

## Demand Optimisation Pandemic Monitoring Dashboards FAQs DRAFT V0.1

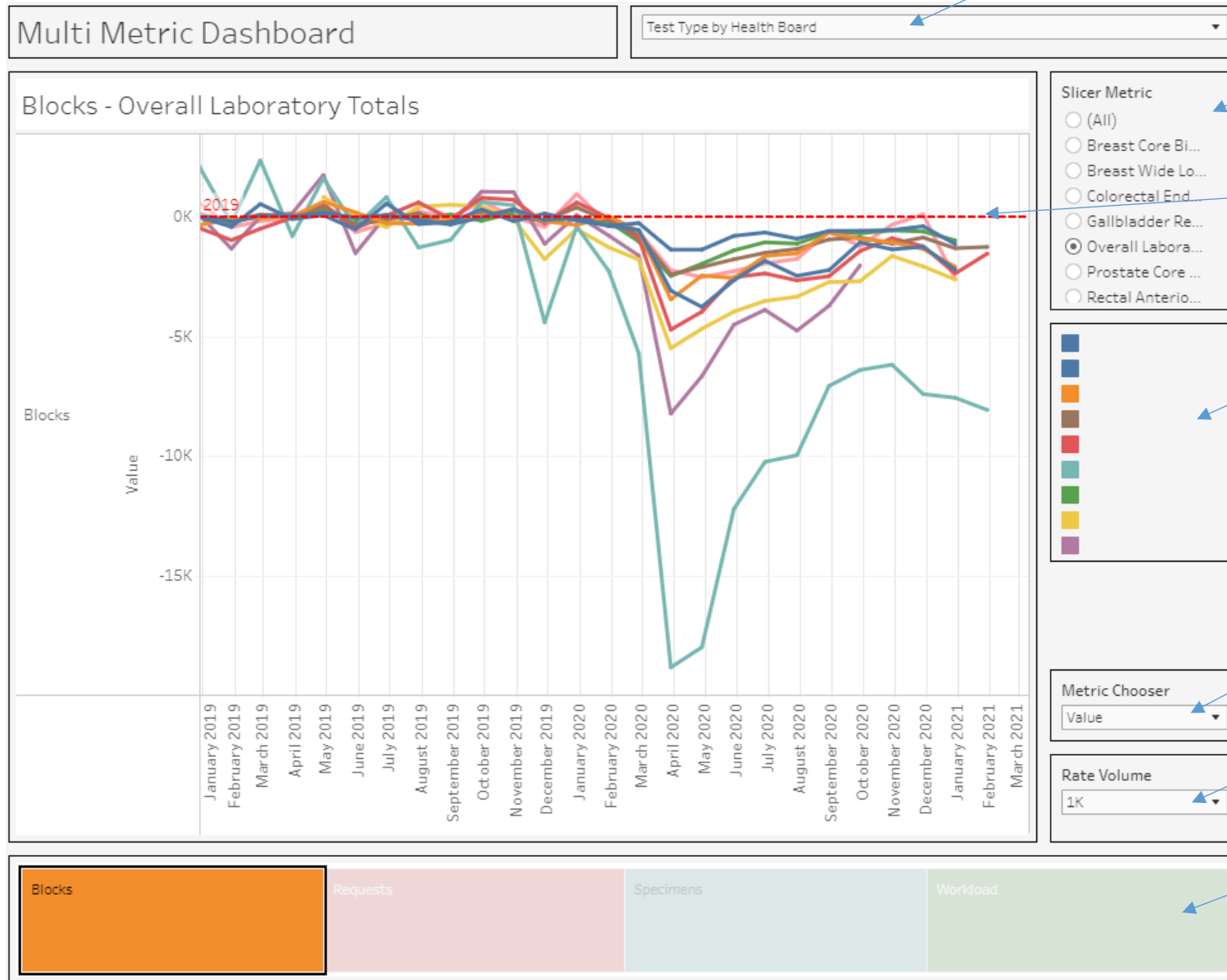
The [Pandemic Monitoring Dashboards](#) were developed in collaboration with the DO Steering Group and other key stakeholders. The dashboards demonstrate potential in identifying emerging healthcare gaps in diagnosis and treatment for areas such as cancer and chronic disease as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This could be useful during recovery to help identify priority areas and allow focus on these at national, regional and board level.

