

Cardiac Surgery Report (Week Ending 8 August 2010)

In the week ending 8 August 2010, DHBs have delivered 48 operations against a plan of 56 operations. For the year to date, 310 operations have been provided against a plan of 331 operations.

Auckland's waiting list has increased this week, exceeding the acceptable maximum. This is due to a slightly greater number of patients accepted (9) but mainly to the 7 patients cancelled this week - this is a consequence of the cardiac ICU being overloaded with 3 ECMO patients (medium term full cardio-respiratory bypass) with 'flu. This is not unexpected, as a similar heavy load of ECMO patients occurred last year also, and Auckland is making provision with 4 patients to be out-sourced and 4 planned for weekend surgery.

The number of patients waiting at Waikato has risen suddenly and has exceeded their acceptable maximum for the first time. The reason is not currently apparent as the inflow and outflow data are inconsistent and is being followed up.

Table 1: Cardiac surgery results for week ending 8 August 2010

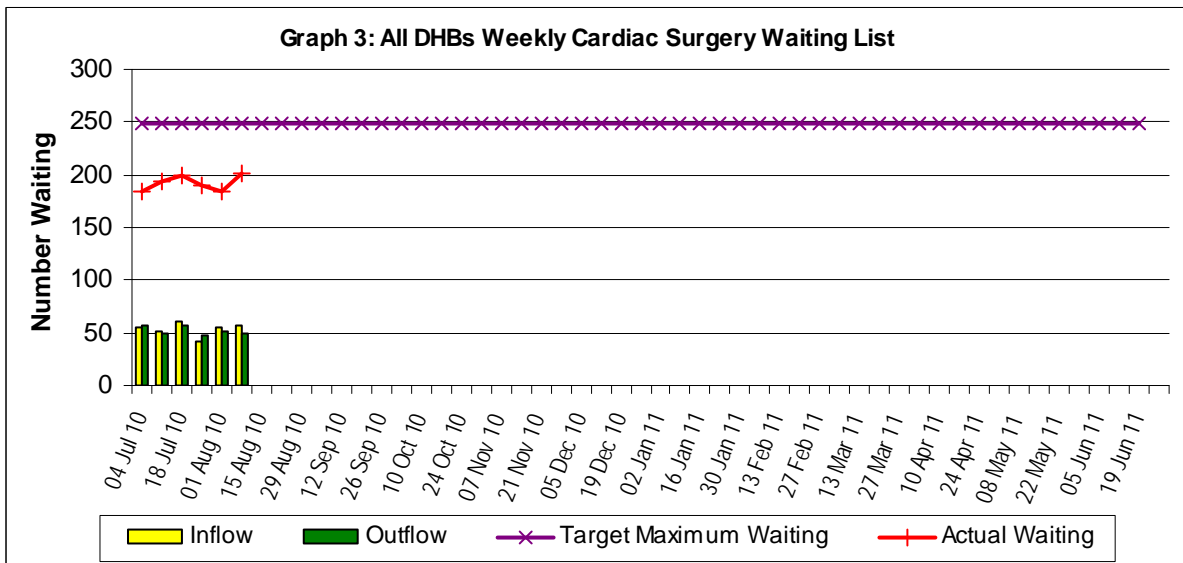
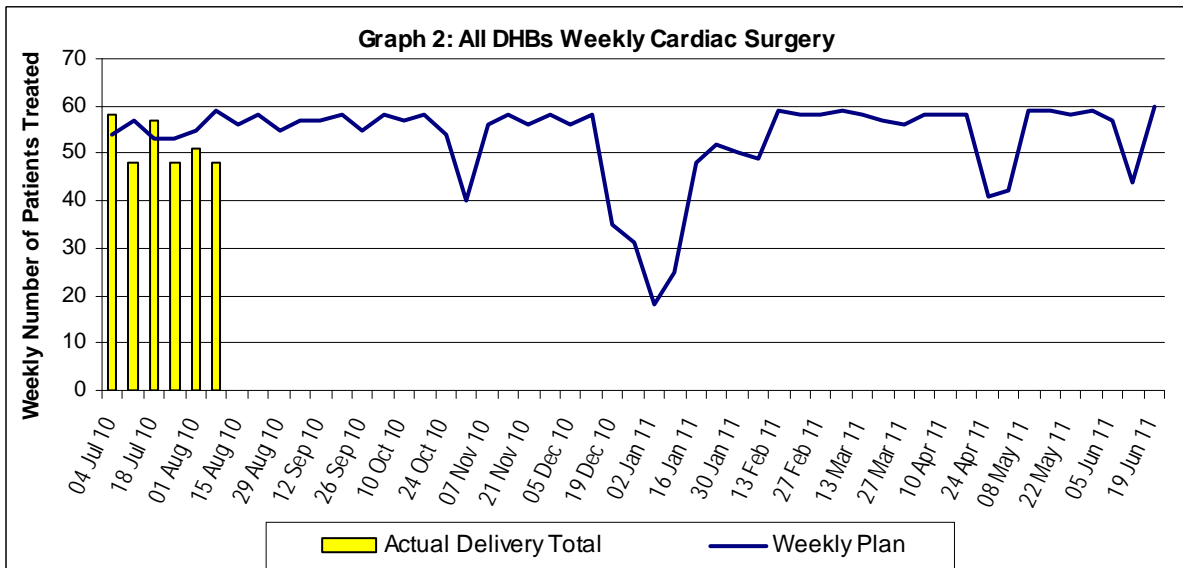
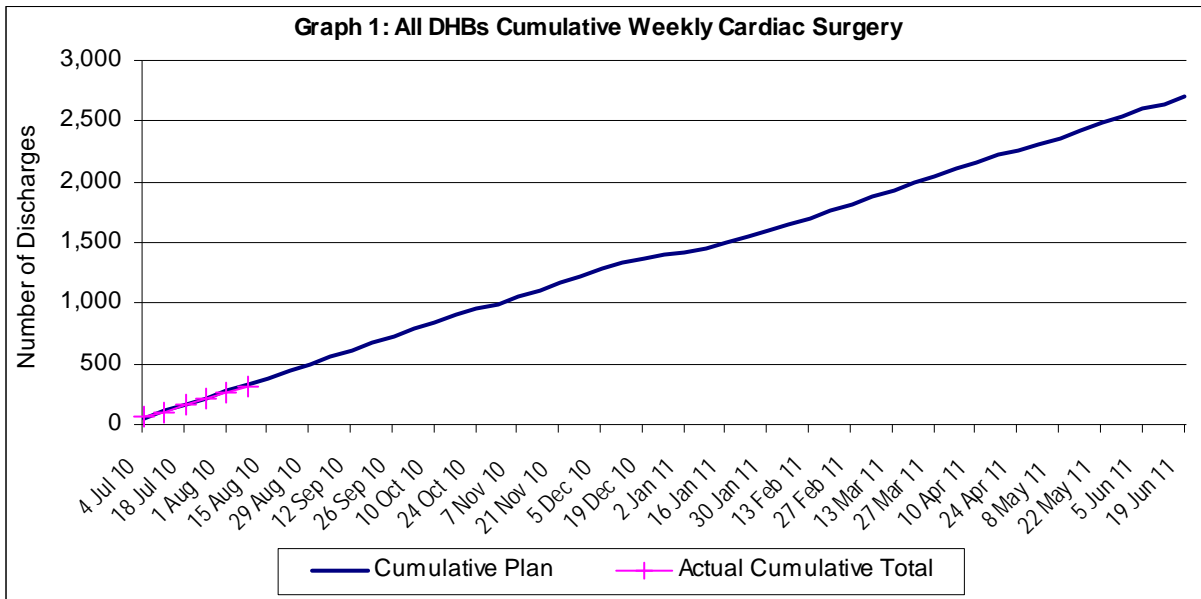
DHB	YTD planned	YTD actual ¹	YTD variance	Weekly agreed plan	Weekly actual (internal data)	Number waiting	Change from last week (+inc / -dec)	Maximum number waiting ²
Auckland	113	102	-11	18	11	90	15	81
Waikato	72	65	-7	13	10	52	9	48
Capital & Coast	81	70	-9	13	12	16	-1	60
Canterbury	39	40	1	8	9	19	1	35
Otago	26	33	7	4	6	25	-6	25
Total	331	310	-21	56	48	202	18	249

¹ YTD actual is as reported by DHBs.

