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## 1 SUMMARY OF TRANSPLANT ACTIVITY

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In the financial year to 31 March 2011:

- there was a 5% increase in the number of deceased donors to 1,010, the largest number there has ever been in the UK
- the number of donors after brain death increased by 2% to 637, while the number of donors after circulatory death increased by 11% to 373
- the number of living donors fell by 2% to 1,045; living donors account for more than half of the total number of organ donors
- the number of patients whose lives were saved or improved by an organ transplant increased by 1% to 3,740
- 3,564 patients had their sight restored through a cornea transplant, an increase of 15% on last year

The total number of patients registered for a transplant has fallen slightly, so that:

- there were 7,800 patients waiting for a transplant at the end of March 2011, and a further 2,783 were temporarily suspended from transplant lists
- 511 patients died while waiting for their transplant

Some of the other key messages from this report are that there has been:

- an increase of 11% in the number of cardiothoracic organ transplants
- an increase of 1% in the number of pancreas transplants
- no change in the total number of kidney transplants despite a 1% increase in deceased donor kidney transplants
- no change in the number of liver transplants
- an increase in the consent rate for organ donation after brain death from 61% to 65%