

**Table 2. Referral and secondary care delays by referral source.**

	Urgent guideline referrals	Diagnosed through other routes					A&E	Unknown
		Total <sup>a</sup>	GP – Urgent letter	GP – Non-urgent letter	Inter-specialty referral			
<b>Colorectal</b>								
Referral delays								
Mean delay in days (sd)	11.9 (5.3)	14.9 (26.5)	6.4 (8.6)	32.8 (39.5)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Median delay in days (IQR)	12 (9 – 13)	8 (0 – 21.7)	2 (0 – 13)	23 (17 – 35)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
% seen within 2 weeks	86%	49%	81%	14%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Secondary care delays								
Mean delay in days (sd)	44.2 (47.4)	53.4 (85.3)	30.4 (42.1)	107.5 (117.7)	20.3 (55.0)	41.0 (70.0)	50.0 (60.3)	
Median delay in days (IQR)	30 (14 – 61)	21 (4.7 – 63.5)	14 (3 – 42)	67 (21 – 165)	8 (0 – 25)	15 (9 – 35)	50 (12 – 95)	
<b>Lung</b>								
Referral delays								
Mean delay in days (sd)	9.1 (4.8)	14.1 (16.1)	13.6 (14.5)	17.6 (17.8)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Median delay in days (IQR)	10 (6 – 13)	10 (4 – 17)	9 (3 – 18)	12 (4 – 28)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
% seen within 2 weeks	89%	57%	60%	55%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Secondary care delays								
Mean delay in days (sd)	25.2 (24.7)	25.3 (36.0)	28.9 (40.0)	26.6 (25.7)	24.0 (40.5)	36.1 (49.7)	20.2 (25.4)	
Median delay in days (IQR)	18 (8 – 36)	15 (4 – 28)	14 (4 – 25)	19 (14 – 35)	14 (4 – 28)	28 (4 – 42)	14.0 (8 – 23)	
<b>Ovarian</b>								
Referral delays								
Mean delay in days (sd)	12.1 (5.7)	50.3 (113.3)	16.0 (16.9)	72.9 (143.2)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Median delay in days (IQR)	12 (8 – 15)	23 (10.5– 39.5)	14 (3 – 21)	31 (21 – 57)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
% seen within 2 weeks	75%	26%	58%	9%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Secondary care delays								
Mean delay in days (sd)	39.4 (38.5)	58.1 (52.9)	46.6 (32.2)	82.3 (63.1)	34.3 (18.9)	18.7 (3.01)	30.1 (24.6)	
Median delay in days (IQR)	31 (4 – 60)	44.5 (20 – 81.7)	47 (17 – 76)	69 (25 – 107)	37 (15 – 49)	18 (16 – 18)	26 (14 – 42)	
<b>Prostate</b>								
Referral delays								
Mean delay in days (sd)	14.2 (17.6)	43.4 (37.9)	38.0 (35.9)	53.3 (37.3)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Median delay in days (IQR)	13 (8 – 15)	40 (13.2 – 58)	30 (13 – 41)	48 (28 – 71)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
% seen within 2 weeks	68%	16%	25%	15%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Secondary care delays								
Mean delay in days (sd)	103.8 (64.9)	126.2 (80.6)	116.0 (99.3)	128.9 (77.0)	86.7 (82.3)	126.4 (82.3)	-	
Median delay in days (IQR)	87 (61 – 140)	103 (71– 72.5)	99 (51 – 121)	118 (77– 155)	70 (11 – 146)	116 (66–188)	-	

<sup>a</sup>Totals calculated from data available and therefore exclude the non-applicables (e.g. secondary care delay cannot be calculated from secondary care referrals).