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Our Ref: TSD10547

Dear Sir/Madam

Request for Information

We are writing to confirm that we have now completed our search for the information you requested.

A copy of the information is below:

I am submitting an FOI request for maternity staffing information. Please provide the information requested below:

- 1. Does the Trust use the Birth Rate Plus Acuity app for planning and monitoring its real-time maternity staffing levels?**

[Yes](#)

- 2. If yes, please provide the following data for each month of 2025:**

Please break the data down by different maternity wards and services i.e. midwife led unit, obstetric labour ward, postnatal ward.

A monthly summary of the number and percentage of occasions rated as “red, amber, green” or “meets acuity” vs “does not meet acuity/some number of midwives short” according to the Birth Rate Plus Acuity app.

Please provide the data in the form of a pie chart exported from the Birth Rate Plus app-an example chart is attached.

This can be exported from Birth Rate Plus fairly easily, and within cost/time limits. An alternative format is also acceptable, provided it shows the same information as the pie chart attached.

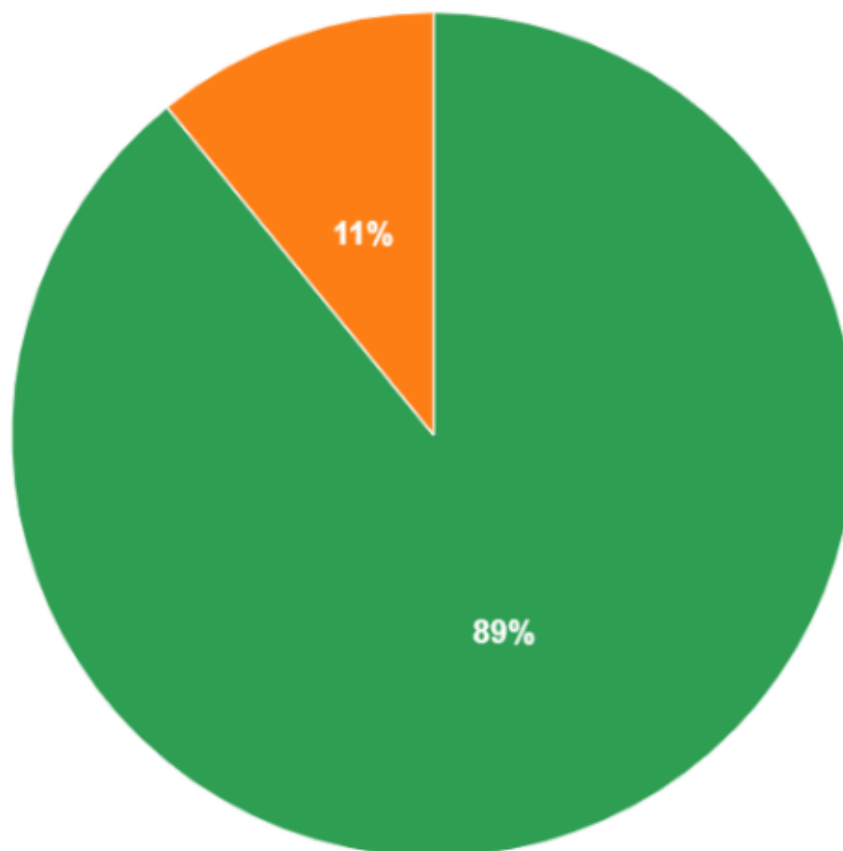
[Please note: The Birthrate Plus acuity app was introduced on John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward in March 2025, so no acuity data is available for this area before that date. The January to March 2025 data relates to Labour Ward only. From April onwards, two pie charts are provided for each month: one for John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward and one for Labour Ward.](#)

Labour Ward Jan 2025

(No data available for John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward)

Acuity Summary

01/01/2025 to 31/01/2025



● Meets Acuity (N = 123) ● Up to 2 MW's short (N = 15)

● 2 or more MW's short (N = 0)

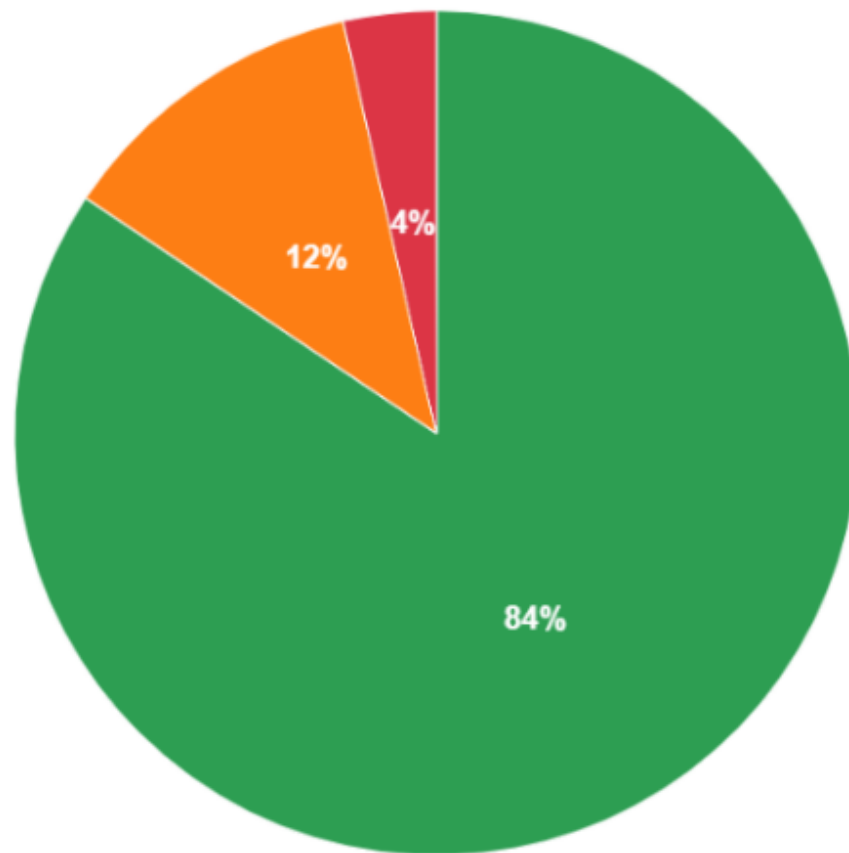
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Labour Ward Feb 2025

(No data available for John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward)

Acuity Summary

01/02/2025 to 28/02/2025



● Meets Acuity (N = 119) ● Up to 2 MW's short (N = 17)

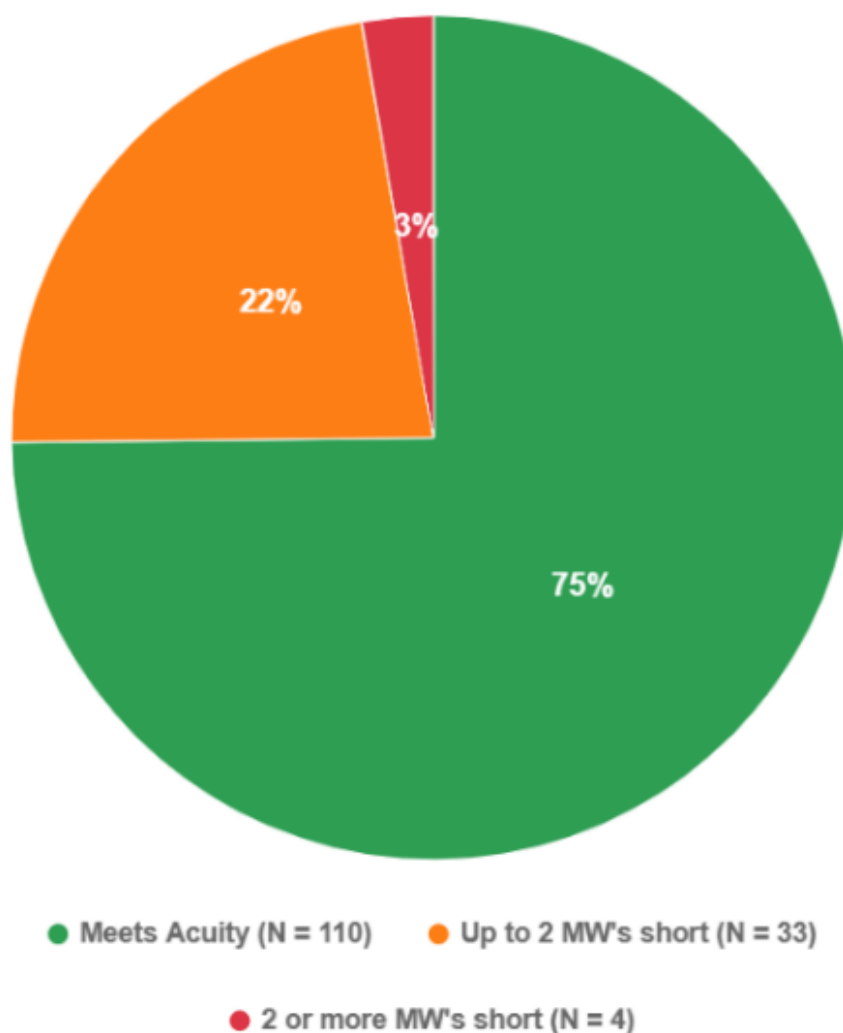
● 2 or more MW's short (N = 5)

