



Environmental Health
Key Performance Indicator
Metadata 2025

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1	KPI Title	HWB29- No. of initial tobacco sales and/or nicotine inhaling product sales to minors test purchase inspections carried out
1a	KPI Short Title	Tobacco test purchase inspections
2	KPI Description	Test purchases of cigarettes and/or nicotine inhaling products with volunteer minors are carried out in retail premises to assess compliance with tobacco and nicotine inhaling products legislation. A minor is a person who has not attained the age of 18 years. They are volunteers who have freely offered to take part in the activity. A test purchase involves a supervised volunteer minor attempting to purchase tobacco and/or nicotine inhaling product from a retail outlet. Retail outlets are premises from where tobacco and/or nicotine inhaling products are sold. The Public Health (Tobacco) Acts state that it shall be an offence for a person to sell a tobacco product by retail, or supply a tobacco product, to, or invite an offer to purchase a tobacco product by, a person who has not attained the age of 18 years. The Public Health (Tobacco and Nicotine Inhaling) Bill 2023 proposes to extend this provision to the retail sale of nicotine inhaling products.
3	KPI Rationale	It is an offence for retailers to sell tobacco products to persons under 18. It is proposed under the Public Health (Tobacco and Nicotine Inhaling) Bill 2023 that this will extend to the sale of nicotine inhaling products to persons under 18. The HSE National Environmental Health Service enforces Public Health (Tobacco) legislation. This metric reports on the activity associated with these provisions.
3a	Indicator Classification	Access & Integration
4	National Target	2025 NSP Target: 384. This is a cumulative calculation
4a	Target	2025 Full Year Target 384
4b	Volume Metrics	
5	KPI Calculation	It is a count of the number of establishments where a test purchase inspection has been carried out.
6	Data Source	Environmental Health Information System (EHIS) The data is complete for all areas of the country. The only issue is ensuring that all relevant data for the quarter is entered in the EHIS by the 12th of the month following the end of the quarter which is monitored by local and regional management.
6a	Data Sign Off	Shane Keane, Regional Chief Environmental Health Officer
6b	Data Quality Issues	None
7	Data Collection Frequency	Quarterly
8	Tracer Conditions	As per description
9	Minimum Data Set MDS	Number of test purchase inspections.
10	International Comparison	No
11	KPI Monitoring	Monthly
12	KPI Reporting Frequency	Quarterly
13	KPI Report Period	Quarterly
14	KPI Reporting Aggregation	National
15	KPI is reported in which reports?	National Service Plan / Management Data report / National Performance Report
16	Web link to data	http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/corporate/performance-reports/
17	Additional Information	
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1	KPI Title	HWB31- No. of official food control planned and planned surveillance inspections of food businesses
1a	KPI Short Title	Inspections of food businesses
2	KPI Description	Food business establishments are routinely inspected to assess compliance with official food control requirements. A planned inspection will focus on each aspect of the four elements of a food safety management system (structural and operational prerequisites, HACCP (Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point) and management procedures) and relevant food law (other than general food hygiene) applicable to the food business . A planned surveillance inspection will focus on one aspect of the four elements of a food safety management system (structural and operational prerequisites, HACCP (Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point) and management procedures) and relevant food law (other than general food hygiene) applicable to the food business. An inspection is the systematic examination of the activities and operations to assess the level of compliance with applicable food legislation. The operation is assessed for compliance against the requirements Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 on the hygiene of foodstuffs and if applicable Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 laying down specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin and/or any other applicable food legislation as per Schedule 1 of the HSE FSAI Service Contract. A wide range of food businesses are subject to inspection including importers/exporters, manufacturers, packers, transporters, wholesalers/distributors, retailers and those in the service sector including public houses, restaurants, hospitals.
3	KPI Rationale	The FSAI HSE Service Contract requires the inspection of food business establishments. NSP access indicator of performance.
3a	Indicator Classification	Access
4	National Target	2025 NSP: 33,000
4a	Target	2025 Full Year Target 33,000
4b	Volume Metrics	
5	KPI Calculation	It is a count of the number of planned, and planned surveillance inspections carried out of food businesses. This is a cumulative calculation
6	Data Source	Environmental Health Information System (EHIS) The data is complete for all areas of the country. The only issue is ensuring that all relevant data for the quarter is entered in the EHIS by the 12th of the month following the end of the quarter which is monitored by local and regional management.
6a	Data Sign Off	Shane Keane, Regional Chief Environmental Health Officer
6b	Data Quality Issues	None
7	Data Collection Frequency	Monthly
8	Tracer Conditions	As per description
9	Minimum Data Set MDS	No. of planned inspections of food businesses. No. of planned surveillance inspections of food businesses.
