

National Ambulance Data – Monthly Snapshot

Overview of Key Ambulance Metrics – Data to the End of July 2025

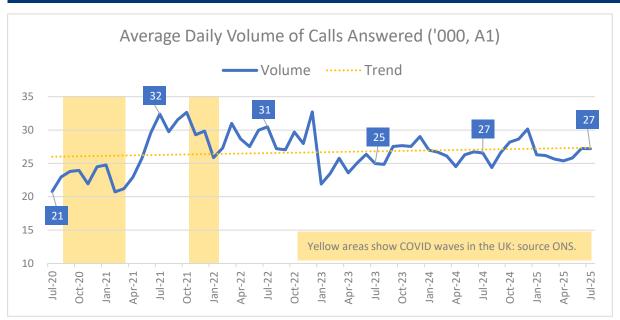
- <u>999 Call Volume and Call Answer Time</u>
- Category-1 Demand and Response Time
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- Hospital Handover Delays

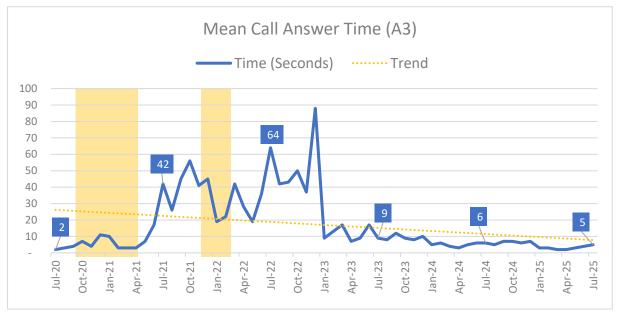
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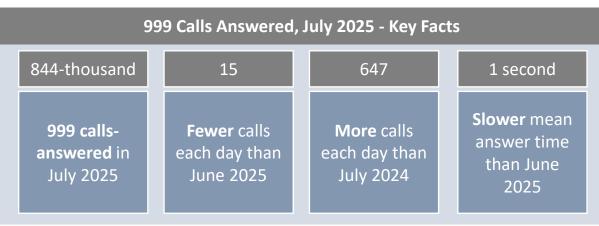
2. Volume of 999 Calls-Answered and Mean Call Answer Time

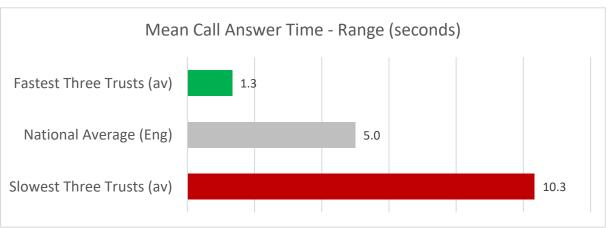


Demand remained steady with an average daily volume of 27,211 calls-answered - a difference of just 15 compared with June. Time-to-answer increased by one second (to five-seconds), but the mean has not exceeded seven-seconds since December 2024 (although this is not true for all trusts, as the bar-chart shows).





