

Forbes District Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

July to September 2016

All presentations:¹ 1,856 patients
Emergency presentations:² 1,619 patients

Same period last year	Change since one year ago
2,512	-26.1%
1,964	-17.6%

Forbes District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2016

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 87 patients

Median time to start treatment⁴ 5 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment⁵ *

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 270 patients

Median time to start treatment⁴ 16 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 96 minutes

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 526 patients

Median time to start treatment⁴ 25 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 192 minutes

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 731 patients

Median time to start treatment⁴ 31 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 209 minutes

Same period last year	NSW (this period)
81	
6 minutes	8 minutes
*	41 minutes
275	
15 minutes	21 minutes
54 minutes	103 minutes
797	
26 minutes	27 minutes
111 minutes	139 minutes
806	
23 minutes	24 minutes
126 minutes	138 minutes

Forbes District Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

July to September 2016

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:⁶ 1,855 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 88.0%

Same period last year	Change since one year ago
2,512	-26.2%
96.6%	

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- All emergency and non-emergency attendances at the emergency department (ED).
- All attendances that have a triage category and are coded as emergency presentations or unplanned return visits.
- Some patients are excluded from ED time measures due to calculation requirements. For details, see the Technical Supplement: Emergency department measures, July to September 2016.
- The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
- The 95th percentile is the time by which 95% of patients started treatment. The final 5% of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
- All presentations that have a departure time.

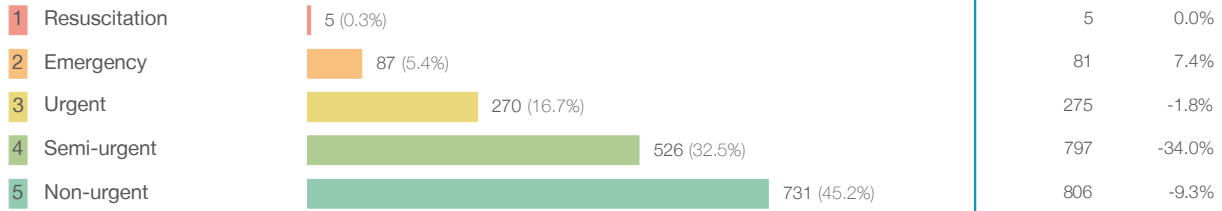
Note: Presentation time is the earlier time recorded for clerical registration or the triage process. Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care relevant to the patient's presenting problems.

Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 20 October 2016).

Forbes District Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department July to September 2016

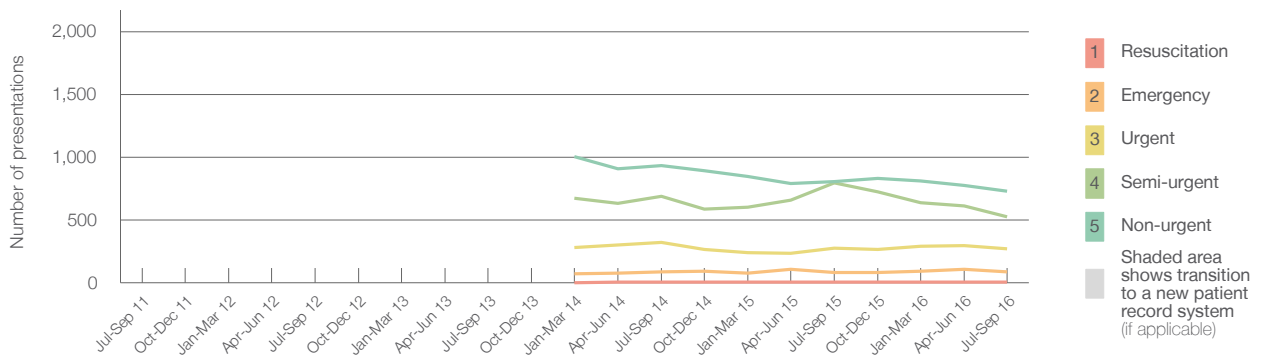
All presentations:¹ 1,856 patients

Emergency presentations² by triage category: 1,619 patients



Same period last year	Change since one year ago
2,512	-26.1%
1,964	-17.6%
5	0.0%
81	7.4%
275	-1.8%
797	-34.0%
806	-9.3%

Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 ^{† §}



	Jul-Sep 2011	Jul-Sep 2012	Jul-Sep 2013	Jul-Sep 2014	Jul-Sep 2015	Jul-Sep 2016
Resuscitation				6	5	5
Emergency				86	81	87
Urgent				322	275	270
Semi-urgent				687	797	526
Non-urgent				933	806	731
All emergency presentations				2,034	1,964	1,619

Forbes District Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance July to September 2016

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time:⁷ 145 patients

ED Transfer of care time



Same period last year	Change since one year ago
77	
24 minutes	-13 minutes
*	*

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Forbes District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2

July to September 2016

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)

Number of triage 2 patients: 87

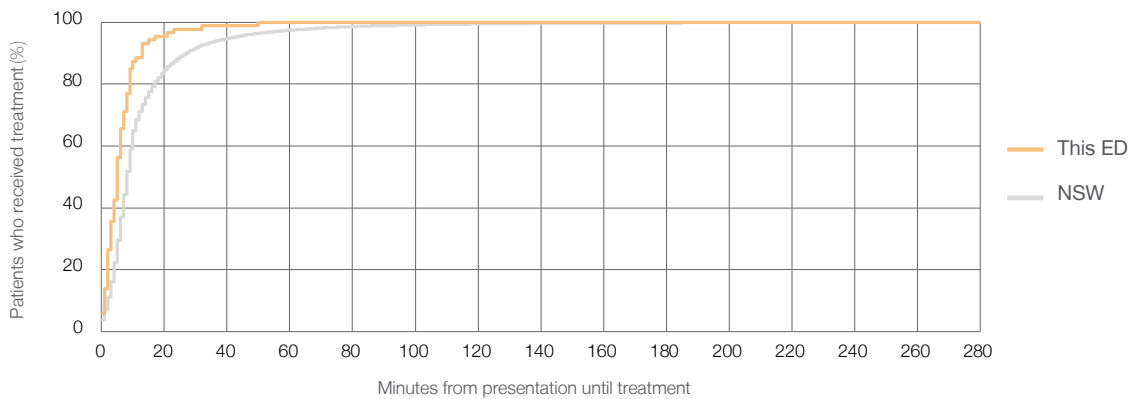
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time:³ 87

Median time to start treatment⁴ 5 minutes

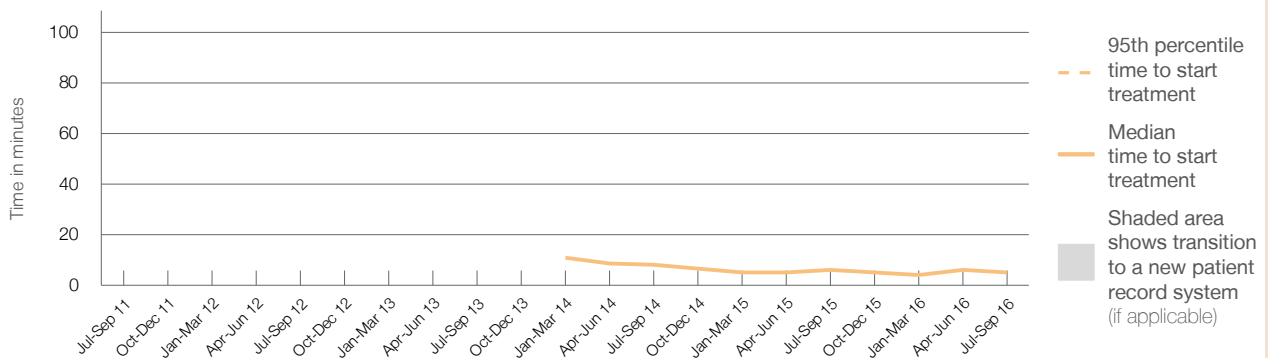
95th percentile time to start treatment⁵ *

Same period last year	NSW (this period)
81	81
6 minutes	8 minutes
*	41 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2011 to September 2016^{†‡§}



	Jul-Sep 2011	Jul-Sep 2012	Jul-Sep 2013	Jul-Sep 2014	Jul-Sep 2015	Jul-Sep 2016
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)				8	6	5
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)				*	*	*

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Forbes District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2016

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)

