

HEADLINE FIGURES

PEDW Statistics - Data for the period 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020

NHS Hospital Admitted Patients – Aneurin Bevan University Health Board Residents.

Summary

The annual PEDW data tables present analyses of the Patient Episode Database for Wales (PEDW) which is collated, validated and stored by the NHS Wales Informatics Service (NWIS) on behalf of the Welsh Government and the NHS in Wales. It is a rich source of information about patients admitted to hospitals in Wales. Data is based on 'Finished Consultant Episodes' (FCEs). Episodes describe the time a patient spends in the continuous care of one consultant within a provider spell. A provider spell is the continuous period of time that a patient spends in the care of one NHS health care provider (Local Health Board). The care starts with an admission episode and ends in discharge, transfer to another NHS provider or death. When the responsibility for a patient transfers from one consultant to another within a provider spell, one consultant episode will end and another one begins. However, in approximately 90% of cases, the provider spell consists of just one consultant episode.

Key Facts¹

In 2019/20:

- There were 260,300 Finished Consultant Episodes (FCEs) recorded, representing a minor change of 0.4% (1,080) on 2018-19. Over the past five years the number of FCEs recorded has increased 14.5%.
- Of these, 187,900 were admission episodes (the first in a spell). Again, this is only a slight change (770) from the previous year with a 12.9% increase since 2015-16.
- Emergency admissions represented 50.5% of all admissions in 2019-20 with admissions recorded down marginally compared to 2018-19. There were 94,900 emergency admissions in the latest year compared to 95,100 in 2018-19, a decrease of 0.2%. There has been an overall increase in emergency admissions of 14.4% over five years.
- 65,300 admissions were from waiting lists (including booked admissions).
- 78.2% (203,600) of all FCEs were ordinary inpatient episodes, 21.6% (56,200) were day case episodes.
- 41% of all FCEs (90% of day case episodes) involved some form of procedure or intervention.
- Maternity admissions were down by 6% to 17,700 compared with 18,800 in 2018-19.
- 3,100 admissions for Aneurin Bevan University Health Board residents took place outside of Wales in non-welsh providers representing 1.7% of all admissions.

¹ Figures in the Key Facts have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Percentage calculations are based on the un-rounded figures.

Data Quality

Primary diagnosis coding completeness: This data was extracted from the PEDW database in September 2020. The clinical coding section of the APC Data Quality Status report advises that four organisations (BCU, Powys, Swansea Bay and Velindre) met both clinical coding completeness targets. C&V met the national standard of 95% coded within 3 months of episode end date but failed to achieve the 98% target for rolling 12 months' data, while the other three organisations (Aneurin Bevan, Cwm Taf Morgannwg and Hywel Dda) did not meet either target.

Treatment specialty re-coding: From April 2016, new codes were introduced for describing specialties to add more detail to data collections. Currently, not all health boards are reporting this data consistently using the more detailed codes. For this publication, treatment specialties have been recoded as their previous description to avoid inconsistent reporting.

Publication Links

- [PEDW Data on-line Notes and definitions](#)
- [2019/20 Data Quality Report](#)
- [NHS Wales Data Dictionary](#)

Trends

Charts 1 and 2 have been included to provide an indication of the trend for some of the key facts noted above (2015-16 to 2019-20). Data for years other than the latest year have been taken from previous publications.

