

Prescription for Change

Lesbian and bisexual women's health check 2008

Yorkshire and The Humber

This report is a supplementary report to the Stonewall report **Prescription for Change: Lesbian and bisexual women's health check 2008**. This report provides further regional statistics for each country, each Strategic Health Authority, or healthboard.

Methodology

In the summer of 2007, 6178 women responded to an online and paper survey on their health needs and experiences.

The survey included questions on lifestyle (alcohol consumption, smoking, exercise, mental health), medical history and experiences of the health sector. The survey also captured qualitative evidence from participants about their experiences. These are included in the main report.

Guidance on using the data

This data is intended to provide NHS planners with information about their local population, in comparison to national and regional data. For nationwide statistics (Great Britain) for comparison, please refer to the main report. When citing data from this supplementary report please cite Prescription for Change: Lesbian and bisexual women's health check 2008.

Survey results analysed by Sigma Research.



Lesbian & Bisexual Women's Health Survey 2007

Yorkshire & The Humber Strategic Health Authority data report (June 2008, n=418)

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1a. PCT of residence

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Leeds	82	19.6	19.6	19.6
	North Yorkshire and York	64	15.3	15.3	34.9
	Sheffield	57	13.6	13.6	48.6
	Bradford and Aeridale Teaching	47	11.2	11.2	59.8
	Kirklees	35	8.4	8.4	68.2
	Calderdale	34	8.1	8.1	76.3
	Hull Teaching	23	5.5	5.5	81.8
	Wakefield District	14	3.3	3.3	85.2
	Doncaster	13	3.1	3.1	88.3
	North East Lincolnshire Care Trust Plus	11	2.6	2.6	90.9
	Barnsley	9	2.2	2.2	93.1
	Rotherham	9	2.2	2.2	95.2
	East Riding of Yorkshire	9	2.2	2.2	97.4
	PCT area unknown	7	1.7	1.7	99.0
	North Lincolnshire	4	1.0	1.0	100.0
	Total	418	100.0	100.0	

1b. PCT of residence for following comparison

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Leeds	82	19.6	19.6	19.6
	All other Yorks & Humber	76	18.2	18.2	37.8
	North Yorkshire and York	64	15.3	15.3	53.1
	Sheffield	57	13.6	13.6	66.7
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	47	11.2	11.2	78.0
	Kirklees	35	8.4	8.4	86.4
	Calderdale	34	8.1	8.1	94.5
	Hull Teaching	23	5.5	5.5	100.0
	Total	418	100.0	100.0	

2. Sexual identity

% within PCT

		Sexual identity			Total
		Lesbian	Bisexual	Other	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	73.0%	20.6%	6.3%	100.0%
	Bradford & Airedale Teaching	89.4%	8.5%	2.1%	100.0%
	Leeds	80.5%	14.6%	4.9%	100.0%
	Calderdale	76.5%	14.7%	8.8%	100.0%
	Kirklees	82.4%	17.6%		100.0%
	Sheffield	86.0%	14.0%		100.0%
	Hull Teaching	82.6%	13.0%	4.3%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	86.8%	10.5%	2.6%	100.0%
Total		82.2%	14.2%	3.6%	100.0%

3. Current smoker (cigarettes)

% within PCT

		Current smoker (cigarettes)		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	68.8%	31.3%	100.0%
	Bradford & Airedale Teaching	63.8%	36.2%	100.0%
	Leeds	66.7%	33.3%	100.0%
	Calderdale	73.5%	26.5%	100.0%
	Kirklees	80.0%	20.0%	100.0%
	Sheffield	73.7%	26.3%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	73.9%	26.1%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	64.5%	35.5%	100.0%
Total		69.3%	30.7%	100.0%

4. Number of days drank alcohol in the last week

% within PCT

		Number of days drank alcohol in the last week								Total
		No alcohol in last 7 days	1 day	2 days	3 days	4 days	5 days	6 days	7 days	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	17.5%	31.7%	7.9%	17.5%	12.7%	6.3%	1.6%	4.8%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	22.7%	25.0%	11.4%	15.9%	6.8%	11.4%	2.3%	4.5%	100.0%
	Leeds	20.5%	12.8%	19.2%	14.1%	12.8%	9.0%	5.1%	6.4%	100.0%
	Calderdale	14.7%	32.4%	8.8%	8.8%	8.8%	14.7%		11.8%	100.0%
	Kirklees	20.6%	20.6%	17.6%	8.8%	8.8%	11.8%	8.8%	2.9%	100.0%
	Sheffield	22.4%	12.2%	22.4%	14.3%	4.1%	12.2%	4.1%	8.2%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	18.2%	22.7%	18.2%	4.5%	18.2%	4.5%		13.6%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	23.5%	20.6%	17.6%	20.6%	5.9%	5.9%	1.5%	4.4%	100.0%
Total		20.4%	21.4%	15.6%	14.5%	9.4%	9.2%	3.1%	6.4%	100.0%