Number of triage 3 patients: 270

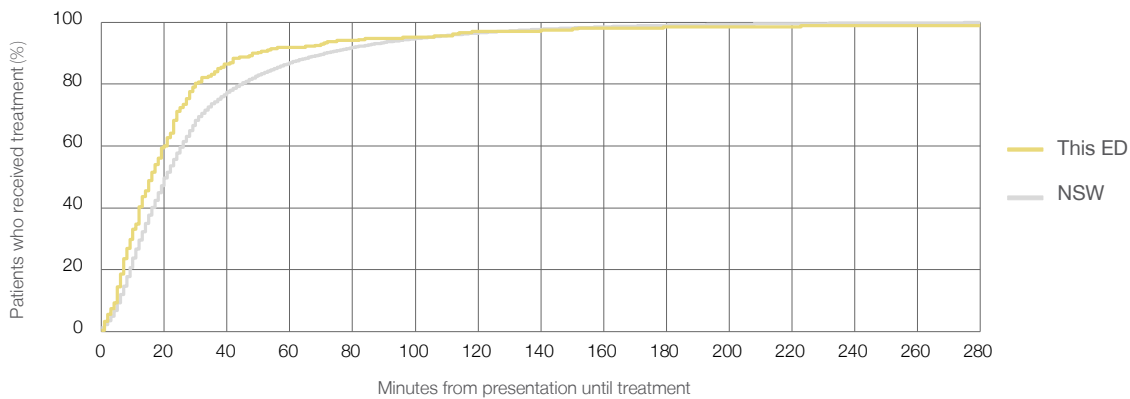
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time:³ 268

Median time to start treatment⁴ 16 minutes

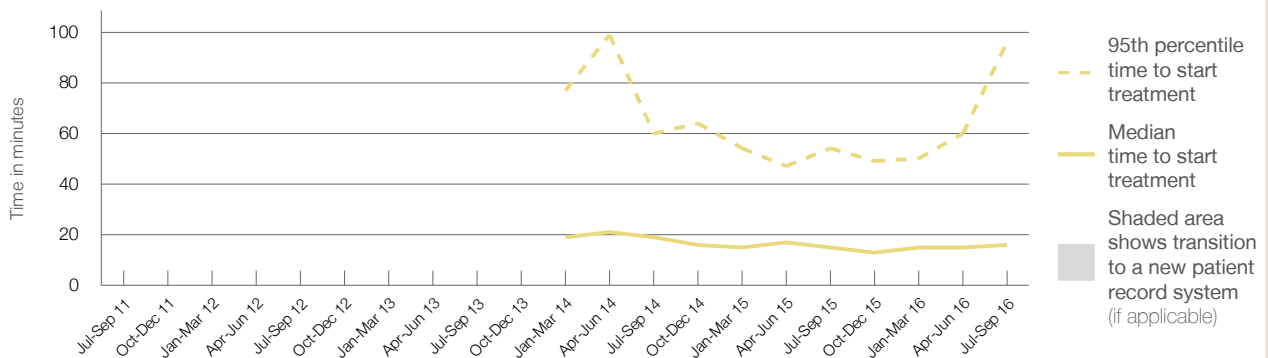
95th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 96 minutes

Same period last year	NSW (this period)
275	
271	
15 minutes	21 minutes
54 minutes	103 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2011 to September 2016^{†‡§}



	Jul-Sep 2011	Jul-Sep 2012	Jul-Sep 2013	Jul-Sep 2014	Jul-Sep 2015	Jul-Sep 2016
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)				19	15	16
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)				60	54	96

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Forbes District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2016

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)

Number of triage 4 patients: 526

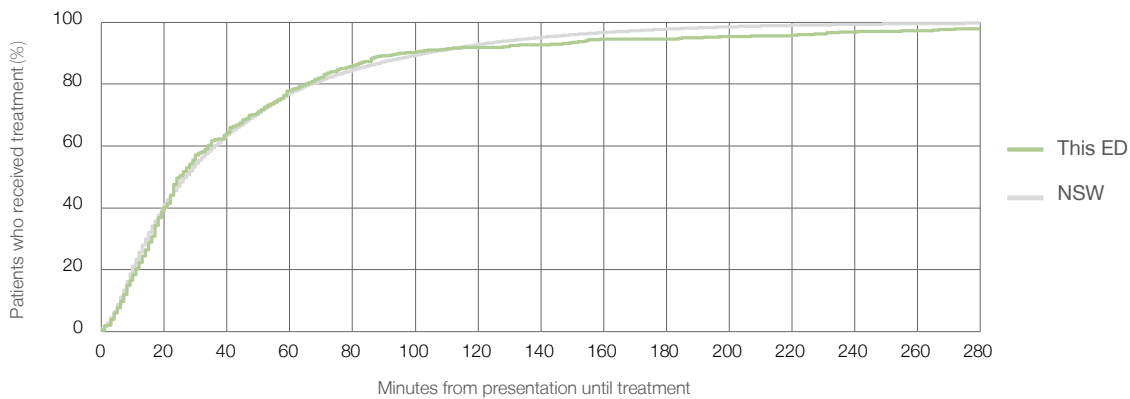
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time:³ 492

