

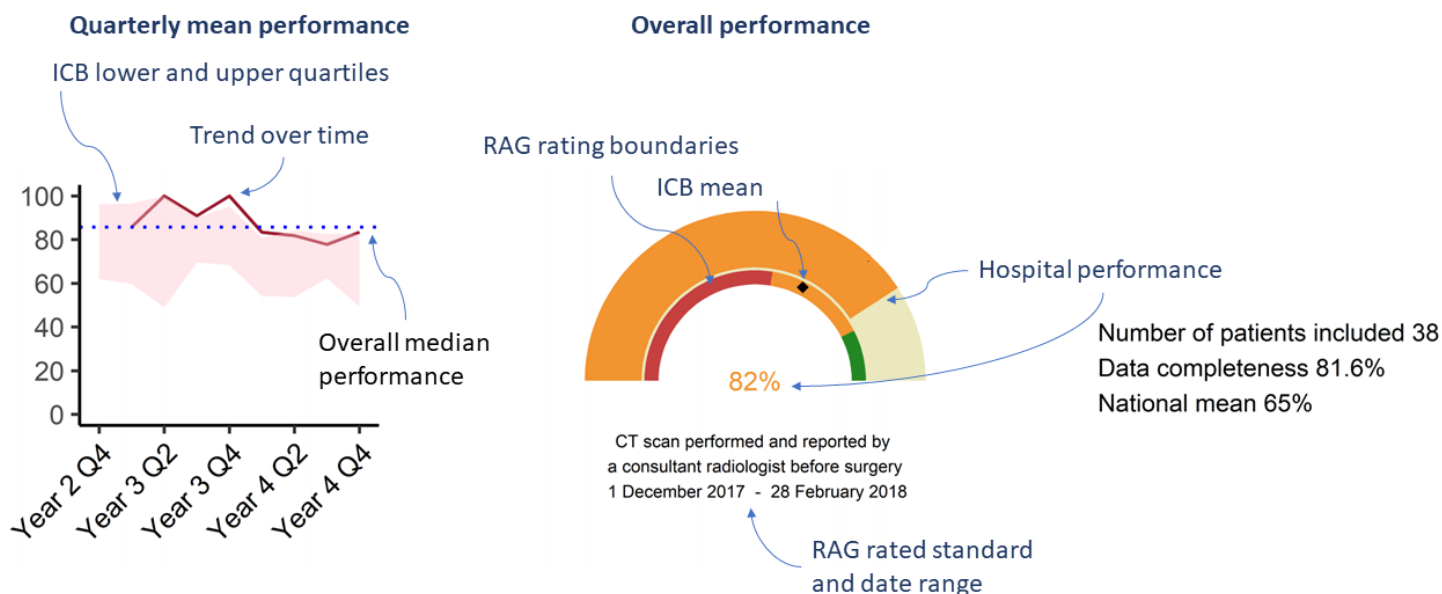
Explanatory Notes

All cases admitted to hospital between 01 March 2026 and 31 May 2026 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**.

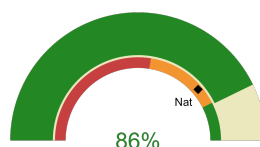


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2026-27 Reporting Period 2: 01 March 2026 - 31 May 2026

These plots represent patients having an emergency laparotomy during Year 2026-27 Reporting Period 2 of NELA data collection.

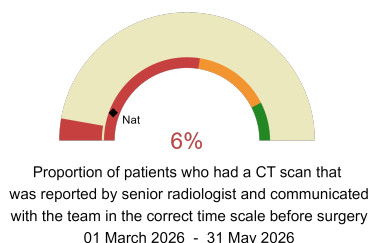
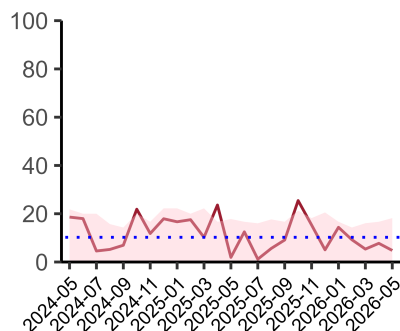
NELA process and outcome measures



Estimated case ascertainment
01 March 2026 - 31 May 2026

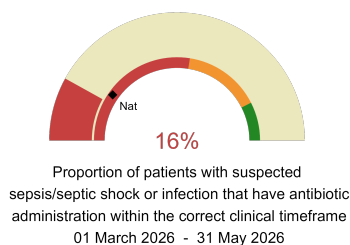
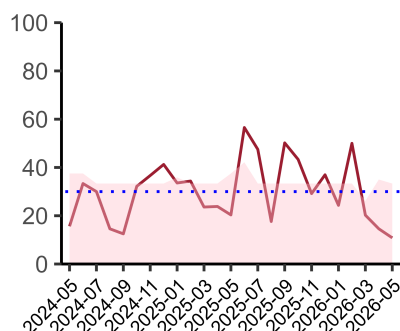
Estimated Case Ascertainment (Based on HES Data)