10	International Comparison	No
11	KPI Monitoring	Quarterly
12	KPI Reporting Frequency	Quarterly
13	KPI Report Period	Quarterly
14	KPI Reporting Aggregation	National
15	KPI is reported in which reports?	National Service Plan / Management Data report / National Performance Report
16	Web link to data	http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/performance-reports/
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1	KPI Title	HWB80- No. of test purchases carried out under the Public Health (Sunbeds) Act, 2014
1a	KPI Short Title	Sunbed test purchase inspections
2	KPI Description	Test purchases of sunbed establishments with volunteer minors are carried out in premises to assess compliance with sunbed control legislation. (Public Health (Sunbeds) Act 2014. Establishments includes any business where one or more than one sunbed is made available for use or a business which sells or hires sunbeds or advertises or promotes the use, sale or hire of sunbeds; e.g beauty salon, hairdressers, barbers, hotel, leisure centre, gym, stand alone dedicated sunbed salon, etc. Test Purchase Inspection is conducted to test the compliance of a sunbed business with the sale to minors part of the legislation. A minor is a person who has not attained the age of 18 years. They are volunteers who have freely offered to take part in the activity. A test purchase involves a supervised volunteer minor attempting to use/hire a sunbed. The legislation applicable is the Public Health (Sunbeds) Act 2014 and all Regulations made thereunder.
3	KPI Rationale	It is an offence for minors to be offered sunbed services. NSP action under Corporate Goal 2.
3a	Indicator Classification	Access & Integration
4	National Target	2025 NSP Target: 32. This is a cumulative calculation
4a	Target	Full Year Target: 32
4b	Volume Metrics	
5	KPI Calculation	It is a count of the number of establishments where a test purchase inspection has been carried out.
6	Data Source	Environmental Health Information System (EHIS) The data is complete for all areas of the country. The only issue is ensuring that all relevant data for the quarter is entered in the EHIS by the 12th of the month following the end of the quarter which is monitored by local and regional management.
6a	Data Sign Off	Shane Keane, Regional Chief Environmental Health Officer
6b	Data Quality Issues	None
7	Data Collection Frequency	Quarterly
8	Tracer Conditions	As per description
9	Minimum Data Set MDS	No. of establishments where a test purchase inspection has been carried out.
10	International Comparison	No
11	KPI Monitoring	Quarterly
12	KPI Reporting Frequency	Biannual
13	KPI Report Period	Biannual
14	KPI Reporting Aggregation	National
15	KPI is reported in which reports?	Management Data Report
16	Web link to data	http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/performance-reports/
17	Additional Information	
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1	KPI Title	HWB81- No. of mystery shopper inspections carried out under the Public Health (Sunbeds) Act, 2014
1a	KPI Short Title	Sunbed mystery shopper inspections
2	KPI Description	Mystery shopper inspections are carried out to assess marketing compliance of sunbed establishments. A mystery shopper inspection is conducted to test the compliance of a sunbed business with other parts of the legislation that may not be verified satisfactorily during a physical inspection. Establishments includes any business where one or more than one sunbed is made available for use or a business which sells or hires sunbeds or advertises or promotes the use, sale or hire of sunbeds; e.g beauty salon, hairdressers, barbers, hotel, leisure centre, gym, stand alone dedicated sunbed salon, etc. Mystery shopper inspection includes, for example test phone calls to a sunbed business to query special offers or a physical visit to a sunbed business by an adult (a person who has attained an age of 18 years) to 'purchase' a sunbed session. The legislation applicable is the Public Health (Sunbeds) Act 2014 and all Regulations.
3	KPI Rationale	Certain promotions and marketing practices are not permissible under the Public Health (Sunbeds) Act 2014. NSP action under Corporate Goal 2.
3a	Indicator Classification	Access & Integration
4	National Target	2025 NSP Target: 32. This is a cumulative calculation
4a	Target	Full Year Target: 32
4b	Volume Metrics	
5	KPI Calculation	It is a count of the number of mystery shopper inspections.
6	Data Source	Environmental Health Information System (EHIS) The data is complete for all areas of the country. The only issue is ensuring that all relevant data for the quarter is entered in the EHIS by the 12th of the month following the end of the quarter which is monitored by local and regional management.
