

ePACT2 User Guide

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ePACT2 enables you to return patient count data in your results; this means you can see the number of unique identified patients that are receiving specific items

1. Set up a basic analysis with the following columns and filters, (in this example I am running data for Newcastle Gateshead CCG, May 2018 and bringing back the number of Items for Trimethoprim.)

The screenshot shows the configuration interface for a query. It is divided into two main sections: 'Selected Columns' and 'Filters'.

Selected Columns:

Time Period	England Prescribing Organisations	Drug / Appliance	Reporting Fields
Year Month	Commissioner / Provider plus Code	BNF Chemical Substance plus Code	Items

Filters:

- Year Month is equal to / is in 201805
- AND Commissioner / Provider plus Code is equal to / is in NEWCASTLE GATESHEAD CCG (13T00)
- AND BNF Chemical Substance plus Code is equal to / is in Trimethoprim (0501080W0)

2. Apply the Identified Patient Count [1 of 2] and 'Patient Identified [2 of 2], these can be found in the 'Reporting Fields' folder.

The screenshot shows the 'Subject Areas' folder structure. The 'Reporting Fields' folder is expanded, and the following items are visible:

- Reporting Fields
 - Time Period Measures
 - Reporting Attributes
 - COMMON MEASURES----
 - Forms
 - Items
 - Net Ingredient Cost
 - Actual Cost
 - Quantity X Items
 - Prescriber Level Identified Patient Count [1 of 2]
 - Identified Patient Count [1 of 2]
 - Patient Identified [2 of 2]
 - Number of Dispensing Days

3. Select the results tab, your results should look like this:

Year Month	Commissioner / Provider plus Code	BNF Chemical Substance plus Code	Items	Identified Patient Count [1 of 2]	Patient Identified [2 of 2]
201805	NEWCASTLE GATESHEAD CCG (13T00)	Trimethoprim (0501080W0)	56	0	N
201805	NEWCASTLE GATESHEAD CCG (13T00)	Trimethoprim (0501080W0)	1,263	1027	Y



Identified Patient Count [1 of 2] – this will give the number of unique identified patients; patients are identified by the NHS number printer on the prescription. This column needs to be used when running data at practice level or above.



Patient Identified [2 of 2] – this will separate the results into identified and unidentified patients, N indicated not identified and Y indicates identified patients and gives the count.



If you are running the analysis at prescriber level and would like to bring the patient count data down you will need to include the Prescriber level Identified Patient Count [1 of 2] column. **You only see this column if you have prescriber level access to ePACT2**

Getting Help



Additional training material and user guides

The NHSBSA has developed a number of how to guides to help you get the best out of ePACT2. These can be found at: [Additional User Guides](#)

WebEx sessions

WebEx will be provided on a number of different topics and features. More information about these can be found here: [WebEx Training](#)