### FAQs:

- 1. What do I do if the data looks wrong?**
  - a. Email [nss.nationaldemand@nhs.scot](mailto:nss.nationaldemand@nhs.scot) to report it with as much information as possible (i.e. GP Practice name, test name etc)
  
- 2. Can I share the links to the dashboards with other NHS Scotland Staff?**
  - a. Yes – please do
  
- 3. How often are the dashboards updated?**
  - a. We request monthly data from NHS Boards to undertake regular dashboard updates
  
- 4. Can I suggest changes to the dashboards?**
  - a. Yes, please email [nss.nationaldemand@nhs.scot](mailto:nss.nationaldemand@nhs.scot). Information provided will be discussed by the Demand Optimisation Core Team and raised at relevant National Diagnostic Network Steering Groups where relevant
  
- 5. Is there a change control process?**
  - a. Yes, the Demand Optimisation Core Team record all changes made to the dashboards
  
- 6. How do I find out more about the Demand Optimisation Group?**
  - a. Please visit our website <https://www.demandoptimisation.scot.nhs.uk/>
  
- 7. Which Internet browser should I use to access the Atlas of Variation?**
  - a. Please use Chrome or Firefox. Do not use Internet Explorer
  
- 8. If I have local / national guidelines relating to tests on the dashboards, can I send them in?**
  - a. Yes – please send in to the Demand Optimisation mailbox [nss.nationaldemand@nhs.scot](mailto:nss.nationaldemand@nhs.scot)
  
- 9. Where do I go if I have any other questions?**
  - a. Please email us using the Demand Optimisation mailbox [nss.nationaldemand@nhs.scot](mailto:nss.nationaldemand@nhs.scot)

In the annotated dashboard views below, NHS Board names are redacted.

### Histopathology view



Select dashboard view

Select specimen type

Red dotted line represents the 2019 monthly average

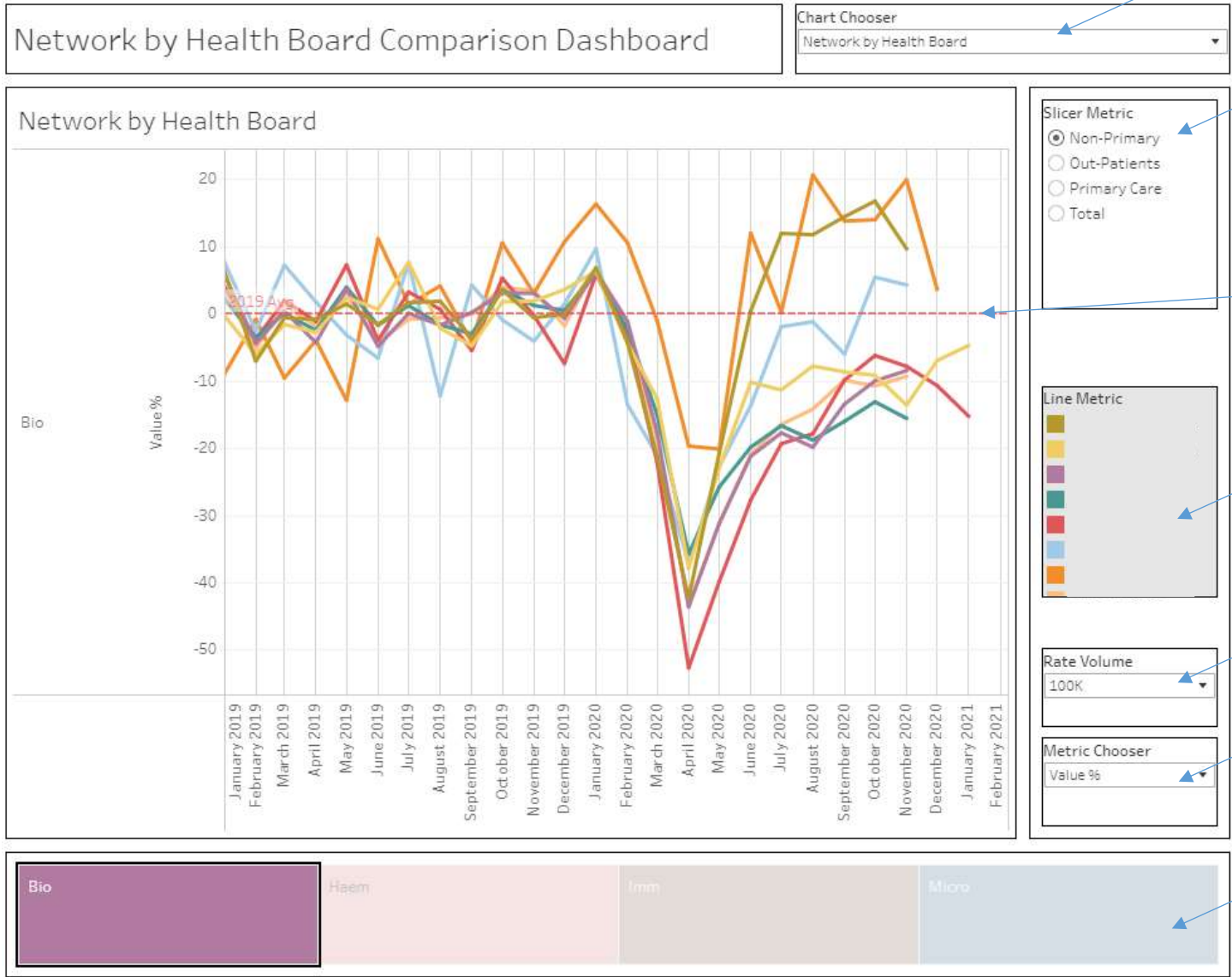
Select NHS Board

Select Metric i.e. raw value, value % change, value rate (as per vertical axis)

