

# Occupied bed—hospital in the home care, average number of beds N[NNN.N]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Average available beds for hospital-in-the-home patients
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	373955
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">HealthI</a> , Standard 24/03/2009
<b>Definition:</b>	The number of beds used to care for hospital admitted patients in their place of residence as a substitute for hospital accommodation, calculated by dividing the number of days of <a href="#">hospital-in-the-home care</a> reported for the period by the number of days in the period. Place of residence may be permanent or temporary.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Occupied bed—hospital in the home care</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Average number of beds N[NNN.N]</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

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

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	Average available beds, rounded to the nearest decimal or whole number.
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<b>Guide for use:</b>	Calculated by dividing the total hospital-in-the-home patient days by the number of days in the period, e.g. in a normal year, a hospital records 4000 hospital-in-the-home patient days – the average hospital-in-the-home beds would be $4000/365 = 11.0$ .
<b>Collection methods:</b>	<p>Beds exclusively or predominantly for overnight-stay admitted care, beds exclusively or predominantly for same-day admitted care, and non-special-care neonatal cots are collected and reported in separate categories.</p> <p>Hospitals should establish clear recording and reporting practices. Criteria should exist to ensure that each available bed is counted and that no available bed is counted more than once. A bed should first be assessed as available and then categorised according to its predominant use. For large hospitals a reconciliation of the sum of the counts for the four available bed types and an unduplicated establishment bed count is advisable.</p>
<b>Comments:</b>	This data element is necessary to provide an indicator of the availability and type of service for an establishment.

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Victorian Department of Human Services