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| **Indicator:** | **Healthy life expectancy at birth** |

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| **Responsible Statistician:**  | Bill Stewart, Department of Health |
| **Web Link to Statistical Publication:** | <https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/articles/regional-health-inequalities-statistics>  |
| **Frequency of update:** | Annual |
| **Time lag:** | 1 year |
| **Data Source:** | Health Survey Northern Ireland, Interim Life Tables (Demography Methodology Branch), Labour Force Survey Population Estimates (DFP), Mid-Year Population Estimates (Demography Methodology Branch). |
| **National Statistics Status** | Official Statistics |
| **Quality Report:** | N/A |
| **Historic Data available from:** | 2010-12 |
| **Time-series trend:**  |

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| Healthy life expectancy at birth\* | 2010-12 | 2011-13 | 2012-14 | 2013-15 | 2014-16 |
| Male | 58.5 years  | 58.4 years  | 58.7 years  | 58.4 years | 59.1 years |
| Female | 61.6 years | 61.6 years | 61.7 years | 61.0 years | 60.9 years |

In 2014-16 healthy life expectancy at birth stood at 59.1 years for males and 60.9 years for females. Healthy life expectancy has remained similar over the last five years for both males and females. It should be noted that healthy life expectancy estimates at NI level are subject to a confidence interval of around +/- 0.7 years and this has been considered when describing changes in figures over time.\* Communal establishment data from the census is now excluded from the calculation therefore figures differ from those published previously. |
| **For Survey Data** **Sample size and confidence interval for the latest available year:** | Sample size: 16,172 (both genders), Confidence interval: +/- 0.7 years |
| **UK/RoI/International comparisons:** | UK: availableUK Regional: availableRoI: availableInternational (please specify countries): European countries, Australia, USA, China, Japan.Comparisons are not always directly comparable due to difference in surveying methods and calculation. |
| **Issues in relation to this data, e.g. data limitations, future data availability, changes to methodology**  | * Comparisons with other countries are not always directly comparable due to difference in surveying methods and calculation.
* Data is not robust below deprivation quintile level and is subject to confidence limits.
* Figure is based on Health Survey Northern Ireland (HSNI) participants’ self-reporting of health status and may be affected by any changes to sampling or surveying methods that may occur in the future.
* Information is reliant on the continuation of the HSNI and inclusion of the general health question.
* Communal establishment data from the census is now excluded from the calculation therefore figures differ from those published previously.
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| **Is this measure being used to monitor performance against the current/latest Departmental/ Agency Plan?** | Included as an Indicator of Performance within the 2016/17 Commissioning Plan Direction. |
| **If yes, baseline point/year for the measure which is being for performance monitoring purposes** | There is no baseline for this measure. |

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| **Available groupings\*** | **Yes/No** | **Notes** |
|  **NI Level** | Yes |  |
| **Parliamentary Constituency level** | No |  |
| **Local Government District (2014) level** | No |  |
| **Deprivation Quintile** | Yes |  |
| **NISRA Geography Urban/Rural Measure**  | Yes |  |
| **Gender** | Yes |  |
| **Age** | Not appropriate |  |
| **Marital Status** | No |  |
| **Religion** | No |  |
| **Political Opinion** | No |  |
| **Disability** | No |  |
| **Dependants** | No |  |
| **Sexual Orientation** | No |  |
| **Racial Group** | No |  |
| **Lowest level geography at which the measure is available:** | Most and least deprived quintiles |

\* Due to confidentiality constraints, in some instances breakdowns may not be available due to small numbers