Expected number of cases 160
Total cases entered 159
Cases locked 118
Cases unlocked 41



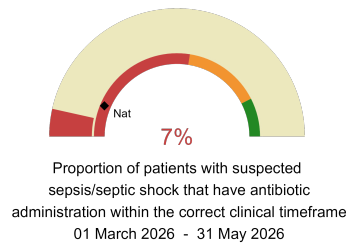
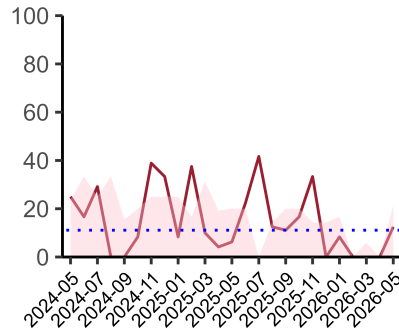
CT reported by a senior radiologist (ST3+) and communicated with the team in the correct time scale before surgery.

National mean 11%
Number of patients included 126
Data completeness 95%



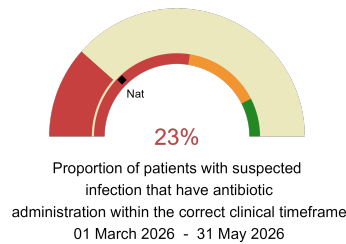
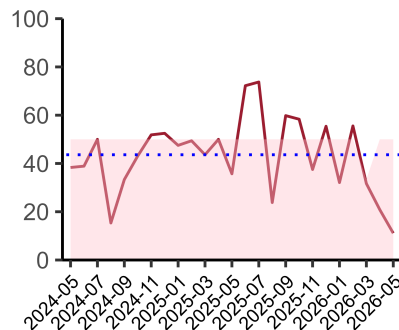
Combined Infection management standard - antibiotic administration within the correct clinical timeframe

National mean 20%
Number of patients included 72
Data completeness 98%



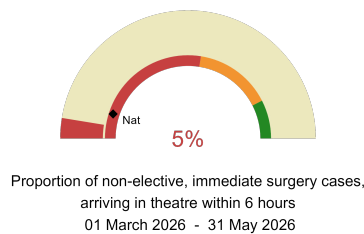
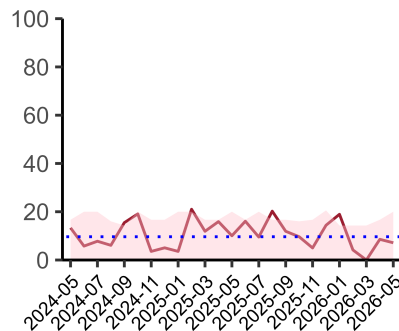
Sepsis/septic shock - antibiotic administration within the correct clinical timeframe

National mean 13%
Number of patients included 38
Data completeness 98%



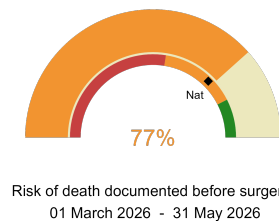
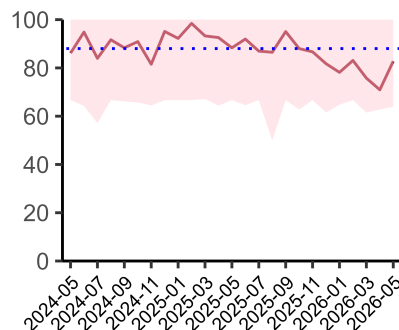
Infection - antibiotic administration within the correct clinical timeframe

National mean 25%
Number of patients included 34
Data completeness 45%



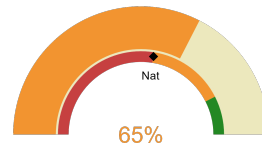
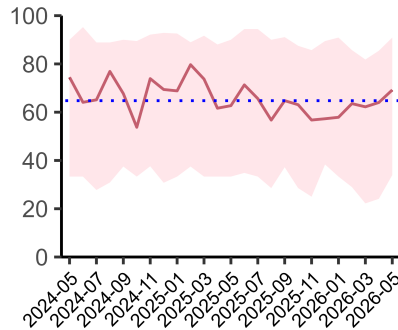
Timeliness - proportion of patients arriving in theatre according to correct clinical timeframe.