Select rate volume (population size) i.e. 1k, 100k, 1m etc

Select to view blocks, requests, specimens or workload data

Blood Sciences Level 1 view – NHS Board total workload by discipline



Select dashboard view

Select source of diagnostic test

Red dotted line represents the 2019 monthly average

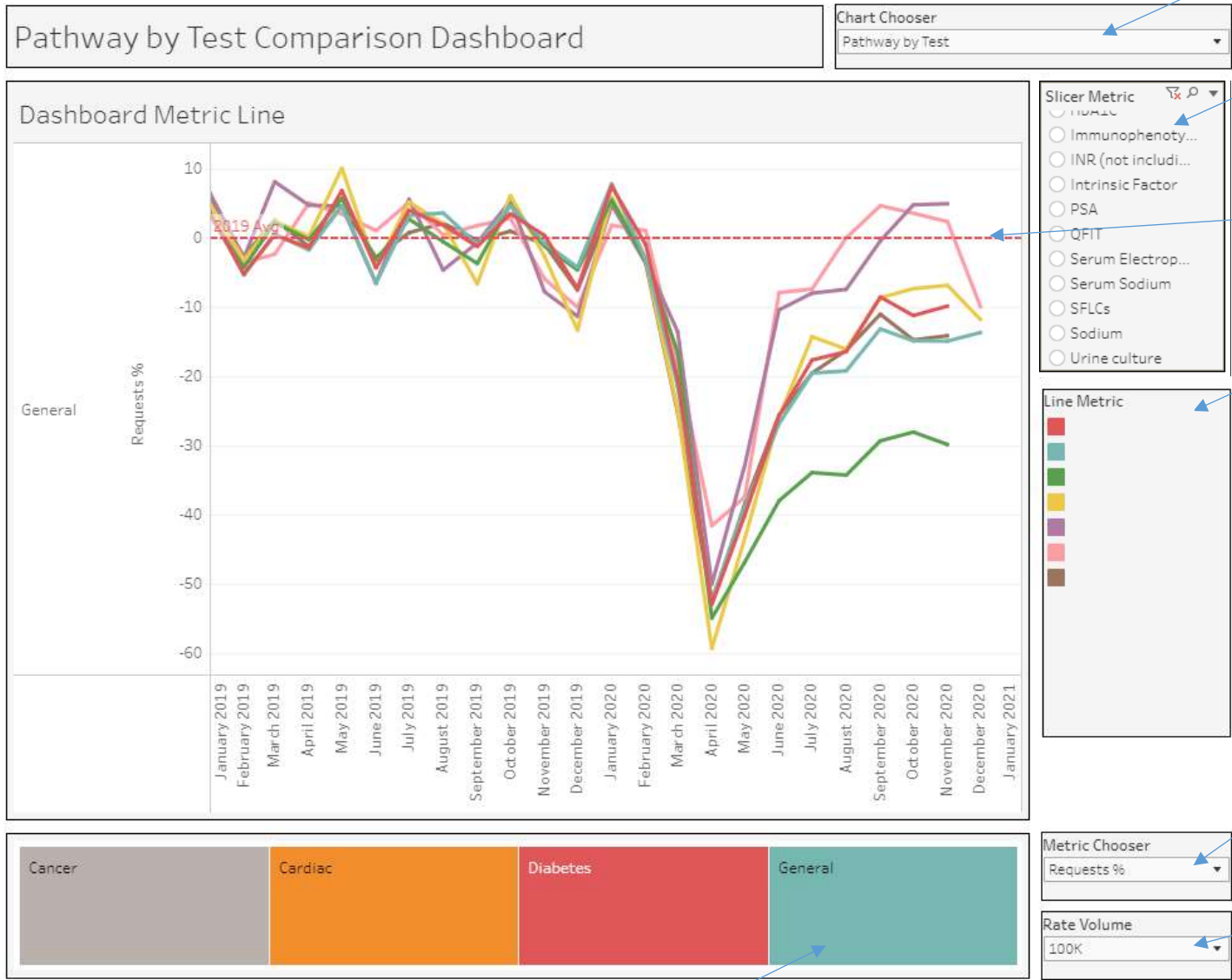
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Select rate volume (population size) i.e. 1k, 100k, 1m etc

Select Metric i.e. raw value, value % change, value rate (as per vertical axis)

