



The following statistics were released today by NHS England:

NHS cancelled elective operations, quarter ending 31 March 2013

The key points from the latest release are:

- During the quarter ending 31 March 2013, 19,968 operations were cancelled at the last minute for non-clinical reasons. In the same period in 2011/12, there were 16,719 cancelled operations.
- Cancelled operations during the quarter represented 1.1% of all elective activity compared to 0.9% in the corresponding period in 2011/12.
- Of these cancellations 1,124 (5.6%) of patients were not treated within 28 days of a cancellation. In the same period in 2011/12, 1,048 (6.3%) of patients were not treated within 28 days.

In line with our revisions policy, we have published revisions to Q2 and Q3 2012/13.

Full tables are available here

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

Additional Information

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