Northampton is similar to or worse than the national England on the majority of the child health indicators included in this profile.

Northampton is significantly better than the national average on the following indicators:
- Proportion of under 16s in low income families
- Breastfeeding initiation

Northampton is significantly worse than the national average on the following indicators:
- Proportion of overweight or obese children in Year 6
- Proportion of children achieving 5+ GCSEs at grades A*-C
- Proportion of pregnant women smoking at time of delivery
- Teenage pregnancy rate
- Admissions to hospital for lower respiratory conditions
- Admissions to hospital for asthma, diabetes and epilepsy
- Admissions to hospital for unintentional and deliberate injuries (aged 15 to 24 years)
- Admissions to hospital for intentional self-harm