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Labour Ward March 2025

Acuity Summary

01/03/2025 to 31/03/2025

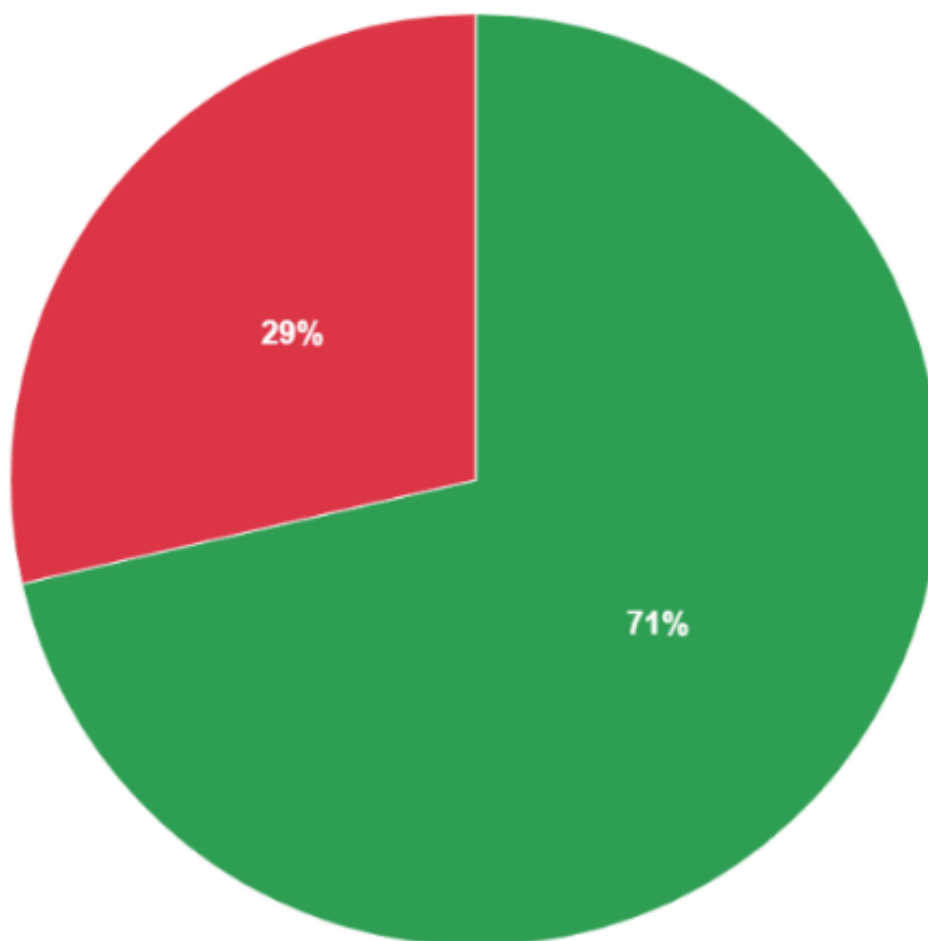


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John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward March 2025
(Compliance only 5.65% this month as birth rate plus new to this environment)

Acuity Summary

01/03/2025 to 31/03/2025



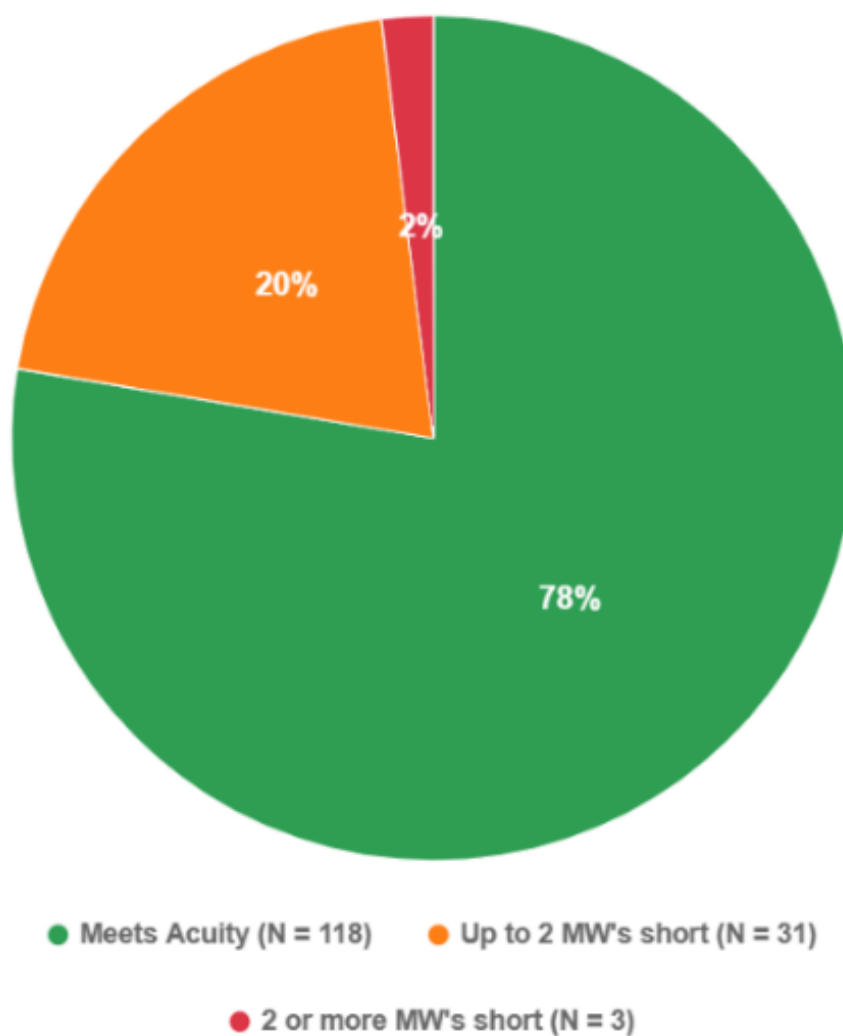
● Meets Acuity (N = 5) ● Does Not Meet Acuity (N = 2)

