

# Publication Summary



## Cancelled Planned Operations

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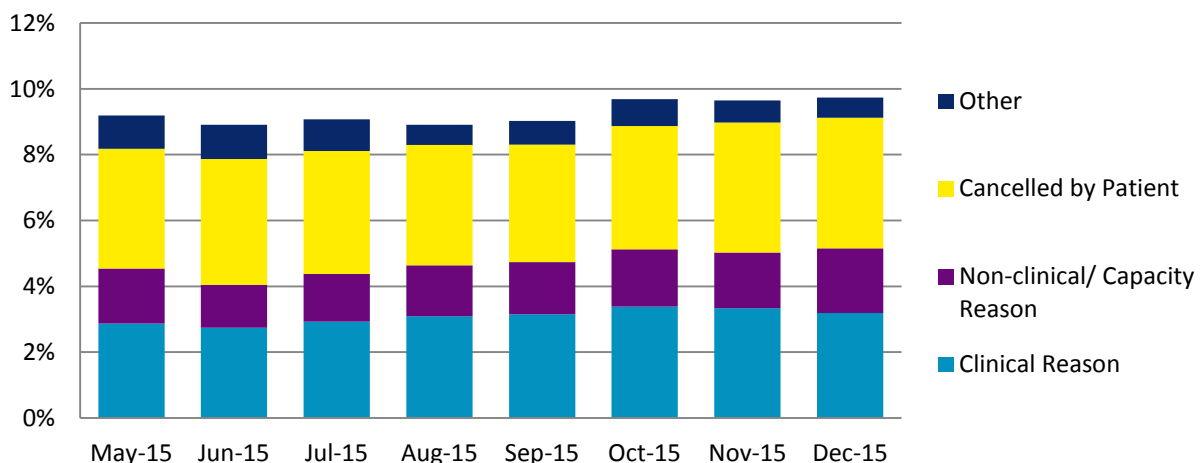
### About this Release

This release by Information Services Division provides at a Scotland, NHS Board and individual hospital level, the number of patients in NHSScotland who have had their planned hospital operation cancelled and the reason for this cancellation.

### Key Points

- The total number of planned operations across NHSScotland during December 2015 was 30,002. Of these, 2,920 (9.7%) operations were cancelled either by the hospital or by the patient, with individual NHS Boards ranging from 4.9% to 13.6%. This compares with the same cancellation rate of 9.7% in October and November;
- Of all planned operations, 1,192 (4.0%) were cancelled by the patient, 956 (3.2%) were cancelled based on clinical reasons by the hospital and 590 (2.0%) were cancelled by the hospital due to capacity or non-clinical reasons.

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## 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 elective operation. As the data builds over time Information Services Division will be able to report on trends in cancellations.

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

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## Further Information

A workbook containing data for Scotland, NHS Board and hospital is available [here](#).

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

## NHS Performs

A selection of information from this publication is included in [NHS Performs](#). NHS Performs is a website that brings together a range of information on how hospitals and NHS Boards within NHSScotland are performing.

The next release of this data will be on 1 March 2016.

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