



SYDNEY NORTH PRIMARY HEALTH NETWORK HEALTH PROFILE

Sydney North Primary Health Network (SNPHN) is one of 31 Primary Health Networks (PHNs) in Australia covering 9 Local Government Areas (LGAs) in the Northern Sydney region.

Key Areas: Childhood immunisation rates, ageing population, alcohol attributable hospitalisations and large culturally and linguistically diverse population (CALD).

HEALTH DRIVERS

SNPHN is ranked the least socio-economically disadvantaged PHN in Australia. However, there are pockets of high disadvantage within Hornsby, Hunters Hill, North Sydney, Ryde, Warringah and Willoughby LGAs.



1.7% of people aged 16-64 years receive unemployment benefits
NSW: 5.2%



46.1% of people aged 17 years participating in tertiary education
NSW: 29.9%



33.6% of low-income families experience financial stress from mortgage or rent
NSW: 32.9%

VULNERABLE GROUPS

Children

7.2%
(12,291)

of children in low-income, welfare-recipient families
NSW: 24%



Elderly

15.5% (140,498)

of the total population aged 65+ years
NSW: 15.7%

Between 2016-2031, there will be an increase of **43.3%** in the 65+ years population
NSW: 50.3%



Disability

3.4% of the population have severe or profound disability
NSW: 4.9%



HEALTH RISK FACTORS



Obesity

17.7 per 100
(18+ years) obese
NSW: 26.4



Alcohol

759 per 100,000 alcohol attributable hospitalisations, higher than the **NSW rate (672 per 100,000)**



Smoking

10.2 per 100 (18+ years) current smokers
NSW: 16.2

CHILDHOOD IMMUNISATION

IMMUNISATION RATES LOWER THAN THE NATIONAL ASPIRATIONAL TARGET OF 95%



1-year-old

90%
fully immunised
NSW: 90.1%



2-years-old

89%
fully immunised
NSW: 90.7%



5-years-old

90%
fully immunised
NSW: 92.5%

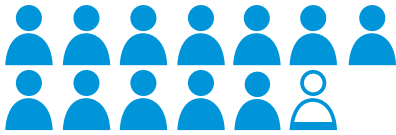
CANCER SCREENING

Bowel cancer screening participation rates among people aged **50-74 years in SNPHN (37.1%)** higher than the NSW rate (35.1%).

Cervical cancer screening participation rates among women aged **20-69 years (62.7%)** higher than the NSW rate (56%).

Breast cancer screening participation rates among women aged **50-69 years (52.5%)** higher than the NSW rate (51.6%).

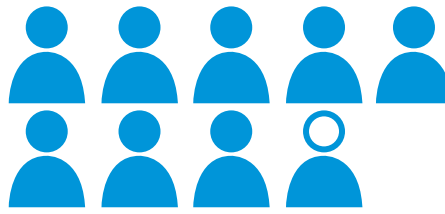
MENTAL HEALTH



12.1 per 100

(15+ years) report mental and behavioural problems

NSW: 13.1



8.5 per 100

(18+ years) report high or very high psychological distress

NSW: 10.5

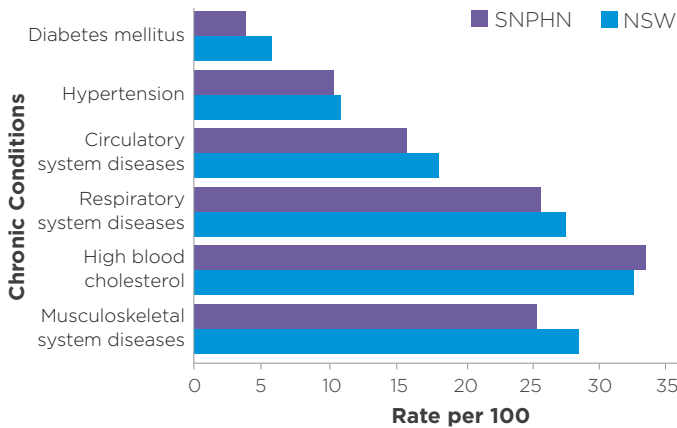


6,271 per 100,000

with a Mental Health Treatment Plan created by a GP

NSW: 8,222

CHRONIC CONDITIONS



POTENTIALLY PREVENTABLE HOSPITALISATIONS



1599 per 100,000

NSW: 2,113 per 100,000

Cellulitis, kidney and urinary tract infections, and dental conditions accounted for 38.7% of potentially preventable hospitalisations.

PRIMARY HEALTHCARE



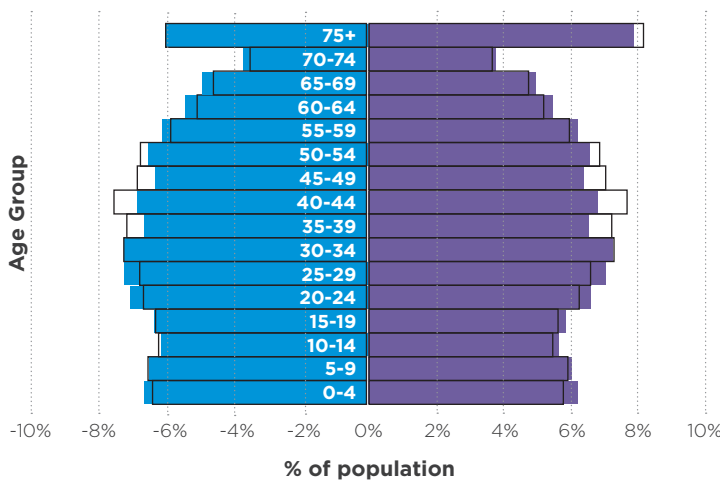
284 GP practices in the SNPHN region

128 GPs per 100,000 people

NSW: 118 per 100,000 people

DEMOGRAPHY

Age structure comparison by sex for SNPHN and NSW



□ SNPHN males ■ NSW males □ SNPHN females ■ NSW females

Total population 907,008. Between 2016-2031, the total population will increase by 20.3% to 1,090,550

NSW: 19.7%

Area: 899.9 km²

CALD

SNPHN has a higher proportion of people culturally and linguistically diverse (22.1%) compared to NSW (18.6%). Chinese and Indian largest culturally and linguistically diverse groups.

2.8% of people born overseas report poor proficiency in English
NSW: 3.4%

Aboriginal

0.4% (3,182) of the population identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
NSW: 3%



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