

An analysis of the organ transplant waiting list conducted for The Washington Post by the United Network for Organ Sharing shows that more than one-third of those listed are "inactive," meaning they are ineligible to receive an organ if one became available for them.

*United Network for Organ Sharing
Patients on the Waiting List on 2/29/08 in an Inactive Status
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	Organ																	
	Heart-Lung		Heart		Intestine		Kidney		Kidney-Pancreas		Liver		Lung		Pancreas		Pancreas-Islet	
	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%
Time Inactive																		
30 Days or Less	0	0	57	4.8	1	2.0	1,279	5.0	63	6.8	144	3.4	32	2.8	40	3.5	7	4.8
31-180 Days	1	1.5	234	19.8	8	15.7	7,236	28.5	279	30.3	790	18.4	115	10.1	188	16.6	12	8.2
181-365 Days	3	4.6	89	7.5	3	5.9	4,364	17.2	154	16.7	677	15.8	74	6.5	147	13.0	12	8.2
One - Two Years	14	21.5	144	12.2	12	23.5	5,352	21.1	183	19.8	580	13.5	103	9.0	231	20.4	29	19.7
Two Years +	47	72.3	658	55.7	27	52.9	7,139	28.1	243	26.4	2,097	48.9	818	71.6	524	46.4	87	59.2
Total	65	100.0	1,182	100.0	51	100.0	25,370	100.0	922	100.0	4,288	100.0	1,142	100.0	1,130	100.0	147	100.0

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Reason Inactivated																		
Inactivated Prior to Collection of Reason	40	61.5	538	45.5	23	45.1	4,424	17.4	139	15.1	1,868	43.6	697	61.0	294	26.0	90	61.2
Candidate cannot be contacted	0	0	16	1.4	2	3.9	423	1.7	17	1.8	81	1.9	8	0.7	5	0.4	1	0.7
Candidate choice	3	4.6	49	4.1	4	7.8	963	3.8	42	4.6	186	4.3	58	5.1	140	12.4	7	4.8
Candidate work-up incomplete	0	0	11	0.9	1	2.0	9,267	36.5	295	32.0	153	3.6	47	4.1	207	18.3	34	23.1
Insurance issues	3	4.6	25	2.1	1	2.0	1,523	6.0	79	8.6	263	6.1	20	1.8	54	4.8	4	2.7
Medical non-compliance	0	0	28	2.4	0	0	709	2.8	24	2.6	140	3.3	5	0.4	14	1.2	0	0
Inappropriate substance use	0	0	13	1.1	0	0	204	0.8	6	0.7	132	3.1	4	0.4	1	0.1	0	0
Temporarily too sick	2	3.1	185	15.7	4	7.8	6,031	23.8	247	26.8	462	10.8	82	7.2	362	32.0	5	3.4
Temporarily too well	17	26.2	271	22.9	16	31.4	683	2.7	30	3.3	927	21.6	195	17.1	18	1.6	6	4.1
Weight currently inappropriate for transplant	0	0	17	1.4	0	0	1,141	4.5	43	4.7	74	1.7	26	2.3	35	3.1	0	0
TX'ed - removal pending UNET data correction	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inactivation due to VAD implantation and/or VAD complication	0	0	29	2.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Patients Removed from the Waiting List for Reason of Death: 2006
For candidates listed at multiple centers, if they were active anywhere they are included in the active category.

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	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%
Status at Time of Removal for Death																		
Active	14	70.0	142	37.0	41	75.9	2,431	52.6	108	45.6	904	50.7	97	35.9	40	51.9	2	50.0
Inactive	6	30.0	242	63.0	13	24.1	2,193	47.4	129	54.4	878	49.3	173	64.1	37	48.1	2	50.0
Total	20	100.0	384	100.0	54	100.0	4,624	100.0	237	100.0	1,782	100.0	270	100.0	77	100.0	4	100.0

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**United Network for Organ Sharing
Patients on the Waiting List on 2/29/08**

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O	Current Status				Total	
	Active		Inactive			
	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%	Number of Patients	%
Organ						
Heart-Lung	39	37.5	65	62.5	104	100.0
Heart	1,458	55.3	1,177	44.7	2,635	100.0
Intestine	172	77.1	51	22.9	223	100.0
Kidney	50,408	67.5	24,226	32.5	74,634	100.0
Kidney-Pancreas	1,366	60.2	903	39.8	2,269	100.0
Liver	12,149	74.3	4,206	25.7	16,355	100.0
Lung	1,024	47.5	1,134	52.5	2,158	100.0
Pancreas	508	31.1	1,126	68.9	1,634	100.0
Pancreas-Islet	77	34.4	147	65.6	224	100.0

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Candidate Age Group for Candidates Temporarily Inactive on the Waiting List on 2/29/2008*

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	Heart-Lung		Heart		Intestine		Kidney		Kidney-Pancreas		Liver		Lung		Pancreas		Pancreas-Islet	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Candidate Age Group																		
< 1	0	0	12	1.0	2	3.9	4	0.0	0	0	3	0.1	0	0	1	0.1	0	0
1-5	0	0	44	3.7	18	35.3	88	0.4	0	0	112	2.7	10	0.9	4	0.4	0	0
6-10	3	4.6	29	2.5	9	17.6	73	0.3	0	0	114	2.7	17	1.5	0	0	0	0
11-17	7	10.8	29	2.5	6	11.8	245	1.0	0	0	131	3.1	56	4.9	0	0	0	0
18-34	20	30.8	131	11.1	3	5.9	2,313	9.5	145	16.1	322	7.7	155	13.7	150	13.3	11	7.5
35-49	21	32.3	224	19.0	6	11.8	6,804	28.1	540	59.8	731	17.4	297	26.2	635	56.4	79	53.7
50-64	13	20.0	511	43.4	5	9.8	10,421	43.0	216	23.9	2,220	52.8	515	45.4	329	29.2	53	36.1
65+	1	1.5	197	16.7	2	3.9	4,278	17.7	2	0.2	573	13.6	84	7.4	7	0.6	4	2.7
Total	65	100.0	1,177	100.0	51	100.0	24,226	100.0	903	100.0	4,206	100.0	1,134	100.0	1,126	100.0	147	100.0

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