



Release Notes: CPRD Aurum December 2021

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):	40,637,255
Current acceptable patients (i.e. registered at currently contributing practices, excluding transferred out and deceased patients):	13,392,309
Percentage UK population coverage ² (current patients only):	13,392,309 of 67,081,000 (19.96 %)
Total patients eligible for linkage (Set 21):	37,567,245
Available follow-up time in years since 1 st January 1995 ³ (all patients including transferred out and deceased): Mean (Standard Deviation): Median (25 th and 75 th Percentile):	7.88 (7.89) 4.75 (1.83 – 11.76)
Available follow-up time in years since 1 st January 1995 (current patients only): Mean (Standard Deviation): Median (25 th and 75 th Percentile):	11.58 (9.38) 8.75 (3.22 – 19.87)
Total number of practices (current and historic) included in the database:	1,491
Currently contributing practices:	1,366
Percentage coverage of UK general practices (currently contributing practices only):	1,366 of 8,178 (16.70 %)
Regional distribution of currently contributing practices ⁴ England: Northern Ireland: Scotland: Wales:	1,353 (99.05 %) 13 (0.95 %) 0 (0.00 %) 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

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Other Updates

None

CPRD Aurum Data Specification

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