Access to Healthy Assets and Hazards

How Healthy is Great Britain?
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Where we Live Affects our Health

The CDRC Access to Healthy Assets and Hazards (AHAH) indicator is an openly available data product summarising the accessibility (distance) to various health-related services or environmental features. It is a composite indicator that includes measures of: access to retail outlets (fast food outlets, pubs/bars/nightclubs, off-licences, tobacconists, gambling outlets); access to health services (GPs, hospitals offering A&E facilities, pharmacies, dentists, leisure centres); and environmental quality (air pollution and access to green space). The summary score is based upon all of these constituents.

An Environmental Health Atlas of Great Britain

The CDRC AHAH indicator provides insight into how the geography of Great Britain contributes to our health outcomes. Detailed information on the classification methodology and taxonomy are available on the CDRC website at data.cdrc.ac.uk and you can read about our open methodology here: doi.org/10.1016/j.healthplace.2018.08.019 and doi.org/10.1038/s41597-019-0114-6. The index provides an effective tool for local planning and benchmarking of health-related interventions and services.

Public Health at Your Fingertips

Public Health England has integrated the AHAH indicator into its ‘Fingertips’ tool (fingertips.phe.org.uk). This provides public health stakeholders with a rich evidence base that spans a range of health and wellbeing themes.

AHAH Decile Ranking

- 1st Best Performing Decile
- 2nd
- 3rd
- 4th
- 5th
- 6th
- 7th
- 8th
- 9th
- 10th Worst Performing Decile

All data are openly available to download from data.cdrc.ac.uk and visible through our interactive web mapping tool: maps.cdrc.ac.uk