National Health Performance Authority, Healthy Communities: In-hours emergency department attendances, 2013–14

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Indicator
Indicator type:	Indicator
Short name:	In-hours emergency department attendances
METEOR identifier:	632787
Registration status:	National Health Performance Authority (retired), Retired 01/07/2016
Description:	The number of in-hours emergency department attendances per 1,000 people

Collection and usage attributes

Population group age to:	All ages
Computation description:	Emergency department presentations to public hospital emergency departments where the patient:

- Had a Type of visit of 'emergency presentation' and
- Was allocated a Triage category of 3, 4 or 5 and
- Was not admitted to the hospital, not referred to another hospital, or did not die.

An in-hours emergency department attendance is defined as

- Weekdays on or after 8am and before 8pm
- Saturdays on or after 8am and before 1pm

Analysis by Primary Healthcare Network (PHN) and Statistical Area level 3 (SA3) is based on usual residence of person.

All data for a geographic area have been suppressed if there are:

- Less than 2,500 people resident in the geographic area or
- Less than 20 emergency department separations in the geographic area

Additional analysis was conducted to estimate the proportion of ED presentations that were missing from the reported rate for each geographic area. Results for a geographic area were suppressed if the proportion of missing presentations were >10%. Information about a geographic area was indicated to be interpreted with caution if the percentage of missing presentations in an area was 6–10%.

Computation:	(Numerator ÷ Denominator) × 1,000
Numerator:	Number of in-hours emergency department attendances

Numerator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

[Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—triage category, code N](#)

Data Source

[National Non-admitted Patient Emergency Department Care Database](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2013-14](#)

Guide for use

Data source type: Administrative by-product data

Data Element / Data Set

[Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—episode end status, code N](#)

Data Source

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Guide for use

Data source type: Administrative by-product data

Data Element / Data Set

[Emergency department stay—type of visit to emergency department, code N](#)

Data Source

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NMDS / DSS

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Guide for use

Data source type: Administrative by-product data

Denominator: Total estimated resident population (ERP) of Australia at 30 June 2013

Denominator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—estimated resident population of Australia, total people N[N(7)]](#)

Data Source

[ABS Estimated resident population (total population)](#)

Guide for use

Data source type: Census based plus administrative by-product data

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Disaggregation:	2013–14
	Disaggregation by Primary Health Network (PHN) and Statistical Area Level 3 (SA3)
	Some disaggregation may result in numbers too small for publication.

Disaggregation data elements:

> **Data Element / Data Set**
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> [Address—statistical area, level 3 (SA3) code (ASGS 2011) NNNNN](#)
>
> **Data Source**
>
> [National Non-admitted Patient Emergency Department Care Database](#)

> **Data Element / Data Set**
>
> [Administrative health region—Primary Health Network identifier, code AAANNN](#)
>
> **Data Source**
>
> [National Non-admitted Patient Emergency Department Care Database](#)

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Rate
Data type:	Coded category
Unit of measure:	Service contact

Data source attributes

Data sources:

> **Data Source**
>
> [ABS Estimated resident population (total population)](#)
>
> **Frequency**
>
> Quarterly
>
> **Data quality statement**
>
> [ABS Estimated resident population (total population), QS](#)
>
> **Data custodian**
>
> Australian Bureau of Statistics

> **Data Source**
>
> [National Non-admitted Patient Emergency Department Care Database](#)
>
> **Frequency**
>
> Annual
>
> **Data custodian**
>
> Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Health Performance Authority