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Labour Ward April 2025

Acuity Summary

01/04/2025 to 30/04/2025

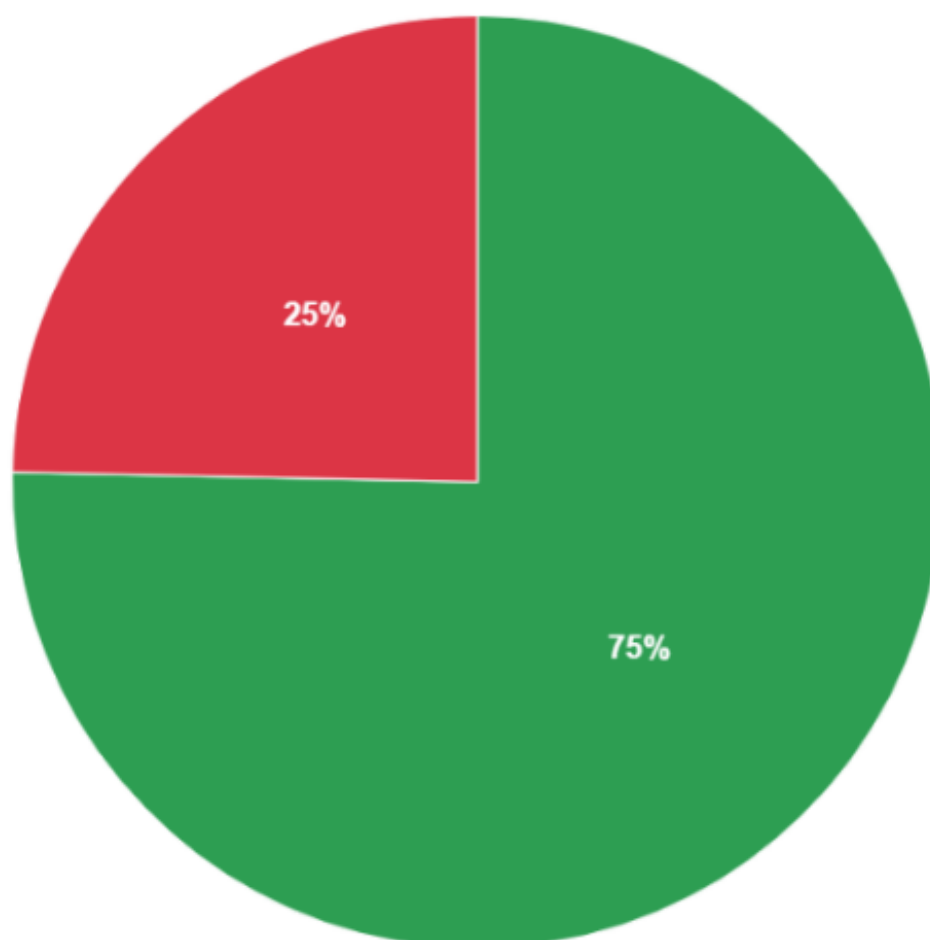


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John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward April 2025

Acuity Summary

01/04/2025 to 30/04/2025



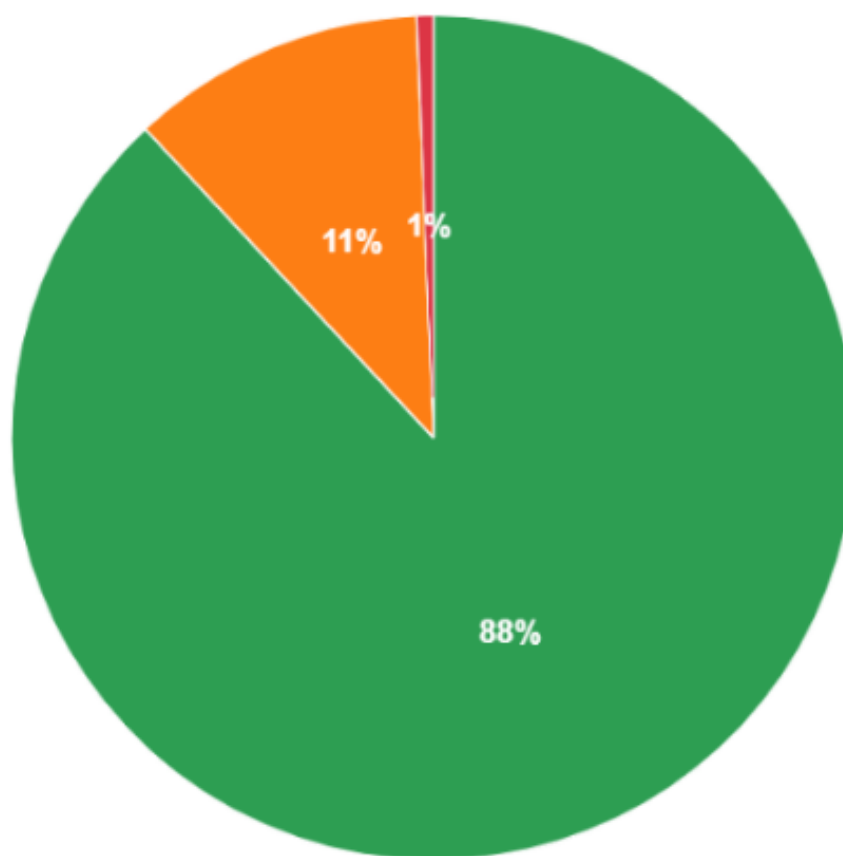
● Meets Acuity (N = 55) ● Does Not Meet Acuity (N = 18)

*The % is rounded to nearest whole number

Labour Ward May 2025

Acuity Summary

01/05/2025 to 31/05/2025



● Meets Acuity (N = 140) ● Up to 2 MW's short (N = 18)

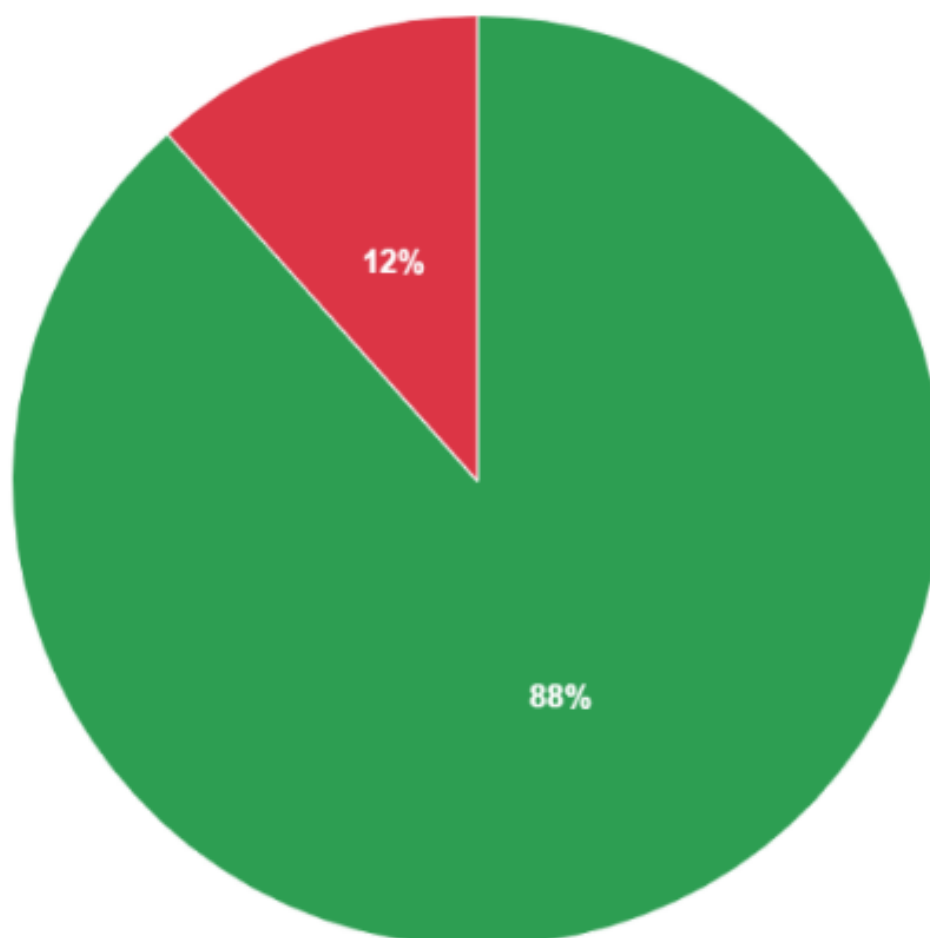
● 2 or more MW's short (N = 1)

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John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward May 2025

