

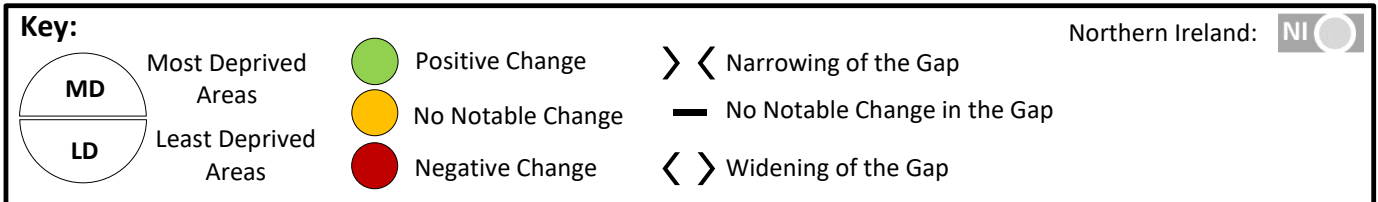
Diet & Dental Health

In 2023/24 the percentage of year 8 pupils in the most deprived areas affected by obesity was more than double the proportion in the least deprived areas. The inequality gap in primary 1 pupils affected by obesity was slightly lower, with the proportion in the most deprived areas almost double that in the least deprived areas. The inequality gaps for most of the dental indicators narrowed over the analysed period with the exception of dental filling rates. While the dental registration rate showed no inequality gap between the most and least deprived areas for all ages the gap between the most and least deprived for under 18 registrations stood at 11% in 2023/24.

Please note that BMI assessments are not available for 2019/20 and 2020/21 school years for Primary 1, and 2020/21 and 2021/22 school years for Year 8 BMI assessments, as the number of measurements recorded was negatively impacted by school closures due to the COVID-19 pandemic. An assessment of changes in the gap have therefore not been provided and caution should be taken with the assessments of change in the rates provided below.

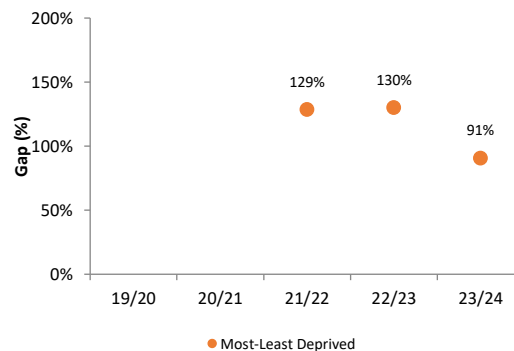
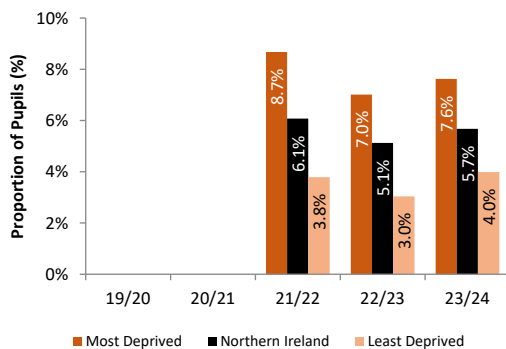
In addition, Year 8 BMI data for 2019/20 does not include measurements across all HSC Trusts therefore figures for this year should be treated with caution.

Health Outcome Indicators



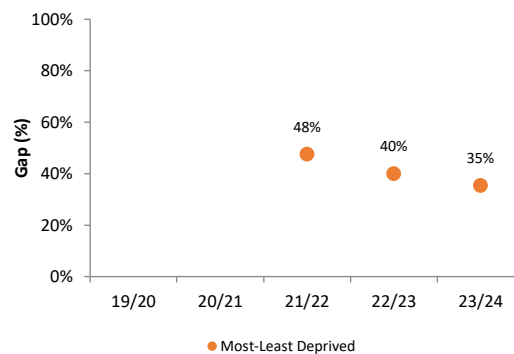
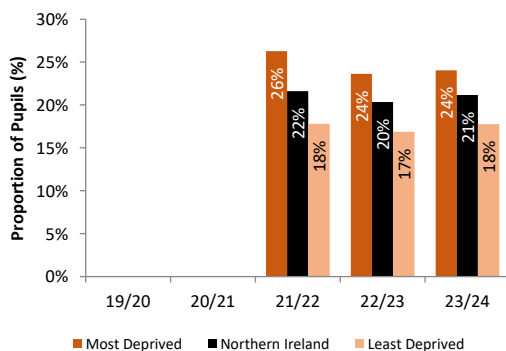
Primary 1 BMI: Obese ¹

