

**Table 11.1 Postoperative destination by mortality risk status**

Postoperative Destination	Low-risk N = 10,886 Number (%)	High-risk N = 12,390 Number (%)
Ward	6,332 (58.2)	2,093 (16.9)
Enhanced care area on a normal ward	641 (5.9)	284 (2.3)
Extended recovery area within theatres (e.g. PACU or OIR)	620 (5.7)	398 (3.2)
Critical care (includes Level 2 HDU or Level 3 ICU)	3,293 (30.2)	9,615 (77.6)

Excludes patients who died in theatre or receiving end of life care; high-risk is defined by any of the following: PRS of 5% or greater, CFS of 5 or greater, clinical assessment as high-risk, absence of any missing risk assessment.