

# National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Number of elective surgeries 2014

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Indicator
<b>Indicator type:</b>	Progress measure
<b>Short name:</b>	Number of elective surgeries 2014
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	558288
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">National Health Performance Authority (retired)</a> , Retired 01/07/2016
<b>Description:</b>	The number of admissions for <a href="#">elective surgery</a> for patients who were removed from an elective surgery waiting list.
<b>Indicator set:</b>	<a href="#">National Health Performance Authority: Hospital performance: 2011-16</a> <a href="#">National Health Performance Authority (retired)</a> , Retired 01/07/2016

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Computation description:</b>	The number of admissions for <a href="#">elective surgery</a> for patients who were removed from an elective surgery waiting list.
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**Computation:**

Number of surgeries are reported for patients whose reason for removal was:

- **For surgical specialty and indicator procedures:**

1. Admitted as an elective patient for awaited procedure by or on behalf of this hospital or the state/territory.

- **For urgency categories:**

1. Admitted as an elective patient for awaited procedure by or on behalf of this hospital or the state/territory or

2. admitted as emergency patient for awaited procedure by or on behalf of this hospital or the state/territory.

For the purposes of reporting by urgency category, patients are reported as the final urgency category they were when treated.

**Exclusions**

The calculation of waiting time excludes:

1. All days the patient was waiting with a less urgent elective surgery urgency category than their urgency category when removed from the list. When a patient's urgency category changes, existing NMDS business rules will apply
2. All patients who:
  - Were transferred to another hospital's elective surgery waiting list
  - Were treated elsewhere but not on behalf of the hospital
  - Were not contactable for booking the surgery or at booked time of surgery
  - Died prior to receiving their surgery
  - Declined surgery.

**Data suppression**

Counts of fewer than five surgeries are not reported to protect patient's privacy.

For annual counts, where data from one or more urgency categories or quarters are suppressed, the annual total is reported less the suppressed value. In addition, if an urgency category is suppressed, it is removed from the relevant quarterly total.

For clinical urgency categories annual data are sourced from [National Elective Surgery Waiting Time Data Collection](#) and quarterly data from [National Elective Surgery Target Data Collection](#).

For surgical specialty and indicator procedures annual data are sourced from [National Elective Surgery Waiting Time Data Collection](#).

**Numerator:**

Number of patients removed from elective surgery waiting lists who received surgery.

**Numerator data elements:**

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Establishment—organisation identifier \(Australian\), NNX\[X\]NNNNN](#)

**Data Source**

[National Elective Surgery Waiting Times Data Collection](#)

**NMDS / DSS**

[Elective surgery waiting times \(removals data\) NMDS 2012-13](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Elective surgery waiting list episode—reason for removal from a waiting list, code N](#)

**Data Source**

[National Elective Surgery Waiting Times Data Collection](#)

**NMDS / DSS**

[Elective surgery waiting times \(removals data\) NMDS 2012-13](#)

**Disaggregation:**

Hospital, elective surgery clinical **urgency category**, selected surgical specialities, and indicator procedures.

**Disaggregation data elements:**

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Elective surgery waiting list episode—clinical urgency, code N](#)

**Data Source**

[National Elective Surgery Waiting Times Data Collection](#)

**NMDS / DSS**

[Elective surgery waiting times \(removals data\) NMDS 2012-13](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Elective surgery waiting list episode—indicator procedure, code NN](#)

**Data Source**

[National Elective Surgery Waiting Times Data Collection](#)

**NMDS / DSS**

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**Representational attributes**

- Representation class:** Count
- Data type:** Real
- Unit of measure:** Person
- Format:** N[NNN]

**Indicator conceptual framework**

**Framework and dimensions:**

[PAF-Effectiveness of access](#)

## Data source attributes

**Data sources:**

### Data Source

[National Elective Surgery Waiting Times Data Collection](#)

#### Frequency

Annual

#### Data custodian

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Accountability attributes

**Reporting requirements:** National Health Performance Agreement - Performance and Accountability Framework

**Organisation responsible for providing data:** Australian Institute of Health Welfare

**Other issues caveats:** There are inconsistencies in application of urgency categories between and within states and territories which impact on the comparability of results.

**Release date:** 28/05/2013

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** National Health&nbsp;Performance Authority&nbsp;

**Origin:** Hospital Performance

**Reference documents:** National Health Performance Agreement - Performance and Accountability Framework

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Number of elective surgeries 2012-13](#)  
[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Superseded 28/05/2014