Acuity Summary

01/05/2025 to 31/05/2025



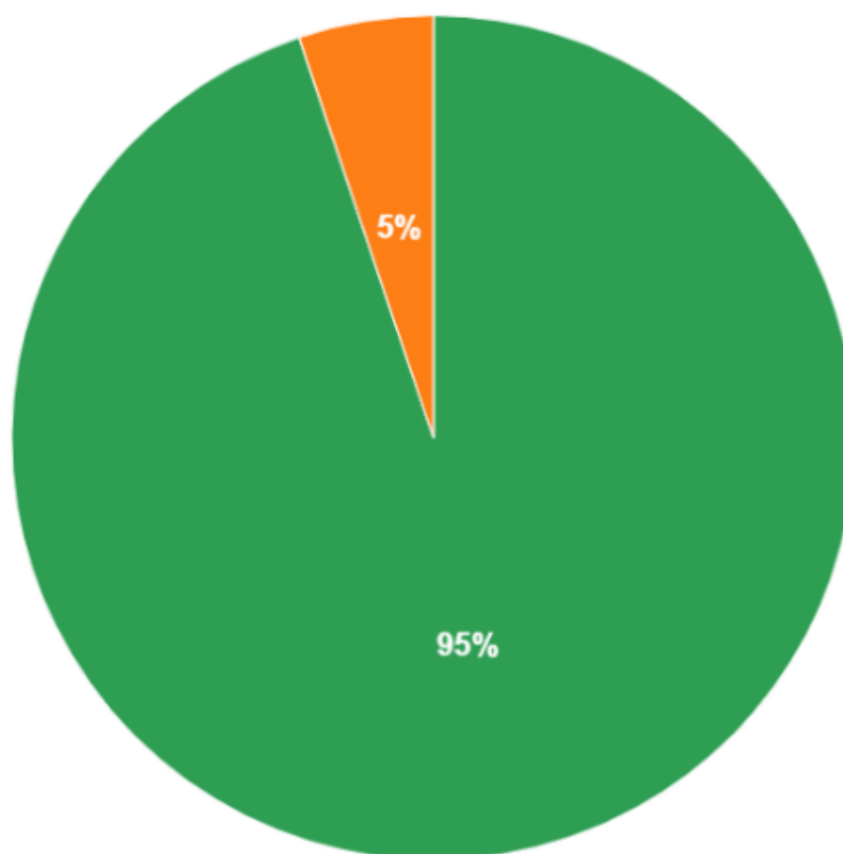
● Meets Acuity (N = 99) ● Does Not Meet Acuity (N = 13)

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Labour Ward June 2025

Acuity Summary

01/06/2025 to 30/06/2025



● Meets Acuity (N = 147) ● Up to 2 MW's short (N = 8)

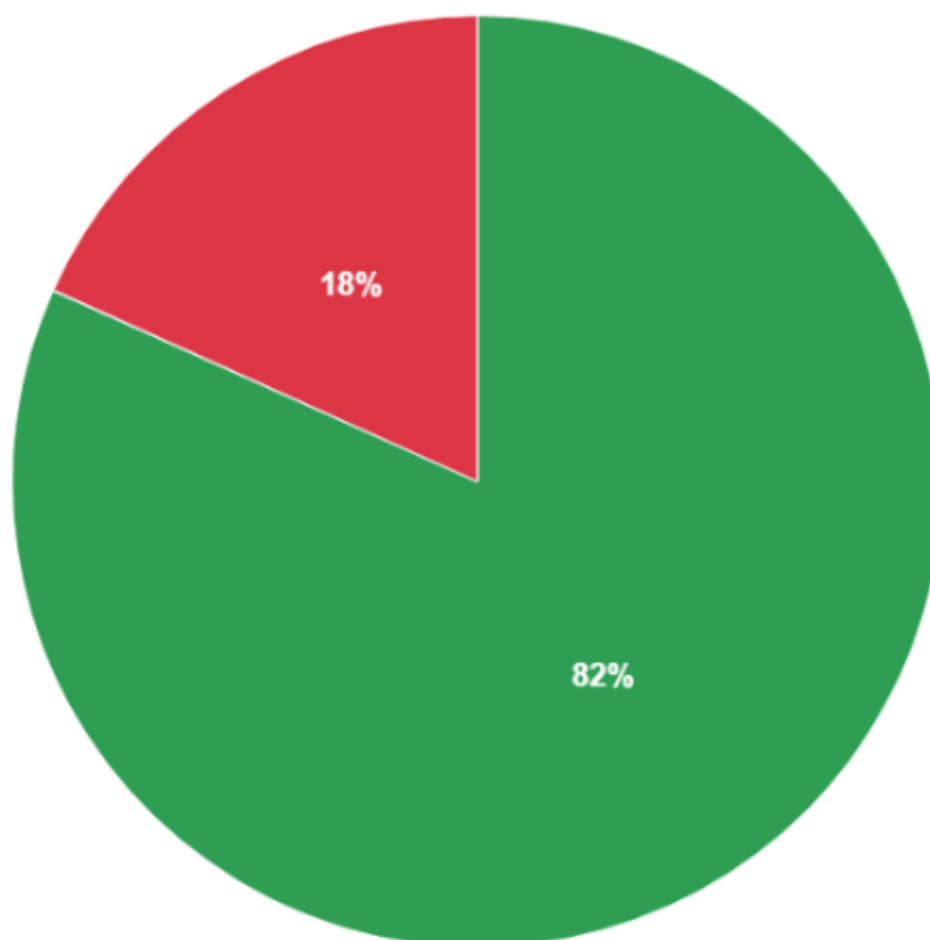
● 2 or more MW's short (N = 0)

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John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward June 2025

Acuity Summary

01/06/2025 to 30/06/2025



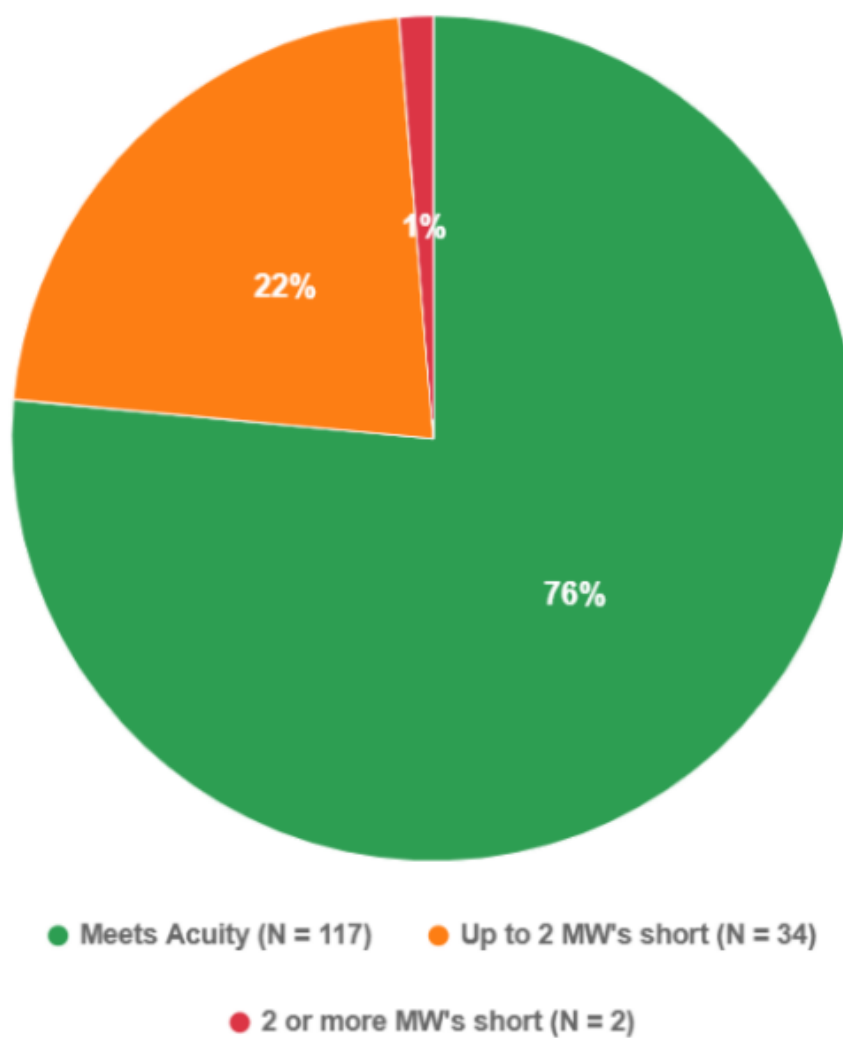
● Meets Acuity (N = 85) ● Does Not Meet Acuity (N = 19)

