

**Organ Donation and Transplantation Activity Data:  
ENGLAND**



**Blood and Transplant**

Annual data for financial years 2016/17 to 2019/20 and data for 2020/21 - first 3 quarters  
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Summary Figures	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21 - first 3 quarters
Organ Donors*					
Donors after brain death (DBD)	680	824	816	789	497
Donors after circulatory death (DCD)	497	534	555	556	258
Total deceased donors	1,177	1,358	1,371	1,345	755
Living donors	839	872	837	836	246
Transplant Waiting List (active)^**					
Total patients on active list (end of period)	5,406	5,125	5,116	4,704	4,297
Organ Transplants^					
Deceased donor transplants	3,154	3,409	3,353	3,210	1,825
Living donor transplants	826	863	830	839	242
Total organ transplants	3,980	4,272	4,183	4,049	2,067
Organ Donor Register (ODR) (end of period)					
Number of people opted-in to the ODR	18,787,022	19,625,565	20,511,326	21,067,538	21,576,094
Percentage of population opted-in to the ODR	34	35	37	38	39
Number of people opted-out from the ODR	27,494	329,968	448,405	1,284,142	1,645,757

Organ Transplants^	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21 - first 3 quarters
Deceased donor (DD) transplants by organ					
Kidney	1876	2035	2070	1967	1116
Pancreas	15	16	16	13	3
Kidney/pancreas***	141	146	139	132	49
Pancreas islets	16	11	13	11	4
Heart	163	170	158	151	108
Lung(s)	150	168	138	130	53
Heart/lung	2	9	2	5	2
Liver/lobe	763	809	787	766	472
Intestinal	13	21	19	19	11
Other (multi-organ)	15	24	11	16	7
Total DD transplants	3154	3409	3353	3210	1825
Living donor (LD) transplants by organ type					
Kidney	800	834	810	821	227
Liver	26	28	20	18	15
Intestinal	0	1	0	0	0
Total LD transplants	826	863	830	839	242
Total organ transplants	3980	4272	4183	4049	2067

Transplant Waiting List <sup>^**</sup>	At 31-Mar-17	At 31-Mar-18	At 31-Mar-19	At 31-Mar-20	At 31-Dec-20
Number of patients on transplant list					
Kidney	4289	4141	4049	3678	3236
Kidney/pancreas <sup>***</sup>	152	144	155	92	78
Pancreas (+islets)	22	25	30	8	17
Heart	203	231	234	278	288
Lung(s)	289	284	275	285	253
Heart/lung	13	10	10	4	12
Liver	387	255	324	313	370
Intestinal	9	6	10	16	13
Other (multi-organ)	42	29	29	30	30
Total number of patients on the list	5406	5125	5116	4704	4297

\* Based on donors from English, Channel Island and Isle of Man hospitals

<sup>^</sup> Transplant waiting list and transplants based on English, Channel Island and Isle of Man postcode of residence of patient

<sup>\*\*</sup> Excludes patients temporarily suspended from the transplant list

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Includes kidney & pancreas islets.

NOTE: All data as recorded on 10 January 2021 and subject to change as UK Transplant Registry updated.

NOTE: 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 click here to find out the latest information on transplant centre closures and restrictions.](#)

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