

**Main Findings from the 2013 data collection from NHS organisations
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1. These statistics provide details of the land, currently owned by NHS organisations, which is no longer required, nor likely to be needed for health service purposes in the future. The information was collected by the Health and Social Care Information Centre from each NHS organisation through a central data collection system.
2. The responsibility for the data accuracy and completeness of these statistics remains with the NHS organisation that provided information through the central data collection.
3. The data collection used to compile these statistics was undertaken between October 2012 and January 2013, with the statistics relating to the information available as at 1st October 2012.
4. The statistics provide an update to the information published in May 2012 by the Department of Health. The information will assist in quantifying the contribution of the NHS to the on-going Government initiative of accelerating the release of public sector land for development. The published data excludes 64 sites identified by the NHS as sensitive, though they are included in the calculation of the statistics below.
5. The main findings from the 2013 collection, which related to parcels of land over 0.25 hectares, are:
 - Data was returned by each of the 399 NHS trusts in England at the time of the collection, representing a 100% return rate.
 - Of the total 399 NHS trusts, 224 [56%] declared at least one parcel of surplus or potentially surplus land, whilst 175 [44%] gave a nil response.

Total number of NHS organisations in England, as at October 2012	Number of returns received	% return rate	Number of NHS organisations with a positive return (ie land identified)	Number of NHS organisations with a nil return
399	399	100%	224	175

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- A total of 629 separate parcels of land were identified by the 224 NHS trusts who declared surplus or potentially surplus land. Some NHS trusts also included some land below 0.25 hectares. Of these 629 plots, 383 plots have a land area of 0.25 hectares or above each with a total aggregated area of 886.6 hectares. The remaining 246 parcels are each less than 0.25 hectares and have a total aggregated area of 22.4 hectares. The Less than 0.25 hectares figures includes 38 parcels where 0 hectares has been provided as the site size.

Land plot size	Number of parcels of surplus or potentially surplus land	Total hectares
Less than 0.25ha	246	22.4
0.25ha and above	383	886.6
Total	629	909.0

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