

The following statistics were released today by NHS England:

### **NHS cancelled elective operations, quarter ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

The key points from the latest release are:

- During the quarter ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017, 18,588 operations were cancelled at the last minute for non-clinical reasons by NHS providers. In the same period in 2016/17, there were 19,446 cancelled operations.
- Cancelled operations during the quarter represented 0.9% of all elective activity, which is lower than the corresponding percentage in the same period in 2016/17 (1.0%).
- Of these cancellations 1,266 (6.8%) of patients were not treated within 28 days of a cancellation. In the same period in 2016/17, 1,228 (6.3%) of patients were not treated within 28 days.

Full tables are available here:

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/cancelled-elective-operations/cancelled-ops-data/>

### **Additional Information**

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