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cvd_area_details	<i>Retrieve details for a specific NHS area and time period</i>
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Description

Returns detailed information about a single NHS area for a given reporting period, including its own details, as well as any parent and child areas. This allows you to understand the hierarchical context (e.g., parent ICB, child PCNs or Practices) for the specified area.

Usage

```
cvd_area_details(time_period_id, area_id)
```

Arguments

time_period_id Integer (required). The reporting period for which area details should be returned. Use `cvd_time_period_list()` to find valid IDs.

area_id Integer (required). The AreaID to return details for. Use `cvd_area_list()` or `cvd_area_search()` to find valid IDs.

Details

This function is useful for navigating NHS area hierarchies, such as finding all practices within a PCN, or determining the parent ICB for a given area. The result is a list of tibbles, so you can extract and work with each component separately.

Value

A named list with up to three tibbles:

area_details A tibble with details about the specified area.

area_parent_details A tibble with details about the parent area(s), if available.

area_child_details A tibble with details about child area(s), if available.

If no data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

area_details, **area_parent_details** and **area_child_details** typically contain the following columns:

AreaCode Character. ONS or internal code for the NHS area (e.g., "E54000015").

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area.

AreaName Character. Full name of the NHS area (e.g., "NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Integrated Care Board").

AreaOdsCode Character. ODS (Organisation Data Service) code for the area (e.g., "QK1").

SystemLevelID Integer. Unique identifier for the system level (e.g., 7 = ICB).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "ICB").

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Area details](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_area_list\(\)](#), [cvd_area_unassigned\(\)](#), [cvd_area_search\(\)](#), [cvd_area_nested_subsystems\(\)](#), [cvd_area_flat_subsystems\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Retrieve details for 'Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland ICB' (area_id = 8037)
# in time period 17
returned_list <- cvd_area_details(time_period_id = 17, area_id = 8037)

# View details for the area
returned_list$area_details |> dplyr::select(AreaCode, AreaName)

# View details for the parent area(s)
returned_list$area_parent_details |> dplyr::select(AreaID, AreaName, SystemLevelID)

# View details for the child area(s)
returned_list$area_child_details |> dplyr::select(AreaID, AreaName, SystemLevelID)
```

cvd_area_flat_subsystems

Retrieve flat sub-systems for an NHS area, grouped by system level

Description

Returns a "flat" list of the specified NHS area and all its immediate child areas from the CVDPREVENT API, with child areas grouped by their system level rather than by strict hierarchical nesting. This function provides a convenient overview when you want to see all sub-areas organised by level (e.g., all PCNs and all GP practices beneath an ICB) without traversing the full hierarchy.

The output is a tibble where each row represents an area or sub-area, and child areas are included as columns (with system level information).

Usage

```
cvd_area_flat_subsystems(area_id)
```

Arguments

area_id Integer (required). The AreaID for which to retrieve flat sub-system data. use [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_area_search\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

Details

This function is useful for quickly listing all areas beneath a parent, grouped by system level, for reporting or selection purposes. For a fully nested view, see [cvd_area_nested_subsystems\(\)](#).

Value

A tibble containing details for the specified area and its child areas and child area details (e.g., via `SubSystems_*` columns). Typical columns include:

AreaCode Character. Code for the parent NHS area (e.g., "E54000038").

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the parent NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the parent NHS area (e.g., "Somerset").

AreaOdsCode Character. ODS (Organisation Data Service) code for the parent area (e.g., "QSL").

ParentAreaID Integer. Identifier for the higher-level parent area (e.g., regional or national grouping).

SubSystems_AreaCode Character. Code for the subsystem NHS area (e.g., practice or PCN).

SubSystems_AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the subsystem NHS area.

SubSystems_AreaName Character. Name of the subsystem NHS area (e.g., "Church Street Surgery, Martock").

SubSystems_AreaOdsCode Character. ODS code for the subsystem area, if available. Often blank.

SubSystems_ParentAreaID Integer. ID of the immediate parent area for the subsystem (e.g., PCN or ICB).

SubSystems_SystemLevelID Integer. Identifier for the system level of the subsystem (e.g., 5 = Practice, 4 = PCN).

SubSystems_SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level for the subsystem (e.g., "Practice", "PCN").

SystemLevelID Integer. Identifier for the system level of the parent area (e.g., 2 = STP).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level for the parent area (e.g., "STP").

If no data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Area flat subsystems](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_area_list\(\)](#), [cvd_area_details\(\)](#), [cvd_area_unassigned\(\)](#), [cvd_area_search\(\)](#), [cvd_area_nested_subsystem](#)

Examples

```
# View flat sub-systems for Somerset STP (area_id = 5)
cvd_area_flat_subsystems(area_id = 5) |> dplyr::glimpse()

# View flat sub-systems for Lincolnshire ICB (area_id = 8042)
cvd_area_flat_subsystems(area_id = 8042) |> dplyr::glimpse()
```

cvd_area_list

List NHS areas for a given time period and parent or system level

Description

Retrieves all NHS geographical areas (e.g., England, Region, ICB, PCN, Practice) that have data available for a specified reporting period and either a parent area or system level. Only areas with data for the chosen time period are returned.

You must specify at least one of `parent_area_id` or `system_level_id`. If both are provided, `parent_area_id` takes precedence and `system_level_id` is ignored.

- If `parent_area_id` is specified, returns all child areas of the specified parent area.
- If `system_level_id` is specified, returns all areas within that system level.

Usage

```
cvd_area_list(time_period_id, parent_area_id = NULL, system_level_id = NULL)
```

Arguments

`time_period_id` Integer (required). The reporting period ID for which to return areas. Use [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

`parent_area_id` Integer (optional). The AreaID for which all children will be returned. If provided, this takes precedence over `system_level_id`.

`system_level_id`

Integer (optional). The system level ID for which to return all areas (e.g., Practice, PCN, ICB). Ignored if `parent_area_id` is specified. Use [cvd_area_system_level\(\)](#) to find valid IDs for a given time period.

Details

- At least one of `parent_area_id` or `system_level_id` must be supplied, otherwise an error is thrown.
- This function is commonly used to list all practices within a given PCN, all PCNs within an ICB, or all areas at a specific system level for a chosen time period.

Value

A tibble containing area details for the specified criteria with the following columns:

AreaCode Character. ONS code for the NHS area (e.g., "U91471").

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "Inclusive Health PCN").

AreaOdsCode Character. ODS (Organisation Data Service) code for the area, if available. Often blank.

ParticipationRate Numeric. Percentage of practices or organisations participating in the CVD-PREVENT program within the area.

PopulationRate Numeric. Percentage of the population covered by participating organisations in the area.

SystemLevelID Integer. Unique identifier for the system level (e.g., 4 = PCN).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "PCN").

Parents Integer. ID of the parent organisation or grouping (e.g., ICB or region).

If no data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Area lists](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_area_details\(\)](#), [cvd_area_unassigned\(\)](#), [cvd_area_search\(\)](#), [cvd_area_nested_subsystems\(\)](#), [cvd_area_flat_subsystems\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# List four PCNs (system level 4) with data available at time period 17
cvd_area_list(time_period_id = 17, system_level_id = 4) |>
  dplyr::select(SystemLevelName, AreaID, AreaCode, AreaName) |>
  dplyr::slice_head(n = 4)

# List all child areas of parent area 8037 (e.g., an ICB) in time period 17
cvd_area_list(time_period_id = 17, parent_area_id = 8037)

# Attempting to call without either optional argument will result in a
# tibble explaining the error.
# cvd_area_list(time_period_id = 17)
```

`cvd_area_nested_subsystems`*Retrieve nested sub-systems for an NHS area*

Description

Returns a hierarchical (nested) structure of the specified NHS area and all of its descendent (child) areas from the CVDPREVENT API. This function is useful for exploring the parent-child relationships within NHS geographies, such as seeing a PCN and all of its practices, or an ICB with all subordinate structures.

The output is a list of tibbles, one for each "level" in the heirarchy, named as `level_1`, `level_2`, etc. Each tibble contains the details for the areas at that level.

Usage

```
cvd_area_nested_subsystems(area_id)
```

Arguments

`area_id` Integer (required). The AreaID for which to retrieve nested sub-system data. Use [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_area_search\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

Details

This function is helpful for visualising or programmatically traversing the full nested structure beneath a given NHS area. For example, given an ICB, you can see all PCNs, then all practices beneath those PCNs, and so on.

Value

A named list of tibbles, where each element (`level_1`, `level_2`, etc.) contains details for the specified area and each subsequent child level. If no data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

Each tibble contains the following columns:

AreaCode Character. Unique code for the NHS area (e.g., "U11103").

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "Yeovil PCN").

AreaOdsCode Character. ODS (Organisation Data Service) code for the area, if available. Often blank.

ParentAreaID Integer. ID of the parent NHS area or organisation (e.g., ICB or region).

SystemLevelID Integer. Identifier for the system level (e.g., 4 = PCN).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "PCN").