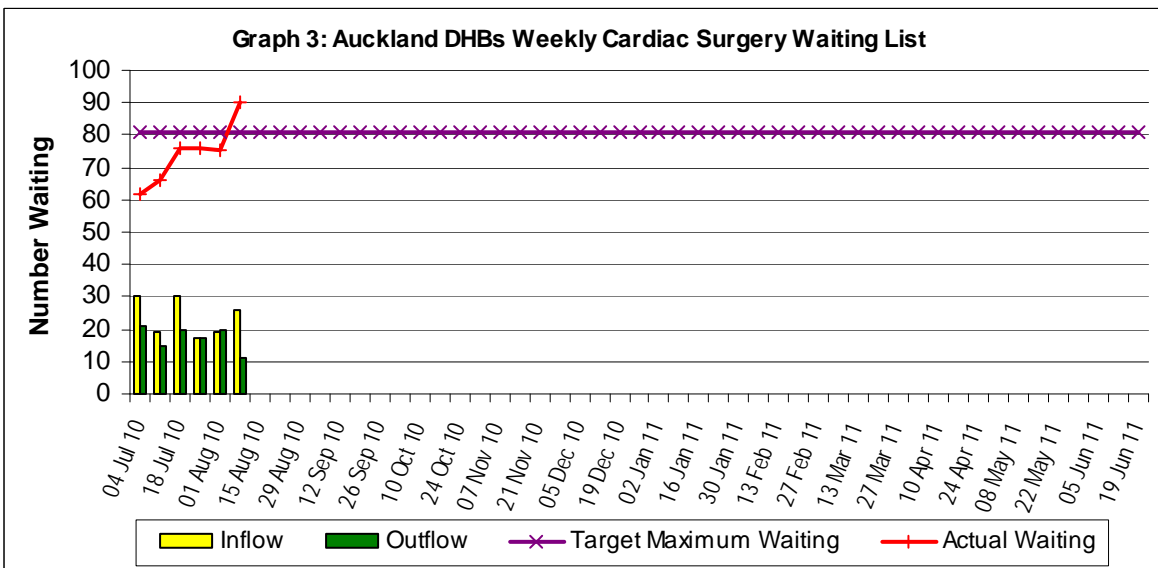
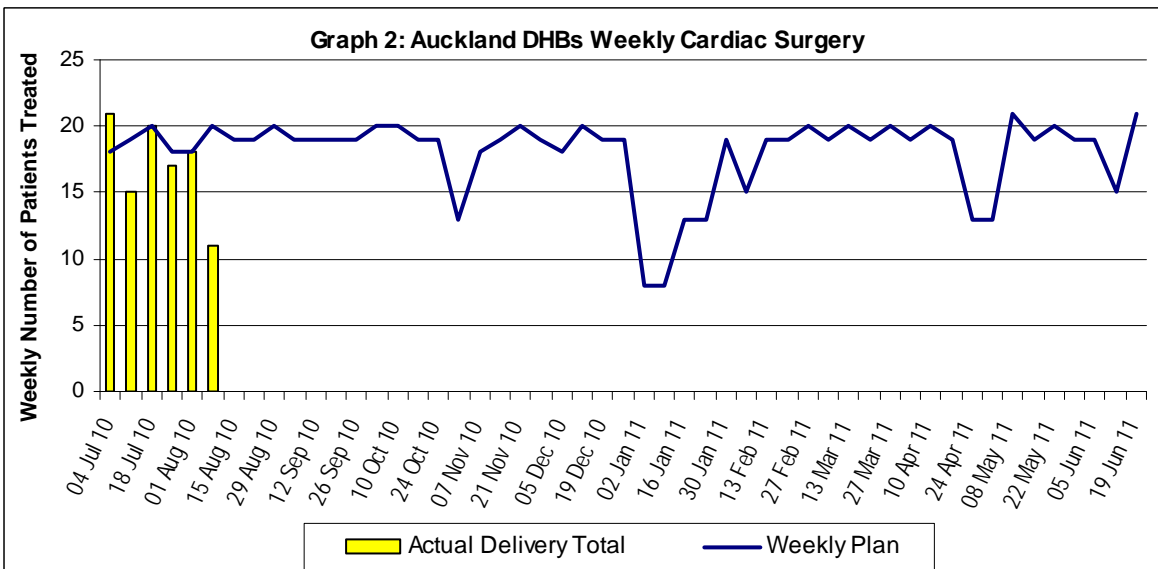
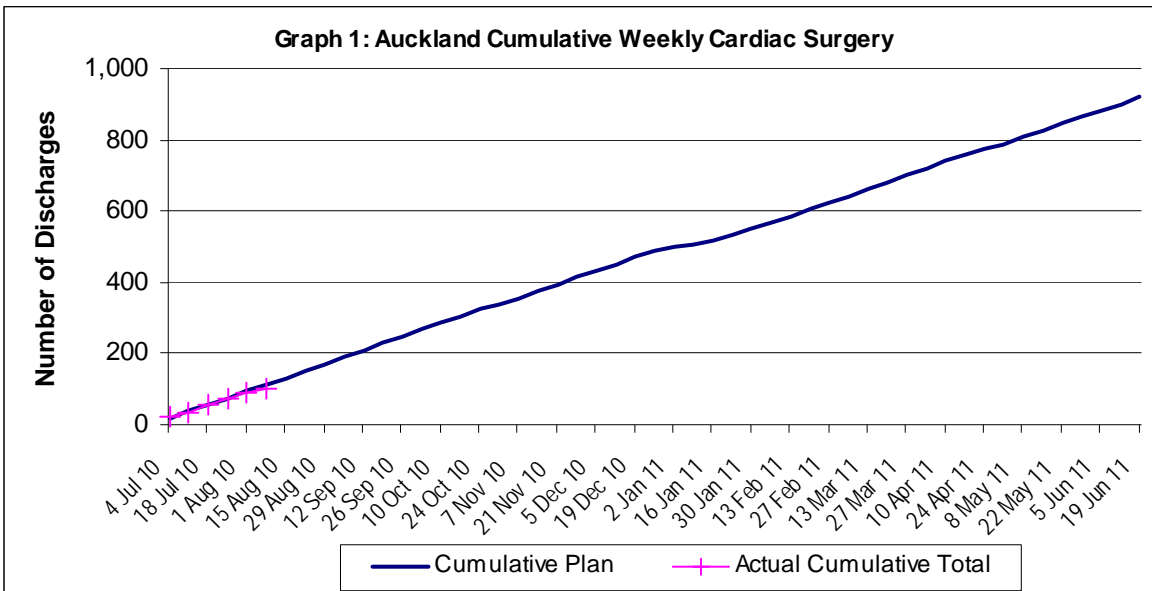
²"Maximum number waiting" is the maximum number of patients a DHB should have, consistent with treating all patients within a clinically appropriate timeframe. It is assumed at 10% of the DHB's full year target, with the exception of Auckland and Capital & Coast where the actual number has been agreed.

