

# Our use of cookies

Summary of cookie information for [www.ic.nhs.uk](http://www.ic.nhs.uk)

Please note: these are all the cookies used by the NHS Information Centre (NHS IC) at this time. If or when additional cookies are utilised by the NHS IC they will be added to the table:

Cookie	Name	Purpose	More information
Google Analytics	_utma _utmb _utmc _utmz	<p>These cookies are used to collect information about how visitors use our site. We use the information to compile reports and to help us improve the site.</p> <p>The cookies collect information in an anonymous form, including the number of visitors to the site, where visitors have come to the site from and the pages they visited.</p>	<a href="#">Read an overview of privacy at Google</a>
Publication downloads, database downloads – authentication cookie	Random session cookie	<p>In order to download our publications, we invite you to register for MyIC. Once you have either accepted the invitation or just downloaded the data, a cookie is set to allow us to remember your choice.</p> <p>This information is stored only in your browser and is destroyed once your browser is closed.</p>	
Forms – session	Input_field_name	<p>Where forms are used on the site, we hold the information in a session cookie so that we can improve the user experience on the site.</p> <p>Should a user, for example, forget to fill in parts of a form when submitting a form, we can auto-fill the values for those fields that have been filled in, thereby reducing the amount of fields a user needs to amend.</p> <p>This information is stored only in your browser and is destroyed once your browser is closed.</p>	<p>Please note, this is different to your browsers autocomplete functionality. This feature can be turned off in your browser settings and any stored information can be deleted from your browser.</p>