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Area nested subsystems](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_area_list\(\)](#), [cvd_area_details\(\)](#), [cvd_area_unassigned\(\)](#), [cvd_area_search\(\)](#), [cvd_area_flat_subsystems\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# View the nested structure for Somerset STP (area_id = 5)
returned_list <- cvd_area_nested_subsystems(area_id = 5)
returned_list |> summary()

# See details for the first five immediate children of Somerset STP
returned_list$level_2 |> dplyr::slice_head(n = 5)

# View the nested structure for Leicester Central PCN (area_id = 701)
returned_list <- cvd_area_nested_subsystems(area_id = 701)
returned_list |> summary()

# See the GP practice children of the PCN
returned_list$level_2
```

cvd_area_search	<i>Search for NHS areas by partial name and time period</i>
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Description

Searches for NHS areas whose names match a given partial string, within a specified reporting time period. This function uses a case-insensitive "LIKE" search (i.e., matches any area containing the search term) and returns only areas for which data is available in the specified period.

Usage

```
cvd_area_search(partial_area_name, time_period_id)
```

Arguments

partial_area_name String (required). The substring to search for within area names (case-insensitive). This may be any part of an area name, e.g., "practice", "PCN", or a specific place.

time_period_id Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) to restrict the search to areas with data. use [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#) to obtain valid IDs.

Details

- The search is case-insensitive and matches anywhere in the area name.
- Only areas with available data in the chosen time period will be returned.
- Use this function to quickly locate AreaIDs or codes for use in other cvdprevent API calls.

Value

A tibble containing details of areas matching the search term and having data for the specified time period. Typical columns include:

AreaCode Character. Unique code for the NHS area (e.g., "P86619").

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "Dr Mb Ghafoor & Partners").

IsVisible Logical or character. Indicates whether the area is visible in the API or dashboard ("Y" or "N").

NationalLevel Logical or character. Indicates whether the area is included in national-level aggregations ("Y" or "N").

OdsCode Character. ODS (Organisation Data Service) code for the area, if available. Often blank.

SystemLevelID Integer. Identifier for the system level (5 = GP Practices).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "Practice").

SystemLevelOrder Integer. Display order for the system level in dashboards or reports.

If no data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Area search](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_area_list\(\)](#), [cvd_area_details\(\)](#), [cvd_area_unassigned\(\)](#), [cvd_area_nested_subsystems\(\)](#), [cvd_area_flat_subsystems\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Search for areas containing "practice" in their name for time period 17
cvd_area_search(partial_area_name = "practice", time_period_id = 17) |>
  dplyr::select(AreaID, AreaName, AreaCode)
```

```
# Search for areas containing "PCN" for time period 17
cvd_area_search(partial_area_name = "PCN", time_period_id = 17) |>
  dplyr::select(AreaID, AreaName, AreaCode)
```

cvd_area_system_level *List system levels available for a specific time period*

Description

Retrieves all available NHS system levels (e.g., National, Region, ICB, PCN, Practice) for a specified reporting time period from the CVDPREVENT API.

This function helps users determine which system levels are available for data extraction in a given reporting period.

Usage

```
cvd_area_system_level(time_period_id)
```

Arguments

`time_period_id` Integer (required). The ID of the reporting time period for which system levels should be returned. Use `cvd_time_period_list()` to find valid IDs.

Details

This function is useful in workflows where you need to filter or subset NHS areas or data by both time period and system level. It is often used as a precursor to more detailed area or indicator queries.

Value

A tibble containing system level details for the specified time period, with the following columns:

IsVisible Logical or character. Indicates whether the system level is visible in the API or dashboard ("Y" or "N").

NationalLevel Logical or character. Indicates whether the system level represents national coverage ("Y" or "N").

SystemLevelID Integer. Unique identifier for the system level (e.g., 1 = England, 4 = PCN).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "England", "Region", "ICB", "Practice").

SystemLevelOrder Integer. Display order for the system level in dashboards or reports.

If no data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: System levels per time period](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_area_details\(\)](#), [cvd_area_unassigned\(\)](#), [cvd_area_search\(\)](#), [cvd_area_nested_subsystems\(\)](#),
[cvd_area_flat_subsystems\(\)](#), [cvd_time_period_system_levels\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# List all system levels available for time period 4 (activity to March 2022)
cvd_area_system_level(time_period_id = 4) |>
  dplyr::select(SystemLevelID, SystemLevelName)

# Find valid time period IDs, then get system levels for the latest one
latest_period <-
  cvd_time_period_system_levels() |>
  dplyr::pull(TimePeriodID) |>
  max()

cvd_area_system_level(time_period_id = latest_period) |>
  dplyr::select(SystemLevelID, SystemLevelName)
```

cvd_area_system_level_time_periods

List all system levels and their available time periods

Description

Retrieves all available NHS system levels from the CVDPREVENT API, along with the reporting periods (time periods) in which each system level has data available.

This function is the inverse of [cvd_time_period_system_levels\(\)](#), allowing you to see, for each system level (e.g., National, Region, ICB, PCN, Practice), the set of time periods for which data exists.

Usage

```
cvd_area_system_level_time_periods()
```

Details

Use this function to determine which reporting periods are available for each NHS system level. This is useful for dynamically generating data selections or validating user input in dashboards or scripts.

Value

A tibble with one row per system level and time period, with the following columns:

IsVisible Logical or character. Indicates whether the time period is visible in the API or dashboard ("Y" or "N").

NationalLevel Logical or character. Indicates whether the data is available at the national level ("Y" or "N").

SystemLevelID Integer. Unique identifier for the system level (e.g., 1 = England, 4 = PCN).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "England", "ICB", "Sub-ICB", "STP").

EndDate POSIXct. End date of the reporting period (e.g., "2023-06-30").

StartDate POSIXct. Start date of the reporting period. Typically set to a default baseline (e.g., "1900-01-01").

TimePeriodID Integer. Unique identifier for the time period.

TimePeriodName Character. Display label for the time period (e.g., "To June 2025", "Apr 2022 – Mar 2023").

If no data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

[CVDPREVENT API documentation: All system levels and time periods](#) for details.

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_time_period_system_levels\(\)](#), [cvd_area_details\(\)](#), [cvd_area_unassigned\(\)](#), [cvd_area_search\(\)](#), [cvd_area_nested_subsystems\(\)](#), [cvd_area_flat_subsystems\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# List the latest four reporting periods at GP practice level
cvd_area_system_level_time_periods() |>
  dplyr::filter(SystemLevelName == "Practice") |>
  dplyr::slice_max(order_by = TimePeriodID, n = 4) |>
  dplyr::select(SystemLevelName, TimePeriodID, TimePeriodName)

# Explore all system levels and their available time periods
cvd_area_system_level_time_periods()
```

cvd_area_unassigned *List NHS areas without parent assignments for a given time period*

Description

Retrieves all NHS areas that have data in the specified reporting time period but do not have any parent areas assigned. These "unassigned" areas are unreachable via standard hierarchical navigation and may represent data issues or exceptional cases (e.g., England as the highest-level system).

Usage

```
cvd_area_unassigned(time_period_id, system_level_id = NULL)
```

Arguments

time_period_id Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) for which to find unassigned areas. Use `cvd_time_period_list()` to obtain valid IDs.

system_level_id Integer (optional). Restrict the search to areas at a specific system level (e.g., Practice, PCN, ICB). Use `cvd_area_system_level()` to find valid IDs for a given time period.

Details

- Use this function to identify "orphaned" NHS areas or to understand top-level areas (e.g., England).
- If `system_level_id = 1` (England), expect the only result to be England, since it has no parent.
- This can help with data quality checks or to ensure all areas are accessible via parent/child navigation.

Value

A tibble containing details for all areas without parent assignments in the selected time period (and system level, if specified). Typical columns include:

AreaCode Character. Unique code for the NHS area (e.g., "L81117").

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "Pilning Surgery").

OdsCode Character. ODS (Organisation Data Service) code for the practice, if available. Often blank.

SystemLevelID Integer. Identifier for the system level (5 = GP practices).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "Practice").

If no data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Areas unassigned](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_area_list\(\)](#), [cvd_area_details\(\)](#), [cvd_area_search\(\)](#), [cvd_area_nested_subsystems\(\)](#), [cvd_area_flat_subsystems\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Report four GP practices (system level ID = 5) without parent PCN details for time period 17:
cvd_area_unassigned(time_period_id = 17, system_level_id = 5) |>
  dplyr::slice_head(n = 4) |>
  dplyr::select(SystemLevelName, AreaID, AreaName)

# List unassigned top-level areas (system level ID = 1, England) for time period 17:
cvd_area_unassigned(time_period_id = 17, system_level_id = 1) |>
  dplyr::select(SystemLevelName, AreaID, AreaName)
```

cvd_clear_cache	<i>Clear package cache</i>
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Description

Remove all entries from the memoise cache used by cvdprevent.

Usage

```
cvd_clear_cache()
```

Details

This function forces the package cache to be emptied. It is safe to call from interactive sessions, non-interactive checks and tests. Clearing the cache does not change any package options or remove the cache directory; it only removes the stored key/value entries so subsequent calls will re-query the API.

Use this when you want to:

- force fresh API requests or recomputation during development
- clear stale or corrupted cache contents before running checks
- free disc space used by the cache

Value

Invisibly returns TRUE on success

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Clear cache  
cvd_clear_cache()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

cvd_data_availability *Data availability*

Description

Returns the data availability. Response: DataAvailabilityID - ID of the resource as found in the database DataAvailabilityName - explanation for the data availability IsAvailable - Y for data is available, N for data is unavailable, and NULL for unknown data

Usage

```
cvd_data_availability(  
  time_period_id,  
  system_level_id,  
  indicator_id = NULL,  
  metric_category_type_id = NULL  
)
```

Arguments

time_period_id integer - the time period to return data for (compulsory)
system_level_id integer - the system level to return data for (compulsory)
indicator_id integer - the indicator to return data for (optional)
metric_category_type_id integer - the metric category to return data for (optional)

Details

CVD Prevent API documentation: [Data availability](#)

Value

Tibble of data availability

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_external_resource\(\)](#)

Examples

```
cvd_data_availability(time_period_id = 3, system_level_id = 5)
```

cvd_external_resource *Retrieve metadata for external resources linked to CVDPREVENT*

Description

Returns a tibble containing metadata for all external resources referenced by the CVDPREVENT programme. These resources may include clinical guidelines, research papers, policy documents, and third-party datasets used to support indicator definitions and reporting.

Usage