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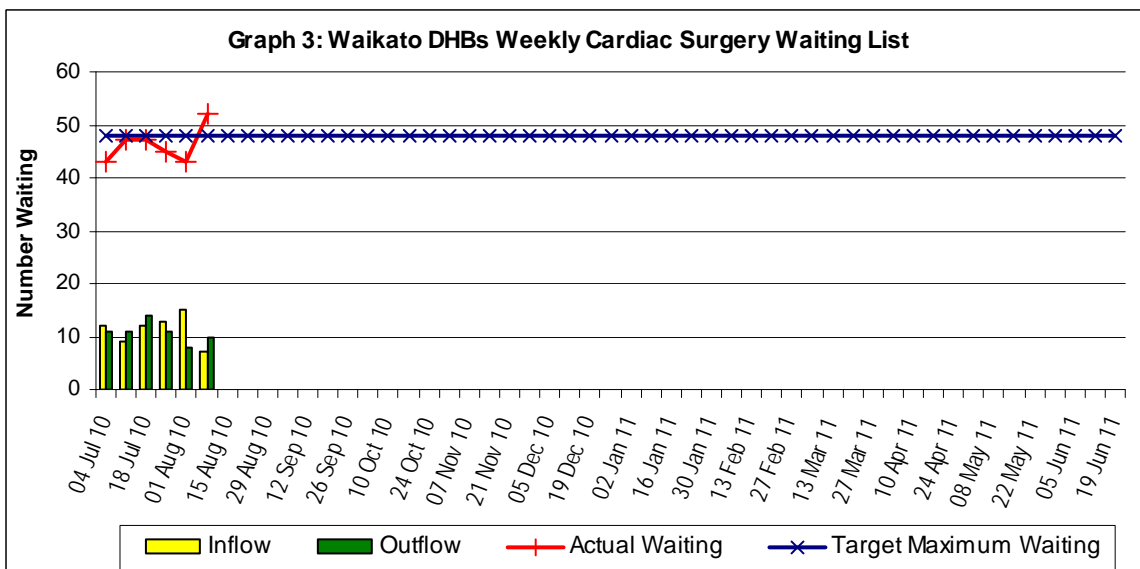
