

# Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (excluding leave days), total N[NN]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Length of stay
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	269982
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 01/03/2005 <a href="#">National Health Performance Authority (retired)</a> , Retired 01/07/2016 <a href="#">Tasmanian Health</a> , Standard 05/09/2016
<b>Definition:</b>	The length of stay of a patient, excluding leave days, measured in days.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (excluding leave days)</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Total days N[NN]</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Total
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N[NN]
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	3
<b>Unit of measure:</b>	Day

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	Formula:  LOS = Separation date - Admission date - Total leave days  The calculation is inclusive of admission and separation dates.
<b>Comments:</b>	Perinatal length of stay metadata items include leave days and so are not included in this metadata item.

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Origin:</b>	National Health Data Committee
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### Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Is formed using [Episode of admitted patient care—admission date, DDMMYYYY Health!](#), Superseded 06/09/2018  
[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 17/06/2020

Is formed using [Episode of admitted patient care—number of leave days, total N\[NN\] Health!](#), Standard 01/03/2005  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 06/09/2016

Is formed using [Episode of admitted patient care—number of leave periods, total N\[N\] Health!](#), Standard 01/03/2005  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 27/04/2021

Is formed using [Episode of admitted patient care—separation date, DDMMYYYY Health!](#), Standard 01/03/2005  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 02/09/2016

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**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Admitted patient care separation \(discharge\) related data elements \(TDLU\) cluster Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 18/05/2021

[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2016](#)  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 10/01/2018  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2016  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2017

[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2017](#)  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 10/01/2018  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2017  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2018

[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2018](#)  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 12/04/2019  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2018  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2019

[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2019](#)  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 17/06/2020  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2019  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2020

[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2020](#)  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 10/07/2020  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2020  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2021

**Implementation in Indicators:**

**Used as Numerator**

[3.9 Average length of stay for hip fracture patients aged 65 years and over, major and large public hospitals, 2012–13](#)  
[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016  
[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care](#), Standard 23/11/2016

[National Health Performance Authority: Hospital Performance: Average length of stay \(ALOS\) for multi-day stay patients in Australian public hospitals, 2013-2015](#)  
[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016