Hospital activity update - April 2023

Date range: January to December 2022, rolling 12-month period. **Published:** April 2023

The tables below outline the number of patients seen and treated under various categories of care in the past 12 months and also the number of patients seen and treated in 2019, the last full year before the COVID-19 pandemic started in 2020 and the cyberattack on the HSE in 2021 which caused significant disruption to health services.

Outpatient Activity

	Jan to Dec 2022	Jan to Dec 2019	
New patients	946,638	892,745	
Return patients	3,459,322	2,462,174	
TOTAL	3,405,960	3,354,919	

Note:

New patients are people who are coming to their first appointment in an outpatient clinic. Some patients may need to return to the clinic for follow-up care, as part of a course of treatment or to support ongoing chronic care needs - these patients are counted as *return patients*.

Outpatient appointments are planned according to how urgently the patient needs to be seen and this is based on information from the doctor who makes the referral to the outpatient clinic.

Day Case Activity

	Jan to Dec 2022	Jan to Dec 2019	
Day case patients	596,982	602,819	
Chemotherapy and radiotherapy patients	221,920	220,989	
Dialysis patients	188,940	177,341	
Number of GI scopes	102,807	107,069	
TOTAL	1,110,649	1,108,218	
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Note:

Day case attendances and treatment is provided across a range of areas. Chemotherapy and radiotherapy, dialysis, and GI scopes are separate categories of day case activity. Day cases can include new patients or patients returning for follow on treatment after an initial episode of care.

Inpatient Activity

	Jan to Dec 2022	Jan to Dec 2019
Emergency	435,924	439,088
Planned	77,565	89,904
Maternity	97,521	107,738
TOTAL	611,010	636,730

Note:

Inpatient stays include emergency, planned and maternity care. The majority of inpatient stays are as a result of emergency care requirements. Maternity includes all obstetric care.

Emergency Care

	Jan to Dec 2022	Jan to Dec 2019
New ED patients	1,353,797	1,251,506
Return ED patients	111,400	111,252
Injury Unit patients	146,860	99,222
Other emergency care	48,982	44,456
TOTAL	1,661,039	1,506,436
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Data: January to December 2022 data is extracted from the January 2023 Monthly Data Report

Information is subject to change as more recent information becomes available.