

Organ Donation and Transplantation Activity Data: UNITED KINGDOM

Annual data for financial years 2015/16 to 2019/20
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Summary Figures	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Organ Donors*					
Donors after brain death (DBD)	785	829	955	961	946
Donors after circulatory death (DCD)	579	584	619	639	638
Total deceased donors	1,364	1,413	1,574	1,600	1,584
Living donors	1,077	1,044	1,065	1,045	988
Transplant Waiting List (active)^**					
Total patients on active list (end of period)	6,447	6,366	6,029	6,060	5,685
Organ Transplants^					
Deceased donor transplants	3,531	3,713	4,039	3,953	3,763
Living donor transplants	1,077	1,044	1,065	1,045	988
Total organ transplants	4,608	4,757	5,104	4,998	4,751
Organ Donor Register (ODR) (end of period)					
Number of people opted-in to the ODR	22,111,495	23,037,289	24,061,953	25,292,513	26,042,772
Percentage of population opted-in to the ODR	33	35	36	38	39
Number of people opted-out from the ODR	177,261	203,429	515,004	640,535	1,495,699

Organ Transplants^	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Deceased donor (DD) transplants by organ					
Kidney	2036	2159	2379	2399	2283
Pancreas	18	17	17	18	13
Kidney/pancreas***	167	163	172	166	167
Pancreas islets	31	33	22	20	23
Heart	194	197	197	183	172
Lung(s)	182	176	201	162	155
Heart/lung	6	2	12	4	5
Liver/lobe	857	934	990	970	907
Intestinal	15	16	25	19	20
Other (multi-organ)	25	16	24	12	18
Total DD transplants	3531	3713	4039	3953	3763
Living donor (LD) transplants by organ type					
Kidney	1041	1013	1035	1024	970
Liver	36	31	29	21	18
Intestinal	0	0	1	0	0
Total LD transplants	1077	1044	1065	1045	988
Total organ transplants	4608	4757	5104	4998	4751

Note: There have been a reduced number of organ transplants performed due to the CoVID-19 pandemic. Transplants are still going ahead if it is safe and appropriate to do so, with transplant clinicians assessing individual cases and the current situation in their own hospital. For more information please see [here](#).

Transplant Waiting List ^{^**}	At 31-Mar-16	At 31-Mar-17	At 31-Mar-18	At 31-Mar-19	At 31-Mar-20
Number of patients on transplant list					
Kidney	5073	4992	4811	4736	4384
Kidney/pancreas ^{***}	184	195	185	212	141
Pancreas (+islets)	43	29	33	38	11
Heart	239	242	280	286	333
Lung(s)	315	358	344	337	352
Heart/lung	13	17	13	12	5
Liver	527	478	327	399	413
Intestinal	6	12	6	10	16
Other (multi-organ)	47	43	30	30	30
Total number of patients on the list	6447	6366	6029	6060	5685

* Based on donors from UK hospitals

[^] Transplant waiting list and transplants based on UK postcode of residence of patient

^{**} Excludes patients temporarily suspended from the transplant list

^{***} Includes kidney & pancreas islets.

NOTE: All data as recorded on 8 April 2020 and subject to change as UK Transplant Registry updated.

Current waiting list figures do not accurately reflect the need for an organ transplant due to the CoVID-19 pandemic. Different practices have been established across the UK and across organ groups with regards to waiting list management. Some transplant centres have closed whilst keeping all patients active on their waiting lists with other centres suspending all patients that they would not consider for a transplant. Please see [here](#) to find out the latest information on transplant centre closures and restrictions.

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