

Healthcare Quarterly

Elective Surgery

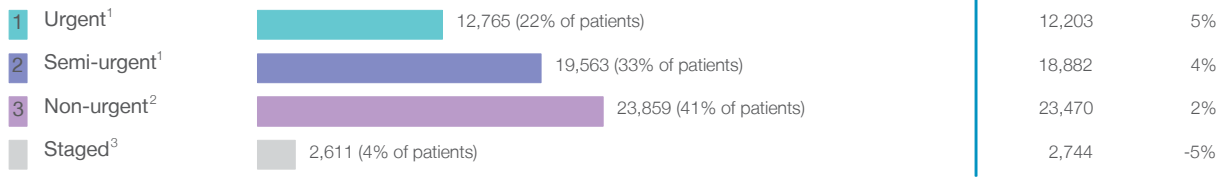
Performance Profiles

July to September 2018

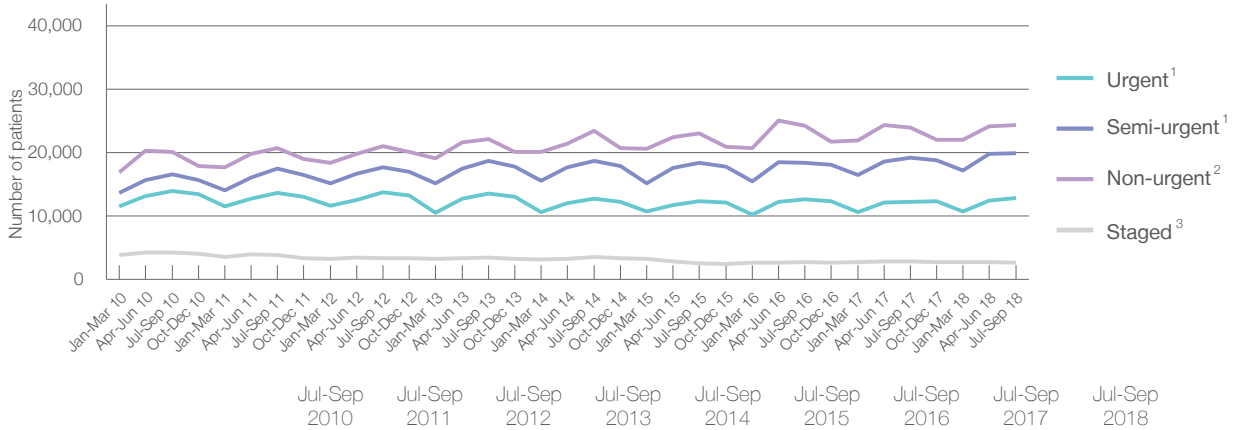
New South Wales: Elective surgery performed

July to September 2018

Patients who received elective surgery by urgency category: 58,798 patients



Patients who received elective surgery by urgency category by quarter, July 2013 to September 2018



All categories	54,982	55,753	55,843	57,760	58,496	56,393	58,046	58,284	59,778
Urgent ¹	14,001	13,650	13,756	13,524	12,764	12,407	12,660	12,289	12,836
Semi-urgent ¹	16,623	17,442	17,691	18,669	18,696	18,349	18,418	19,216	19,922
Non-urgent ²	20,081	20,753	21,007	22,128	23,465	23,037	24,247	23,948	24,325
Staged ³	4,277	3,908	3,389	3,439	3,571	2,600	2,721	2,831	2,695

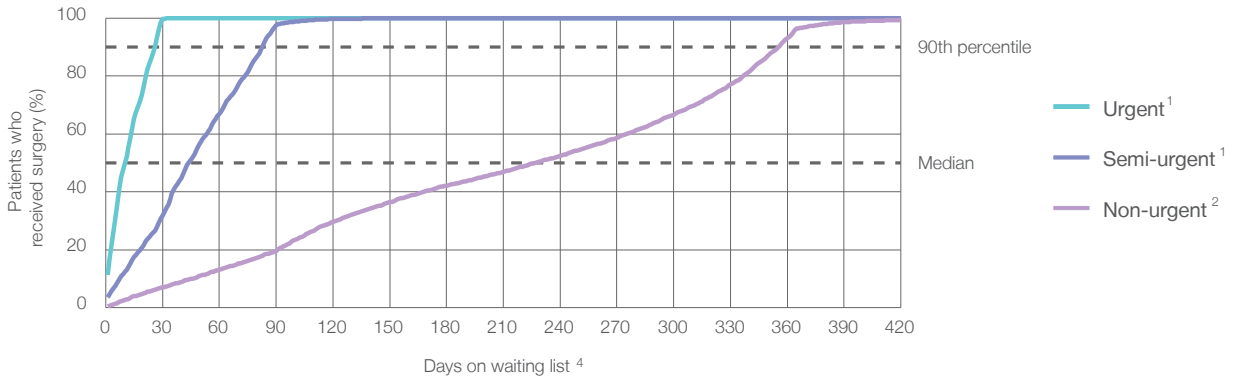
New South Wales: Time waited to receive elective surgery

