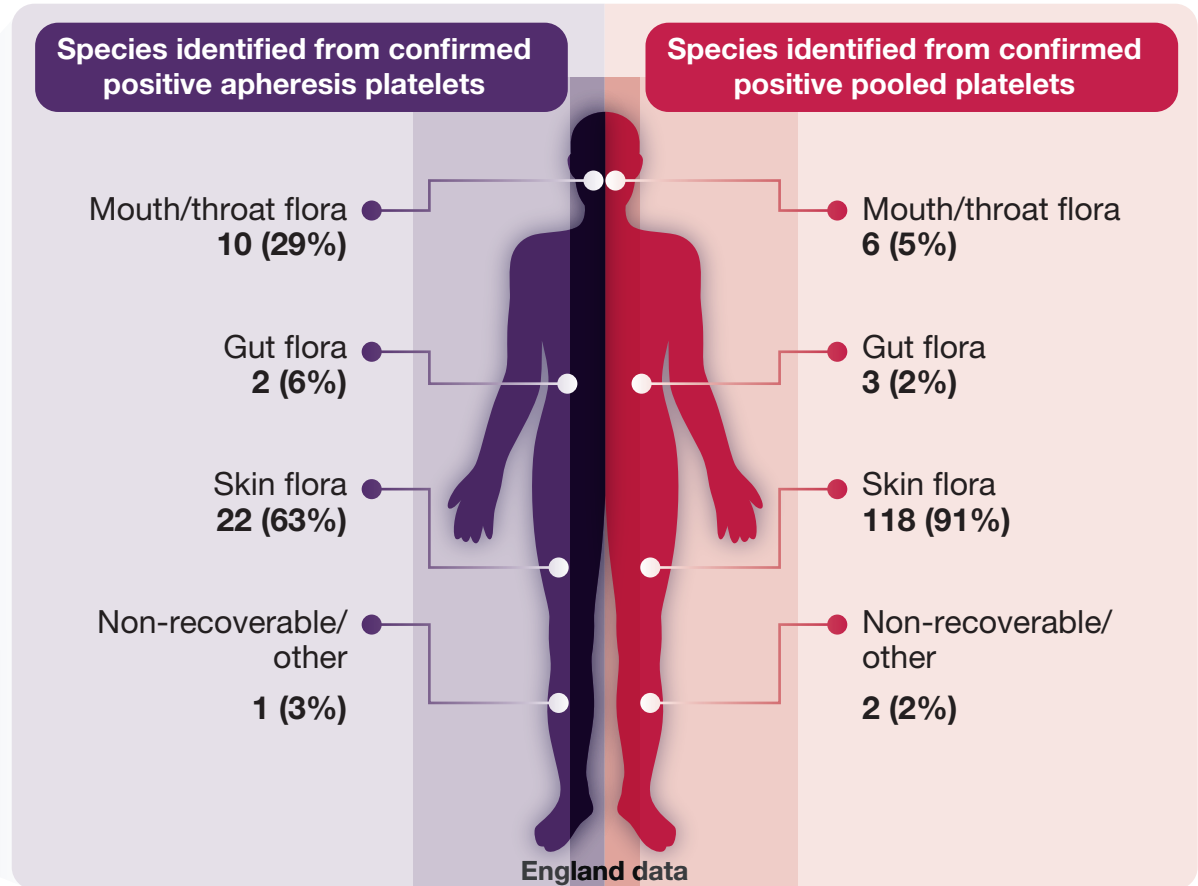
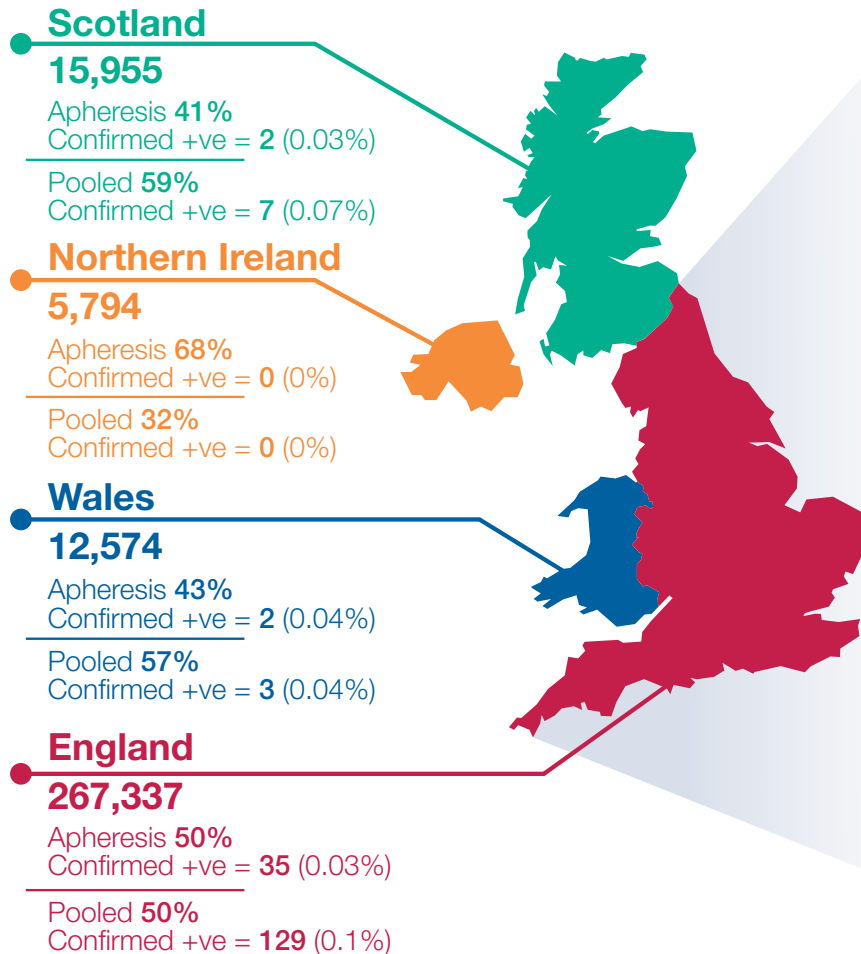


# Safe supplies: Data in context

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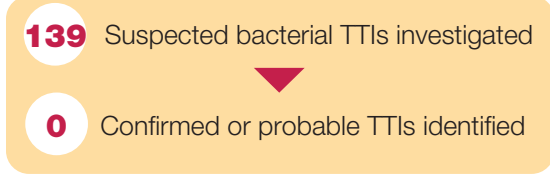
## Bacterial Screening of Platelets 2019



Bacterial screening of all platelets began in 2011. Since then there has been 1 confirmed bacterial TTI; *Staphylococcus aureus* in 2015.

For more details see the annual SHOT report: [www.shotuk.org](http://www.shotuk.org)

### Transfusion transmitted infections (TTI)



- bacteria are more frequently isolated from pooled donations since there are more donors contributing to one platelet pack
- most bacteria isolated are skin flora which generally are less harmful to recipients
- when potentially harmful bacteria are isolated in a donation (such as some gut flora), a post-donation discussion is had and the donor is referred to specialists where necessary