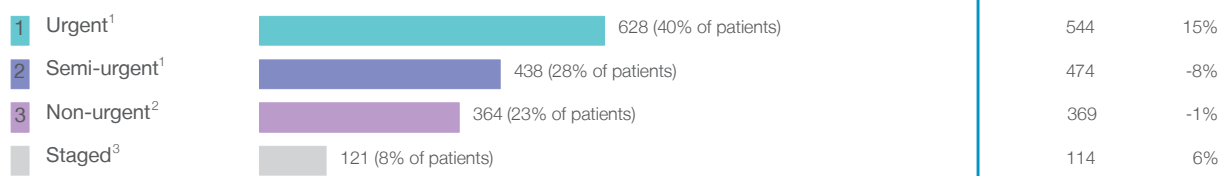


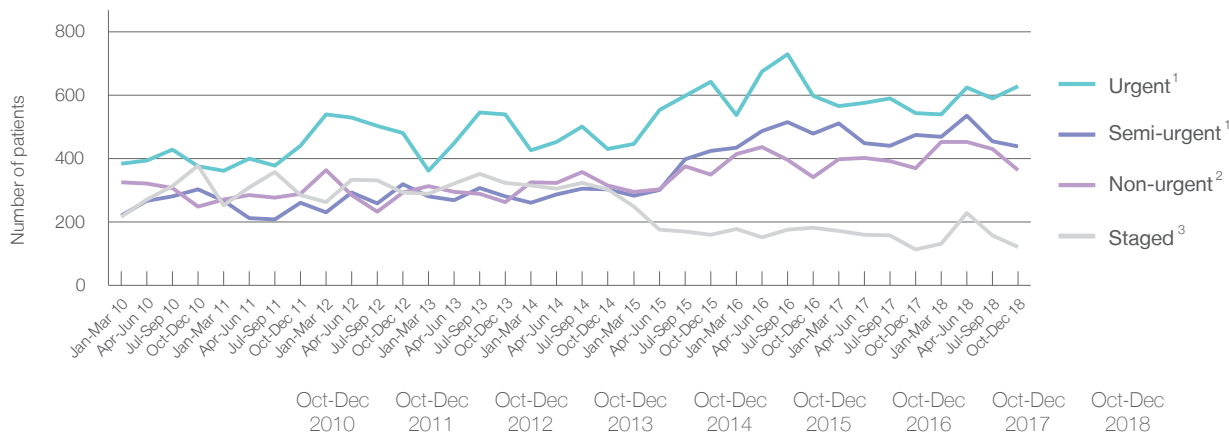
Wollongong Hospital: Elective surgery performed

October to December 2018

Patients who received elective surgery by urgency category: 1,551 patients



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

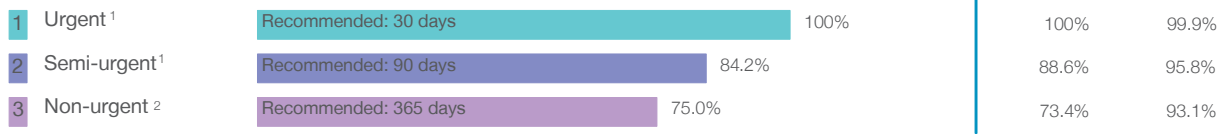


All categories	1,306	1,277	1,388	1,408	1,353	1,579	1,601	1,501	1,551
Urgent ¹	376	441	481	539	431	643	598	544	628
Semi-urgent ¹	304	261	320	282	303	425	478	474	438
Non-urgent ²	249	290	294	264	316	350	342	369	364
Staged ³	377	285	293	323	303	161	183	114	121

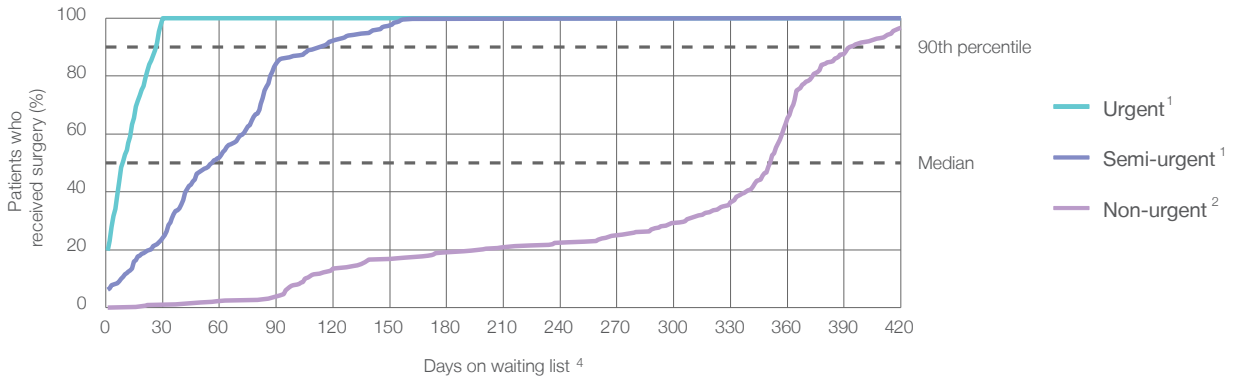
Wollongong Hospital: Time waited to receive elective surgery