July to September 2018

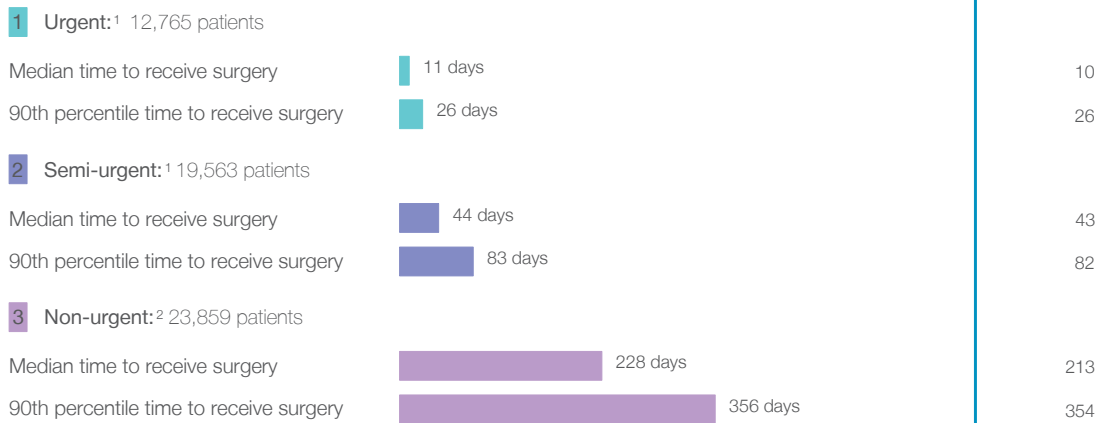
Percentage of patients who received surgery within the clinically recommended timeframe



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

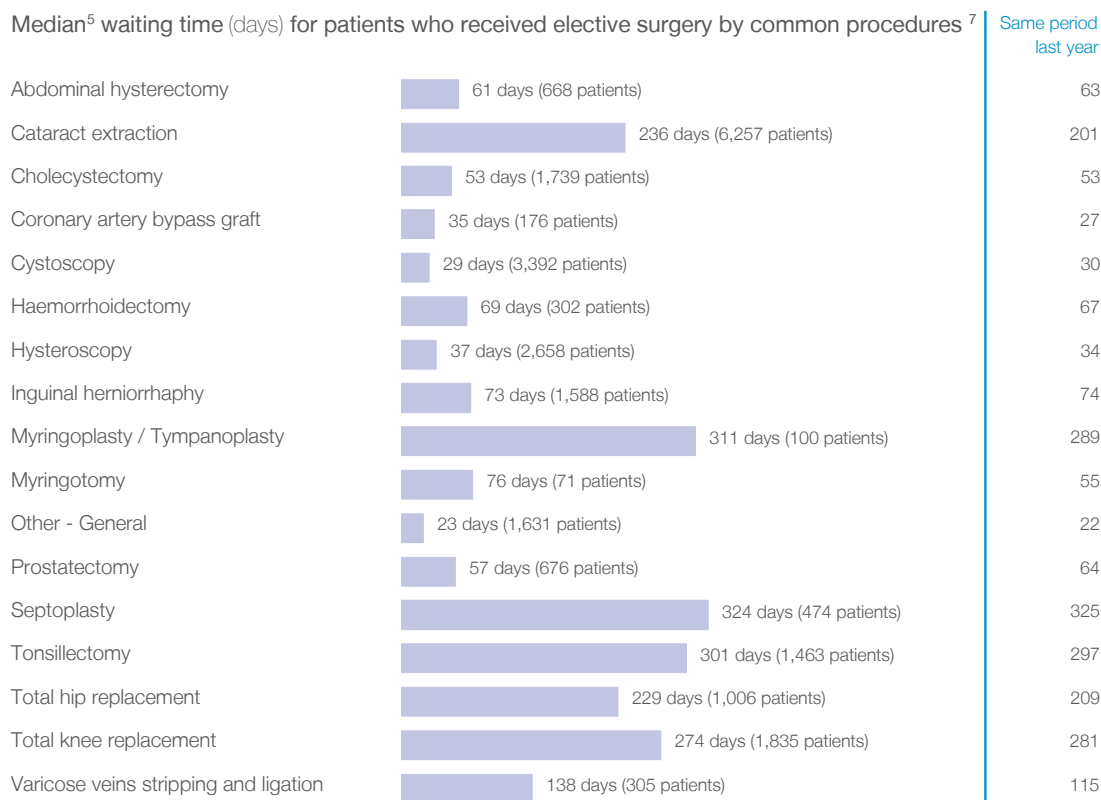
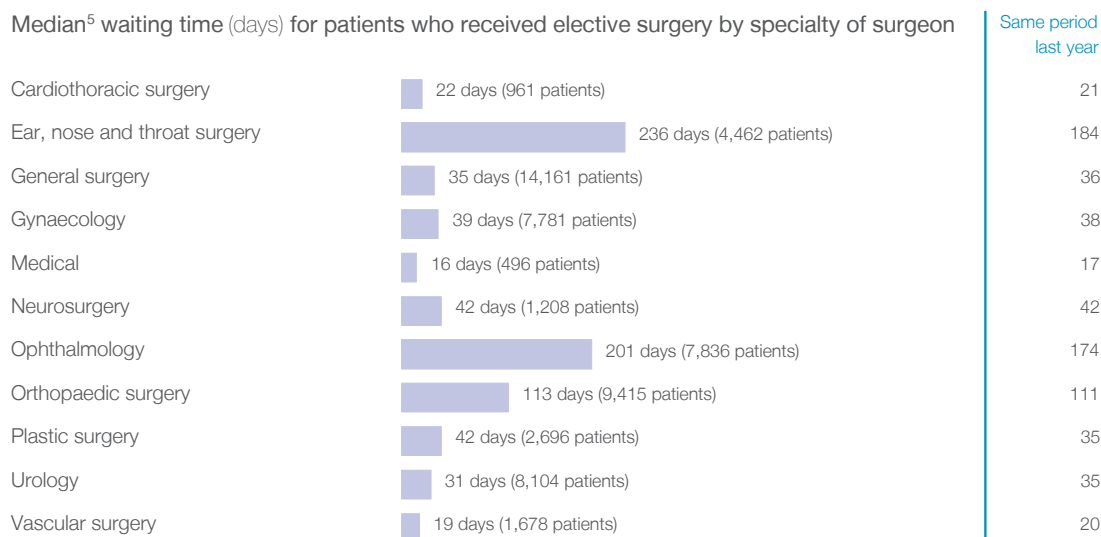