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Primary 1 BMI: Overweight or Obese ¹

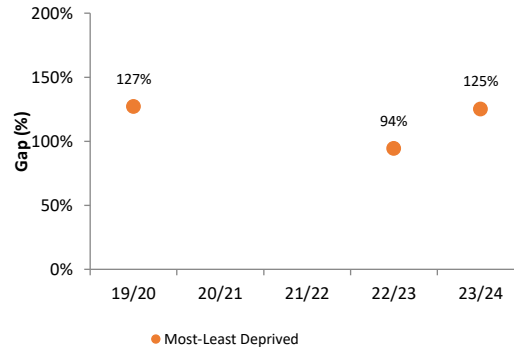
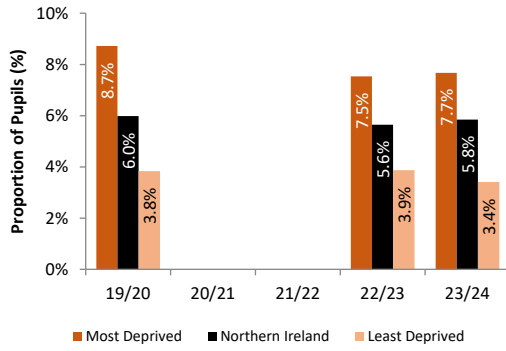
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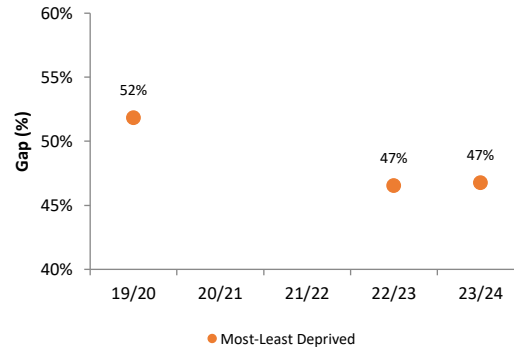
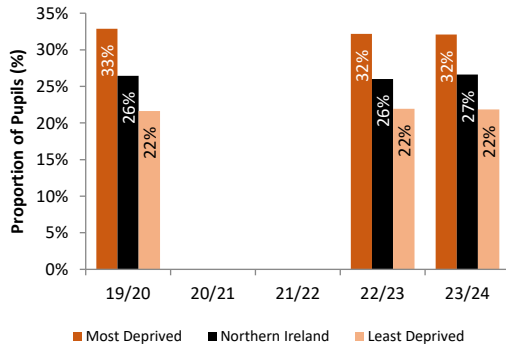
Year 8 BMI: Obese ²

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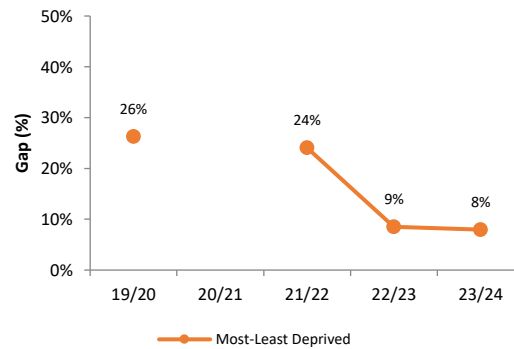
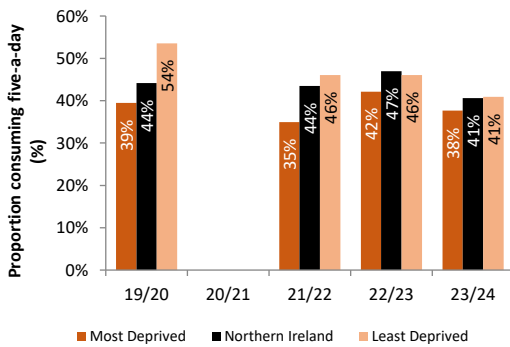
Year 8 BMI: Overweight or Obese ²

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Five-a-Day

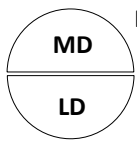
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Service-based Indicators

Key:



