

HOSPITALS — ELECTIVE SURGERIES

905. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister for Health:

I refer to all public hospitals, including public hospitals with private operators, and I ask:

- (a) How many elective surgeries were cancelled in each of the following months:
- (i) April 2023;
 - (ii) May 2023;
 - (iii) June 2023;
 - (iv) July 2023; and
 - (v) August 2023; and
- (b) For each month listed in (a)(i)–(v), what was the total number of cancelled elective surgeries by area health service?

Ms A. Sanderson replied:

Elective surgeries are cancelled for both patient and hospital-initiated reasons. Patient safety is the priority and surgeries are often rescheduled within a matter of days. This data includes WA public hospitals only, and not data from Contracted Health Entities.

(a)–(b)

| Month-Year | CAHS | EMHS | NMHS | SMHS | WACHS | Total |
|------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Apr-23 | 200 | 559 | 394 | 227 | 648 | 2,028 |
| May-23 | 235 | 702 | 506 | 314 | 737 | 2,494 |
| Jun-23 | 231 | 685 | 453 | 344 | 682 | 2,395 |
| Jul-23 | 190 | 806 | 438 | 313 | 620 | 2,367 |
| Aug-23 | 245 | 799 | 441 | 321 | 699 | 2,505 |