October to December 2018

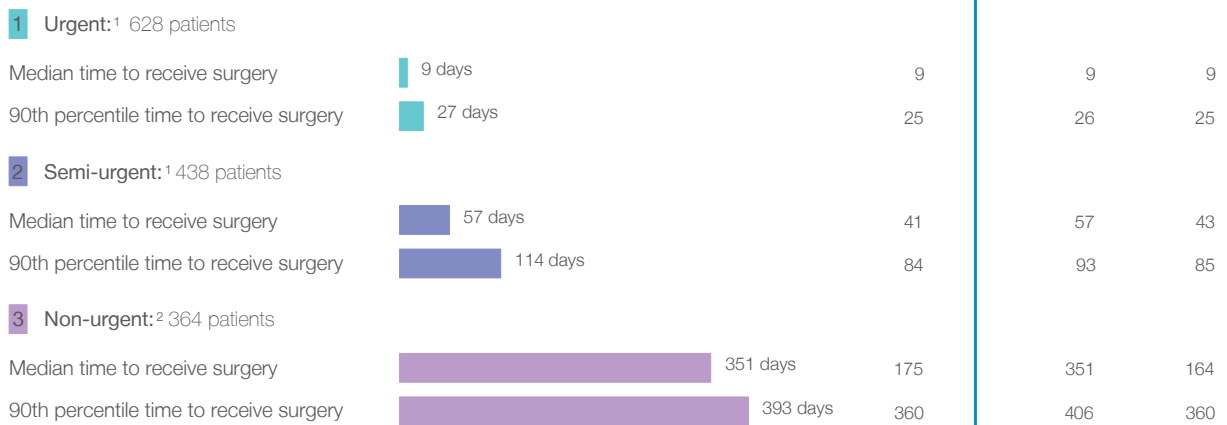
Percentage of patients who received surgery within the clinically recommended timeframe



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



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



Wollongong Hospital: Time waited to receive elective surgery

October to December 2018

Median ⁵ waiting time (days) for patients who received elective surgery by specialty of surgeon		Same period last year	Peer group (this period)
Cardiothoracic surgery	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	21
Ear, nose and throat surgery	92 days (226 patients)	179	106
General surgery	21 days (252 patients)	21	27
Gynaecology	15 days (160 patients)	46	29
Medical	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	23
Neurosurgery	25 days (91 patients)	28	40
Ophthalmology	* (< 5 patients)	n/a	113
Orthopaedic surgery	33 days (373 patients)	91	65
Plastic surgery	42 days (35 patients)	27	23
Urology	29 days (318 patients)	35	34
Vascular surgery	22 days (95 patients)	10	19

Median ⁵ waiting time (days) for patients who received elective surgery by common procedures ⁷		Same period last year	Peer group (this period)
Abdominal hysterectomy	* (9 patients)	355	51
Cataract extraction	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	176
Cholecystectomy	87 days (14 patients)	31	45
Coronary artery bypass graft	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	29
Cystoscopy	23 days (81 patients)	38	30
Haemorrhoidectomy	* (< 5 patients)	*	76
Hysteroscopy	24 days (49 patients)	38	37
Inguinal herniorrhaphy	* (8 patients)	*	82
Myringoplasty / Tympanoplasty	* (< 5 patients)	*	278
Myringotomy	* (< 5 patients)	*	83
Other - General	18 days (40 patients)	21	21
Prostatectomy	58 days (27 patients)	49	61
Septoplasty	358 days (16 patients)	327	330
Tonsillectomy	353 days (64 patients)	316	311
Total hip replacement	341 days (46 patients)	359	127
Total knee replacement	353 days (79 patients)	385	223
Varicose veins stripping and ligation	* (< 5 patients)	*	162

Wollongong Hospital: Elective surgery waiting list

October to December 2018

	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Patients ready for surgery on waiting list at start of quarter: 2,397 patients	2,287	5%
Patients ready for surgery on waiting list at end of quarter: 2,572 patients	2,384	8%
Patients not ready for surgery ⁸ on waiting list at end of quarter: 527 patients	534	-1%

Wollongong Hospital: Patients ready for elective surgery

as at 31st December 2018

Patients ready for surgery on waiting list by urgency category: 2,572 patients

Urgency Category	Count (Percentage)	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
1 Urgent ¹	65 (2.5%)	56	16%
2 Semi-urgent ¹	419 (16.3%)	458	-9%
3 Non-urgent ²	2,088 (81.2%)	1,870	12%

Wollongong Hospital: Patients ready for elective surgery

as at 31st December 2018

Patients ready for elective surgery by specialty of surgeon: 2,572 patients

	As at 31 Dec 2018	Same time last year	Change since one year ago
All specialties	2,572	2,384	8%
Cardiothoracic surgery	0	0	n/a
Ear, nose and throat surgery	838	774	8%
General surgery	207	171	21%
Gynaecology	165	141	17%
Medical	0	0	n/a
Neurosurgery	100	83	20%
Ophthalmology	0	0	n/a
Orthopaedic surgery	917	820	12%
Plastic surgery	15	25	-40%
Urology	279	321	-13%
Vascular surgery	51	49	4%

Patients ready for elective surgery for common procedures ⁷

	As at 31 Dec 2018	Same time last year	Change since one year ago
Abdominal hysterectomy	32	28	14%
Cataract extraction	0	< 5	n/a
Cholecystectomy	30	22	36%
Coronary artery bypass graft	0	< 5	n/a
Cystoscopy	58	118	-51%
Haemorrhoidectomy	< 5	< 5	*
Hysteroscopy	34	45	-24%
Inguinal herniorrhaphy	16	14	14%
Myringoplasty / Tympanoplasty	25	25	0%
Myringotomy	< 5	< 5	*
Other - General	23	31	-26%
Prostatectomy	59	52	13%
Septoplasty	134	119	13%
Tonsillectomy	410	411	0%
Total hip replacement	212	197	8%
Total knee replacement	404	420	-4%
Varicose veins stripping and ligation	8	6	33%

Wollongong Hospital: 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	86	56

* 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.).