Most Deprived Areas
Least Deprived Areas

↑ Increase

— No Notable Change

↓ Decrease

> < Narrowing of the Gap

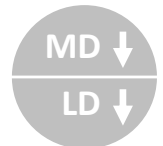
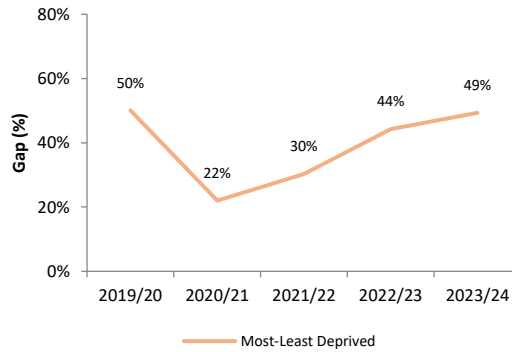
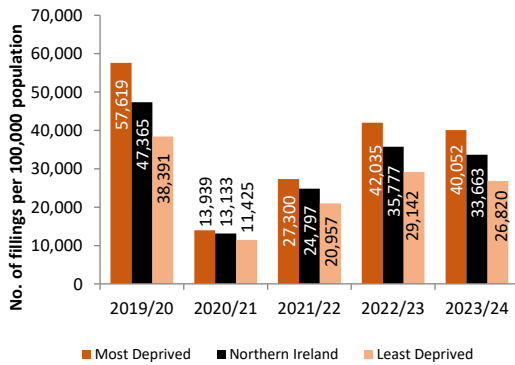
— No Notable Change in the Gap

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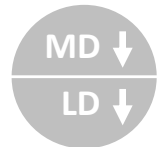
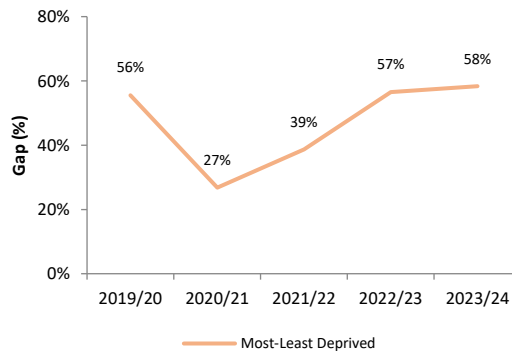
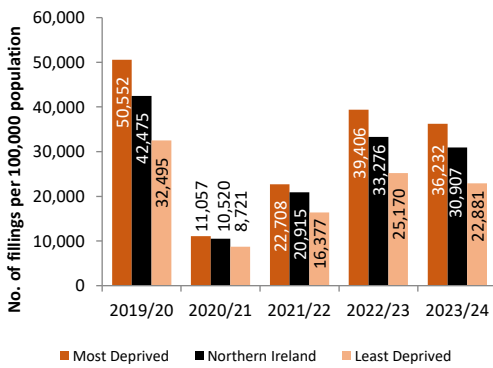
Standardised Dental Filling Rate^{3, 4}

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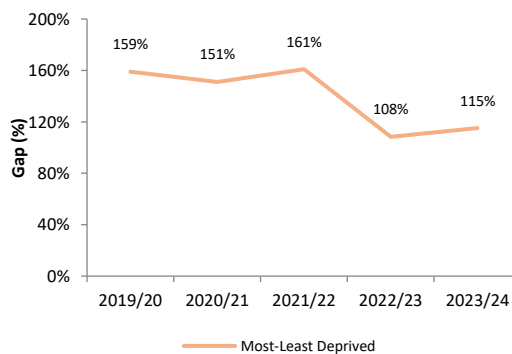
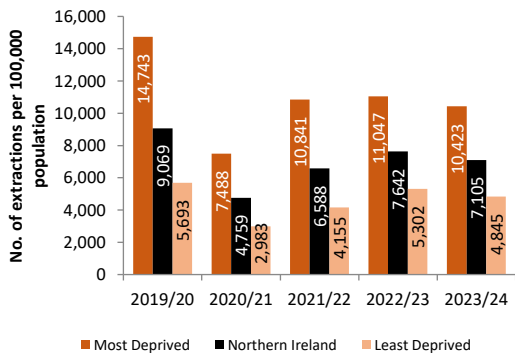
Standardised Dental Filling Rate (Under 18s)^{3, 4}

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Standardised Dental Extraction Rate^{3, 4}

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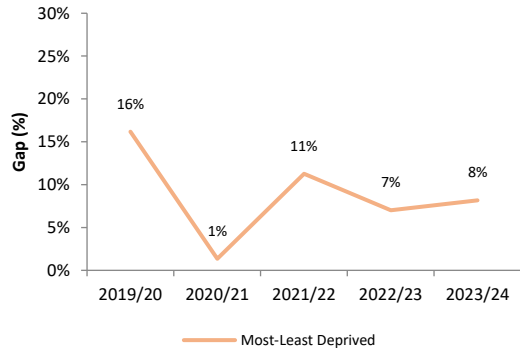
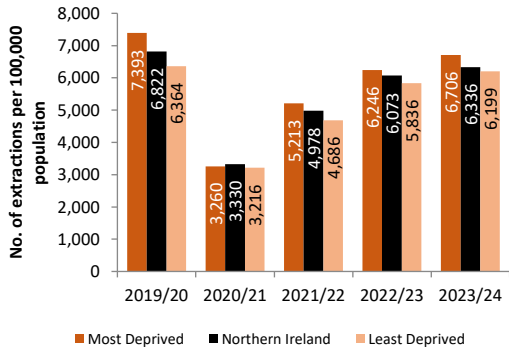


