

Waiting Time of Diagnostic Radiological Investigations

The table below sets out the median (50th percentile) waiting time of cases triaged as Priority 1, Priority 2 and Routine categories for Computed Tomography (CT) and Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) in the Hospital Authority (HA) from 2019-20 to 2023-24 (provisional figures).

CT

Year	Median Waiting Time (Weeks)		
	Priority 1	Priority 2	Routine
2019-20	5	26	79
2020-21	4	26	78
2021-22	5	35	94
2022-23	3	36	78
2023-24 (provisional figures)	3	29	69

MRI

Year	Median Waiting Time (Weeks)		
	Priority 1	Priority 2	Routine
2019-20	5	26	61
2020-21	4	25	63
2021-22	4	29	75
2022-23	3	34	83
2023-24 (provisional figures)	3	33	92

Note:

In view of the COVID-19 epidemic outbreak in Hong Kong in early 2020, the HA adjusted its services to cope with the epidemic. This should be taken into consideration when comparing the service capacity of the HA in previous years. With the subsiding COVID-19 epidemic situation in Hong Kong and cessation of anti-epidemic measures in early 2023, the HA has been gradually resuming provision of all of its public healthcare services to tie in with the Government's measures for resumption of normalcy.

The HA currently implements various clinical Public-Private Partnership Programmes including diagnostic radiological imaging, etc. The HA will invite patients who meet specific clinical and programme criteria for voluntary participation. Patients intending to join the programmes have to register for eHealth.