Waiting time (days) for patients who received surgery by urgency category



New South Wales: Time waited to receive elective surgery

July to September 2018



New South Wales: Elective surgery waiting list




July to September 2018

	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Patients ready for surgery on waiting list at start of quarter: 77,954 patients	74,499	5%
Patients ready for surgery on waiting list at end of quarter: 77,826 patients	74,665	4%
Patients not ready for surgery ⁸ on waiting list at end of quarter: 15,405 patients	14,276	8%

New South Wales: Patients ready for elective surgery

as at 30th September 2018

Patients ready for surgery on waiting list by urgency category: 77,826 patients

	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
1 Urgent ¹  1,734 (2.2%)	1,657	5%
2 Semi-urgent ¹  12,895 (16.6%)	12,432	4%
3 Non-urgent ²  63,197 (81.2%)	60,576	4%

New South Wales: Patients ready for elective surgery as at 30th September 2018

Patients ready for elective surgery by specialty of surgeon: 77,826 patients

	As at 30 Sep 2018	Same time last year	Change since one year ago
All specialties	77,826	74,665	4%
Cardiothoracic surgery	341	436	-22%
Ear, nose and throat surgery	10,629	10,970	-3%
General surgery	13,016	12,430	5%
Gynaecology	6,412	6,085	5%
Medical	297	207	43%
Neurosurgery	1,616	1,407	15%
Ophthalmology	18,512	17,177	8%
Orthopaedic surgery	18,852	18,495	2%
Plastic surgery	2,576	2,320	11%
Urology	4,530	4,147	9%
Vascular surgery	1,045	991	5%

Patients ready for elective surgery for common procedures ⁷

	As at 30 Sep 2018	Same time last year	Change since one year ago
Abdominal hysterectomy	750	743	1%
Cataract extraction	16,206	14,877	9%
Cholecystectomy	1,679	1,615	4%
Coronary artery bypass graft	84	104	-19%
Cystoscopy	1,213	1,235	-2%
Haemorrhoidectomy	442	377	17%
Hysteroscopy	1,751	1,624	8%
Inguinal herniorrhaphy	2,346	2,154	9%
Myringoplasty / Tympanoplasty	357	368	-3%
Myringotomy	98	112	-13%
Other - General	1,183	1,120	6%
Prostatectomy	738	695	6%
Septoplasty	1,645	1,610	2%
Tonsillectomy	4,065	4,351	-7%
Total hip replacement	2,664	2,636	1%
Total knee replacement	5,810	5,713	2%
Varicose veins stripping and ligation	635	587	8%

New South Wales: Patients ready for elective surgery
as at 30th September 2018

Patients ready for elective surgery, on the waiting list for longer than 12 months, by specialty of surgeon: 421 patients

	As at 30 Sep 2018	Same time last year
All specialties	421	312
Cardiothoracic surgery	0	0
Ear, nose and throat surgery	133	66
General surgery	41	36
Gynaecology	20	7
Medical	0	0
Neurosurgery	< 5	19
Ophthalmology	10	10
Orthopaedic surgery	183	147
Plastic surgery	14	20
Urology	13	6
Vascular surgery	< 5	< 5

* 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: Elective surgery measures, January to March 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 12 October 2018.).