

## Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

The total number of operations cancelled for non-clinical reasons, broken down by the cause of the cancellation, e.g. due to lack of beds, operating theatre capacity, staffing issues, and equipment failures. Please provide this information for each of the past three financial years (2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19). In the total number of operations, broken down by cancellation reason, please include:

- 1) Elective operations cancelled at the last minute.

*For the purposes of this request, last minute means on the day the patient was due to arrive, after the patient has arrived in hospital or on the day of the operation or surgery.*

Reason for Cancellation	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Lack of beds	260	123	122
Operating theatre capacity / list over-ran	152	184	176
Staffing issues	150	114	116
Equipment failures	40	36	69
Emergency case took priority	45	90	106
Adverse weather	0	0	0
Booking / admin error	*	*	*
Case note unavailable	8	11	*
Other reasons	*	34	39

Any data marked as \* represents a number lower than five and has been redacted to protect the identity of the patient.

- 2) Cancelled urgent operations

None