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## Acute Episode-Based Activity Statistics

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## Reader Information

Purpose	<p>This publication presents information on acute, episode-based activity at Health and Social Care Trusts in Northern Ireland during the year ending 31 March 2021. It details key information on all activity and provides a breakdown of activity by OPCS code.</p> <p>The data contained in this publication have been compiled from the Hospital Inpatient System (HIS), introduced from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009.</p> <p>Data detailed in this publication are available in spreadsheet format (Microsoft Excel) to aid secondary analysis, at the link <a href="https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/acute-episode-based-activity-downloadable-data-202021">https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/acute-episode-based-activity-downloadable-data-202021</a></p> <p>Data are also available at single-code level at the above link.</p> <p>Explanatory notes and a glossary of terms are available from the link <a href="https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/explanatory-notes-and-technical-guidance-acute-episode-based-activity">https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/explanatory-notes-and-technical-guidance-acute-episode-based-activity</a></p>
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## Headline Figures

### Finished Consultant Episodes (FCEs)

	Count	Proportion
Total	496,628	100.0 %
<i>Proportion of the above episodes with a procedure or intervention</i>		79.7 %
Day Cases	102,773	20.7 %
<i>Proportion of the above episodes with a procedure or intervention</i>		79.8 %
Inpatients	295,764	59.6 %
<i>Proportion of the above episodes with a procedure or intervention</i>		74.0 %
Regular Day / Night Attenders	98,091	19.8 %
<i>Proportion of the above episodes with a procedure or intervention</i>		85.9 %
Patient's Age		
0-4 (includes babies born in hospital)	18,418	3.7 %
5-14	10,966	2.2 %
15-44	71,647	14.4 %
45-64	140,923	28.4 %
65-74	102,049	20.5 %
75-84	102,931	20.7 %
85 & Over	49,692	10.0 %
	2	0.0 %

#### Days

Average length of stay per inpatient FCE

3.2

### Admissions

	Count	Proportion
Total	365,124	100.0 %
Day Cases	102,601	28.1 %
Inpatients	164,734	45.1 %
Regular Day / Night Attenders	97,789	26.8 %
Patient's Age		
0-4 (includes babies born in hospital)	16,785	4.6 %
5-14	10,700	2.9 %
15-44	55,563	15.2 %
45-64	107,165	29.4 %
65-74	76,035	20.8 %
75-84	70,554	19.3 %
85 & Over	28,321	7.8 %
	1	0.0 %

#### Days

Average length of stay per inpatient admission

5.7

### Discharge Episodes

	Count	Proportion
Waiting List (including booked)	81,936	22.4 %
Planned (deferred for medical and social reasons)	139,892	38.3 %
Emergency	123,884	33.9 %
Others (including Maternity and births)	19,412	5.3 %

Explanatory notes and a glossary of terms are available from the link <https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/explanatory-notes-and-technical-guidance-acute-episode-based-activity>

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**Table 1: Finished Consultant Episodes (FCEs), Male FCEs and Total Admissions by Procedure / Operation**

Chapter / Block	Title	All Finished Episodes	Male FCEs	All Admissions
<b>A</b>	<b>Nervous System</b>	3,209	1,485	2,731
A01-A10	Tissue of brain	166	95	125
A12-A22	Ventricle of brain and subarachnoid space	206	102	160
A24-A36	Cranial nerves	55	19	53
A38-A42	Meninges of brain	134	82	92
A44-A57	Spinal cord and other contents of spinal canal	1,855	834	1,567
A59-A73	Peripheral nerves	605	270	595
A75-A84	Other parts of nervous system	174	83	139
<b>B</b>	<b>Endocrine System and Breast</b>	2,263	151	2,227
B01-B06	Pituitary and pineal glands	30	13	24
B08-B17	Thyroid and parathyroid glands	401	104	398
B18-B25	Other endocrine glands	35	21	34
B27-B40	Breast	1,793	13	1,771
<b>C</b>	<b>Eye</b>	7,006	3,695	6,997
C01-C08	Orbit	55	34	55
C09-C22	Eyebrow and eyelid	618	309	618
C24-C29	Lacrimal apparatus	53	13	53
C31-C37	Muscles of eye	55	27	56
C39-C51	Conjunctiva and cornea	140	99	140
C52-C65	Sclera and iris	710	391	710
C66-C77	Anterior chamber of eye and lens	3,379	1,541	3,380
C79-C90	Retina, other parts of eye and anaesthetics	1,988	1,281	1,985
<b>D</b>	<b>Ear</b>	739	524	736
D01-D08	External ear and external auditory canal	439	345	442
D10-D20	Mastoid and middle ear	247	155	246
D22-D28	Inner ear and eustachian canal	48	24	48
<b>E</b>	<b>Respiratory Tract</b>	9,369	5,412	6,013
E01-E11	Nose	846	483	817
E12-E17	Nasal sinuses	90	61	94
E19-E28	Pharynx	106	67	102
E29-E38	Larynx	477	277	463
E39-E52	Trachea and bronchus	1,263	717	1,141
E53-E63	Lung and mediastinum	858	466	794
E85-E98	Non operations on lower respiratory tract	5,723	3,341	2,602
<b>F</b>	<b>Mouth</b>	3,243	1,704	3,207
F01-F06	Lip	221	109	219
F08-F20	Tooth and gingiva	2,283	1,224	2,270
F22-F32	Tongue and palate	303	151	302
F34-F43	Tonsil and other parts of mouth	300	161	285
F44-F58	Salivary apparatus	128	58	129
F63	Other Dental	<5	<5	<5
<b>G</b>	<b>Upper Digestive Tract</b>	13,769	6,968	11,605
G01-G25	Oesophagus including hiatus hernia	704	407	597

