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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