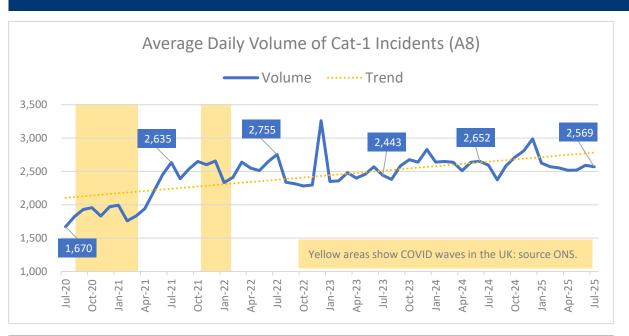


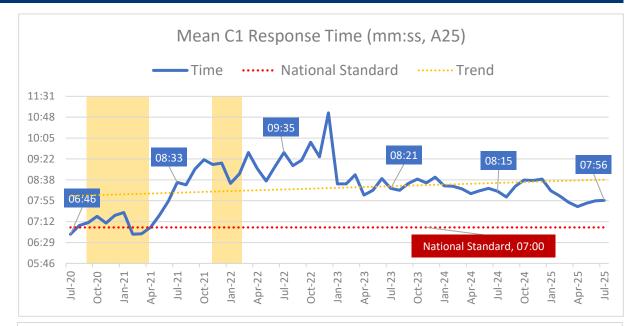


3. Category-1: Demand, and Mean Response Time

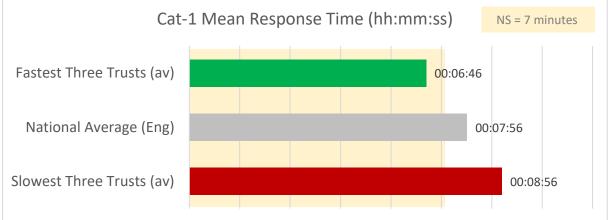


Category-1 demand remained flat between June and July, but the average daily volume of incidents has been increasing steadily since early 2023. Mean response time was one-second slower than June – but at seven-minutes-56-seconds was the fastest seen in any July since 2020.





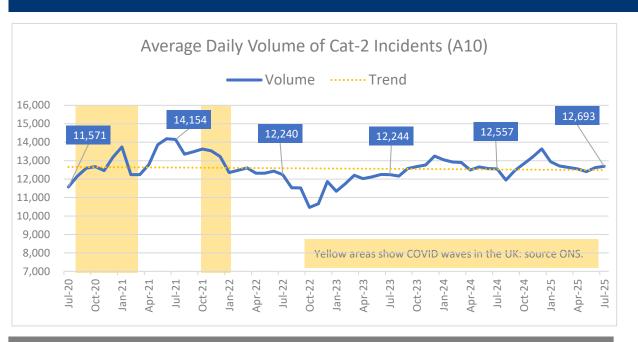


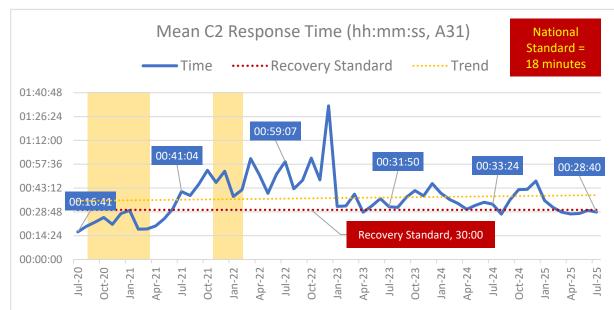


4. Category-2: Demand, and Mean Response Time

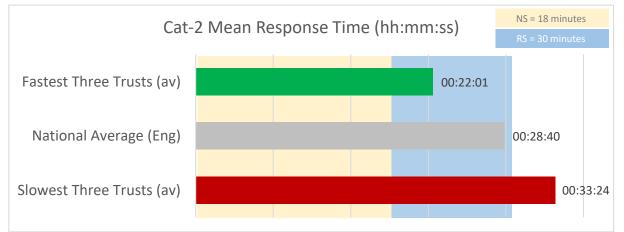


Category-2 demand was steady between June and July but – as with Category-1 has increased from 2023. Mean-response for England has remained below the 30-minute recovery standard since March 2024, but still exceeds the 18-minute national standard.