```
cvd_external_resource()
```

Details

Each resource is categorised and includes source information, title, and descriptive metadata. This function is useful for:

- Auditing external references used in CVDPREVENT indicators
- Linking indicators to supporting evidence or policy
- Building documentation or dashboards that reference external sources

Value

A tibble where each row represents an external resource referenced by CVDPREVENT. Columns include:

ExternalResourceCategory Character. Thematic category of the resource (e.g., "Toolkits", "Resources for patients").

ExternalResourceID Integer. Unique identifier for the resource.

ExternalResourceOrder Integer. Display order for the resource within its category.

ExternalResourceSource Character. Organisation or publisher of the resource (e.g., "NHS England", "UCLPartners").

ExternalResourceTitle Character. Title of the resource (e.g., "Cardiovascular Disease Prevention Data Packs").

ExternalResourceType Character. Type of resource (e.g., "website", "document").

ExternalResourceURL Character. Direct URL to the resource.

Tags List-column of data frames. Each entry contains one or more indicator tags associated with the resource, including:

IndicatorTagID Integer. Unique identifier for the tag.

IndicatorTagName Character. Descriptive name of the tag (e.g., "prevention", "digital tools").

May be empty or contain NA if no tags are assigned.

If the request fails, a tibble describing the error is returned instead.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: External resources](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_data_availability\(\)](#) for checking data coverage across indicators

Examples

```
# Show the first five external resources grouped by category
cvd_external_resource() |>
  dplyr::filter(ExternalResourceID < 10) |>
  dplyr::select(ExternalResourceCategory, ExternalResourceSource, ExternalResourceTitle) |>
  dplyr::group_by(ExternalResourceCategory)
```

cvd_indicator

Retrieve all indicators and their data for a given time period and area

Description

Returns all CVD indicators and related data for a specified reporting period (`time_period_id`) and NHS area (`area_id`) from the CVDPREVENT API. Also retrieves time series data for all available periods. Optionally, you can filter results by one or more indicator tags.

The returned object is a named list of tibbles, including details about indicators, metric categories, metric data and time series, making this function ideal for comprehensive data extraction and downstream analysis.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator(time_period_id, area_id, tag_id = NULL)
```

Arguments

time_period_id Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) for which to return indicator data. Use the [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

area_id Integer (required). The AreaID for which to return indicator data. Use [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_area_search\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

tag_id Numeric vector (optional). One or more tag IDs to filter indicators by tag. Use [cvd_indicator_tags\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

Details

This function is useful for extracting all indicator data for a given area and period, including breakdowns by category and time series. The list output allows easy access to different data tables for further analysis or visualisation. Filtering by tag enables targeted queries for specific subsets of indicators.

Value

A named list containing up to four tibbles:

indicators Tibble of indicators for the area and time period.

metric_categories Tibble of metric categories related to the indicators.

metric_data Tibble of metric values for the area and indicators.

timeseries_data Tibble of time series data for metrics and indicators across time periods.

If no indicators are found, returns a tibble describing the error.

indicators contains the following columns:

AxisCharacter Character. Symbol used to represent the metric axis (e.g., "%").

DataUpdateInterval Character. Frequency or interval at which the indicator data is updated. Often blank.

FormatDisplayName Character. Display format for the metric (e.g., "Proportion %").

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if applicable (e.g., "Red"). Often blank.

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP009CHOL").

IndicatorFormatID Integer. Internal ID for the indicator's format type.

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

IndicatorOrder Integer. Display order for the indicator in dashboards or reports.

IndicatorShortName Character. Abbreviated name of the indicator for display purposes.

IndicatorStatus Character. Status of the indicator (e.g., active, discontinued). Often blank.

IndicatorTypeID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator type (e.g., 1 = Standard).

IndicatorTypeName Character. Name of the indicator type (e.g., "Standard").

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator.

metric_categories contains the following columns:

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator. Links to the corresponding entry in the indicators table.

CategoryAttribute Character. Grouping label used to define the population subset (e.g., "Male", "Persons").

MetricCategoryID Integer. Unique identifier for the metric category.

MetricCategoryName Character. Name of the subgroup or category (e.g., "80+", "Mixed", "Female").

MetricCategoryOrder Integer. Display order for the category within its type.

MetricCategoryTypeName Character. Type of category used for breakdown (e.g., "Age group", "Sex", "Ethnicity").

MetricID Integer. Unique identifier for the specific metric instance.

metric_data contains the following columns:

MetricID Integer. Unique identifier for the metric instance. Links to the corresponding entry in the metric categories table.

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area.

Count Integer. Number of records included in the calculation.

DataID Integer. Unique identifier for the data point.

Denominator Numeric. Denominator used in the metric calculation.

Factor Numeric. Scaling factor applied to the metric, if applicable. Often blank.

LowerConfidenceLimit Numeric. Lower bound of the confidence interval.

Max Numeric. Maximum observed value for the metric.

Median Numeric. Median value for the metric.

Min Numeric. Minimum observed value for the metric.

Numerator Numeric. Numerator used in the metric calculation.

Q20 Numeric. 20th percentile value.

Q40 Numeric. 40th percentile value.

Q60 Numeric. 60th percentile value.

Q80 Numeric. 80th percentile value.

TimePeriodID Integer. Identifier for the time period associated with the metric.

UpperConfidenceLimit Numeric. Upper bound of the confidence interval.

Value Numeric. Final calculated value for the metric.

ValueNote Character. Notes or flags associated with the value (e.g., suppression warnings).

timeseries_data contains the following columns:

MetricID Integer. Unique identifier for the metric instance. Links to the corresponding entry in the metric data table.

EndDate POSIXct. End date of the reporting period (e.g., "2025-06-30").

Median Numeric. Median value for the metric during the specified time period.

StartDate POSIXct. Start date of the reporting period. Typically set to a default baseline (e.g., "1900-01-01").

TimePeriodID Integer. Unique identifier for the time period.

TimePeriodName Character. Display label for the time period (e.g., "To June 2025").

Value Numeric. Final calculated value for the metric in the given time period.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_tags\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_details\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_sibling\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_child_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_raw_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_pathway_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_person_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Get all indicator data for area_id = 1103 in time period 17
return_list <- cvd_indicator(time_period_id = 17, area_id = 1103)

# See what data tables are available
summary(return_list)

# Extract and examine indicators
indicators <- return_list$indicators
indicators |>
  dplyr::select(IndicatorID, IndicatorCode, IndicatorShortName) |>
  dplyr::arrange(IndicatorID) |>
  dplyr::slice_head(n = 4)

# Extract metric categories for a specific indicator and categories
categories <- return_list$metric_categories
categories |>
  dplyr::filter(IndicatorID == 7, MetricCategoryID %in% c(7, 8)) |>
  dplyr::select(
    IndicatorID,
    MetricCategoryTypeName,
```

```

    CategoryAttribute,
    MetricCategoryName,
    MetricID
  )

# Extract metric data for specific metrics
metric_data <- return_list$metric_data
metric_data |>
  dplyr::filter(MetricID %in% c(126, 132)) |>
  dplyr::select(MetricID, Value, Numerator, Denominator)

# Extract time series data for selected metrics
timeseries_data <- return_list$timeseries_data
timeseries_data |>
  dplyr::filter(MetricID %in% c(126, 132), !is.na(Value))

# Filter by tags: get indicators tagged with either tag 3 or 4 in area 3, time period 17
return_list <- cvd_indicator(time_period_id = 17, area_id = 3, tag_id = c(3, 4))

```

cvd_indicator_child_data

Retrieve child area data for a specific metric, time period and area

Description

Returns the value of a single metric for all child areas of a specified NHS area (and the specified area itself) for a chosen reporting period, using the CVDPREVENT API. This function enables direct comparison of a specific metric across all subordinate areas (e.g., all GP practices within a PCN, or all PCNs within an ICB).

Only the selected metric is returned for each child area.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_child_data(time_period_id, area_id, metric_id)
```

Arguments

time_period_id	Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) for which to return child data. Use cvd_time_period_list() to find valid IDs.
area_id	Integer (required). The AreaID for which to find child areas. Use cvd_area_list() or cvd_area_search() to find valid IDs.
metric_id	Integer (required). The MetricID for which to retrieve values. Use cvd_indicator_metric_list() or cvd_indicator_data() to find valid MetricIDs.

Details

Use this function to compare a metric across all immediate child areas under a parent (for example, to benchmark all GP practices within a PCN for a specific indicator and reporting period).

Value

A tibble with the value of the specified metric for the given area and all its child areas, for the specified time period. Columns include:

CategoryAttribute Character. Grouping label used to define the population subset (e.g., "Male").

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP002AF").

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

IndicatorOrder Integer. Display order for the indicator in dashboards or reports.

IndicatorShortName Character. Abbreviated name of the indicator for display purposes.

MetricCategoryID Integer. Unique identifier for the metric category.

MetricCategoryName Character. Name of the subgroup or category (e.g., "40–59").

MetricCategoryOrder Integer. Display order for the category within its type.

MetricCategoryTypeName Character. Type of category used for breakdown (e.g., "Age group").

AreaCode Character. Code for the child NHS area (e.g., PCN).

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the child NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the child NHS area (e.g., "Teldoc PCN").

Count Integer. Number of records included in the calculation.

DataID Integer. Unique identifier for the data point.

Denominator Numeric. Denominator used in the metric calculation.

Factor Numeric. Scaling factor applied to the metric, if applicable. Often blank.

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if applicable (e.g., "Red"). Often blank.

LowerConfidenceLimit Numeric. Lower bound of the confidence interval.

Max Numeric. Maximum observed value for the metric.

Median Numeric. Median value for the metric.

Min Numeric. Minimum observed value for the metric.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator.

Numerator Numeric. Numerator used in the metric calculation.

Q20 Numeric. 20th percentile value.

Q40 Numeric. 40th percentile value.

Q60 Numeric. 60th percentile value.

Q80 Numeric. 80th percentile value.

SystemLevelID Integer. Identifier for the system level (e.g., 4 = PCN).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "PCN").

TimePeriodID Integer. Identifier for the time period associated with the metric.

TimePeriodName Character. Display label for the time period (e.g., "To March 2024").

UpperConfidenceLimit Numeric. Upper bound of the confidence interval.

Value Numeric. Final calculated value for the metric.

ValueNote Character. Notes or flags associated with the value (e.g., suppression warnings).

