

Cancer Surgery Radical Prostatectomy (Removal of all or part of prostate)

Actual Patient Waits for Procedures Performed (01JUL2021 to 31DEC2021)

Area of Service	Patients completed	Within 3 weeks	4-6 weeks	7 weeks-3 months	4 - 6 months	Longer than 6 months	Patients Waiting on 31DEC2021
03 Saskatoon	52	13%	38%	44%	4%	0%	5
04 South West	19	Data suppressed	because < 20	procedures	performed.		< 5
06 Regina	41	10%	27%	24%	24%	15%	23
99 All SK hospitals	112	14%	38%	32%	11%	5%	30

† 90% of cases were performed within 167 days (23.9 weeks).

Notes:

- ◆ This procedure is performed by urologists.
- ◆ Cancer surgery data is based on procedures performed in hospital operating rooms. 92% of all radical prostatectomies performed in operating rooms over this time period were categorized as cancer surgeries. Only cancer surgeries are included in this table.
- ◆ 19% of cases reported here were categorized with a surgeon priority of three weeks. The remainder have a surgeon priority of six weeks or three months. Emergency procedures are excluded. Some further work has to be done to ensure that the cancer categories are being consistently interpreted.
- ◆ Time periods where patients specify that they are unavailable for surgery are subtracted from the wait time.
- ◆ Postponed cases are included, regardless of whether the reason for postponement is patient or system related.
- ◆ The results are based on the Jan 23, 2022 refresh of the Saskatchewan Surgical Patient Registry data mart and are subject to minor changes as data is added or corrected.
- ◆ The Canadian Cancer Society's **Cancer Statistics 2009** report shows that prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among Canadian males. Although common, the disease can be more or less aggressive necessitating a variety of treatment approaches.
- ◆ The Ministry now posts information on its web site at <http://www.sasksurgery.ca/provider/prostate.html> to help prostate cancer patients and their families understand the disease and treatment options. The site includes information on testing, diagnosis and treatment compiled by health care professionals.
- ◆ Men are encouraged to become familiar with this information to supplement one-on-one counseling from health providers.