5. Used any of the following drugs in the last year: marijuana, ecstasy, LSD, speed, crystal meth, cocaine, crack, ketamine, GHB, heroin

% within PCT

		Used any drugs in the last year		Total
		Not last year	Yes, last year	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	60.9%	39.1%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	71.7%	28.3%	100.0%
	Leeds	65.9%	34.1%	100.0%
	Calderdale	70.6%	29.4%	100.0%
	Kirklees	57.1%	42.9%	100.0%
	Sheffield	67.9%	32.1%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	77.3%	22.7%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	75.0%	25.0%	100.0%
Total		68.0%	32.0%	100.0%

6. Ever tested for STI / vaginal conditions

% within PCT

		Ever tested for STI / vaginal conditions		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	51.6%	48.4%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	66.0%	34.0%	100.0%
	Leeds	52.4%	47.6%	100.0%
	Calderdale	47.1%	52.9%	100.0%
	Kirklees	60.0%	40.0%	100.0%
	Sheffield	49.1%	50.9%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	52.2%	47.8%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	71.1%	28.9%	100.0%
Total		56.9%	43.1%	100.0%

7. Gender of sexual partners in last 5 years

% within PCT

		Gender of sexual partners in last 5 years				Total
		Women only	Men only	Both women and men	No one	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	57.8%	9.4%	31.3%	1.6%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	72.3%	4.3%	21.3%	2.1%	100.0%
	Leeds	66.7%	1.2%	29.6%	2.5%	100.0%
	Calderdale	76.5%		20.6%	2.9%	100.0%
	Kirklees	71.4%	5.7%	22.9%		100.0%
	Sheffield	63.2%	3.5%	31.6%	1.8%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	65.2%	4.3%	26.1%	4.3%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	56.6%	1.3%	38.2%	3.9%	100.0%
Total		64.7%	3.6%	29.3%	2.4%	100.0%

8. Experience of cervical screening (age 25-64, NOT Trans)

% within PCT

		Experience of cervical screening				Total
		Never had cervical smear	I have had a smear test in the last 3 years	I have had a smear test in the past 3-5 years	I had a smear test more than 5 years ago	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	20.0%	50.0%	23.3%	6.7%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	17.6%	50.0%	26.5%	5.9%	100.0%
	Leeds	20.4%	55.6%	16.7%	7.4%	100.0%
	Calderdale	10.7%	60.7%	28.6%		100.0%
	Kirklees	11.1%	50.0%	22.2%	16.7%	100.0%
	Sheffield	15.8%	68.4%	10.5%	5.3%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	16.7%	75.0%		8.3%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	15.6%	57.8%	15.6%	11.1%	100.0%
Total		16.6%	57.5%	18.5%	7.3%	100.0%

9. Frequency of self-checking breasts

% within PCT

		Frequency of self-checking breasts			Total
		No, I don't currently self-check	Yes, sometimes (every few months)	Yes, regularly (every month)	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	18.8%	48.4%	32.8%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	19.1%	53.2%	27.7%	100.0%
	Leeds	20.7%	57.3%	22.0%	100.0%
	Calderdale	20.6%	41.2%	38.2%	100.0%
	Kirklees	11.4%	57.1%	31.4%	100.0%
	Sheffield	19.3%	50.9%	29.8%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	30.4%	39.1%	30.4%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	17.1%	43.4%	39.5%	100.0%
Total		19.1%	49.8%	31.1%	100.0%

10. In the last year, made any attempt to take your life

% within PCT

		In the last year, made any attempt to take your life		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	89.1%	10.9%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	95.7%	4.3%	100.0%
	Leeds	97.6%	2.4%	100.0%
	Calderdale	100.0%		100.0%
	Kirklees	100.0%		100.0%
	Sheffield	93.0%	7.0%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	100.0%		100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	94.7%	5.3%	100.0%
Total		95.4%	4.6%	100.0%