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Labour Ward July 2025

Acuity Summary

01/07/2025 to 31/07/2025

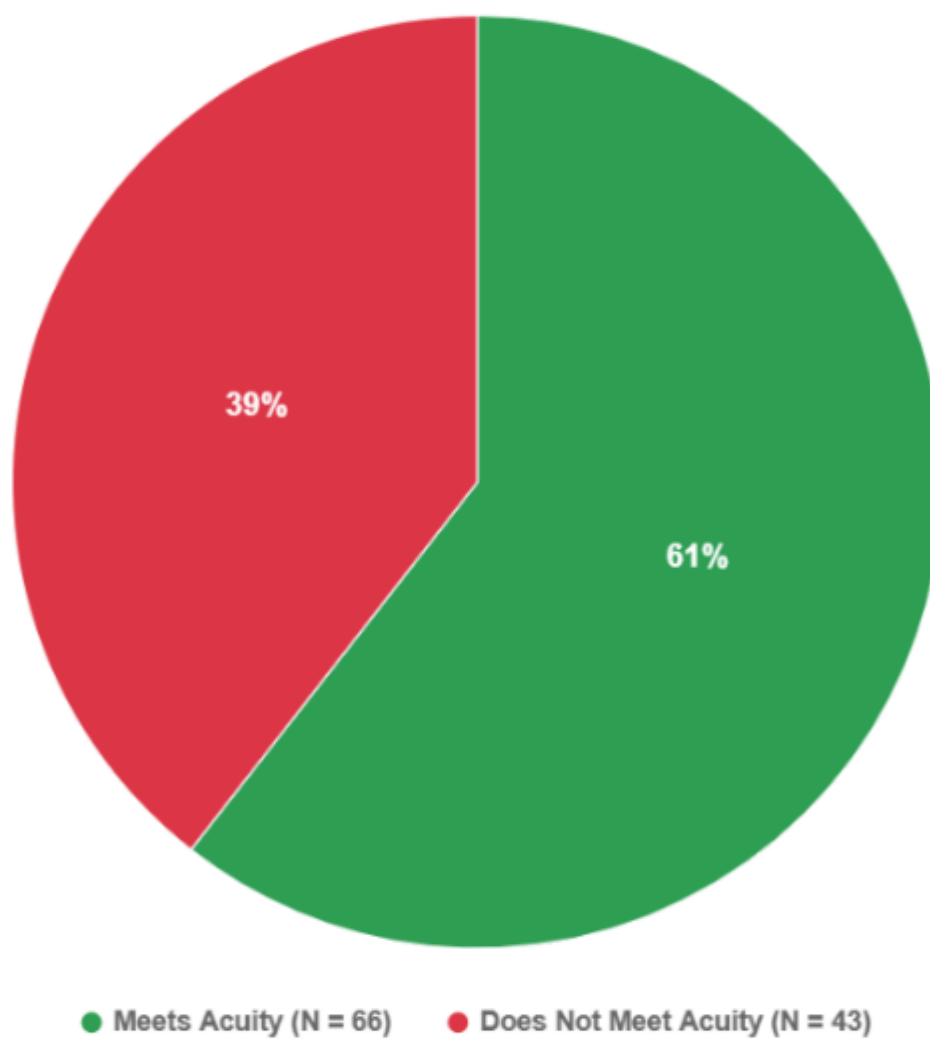


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John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward July 2025

Acuity Summary

01/07/2025 to 31/07/2025

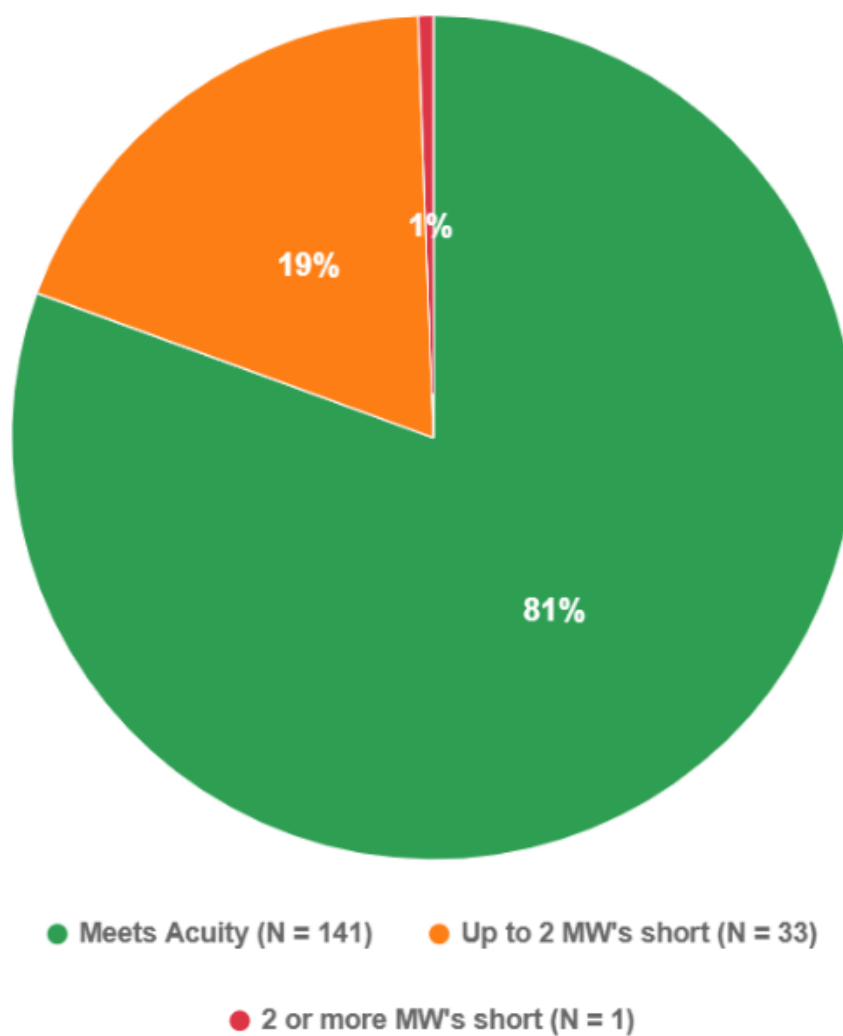


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Labour Ward August 2025

Acuity Summary

01/08/2025 to 31/08/2025

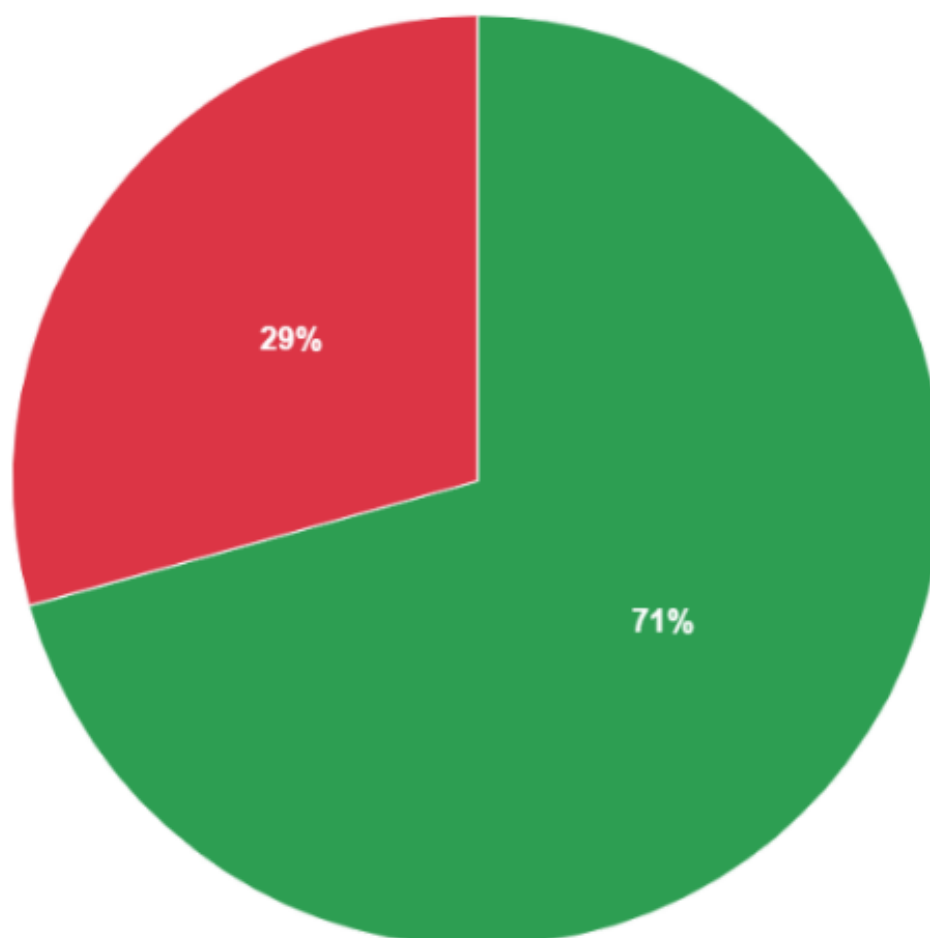


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John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward August 2025

