

Healthcare Quarterly

# Elective Surgery

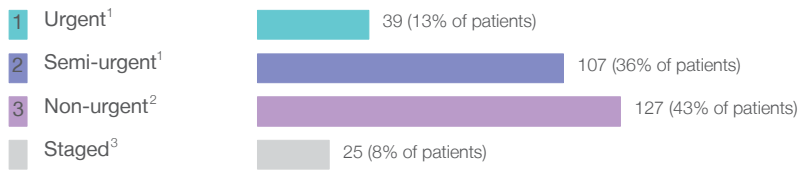
Far West Local Health District  
Performance Profiles

October to December 2018

## Broken Hill Health Service: Elective surgery performed

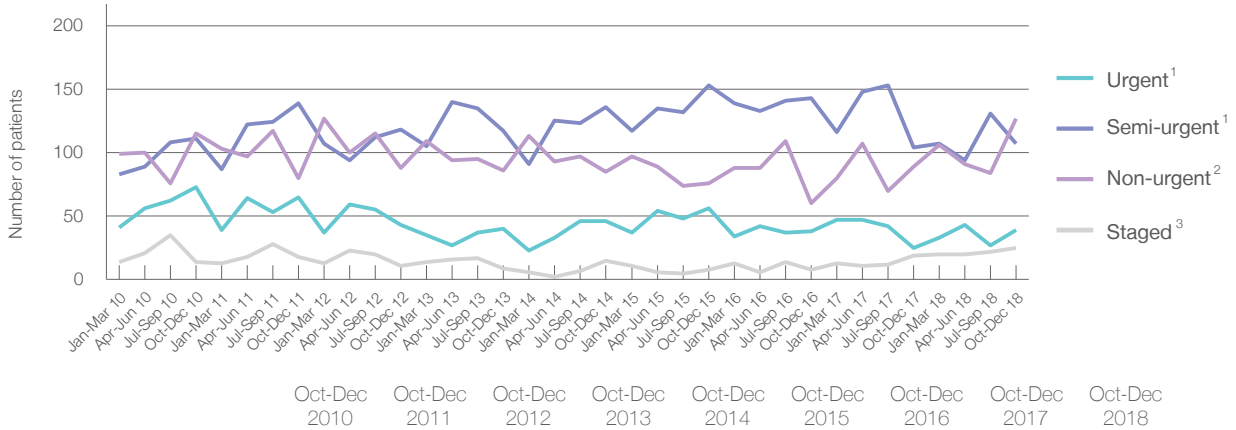
October to December 2018

Patients who received elective surgery by urgency category: 298 patients



Urgency Category	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
1 Urgent <sup>1</sup>	25	56%
2 Semi-urgent <sup>1</sup>	104	3%
3 Non-urgent <sup>2</sup>	89	43%
Staged <sup>3</sup>	19	32%

Patients who received elective surgery by urgency category by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
All categories	313	302	260	252	282	293	249	237	298
Urgent <sup>1</sup>	73	65	43	40	46	56	38	25	39
Semi-urgent <sup>1</sup>	111	139	118	117	136	153	143	104	107
Non-urgent <sup>2</sup>	115	80	88	86	85	76	60	89	127
Staged <sup>3</sup>	14	18	11	9	15	8	8	19	25

## Broken Hill Health Service: Time waited to receive elective surgery

October to December 2018

### Percentage of patients who received surgery within the clinically recommended timeframe

	Recommended: (days)	Percentage	Same period last year	Peer group (this period)
1 Urgent <sup>1</sup>	30 days	100%	100%	100%
2 Semi-urgent <sup>1</sup>	90 days	95.3%	94.2%	99.4%
3 Non-urgent <sup>2</sup>	365 days	100%	92.1%	97.7%

### Percentage of patients who received elective surgery by waiting time (days)



### Waiting time (days) for people who received surgery by urgency category

Urgency Category	Number of Patients	Median time to receive surgery (days)	90th percentile time to receive surgery (days)	Peer group (this period)	This hospital (same period last year)	Peer group (same period last year)
1 Urgent	39 patients	13 days	*	13	15	14
2 Semi-urgent	107 patients	48 days	80 days	49	54	49
3 Non-urgent	127 patients	246 days	333 days	260	237	254
				356	*	352

## Broken Hill Health Service: Time waited to receive elective surgery

October to December 2018

### Median<sup>5</sup> waiting time (days) for patients who received elective surgery by specialty of surgeon

Specialty	Waiting time (days) (n patients)	Same period last year	Peer group (this period)
Cardiothoracic surgery	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	n/a
Ear, nose and throat surgery	322 days (17 patients)	65	266
General surgery	50 days (61 patients)	39	41
Gynaecology	22 days (23 patients)	12	35
Medical	* (< 5 patients)	n/a	8
Neurosurgery	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	n/a
Ophthalmology	271 days (56 patients)	236	281
Orthopaedic surgery	86 days (60 patients)	84	180
Plastic surgery	52 days (32 patients)	48	68
Urology	44 days (48 patients)	41	34
Vascular surgery	n/a (0 patients)	*	115

