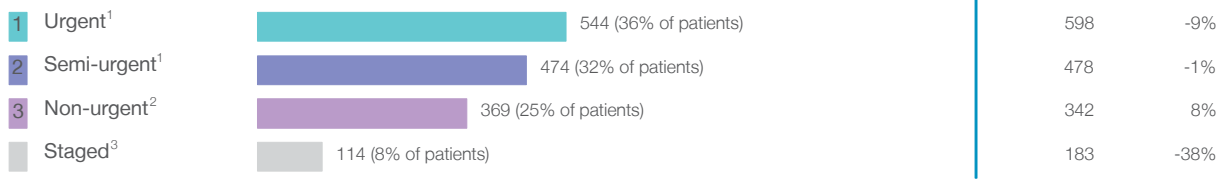


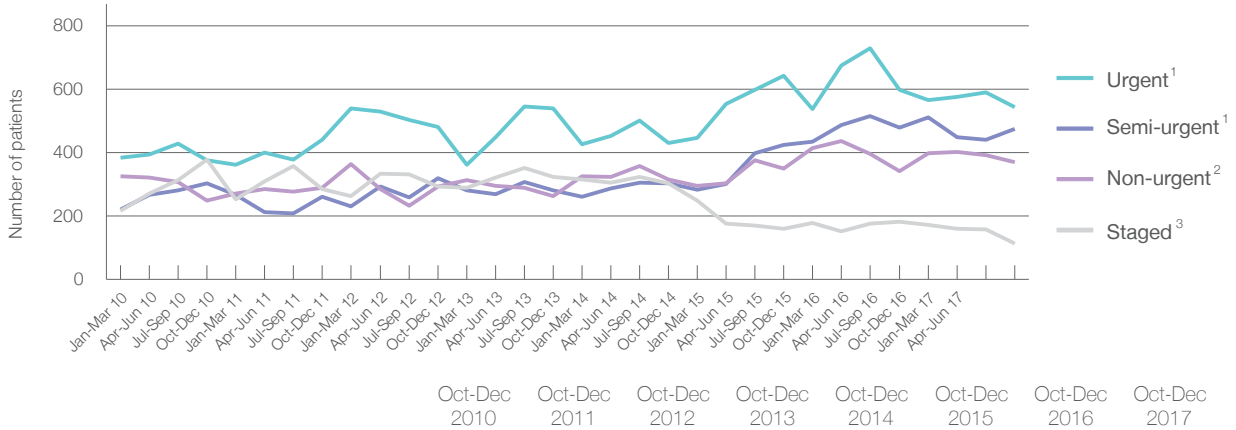
Wollongong Hospital: Elective surgery performed

October to December 2017

Patients who received elective surgery by urgency category: 1,501 patients



Patients who received elective surgery by urgency category by quarter, October 2012 to December 2017



Urgency Category	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017
All categories	1,306	1,277	1,388	1,408	1,353	1,579	1,601	1,501
Urgent ¹	376	441	481	539	431	643	598	544
Semi-urgent ¹	304	261	320	282	303	425	478	474
Non-urgent ²	249	290	294	264	316	350	342	369
Staged ³	377	285	293	323	303	161	183	114

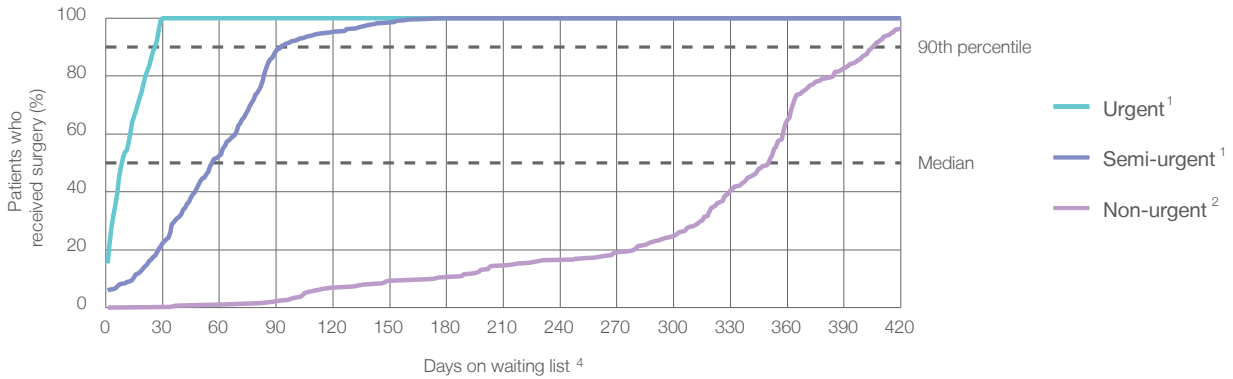
Wollongong Hospital: Time waited to receive elective surgery

October to December 2017

Percentage of patients who received surgery within the clinically recommended timeframe

