

101003634654 - Waiting Times for Social Care Assessments and Packages

I am looking for information regarding waits for social care assessments and social care packages. The language used below comes from Public Health Scotland's People requiring a social care assessment and care at home services publication.

As such, please provide the following information, broken down by the calendar years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 (most recent):

2021	2022	2023	2024
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1. Number of people waiting for a social care assessment that could result in the provision of a social care service to start, who waited over*				
a) 6 weeks;	225	352	228	94
b) 13 weeks;	139	217	182	55
c) 26 weeks;	55	114	130	28
d) 52 weeks.	12	55	73	<5**

*note that this includes all in b, c and d and are not only 6 to 13 weeks, the same goes for the categories and answers that follow

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2. The longest completed wait for a social care assessment that could result in the provision of a social care service to start.	696 days	1,001 days	1,346 days	404 days
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3. Number of people assessed and waiting for a package of care to start, who have waited over				
a) 6 weeks;	121	192	227	309
b) 13 weeks;	44	123	104	219
c) 26 weeks;	<5**	65	27	121
d) 52 weeks.	<5**	12	<5**	31

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4. The longest completed wait for people assessed and waiting for a package of care to start.	376 days	607 days	395 days	653 days
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