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DIAGNOSTIC COLONOSCOPY AND FLEXIBLE SIGMOIDOSCOPY WAITING TIMES

What is the average waiting time in weeks, by month from end August 2022 – end August 2023 or the most recent month available and the preceding 12 months , for a) red flag, b) urgent and c) non-urgent diagnostic colonoscopy referrals?

	Suspect Cancer	Urgent	Routine
Sep-22	2	35	126
Oct-22	2	35	129
Nov-22	2	36	132
Dec-22	2	39	136
Jan-23	1	40	136
Feb-23	2	42	138
Mar-23	1	39	141
Apr-23	1	40	143
May-23	2	38	147
Jun-23	1	38	150
Jul-23	1	39	152
Aug-23	2	38	155

What is the average waiting time in weeks, by month from end August 2022 – end August 2023 or the most recent month available and the preceding 12 months, for a) red flag, b) urgent and c) non-urgent diagnostic flexible sigmoidoscopy referrals?

Row Labels	Suspect Cancer	Urgent	Routine
Sep-22	2	57	156
Oct-22	2	57	158
Nov-22	2	56	162
Dec-22	3	57	166
Jan-23	1	58	168
Feb-23	2	61	170
Mar-23	2	61	172
Apr-23	1	63	176
May-23	2	64	179
Jun-23	5	66	181
Jul-23	1	68	185
Aug-23	2	70	185

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The information contained in the 2 tables above relates to patients admitted during the months and the average length of time they waited prior to admission.

Where there are gaps in the table under routine waiting time this is because no routine patients admitted in these months and info is based on completed waits.