Chapter / Block	Title	All Finished Episodes	Male FCEs	All Admissions
G27-G48	Stomach pylorus and general upper gastrointestinal tract endoscopy	12,354	6,182	10,521
G49-G57	Duodenum	91	56	56
G58-G67	Jejunum	142	75	91
G68-G82	Ileum	475	248	340
<b>H</b>	<b>Lower Digestive Tract</b>	16,584	8,844	15,279
H01-H03	Appendix	1,615	910	1,370
H04-H31	Colon	13,130	6,837	12,343
H33-H46	Rectum	619	351	504
H47-H70	Anus and perianal region	1,218	746	1,062
<b>J</b>	<b>Other Abdominal Organs – Principally Digestive</b>	3,686	1,668	2,818
J01-J17	Liver	588	342	455
J18-J26	Gall bladder	1,175	383	963
J27-J53	Bile duct	1,558	754	1,067
J54-J68	Pancreas	99	61	76
J69-J72	Spleen	23	13	15
J73-J77	Pancreas	243	115	242
<b>K</b>	<b>Heart</b>	8,881	6,075	8,124
K01-K24	Wall septum and chambers of heart	98	57	97
K25-K38	Valves of heart and adjacent structures	376	218	333
K40-K51	Coronary artery	391	306	338
K52-K78	Other parts of heart and pericardium	8,013	5,494	7,356
<b>L, O01-O05, O15</b>	<b>Arteries and Veins</b>	3,422	1,745	2,915
L01-L13	Great vessels and pulmonary artery	14	5	11
L16-L28	Aorta	177	149	115
L29-L39	Carotid cerebral and subclavian arteries	400	186	349
L41-L47	Abdominal branches of aorta	71	40	60
L48-L63	Iliac and femoral arteries	400	267	348
L65-L72	Other arteries	235	114	206
L74-L99	Veins and other blood vessels	1,977	930	1,740
O01-O05, O15	Overflow arteries and veins	139	54	86
<b>M</b>	<b>Urinary</b>	18,250	12,415	17,223
M01-M17	Kidney	1,838	1,012	1,654
M18-M33	Ureter	2,040	1,194	1,894
M34-M49	Bladder	12,333	8,224	11,648
M51-M71	Outlet of bladder and prostate	1,706	1,695	1,706
M72-M86	Urethra and other parts of urinary tract	329	290	321
<b>N</b>	<b>Male Genital Organs</b>	993	993	973
N01-N13	Scrotum and testis	530	530	514
N15-N24	Spermatic cord and male perineum	114	114	112
N26-N35	Penis and other male genital organs	349	349	347
<b>P</b>	<b>Lower Female Genital Tract</b>	441	-	432
P01-P13	Vulva and female perineum	207	-	201
P14-P32	Vagina	233	-	231

Chapter / Block	Title	All Finished Episodes	Male FCEs	All Admissions
<b>Q</b>	<b>Upper Female Genital Tract</b>	4,113	<5	4,072
Q01-Q20	Uterus	3,670	<5	3,641
Q22-Q41	Fallopian tube	430	<5	421
Q43-Q56	Ovary and broad ligament	541	-	516
<b>R</b>	<b>Female Genital Tract Associated with Pregnancy, Childbirth and Puerperium</b>	64	-	57
R01-R12	Fetus and gravid uterus	10	-	10
R14-R27	Induction and delivery	40	-	33
R28-R34	Other obstetric	12	-	14
R36-R43	Obstetric scans and studies	-	-	-
		64	-	57
<b>S</b>	<b>Skin</b>	5,898	3,090	5,627
S01-S62	Skin or subcutaneous tissue	5,776	3,025	5,505
S64-S70	Nail	119	65	122
<b>T</b>	<b>Soft tissue</b>	5,277	3,124	4,194
T01-T17	Chest wall pleura and diaphragm	784	460	545
T19-T31	Abdominal wall	957	682	823
T33-T48	Peritoneum	1,907	1,056	1,299
T50-T62	Fascia ganglion and bursa	236	111	233
T64-T74	Tendon	563	426	535
T76-T83	Muscle	111	62	94
T85-T97	Lymphatic tissue	716	327	665
<b>U</b>	<b>Diagnostic Testing and Rehabilitation</b>	47,589	23,797	25,689
U01-U21	Diagnostic Imaging	46,226	23,153	24,427
U22-U40	Diagnostic tests	394	199	378
U50-U54	Rehabilitation	968	445	884
<b>V</b>	<b>Bones and Joints of Skull and Spine</b>	1,230	643	1,070
V01-V21	Bones and joints of cranium, face and jaw	348	238	322
V22-V63	Bones and joints of spine	881	405	748
<b>W, O06-O10</b>	<b>Other Bones and Joints</b>	9,319	4,320	7,089
W01-W04	Complex reconstruction of hand and foot	40	16	39
W05-W36	Bone	5,595	2,702	4,322
W37-W99	Joint	3,456	1,485	2,510
O06-O10	Overflow other bones and joints	224	117	218
<b>X</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Operations</b>	133,001	72,123	130,046
X01-X27	Operations covering multiple systems	499	381	386
X28-X66	Miscellaneous operations	91,709	54,295	89,146
X70-X97	Specified drug therapy	40,793	17,447	40,514

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**Table 2: FCEs by Admission Type and Procedure / Operation**