Acuity Summary

01/08/2025 to 31/08/2025



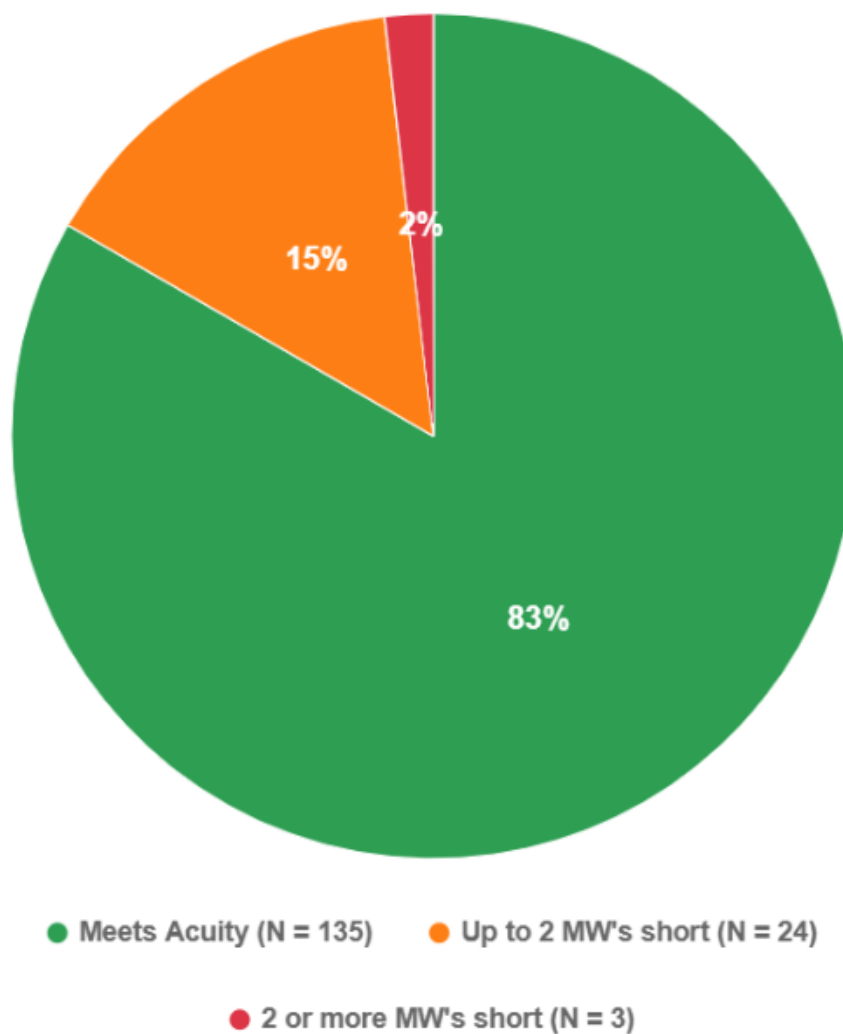
● Meets Acuity (N = 82) ● Does Not Meet Acuity (N = 34)

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Labour Ward September 2025

Acuity Summary

01/09/2025 to 30/09/2025

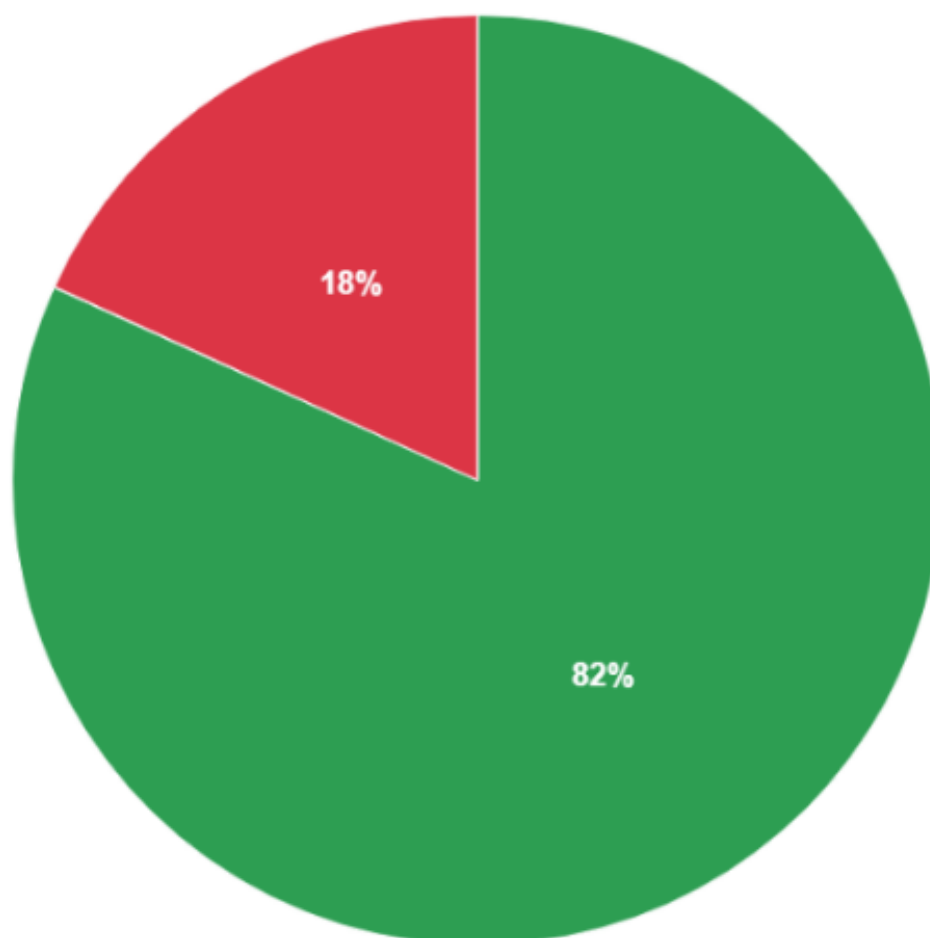


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John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward September 2025

Acuity Summary

01/09/2025 to 30/09/2025



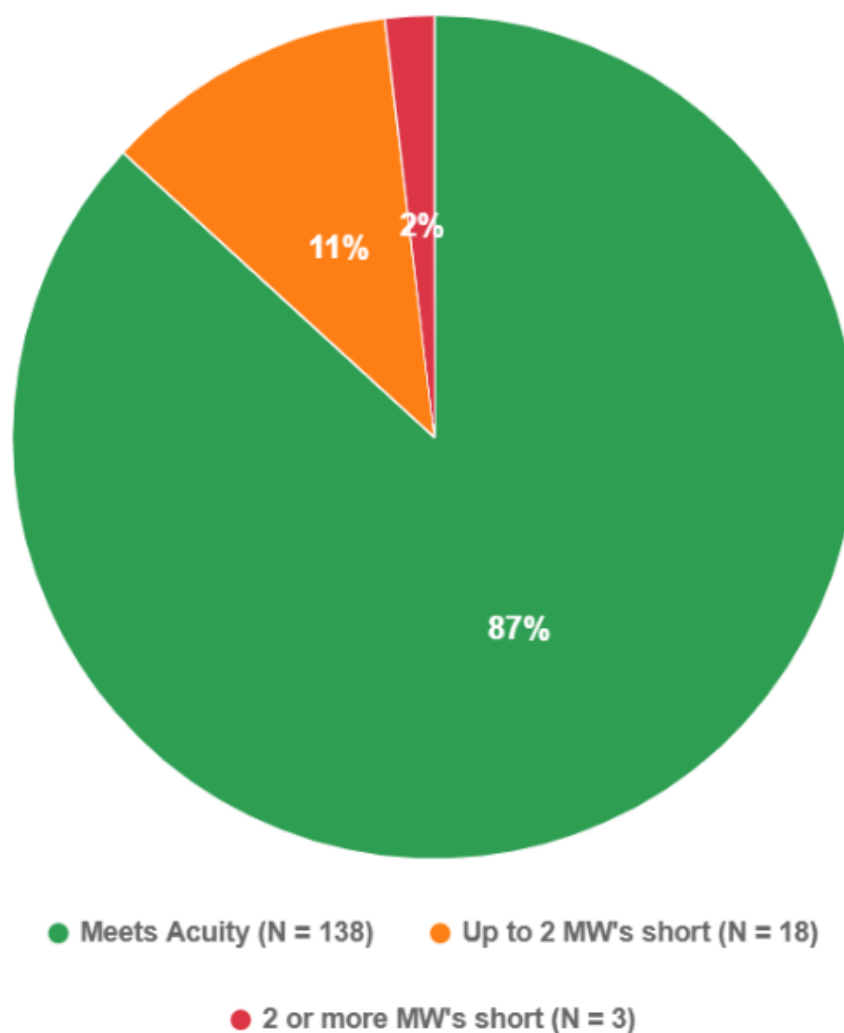
● Meets Acuity (N = 90) ● Does Not Meet Acuity (N = 20)