11. In the last year, deliberate self-harm (with no the intention of killing yourself)

% within PCT

		In the last year, deliberate self-harm (with no the intention of killing yourself)		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	76.6%	23.4%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	82.6%	17.4%	100.0%
	Leeds	78.0%	22.0%	100.0%
	Calderdale	79.4%	20.6%	100.0%
	Kirklees	71.4%	28.6%	100.0%
	Sheffield	80.7%	19.3%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	87.0%	13.0%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	86.8%	13.2%	100.0%
Total		80.3%	19.7%	100.0%

12. Ever been told you have eating problem

% within PCT

		Ever been told you have eating problem		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	82.8%	17.2%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	76.6%	23.4%	100.0%
	Leeds	86.6%	13.4%	100.0%
	Calderdale	85.3%	14.7%	100.0%
	Kirklees	70.6%	29.4%	100.0%
	Sheffield	84.2%	15.8%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	82.6%	17.4%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	84.0%	16.0%	100.0%
Total		82.5%	17.5%	100.0%

13. Ever experienced domestic violence

% within PCT

		Ever experienced domestic violence				Total
		No never	Yes, from a male	Yes, from a female	Yes (gender unknown)	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	76.6%	9.4%	14.1%		100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	66.0%	19.1%	10.6%	4.3%	100.0%
	Leeds	72.0%	7.3%	18.3%	2.4%	100.0%
	Calderdale	55.9%	5.9%	38.2%		100.0%
	Kirklees	67.6%	14.7%	17.6%		100.0%
	Sheffield	77.2%	5.3%	17.5%		100.0%
	Hull Teaching	73.9%	4.3%	21.7%		100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	68.4%	14.5%	17.1%		100.0%
Total		70.5%	10.3%	18.2%	1.0%	100.0%

14. Self-rating of health

% within PCT

		Self-rating of health				Total
		Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	18.8%	64.1%	17.2%		100.0%
	Bradford & Airedale Teaching	10.6%	72.3%	14.9%	2.1%	100.0%
	Leeds	17.3%	53.1%	29.6%		100.0%
	Calderdale	20.6%	61.8%	11.8%	5.9%	100.0%
	Kirklees	17.1%	68.6%	14.3%		100.0%
	Sheffield	10.5%	64.9%	19.3%	5.3%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	26.1%	69.6%	4.3%		100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	14.5%	63.2%	19.7%	2.6%	100.0%
Total		16.1%	63.3%	18.7%	1.9%	100.0%

15. BMI categories

% within PCT

		BMI categories					Total
		Underweight (<18.5)	Normal (18.5 - 24.99)	Overweight (25 - 29.99)	Obese (30+)	Very Obese (40+)	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	1.6%	42.2%	32.8%	20.3%	3.1%	100.0%
	Bradford & Airedale Teaching	4.4%	31.1%	24.4%	35.6%	4.4%	100.0%
	Leeds	5.1%	46.8%	30.4%	15.2%	2.5%	100.0%
	Calderdale		63.6%	18.2%	15.2%	3.0%	100.0%
	Kirklees	6.1%	57.6%	18.2%	18.2%		100.0%
	Sheffield	3.6%	48.2%	17.9%	25.0%	5.4%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	4.8%	61.9%	23.8%	9.5%		100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	6.8%	41.9%	24.3%	17.6%	9.5%	100.0%
Total		4.2%	46.7%	24.9%	20.0%	4.2%	100.0%

16. Sexuality disclosure to GP or health care professionals

% within PCT

		Sexuality disclosure to GP or health care professionals					Total
		All or almost all	More than half	About half	Less than half	Few or none	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	29.7%	7.8%	7.8%	7.8%	46.9%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	37.0%	4.3%	6.5%	6.5%	45.7%	100.0%
	Leeds	23.4%	5.2%	3.9%	7.8%	59.7%	100.0%
	Calderdale	33.3%	9.1%	6.1%	3.0%	48.5%	100.0%
	Kirklees	25.7%	2.9%		8.6%	62.9%	100.0%
	Sheffield	41.8%	5.5%	7.3%	14.5%	30.9%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	21.7%		13.0%	4.3%	60.9%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	41.3%	2.7%	5.3%	5.3%	45.3%	100.0%
Total		32.6%	4.9%	5.9%	7.6%	49.0%	100.0%