Select discipline ie. Biochemistry, Haematology, Immunology, Microbiology&Virology

Blood Sciences Level 2 view – NHS Board totals by test



Select dashboard view

Select test from list

Red dotted line represents the 2019 monthly average

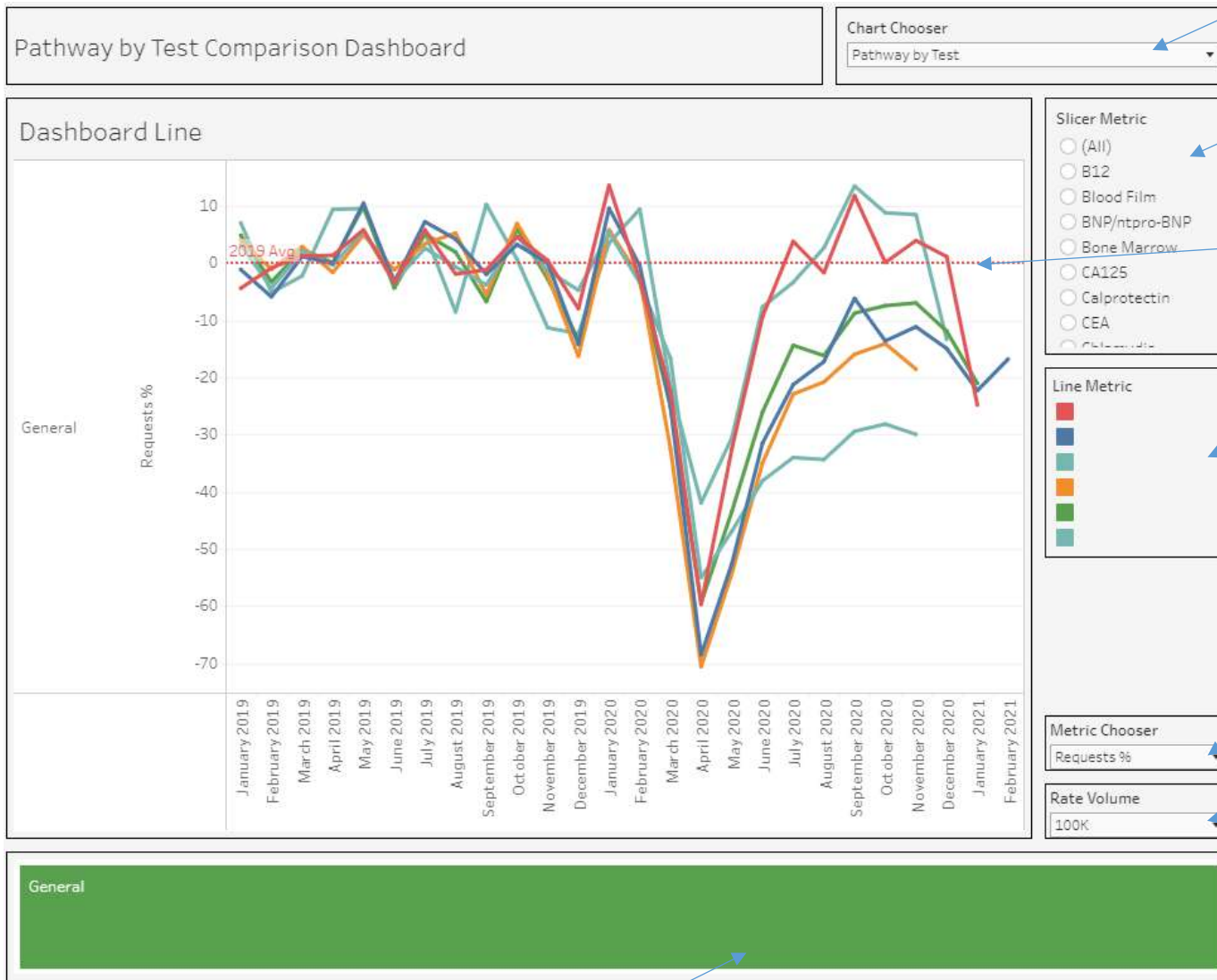
Select NHS Board

Select Metric i.e. raw value, value % change, value rate (as per vertical axis)

Select rate volume (population size) i.e. 1k, 100k, 1m etc

Indicates the pathway category that the test fits into i.e. Cancer, Cardiac, Diabetes or General Population Health

Blood Sciences Level 3 view – total Primary Care test requests by NHS Board



Select dashboard view

Select test from list

Red dotted line represents the 2019 monthly average

Select NHS Board

Select Metric i.e. raw value, value % change, value rate (as per vertical axis)

Select rate volume (population size) i.e. 1k, 100k, 1m etc

Indicates the pathway category that the test fits into i.e. Cancer, Cardiac, Diabetes or General Population Health