

# Reference period

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Glossary Item
<b>Synonymous names:</b>	Reference period
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	699148
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 12/12/2018
<b>Definition:</b>	A reference period is the period of time for which activity is collected and reported, and may be defined by a calendar or fiscal year, a semester, a quarter, a month or even a day.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Independent Hospital Pricing Authority

## Relational attributes

<b>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</b>	<a href="#">Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2019-20</a> <a href="#">Health!</a> , Superseded 17/01/2020
	<a href="#">Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2020-21</a> <a href="#">Health!</a> , Superseded 23/12/2020
	<a href="#">Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2021-22</a> <a href="#">Health!</a> , Superseded 17/12/2021
	<a href="#">Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2022-23</a> <a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 17/12/2021
	<a href="#">Episode start mode code N</a> <a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 23/12/2020