

National Healthcare Agreement: PI 13—Waiting times for public dentistry, 2021

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Indicator
Indicator type:	Progress measure
Short name:	PI 13–Waiting times for public dentistry, 2021
METEOR identifier:	725803
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 16/09/2020
Description:	Median (50th percentile) and 90th percentile waiting times between being placed on a public dentistry waiting list and: a) being offered dental care; and b) receiving dental care.
Indicator set:	National Healthcare Agreement (2021) Health! , Standard 19/11/2020
Outcome area:	Primary and Community Health Health! , Standard 07/07/2010

Collection and usage attributes

Population group age from:	18 years
Computation description:	Calculated by subtracting the date placed on a public dentistry waiting list (public dental listing date) from: a) the date dental care was offered (offer of dental care date); and b) the date dental care was received (date of first dental visit). Presented as median number of days (50th percentile) and 90th percentile by waiting list type. Analysis by remoteness and Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) Index of Relative Socio-Economic Disadvantage (IRSD) is based on usual residence of person.
Computation:	Number of days at the 50th percentile and number of days at the 90th percentile. Calculated separately for a) and b). The 50th and 90th percentiles have been rounded to the nearest whole number of days.

Numerator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

[Public dental waiting list episode—listing date for care, DDMMYYYY](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2018-](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Public dental waiting list episode—date of offer of dental care, DDMMYYYY](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2018-](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Public dental waiting list episode—date of first visit, DDMMYYYY](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2018-](#)

Disaggregation:

2019–20—Nationally, by 2016 SEIFA IRSD deciles (not reported).

2019–20—State and territory, for a) and b), by waiting list type, by:

- Indigenous status
- remoteness (Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) 2016 Remoteness Structure)
- 2016 SEIFA IRSD quintiles.

Some disaggregation may result in numbers too small for publication.

Disaggregation data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

[Public dental waiting list episode—waiting list type, code N](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2018-](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—Indigenous status, code N](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2018-](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Address—Australian postcode, code \(Postcode datafile\) NNNN](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2018-](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 2 \(SA2\) code \(ASGS 2016\) N\(9\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2018-](#)

Comments:

Most recent data available for the 2021 National Healthcare Agreement performance reporting: 2019–20.

Representational attributes

Representation class: Percentile
Data type: Real
Unit of measure: Time (e.g. days, hours)
Format: N[NNN]

Indicator conceptual framework

Framework and dimensions: [Accessibility](#)

Accountability attributes

Reporting requirements: National Healthcare Agreement
Organisation responsible for providing data: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Further data development / collection required: Specification: Final, the measure meets the intention of the indicator.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 13–Waiting times for public dentistry, 2020](#)
[Health!](#), Standard 13/03/2020

Has been superseded by [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 13–Waiting times for public dentistry, 2022](#)
[Health!](#), Standard 24/09/2021

See also [Public Dental Waiting Times Database, 2019-20; Data Quality Statement AIHW Data Quality Statements](#), Standard 09/03/2021