Family Practitioner Services Statistics for Northern Ireland 2023/24

General Ophthalmic Services





5% increase in sight tests from 2022/23

People under 16 account for 46% of vouchers reimbursed





21% of males had a sight test versus 25% of females

Sight tests for people aged under 16 and 60+ account for 79% of sight tests



94% of population live **within 5 miles** of an ophthalmic practice



467,000Sight Tests

178,000 Optical Vouchers

37,000 Repairs/ Replacements



Ophthalmic services cost

£25.3 million

with average spend per capita of
£13.30



49,652NIPEARS assessments

1,435 LES I & 524 LES II assessments

686 ophthalmic practitioners &264 ophthalmic practices

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