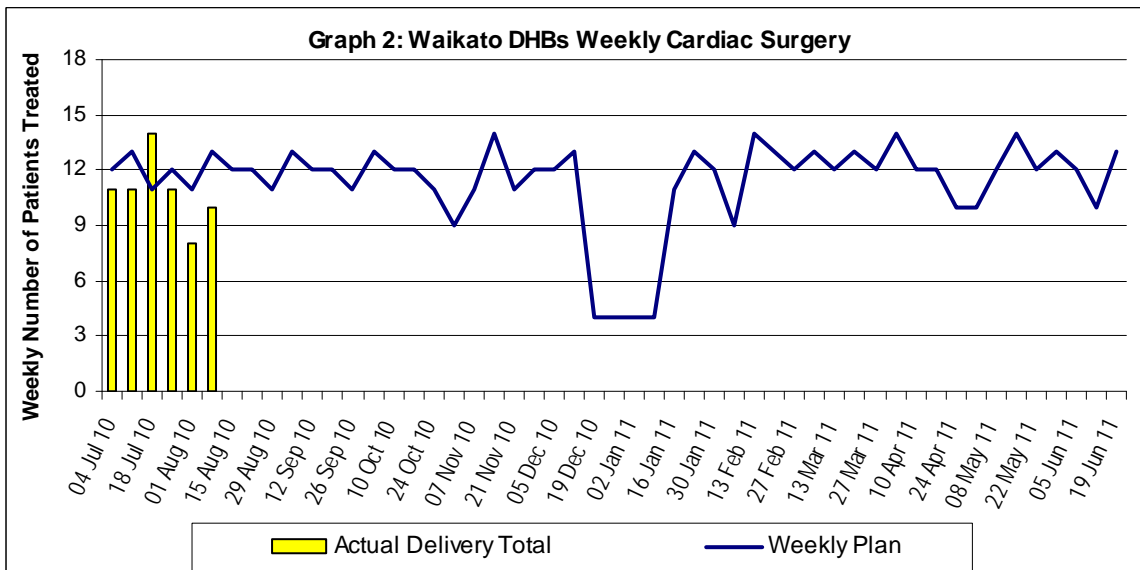
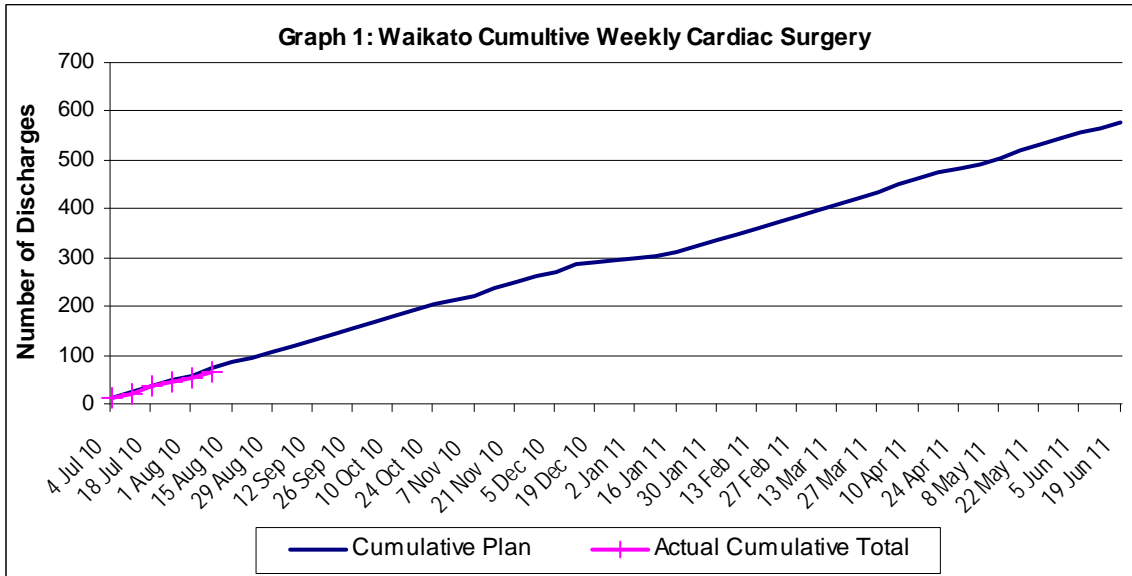
National Results



