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# Measuring the impact of nursing and midwifery on the public's health

A guide to Public Health Outcome Framework measures by life course

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# The Public Health Outcome Domains

The four domains of the Public Health Outcome Framework are:

- 1 - Improving the wider determinants of health**
- 2 - Health improvement**
- 3 - Health protection**
- 4 - Healthcare public health and preventing premature mortality**

Outcome measures from the four domains are listed relevant to different life course stages below.

Overarching Indicators	
0.1i - Healthy life expectancy at birth 0.1ii - Life expectancy at birth	
Life course stage	Currently Available Metrics within the Public health Outcomes Framework with available data source and indicator definition
Maternity and prenatal	2.1 Low birth weight of term babies 2.2 Breastfeeding 2.4 Under 18 conceptions 4.1 Infant mortality

<b>Children and young people</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.1 Children in poverty</li> <li>1.10 Killed and seriously injured casualties on England's roads</li> <li>1.3 Pupil absence</li> <li>1.4 First time entrants to the youth justice system</li> <li>1.5 16-18 year olds not in education, employment or training</li> <li>2.1 Low birth weight of term babies</li> <li>2.2 Breastfeeding</li> <li>2.4 Under 18 conceptions</li> <li>2.6 Excess weight in 4-5 and 10-11 year olds</li> <li>2.8 Emotional well-being of looked after children</li> <li>2.9 Smoking prevalence – 15 year olds (Placeholder)</li> <li>3.2 Chlamydia diagnoses (15-24 year olds)</li> <li>4.11 Emergency readmissions within 30 days of discharge from hospital</li> <li>4.1 Infant mortality</li> </ul>
<b>Adults of working age</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.10 Killed and seriously injured casualties on England's roads</li> <li>1.13 Re-offending levels</li> <li>1.14 The percentage of the population affected by noise</li> <li>1.15 Statutory homelessness</li> <li>1.16 Utilisation of outdoor space for exercise/health reasons</li> <li>1.6 Adults with a learning disability/in contact with secondary mental health services who live in stable and appropriate accommodation</li> <li>2.13 Proportion of physically active and inactive adults</li> <li>2.14 Smoking prevalence – adults (over 18s)</li> <li>2.15 Successful completion of drug treatment</li> <li>2.17 Recorded diabetes</li> <li>2.19 Cancer diagnosed at stage 1 and 2</li> <li>2.20 Cancer screening coverage</li> </ul>

	<p>2.23 Self-reported well-being</p> <p>3.2 Chlamydia diagnoses (15-24 year olds)</p> <p>3.3 People presenting with HIV at a late stage of infection</p> <p>4.3 Mortality rate from causes considered preventable</p> <p>4.4 Under 75 mortality rate from cardiovascular diseases (including heart disease and stroke)</p> <p>4.5 Under 75 mortality rate from cancer</p> <p>4.6 Under 75 mortality rate from liver disease</p> <p>4.7 Under 75 mortality rate from respiratory diseases</p> <p>4.8 Mortality rate from infectious and parasitic diseases</p> <p>4.9 Excess under 75 mortality rate in adults with serious mental illness</p> <p>4.10 Suicide rate</p> <p>4.11 Emergency readmissions within 30 days of discharge from hospital</p> <p>4.12 Preventable sight loss</p> <p>4.14 Hip fractures in people aged 65 and over</p> <p>4.15 Excess winter deaths</p> <p>4.9 Excess under 75 mortality rate in adults with serious mental illness</p>
<b>Older people</b>	<p>1.13 Re-offending levels</p> <p>1.14 The percentage of the population affected by noise</p> <p>1.15 Statutory homelessness</p> <p>1.16 Utilisation of outdoor space for exercise/health reasons</p> <p>1.6 Adults with a learning disability/in contact with secondary mental health services who live in stable and appropriate accommodation</p> <p>2.13 Proportion of physically active and inactive adults</p> <p>2.14 Smoking prevalence – adults (over 18s)</p> <p>2.15 Successful completion of drug treatment</p> <p>2.17 Recorded diabetes</p>

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<b>Health protection</b>	<p>3.1 Fraction of mortality attributable to particulate air pollution</p> <p>3.5 Treatment completion for Tuberculosis (TB)</p>