Chart 1: Number of FCEs and admission episodes 2015-16 to 2019-20

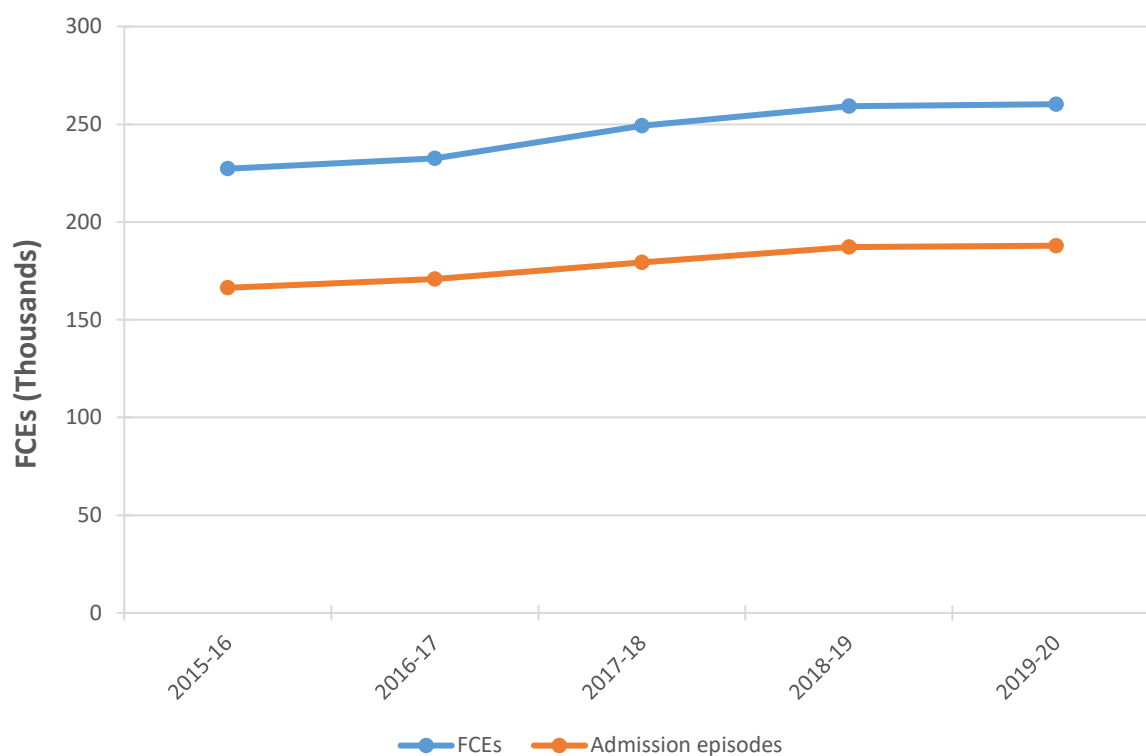


Chart 1 shows the volume of episodes and admission episodes each year. Admission episodes are the first episode within a spell of care. Both FCEs and admission episodes have remained stable this year. However, there has been an increase in activity over the last five years. FCEs have increased from 227,300 in 2015-16 to 260,300 in 2019-20 (up 14.5%) and admission episodes have increased from 166,400 in 2015-16 to 187,900 in 2019-20 (up 12.9%).

