

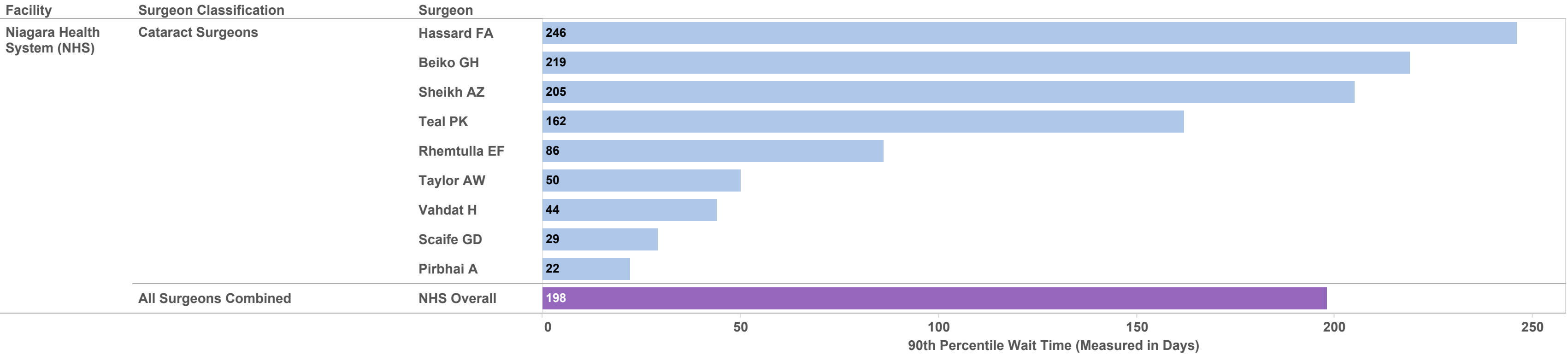
Cataract Surgery Wait Times

What is measured?

The maximum amount of time 9 out of 10 patients have been waiting since deciding with their surgeon to proceed with their cataract surgery. One out of every 10 patients have been waiting longer.

Time period: Snapshot as of **May 1st, 2014**.

Cataract Surgery Wait Times by Ophthalmic Surgeon at Niagara Health System (NHS)



Note:
The information above is intended to provide patients and healthcare providers useful data such that an informed decision can be made with respect to referrals for cataract surgery.

As can be seen, some surgeons have shorter wait times than others. It should be noted that these differences are **NOT** a reflection of the quality of service. For example, some patients may choose to wait for a specific surgeon no matter how long the time period.

It should also be noted that referral to a given surgeon **DOES NOT** guarantee a patient will wait the same amount of time. The surgery may occur in a shorter or longer time period. Surgeons assess each patient and determine how urgent their need for treatment is.

The provincial access target for least urgent (Priority 4) cases from when a patient and surgeon decide to proceed with surgery, until when the actual procedure is completed, is 182 days.

Data Source:
Wait Times Information System (WTIS) iPort Access, DPE020 Report, Open Cases
Includes: Adult, Priority 2-4 cases.

Data Extracted: May 1st, 2014

Data is not shown when there are less than 6 patients waiting. This is done to protect personal health information.