Chapter / Block	Title	Emergency	Waiting List	Planned	Other
<b>A</b>	<b>Nervous System</b>	1,186	1,113	643	267
A01-A10	Tissue of brain	32	82	24	29
A12-A22	Ventricle of brain and subarachnoid space	133	18	17	42
A24-A36	Cranial nerves	<5	49	<5	-
A38-A42	Meninges of brain	59	40	<5	35
A44-A57	Spinal cord and other contents of spinal canal	801	438	521	95
A59-A73	Peripheral nerves	54	457	52	44
A75-A84	Other parts of nervous system	104	29	23	22
<b>B</b>	<b>Endocrine System and Breast</b>	104	2,128	22	9
B01-B06	Pituitary and pineal glands	<5	25	<5	<5
B08-B17	Thyroid and parathyroid glands	16	381	8	-
B18-B25	Other endocrine glands	<5	33	<5	-
B27-B40	Breast	84	1,689	12	8
<b>C</b>	<b>Eye</b>	134	5,946	897	29
C01-C08	Orbit	12	38	<5	<5
C09-C22	Eyebrow and eyelid	14	598	6	<5
C24-C29	Lacrimal apparatus	<5	50	<5	-
C31-C37	Muscles of eye	-	55	<5	-
C39-C51	Conjunctiva and cornea	13	119	8	<5
C52-C65	Sclera and iris	14	575	121	<5
C66-C77	Anterior chamber of eye and lens	12	3,343	24	<5
C79-C90	Retina, other parts of eye & anaesthetics	67	1,168	735	18
<b>D</b>	<b>Ear</b>	35	655	43	6
D01-D08	External ear and external auditory canal	24	392	23	<5
D10-D20	Mastoid and middle ear	10	219	18	<5
D22-D28	Inner ear and eustachian canal	<5	44	<5	<5
<b>E</b>	<b>Respiratory Tract</b>	4,851	2,774	401	1,343
E01-E11	Nose	229	539	51	27
E12-E17	Nasal sinuses	15	69	<5	6
E19-E28	Pharynx	18	83	<5	<5
E29-E38	Larynx	32	406	35	6
E39-E52	Trachea and bronchus	188	962	71	42
E53-E63	Lung and mediastinum	71	688	77	22
E85-E98	Non operations on lower respiratory tract	4,298	27	162	1,236
<b>F</b>	<b>Mouth</b>	264	2,849	64	66
F01-F06	Lip	42	144	17	18
F08-F20	Tooth and gingiva	102	2,123	17	41
F22-F32	Tongue and palate	43	255	<5	5
F34-F43	Tonsil and other parts of mouth	58	221	21	<5
F44-F58	Salivary apparatus	19	104	5	<5
F63	Other Dental	-	<5	-	-
<b>G</b>	<b>Upper Digestive Tract</b>	3,579	8,180	1,568	442
G01-G25	Oesophagus including hiatus hernia	158	435	67	44
		3,052	7,490	1,464	348



Chapter / Block	Title	Emergency	Waiting List	Planned	Other
G27-G48	Stomach pylorus and general upper gastrointestinal tract endoscopy	66	11	9	8
G49-G57	Duodenum	69	44	13	16
G58-G67	Jejunum	234	200	15	26
G68-G82	Ileum	3,579	8,180	1,568	442
<b>H</b>	<b>Lower Digestive Tract</b>	<b>3,855</b>	<b>10,894</b>	<b>1,695</b>	<b>140</b>
H01-H03	Appendix	1,549	47	<5	19
H04-H31	Colon	1,325	10,059	1,648	98
H33-H46	Rectum	206	399	9	5
H47-H70	Anus and perianal region	775	389	36	18
<b>J</b>	<b>Other Abdominal Organs – Principally Digestive</b>	<b>1,613</b>	<b>1,547</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>180</b>
J01-J17	Liver	137	296	135	22
J18-J26	Gall bladder	611	529	19	16
J27-J53	Bile duct	835	405	191	129
J54-J68	Pancreas	14	77	-	8
J69-J72	Spleen	12	7	<5	<5
J73-J77	Pancreas	<5	233	<5	<5
<b>K</b>	<b>Heart</b>	<b>2,313</b>	<b>4,146</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>2,125</b>
K01-K24	Wall septum and chambers of heart	5	88	<5	5
K25-K38	Valves of heart and adjacent structures	26	183	109	60
K40-K51	Coronary artery	92	222	7	70
K52-K78	Other parts of heart and pericardium	2,190	3,653	180	1,990
<b>L, O01-O05, O15</b>	<b>Arteries and Veins</b>	<b>569</b>	<b>1,582</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>302</b>
L01-L13	Great vessels and pulmonary artery	<5	8	-	<5
L16-L28	Aorta	45	112	<5	20
L29-L39	Carotid cerebral and subclavian arteries	69	62	222	47
L41-L47	Abdominal branches of aorta	20	43	<5	8
L48-L63	Iliac and femoral arteries	117	226	21	36
L65-L72	Other arteries	68	152	<5	15
L74-L99	Veins and other blood vessels	195	970	664	148
O01-O05, O15	Overflow arteries and veins	51	9	54	26
<b>M</b>	<b>Urinary</b>	<b>2,221</b>	<b>10,335</b>	<b>5,218</b>	<b>476</b>
M01-M17	Kidney	376	771	552	139
M18-M33	Ureter	446	859	611	124
M34-M49	Bladder	1,370	6,848	3,916	199
M51-M71	Outlet of bladder and prostate	5	1,618	83	<5
M72-M86	Urethra and other parts of urinary tract	24	239	56	10
<b>N</b>	<b>Male Genital Organs</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5</b>
N01-N13	Scrotum and testis	291	224	10	5
N15-N24	Spermatic cord and male perineum	11	103	-	-
N26-N35	Penis and other male genital organs	29	313	7	-
<b>P</b>	<b>Lower Female Genital Tract</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>&lt;5</b>
P01-P13	Vulva and female perineum	49	146	13	-
P14-P32	Vagina	34	191	8	<5