### Median<sup>5</sup> waiting time (days) for patients who received elective surgery by common procedures<sup>7</sup>

Procedure	Waiting time (days) (n patients)	Same period last year	Peer group (this period)
Abdominal hysterectomy	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	59
Cataract extraction	278 days (43 patients)	237	285
Cholecystectomy	* (6 patients)	*	45
Coronary artery bypass graft	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	n/a
Cystoscopy	6 days (23 patients)	54	28
Haemorrhoidectomy	* (< 5 patients)	*	58
Hysteroscopy	22 days (13 patients)	*	28
Inguinal herniorrhaphy	43 days (14 patients)	*	67
Myringoplasty / Tympanoplasty	* (< 5 patients)	n/a	*
Myringotomy	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	*
Other - General	* (5 patients)	*	26
Prostatectomy	* (6 patients)	*	107
Septoplasty	* (< 5 patients)	*	343
Tonsillectomy	* (7 patients)	*	279
Total hip replacement	* (< 5 patients)	*	225
Total knee replacement	245 days (15 patients)	323	284
Varicose veins stripping and ligation	n/a (0 patients)	*	171

### Broken Hill Health Service: Elective surgery waiting list

October to December 2018

Patients ready for surgery on waiting list at start of quarter: 493 patients

Patients ready for surgery on waiting list at end of quarter: 460 patients

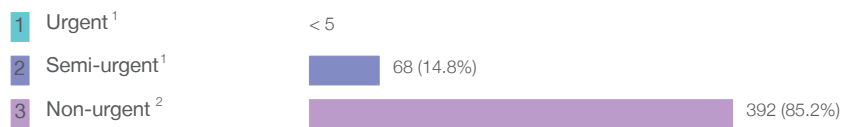
Patients not ready for surgery<sup>8</sup> on waiting list at end of quarter: 119 patients

	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Patients ready for surgery on waiting list at start of quarter	358	38%
Patients ready for surgery on waiting list at end of quarter	380	21%
Patients not ready for surgery <sup>8</sup> on waiting list at end of quarter	127	-6%

### Broken Hill Health Service: Patients ready for elective surgery

as at 31st December 2018

Patients ready for surgery on waiting list by urgency category: 460 patients



	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Urgent <sup>1</sup>	< 5	*
Semi-urgent <sup>1</sup>	95	-29%
Non-urgent <sup>2</sup>	285	38%

## Broken Hill Health Service: Patients ready for elective surgery

as at 31st December 2018

Patients ready for elective surgery by specialty of surgeon: 460 patients

	As at 31 Dec 2018	Same time last year	Change since one year ago
All specialties	460	380	21%
Cardiothoracic surgery	0	0	n/a
Ear, nose and throat surgery	69	61	13%
General surgery	44	48	-8%
Gynaecology	6	< 5	*
Medical	0	0	n/a
Neurosurgery	0	0	n/a
Ophthalmology	177	124	43%
Orthopaedic surgery	116	87	33%
Plastic surgery	23	23	0%
Urology	25	33	-24%
Vascular surgery	0	< 5	*

Patients ready for elective surgery for common procedures <sup>7</sup>

	As at 31 Dec 2018	Same time last year	Change since one year ago
Abdominal hysterectomy	< 5	< 5	n/a
Cataract extraction	150	107	40%
Cholecystectomy	< 5	< 5	*
Coronary artery bypass graft	0	< 5	n/a
Cystoscopy	9	11	-18%
Haemorrhoidectomy	< 5	< 5	*
Hysteroscopy	< 5	< 5	*
Inguinal herniorrhaphy	< 5	14	*
Myringoplasty / Tympanoplasty	< 5	< 5	*
Myringotomy	0	< 5	n/a
Other - General	< 5	< 5	*
Prostatectomy	12	8	50%
Septoplasty	14	11	27%
Tonsillectomy	27	25	8%
Total hip replacement	16	15	7%
Total knee replacement	34	27	26%
Varicose veins stripping and ligation	< 5	< 5	*

**Broken Hill Health Service: Patients ready for elective surgery**  
as at 31st December 2018

Patients ready for elective surgery, on the waiting list for longer than 12 months

	As at 31 Dec 2018	Same time last year
All specialties	6	8

\* Suppressed due to small numbers and to protect privacy. Relevant graphs are also suppressed.

< 5 Less than five patients. For measures by urgency category, counts are included in an adjacent category. Relevant graphs are also suppressed.

1. Excluding staged procedures.
2. Excluding staged procedures and cystoscopy.
3. Including non-urgent cystoscopy.
4. Excludes the total number of days the patient was coded as 'not ready for surgery'.
5. This is the number of days it took for half of patients who received elective surgery during the period to be admitted and receive their surgery. The other half took equal to or longer than the median to be admitted for surgery.
6. This is the number of days it took for 90% of patients who received elective surgery during the period to be admitted and receive their surgery. The final 10% of patients took equal to or longer than the 90th percentile.
7. The procedures included in this list are procedures which are high volume; some may be associated with long waiting periods. For a description of these procedures see *Elective Surgery Glossary of Common Procedures, December 2012*.
8. Includes staged procedures, non-urgent cystoscopy, and patients currently not available for personal reasons.

For more information: For details of methods, see the *Technical Supplement: Emergency department, ambulance, admitted patients and elective surgery, October to December 2018*.

**Note:** All percentages rounded to whole numbers and therefore percentages may not add to 100%.

**Source:** Waiting List Collection On-Line System, NSW Health (extracted 21 January 2019.).