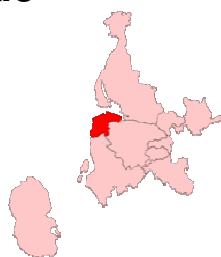


Greenock & Inverclyde



Greenock & Inverclyde¹ Smoking Statistics

Smoking Prevalence	%	Above / Below Scottish Average
Current smoking prevalence in constituency (16 yrs plus) ²	Male 31.1% Female 28.4% Total 29.7%	2.5% above
Deaths attributed to smoking 2000-04: health board area ²	29%	5% above
Smoking in first trimester of pregnancy: health board area ³	23.8%	1.1% above
15 year olds who smoke regularly (Scotland figure) ⁴	Girls 18% Boys 12%	/
13 year olds who smoke regularly (Scotland figure) ⁴	Girls 5% Boys 3%	/
15 and 13 year old regular smokers who reported buying cigarettes from a shop ⁴	15 yrs 82% 13 yrs 47%	/

In your area

Within the NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde area, 30% of people smoke, the highest in the country. The area has the highest rates of deaths attributable to smoking for both men and women. 34% of all deaths in the 35-69 age group are attributed to smoking. Deaths attributable to smoking for men over 70 stands at 29% and for women at 27%².

Intensive cessation group support is provided across the health board area with groups lasting for seven weeks and ongoing one-to one support provided. Support is provided for in-patients including telephone support on discharge⁵.

All pregnant women are Carbon Monoxide tested at booking with referral to specialist midwife smoking cessation advice and one to one sessions in a community setting⁵.

A specific stop smoking course has been developed incorporating sign language in conjunction with a support group for those who are deaf and hard of hearing with workers being trained in smoking cessation⁵.

National View

It is estimated that 24% (13,500 deaths) of all deaths in Scotland in 2004 were attributable to smoking with 89.5% of all lung cancer deaths attributable to smoking. Amongst those in middle age (35-69) an average of 22 years of life are lost per death from smoking².

In 2003/04 it is estimated that there were approximately 1.1 million adult smokers in Scotland, 27.2% of the adult population².

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¹ Constituency shown within the West of Scotland electoral region

² NHS Health Scotland, ISD Scotland and ASH Scotland. [2007] *An atlas of tobacco smoking in Scotland*. Edinburgh: NHS Health Scotland.

³ ISD Scotland. *Smoking at booking (revised) - Scotland*. [online]. 2 November 2006. Available from: www.isdscotland.org/isd/files/mat_bb_Smoking%20at%20Booking_revised.xls [accessed 1/6/07]

⁴ BMRB Social Research. 2007. *Scottish Schools Adolescent Lifestyle and Substance Use Survey (SALSUS) - National Report 2006* [online]. Available from: www.drugmisuse.isdscotland.org/publications/abstracts/salsus_national06.htm [accessed 1/6/07]

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