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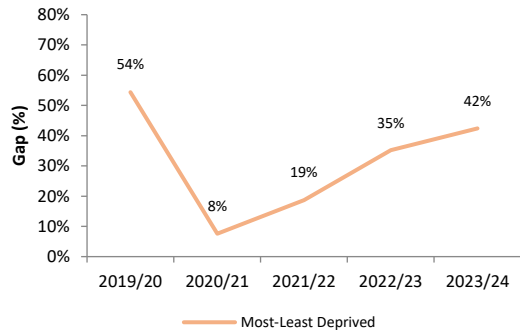
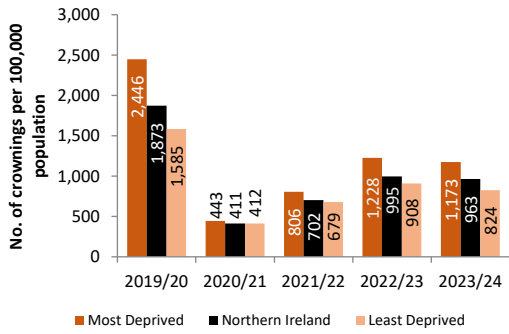
Standardised Dental Extraction Rate (Under 18s) ^{5, 6}

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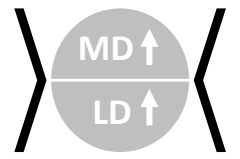
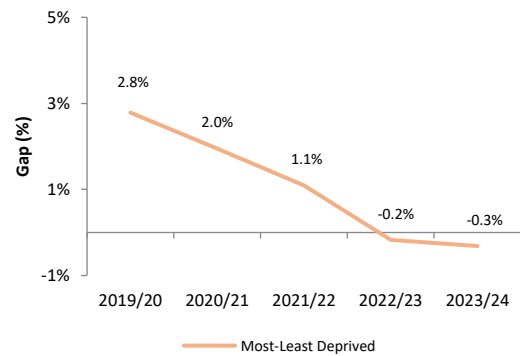
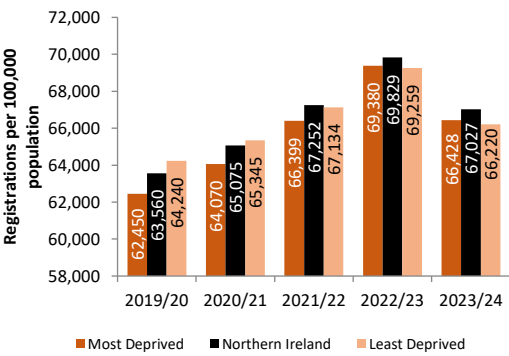
Standardised Dental Crowning Rate ^{5, 6}

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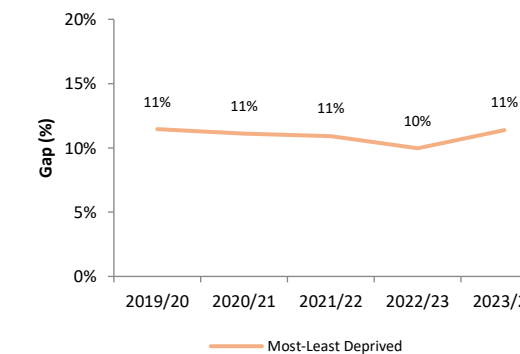
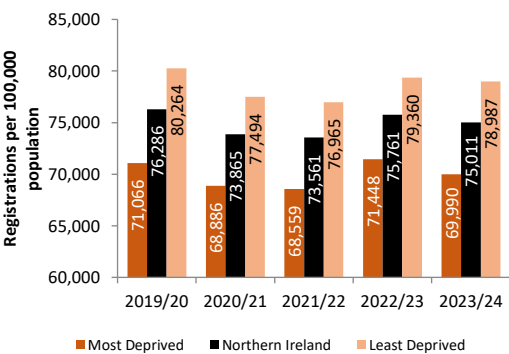
Standardised Dental Registration Rate

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Standardised Dental Registration Rate (Under 18s)

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