Chapter / Block	Title	Emergency	Waiting List	Planned	Other
<b>Q</b>	<b>Upper Female Genital Tract</b>	611	3,268	191	44
Q01-Q20	Uterus	419	3,051	185	15
Q22-Q41	Fallopian tube	192	210	<5	28
Q43-Q56	Ovary and broad ligament	303	214	12	12
<b>R</b>	<b>Female Genital Tract Associated with Pregnancy, Childbirth and Puerperium</b>	22	14	5	26
R01-R12	Fetus and gravid uterus	-	7	<5	<5
R14-R27	Induction and delivery	17	-	-	25
R28-R34	Other obstetric	5	7	<5	-
R36-R43	Obstetric scans and studies	-	-	-	-
<b>S</b>	<b>Skin</b>	1,120	3,974	411	393
S01-S62	Skin or subcutaneous tissue	1,091	3,899	408	378
S64-S70	Nail	29	75	<5	15
<b>T</b>	<b>Soft tissue</b>	2,374	1,976	567	360
T01-T17	Chest wall pleura and diaphragm	503	164	37	80
T19-T31	Abdominal wall	479	439	15	24
T33-T48	Peritoneum	1,020	395	409	83
T50-T62	Fascia ganglion and bursa	12	195	29	<5
T64-T74	Tendon	178	214	24	147
T76-T83	Muscle	33	52	18	8
T85-T97	Lymphatic tissue	149	517	35	15
<b>U</b>	<b>Diagnostic Testing and Rehabilitation</b>	41,491	1,586	932	3,580
U01-U21	Diagnostic Imaging	41,039	1,358	745	3,084
U22-U40	Diagnostic tests	41	198	155	<5
U50-U54	Rehabilitation	411	30	32	495
<b>V</b>	<b>Bones and Joints of Skull and Spine</b>	300	627	191	112
V01-V21	Bones and joints of cranium, face and jaw	100	153	28	67
V22-V63	Bones and joints of spine	200	474	163	45
<b>W, O06-O10</b>	<b>Other Bones and Joints</b>	4,515	2,876	1,025	903
W01-W04	Complex reconstruction of hand and foot	<5	37	<5	<5
W05-W36	Bone	2,762	1,401	867	565
W37-W99	Joint	1,682	1,295	146	333
O06-O10	Overflow other bones and joints	70	143	11	<5
<b>X</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Operations</b>	3,359	9,134	118,810	1,698
X01-X27	Operations covering multiple systems	236	114	26	123
X28-X66	Miscellaneous operations	2,608	5,146	82,708	1,247
X70-X97	Specified drug therapy	515	3,874	36,076	328

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**Table 3: FCEs, Average Episode Duration and Day Cases by Procedure / Operation**

Chapter / Block	Title	Finished Episodes	Episode Duration		Day Cases
			Mean	Median	
<b>A</b>	<b>Nervous System</b>	3,209	2.8	0	1,405
A01-A10	Tissue of brain	166	5.8	4	12
A12-A22	Ventricle of brain and subarachnoid space	206	7.9	4	-
A24-A36	Cranial nerves	55	2.0	0	32
A38-A42	Meninges of brain	134	7.4	5	-
A44-A57	Spinal cord and other contents of spinal canal	1,855	2.2	0	838
A59-A73	Peripheral nerves	605	0.3	0	494
A75-A84	Other parts of nervous system	174	5.7	3	29
<b>B</b>	<b>Endocrine System and Breast</b>	2,263	1.3	1	558
B01-B06	Pituitary and pineal glands	30	6.5	6	-
B08-B17	Thyroid and parathyroid glands	401	1.7	1	11
B18-B25	Other endocrine glands	35	3.6	3	<5
B27-B40	Breast	1,793	1.1	1	545
<b>C</b>	<b>Eye</b>	7,006	0.1	0	6,706
C01-C08	Orbit	55	3.2	1	18
C09-C22	Eyebrow and eyelid	618	0.1	0	584
C24-C29	Lacrimal apparatus	53	0.2	0	45
C31-C37	Muscles of eye	55	0.0	0	55
C39-C51	Conjunctiva and cornea	140	0.9	0	113
C52-C65	Sclera and iris	710	0.0	0	686
C66-C77	Anterior chamber of eye and lens	3,379	0.0	0	3,338
C79-C90	Retina, other parts of eye & anaesthetics	1,988	0.1	0	1,867
<b>D</b>	<b>Ear</b>	739	0.4	0	618
D01-D08	External ear and external auditory canal	439	0.3	0	392
D10-D20	Mastoid and middle ear	247	0.7	0	190
D22-D28	Inner ear and eustachian canal	48	0.7	0	36
<b>E</b>	<b>Respiratory Tract</b>	9,369	4.8	1	2,491
E01-E11	Nose	846	1.0	0	523
E12-E17	Nasal sinuses	90	2.4	1	39
E19-E28	Pharynx	106	0.9	0	73
E29-E38	Larynx	477	1.1	0	354
E39-E52	Trachea and bronchus	1,263	2.4	0	876
E53-E63	Lung and mediastinum	858	2.2	0	478
E85-E98	Non operations on lower respiratory tract	5,723	6.7	3	148
<b>F</b>	<b>Mouth</b>	3,243	0.5	0	2,606
F01-F06	Lip	221	0.2	0	147
F08-F20	Tooth and gingiva	2,283	0.3	0	2,074
F22-F32	Tongue and palate	303	1.1	0	179
F34-F43	Tonsil and other parts of mouth	300	0.8	0	167
F44-F58	Salivary apparatus	128	1.9	1	38
F63	Other Dental	<5	1.0	1	<5
<b>G</b>	<b>Upper Digestive Tract</b>	13,769	1.7	0	9,086
G01-G25	Oesophagus including hiatus hernia	704	2.6	0	345
G27-G48	Stomach pylorus and general upper	12,354	1.4	0	8,587

