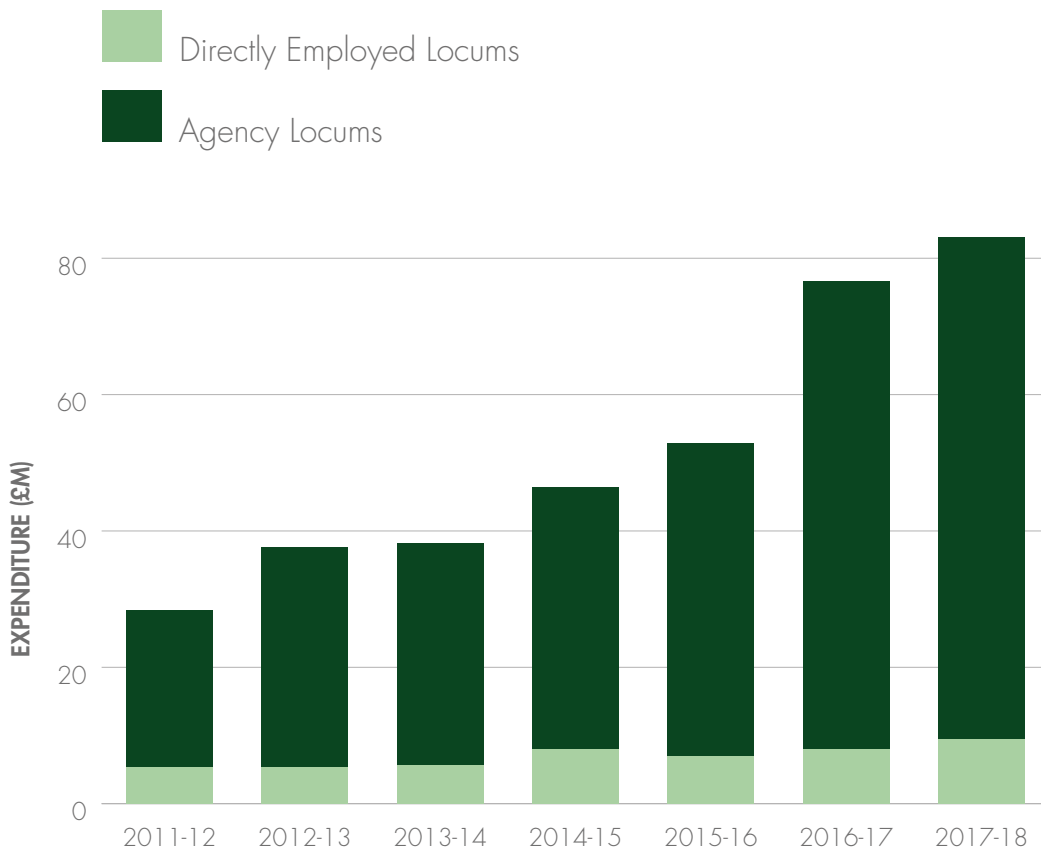


Key Facts

The Use of Locum Doctors by Northern Ireland Hospitals

Total expenditure on locum doctors has increased from £28.4 million in 2011-12 to **£83 million** in 2017-18 (an increase of **190 per cent**).

In 2017-18, **£73.5 million** was spent on agency locums – **90 per cent** of total locum expenditure.



Annual costs of employing an agency locum doctor can be as high as **£242,000** for a trainee or middle ranking doctor and **£376,000** for a consultant.