If no child data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator child data](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_tags\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_details\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_sibling\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_raw_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_pathway_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_person_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Compare the value of metric 126 for area 74 and all its child areas in time period 22
cvd_indicator_child_data(time_period_id = 22, area_id = 74, metric_id = 126) |>
  dplyr::select(AreaID, AreaName, Value, LowerConfidenceLimit, UpperConfidenceLimit)

# Find a valid metric ID for an indicator, then get child area data
metrics <- cvd_indicator_metric_list(time_period_id = 17, system_level_id = 5)
metric_id <- metrics$MetricID[1]
cvd_indicator_child_data(time_period_id = 17, area_id = 1103, metric_id = metric_id)
```

cvd_indicator_data *Retrieve CVD indicator data for a specific area and time period*

Description

Fetches all available metric breakdowns for a single cardiovascular disease (CVD) indicator from the CVDPREVENT API, scoped to a specified NHS area and reporting period. This includes subgroup data such as age, sex, ethnicity, deprivation quintile, and more.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_data(time_period_id, area_id, indicator_id)
```

Arguments

time_period_id Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) to retrieve data for. Use [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

area_id Integer (required). The AreaID for which to retrieve indicator data. use [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_area_search\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

indicator_id Integer (required). The IndicatorID for which to retrieve data. use [cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

Details

Use this function to obtain all metric values for a single indicator in a particular area and time period, such as for a local dashboard or a focussed report. For broader queries across multiple indicators, see [cvd_indicator\(\)](#) or [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#).

Value

A named list containing three tibbles:

indicator_metrics Tibble. Metadata and definitions for the selected indicator and its associated metrics.

area_data Tibble. Metric values for the specified NHS area (`area_id`) across all available breakdowns.

national_data Tibble. Metric values for England, used for benchmarking and comparison.

If no indicator data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

indicator_metrics contains the following items:

AxisCharacter Character. Symbol used to represent the metric axis (e.g., "%").

FormatDisplayName Character. Display format for the metric (e.g., "Proportion %").

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP002AF").

IndicatorFormatID Integer. Internal ID for the indicator's format type.

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

IndicatorOrder Integer. Display order for the indicator in dashboards or reports.

IndicatorShortName Character. Abbreviated name of the indicator for display.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator. Often zero.

TimePeriodID Integer. ID of the reporting time period.

TimePeriodName Character. Label for the reporting time period (e.g., "To March 2024").

CategoryAttribute Character. Subgroup label (e.g., "Male", "Female", "Persons").

MetricCategoryID Integer. Unique ID for the metric category.

MetricCategoryName Character. Name of the subgroup or category (e.g., "18–39", "Sex").

MetricCategoryOrder Integer. Display order for the metric category.

MetricCategoryTypeName Character. Type of subgroup (e.g., "Age group", "Sex").

MetricID Integer. Unique ID for the specific metric being measured.

area_data and **national_data** contain the following items:

MetricID Integer. Unique identifier for the metric being measured.

MetricCategoryTypeName Character. Type of subgroup (e.g., "Sex", "Age group").

MetricCategoryName Character. Name of the subgroup (e.g., "Female", "18–39").

CategoryAttribute Character. Label used to group individuals (e.g., "Male", "Persons").

AreaCode Character. ONS code for the NHS area (e.g., "U60176").

AreaID Integer. Internal ID for the NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "3 Centres PCN").

Count Integer. Total number of individuals in the subgroup.

DataID Integer. Unique identifier for the data record.

Denominator Numeric. Population or count used as the denominator in metric calculation.

Factor Numeric. Scaling factor applied to the metric, if applicable. Often NA.

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if available. Often NA.

LowerConfidenceLimit Numeric. Lower bound of the confidence interval for the metric value.

Max Numeric. Maximum observed value for the metric across comparable areas.

Median Numeric. Median value for the metric across comparable areas.

Min Numeric. Minimum observed value for the metric across comparable areas.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator. Often zero.

Numerator Numeric. Count used as the numerator in metric calculation.

Q20 Numeric. 20th percentile value across comparable areas.

Q40 Numeric. 40th percentile value across comparable areas.

Q60 Numeric. 60th percentile value across comparable areas.

Q80 Numeric. 80th percentile value across comparable areas.

TimePeriodID Integer. ID of the reporting time period.

TimePeriodName Character. Label for the reporting time period (e.g., "To March 2024").

UpperConfidenceLimit Numeric. Upper bound of the confidence interval for the metric value.

Value Numeric. Calculated metric value (e.g., percentage of patients treated).

ValueNote Character. Additional notes or flags about the value. Often NA.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator data](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_tags\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_details\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_sibling\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_child_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_raw_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_pathway_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_person_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Retrieve all metric breakdowns for indicator 7 in area 1103 for time period 17
returned_list <- cvd_indicator_data(time_period_id = 17, area_id = 1103, indicator_id = 7)

# See the structure of this data
returned_list |> dplyr::glimpse()

# See the definition for one metric
returned_list$indicator_metrics |>
  dplyr::slice_head(n = 1) |>
  dplyr::glimpse()

# Compare performance in the specified area (AreaID = 1103) with national results for
# women aged 40-59 years (MetricID = 132)
dplyr::bind_rows(
  returned_list$area_data,
  returned_list$national_data
) |>
dplyr::filter(MetricID == 132)
```

`cvd_indicator_details` *Retrieve details for a specific indicator*

Description

Returns metadata and descriptive information for a single CVD indicator, identified by its IndicatorID, from the CVDPREVENT API. This function allows you to programmatically access the definitions, titles and metadata fields associated with specific indicators for use in reporting, dashboards or documentation.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_details(indicator_id)
```

Arguments

`indicator_id` Integer (required). The IndicatorID for which to return details. Use [cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

Details

Use this function to retrieve indicator definitions, full names, and metadata fields for use in custom reports or to provide documentation / tooltips in analytical applications. Metadata fields are unnested for convenience.

Value

A tibble containing metadata and details for the specified indicator containing the following columns:

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP002AF").

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

IndicatorOrder Integer. Display order for the indicator in dashboards or reports.

IndicatorShortName Character. Abbreviated name of the indicator for display purposes.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator.

AgeStandardised Character. Indicates whether the indicator is age-standardised ("Y" or "N").

CategoryName Character. Section heading or thematic grouping for the metadata (e.g., "Section 2: Data and Construction").

MetaData Character. Detailed explanatory text or notes associated with the indicator. May include rationale, definitions, sources, or caveats.

MetaDataCategoryID Integer. Unique identifier for the metadata category.

MetaDataTitle Character. Title or label describing the metadata content (e.g., "Rationale", "Disclosure control").

If no indicator details are found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator details](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

`cvd_indicator_list()`, `cvd_indicator_metric_list()`, `cvd_indicator()`, `cvd_indicator_tags()`,
`cvd_indicator_sibling()`, `cvd_indicator_child_data()`, `cvd_indicator_data()`, `cvd_indicator_metric_data()`,
`cvd_indicator_raw_data()`, `cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data()`, `cvd_indicator_priority_groups()`,
`cvd_indicator_pathway_group()`, `cvd_indicator_group()`, `cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries()`,
`cvd_indicator_person_timeseries()`, `cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison()`,
`cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown()`

Examples

```
# Retrieve details for indicator with ID 7
cvd_indicator_details(indicator_id = 7) |>
  dplyr::select(IndicatorID, MetaDataTitle, MetaData) |>
  dplyr::slice_head(n = 5)

# Find a valid indicator ID, then get its details
indicators <- cvd_indicator_list(time_period_id = 17, system_level_id = 5)
cvd_indicator_details(indicator_id = indicators$IndicatorID[1])
```

cvd_indicator_group *Retrieve indicators for a specified indicator group*

Description

Returns a tibble of indicators belonging to a single indicator group, identified by its group ID. Indicator groups are thematic collections of indicators used throughout CVDPREVENT reporting, such as "Monitoring", "Diagnosis", or "Management". This function enables users to explore the structure and contents of these groups, including their type and display order.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_group(indicator_group_id)
```

Arguments

indicator_group_id
Integer (required). The ID of the indicator group to retrieve.

Details

Indicator groups are defined in the CVDPREVENT IndicatorGroup table and include metadata such as:

- IndicatorGroupName: the name of the group (e.g., "Monitoring")
- IndicatorGroupTypeID: the type of group (e.g., Priority Group, Key Question Group)
- IndicatorGroupTypeName: the readable label for the group type

Each group contains an array of indicators, which are returned with their associated metadata. This function is useful for:

- Exploring which indicators belong to a specific clinical theme
- Building dashboards or reports based on grouped indicators
- Understanding how indicators are organised within the CVDPREVENT framework

To find valid indicator_group_id values, use [cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#).

Value

A tibble where each row represents an indicator within the specified indicator group. Columns include:

IndicatorGroupID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator group (e.g., 1 for "ABC").

IndicatorGroupName Character. Name of the indicator group (e.g., "Prevalence", "Smoking and BMI").

IndicatorGroupTypeID Integer. Identifier for the type of indicator group (e.g., 1 = Priority Group).

IndicatorGroupTypeName Character. Descriptive name of the group type (e.g., "Priority Group").

DisplayOrder Integer. Display order of the indicator within the group.

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if applicable (e.g., "Red", "Blue"). Often blank.

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP004HYP").

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

MetricID Integer. Unique identifier for the associated metric.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator.

If the request fails or the ID is invalid, a tibble with error details is returned instead.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: indicator group](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#) to browse available indicator groups, [cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#) to view all indicators, [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#) to retrieve metric values, [cvd_indicator_details\(\)](#) for indicator metadata, [cvd_indicator_pathway_group\(\)](#) for pathway-based groupings

Examples

```
# list the indicators under Indicator Group ID 13 (Monitoring) which lists
# 'Key Question' Indicator Group indicators:
cvd_indicator_group(indicator_group_id = 13) |>
  dplyr::select(IndicatorGroupID, IndicatorGroupName, IndicatorGroupTypeName,
  IndicatorID, IndicatorName)
```

cvd_indicator_list *List available indicators for a system level and time period*

Description

Retrieves basic details for all CVD indicators available for a given system level and reportion period from the CVDPREVENT API. Only indicators with data for the selected time period and system level are returned. This function is commonly used to populate indicator pickers or to discover what data is available for further queries.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_list(time_period_id, system_level_id)
```

Arguments

time_period_id Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) for which to return indicators. Use [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

system_level_id Integer (required). The system level (e.g., National, Region, ICB, PCN, Practice) for which to return indicators. Use [cvd_area_system_level\(\)](#) to find valid IDs for a given time period.

