sentinel GP surveillance network covering England and Wales monitoring weekly consultations for a range of clinical indicators. This surveillance system is coordinated by the RCGP Research and Surveillance Centre*

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