

Cataract Surgery - First and Second Eye (emergency cases are excluded)

Pan Canadian Benchmark: 16 weeks (112 days)

Summary for cases performed in the past three months (01-Jan-2026 to 31-Mar-2026)

Measure	Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	Regina	Other Areas*
Number of cases performed	5,149	2,047	1,797	1,305
Percent of cases performed within 16 weeks	72%	52%	80%	91%
Median wait time (in days) [†]	32	102	22	15
90th percentile wait time (in days) [‡]	204	320	161	104

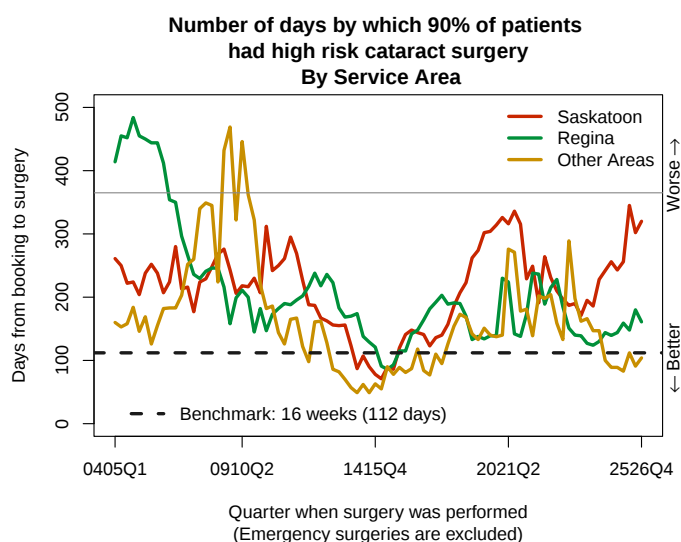
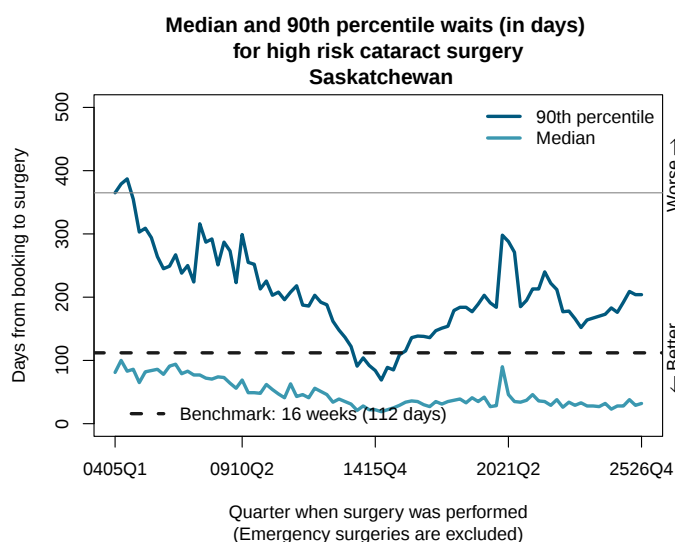
Summary of cases waiting

Measure	Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	Regina	Other Areas*
Number of cases waiting on 31-Mar-2005	5,242	2,066	2,386	790
Number of cases waiting on 31-Mar-2026	4,797	2,785	1,296	716
Percent of cases waiting on 31-Mar-2005 that had already waited longer than 16 weeks	46%	29%	63%	35%
Percent of cases waiting on 31-Mar-2026 that had already waited longer than 16 weeks	26%	31%	21%	16%

* Cataract procedures are also performed in North Battleford, Lloydminster, Melfort, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Swift Current, and Weyburn. Information on current wait times by surgeon is available on this web site in <http://specialists.ehealthsask.ca/specialist-directory/>.

[†] The median wait time is the time by which 50% of cases had surgery.

[‡] The 90th percentile wait time is the time by which 90% of cases had surgery.



