



Release Notes: CPRD Aurum October 2020

Summary

An updated version of CPRD Aurum database (data sourced from GP practices using EMIS® GP software) is now available, which contains the following:

Metric	Coverage
Total number of acceptable patients ¹ (including transferred out and deceased patients):	37,607,045
Current acceptable patients (i.e. registered at currently contributing practices, excluding transferred out and deceased patients):	12,891,424
Percentage UK population coverage ² (current patients only):	12,891,424 of 66,796,800 (19.30 %)
Total patients eligible for linkage (Set 18):	22,845,471
Available follow-up time in years since 1 st January 1995 ³ (all patients including transferred out and deceased):	
Mean (Standard Deviation):	7.88 (7.73)
Median (25 th and 75 th Percentile):	4.81 (1.86 – 11.93)
Available follow-up time in years since 1 st January 1995 (current patients only):	
Mean (Standard Deviation):	11.65 (9.06)
Median (25 th and 75 th Percentile):	9.09 (3.48 – 20.28)
Total number of practices (current and historic) included in the database:	1,441
Currently contributing practices:	1,350
Percentage coverage of UK general practices (currently contributing practices only):	1,350 of 8,961 (15.07 %)
Regional distribution of currently contributing practices ⁴	
England:	1,337 (99.04 %)
Northern Ireland:	13 (0.96 %)
Scotland:	0 (0.00 %)
Wales:	0 (0.00 %)

¹ Permanent registrations only. Over 93% of permanent registrations are deemed to have 'acceptable' (or research quality) data based on CPRD metrics.

² [Based on latest UK population estimates from the Office of National Statistics.](#)

³ Follow-up time stated here does not incorporate the up-to-standard (UTS) date and the database includes records pre-dating the 1st of January 1995.

⁴ Expressed as a percentage of all practices currently contributing to CPRD Aurum.



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Lookups

These files can be requested from CPRD Enquiries at enquiries@cprd.com

Other Updates

None

CPRD Aurum Data Specification

Available on the CPRD website: <https://www.cprd.com/primary-care>