Details

Use this function to discover which indicators are available for a specific combination of system level and time period. The results can be joined with other outputs for further analysis, or used as the basis for more detailed indicator, metric, or data queries.

Value

A tibble with one row per available indicator for the specified system level and time period. Typical columns include:

AxisCharacter Character. Symbol used to represent the metric axis (e.g., "%").

DataUpdateInterval Character. Frequency or interval at which the indicator data is updated. Often blank.

FormatDisplayName Character. Display format for the metric (e.g., "Proportion %").

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if applicable (e.g., "Red"). Often blank.

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP005CKD").

IndicatorFormatID Integer. Internal ID for the indicator's format type.

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

IndicatorOrder Integer. Display order for the indicator in dashboards or reports.

IndicatorShortName Character. Abbreviated name of the indicator for display purposes.

IndicatorStatus Character. Status of the indicator (e.g., active, retired). Often blank.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator.

If no indicators are found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Docuemntnation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator list](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_tags\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_details\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_sibling\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_child_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_raw_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_pathway_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_person_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# List four indicators for time period 17 and GP practice level (system level 5)
cvd_indicator_list(time_period_id = 17, system_level_id = 5) |>
  dplyr::select(IndicatorID, IndicatorCode, IndicatorShortName) |>
  dplyr::slice_head(n = 4)

# Find valid time period and system level IDs, then list all available indicators
valid_periods <- cvd_time_period_list()
valid_levels <- cvd_area_system_level(time_period_id = 17)
cvd_indicator_list(time_period_id = 17, system_level_id = valid_levels$SystemLevelID[1])
```

cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown

Compare metric performance for an area against national and system-level peers

Description

Returns a tibble showing the performance of a specified metric for a given NHS area, alongside national-level data and other areas within the same system level (e.g., PCNs within an ICB). This function powers the Area Breakdown chart in CVDPREVENT reporting.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown(time_period_id, area_id, metric_id)
```

Arguments

time_period_id Integer (required). The ID of the reporting period. Use [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

area_id Integer (required). The ID of the NHS area to anchor the comparison. Use [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_area_search\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

metric_id Integer (required). The ID of the metric to retrieve. Use [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

Details

The output includes:

- Metric values for the selected area
- Comparison with national performance (AreaID = 1)
- Peer areas within the same system level
- Target thresholds (if defined)

This function is useful for:

- Benchmarking local performance against national and peer averages
- Identifying variation within a system level
- Supporting targeted improvement and equity analysis

To find valid `metric_id` values, use [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#). For valid `area_id` values, use [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_area_search\(\)](#). For valid `time_period_id` values, use [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#).

Value

A tibble comparing metric performance for a specified NHS area and the national aggregate. Each row represents one area (local or national) and includes the following columns:

NationalLevel Character. Indicates whether the row represents national-level data ("Y" for national, "N" for local).

SystemLevelID Integer. Identifier for the system level (e.g., 1 = England, 4 = PCN).

SystemLevelMedian Numeric. Median value for the metric across all areas in the system level.

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "England", "PCN").

SystemLevelOrder Integer. Display order for the system level.

TargetLabel Character. Descriptive label for the target threshold (e.g., "Upper threshold for QOF").

TargetValue Numeric. Target value to be achieved (e.g., 95).

AreaCode Character. Code for the NHS area (e.g., "U60510" for a PCN, "E92000001" for England).

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "Salford South East PCN").

Value Numeric. Final calculated value for the metric in the area.

If no data is available for the given parameters, a tibble describing the error is returned.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator metric area breakdown](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#) to browse available metrics, [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) and [cvd_area_search\(\)](#) to find valid area IDs, [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#) to explore reporting periods, [cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comp](#) for peer-level comparisons, [cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries\(\)](#) for longitudinal analysis, [cvd_indicator_priority_g](#) for grouped indicator metadata

Examples

```
# Compare performance for metric ID 128 in time period 17 for
# Salford South East PCN (area ID 705)
cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown(
  metric_id = 128,
  time_period_id = 17,
  area_id = 705
) |>
  dplyr::select(SystemLevelName, AreaID, AreaName, Value)
```

cvd_indicator_metric_data

Retrieve metric data for a specific metric, time period and area

Description

Returns detailed area data for a single CVD metric (`metric_id`) for a specified NHS area (`area_id`) and reporting period (`time_period_id`) from the CVDPREVENT API. This function provides all values and breakdowns available for the selected metric within the chosen context, allowing analysis and visualisation of precise, granular results (e.g., age groups, sexes, ethnicities).

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_metric_data(metric_id, time_period_id, area_id)
```

Arguments

<code>metric_id</code>	Integer (required). The MetricID for which to retrieve values. Use <code>cvd_indicator_metric_list()</code> or <code>cvd_indicator_data()</code> to find valid MetricIDs.
<code>time_period_id</code>	Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) for which to return metric data. Use <code>cvd_time_period_list()</code> to find valid IDs.
<code>area_id</code>	Integer (required). The AreaID for which to return metric data. Use <code>cvd_area_list()</code> or <code>cvd_area_search()</code> to find valid IDs.

Details

Use this function to retrieve all available breakdowns for a metric in a specific area and period, such as for in-depth local reporting, dashboard figures, or subgroup analysis. It is best used when you know the exact metric required for your query.

Value

A named list containing three tibbles:

metrics Tibble. Metadata and definitions for the selected metric.

area_data Tibble. Metric values for the specified NHS area (`area_id`).

national_data Tibble. Metric values for England, used for benchmarking and comparison.

If no indicator data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

indicator_metrics contains the following items:

AxisCharacter Character. Symbol used to represent the metric axis (e.g., "%").

FormatDisplayName Character. Display format for the metric (e.g., "Proportion %").

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP002AF").

IndicatorFormatID Integer. Internal ID for the indicator's format type.

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

IndicatorOrder Integer. Display order for the indicator in dashboards or reports.

IndicatorShortName Character. Abbreviated name of the indicator for display.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator. Often zero.

TimePeriodID Integer. ID of the reporting time period.

TimePeriodName Character. Label for the reporting time period (e.g., "To March 2024").

CategoryAttribute Character. Subgroup label (e.g., "Male", "Female", "Persons").

MetricCategoryID Integer. Unique ID for the metric category.

MetricCategoryName Character. Name of the subgroup or category (e.g., "18–39", "Sex").

MetricCategoryOrder Integer. Display order for the metric category.

MetricCategoryTypeName Character. Type of subgroup (e.g., "Age group", "Sex").

MetricID Integer. Unique ID for the specific metric being measured.

area_data and **national_data** contain the following items:

- MetricID** Integer. Unique identifier for the metric being measured.
- MetricCategoryTypeName** Character. Type of subgroup (e.g., "Sex", "Age group").
- MetricCategoryName** Character. Name of the subgroup (e.g., "Female", "18–39").
- CategoryAttribute** Character. Label used to group individuals (e.g., "Male", "Persons").
- AreaCode** Character. ONS code for the NHS area (e.g., "U60176").
- AreaID** Integer. Internal ID for the NHS area.
- AreaName** Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "3 Centres PCN").
- Count** Integer. Total number of individuals in the subgroup.
- DataID** Integer. Unique identifier for the data record.
- Denominator** Numeric. Population or count used as the denominator in metric calculation.
- Factor** Numeric. Scaling factor applied to the metric, if applicable. Often NA.
- HighestPriorityNotificationType** Character. Notification priority level, if available. Often NA.
- LowerConfidenceLimit** Numeric. Lower bound of the confidence interval for the metric value.
- Max** Numeric. Maximum observed value for the metric across comparable areas.
- Median** Numeric. Median value for the metric across comparable areas.
- Min** Numeric. Minimum observed value for the metric across comparable areas.
- NotificationCount** Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator. Often zero.
- Numerator** Numeric. Count used as the numerator in metric calculation.
- Q20** Numeric. 20th percentile value across comparable areas.
- Q40** Numeric. 40th percentile value across comparable areas.
- Q60** Numeric. 60th percentile value across comparable areas.
- Q80** Numeric. 80th percentile value across comparable areas.
- TimePeriodID** Integer. ID of the reporting time period.
- TimePeriodName** Character. Label for the reporting time period (e.g., "To March 2024").
- UpperConfidenceLimit** Numeric. Upper bound of the confidence interval for the metric value.
- Value** Numeric. Calculated metric value (e.g., percentage of patients treated).
- ValueNote** Character. Additional notes or flags about the value. Often NA.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator metric data](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

```
cvd_indicator_list(), cvd_indicator_metric_list(), cvd_indicator(), cvd_indicator_tags(),
cvd_indicator_details(), cvd_indicator_sibling(), cvd_indicator_child_data(), cvd_indicator_data(),
cvd_indicator_raw_data(), cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data(), cvd_indicator_priority_groups(),
cvd_indicator_pathway_group(), cvd_indicator_group(), cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries(),
cvd_indicator_person_timeseries(), cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison(),
cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown()
```

Examples

```
# Retrieve a single metric breakdown showing how men aged 40-59 years
# are treated with anticoagulants (MetricID = 126) for 3 Centres PCN
# (AreaID = 1103) to March 2020 (TimePeriodID = 1)
returned_list <- cvd_indicator_metric_data(
  time_period_id = 1,
  area_id = 1103,
  metric_id = 126
)

# See the structure of this data
returned_list |> dplyr::glimpse()

# See the definition for this metric
returned_list$metrics |> dplyr::glimpse()

# Compare performance between our area and the national average
dplyr::bind_rows(
  returned_list$area_data,
  returned_list$national_data
) |>
dplyr::glimpse()
```

```
cvd_indicator_metric_list
```

List indicators and associated metrics for a system level and time period

Description

Retrieves all CVD indicators available for a given reporting period and given system level from the CVDPREVENT API, with an expanded view that includes 'MetricList' array for each indicator. This allows you to see not only which indicators are available, but also the specific metrics (e.g., breakdowns by age, sex or other attributes) associated with each indicator in the selected context.

Only indicators with available data for the specified time period and system level are returned. This function is useful for determining what granular metric breakdowns are provided for each indicator.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_metric_list(time_period_id, system_level_id)
```

Arguments

time_period_id Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) for which to return indicators and metrics. use `cvd_time_period_list()` to find valid IDs.

system_level_id Integer (required). The system level (e.g., National, Region, ICB, PCN, Practice) for which to return indicators and metrics. Use `cvd_area_system_level()` to find valid IDs for a given time period.

