

FOI ISR00-25393 Breast Reconstruction

1a) Divided by month, how long the waiting list is for getting a breast reconstruction after a mastectomy from January 2016 to July 2023 (or the most up-to-date data)?

We only have data available from January 2019 onwards and are not able to identify specifically whether the reconstruction is after a mastectomy or not.

The number waiting in the months prior to February 2021 is too small to provide exact figures as there is a potential to identify individual patients.

The mean (average) number of weeks patients reported at the end of each month awaiting breast reconstruction had been on the waiting list since the pathway period started so far was:

Year and Month	Mean (Average) Wait
2021-02	14
2021-03	15
2021-04	15
2021-05	20
2021-06	22
2021-07	26
2021-08	24
2021-09	22
2021-10	27
2021-11	29
2021-12	27
2022-01	30
2022-02	33
2022-03	28
2022-04	25
2022-05	25
2022-06	28
2022-07	23
2022-08	28
2022-09	29
2022-10	20
2022-11	17
2022-12	20
2023-01	17
2023-02	12
2023-03	12
2023-04	15
2023-05	18
2023-06	12

1b) Please divide this information according to different types of breast reconstruction i.e. implant, LD flap, DIEP flap

The numbers are also too small to break down by the Type of Reconstruction due to the potential of identifying individual patients.

2) Divided by month, how many people are on the waiting list for breast reconstruction after a mastectomy from January 2016 to July 2023 (or the most up-to-date data)?

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The number waiting in the months prior to February 2021 is too small to provide exact figures as there is a potential to identify individual patients.

Year and Month	Number of patients waiting
2021-02	8
2021-03	7
2021-04	11
2021-05	11
2021-06	11
2021-07	12
2021-08	15
2021-09	20
2021-10	19
2021-11	18
2021-12	21
2022-01	20
2022-02	18
2022-03	15
2022-04	13
2022-05	12
2022-06	11
2022-07	11
2022-08	11
2022-09	11
2022-10	13
2022-11	13
2022-12	12
2023-01	16
2023-02	15
2023-03	15
2023-04	15
2023-05	13
2023-06	9

3a) What date did the trust stop performing reconstructions at the same time as mastectomies during the pandemic?

We stopped performing immediate reconstructions when the country went into lockdown.

3b) What date did the trust start offering reconstructions at the same time as mastectomies again?

To find this information would require sorting through paper copies from 2020 which would exceed the legal time limit section 12