


# CT Exams Meeting Benchmarks

Year to Date Performance	36%	Performance Assessment	 Red
Island Health Target	Greater than or equal to 85%	Performance is significantly outside acceptable range; take action and monitor progress.	

## What do we measure and why?

Computed Tomography (CT) is one of the most widely used diagnostic imaging tools for serious diseases of all body organs. The images produced by a CT scan are a critical source of information for diagnosis, and to determine treatment required.

Waiting for a scan and diagnosis can cause anxiety and delay treatment; therefore, wait times should be minimized.

This indicator measures the percentage of CT exams that were performed within defined time periods ("benchmarks" based on urgency.) The benchmarks are:

- Stat – within 1 day;
- As Soon As Possible – within 7 days;
- Semi-Urgent – within 30 days; and,
- Routine – within 60 days.

All four priority levels are included in this indicator.

Follow-up CT exams that must occur within a specified window of time are not included in this measure.

## What is the target?

The target is that 85% of exams be performed within the benchmark timeframe.

Higher rates are better.

## How are we doing?

As of March 2025, Island Health was not meeting the target for CT exam wait times.

## What actions are we taking?

CT capacity has expanded is being expanded where possible. Focused efforts to schedule and scan patients who have been waiting the longest are underway.