Notes

- The results on this page include all cataract surgeries. In other words, the waits for both the first and the second eye. The wait for the second eye is usually shorter than the wait for the first eye.
- The wait for the second eye starts when the surgery on the first eye has been done.
- Results are based on the April 19, 2026 refresh of the Saskatchewan Surgical Patient Registry data mart.

Cataract Surgery - First Eye Only (emergency cases are excluded)

Information provided for national comparison

Summary for cases performed in the past three months (01-Jan-2026 to 31-Mar-2026)

Measure	Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	Regina	Other Areas*
Number of cases performed	2,833	1,148	952	733
Percent of cases performed within 16 weeks	59%	35%	68%	85%
Median wait time (in days) [†]	85	145	71	28
90th percentile wait time (in days) [‡]	245	386	210	133

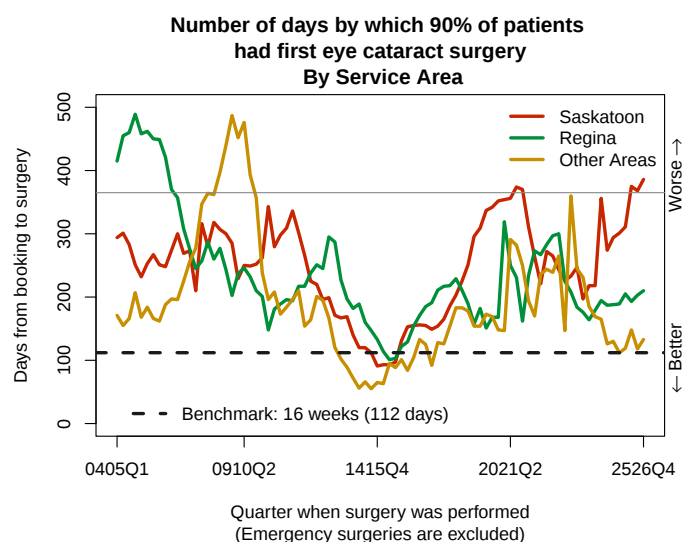
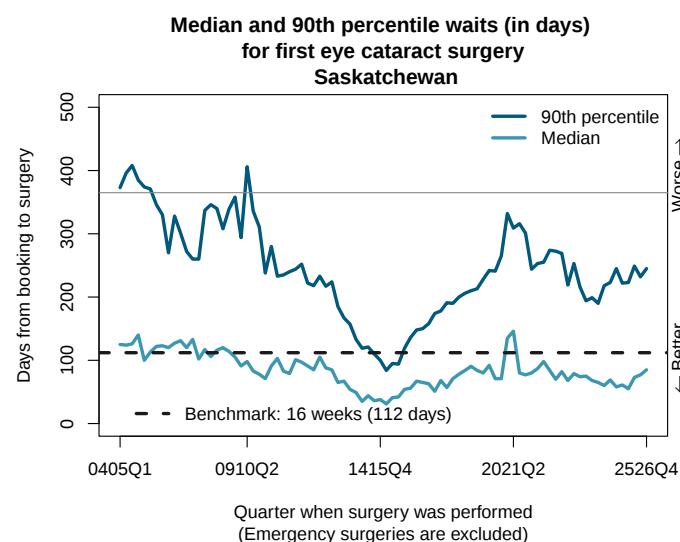
Summary of cases waiting

Measure	Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	Regina	Other Areas*
Number of cases waiting on 31-Mar-2005	3,308	1,274	1,501	533
Number of cases waiting on 31-Mar-2026	3,697	2,181	984	532
Percent of cases waiting on 31-Mar-2005 that had already waited longer than 16 weeks	49%	35%	67%	32%
Percent of cases waiting on 31-Mar-2026 that had already waited longer than 16 weeks	28%	33%	23%	17%

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Notes

- This information is shown for comparison with other provinces that exclude the waits for the cataract surgery on the second eye (which is usually done fairly quickly after the first eye has been completed).
- Results are based on the April 19, 2026 refresh of the Saskatchewan Surgical Patient Registry data mart.