Auckland Results

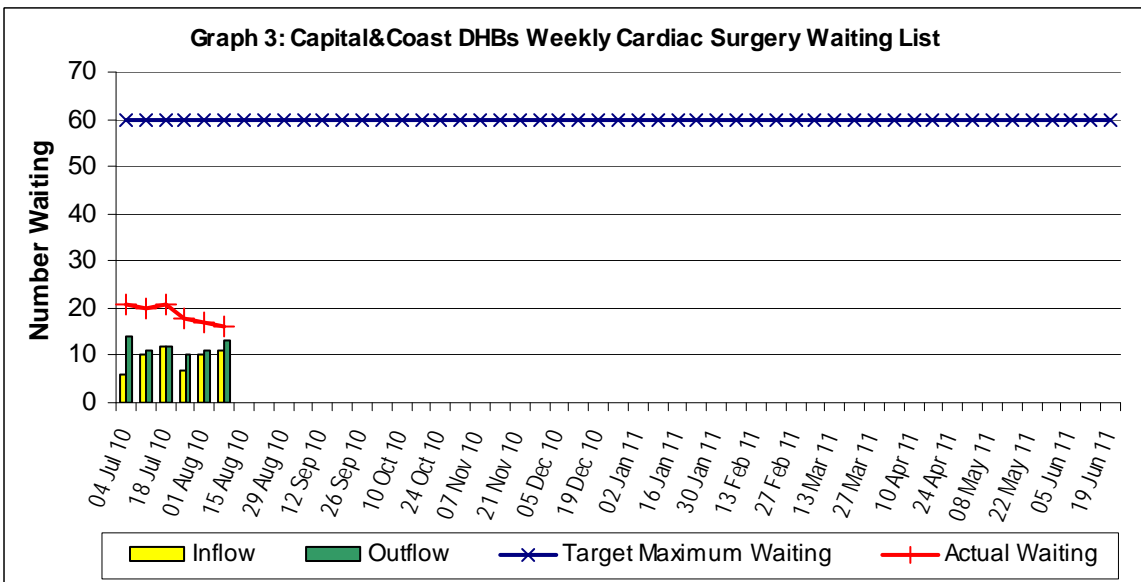
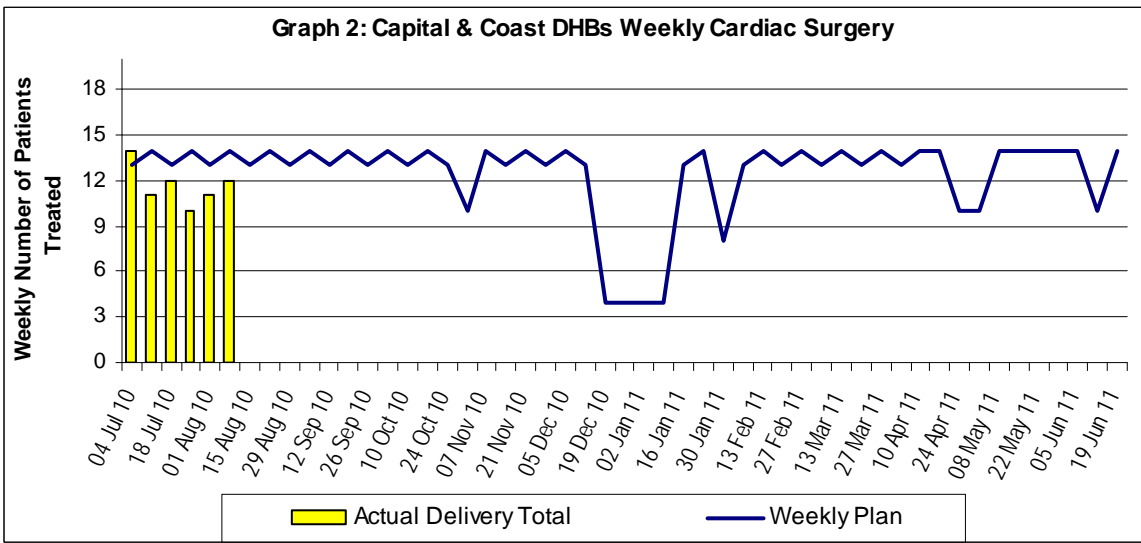
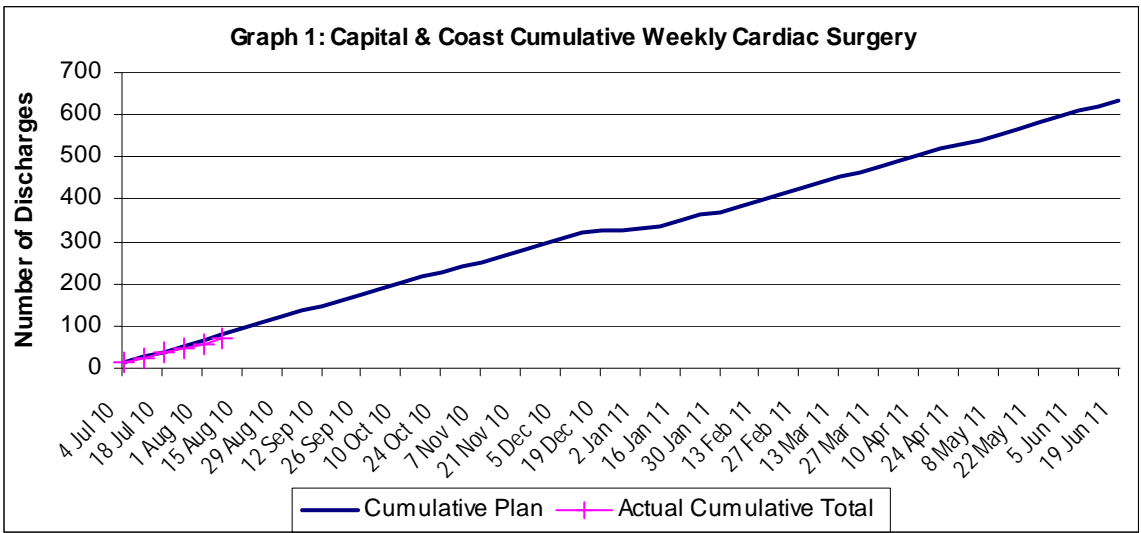


