

Explanatory Notes

All cases admitted to hospital between 01 January 2025 and 31 March 2025 have been included. Only cases where the necessary data are available have been included in the denominator for each individual analysis.

The results for process measures for which fewer than 10 cases have available data will not be reported. Instead value will be marked as 'Insufficient data'.

For this report runcharts are compared to national quartiles.

For better insight to how these standards have been structured, please refer to the **NELA standards document**.

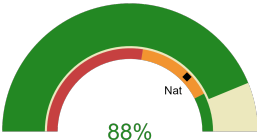


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2024-25 Reporting Period 10: 01 January 2025 - 31 March 2025

These plots represent patients having an emergency laparotomy during Year 2024-25 Reporting Period 10 of NELA data collection.

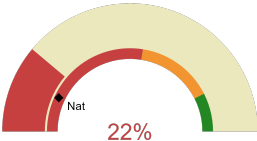
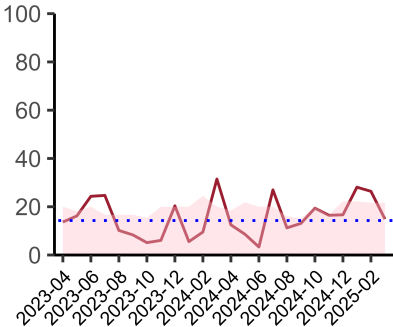
NELA process and outcome measures



Estimated case ascertainment
01 January 2025 - 31 March 2025

**Estimated Case Ascertainment
(Based on HES Data)**

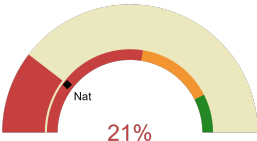
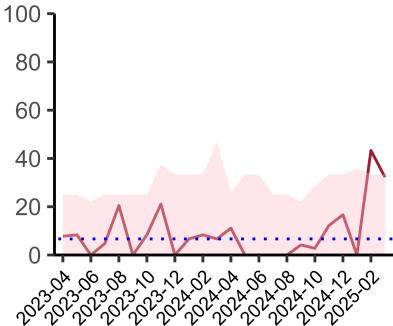
Expected number of cases 112
Total cases entered 110
Cases locked 108
Cases unlocked 2



Proportion of patients who had a CT scan that was reported by senior radiologist and communicated with the team in the correct time scale before surgery
01 January 2025 - 31 March 2025

CT reported by a senior radiologist (ST3+) and communicated with the team in the correct time scale before surgery.

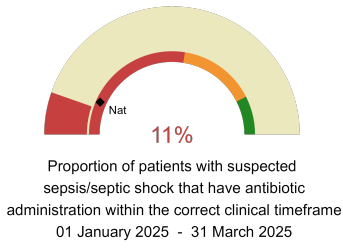
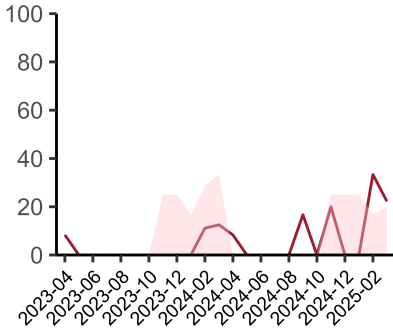
National mean 14%
Number of patients included 86
Data completeness 100%



Proportion of patients with suspected sepsis/septic shock or infection that have antibiotic administration within the correct clinical timeframe
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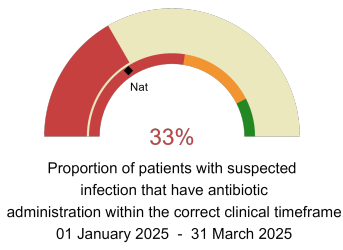
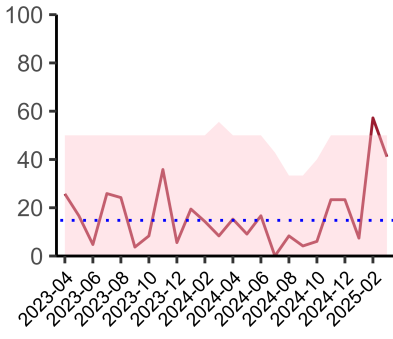
Combined Infection management standard - antibiotic administration within the correct clinical timeframe