Details

Use this function to explore the detailed metric breakdowns available for each indicator before performing data extraction or analysis. The `MetricList` column is unnested for convenience, so each row represents a single metric linked to an indicator.

Value

A tibble containing one row for each indicator-metric pair available for the specified system level and time period. Columns typically include:

AxisCharacter Character. Symbol used to represent the metric axis (e.g., "%").

FormatDisplayName Character. Display format for the metric (e.g., "Proportion %").

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if applicable (e.g., "Red"). Often blank.

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP002SMOK").

IndicatorFormatID Integer. Internal ID for the indicator's format type.

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

IndicatorOrder Integer. Display order for the indicator in dashboards or reports.

IndicatorShortName Character. Abbreviated name of the indicator for display purposes.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator.

CategoryAttribute Character. Label used to group individuals (e.g., "Male", "Persons").

MetricCategoryName Character. Name of the subgroup or category (e.g., "40–59", "Mixed").

MetricCategoryTypeName Character. Type of subgroup (e.g., "Age group", "Sex", "Ethnicity").

MetricID Integer. Unique identifier for the specific metric being measured.

If no indicators or metrics are found returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator metric list](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

Examples

```
# List metrics for the prevalence of atrial fibrillation (indicator ID 1),
# focusing on metrics for the 40-59 years age group at the national level:
cvd_indicator_metric_list(time_period_id = 17, system_level_id = 1) |>
  dplyr::filter(IndicatorID == 1, MetricCategoryName == "40-59") |>
  dplyr::count(IndicatorID, IndicatorShortName, MetricID, MetricCategoryName, CategoryAttribute) |>
  dplyr::select(-n)

# Get all indicator-metric pairs for GP practice level (system level 5) in a given period
cvd_indicator_metric_list(time_period_id = 17, system_level_id = 5)
```

cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison

Compare metric performance across system-level areas

Description

Returns a tibble comparing the performance of a specified metric across all areas within the same system level (e.g., all PCNs within an ICB) for a given time period. This function powers the System Level Comparison chart in CVDPREVENT reporting.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison(metric_id, time_period_id, area_id)
```

Arguments

metric_id	Integer (required). The ID of the metric to compare. Use cvd_indicator_metric_list() or cvd_indicator_data() to find valid IDs.
time_period_id	Integer (required). The ID of the reporting period. Use cvd_time_period_list() to find valid IDs.
area_id	Integer (required). The ID of the NHS area to anchor the comparison. Use cvd_area_list() or cvd_area_search() to find valid IDs.

Details

The output includes:

- Metric values for the selected area and its system-level peers
- Target thresholds (if defined)
- System-level metadata (e.g., "PCN", "ICB")

This function is useful for:

- Benchmarking local performance against peer organisations
- Identifying variation across system-level areas
- Supporting equity and improvement initiatives at regional levels

To find valid `metric_id` values, use `cvd_indicator_metric_list()` or `cvd_indicator_data()`. For valid `area_id` values, use `cvd_area_list()` or `cvd_area_search()`. For valid `time_period_id` values, use `cvd_time_period_list()`.

Value

A tibble where each row represents an NHS area within the same system level, showing its performance for a specified metric. Columns include:

NationalLevel Character. Indicates whether the row represents national-level data ("Y" or "N").

SystemLevelID Integer. Identifier for the system level (e.g., 4 = PCN).

SystemLevelMedian Numeric. Median value for the metric across all areas in the system level.

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "PCN").

SystemLevelOrder Integer. Display order for the system level.

AreaCode Character. Code for the NHS area (e.g., "U55387").

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "Barking & Dagenham North PCN").

Value Numeric. Final calculated value for the metric in the area.

If no data is available for the given parameters, a tibble describing the error is returned.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator metric system level comparison](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#) to browse available metrics, [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) and [cvd_area_search\(\)](#) to find valid area IDs, [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#) to explore reporting periods, [cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries\(\)](#) for longitudinal analysis, [cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown\(\)](#) for localised comparisons, [cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#) for grouped indicator metadata

Examples

```
# Compare performance for metric ID 1270 in time period 17 for Salford South East PCN (area ID 705)
cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison(
  metric_id = 1270,
  time_period_id = 17,
  area_id = 705
) |>
  dplyr::filter(AreaID %in% c(705:709), !is.na(Value)) |>
  dplyr::select(SystemLevelName, AreaID, AreaName, Value)
```

cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries

Retrieve time series data for a specific metric and area

Description

Returns a tibble containing time series data for a specified metric and NHS area. The output includes both national-level (England) and local-level values across reporting periods, enabling direct comparison and trend analysis.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries(metric_id, area_id)
```

Arguments

metric_id	Integer (required). The ID of the metric to retrieve. Use cvd_indicator_metric_list() or cvd_indicator_data() to find valid IDs.
area_id	Integer (required). The ID of the NHS area to retrieve data for. Use cvd_area_list() or cvd_area_search() to find valid IDs.

Details

This function is designed to support longitudinal analysis of indicator performance. It returns:

- Time series values for the selected metric in the specified area
- Corresponding national values (AreaID = 1)
- Target thresholds (if defined) for benchmarking

The result includes one row per time period per area, allowing users to:

- Visualise trends over time
- Compare local performance against national averages
- Track progress toward clinical targets

To find valid metric_id values, use [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#). For valid area_id values, use [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) or [cvd_area_search\(\)](#).

Value

A tibble where each row represents a time period for a specific NHS area, including the observed metric value and associated target threshold. Columns include:

AreaCode Character. Code for the NHS area (e.g., "U60510" for a PCN, "E92000001" for England).

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "Salford South East PCN").

Count Integer. Number of records included in the calculation (e.g., eligible patients).

Denominator Numeric. Denominator used in the metric calculation.

Factor Numeric. Scaling factor applied to the metric, if applicable. Often blank.

Numerator Numeric. Numerator used in the metric calculation.

TimePeriodID Integer. Identifier for the reporting period.

TimePeriodName Character. Display label for the time period (e.g., "To June 2024").

Value Numeric. Final calculated value for the metric in the given period.

TargetLabel Character. Descriptive label for the target threshold (e.g., "Upper threshold for QOF").

TargetValue Numeric. Target value to be achieved (e.g., 95).

If no data is available for the given parameters, a tibble describing the error is returned.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator time series metrics](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#) to browse available metrics, [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) and [cvd_area_search\(\)](#) to find valid area IDs, [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#) to retrieve current metric values, [cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#) for grouped indicator metadata, [cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown\(\)](#) for area-level comparisons, [cvd_indicator_person_timeseries\(\)](#) for person-level time series data

Examples

```
# List data for Salford South East PCN (area ID 705) for 'AF: treatment with
# anticoagulants' for women people aged 60-79 years (metric ID 130):
cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries(metric_id = 130, area_id = 705) |>
  dplyr::select(AreaName, TimePeriodName, TimePeriodID, Value) |>
  tidyr::pivot_wider(
    names_from = AreaName,
    values_from = Value
  )
```

`cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data`*Retrieve metric data for a specific area and for national (England) comparison*

Description

Returns a named list of tibbles containing: (1) metric data for the specified NHS area and the national (England, AreaID = 1) aggregate, and (2) details achieving the target value (if defined), including the target percentage and the additional number of patients needed to reach the target. This function supports benchmarking local performance vs. the national average, and helps quantify gaps to clinical targets.

If there is no data for either national or the chosen area for the given parameters, an error tibble is returned.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data(time_period_id, area_id, metric_id)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| <code>time_period_id</code> | Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) for which to retrieve metric data. Use cvd_time_period_list() to find valid IDs. |
| <code>area_id</code> | Integer (required). The AreaID for which to retrieve data in addition to the national aggregate. use cvd_area_list() or cvd_area_search() to find valid IDs. |
| <code>metric_id</code> | Integer (required). The MetricID for which to retrieve values. Use cvd_indicator_metric_list() or cvd_indicator_data() to find valid MetricIDs. |

Details

Use this function to benchmark a local area's metric value against the national figure and to understand the actual gap to a clinically meaningful target.

Value

A named list with up to two tibbles:

area Tibble with one or more rows, summarising the metric for the specified area and the England aggregate (AreaID = 1).

target Tibble (if available) with target-setting details for the area

If no data exists for both the area and the national aggregate for the given parameters, returns a tibble describing the error.

area contains the following columns:

AreaCode Character. Code for the NHS area (e.g., "U68943" for Chester South PCN, "E92000001" for England).

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "Chester South PCN", "England").

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if applicable (e.g., "Red"). Often blank.

NationalLevel Character. Indicates whether the area represents national-level data ("Y" or "N").

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the area for the given metric.

Value Numeric. Final calculated value for the metric in the specified area.

target contains the following columns:

TargetLabel Character. Descriptive label for the target (e.g., "Upper threshold for QOF").

TargetPatients Integer. Number of additional patients needed to achieve the target threshold.

TargetValue Numeric. Target value or threshold to be achieved (e.g., 95).

