

# Cancelled Planned Operations

Month ending 28 February 2017

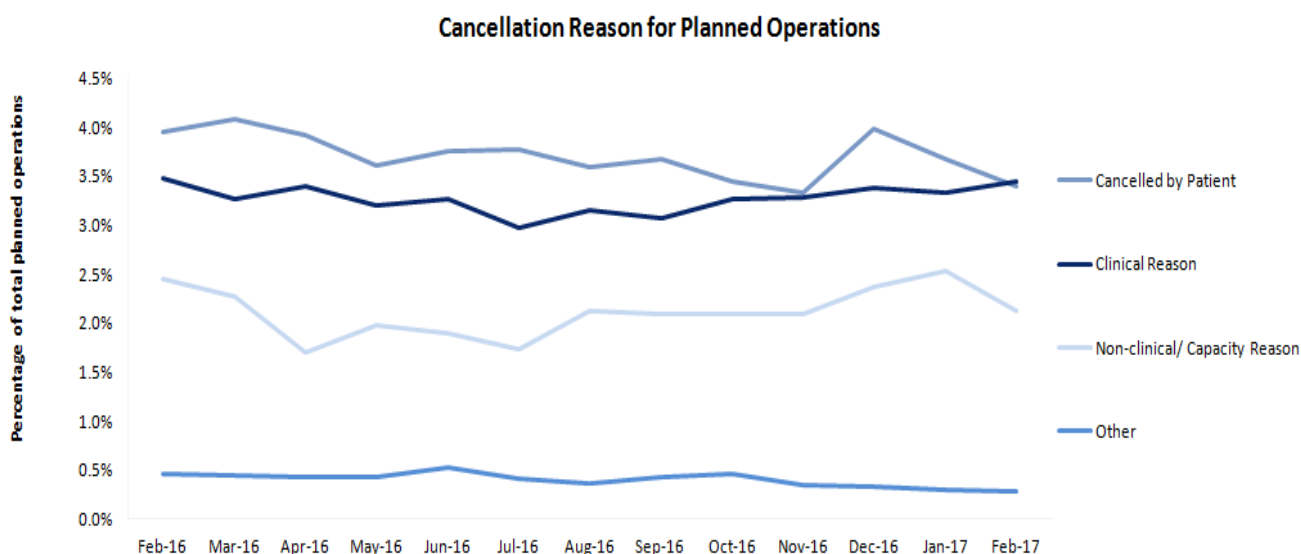
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## About this release

This release by the Information Services Division provides information on the number of patients in NHSScotland who have had their planned hospital operation cancelled along with the reason for this cancellation.

## Main points

- The total number of planned operations across NHSScotland during February 2017 was 27,475 a decrease of 11.9% from 31,177 during February 2016. This decrease may be partly due to 2016 being a leap year.
- 2,544 operations (9.3% of planned operations) were cancelled in February 2017, ranging from 3.6% to 13.8% across individual NHS Boards. This compares to 3,225 (10.3%) in February 2016.
- Of all planned operations: 933 (3.4%) were cancelled by the patient; 946 (3.4%) were cancelled based on clinical reasons by the hospital; 586 (2.1%) were cancelled by the hospital due to capacity or non-clinical reasons; 79 (0.3%) were cancelled due to other reasons.



## Background

These statistics are released monthly. Data are provided by NHS Boards' theatre systems and include patients who are cancelled the day before, or on the day of their planned operation.

Data for this publication are submitted from the NHS Boards information systems used to plan and book operations.

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## Find out more

A [workbook](#) containing data for Scotland, NHS Boards and hospitals is available.

Further information can be found on the [waiting times](#) pages of the ISD website. A [metadata document](#) has been produced for this publication.

The next release of this publication will be on 2 May 2017.

## NHS Performs

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