Chart 2: Number of admission episodes by admission method 2015-16 to 2019-20

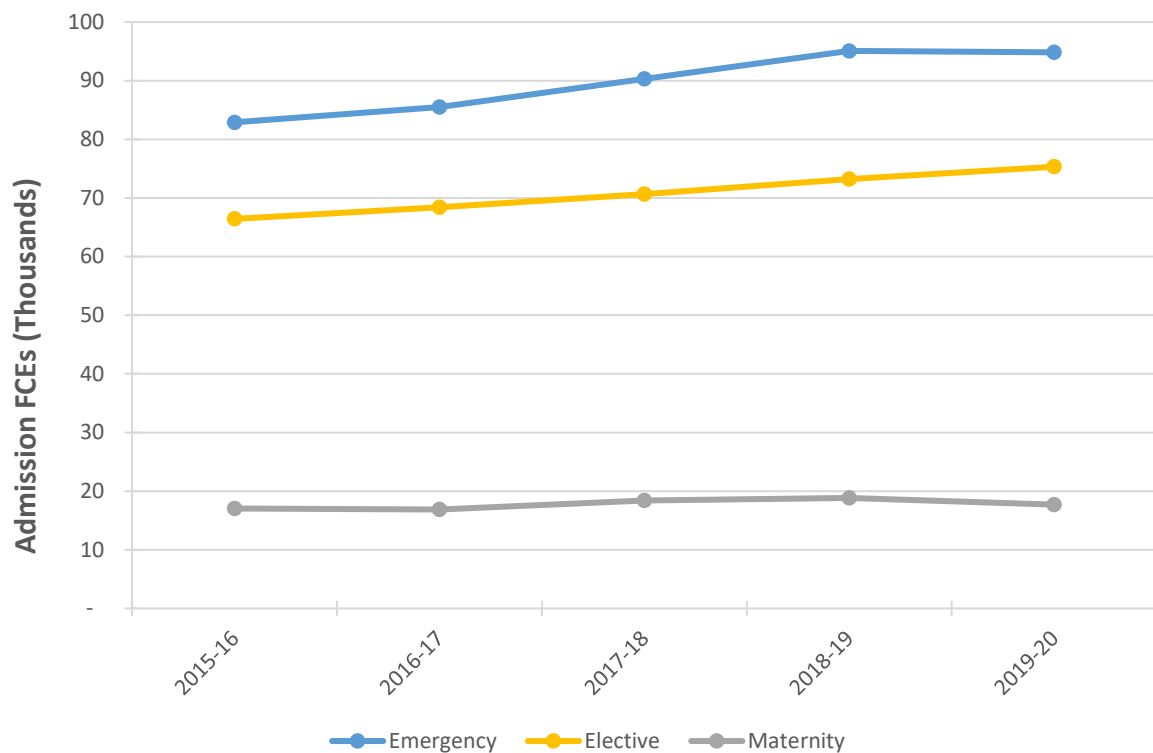


Chart 2 shows the volume of admission episodes split by admission method over time. Emergency admissions make up the majority of admissions for Aneurin Bevan University Health Board residents (50.5% in 2019-20) and numbers have remained stable in the latest year. Elective admissions increased in 2019-20 with a 2.9% increase and a 13.4% increase over the last five years. Maternity admissions were down by 6% this year with 17,700 recorded in 2019-20 compared to 18,800 in 2018-19.

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Finished Consultant Episodes - FCEs (excl. Regular Attender episodes)

Total	260,284	100.0%
Proportion of the above episodes with a procedure or intervention:	40.8%	

FCEs by Patient Classification

Inpatient FCEs	203,578	78.2%
Proportion of the above episodes with a procedure or intervention:	27.0%	
Day Case FCEs	56,173	21.6%
Proportion of the above episodes with a procedure or intervention:	90.3%	
Mothers Using Delivery Facilities Only: FCEs	532	0.2%
Patient Classification Unknown: FCEs	1	0.0%

FCEs by Patients' Age

0 - 4	16,640	6.4%
5 - 14	7,770	3.0%
15 - 24	17,247	6.6%
25 - 44	52,126	20.0%
45 - 64	57,468	22.1%
65 - 74	40,654	15.6%
75 - 84	43,183	16.6%
85 & Over	25,171	9.7%
Not known	25	0.0%

FCEs and Average Bed days by Broad Specialty Groups (the specialty under which the patient is treated¹)

	FCEs	Bed days
All Specialties	203,578	3.4
All Non-Psychiatric Specialties Excluding Geriatrics	186,360	2.7
All Non-Psychiatric Specialties	201,836	3.0
All Psychiatric Specialties	1,742	51.6
Acute	167,570	2.8
Maternity	18,379	0.9
Geriatrics	15,476	6.7
Mental Illness	1,707	40.8
Learning Disability	35	575.4

Private Patients Treated in NHS Hospitals

FCEs (all patient classifications)	242	0.1%
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Delivery Episodes²

FCEs: Mothers giving birth (all patient classifications)	5,394	2.1%
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FCEs in Spell Breakdown

1 episode only	78.1%
2 episodes	12.6%
3 episodes	5.4%
4 or more episodes	3.9%

Admission Episodes (only the first episode of care in each hospital stay is counted).