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator national area metric data](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_raw_data\(\)](#), [cvd_area_list\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Compare performance against metric 150 (AF: treatment with anticoagulants
# - all people) in 'Chester South PCN' (area ID 553) with national
# performance:
returned_list <- cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data(
  metric_id = 150,
  time_period_id = 17,
  area_id = 553
)

# See what the list contains
returned_list |> summary()

# Extract the `area` details
area_data <- returned_list$area
area_data

# Extract `target` details
target_data <- returned_list$target
```

target_data

cvd_indicator_pathway_group

Retrieve indicators for a specified pathway group

Description

Returns a tibble of indicators associated with a single pathway group, identified by its ID. Pathway groups are thematic sub-groupings of priority groups and are visible in the Regional & ICS Insights page. This function enables users to retrieve all indicators linked to a specific pathway group (e.g., "Chronic Kidney Disease").

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_pathway_group(pathway_group_id)
```

Arguments

pathway_group_id

Integer (required). The ID of the pathway group to retrieve. Use `cvd_indicator_priority_groups()` to find valid IDs.

Value

A tibble containing indicators associated with the specified pathway group. Each row represents a single indicator and includes the following columns:

PathwayGroupID Integer. Unique identifier for the pathway group (e.g., 9 for "Chronic Kidney Disease").

PathwayGroupName Character. Name of the pathway group (e.g., "Chronic Kidney Disease").

AxisCharacter Character. Symbol used to represent the metric axis (e.g., "%").

FormatDisplayName Character. Display format for the metric (e.g., "Proportion %").

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if applicable (e.g., "Red"). Often blank.

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP006CKD").

IndicatorFormatID Integer. Internal ID for the indicator's format type.

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

MetricID Integer. Unique identifier for the specific metric instance.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator.

PathwayGroupDisplayOrder Integer. Display order of the indicator within the pathway group.

QuestionGroupName Character. Thematic label for the indicator's clinical focus (e.g., "Diagnosis", "Monitoring", "Management").

If the request fails or the ID is invalid, a tibble with error details is returned instead.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: indicator pathway group](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_tags\(\)](#),
[cvd_indicator_details\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_sibling\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_child_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#),
[cvd_indicator_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_raw_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data\(\)](#),
[cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries\(\)](#),
[cvd_indicator_person_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison\(\)](#),
[cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Return indicators for the 'Chronic Kidney Disease' Pathway Group (ID 9):
cvd_indicator_pathway_group(pathway_group_id = 9) |>
  dplyr::select(
    PathwayGroupName,
    PathwayGroupID,
    IndicatorCode,
    IndicatorID,
    IndicatorName
  )
```

cvd_indicator_person_timeseries

Retrieve inequality time series data for a specific indicator and area

Description

Returns a tibble containing time series data for a specified indicator and NHS area, broken down by inequality markers such as age group, ethnicity, deprivation quintile, and sex. This function supports the Inequalities Markers Time Series chart used in CVDPREVENT reporting.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_person_timeseries(indicator_id, area_id)
```

Arguments

<code>indicator_id</code>	Integer (required). The ID of the indicator to retrieve. Use <code>cvd_indicator_list()</code> or <code>cvd_indicator_priority_groups()</code> to find valid IDs.
<code>area_id</code>	Integer (required). The ID of the NHS area to retrieve data for. Use <code>cvd_area_list()</code> or <code>cvd_area_search()</code> to find valid IDs.

Details

The output includes:

- Time series values for each subgroup within the selected indicator
- Target thresholds (if defined) for benchmarking
- Metric category metadata (e.g., "Age group", "Ethnicity")

This function is useful for:

- Analysing disparities in indicator performance across population subgroups
- Tracking progress toward clinical targets over time
- Supporting equity-focused reporting and visualisation

To find valid `indicator_id` values, use `cvd_indicator_list()` or `cvd_indicator_priority_groups()`. For valid `area_id` values, use `cvd_area_list()` or `cvd_area_search()`.

Value

A tibble where each row represents a time period for a specific NHS area and inequality subgroup. Columns include:

AreaCode Character. Code for the NHS area (e.g., "U60510" for a PCN).

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "Salford South East PCN").

MetricCategoryID Integer. Unique identifier for the subgroup category (e.g., age band, ethnicity).

MetricCategoryName Character. Label for the subgroup (e.g., "Female", "80+", "White").

TimePeriodID Integer. Identifier for the reporting period.

TimePeriodName Character. Display label for the time period (e.g., "To March 2025").

Value Numeric. Final calculated value for the metric in the given subgroup and time period. May be blank if unavailable.

MetricCategoryTypeID Integer. Identifier for the type of inequality marker (e.g., 1 = Age group, 3 = Ethnicity).

MetricCategoryTypeName Character. Descriptive name of the inequality marker type (e.g., "Sex", "Age group", "Ethnicity").

TargetLabel Character. Descriptive label for the target threshold (e.g., "Upper threshold for QOF").

TargetValue Numeric. Target value to be achieved (e.g., 95).

If no data is available for the given parameters, a tibble describing the error is returned.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator person time series](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#) to browse indicators, [cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#) to explore indicator groupings, [cvd_area_list\(\)](#) and [cvd_area_search\(\)](#) to find valid area IDs, [cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries\(\)](#) for overall time series data, [cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown\(\)](#) for area-level comparisons

Examples

```
# View age group inequalities for indicator ID 7 in Salford South East PCN (area ID 705)
cvd_indicator_person_timeseries(indicator_id = 7, area_id = 705) |>
  dplyr::filter(
    MetricCategoryTypeName == "Age group",
    !is.na(Value)
  ) |>
  dplyr::select(MetricCategoryName, TimePeriodName, TimePeriodID, Value) |>
  tidyr::pivot_wider(
    names_from = MetricCategoryName,
    values_from = Value
  )
```

cvd_indicator_priority_groups

List all indicator priority groups

Description

Retrieves a tibble of indicator priority groups from the CVDPREVENT API. Priority groups reflect high-level clinical, operational or policy themes (such as "Inequalities" or "NHS Long Term Plan") and provide a way to cluster or filter multiple indicators for reporting and analytics.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_priority_groups()
```

Details

Use this function to provide grouping / filtering options for dashboards or reports, or to explore which indicator themes are tracked in CVDPREVENT. Typically, you will select the priority group's name and ID for grouping or filtering tasks.

Value

A tibble with one row per indicator / priority group containing the following columns:

PriorityGroup Character. High-level grouping label for the indicator (e.g., "CKD", "Prevalence", "ABC").

AxisCharacter Character. Symbol used to represent the metric axis (e.g., "%").

FormatDisplayName Character. Display format for the metric (e.g., "Proportion %", "Rate per 10,000 patients").

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if applicable (e.g., "Blue"). Often blank.

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP002AF").

IndicatorFormatID Integer. Internal ID for the indicator's format type.

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

MetricID Integer. Unique identifier for the specific metric instance.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator.

PathwayGroupID Integer. Unique identifier for the clinical pathway group.

PathwayGroupName Character. Name of the clinical pathway group (e.g., "Chronic Kidney Disease", "Hypertension").

PriorityGroupDisplayOrder Integer. Display order for the priority group within its pathway.

PriorityGroupID Integer. Unique identifier for the priority group.

QuestionGroupName Character. Thematic label for the indicator's clinical focus (e.g., "Diagnosis", "Management", "Monitoring").

If no priority groups are found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator priority groups](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_group\(\)](#), [cvd_area_list\(\)](#), [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# List all available priority group display names and their IDs
cvd_indicator_priority_groups() |>
  dplyr::select(PriorityGroupID, PriorityGroup)

# Preview group names for a sidebar filter in a dashboard
groups <- cvd_indicator_priority_groups()
```

```
unique(groups$PriorityGroup)
```

```
cvd_indicator_raw_data
```

Retrieve raw metric values for multiple metrics, a specified area and time period

Description

Returns raw values for multiple metrics within an indicator (specified as `indicator_id`) for a single NHS system level and reporting period using the CVDPREVENT API. This function fetches unfiltered raw data at the metric level, allowing comprehensive extraction for all selected metrics and their available breakdowns (such as by age, sex or other category) within the chosen context.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_raw_data(time_period_id, system_level_id, indicator_id)
```

Arguments

`time_period_id` Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) for which to retrieve data. Use [cvd_time_period_system_levels\(\)](#) to find valid IDs.

`system_level_id`

Integer (required). The SystemLevelID for which to retrieve data. Use [cvd_time_period_system_level](#) to find valid IDs.

`indicator_id` Integer vector (required). One or more IndicatorIDs specifying which indicator and its associated metrics to return. Use [cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#) to find valid IndicatorIDs.

Details

Use this function to retrieve a wide set of metric breakdowns for a given indicator in a single area and time period - useful for broad data extractions, dashboards or advanced analytics.

Value

A tibble with one row per metric breakdown for all requested metrics. The tibble has the following columns:

AreaCode Character. ONS geographic code for the area (e.g., "E92000001" for England).

AreaName Character. Name of the geographic area.

CategoryAttribute Character. Subgroup label (e.g., "Male", "Female", "Persons").

Denominator Numeric. Population or count used as the denominator in metric calculation.

Factor Numeric. Scaling factor applied to the metric, if applicable. May be NA.

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if available. Often NA.

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP002AF").

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

IndicatorShortName Character. Abbreviated name of the indicator.

LowerConfidenceLimit Numeric. Lower bound of the confidence interval for the metric value.

MetricCategoryName Character. Name of the subgroup or category (e.g., "40–59", "Female").

MetricCategoryTypeName Character. Type of subgroup (e.g., "Age group", "Sex", "Ethnicity").

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator. Often zero.

Numerator Numeric. Count used as the numerator in metric calculation.

TimePeriodName Character. Label for the time period (e.g., "To December 2024").

UpperConfidenceLimit Numeric. Upper bound of the confidence interval for the metric value.

Value Numeric. Calculated metric value (e.g., percentage of patients treated).

ValueNote Character. Additional notes or flags about the value. Often NA.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator raw data](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

Examples

```
# Retrieve metric data for 'CVD: All-cause mortality' (IndicatorID = 35) across
# NHS Regions (SystemLevelID = 6) in the period April 2024 to
# March 2025 (TimePeriodID = 27) and view a sample of 4 rows:
cvd_indicator_raw_data(
  time_period_id = 27,
  system_level_id = 6,
  indicator_id = 35
) |>
  dplyr::slice_sample(n = 4)

# Find a valid indicator IDs for a specified time period and system level,
# then retrieve raw data for one of these
indicators <- cvd_indicator_list(time_period_id = 22, system_level_id = 4)
cvd_indicator_raw_data(
  time_period_id = 22,
  system_level_id = 4,
  indicator_id = indicators$IndicatorID[1]
)
```

cvd_indicator_sibling *Indicator sibling data*

Description

Returns data for all sibling areas (i.e., areas sharing the same parent) and the specified area itself, for a given metric and reporting period from the CVDPREVENT API. This endpoint is intended to provide a direct comparison of a single metric across related areas (e.g., all PCNs within an ICB, or all practices within a PCN).

Only the selected metric is returned for each sibling area.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_sibling(time_period_id, area_id, metric_id)
```

Arguments

time_period_id	Integer (required). The reporting period (time period) for which to return sibling data. Use cvd_time_period_list() to obtain valid IDs.
area_id	Integer (required). The AreaID for which sibling data will be determined. Use cvd_area_list() or cvd_area_search() to find valid IDs.
metric_id	Integer (required). The MetricID for which to return data. Use cvd_indicator_metric_list() or cvd_indicator_data() to find valid MetricIDs.

