



The following statistics were released today by NHS England:

NHS cancelled elective operations, quarter ending 31st December 2015

The key points from the latest release are:

- During the quarter ending 31st December 2015, 18,389 operations were cancelled at the last minute for non-clinical reasons by NHS providers. In the same period in 2014/15, there were 19,470 cancelled operations.
- Cancelled operations during the quarter represented 0.9% of all elective activity, which is a decrease to the corresponding percentage in the same period in 2014/15.
- Of these cancellations 1,098 (6.0%) of patients were not treated within 28 days of a cancellation. In the same period in 2014/15, 1,233 (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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