17. Any NEGATIVE experiences of health care in the last year

% within PCT

		Any NEGATIVE experiences of health care in the last year		Total
		No none	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	44.3%	55.7%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	35.6%	64.4%	100.0%
	Leeds	33.8%	66.2%	100.0%
	Calderdale	53.3%	46.7%	100.0%
	Kirklees	48.6%	51.4%	100.0%
	Sheffield	34.0%	66.0%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	42.9%	57.1%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	54.7%	45.3%	100.0%
Total		42.8%	57.2%	100.0%

18. Health care worker assumed heterosexuality

% within PCT

		Health care worker assumed heterosexuality		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	60.7%	39.3%	100.0%
	Bradford & Airedale Teaching	48.9%	51.1%	100.0%
	Leeds	50.6%	49.4%	100.0%
	Calderdale	64.5%	35.5%	100.0%
	Kirklees	65.7%	34.3%	100.0%
	Sheffield	49.1%	50.9%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	66.7%	33.3%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	65.3%	34.7%	100.0%
Total		57.8%	42.2%	100.0%

19. No opportunity to discuss sexual orientation in health-care setting

% within PCT

		No opportunity to discuss sexual orientation in health-care setting		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	70.5%	29.5%	100.0%
	Bradford & Airedale Teaching	62.2%	37.8%	100.0%
	Leeds	74.0%	26.0%	100.0%
	Calderdale	80.6%	19.4%	100.0%
	Kirklees	68.6%	31.4%	100.0%
	Sheffield	77.4%	22.6%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	81.0%	19.0%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	81.3%	18.7%	100.0%
Total		74.4%	25.6%	100.0%

20. Not sure of GP surgery's policy on confidentiality

% within PCT

		Not sure of GP surgery's policy on confidentiality		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	75.4%	24.6%	100.0%
	Bradford & Airedale Teaching	84.4%	15.6%	100.0%
	Leeds	81.8%	18.2%	100.0%
	Calderdale	87.1%	12.9%	100.0%
	Kirklees	88.6%	11.4%	100.0%
	Sheffield	83.0%	17.0%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	95.2%	4.8%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	92.0%	8.0%	100.0%
Total		84.9%	15.1%	100.0%

21. Came out and health care worker still assumed heterosexuality

% within PCT

		Came out and health care worker still assumed heterosexuality		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	86.9%	13.1%	100.0%
	Bradford & Airedale Teaching	88.9%	11.1%	100.0%
	Leeds	89.6%	10.4%	100.0%
	Calderdale	87.1%	12.9%	100.0%
	Kirklees	91.4%	8.6%	100.0%
	Sheffield	79.2%	20.8%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	81.0%	19.0%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	88.0%	12.0%	100.0%
Total		86.9%	13.1%	100.0%

22. Came out and health-care worker asked inappropriate questions

% within PCT

		Came out and health-care worker asked inappropriate questions		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	93.4%	6.6%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	86.7%	13.3%	100.0%
	Leeds	93.5%	6.5%	100.0%
	Calderdale	87.1%	12.9%	100.0%
	Kirklees	97.1%	2.9%	100.0%
	Sheffield	84.9%	15.1%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	90.5%	9.5%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	93.3%	6.7%	100.0%
Total		91.2%	8.8%	100.0%

23. Any POSITIVE experiences of health care in the last year

% within PCT

		Any POSITIVE experiences of health care in the last year		Total
		None of these	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	48.4%	51.6%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	37.0%	63.0%	100.0%
	Leeds	53.7%	46.3%	100.0%
	Calderdale	58.8%	41.2%	100.0%
	Kirklees	61.8%	38.2%	100.0%
	Sheffield	43.9%	56.1%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	47.8%	52.2%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	44.7%	55.3%	100.0%
Total		48.8%	51.2%	100.0%

24. Health care worker did not make inappropriate comments after disclosure

% within PCT

		Health care worker did not make inappropriate comments after disclosure		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	70.3%	29.7%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	69.6%	30.4%	100.0%
	Leeds	70.7%	29.3%	100.0%
	Calderdale	76.5%	23.5%	100.0%
	Kirklees	79.4%	20.6%	100.0%
	Sheffield	77.2%	22.8%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	78.3%	21.7%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	78.9%	21.1%	100.0%
Total		74.5%	25.5%	100.0%