Total			187,886	100.0%
	Inpatient	Daycase		
Elective admission episodes	19,348	55,976	75,325	40.1%
Waiting List	11,263	45,991	57,254	
Booked	1,135	6,937	8,073	
Planned	972	3,047	4,019	
Other Elective Admissions (transfers)	5,978	1	5,979	
Emergency admission episodes			94,855	50.5%
A&E			41,953	
GP			43,222	
Other Emergency			9,680	
Other admission episodes (including maternity)			17,706	9.4%

Discharge Episodes (only the last episode of care in each hospital stay is counted)

Total	188,247	100.0%
Deaths in hospital (including stillbirths)	3,234	1.7%

Discharge Episodes (inpatients only) and Average Length of Stay by Broad Specialty Groups (the specialty under which the patient is treated†)

	Elective		Emergency		Other ³		All Admissions	
	FCEs	LOS	FCEs	LOS	FCEs	LOS	FCEs	LOS
All Specialties	19,342	10.6	95,191	4.7	17,188	4.5	131,721	5.6
All Non-Psych Spec. excl. Geriatrics	18,547	9.3	86,142	3.4	17,174	1.5	121,863	4.1
All Non-Psychiatric	19,246	10.0	93,591	4.1	17,178	1.5	130,015	4.6
All Psychiatric Specialties	96	147.2	1,600	41.5	10	5,132.9	1,706	77.3
Acute	18,290	9.1	85,903	3.4	1,431	6.9	105,624	4.4
Maternity	96	2.8	124	1.2	15,743	1.0	15,963	1.0
Geriatrics	699	26.8	7,449	12.0	4	**	8,152	13.3
Mental Illness	88	146.8	1,578	37.7	6	**	1,672	43.5
Learning Disability*	8	**	22	315.5	4	**	34	1,737.8

Aneurin Bevan ULHB Residents Treated in Non-Welsh Providers

FCEs	3,686	1.4%
Admission Episodes	3,147	1.7%

*Regular Day and Night Attender Episodes (these episodes have not been included elsewhere)

Total	43,103
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[1] In publications prior to 2012/13, the consultants main specialty was used for all specialty figures in the headlines publication. From 2012/13, to comply with current best practice and to match other publications, this was changed to the specialty under which the patient was treated. This means that specialty figures prior to 2012/13 will not be comparable to specialty figures provided for 2012/13 onwards in the headlines publication. Please refer to the NHS Wales data dictionary <http://www.datadictionary.wales.nhs.uk> for definitions.

[2] Please note that the definition for delivery episodes changed from the 2012/13 publication onwards, therefore the data will not be comparable to previous years.

Please see the Notes and Definitions document accompanying this release for further information.

Please note, percentage breakdowns may not always add up to 100% due to rounding.

[3] Other refers to any other type of admission method other than elective or emergency (includes maternity admissions).

* 2 patients have been recorded with an exceptionally long LOS of > 2,000 days.

**Calculated values such as average length of stay or average beddays are not provided where based on less than 10 values

	Finished Episodes	Admissions	Male	Female	Emerg	Waiting List	Waiting Time		Length of Stay		Mean Age	Inpatient	Day Case
							Mean	Median	Mean	Median			
Procedures (main)													
Cataract	4,321	4,320	42%	58%	0%	99%	83.0	40.0	3.0	1.0	75	1%	99%
Upper digestive tract	8,291	7,402	47%	53%	5%	89%	47.2	32.0	11.5	6.0	60	19%	81%
Heart (CABG)	154	125	78%	22%	54%	42%	117.2	114.0	15.0	11.0	69	100%	0%
Heart (PTCA)	838	675	76%	24%	67%	28%	62.8	56.0	3.3	2.0	66	79%	21%
Hip	1,091	1,013	37%	63%	29%	67%	162.9	144.0	8.5	4.0	72	100%	0%
Knee	876	865	41%	59%	1%	97%	188.0	181.5	5.9	4.0	70	100%	0%
Kidney transplant	38	38	58%	42%	68%	29%	17.3	17.0	12.1	10.0	44	100%	0%
Diagnosis (anywhere in admitting episode)													
Sepsis	5,788	2,436	51%	49%	67%	2%	132.1	29.0	13.0	7.0	60	100%	0%