

# READY FOR SCHOOL

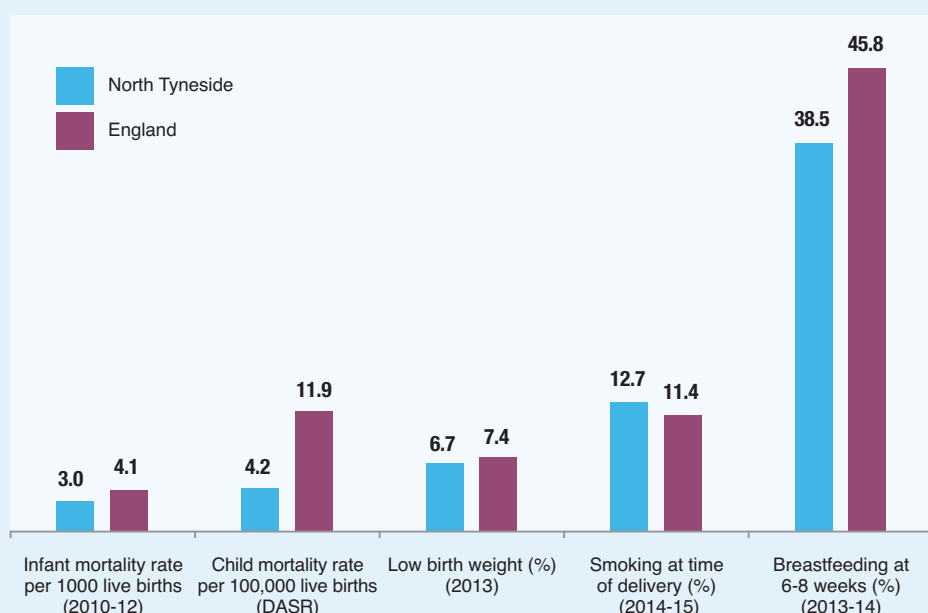
## Entitlement

North Tyneside Council and Partners have committed to ensuring that by the time children are aged 0-4 that they must be ready to learn. The Partnership has developed 5 entitlement themes with specific outcome measures which, if met, will ensure that these children are 'ready for school'. Children with additional needs and disabilities will also be supported to reach individual outcomes through a person centered approach.

The entitlement themes are:

- Language development and communication skills;
- attitude and dispositions;
- self competence and self esteem;
- emotional wellbeing and
- Physical wellbeing.

## Births and child mortality



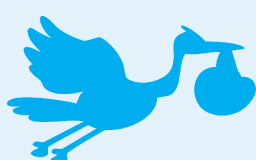
Mothers smoking during pregnancy, babies born with low birth weight, and babies not being breastfed are factors which impact negatively on a child's healthy life chances.

Breastfeeding rates have improved within the Borough but remain significantly below the national average.

Rates of smoking amongst pregnant women have also improved considerably but still remain too high.



4 babies born in North Tyneside die before their first birthday. The infant mortality rate (3.0) in North Tyneside is not significantly different from England.



2,268 babies were born in North Tyneside in 2013/14.



36 of these were born to women under 18.



The child mortality rate (4.2) is significantly lower than the England rate.



The rates of low birth weight (6.3%) is similar to England.

## Child health development



**Child Poverty - 1 in 5 (20.4%)** children aged 0 to 15 are living in poverty



**2 in every 10** children in North Tyneside (22.3%) are overweight or obese at the end of Reception (age 4-5)



**3 out of 10 (29.3%)** 5 year olds in North Tyneside have decayed, missing or filled teeth (about one third)

## Hospital admissions



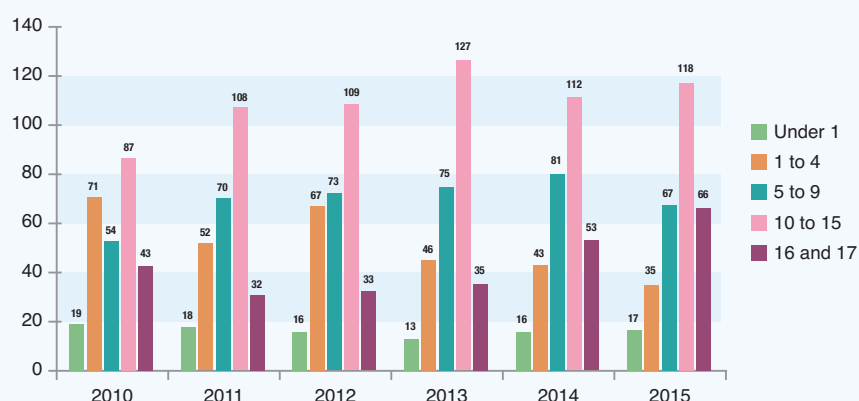
210 admissions for accidental and deliberate injuries among children aged 0 -4 in 2013/14. The leading causes of death and serious long term harm to children under the age of 5 are all accidental and preventable.

## Safeguarding



52 children aged 0 to 4 years were being 'Looked After' by North Tyneside local Authority in March 2015.

### Looked After Children by Age Group



### Children in need (CIN)

Children in need are a wide group of children and young people who have been assessed as needing the help of services to achieve a reasonable standard of health or development.

1,095 children were identified as being in need at the end of 2015/16.

## Foundation Stage attainment



About **2 out of every 3 (64%)** children in North Tyneside achieved a good level of development at the end of Reception.