National mean 21%
Number of patients included 48
Data completeness 97%



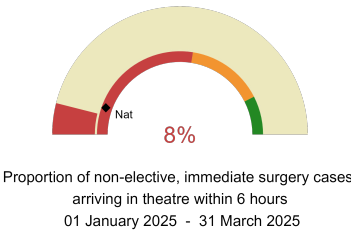
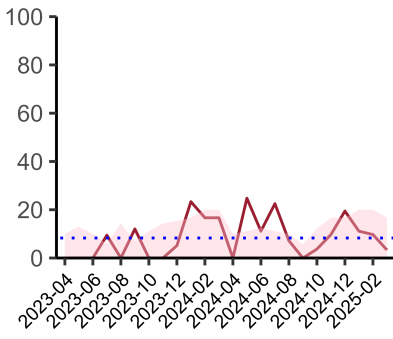
Sepsis/septic shock - antibiotic administration within the correct clinical timeframe

National mean 13%
Number of patients included 23
Data completeness 95%



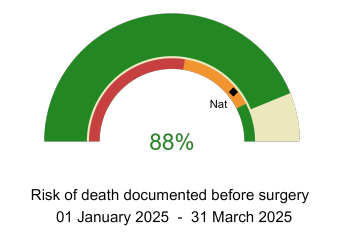
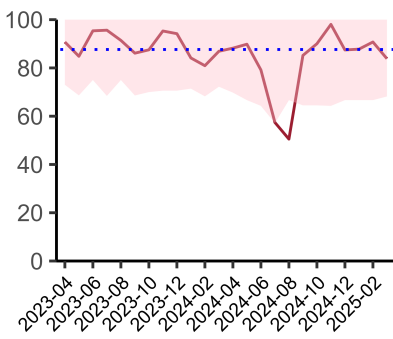
Infection - antibiotic administration within the correct clinical timeframe

National mean 31%
Number of patients included 45
Data completeness 97%



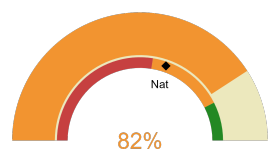
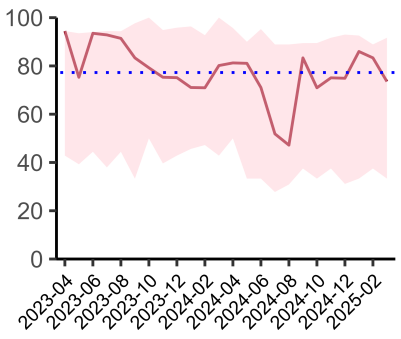
Timeliness - proportion of patients arriving in theatre according to correct clinical timeframe.

National mean 11%
Number of patients included 60
Data completeness 100%



Risk documented before surgery

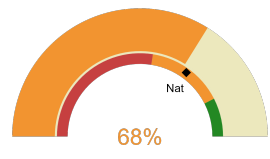
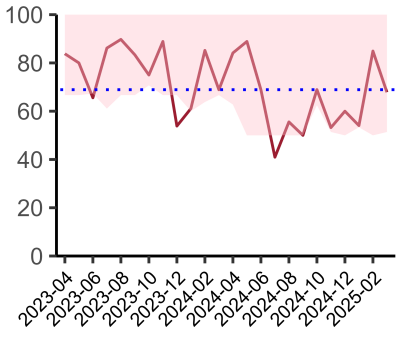
National mean 78%
Number of patients included 110
Data completeness 100%



Risk of death documented after surgery
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Risk documented after surgery

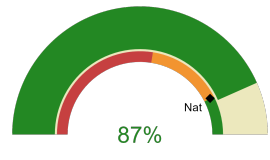
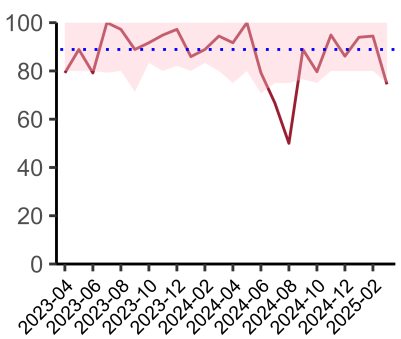
National mean 61%
Number of patients included 110
Data completeness 100%



