

SCIENCE NEWS IN NUMBERS



A&E predictions: Using official data from the last five years, the British Medical Association's health policy team has forecast a number of scenarios for this summer.

Worst-case scenario:

6.2m attend A&E

87.5%

of patients seen, admitted or discharged within four hours

Best-case scenario:

5.89m

attend A&E

89.6%

of patients seen, admitted or discharged within four hours



Organ donors

The number of people on the NHS Organ Donor Register in the UK:

England: 19,348,551

Scotland: 2,388,348

Wales: 1,171,300

Northern Ireland: 734,366



11,982

This is the number of cases of scarlet fever reported from September 2017 to March 2018. This is more than double the average figure for the same period over the last five years, which is 4,480.



Obesity hospital admissions

Hospital admissions where obesity is a factor have more than doubled in England during the last four years, new figures from NHS Digital suggest.

617,000

There were almost 617,000 appointments in 2016-17 where obesity was either a primary or secondary diagnosis – up from 292,000 in 2012-13.

10,705

Obesity was the main cause of 10,705 admissions – an 8% increase on the previous year – and bariatric surgery appointments increased by 5% to 6,760 over the same period. Those aged 35-64 made up 69% of the admissions.



Ten people were taken to hospital after inhaling chemicals released from a fish tank in an Oxfordshire village.

The "potentially toxic" fumes were emitted from coral being cleared from an aquarium at a house Hanney Road, Steventon.



50

An estimated 50 emergency services personnel attended, including a hazardous area response team and three ambulances.