	Recommended: (days)	Percentage	Same period last year	Peer group (this period)
1 Urgent ¹	30 days	100%	99.8%	99.8%
2 Semi-urgent ¹	90 days	88.6%	97.1%	95.0%
3 Non-urgent ²	365 days	73.4%	95.9%	93.2%

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:	544 patients	9 days	26 days	9	11	9
2 Semi-urgent:	1 474 patients	57 days	93 days	43	51	41
3 Non-urgent:	2 369 patients	351 days	406 days	164	346	161

Wollongong Hospital: Time waited to receive elective surgery

October to December 2017

Median⁵ waiting time (days) for patients who received elective surgery by specialty of surgeon

Specialty	Median ⁵ waiting time (days) (n patients)	Same period last year	Peer group (this period)
Cardiothoracic surgery	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	23
Ear, nose and throat surgery	179 days (283 patients)	131	92
General surgery	21 days (227 patients)	20	28
Gynaecology	46 days (102 patients)	21	29
Medical	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	13
Neurosurgery	28 days (83 patients)	28	42
Ophthalmology	n/a (0 patients)	*	106
Orthopaedic surgery	91 days (324 patients)	56	75
Plastic surgery	27 days (34 patients)	28	19
Urology	35 days (327 patients)	29	36
Vascular surgery	10 days (121 patients)	15	19

Median⁵ waiting time (days) for patients who received elective surgery by common procedures⁷

Procedure	Median ⁵ waiting time (days) (n patients)	Same period last year	Peer group (this period)
Abdominal hysterectomy	355 days (13 patients)	86	49
Cataract extraction	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	137
Cholecystectomy	31 days (22 patients)	41	47
Coronary artery bypass graft	n/a (0 patients)	n/a	32
Cystoscopy	38 days (136 patients)	29	33
Haemorrhoidectomy	* (< 5 patients)	n/a	57
Hysteroscopy	38 days (37 patients)	20	34
Inguinal herniorrhaphy	* (< 5 patients)	*	65
Myringoplasty / Tympanoplasty	* (8 patients)	*	300
Myringotomy	* (< 5 patients)	n/a	78
Other - General	21 days (27 patients)	27	17
Prostatectomy	49 days (16 patients)	35	62
Septoplasty	327 days (38 patients)	356	327
Tonsillectomy	316 days (96 patients)	355	319
Total hip replacement	359 days (40 patients)	242	133
Total knee replacement	385 days (81 patients)	318	245
Varicose veins stripping and ligation	* (< 5 patients)	n/a	69

Wollongong Hospital: Elective surgery waiting list

October to December 2017

	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Patients ready for surgery on waiting list at start of quarter: 2,287 patients	2,045	12%
Patients ready for surgery on waiting list at end of quarter: 2,384 patients	2,064	16%
Patients not ready for surgery ⁸ on waiting list at end of quarter: 534 patients	477	12%

Wollongong Hospital: Patients ready for elective surgery

as at 31st December 2017

Patients ready for surgery on waiting list by urgency category: 2,384 patients

	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
1 Urgent ¹ 56 (2.3%)	51	10%
2 Semi-urgent ¹ 458 (19.2%)	400	15%
3 Non-urgent ² 1,870 (78.4%)	1,613	16%

Wollongong Hospital: Patients ready for elective surgery

as at 31st December 2017

Patients ready for elective surgery by specialty of surgeon: 2,384 patients

	As at 31 Dec 2017	Same time last year	Change since one year ago
All specialties	2,384	2,064	16%
Cardiothoracic surgery	0	0	n/a
Ear, nose and throat surgery	774	752	3%
General surgery	171	125	37%
Gynaecology	141	105	34%
Medical	0	0	n/a
Neurosurgery	83	65	28%
Ophthalmology	0	< 5	*
Orthopaedic surgery	820	706	16%
Plastic surgery	25	25	0%
Urology	321	232	38%
Vascular surgery	49	52	-6%

Patients ready for elective surgery for common procedures ⁷

	As at 31 Dec 2017	Same time last year	Change since one year ago
Abdominal hysterectomy	28	21	33%
Cataract extraction	0	< 5	n/a
Cholecystectomy	22	10	120%
Coronary artery bypass graft	0	< 5	n/a
Cystoscopy	118	56	111%
Haemorrhoidectomy	< 5	< 5	*
Hysteroscopy	45	16	181%
Inguinal herniorrhaphy	14	7	100%
Myringoplasty / Tympanoplasty	25	25	0%
Myringotomy	< 5	< 5	*
Other - General	31	18	72%
Prostatectomy	52	50	4%
Septoplasty	119	138	-14%
Tonsillectomy	411	370	11%
Total hip replacement	197	157	25%
Total knee replacement	420	327	28%
Varicose veins stripping and ligation	6	< 5	*

Wollongong Hospital: Patients ready for elective surgery as at 31st December 2017

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

As at 31 Dec 2017 Same time last year

	As at 31 Dec 2017	Same time last year
All specialties	56	< 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, July to September 2016*.

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 23 January 2018.).