Chapter / Block	Title	Finished Episodes	Episode Duration		Day Cases
			Mean	Median	
	gastrointestinal tract endoscopy				
G49-G57	Duodenum	91	7.6	4	13
G58-G67	Jejunum	142	6.7	1	28
G68-G82	Ileum	475	7.0	4	113
<b>H</b>	<b>Lower Digestive Tract</b>	16,584	1.4	0	11,306
H01-H03	Appendix	1,615	2.7	2	<5
H04-H31	Colon	13,130	0.9	0	10,971
H33-H46	Rectum	619	8.0	6	42
H47-H70	Anus and perianal region	1,218	1.3	1	289
<b>J</b>	<b>Other Abdominal Organs – Principally Digestive</b>	3,686	4.0	2	859
J01-J17	Liver	588	3.7	2	143
J18-J26	Gall bladder	1,175	4.1	3	82
J27-J53	Bile duct	1,558	4.1	3	386
J54-J68	Pancreas	99	10.2	7	12
J69-J72	Spleen	23	8.9	4	<5
J73-J77	Pancreas	243	0.1	0	235
<b>K</b>	<b>Heart</b>	8,881	1.8	0	2,472
K01-K24	Wall septum and chambers of heart	98	1.3	0	17
K25-K38	Valves of heart and adjacent structures	376	8.6	7	<5
K40-K51	Coronary artery	391	7.1	6	32
K52-K78	Other parts of heart and pericardium	8,013	1.3	0	2,422
<b>L, O01-O05, O15</b>	<b>Arteries and Veins</b>	3,422	3.3	0	1,635
L01-L13	Great vessels and pulmonary artery	14	5.0	2	<5
L16-L28	Aorta	177	6.4	3	22
L29-L39	Carotid cerebral and subclavian arteries	400	3.1	1	138
L41-L47	Abdominal branches of aorta	71	2.3	1	16
L48-L63	Iliac and femoral arteries	400	6.2	4	107
L65-L72	Other arteries	235	3.7	0	113
L74-L99	Veins and other blood vessels	1,977	2.3	0	1,235
O01-O05, O15	Overflow arteries and veins	139	5.9	3	<5
<b>M</b>	<b>Urinary</b>	18,250	1.0	0	12,966
M01-M17	Kidney	1,838	2.9	1	774
M18-M33	Ureter	2,040	1.6	1	704
M34-M49	Bladder	12,333	0.8	0	9,694
M51-M71	Outlet of bladder and prostate	1,706	0.2	0	1,551
M72-M86	Urethra and other parts of urinary tract	329	0.5	0	243
<b>N</b>	<b>Male Genital Organs</b>	993	0.7	0	569
N01-N13	Scrotum and testis	530	0.8	0	186
N15-N24	Spermatic cord and male perineum	114	0.6	0	100
N26-N35	Penis and other male genital organs	349	0.4	0	283
<b>P</b>	<b>Lower Female Genital Tract</b>	441	1.9	1	186
P01-P13	Vulva and female perineum	207	1.8	0	102
P14-P32	Vagina	233	2.0	1	84

Chapter / Block	Title	Finished Episodes	Episode Duration		Day Cases
			Mean	Median	
<b>Q</b>	<b>Upper Female Genital Tract</b>	4,113	1.1	0	2,100
Q01-Q20	Uterus	3,670	1.0	0	2,060
Q22-Q41	Fallopian tube	430	2.4	2	36
Q43-Q56	Ovary and broad ligament	541	1.5	1	159
<b>R</b>	<b>Female Genital Tract Associated with Pregnancy, Childbirth and Puerperium</b>	64	1.7	1	8
R01-R12	Fetus and gravid uterus	10	2.6	1	<5
R14-R27	Induction and delivery	40	1.8	1	-
R28-R34	Other obstetric	12	0.7	0	<5
R36-R43	Obstetric scans and studies	-	0.0	0	-
<b>S</b>	<b>Skin</b>	5,898	1.5	0	4,147
S01-S62	Skin or subcutaneous tissue	5,776	1.5	0	4,077
S64-S70	Nail	119	0.3	0	70
<b>T</b>	<b>Soft tissue</b>	5,277	3.8	1	1,522
T01-T17	Chest wall pleura and diaphragm	784	6.4	4	69
T19-T31	Abdominal wall	957	2.8	1	234
T33-T48	Peritoneum	1,907	4.7	2	555
T50-T62	Fascia ganglion and bursa	236	0.6	0	218
T64-T74	Tendon	563	1.0	0	161
T76-T83	Muscle	111	3.9	0	46
T85-T97	Lymphatic tissue	716	3.0	1	239
<b>U</b>	<b>Diagnostic Testing and Rehabilitation</b>	47,589	4.9	2	1,313
U01-U21	Diagnostic Imaging	46,226	4.5	2	1,009
U22-U40	Diagnostic tests	394	0.6	0	302
U50-U54	Rehabilitation	968	23.2	12	<5
<b>V</b>	<b>Bones and Joints of Skull and Spine</b>	1,230	3.5	1	494
V01-V21	Bones and joints of cranium, face and jaw	348	3.3	1	83
V22-V63	Bones and joints of spine	881	3.6	1	411
<b>W, O06-O10</b>	<b>Other Bones and Joints</b>	9,319	3.6	1	2,238
W01-W04	Complex reconstruction of hand and foot	40	1.1	1	10
W05-W36	Bone	5,595	3.3	1	1,326
W37-W99	Joint	3,456	4.2	2	821
O06-O10	Overflow other bones and joints	224	1.4	0	81
<b>X</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Operations</b>	133,001	0.3	0	30,773
X01-X27	Operations covering multiple systems	499	8.4	5	30
X28-X66	Miscellaneous operations	91,709	0.2	0	14,991
X70-X97	Specified drug therapy	40,793	0.3	0	15,752

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**Table 4: FCEs with Zero Bed Days by Procedure / Operation**

Chapter / Block	Title	Cases with zero bed days §		
		Emergency	Elective	Other
<b>A</b>	<b>Nervous System</b>	47	52	41
A01-A10	Tissue of brain	-	1	-
A12-A22	Ventricle of brain and subarachnoid space	-	-	3
A24-A36	Cranial nerves	-	2	-
A38-A42	Meninges of brain	-	-	-
A44-A57	Spinal cord and other contents of spinal canal	31	45	1
A59-A73	Peripheral nerves	13	4	37
A75-A84	Other parts of nervous system	3	-	-
<b>B</b>	<b>Endocrine System and Breast</b>	12	147	-
B01-B06	Pituitary and pineal glands	-	-	-
B08-B17	Thyroid and parathyroid glands	-	12	-
B18-B25	Other endocrine glands	-	-	-
B27-B40	Breast	12	135	-
<b>C</b>	<b>Eye</b>	58	13	13
C01-C08	Orbit	-	1	-
C09-C22	Eyebrow and eyelid	3	4	1
C24-C29	Lacrimal apparatus	-	-	-
C31-C37	Muscles of eye	-	-	-
C39-C51	Conjunctiva and cornea	3	-	-
C52-C65	Sclera and iris	7	2	1
C66-C77	Anterior chamber of eye and lens	8	2	-
C79-C90	Retina, other parts of eye & anaesthetics	37	4	11
<b>D</b>	<b>Ear</b>	10	25	1
D01-D08	External ear and external auditory canal	10	9	1
D10-D20	Mastoid and middle ear	-	14	-
D22-D28	Inner ear and eustachian canal	-	2	-
<b>E</b>	<b>Respiratory Tract</b>	127	83	44
E01-E11	Nose	35	19	6
E12-E17	Nasal sinuses	-	3	-
E19-E28	Pharynx	2	4	-
E29-E38	Larynx	4	24	1
E39-E52	Trachea and bronchus	4	14	1
E53-E63	Lung and mediastinum	4	17	1
E85-E98	Non operations on lower respiratory tract	78	2	35
<b>F</b>	<b>Mouth</b>	77	43	16
F01-F06	Lip	27	9	9
F08-F20	Tooth and gingiva	10	15	4
F22-F32	Tongue and palate	25	4	3
F34-F43	Tonsil and other parts of mouth	14	13	-
F44-F58	Salivary apparatus	1	2	-
F63	Other Dental	-	-	-
<b>G</b>	<b>Upper Digestive Tract</b>	91	44	43
G01-G25	Oesophagus including hiatus hernia	13	5	15
G27-G48	Stomach pylorus and general upper gastrointestinal tract endoscopy	71	33	27