6a	Data Sign Off	Shane Keane, Regional Chief Environmental Health Officer
6b	Data Quality Issues	None
7	Data Collection Frequency	Quarterly
8	Tracer Conditions	As per description
9	Minimum Data Set MDS	No. of establishments where a test purchase inspection has been carried out.
10	International Comparison	No
11	KPI Monitoring	Quarterly
12	KPI Reporting Frequency	Biannual
13	KPI Report Period	Biannual
14	KPI Reporting Aggregation	National
15	KPI is reported in which reports?	Management Data Report
16	Web link to data	http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/performance-reports/
17	Additional Information	As reported in the HSE Performance Report
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1	KPI Title	HWB92- No. of establishments receiving a planned inspection under the Public Health (Sunbeds) Act, 2014
1a	KPI Short Title	Sunbed planned inspection
2	KPI Description	Sunbed inspections are carried out to assess compliance of sunbed establishments with the legislation. Establishments includes any business where one or more than one sunbed is made available for use or a business which sells or hires sunbeds or advertises or promotes the use, sale or hire of sunbeds; e.g beauty salon, hairdressers, barbers, hotel, leisure centre, gym, stand alone dedicated sunbed salon, etc. The legislation applicable is the Public Health (Sunbeds) Act 2014 and all Regulations.
3	KPI Rationale	The HSE is obliged to enforce this legislation. It protects the public from the risks associated with UV exposure due to sunbed usage.
3a	Indicator Classification	Access & Integration
4	National Target	2025 NSP Target: 188. This is a cumulative calculation
4a	Target	Target trajectory is 47 by end of Quarter 1, 94 by the end of Quarter 2, 141 by the end of Quarter 3, 188 by the end of Quarter 4.
4b	Volume Metrics	
5	KPI Calculation	Sum of the number of establishments which received a planned inspection. Single inspection count per premises.
6	Data Source	Environmental Health Information system (EHIS)
6a	Data Sign Off	Shane Keane, Regional Chief Environmental Health Officer
6b	Data Quality Issues	None
7	Data Collection Frequency	Quarterly
8	Tracer Conditions	
9	Minimum Data Set MDS	Number of establishments inspected. Planned inspection type only. One count only per establishment.
10	International Comparison	No
11	KPI Monitoring	Quarterly
12	KPI Reporting Frequency	Quarterly
13	KPI Report Period	Quarterly
14	KPI Reporting Aggregation	National
15	KPI is reported in which reports?	National Service Plan / Management Data report / National Performance Report
16	Web link to data	http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/performance-reports/
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1	KPI Title	HWB93- Number of inspections of E-cigarette and Refill Container manufacturers, importers, distributors and retailers under the E.U. (Manufacture, Presentation and Sale of Tobacco and Related Products) Regulations 2016.
1a	KPI Short Title	E-Cigarette Manufacturer inspections
2	KPI Description	E-cigarette and Refill Container manufacturers, importers, distributors and retailers based in Ireland to be inspected to assess compliance with E.U. (Manufacture, Presentation and Sale of Tobacco and Related Products) Regulations 2016. Specific regard to be had to safety, quality, labelling, commercial communications and product presentation requirements.
3	KPI Rationale	The HSE is the enforcement authority for the E.U. (Manufacture, Presentation and Sale of Tobacco and Related Products) Regulations 2016. The provisions of this legislation have come into effect in 2016 and 2018. The HSE is responsible by law for enforcing this legislation. It is the first time that e-cigarettes and related refill containers have had statutory requirements.
3a	Indicator Classification	Access and Integration
4	National Target	2025 NSP Full Year Target: 40. This is a cumulative calculation
4a	Target	Target trajectory is 10 by end of Quarter 1, 20 by the end of Quarter 2, 30 by the end of Quarter 3, 40 by the end of Quarter 4.
4b	Volume Metrics	
5	KPI Calculation	Sum of inspections carried out under the E.U. (Manufacture, Presentation and Sale of Tobacco and Related Products) Regulations 2016.
6	Data Source	Environmental Health Information System
6a	Data Sign Off	Shane Keane, Regional Chief Environmental Health Officer
6b	Data Quality Issues	None
7	Data Collection Frequency	Quarterly
8	Tracer Conditions	
9	Minimum Data Set MDS	Number of inspections of E-cigarette and Refill Container manufacturers, importers, distributors and retailers under the E.U. (Manufacture, Presentation and Sale of Tobacco and Related Products) Regulations 2016.
10	International Comparison	
11	KPI Monitoring	Quarterly
12	KPI Reporting Frequency	Quarterly
13	KPI Report Period	Quarterly
14	KPI Reporting Aggregation	National
15	KPI is reported in which reports?	NSP / Management Data Report
16	Web link to data	http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/performance-reports/
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