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Gallbladder Surgery

Awaiting surgery on their gallbladder. Number of list, length of time on list or date they were put on list.

There are currently 1,261 patients awaiting surgery on their gallbladder. Timeframes are detailed below.

Surgical Procedure	Gallbladder
Non Cancer Waits	Priority Breakdown
<=13wks	52
>13wks<=26wks	35
>26wks<=52wks	107
>1year	
<=2years	228
>2years	
<=3years	198
>3years	
<=4years	145
>4years	
<=5years	169
5-7 years	272
7-9 years	53
>9years	2
Grand Total	1261

Number of people in the Belfast Trust who underwent gallbladder removal surgery last year.

There were 389 Gallbladder Removal Surgeries carried out from October 2023 to present.

Number of people awaiting their first consultant appointment relating to gallbladder issues.

Patients with gallbladder issues are generally referred to either the specialties of General Surgery or Hepatobiliary for outpatient assessment. To answer this question a manual review of all referrals to these specialties would be required. We would be unable to provide this information as this would require a manual trawl of these referrals. We estimate that compliance with this request for information would exceed the appropriate costs limit. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information

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2000, the limit has been specified as £450 and represents the estimated cost of one or more persons spending 18 hours in determining whether we hold the information, locating, retrieving and extracting this information.