Organ Donation and Transplantation Activity Data: SCOTLAND



Annual data for financial years 2020/21 to 2023/24 and data for 2024/25 - first 3 quarters Date published: January 2025

| Summary Figures | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2022/23 | 2023/24 | 2024/25 - first 3 quarters |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| Organ Donors* | | | | | |
| Donors after brain death (DBD) | 64 | 47 | 51 | 64 | 35 |
| Donors after circulatory death (DCD) | 31 | 34 | 51 | 56 | 48 |
| Total deceased donors | 95 | 81 | 102 | 120 | 83 |
| Living donors | 59 | 87 | 95 | 98 | 70 |
| Transplant Waiting List (active)^** | | | | | |
| Total patients on active list (end of period) | 401 | 508 | 539 | 600 | 628 |
| Organ Transplants [^] | | | | | |
| Deceased donor transplants | 293 | 255 | 295 | 305 | 208 |
| Living donor transplants | 66 | 84 | 96 | 95 | 68 |
| Total organ transplants | 359 | 339 | 391 | 400 | 276 |
| Organ Donor Register (ODR) (end of period) ¹ | | | | | |
| Number of people opted-in to the ODR | 2,770,976 | 2,858,710 | 2,924,908 | 2,885,163 | 2,929,904 |
| Percentage of population opted-in to the ODR | 51 | 52 | 54 | 53 | 54 |
| Number of people opted-out from the ODR | 139,279 | 161,538 | 177,365 | 179,302 | 184,626 |
| Percentage of population opted-out from ODR | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |

| Organ Transplants^ | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2022/23 | 2023/24 | 2024/25 - first 3 quarters |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------------------------------|
| Deceased donor (DD) transplants by organ | | | | | |
| Kidney | 178 | 136 | 141 | 161 | 106 |
| Kidney/pancreas*** | 11 | 9 | 18 | 11 | 8 |
| Pancreas islets | 4 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 3 |
| Heart | 21 | 25 | 44 | 34 | 25 |
| Lung(s) | 7 | 4 | 7 | 8 | 8 |
| Liver/lobe | 71 | 69 | 75 | 84 | 56 |
| Intestinal | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| Total DD transplants | 293 | 255 | 295 | 305 | 208 |
| Living donor (LD) transplants by organ type | | | | | |
| Kidney | 62 | 84 | 95 | 94 | 67 |
| Liver | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Total LD transplants | 66 | 84 | 96 | 95 | 68 |
| Total organ transplants | 359 | 339 | 391 | 400 | 276 |

| Transplant Waiting List^** | At 31-Mar-21 | At 31-Mar-22 | At 31-Mar-23 | At 31-Mar-24 | At 31-Dec-24 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Number of patients on transplant list | | | | | |
| Kidney | 323 | 379 | 394 | 440 | 472 |
| Kidney/pancreas*** | 22 | 34 | 28 | 44 | 42 |
| Pancreas (+islets) | 1 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 8 |
| Heart | 19 | 23 | 27 | 24 | 28 |
| Lung(s) | 22 | 26 | 29 | 33 | 22 |
| Liver | 13 | 38 | 53 | 50 | 55 |
| Intestinal | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Other (multi-organ) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Total number of patients on the list | 401 | 508 | 539 | 600 | 628 |

* Based on donors from Scottish hospitals

^ Transplant waiting list and transplants based on Scottish postcode of residence of patient

** Excludes patients temporarily suspended from the transplant list

*** Includes kidney & pancreas islets

¹ Please note that ODR numbers are lower in 2023/24 due to a batch removal of duplicate registrations.

NOTE: All data as recorded on 23 January 2025 and are subject to change as the UK Transplant Registry is updated.

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