25. Acknowledgement of sexuality by health worker after disclosure

% within PCT

		Acknowledgement of sexuality by health worker after disclosure		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	76.6%	23.4%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	69.6%	30.4%	100.0%
	Leeds	74.4%	25.6%	100.0%
	Calderdale	79.4%	20.6%	100.0%
	Kirklees	79.4%	20.6%	100.0%
	Sheffield	66.7%	33.3%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	82.6%	17.4%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	75.0%	25.0%	100.0%
Total		74.5%	25.5%	100.0%

26. Health care worker provided an opportunity to come out

% within PCT

		Health care worker provided an opportunity to come out		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	95.3%	4.7%	100.0%
	Bradford & Airedale Teaching	95.7%	4.3%	100.0%
	Leeds	95.1%	4.9%	100.0%
	Calderdale	97.1%	2.9%	100.0%
	Kirklees	100.0%		100.0%
	Sheffield	96.5%	3.5%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	95.7%	4.3%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	93.4%	6.6%	100.0%
Total		95.7%	4.3%	100.0%

27. Health care worker welcomed partner at consultation

% within PCT

		Health care worker welcomed partner at consultation		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	84.4%	15.6%	100.0%
	Bradford & Airedale Teaching	82.6%	17.4%	100.0%
	Leeds	93.9%	6.1%	100.0%
	Calderdale	88.2%	11.8%	100.0%
	Kirklees	85.3%	14.7%	100.0%
	Sheffield	77.2%	22.8%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	95.7%	4.3%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	85.5%	14.5%	100.0%
Total		86.3%	13.7%	100.0%

28. Health care worker gave advice accounting for my sexuality

% within PCT

		Health care worker gave advice accounting for my sexuality		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	89.1%	10.9%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	93.5%	6.5%	100.0%
	Leeds	95.1%	4.9%	100.0%
	Calderdale	97.1%	2.9%	100.0%
	Kirklees	91.2%	8.8%	100.0%
	Sheffield	87.7%	12.3%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	100.0%		100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	96.1%	3.9%	100.0%
Total		93.3%	6.7%	100.0%

29. GP surgery had clear policy on confidentiality

% within PCT

		GP surgery had clear policy on confidentiality		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	79.7%	20.3%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	65.2%	34.8%	100.0%
	Leeds	78.0%	22.0%	100.0%
	Calderdale	79.4%	20.6%	100.0%
	Kirklees	91.2%	8.8%	100.0%
	Sheffield	73.7%	26.3%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	69.6%	30.4%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	69.7%	30.3%	100.0%
Total		75.5%	24.5%	100.0%

30. GP surgery displayed non-discriminatory policy including sexual orientation

% within PCT

		GP surgery displayed non-discriminatory policy including sexual orientation		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	92.2%	7.8%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	89.1%	10.9%	100.0%
	Leeds	93.9%	6.1%	100.0%
	Calderdale	91.2%	8.8%	100.0%
	Kirklees	100.0%		100.0%
	Sheffield	93.0%	7.0%	100.0%
	Hull Teaching	91.3%	8.7%	100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	86.8%	13.2%	100.0%
Total		91.8%	8.2%	100.0%

31. Attended specialist health service for lesbian or bisexual women

% within PCT

		Attended specialist health service for lesbian or bisexual women		Total
		No	Yes	
PCT	North Yorkshire and York	98.4%	1.6%	100.0%
	Bradford & Aeridale Teaching	100.0%		100.0%
	Leeds	100.0%		100.0%
	Calderdale	100.0%		100.0%
	Kirklees	97.1%	2.9%	100.0%
	Sheffield	100.0%		100.0%
	Hull Teaching	100.0%		100.0%
	All other Yorks & Humber	100.0%		100.0%
Total		99.5%	.5%	100.0%

The Study:

In 2007, Stonewall and De Montfort University asked lesbian and bisexual women from Great Britain to complete a survey about their health.

The survey received 6178 responses making it the biggest survey of lesbian and bisexual women's health needs in Europe.

Eighty one per cent of respondents said that they were lesbian, and sixteen per cent said they were bisexual. Eighty five per cent of respondents live in England, nine per cent in Scotland, and five per cent in Wales. Eighty two per cent of respondents are white British, and the rest are from ethnic minorities, which is comparable with the general population. Respondents come from a wide age-range. The youngest respondent was fourteen and the oldest was 84. Fourteen per cent of respondents say that they have a disability, including physical and mental disabilities.