Chapter / Block	Title	Cases with zero bed days §		
		Emergency	Elective	Other
G49-G57	Duodenum	-	-	-
G58-G67	Jejunum	7	4	-
G68-G82	Ileum	-	2	1
<b>H</b>	<b>Lower Digestive Tract</b>	99	63	13
H01-H03	Appendix	17	1	-
H04-H31	Colon	24	30	10
H33-H46	Rectum	5	4	-
H47-H70	Anus and perianal region	53	28	3
<b>J</b>	<b>Other Abdominal Organs – Principally Digestive</b>	12	71	12
J01-J17	Liver	5	24	2
J18-J26	Gall bladder	3	25	-
J27-J53	Bile duct	4	20	8
J54-J68	Pancreas	-	-	-
J69-J72	Spleen	-	-	-
J73-J77	Pancreas	-	2	2
<b>K</b>	<b>Heart</b>	217	806	959
K01-K24	Wall septum and chambers of heart	-	53	2
K25-K38	Valves of heart and adjacent structures	-	10	1
K40-K51	Coronary artery	4	8	25
K52-K78	Other parts of heart and pericardium	213	735	931
<b>L, O01-O05, O15</b>	<b>Arteries and Veins</b>	15	284	15
L01-L13	Great vessels and pulmonary artery	-	2	-
L16-L28	Aorta	-	5	5
L29-L39	Carotid cerebral and subclavian arteries	-	11	1
L41-L47	Abdominal branches of aorta	-	1	-
L48-L63	Iliac and femoral arteries	-	3	-
L65-L72	Other arteries	2	3	1
L74-L99	Veins and other blood vessels	13	259	8
O01-O05, O15	Overflow arteries and veins	-	-	-
<b>M</b>	<b>Urinary</b>	68	600	11
M01-M17	Kidney	18	61	4
M18-M33	Ureter	6	169	1
M34-M49	Bladder	41	331	6
M51-M71	Outlet of bladder and prostate	-	23	-
M72-M86	Urethra and other parts of urinary tract	3	16	-
<b>N</b>	<b>Male Genital Organs</b>	92	20	-
N01-N13	Scrotum and testis	88	11	-
N15-N24	Spermatic cord and male perineum	-	1	-
N26-N35	Penis and other male genital organs	4	8	-
<b>P</b>	<b>Lower Female Genital Tract</b>	9	19	-
P01-P13	Vulva and female perineum	5	13	-
P14-P32	Vagina	4	6	-
<b>Q</b>	<b>Upper Female Genital Tract</b>	119	261	6
Q01-Q20	Uterus	114	252	3
Q22-Q41	Fallopian tube	5	8	3

Chapter / Block	Title	Cases with zero bed days §		
		Emergency	Elective	Other
Q43-Q56	Ovary and broad ligament	32	8	1
<b>R</b>	<b>Female Genital Tract Associated with Pregnancy, Childbirth and Puerperium</b>	2	5	5
R01-R12	Fetus and gravid uterus	-	1	-
R14-R27	Induction and delivery	1	-	5
R28-R34	Other obstetric	1	4	-
R36-R43	Obstetric scans and studies	-	-	-
<b>S</b>	<b>Skin</b>	143	58	77
S01-S62	Skin or subcutaneous tissue	127	51	64
S64-S70	Nail	16	7	13
<b>T</b>	<b>Soft tissue</b>	92	132	119
T01-T17	Chest wall pleura and diaphragm	3	10	2
T19-T31	Abdominal wall	15	27	2
T33-T48	Peritoneum	15	37	-
T50-T62	Fascia ganglion and bursa	-	-	-
T64-T74	Tendon	43	12	115
T76-T83	Muscle	6	4	-
T85-T97	Lymphatic tissue	10	42	-
<b>U</b>	<b>Diagnostic Testing and Rehabilitation</b>	1,320	191	45
U01-U21	Diagnostic Imaging	1,313	170	43
U22-U40	Diagnostic tests	5	21	-
U50-U54	Rehabilitation	2	-	2
<b>V</b>	<b>Bones and Joints of Skull and Spine</b>	4	6	1
V01-V21	Bones and joints of cranium, face and jaw	3	6	1
V22-V63	Bones and joints of spine	1	-	-
<b>W, O06-O10</b>	<b>Other Bones and Joints</b>	283	368	92
W01-W04	Complex reconstruction of hand and foot	-	9	-
W05-W36	Bone	210	286	76
W37-W99	Joint	55	51	15
O06-O10	Overflow other bones and joints	18	22	1
<b>X</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Operations</b>	277	95,154	177
X01-X27	Operations covering multiple systems	18	1	56
X28-X66	Miscellaneous operations	231	71,777	117
X70-X97	Specified drug therapy	28	23,376	4

§ - In the HIS data, there are a number of episodes that are not recorded as day cases but do not involve an overnight stay and do not result in another episode of care at the same provider. These are referred to as zero bed days. Zero bed days include a number of records which resulted in the death of the patient, or their transfer to another hospital provider; however, the vast majority are recorded as having been discharged from hospital.

