

# Just 1 in 12 health workers say NHS better prepared for winter this year



**Just eight per cent of health workers say the NHS is better prepared going into this winter than it was last year.**

A poll of almost 2,000 NHS and ambulance workers 'Do you feel the NHS is better prepared going into winter than last year?'

A massive 92 per cent said 'No'.



The survey also revealed two thirds (67 per cent) said patient care had got worse during the past 12 months.

The latest NHS performance figures out today [Thursday] show while waiting lists have fallen, long waits in A&E have soared.

GMB Union conducted the survey as it gathers evidence for a Pay Review Body (PRB) submission on 26 November.

**Rachel Harrison, GMB National Secretary, said:**

“NHS workers have spent the past 14 years watching their beloved health service crumble around them.

“Real terms pay cuts, under-funding, under-staffing; it’s no wonder the NHS is on its knees.

“Labour appears to grasp the scale of the problem and what it will take to get the health service off life support.

“But there’s a long way to go and in the meantime our GMB members bear the brunt of the crisis.”

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