Waikato Results

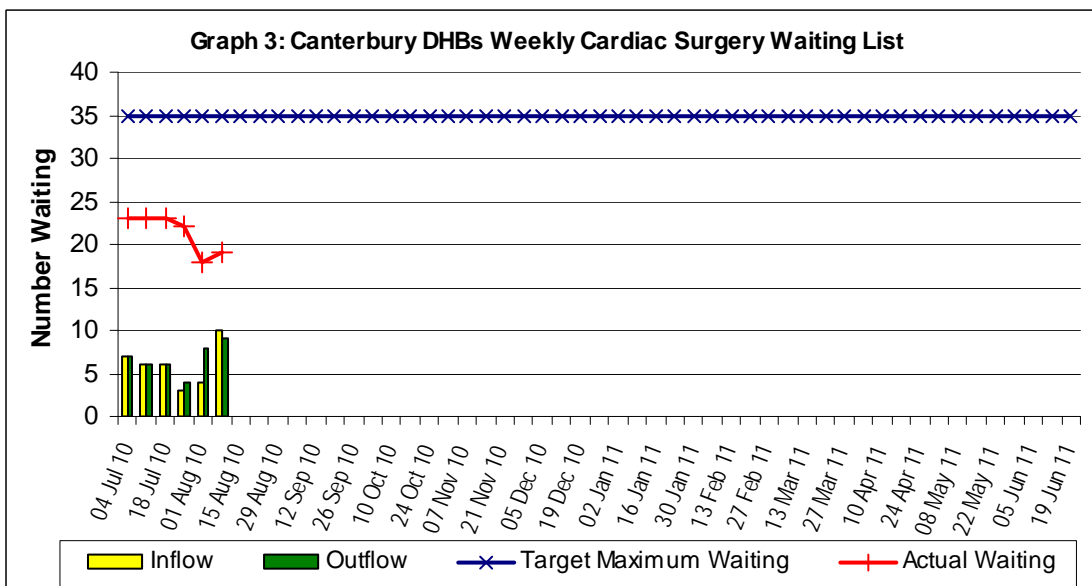
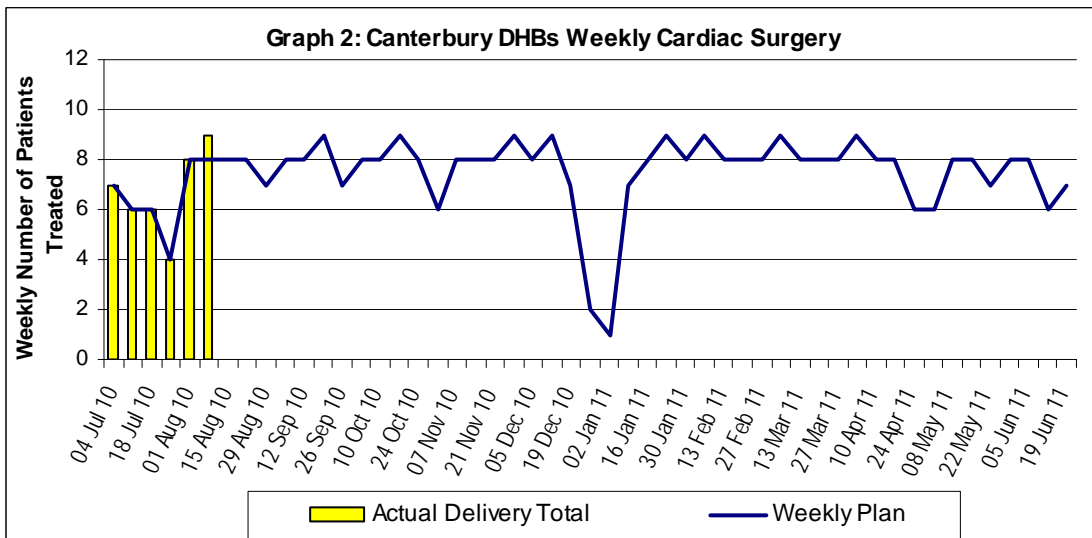
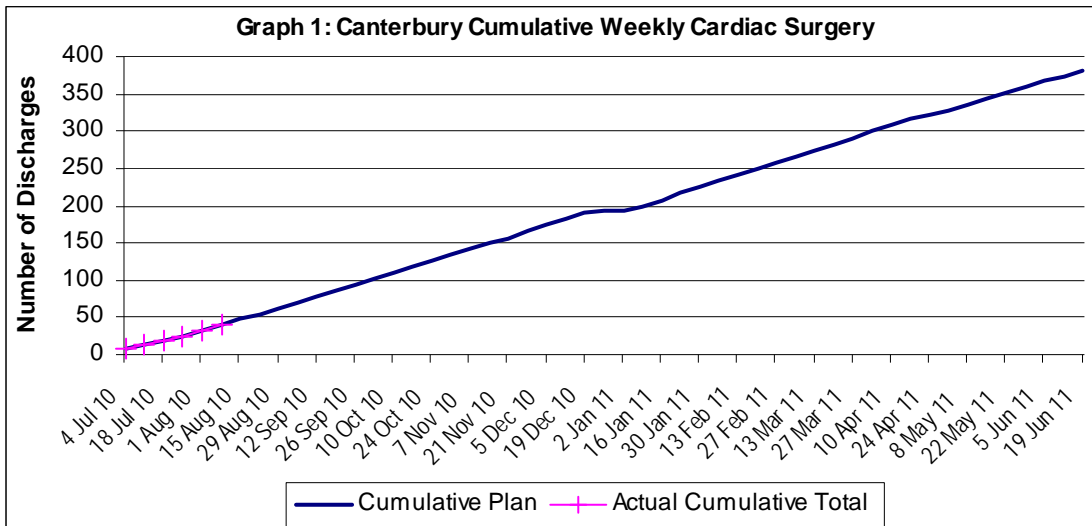


Waikato DHB notes that cancellations and organisational issues (ICU staff resource/sick leave and bed availability) affecting their ability to deliver. *There is also inconsistency in the reporting of inflows and outflows, and the impact on the waiting list, which are being followed up with the DHB.*

Capital & Coast Results



Canterbury Results



Otago Results

