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Breast Cancer Survival and Local Breast Cancer Recurrence Rate

Much has been written in the press recently about how the UK still trails behind the rest of Western Europe and the United States with regard to breast cancer survival. The London Breast Clinic at 108 Harley Street has recently completed an audit of its five year survival for patients diagnosed between 1998 and 2002. In all cases of invasive cancer during this period patient survival is 92%, this compares to 80% as the UK average and 90% for the American average.

Local breast cancer recurrence rates for the same period are 2.6%. Data is not widely published on this but the Christie Hospital in Manchester, a leading cancer hospital has a rate of 6.3%.

The London Breast Clinic was the first independent multi-disciplinary breast unit and was established in 1991. Whilst obviously the survival rates will be depend on many factors the clinic believes that the following have played an important part in its patients continued wellbeing

- Rapid access to specialist Breast Consultants
- Rapid access to high quality imaging, digital mammography, ultrasound and MRI with reporting by breast specialist radiologists
- Rapid access to surgery. Assistance of a skilled pathologist to provide intra-operative frozen section to ensure both tumour clearance and clear margins therefore minimising the need for a second operation and also reducing the incidence of local recurrence.
- Rapid access to specialist Oncologists
- No delay in access to radiotherapy or chemotherapy as required
- Regular follow up with imaging
- A high quality multi-disciplinary team with patient care as its focus

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