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Labour Ward October 2025

Acuity Summary

01/10/2025 to 31/10/2025

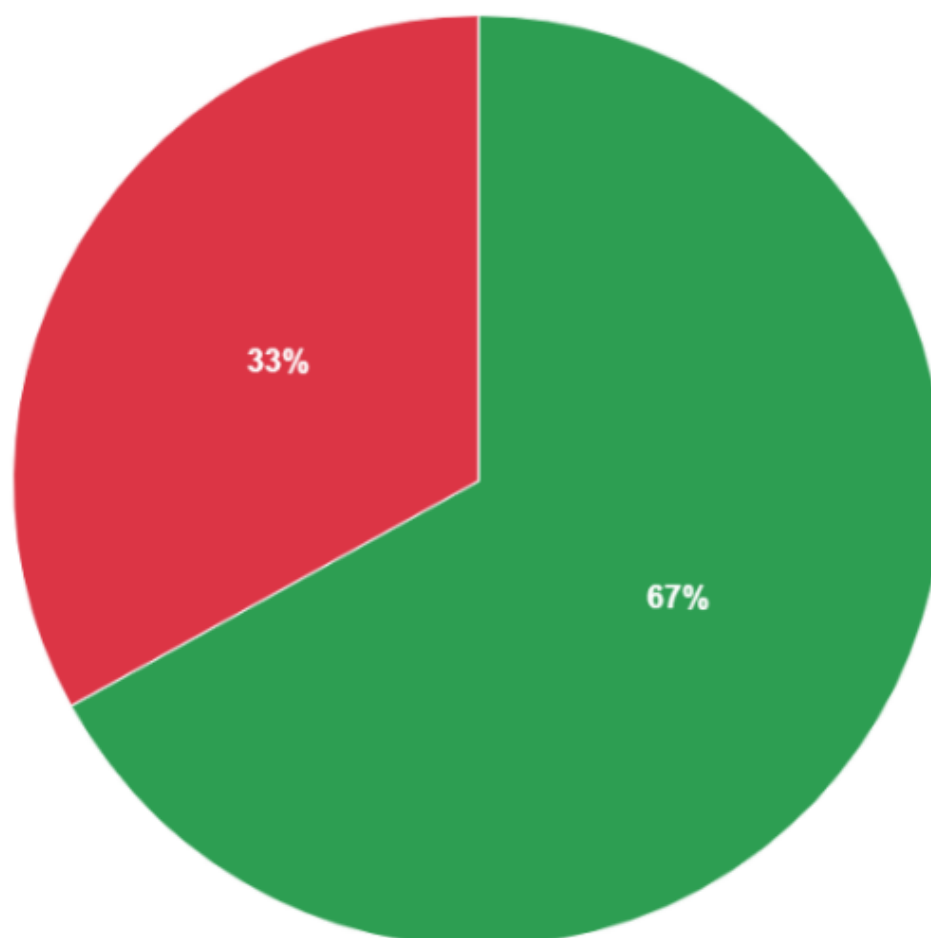


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John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward October 2025

Acuity Summary

01/10/2025 to 31/10/2025



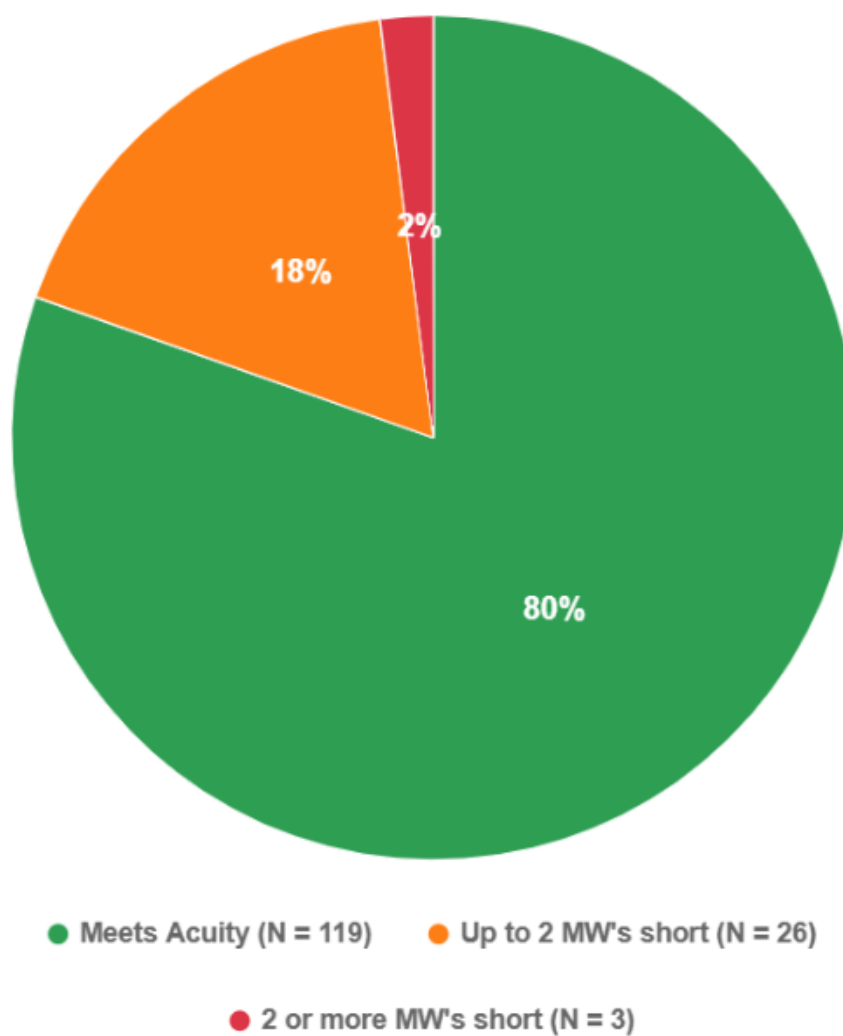
● Meets Acuity (N = 71) ● Does Not Meet Acuity (N = 35)

