

Hospital Waiting Times Key Statistics

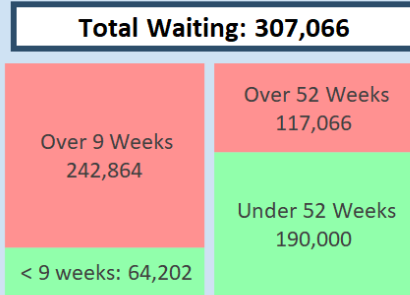
Outpatients, Inpatients and Diagnostic Testing

Quarter Ending: 31 March 2020

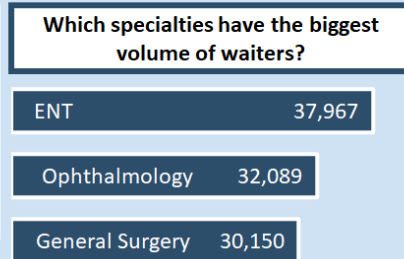
Note: Counts of patients waiting exclude those waiting at Regional Assessment & Surgical Centres

Outpatient Waiting Times

50% of patients should wait no longer than 9 weeks for a first outpatient appointment;



HSC Trust	% Waiting > 9 Weeks	% Waiting > 52 Weeks	Total Waiting
Belfast	77.7%	38.4%	108,747
Northern	79.0%	36.5%	47,158
South Eastern	84.0%	47.0%	66,642
Southern	76.5%	27.2%	43,718
Western	77.8%	36.4%	40,801



Waits Completed: 105,321

A similar number were waiting this quarter compared to last quarter, and 6.3% more than the

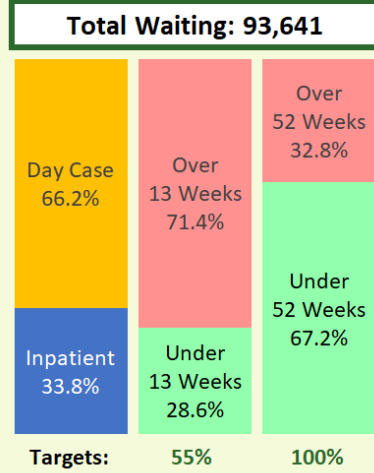
10.2% fewer completed waits than last quarter (117,227)

13.9% fewer completed waits than last year (122,313)

Around a third of all waits were in ENT, Ophthalmology or General Surgery. Similarly, around a third of patients waiting over 52 weeks were in ENT, Ophthalmology or Neurology.

Inpatient & Day Case Waiting Times

55% of patients should wait no longer than 13 weeks for inpatient or day case treatment, with no patient waiting longer than 52 weeks.



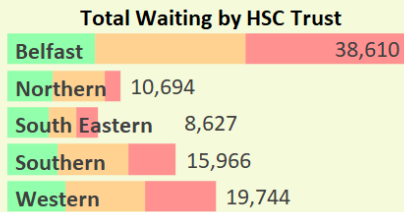
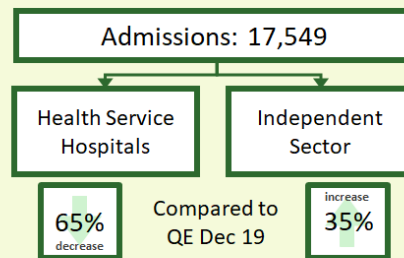
Specialty	% Waiting > 13 Weeks	% Waiting > 52 Weeks	Total Waiting
General Surg.	70%	30%	19,442
T & O Surg.	86%	45%	18,050
ENT	83%	53%	11,050
Urology	68%	42%	7,887
Ophthalmology	74%	26%	7,360

Of specialties with more than 100 patients waiting, Rheumatology and Cardiac Surgery met both the 13 & 52 week targets.

Around nine tenths (89%) of Endocrinology patients were waiting over 13 weeks.

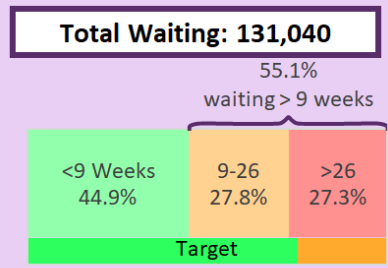
Around three quarters (74%) of Endocrinology patients were waiting over 52 weeks.

Completed Waits

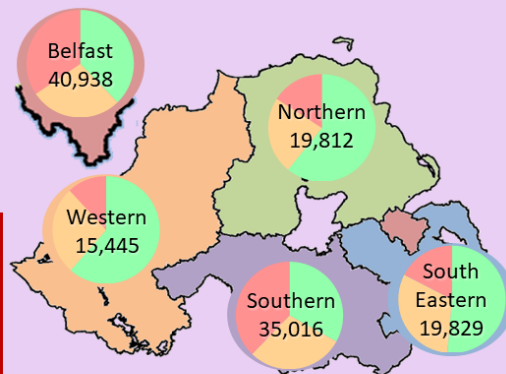


Diagnostic Waiting Times

75% of patients should wait no longer than 9 weeks for a diagnostic test, with no patient waiting longer than 26 weeks



Total Waiting by HSC Trust



Of diagnostic services with more than 100 patients waiting: peripheral neurophysiology had the highest proportion waiting > 9 weeks (92%), while peripheral neurophysiology had the highest proportion waiting > 26 weeks (78%)

All urgent diagnostic tests should be reported on within two days

