

## Revisions Policy for NHS data collected through Unify2

NHS England Analytical Services  
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This revision protocol relates to the data collected through the Unify2 system and disseminated by the NHS England Analytical Services. The range of published information covered by this policy is shown in the table below. This policy is consistent with the National Statistics Code of Practice<sup>1</sup> and the UK Statistics Authority's guidance on revisions<sup>2</sup>.

#### Dissemination

The publication of scheduled revised data will be via a statistical press notice every six months, released in line with NHS England's statistical release policy<sup>3</sup>. Revisions to individual providers and commissioners will be reflected in the England total and, for some publications, in the regional totals as well, and the impact on previously published data will be summarised on release. Explanations for any revisions will be made available on request.

#### Timing

NHS England Analytical Services will normally publish revisions to the data on a six-monthly basis to dates that will be included in NHS England's Statistics 12-month publication plan. However, we reserve the right to make more frequent, unscheduled changes if necessary. Any significant revisions received after the revision period has closed will generally not be disseminated until the next scheduled revision.

#### Historic data

Revisions will relate usually to the six months prior to the revisions publication date. In exceptional circumstances revisions will go further back, if not doing so would materially distort the historical time series or would unduly impact on the assessment of an organisation's performance against a national target or standard.

#### Decisions about revisions

NHS England Analytical Services reserve the right to refuse any revisions that do not make material differences to published datasets. Final decisions about publishing revised data will be taken after consultations with senior professional NHS England analysts. The normal pre-release procedure will apply to revisions.

#### Process for submitting revisions

Revision requests to a given data collection will be made to the email in the table below. More detailed guidance for NHS organisations is posted on the Unify2 site itself.

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<sup>1</sup> Available at: <http://www.statisticsauthority.gov.uk/assessment/code-of-practice/index.html>

<sup>2</sup> For further information, consult the *National Statistician's Guidance: Presentation and Publication of Official Statistics*, available at: <http://www.statisticsauthority.gov.uk/national-statistician/ns-reports--reviews-and-guidance/national-statistician-s-guidance/index.html>

<sup>3</sup> Available at: <http://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2012/04/Joint-DH-NHS-England-Revisions-and-Corrections-Policy-January-2014.pdf>

## Unify2 data collections subject to scheduled revisions

Publication Title	Data Collection name in UNIFY2	Contact email
Accident and Emergency Waiting Times & Activity (Weekly A&E Sitreps)	WSitAE	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Ambulance Quality Indicators (monthly)	AMBCO/AMBSYS	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Bed Availability and Occupancy (quarterly)	KH03	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Cancelled Operations (quarterly)	QMCO	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Critical Care Bed Capacity and Urgent Operations Cancelled (monthly)	MSitrep	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Delayed Transfers of Care (monthly)	MSitDT	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Dementia Assessment and Referral	Dementia	<a href="mailto:england.dementia@nhs.net">england.dementia@nhs.net</a>
Diagnostic Test Waiting Times & Activity (monthly)	DM01	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Diagnostic Test Census (quarterly)	DiagCens	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Imaging and radiodiagnostics (annual)	KH12	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Direct Access Audiology waiting times (monthly)	ADWT	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Hospital activity (monthly)	MAR	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Hospital activity - inpatient elective admission events and outpatient referrals and attendances (quarterly)	QAR	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Mental Health Community Teams Activity (quarterly)	MHPrvCom	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Mixed Sex Accommodation Breaches (monthly)	MSA	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Referral to Treatment Waiting Times (monthly)	18wksRTT/18wksADJ	<a href="mailto:unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk">unify2@dh.gsi.gov.uk</a>
Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) Risk Assessment	VTE	<a href="mailto:england.vte@nhs.net">england.vte@nhs.net</a>

The following quarterly publications will be revised once a year, with the quarter 4 publication.

Child Immunisation	CHILDIM2	<a href="mailto:england.dataflows@nhs.net">england.dataflows@nhs.net</a>
Breastfeeding and 12 week risk assessment	MAT_RISK, BF_6_8_WK	<a href="mailto:england.dataflows@nhs.net">england.dataflows@nhs.net</a>