

# Waiting time (elective surgery)

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Glossary Item

**METEOR identifier:** 531822

**Registration status:** [National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016

**Definition:** The time elapsed (in days) for a patient on the elective surgery waiting list from the date they were added to the waiting list for the procedure to the date they were removed from the waiting list excluding:

- any days where the patient was not ready for care and

- any days the patients was waiting with a less urgent clinical urgency category than their clinical urgency category at removal.

## Relational attributes

**Metadata items which use this glossary item:** [National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Median waiting time for elective surgery 2011-12](#)

[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Superseded 28/05/2014

[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Median waiting time for elective surgery 2012-13](#)

[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016

[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Median waiting time for elective surgery, 2014](#)

[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016

[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Median waiting time for elective surgery, 2015](#)

[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016