National mean 10%
Number of patients included 85
Data completeness 100%



Risk documented before surgery

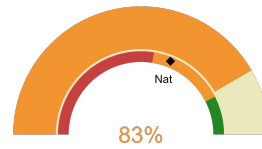
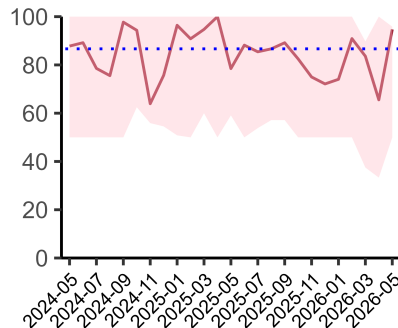
National mean 75%
Number of patients included 159
Data completeness 100%



Risk of death documented after surgery
01 March 2026 - 31 May 2026

Risk documented after surgery

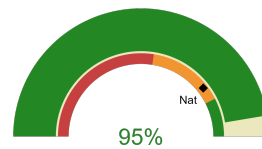
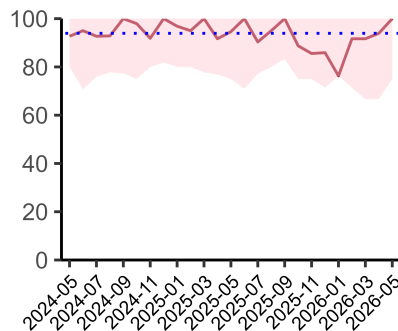
National mean 55%
Number of patients included 159
Data completeness 100%



Admitted to critical care following surgery when the
risk of death $\geq 5\%$ (Excludes patients who
died in theatre or with a decision to palliate)
01 March 2026 - 31 May 2026

Admitted to Critical Care (risk of death $\geq 5\%$)

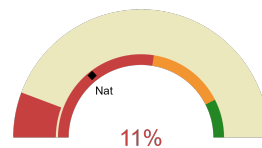
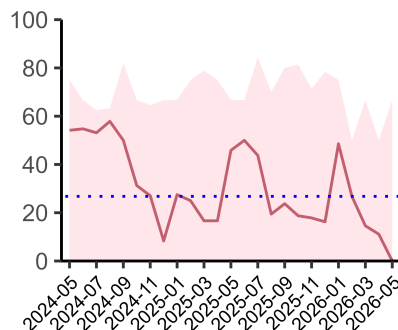
National mean 62%
Number of patients included 93
Data completeness 100%



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

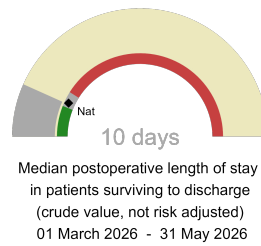
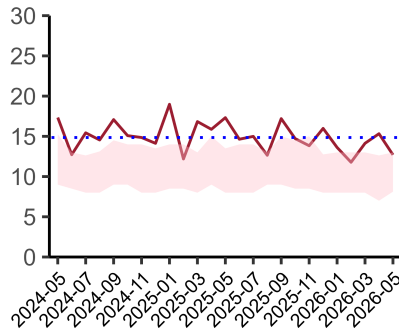
National mean 79%
Number of patients included 95
Data completeness 79%



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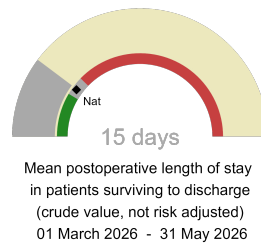
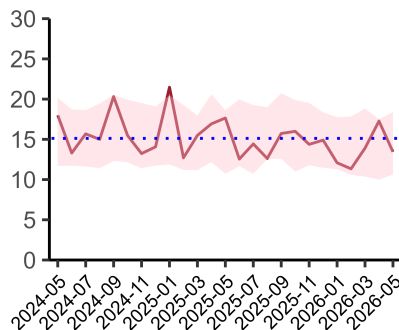
Perioperative Assessment by a member of the geriatrician- led multidisciplinary team for patient aged 65 or over and frail (CFS ≥ 5) or 80+

National mean 29%
Number of patients included 33
Data completeness 94%



Median postoperative Length of Stay

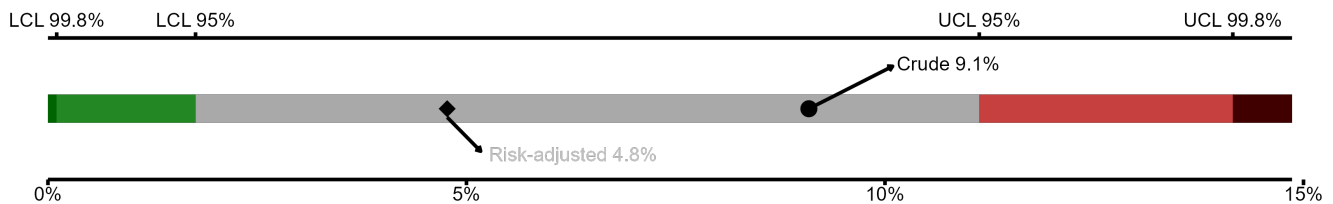
National median 10 days
Number of patients included 108
Data completeness 99%



Mean postoperative Length of Stay

National mean 15 days
Number of patients included 108
Data completeness 99%

Risk-Adjusted Mortality



Number of patients included 121 | 30-day risk-adjusted mortality rate 4.8% | National 30-day mortality rate 6.1%

Integrated Care Board

NHS Black Country Integrated Care Board ICB comprises City Hospital, Sandwell General Hospital, Russells Hall Hospital, New Cross Hospital, Walsall Manor Hospital, Midland Metropolitan University Hospital.