

Title: **Waiting Lists**

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

*I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.*

*Could you please provide by return email, all information pertaining to:*

1. *How many patients are on elective care wait lists for Surgery, by surgery type?*

Answer: Please see table below.

Surgical Specialties	Count
Breast Surgery Service	60
Colorectal Surgery Service	1,971
Ear Nose and Throat	769
General Surgery	522
Maxillofacial Surgery Service	38
Ophthalmology	2,081
Oral Surgery	405
Orthodontics	8
Paediatric Surgery	35
Plastic Surgery	495
Spinal Surgery Service	17
Trauma and Orthopaedics	3,780
Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery Service	715
Urology	971
Vascular Surgery	105

2. *How many patients are on elective care wait lists for Diagnostic, by speciality type?*

Answer: Please see table below.

Surgical Specialties	Count
Breast Surgery Service	≤5
Colorectal Surgery Service	654
Ear Nose and Throat	≤5
General Surgery	45
Ophthalmology	10
Oral Surgery	≤5
Paediatric Surgery	≤5
Plastic Surgery	≤5
Trauma and Orthopaedics	33

Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery Service	67
Urology	48
Vascular Surgery	≤5

In accordance with Section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we are unable to provide figures where the number of patients is less than or equal to five and could risk the identification of those patients and breach Caldicott principles. In these cases ≤5 is used to indicate that a figure between 1 and 5 is being suppressed.

This follows NHS Digital (formerly HSCIC) analysis guidance (2014) which states that small numbers within local authorities, wards, postcode districts, CCG's providers and Trusts may allow identification of patients and should not be published.

3. *How many patients are on elective care wait lists for Outpatient, by speciality type?*

Answer: Please see table below.

Surgical Specialties	Count
Breast Surgery Service	705
Colorectal Surgery Service	2,813
Ear Nose and Throat	2,752
General Surgery	428
Maxillofacial Surgery Service	417
Ophthalmology	6,241
Oral Surgery	2,122
Orthodontics	276
Paediatric Surgery	28
Plastic Surgery	767
Spinal Surgery Service	608
Thoracic Surgery Service	≤5
Trauma and Orthopaedics	6,049
Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery Service	813
Urology	2,414
Vascular Surgery	658

4. *Of those on the wait lists, how many patients have exceeded the 18-week referral to treatment wait?*

Answer: 19,883.

5. *How many patients had surgery cancelled and was not re-booked within 28 days?*

Answer: 1,113. This figure does not include cancellations due to patient reasons, it represents cancellations 'by Hospital – other' which includes a variety of cancellations reasons.

6. *Could you breakdown question 5 by surgery type please?*

Answer: All Operations type were Elective. The data does not include any cancellations related to emergency cases.

month	Count of patient
Breast Surgery	6
Cardiology	232
Colorectal Surgery	85
ENT	57
General Surgery	37
Gynaecology	63
Ophthalmology	142
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery	97
Orthopaedics	238
Pain Management	19
Plastic Surgery	38
Renal Surgery	12
Trauma	≤5
Upper Gastro-intestinal Surgery	37
Urology	52
Vascular Surgery	≤5

7. *How much money did your Trust spend on insourcing or outsourcing, by surgery type, from 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022?*

Answer: Please see below.

Eastern Services:

<b>Surgery type</b>	<b>£</b>
General Surgery	625,903
Orthopaedic	83,579
	<b>709,482</b>

Northern Services:

<b>Surgery type</b>	<b>£</b>
Cataract extraction and lens implant	8,237
Cholecystectomy	5,651
Foot procedures	2,703
Hand procedures	37,861
Hernia procedures	19,282
Hip procedures	242,209
Knee procedures	241,477
Phacoemulsification	50,712
Skin procedures	670
	<b>608,802</b>

8. *What was your Theatre utilisation by month in 2022?*

Answer: Please see table below.

<i>RDUH – Eastern Services</i>											
<i>Jan 22</i>	<i>Feb 22</i>	<i>Mar 22</i>	<i>Apr 22</i>	<i>May 22</i>	<i>Jun 22</i>	<i>Jul 22</i>	<i>Aug 22</i>	<i>Sept 22</i>	<i>Oct 22</i>	<i>Nov 22</i>	<i>Dec 22</i>
87%	84%	88%	*	*	87%	73%	76%	*	82%	82%	77%
<i>RDUH – Northern Services</i>											
77%	77%	63%	71%	80%	77%	82%	77%	76%	74%	79%	75%

\* The Trust does not have this data recorded.

9. *Who was the Manager responsible for each service wait lists? What is their name and job title?*

Answer: Karen Donaldson – Divisional Director for Surgery (Northern Services), Nicola DuGay - Divisional Director for Surgery (Eastern Services).

10. *Who was the Manager responsible for the elective recovery plan? What is their name and job title?*

Answer: Please see response to question 9.