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**Table 5: FCEs by Age Group and Procedure / Operation**

Chapter / Block	Title	Mean Age	Age								
			0-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80+
<b>A</b>	<b>Nervous System</b>	42	519	196	205	374	446	599	473	302	95
A01-A10	Tissue of brain	48	18	9	8	13	22	38	39	19	<5
A12-A22	Ventricle of brain and subarachnoid space	23	81	38	16	28	16	9	18	<5	-
A24-A36	Cranial nerves	56	-	<5	<5	7	8	12	7	14	<5
A38-A42	Meninges of brain	58	6	<5	<5	9	20	22	30	22	21
A44-A57	Spinal cord and other contents of spinal canal	40	349	112	134	239	251	341	243	157	29
A59-A73	Peripheral nerves	54	<5	14	27	65	117	155	122	68	37
A75-A84	Other parts of nervous system	31	63	17	15	13	12	22	14	18	<5
<b>B</b>	<b>Endocrine System and Breast</b>	56	5	16	88	191	378	593	551	339	102
B01-B06	Pituitary and pineal glands	51	-	<5	<5	<5	6	10	<5	<5	<5
B08-B17	Thyroid and parathyroid glands	51	5	<5	39	56	70	90	72	58	11
B18-B25	Other endocrine glands	61	-	-	-	<5	5	9	11	8	<5
B27-B40	Breast	57	-	10	48	130	297	484	465	270	89
<b>C</b>	<b>Eye</b>	65	143	60	145	290	471	993	1,553	1,924	1,427
C01-C08	Orbit	53	5	<5	<5	7	6	7	9	7	10
C09-C22	Eyebrow and eyelid	65	30	11	6	16	38	71	131	182	136
C24-C29	Lacrimal apparatus	56	5	-	<5	<5	7	9	12	7	9
C31-C37	Muscles of eye	33	11	8	8	8	7	6	5	<5	<5
C39-C51	Conjunctiva and cornea	43	5	26	28	21	6	7	17	19	12
C52-C65	Sclera and iris	65	<5	<5	11	24	54	124	166	230	95
C66-C77	Anterior chamber of eye and lens	72	18	<5	10	33	88	313	675	1,199	1,043
C79-C90	Retina, other parts of eye & anaesthetics	56	66	6	79	179	265	456	538	278	121
<b>D</b>	<b>Ear</b>	42	218	85	24	37	21	43	64	127	120
D01-D08	External ear and external auditory canal	57	75	19	12	14	11	30	48	119	115
D10-D20	Mastoid and middle ear	21	115	56	10	21	7	12	14	8	5
D22-D28	Inner ear and eustachian canal	15	28	10	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	-	-
<b>E</b>	<b>Respiratory Tract</b>	55	1,144	113	209	412	768	1,493	2,162	2,044	1,023

Chapter / Block	Title	Mean Age	Age								
			0-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80+
E01-E11	Nose	58	72	29	39	43	66	103	151	185	158
E12-E17	Nasal sinuses	54	-	<5	6	7	22	19	15	16	5
E19-E28	Pharynx	51	10	5	<5	11	11	19	21	21	<5
E29-E38	Larynx	57	30	<5	11	24	49	117	119	103	24
E39-E52	Trachea and bronchus	62	42	8	12	53	86	232	352	347	131
E53-E63	Lung and mediastinum	63	5	7	21	33	67	130	260	252	83
E85-E98	Non operations on lower respiratory tract	52	985	58	116	241	467	873	1,244	1,120	618
<b>F</b>	<b>Mouth</b>	23	1,702	439	147	138	176	221	221	126	73
F01-F06	Lip	40	69	8	9	18	16	25	29	24	23
F08-F20	Tooth and gingiva	14	1,490	401	86	54	63	77	56	35	21
F22-F32	Tongue and palate	40	93	8	9	12	27	57	63	26	12
F34-F43	Tonsil and other parts of mouth	41	43	19	39	33	47	38	48	28	6
F44-F58	Salivary apparatus	51	7	<5	<5	21	23	24	23	13	11
F63	Other Dental	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	<5	-	-
<b>G</b>	<b>Upper Digestive Tract</b>	61	275	207	416	759	1,365	2,592	3,031	3,345	1,779
G01-G25	Oesophagus including hiatus hernia	62	30	10	5	34	52	117	163	198	95
G27-G48	Stomach pylorus and general upper gastrointestinal tract endoscopy	61	197	170	366	665	1,249	2,338	2,743	2,998	1,628
G49-G57	Duodenum	50	11	<5	6	9	10	14	17	17	7
G58-G67	Jejunum	51	16	5	9	15	12	28	18	31	8
G68-G82	Ileum	55	21	19	30	36	42	95	90	101	41
<b>H</b>	<b>Lower Digestive Tract</b>	56	204	685	1,128	1,330	1,668	2,698	4,164	3,442	1,265
H01-H03	Appendix	31	130	427	338	262	181	131	88	47	13
H04-H31	Colon	61	39	168	519	795	1,216	2,279	3,799	3,185	1,130
H33-H46	Rectum	62	18	11	15	24	50	104	163	141	93
H47-H70	Anus and perianal region	42	17	79	256	249	221	184	114	69	29
<b>J</b>	<b>Other Abdominal Organs – Principally Digestive</b>	62	<5	24	178	257	358	606	841	871	551
J01-J17	Liver	62	<5	6	18	35	49	95	163	177	45
J18-J26	Gall bladder	53	-	13	114	167	189	232	228	163	69

