

**Main Findings from the 2014 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 December 2013 and January 2014, with the statistics relating to the information available as at 17 January 2014.
4. The statistics provide an update to the information previously published 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 40 sites identified by the NHS as sensitive, though they are included in the calculation of the statistics below.
5. The previous 2012 data collection included responses from Primary Care Trusts (PCTs). However, these ceased to exist in March 2013 with their property moving to either NHS Property Services Ltd (NHS PS) or NHS Trusts and NHS Foundation Trusts. This data collection does not include those sites transferred to NHS PS, as responsibility for the disposal of those sites rests with NHS PS.
6. The main findings from the 2014 collection, which related to parcels of land over 0.25 hectares, are:
 - Data was returned by each of the 245 NHS trusts in England at the time of the collection, representing a 100% return rate.
 - Of the total 245 NHS trusts, 134 [55%] declared at least one parcel of surplus or potentially surplus land, whilst 111 [45%] gave a nil response.

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Total number of NHS organisations in England, as at December 2013	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
245	245	100%	134	111

- A total of 436 separate parcels of land were identified by the 134 NHS trusts who declared surplus or potentially surplus land. Some NHS trusts also included some land below 0.25 hectares. Of these 436 parcels, 264 plots have a land area of 0.25 hectares or above. The remaining 172 parcels are each less than 0.25 hectares, including 18 parcels where 0 hectares has been provided as the parcel size.

7. If you have questions regarding this data, please contact Michael Bellas at Mike.Bellas@dh.gsi.gov.uk.