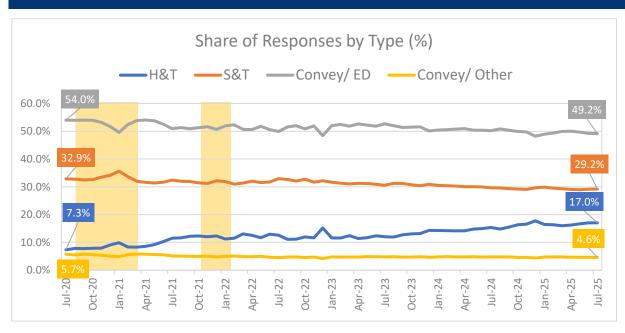


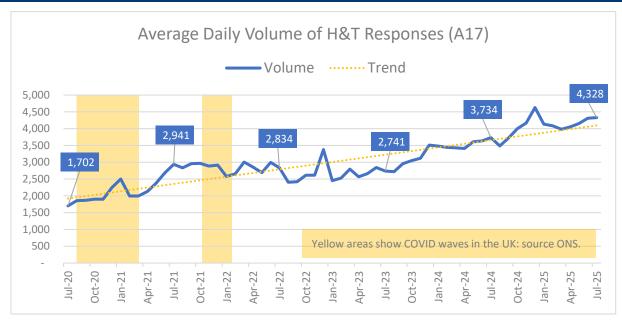


5. Share of Outcomes by Response Type

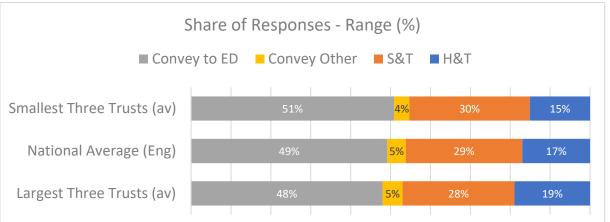


Conveyance to Emergency Departments saw a slight increase in the daily average between June and July, as did every other type of outcome. The proportion of total outcomes these represent remains unchanged. Hear-and-Treat continues to account for 17-percent of outcomes (vs. ten-percent in 2020).





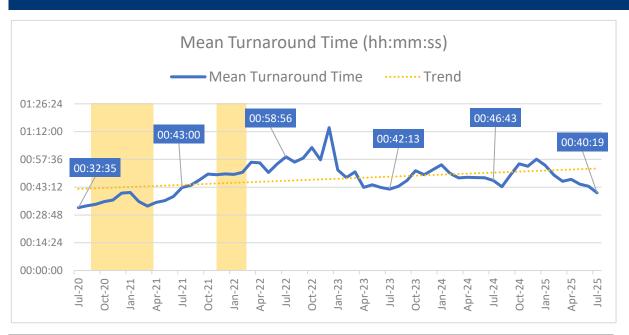


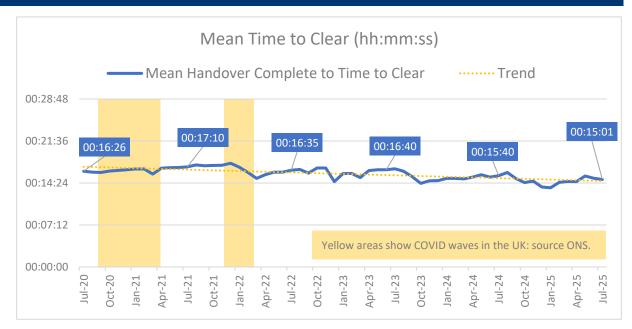


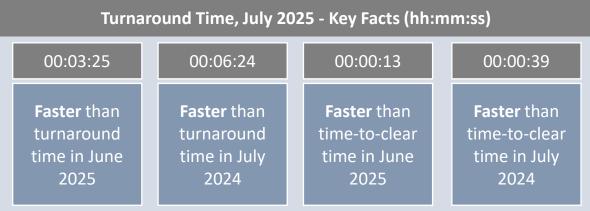
6. Ambulance Turnaround Time, and Time to Clear at Hospital

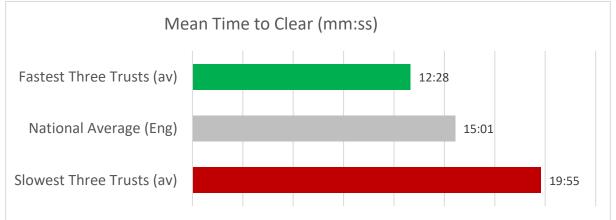


Mean turnaround-time was over three minutes faster than in June, while time-to-clear was 39-seconds faster. The latter figure has a difference of around six-minutes between the fastest and slowest groups of trusts.









7. Hospital Handover Delays



Mean handover time was three-minutes faster than June at just over 25-minutes, and was faster than any July since 2020. One-in-twenty handovers took an hour or longer, the lowest since early 2021. Meanwhile one-in-five handovers took 30-minutes or longer.