Details

Use this function to compare a metric across all areas at the same hierarchical level (e.g., compare all practices in a PCN or all PCNs in an ICB) for benchmarking and visualisation purposes.

Value

A tibble containing the data for the specified metric in the selected area and all its siblings for the given reporting period. Columns include:

CategoryAttribute Character. Grouping label used to define the population subset (e.g., "Male").

IndicatorCode Character. Unique code for the indicator (e.g., "CVDP002AF").

IndicatorID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator.

IndicatorName Character. Full descriptive name of the indicator.

IndicatorOrder Integer. Display order for the indicator in dashboards or reports.

IndicatorShortName Character. Abbreviated name of the indicator for display purposes.

MetricCategoryID Integer. Unique identifier for the metric category.

MetricCategoryName Character. Name of the subgroup or category (e.g., "40–59").

MetricCategoryOrder Integer. Display order for the category within its type.

MetricCategoryTypeName Character. Type of category used for breakdown (e.g., "Age group").

AreaCode Character. Code for the NHS area (e.g., PCN).

AreaID Integer. Unique identifier for the NHS area.

AreaName Character. Name of the NHS area (e.g., "Greenwood PCN").

Count Integer. Number of records included in the calculation.

DataID Integer. Unique identifier for the data point.

Denominator Numeric. Denominator used in the metric calculation.

Factor Numeric. Scaling factor applied to the metric, if applicable. Often blank.

HighestPriorityNotificationType Character. Notification priority level, if applicable (e.g., "Red"). Often blank.

LowerConfidenceLimit Numeric. Lower bound of the confidence interval.

Max Numeric. Maximum observed value for the metric.

Median Numeric. Median value for the metric.

Min Numeric. Minimum observed value for the metric.

NotificationCount Integer. Count of notifications associated with the indicator.

Numerator Numeric. Numerator used in the metric calculation.

Q20 Numeric. 20th percentile value.

Q40 Numeric. 40th percentile value.

Q60 Numeric. 60th percentile value.

Q80 Numeric. 80th percentile value.

SystemLevelID Integer. Identifier for the system level (e.g., 4 = PCN).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "PCN").

TimePeriodID Integer. Identifier for the time period associated with the metric.

TimePeriodName Character. Display label for the time period (e.g., "To March 2024").

UpperConfidenceLimit Numeric. Upper bound of the confidence interval.

Value Numeric. Final calculated value for the metric.

ValueNote Character. Notes or flags associated with the value (e.g., suppression warnings).

If no sibling data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator sibling data](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_tags\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_details\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_child_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_raw_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_pathway_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_person_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Compare the value of metric 126 for area 1103 and all its siblings in time period 17
cvd_indicator_sibling(time_period_id = 17, area_id = 1103, metric_id = 126) |>
  dplyr::select(AreaID, AreaName, Value, LowerConfidenceLimit, UpperConfidenceLimit)

# Find a valid metric ID for an indicator, then get sibling data
metrics <- cvd_indicator_metric_list(time_period_id = 17, system_level_id = 5)
metric_id <- metrics$MetricID[1]
cvd_indicator_sibling(time_period_id = 17, area_id = 1103, metric_id = metric_id)
```

cvd_indicator_tags *List all available indicator tags*

Description

Retrieves a list of all tags from the CVDPREVENT API that can be used to filter indicators. Tags provide a way to categorise and search for indicators by clinical or reporting groupings (such as "Priority Group", "Pathway Group" or other clinical categories).

Use this function to obtain valid tag IDs for use in functions that support filtering by tag, such as [cvd_indicator\(\)](#).

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_tags()
```

Details

Tags are useful for grouping or filtering indicators in dashboards, reports or scripted analyses. Tag IDs returned by this function can be supplied to functions like [cvd_indicator\(\)](#) via the `tag_id` argument for targeted queries.

Value

A tibble with one row per available indicator tag, containing the following columns:

IndicatorTagID Integer. Unique identifier for the tag associated with an indicator.

IndicatorTagName Character. Descriptive label categorising the indicator (e.g., "monitoring", "prevention", "smoking").

If no tags are found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Indicator tags](#)

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_list\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_details\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_sibling\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_child_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_raw_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_nationalarea_metric_data\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_priority_groups\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_pathway_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_group\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_person_timeseries\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_systemlevel_comparison\(\)](#), [cvd_indicator_metric_area_breakdown\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# List the first five indicator tags
cvd_indicator_tags() |>
  dplyr::arrange(IndicatorTagID) |>
  dplyr::slice_head(n = 5)

# Use a tag ID to filter indicators in another query
tags <- cvd_indicator_tags()
tag_id <- tags$IndicatorTagID[1]
cvd_indicator(time_period_id = 17, area_id = 3, tag_id = tag_id)
```

cvd_indicator_types *Retrieve available indicator types*

Description

Returns a tibble of indicator type IDs and their corresponding names, used to categorise CVD indicators in the CVDPREVENT API. This function is primarily a helper for [cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#), which accepts `indicator_type_id` as an optional parameter.

Usage

```
cvd_indicator_types()
```

Value

A tibble of indicator types with the following columns:

IndicatorTypeID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator type.

IndicatorTypeName Character. Name of the indicator type (e.g., "Standard", "Outcomes").

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# NB, the following example is not tested because it takes longer than
# expected to return the results

# List available indicator types
cvd_indicator_types()
```

cvd_time_period_list *List available time periods for CVD indicators*

Description

Retrieves all available reporting periods from the CVDPREVENT API. Optionally, you can filter periods by a specific indicator type (e.g., standard, outcome) using the `indicator_type_id` parameter.

Usage

```
cvd_time_period_list(indicator_type_id = NULL)
```

Arguments

`indicator_type_id`

Optional integer. If provided, restricts the returned time periods to those containing data of the given indicator type.

Details

This function is often used to determine valid values for time period parameters in other API queries. It is a building block for most higher-level data retrieval functions in this package.

Value

A tibble containing details of available time periods with the following columns:

EndDate POSIXct. End date of the reporting period (e.g., "2025-06-30").

IndicatorTypeID Integer. Unique identifier for the indicator type (e.g., 1 = Standard, 2 = Outcomes).

IndicatorTypeName Character. Descriptive name of the indicator type (e.g., "Standard", "Outcomes").

StartDate POSIXct. Start date of the reporting period. Typically set to a default baseline (e.g., "1900-01-01").

TimePeriodID Integer. Unique identifier for the time period.

TimePeriodName Character. Display label for the time period (e.g., "To June 2025", "Apr 2024 – Mar 2025").

If no data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Time period](#) for endpoint details.

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_indicator_types\(\)](#), [cvd_time_period_system_levels\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# NB, the following examples are not tested because they take longer than
# expected to return the results

# List all available time periods
cvd_time_period_list()

# List time periods with data for a specific indicator type (e.g., Standard)
cvd_time_period_list(indicator_type_id = 1)
```

cvd_time_period_system_levels

List available time periods and associated system levels

Description

Retrieves all available reporting periods from the CVDPREVENT API, along with the NHS system levels included in each time period.

This function is useful to determine which system levels (e.g., national, region, ICB, PCN, practice) have data available for each reporting period.

Usage

```
cvd_time_period_system_levels()
```

Details

This function is helpful for understanding the data structure of each reporting period, especially if you need to filter or subset data by system level and time period in downstream API calls.

Value

A tibble containing time periods and the corresponding system levels with the following columns:

A tibble with the following columns:

EndDate POSIXct. End date of the reporting period (e.g., "2023-12-31").

StartDate POSIXct. Start date of the reporting period. Typically set to a default baseline (e.g., "1900-01-01").

TimePeriodID Integer. Unique identifier for the time period.

TimePeriodName Character. Display label for the time period (e.g., "To December 2023", "Apr 2022 – Mar 2023").

IsVisible Logical or character. Indicates whether the time period is visible in the API or dashboard ("Y" or "N").

NationalLevel Logical or character. Indicates whether the data is available at the national level ("Y" or "N").

SystemLevelID Integer. Unique identifier for the system level (e.g., 1 = England, 4 = PCN).

SystemLevelName Character. Name of the system level (e.g., "England", "Region", "Sub-ICB", "PCN").

If no data is found, returns a tibble describing the error.

API Documentation

See the [CVDPREVENT API documentation: Time period system levels](#) for technical details.

Note

This function may take longer than 5 seconds to complete due to API response time.

See Also

[cvd_time_period_list\(\)](#), [cvd_area_system_level_time_periods\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Retrieve all time periods and associated system levels
periods_levels <- cvd_time_period_system_levels()

# Show available system levels for the latest time period
periods_levels |>
  dplyr::slice_max(order_by = TimePeriodID) |>
  dplyr::select(TimePeriodID, TimePeriodName, SystemLevelID, SystemLevelName)
```

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