Admitted to critical care following surgery when the risk of death ≥ 5% (Excludes patients who died in theatre or with a decision to palliate)
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Admitted to Critical Care (risk of death ≥ 5%)

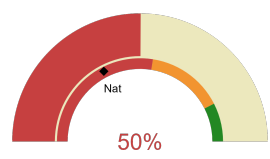
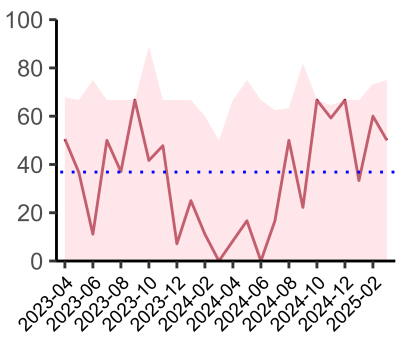
National mean 70%
Number of patients included 56
Data completeness 100%



Consultant surgeon and anaesthetist present in theatre when risk of death ≥ 5%
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Consultant Anaesthetist & Consultant Surgeon in theatre (risk of death ≥ 5%)

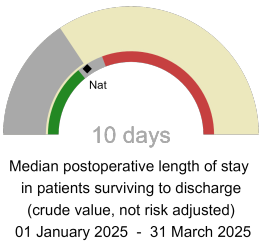
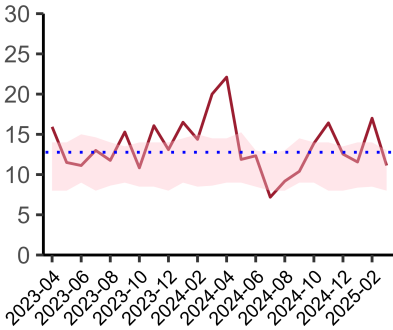
National mean 85%
Number of patients included 51
Data completeness 80%



Perioperative assessment by a care of the older person specialist
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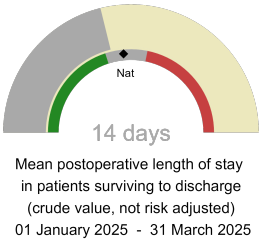
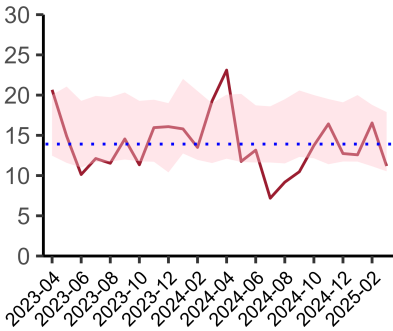
Perioperative Assessment by a member of the geriatrician-led multidisciplinary team for patient aged 65 or over and frail (CFS ≥ 5) or 80+

National mean 35%
Number of patients included 26
Data completeness 95%



Median postoperative Length of Stay

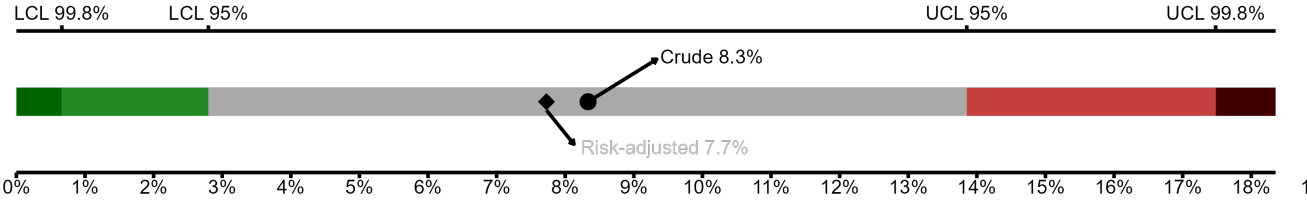
National median 10 days
Number of patients included 99
Data completeness 100%



Mean postoperative Length of Stay

National mean 15 days
Number of patients included 99
Data completeness 100%

Risk-Adjusted Mortality



Number of patients included 108 | 30-day risk-adjusted mortality rate 7.7% | National 30-day mortality rate 7.9%