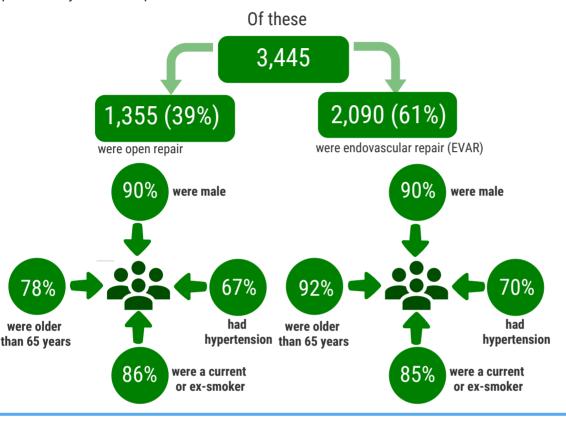
Repair of abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA) to prevent rupture

AAA is an abnormal expansion of the aorta (the largest vessel taking blood away from the heart). If left untreated, it may enlarge and rupture causing fatal internal bleeding. An infra-renal aneurysm occurs below the level of the renal (kidney) arteries within the aorta.

There were 3,445 elective infra-renal AAA repairs submitted to the NVR in 2019, which is approximately 94% of all procedures carried out in the UK.





The average is the median; "typical range" is the interquartile

range.

Waiting Times

Most patients waited 69 days between vascular assessment and AAA repair

However for 10/69 vascular units, 25% of patients waited more than 140 days

The National AAA
Screening Programme
recommends that
patients have their
procedure within 8
weeks of referral.

In 2019, only 42% of patient met this target (50% in screened patients and 37% in non-screened patients).

How were patients assessed?