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Labour Ward November 2025

Acuity Summary

01/11/2025 to 30/11/2025

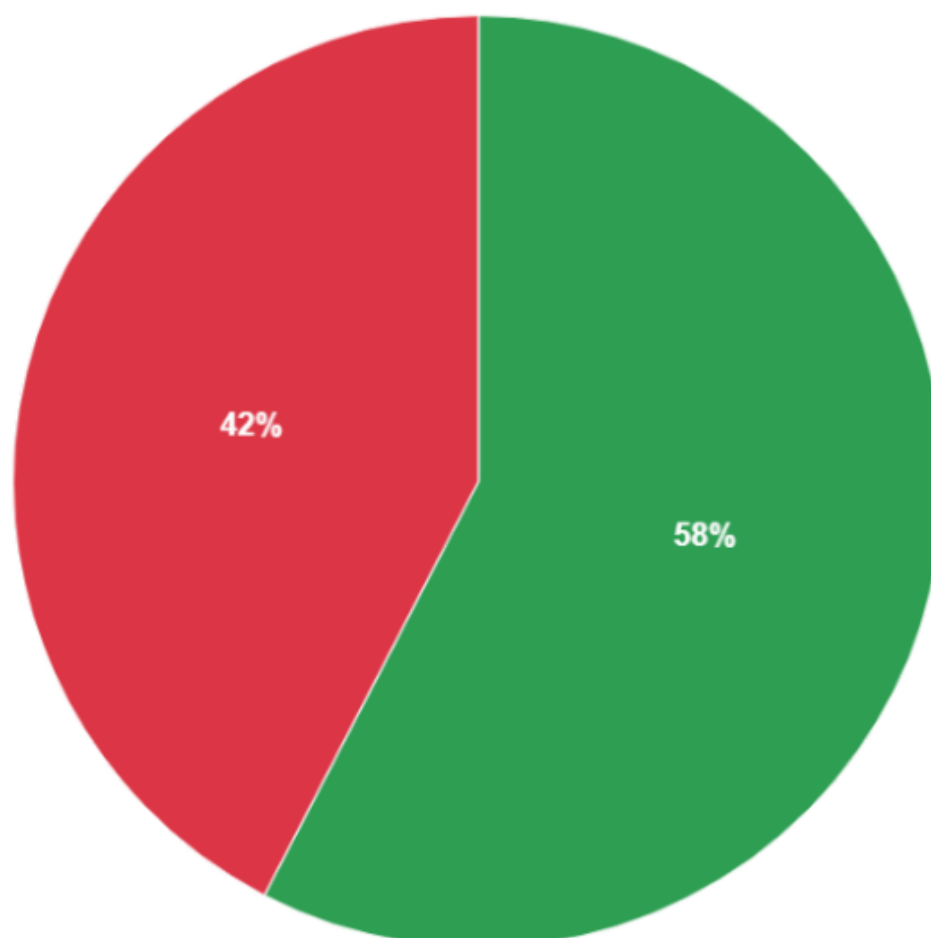


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John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward November 2025

Acuity Summary

01/11/2025 to 30/11/2025



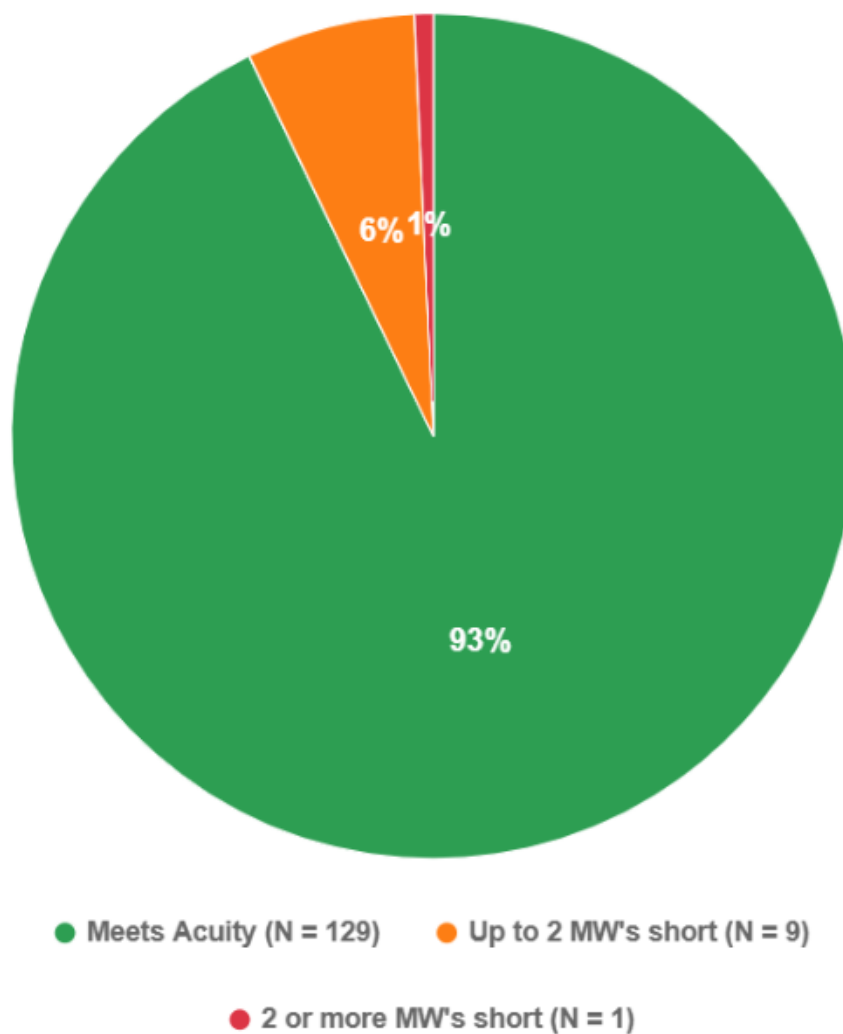
● Meets Acuity (N = 53) ● Does Not Meet Acuity (N = 39)

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Labour Ward December 2025

Acuity Summary

01/12/2025 to 31/12/2025

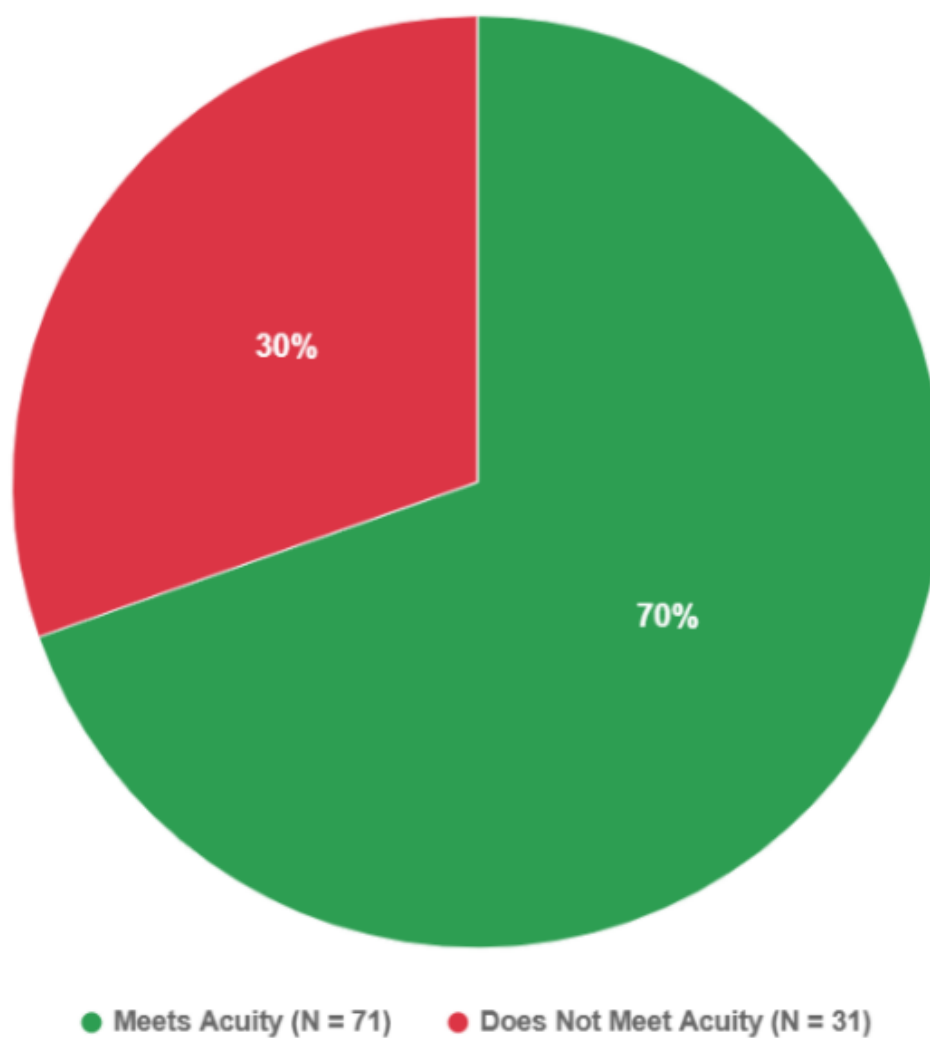


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John Macpherson Antenatal/Postnatal Ward December 2025

Acuity Summary

01/12/2025 to 31/12/2025



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Yours sincerely,

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