Available bed—residential mental health care, average number of beds N[NNN.N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Average available beds for residential mental health patients
METEOR identifier:	373650
Registration status:	Health!, Superseded 16/01/2020
Definition:	The number of beds available in the **specialised residential mental health services** for overnight accommodation, **averaged over the counting period.**
Data Element Concept:	Available bed—residential mental health care
Value Domain:	Average number of beds N[NNN.N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Average
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[NNN.N]
Maximum character length:	5
Unit of measure:	Bed

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Average available beds, rounded to the nearest decimal or whole number.

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Guide for use:	Residential mental health beds are available only if they are suitably located and equipped to provide residential mental health care and the necessary financial and human resources can be provided. Average available residential mental health beds are the average bed counts conducted during the year as required.
	Inclusions: Both occupied and unoccupied residential mental health beds are included.

Collection methods:	Specialised residential mental health care services should establish clear recording and reporting practices and criteria that ensure that each available residential mental health bed is counted and that no available residential mental health bed is counted more than once.
	The assessment of availability must reflect the ability of the specialised residential mental health care service to provide the necessary resources, and this can be significantly impacted by events such as a strike, clinical staff shortage, fire or renovation. This is illustrated by the following examples.
	Example 1: A specialised residential mental health care service containing 20 residential mental health beds (A) is closed for several months, either for a planned renovation or in response to an unplanned event such as a fire. During this period a temporary 10 specialised residential mental health bed facility (B) is established and the necessary resources are provided. The specialised residential mental health care service would not report the residential mental health beds in facility A, but it would report the 10 residential mental health beds in facility B.
	Example 2: A 20 bed specialised residential mental health service is closed during the first week of February because of a strike, but for the remaining three weeks of February it is fully staffed so that all 20 residential mental health beds can be occupied during those three weeks. So the average number of residential mental health beds available for this service in February is 15.
Comments:	This data element is necessary to provide an indicator of the capacity of the residential service.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Has been superseded by [Available bed—residential mental health care, average number of beds N[NNN.N]](#)
	[Health!,](#) Standard 16/01/2020

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2009-10](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 02/12/2009
Implementation start date: 01/07/2009
Implementation end date: 30/06/2010
DSS specific information: For the admitted patient care setting these records are to be disaggregated by specialised mental health service program type and specialised mental health service target population.

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2010-11](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 01/12/2010
Implementation start date: 01/07/2010
Implementation end date: 30/06/2011

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2011-12](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 07/12/2011
Implementation start date: 01/07/2011
Implementation end date: 30/06/2012

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2012-13](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 07/02/2013
Implementation start date: 01/07/2012
Implementation end date: 30/06/2013

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2013-14](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 07/03/2014
Implementation start date: 01/07/2013
Implementation end date: 30/06/2014

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2014-15](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 13/11/2014
Implementation start date: 01/07/2014
Implementation end date: 30/06/2015

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2015-16](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 04/09/2015
Implementation start date: 01/07/2015
Implementation end date: 30/06/2016

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2016-17](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 17/08/2017
Implementation start date: 01/07/2016
Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2017–18](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 25/01/2018
Implementation start date: 01/07/2017
Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2018–19](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 12/12/2018
Implementation start date: 01/07/2018
Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2019–20](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 16/01/2020
Implementation start date: 01/07/2019
Implementation end date: 30/06/2020