Chapter / Block	Title	Mean Age	Age								
			0-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80+
J27-J53	Bile duct	69	<5	-	29	39	90	219	350	427	404
J54-J68	Pancreas	64	-	<5	<5	<5	12	12	32	36	<5
J69-J72	Spleen	48	-	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	6	<5	-
J73-J77	Pancreas	63	-	<5	11	13	14	46	62	65	30
<b>K</b>	<b>Heart</b>	67	-	28	55	146	572	1,724	2,396	2,492	1,468
K01-K24	Wall septum and chambers of heart	51	-	<5	5	10	29	29	9	10	<5
K25-K38	Valves of heart and adjacent structures	73	-	<5	5	6	15	35	52	111	152
K40-K51	Coronary artery	66	-	-	-	5	17	90	132	120	27
K52-K78	Other parts of heart and pericardium	67	-	23	45	125	511	1,570	2,203	2,251	1,285
<b>L, O01-O05, O15</b>	<b>Arteries and Veins</b>	57	169	86	70	232	378	670	755	750	312
L01-L13	Great vessels and pulmonary artery	54	-	<5	-	<5	<5	<5	6	<5	-
L16-L28	Aorta	69	-	<5	<5	5	<5	18	46	72	31
L29-L39	Carotid cerebral and subclavian arteries	56	5	5	8	33	68	112	94	66	9
L41-L47	Abdominal branches of aorta	63	-	<5	<5	5	7	8	18	27	5
L48-L63	Iliac and femoral arteries	70	-	-	-	5	15	51	112	130	87
L65-L72	Other arteries	66	-	<5	<5	13	22	29	51	70	49
L74-L99	Veins and other blood vessels	53	164	76	52	162	240	402	390	366	125
O01-O05, O15	Overflow arteries and veins	58	-	-	<5	7	22	48	38	18	6
<b>M</b>	<b>Urinary</b>	65	179	130	316	674	1,286	2,703	4,488	5,442	3,032
M01-M17	Kidney	61	39	23	33	92	201	332	469	451	198
M18-M33	Ureter	58	32	21	78	163	280	429	499	389	149
M34-M49	Bladder	67	61	73	191	393	744	1,600	2,780	3,921	2,570
M51-M71	Outlet of bladder and prostate	67	-	-	<5	<5	33	296	682	613	83
M72-M86	Urethra and other parts of urinary tract	51	47	13	12	25	28	46	58	68	32
<b>N</b>	<b>Male Genital Organs</b>	33	176	212	101	109	121	88	84	72	30
N01-N13	Scrotum and testis	22	142	182	61	42	36	24	25	13	5
N15-N24	Spermatic cord and male perineum	41	<5	<5	9	41	44	8	<5	5	-
N26-N35	Penis and other male genital organs	48	33	27	31	26	41	56	56	54	25
		33	176	212	101	109	121	88	84	72	30

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<b>P</b>	<b>Lower Female Genital Tract</b>	55	5	19	39	40	60	76	73	92	38
P01-P13	Vulva and female perineum	50	<5	6	31	25	41	33	31	27	13
P14-P32	Vagina	59	<5	13	8	15	19	43	42	65	25
<b>Q</b>	<b>Upper Female Genital Tract</b>	48	<5	24	363	877	918	1,116	455	270	90
Q01-Q20	Uterus	49	-	14	258	716	839	1,076	425	255	87
Q22-Q41	Fallopian tube	39	<5	10	104	153	78	40	30	15	<5
Q43-Q56	Ovary and broad ligament	40	-	29	126	170	70	79	29	26	12
<b>R</b>	<b>Female Genital Tract Associated with Pregnancy, Childbirth and Puerperium</b>	31	-	-	25	39	<5	-	-	-	-
R01-R12	Fetus and gravid uterus	34	-	-	<5	8	<5	-	-	-	-
R14-R27	Induction and delivery	30	-	-	20	20	<5	-	-	-	-
R28-R34	Other obstetric	33	-	-	<5	11	-	-	-	-	-
R36-R43	Obstetric scans and studies	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>S</b>	<b>Skin</b>	53	611	192	432	592	593	704	770	1,008	996
S01-S62	Skin or subcutaneous tissue	53	575	175	421	579	578	694	759	1,004	991
S64-S70	Nail	30	36	17	11	13	15	10	11	<5	5
<b>T</b>	<b>Soft tissue</b>	56	215	118	248	390	605	1,103	979	1,150	469
T01-T17	Chest wall pleura and diaphragm	63	9	12	31	42	71	113	179	206	121
T19-T31	Abdominal wall	52	120	13	41	70	111	160	158	188	96
T33-T48	Peritoneum	61	10	18	56	107	205	485	340	503	183
T50-T62	Fascia ganglion and bursa	59	<5	<5	<5	18	31	55	62	49	14
T64-T74	Tendon	41	52	48	76	79	78	120	70	31	9
T76-T83	Muscle	52	6	<5	<5	12	20	21	25	18	<5
T85-T97	Lymphatic tissue	56	16	20	38	62	89	149	145	155	42
<b>U</b>	<b>Diagnostic Testing and Rehabilitation</b>	64	1,008	770	1,709	2,580	3,714	6,598	8,493	10,728	11,989
U01-U21	Diagnostic Imaging	64	919	701	1,655	2,517	3,634	6,453	8,336	10,438	11,573
U22-U40	Diagnostic tests	34	89	63	40	38	36	54	31	39	5
U50-U54	Rehabilitation	73	-	6	14	25	44	91	126	251	411

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<b>V</b>	<b>Bones and Joints of Skull and Spine</b>	49	16	75	122	182	205	230	204	141	55
V01-V21	Bones and joints of cranium, face and jaw	36	15	48	90	65	46	29	30	16	9
V22-V63	Bones and joints of spine	54	<5	27	32	117	159	201	174	125	46
<b>W, O06-O10</b>	<b>Other Bones and Joints</b>	56	518	684	631	657	786	1,243	1,396	1,594	1,810
W01-W04	Complex reconstruction of hand and foot	57	-	<5	<5	<5	6	9	9	10	<5
W05-W36	Bone	51	440	528	430	407	508	799	844	813	826
W37-W99	Joint	63	69	133	172	224	232	393	501	753	979
O06-O10	Overflow other bones and joints	46	9	22	28	23	40	42	42	18	<5
<b>X</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Operations</b>	63	1,642	1,619	3,653	7,296	11,694	22,477	28,628	33,550	22,442
X01-X27	Operations covering multiple systems	61	19	7	17	25	35	90	104	126	76
X28-X66	Miscellaneous operations	66	987	748	1,350	3,770	6,885	14,110	18,279	25,155	20,425
X70-X97	Specified drug therapy	56	636	864	2,286	3,501	4,774	8,277	10,245	8,269	1,941

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2020/21 data can be compared with previous years but users should bear in mind that many of the changes observed will be influenced by and attributable to the impact of COVID-19.

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