Median time to start treatment⁴ 25 minutes

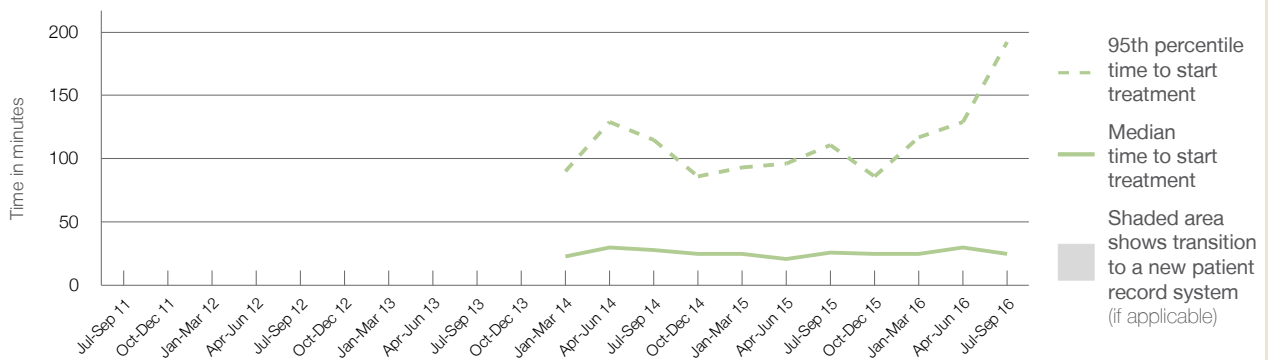
95th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 192 minutes

Same period last year	NSW (this period)
797	751
26 minutes	27 minutes
111 minutes	139 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2011 to September 2016^{†‡§}



	Jul-Sep 2011	Jul-Sep 2012	Jul-Sep 2013	Jul-Sep 2014	Jul-Sep 2015	Jul-Sep 2016
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)				28	26	25
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)				115	111	192

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Forbes District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2016

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)

Number of triage 5 patients: 731

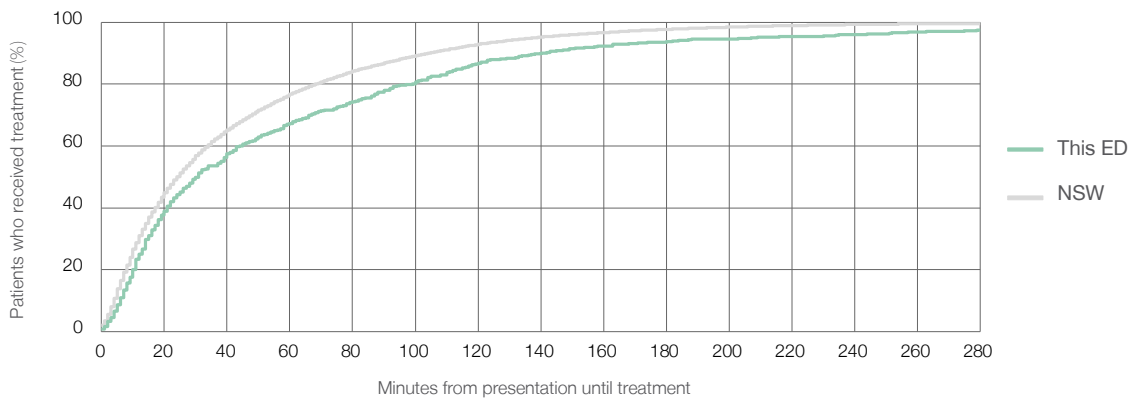
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time:³ 639

Median time to start treatment⁴ 31 minutes

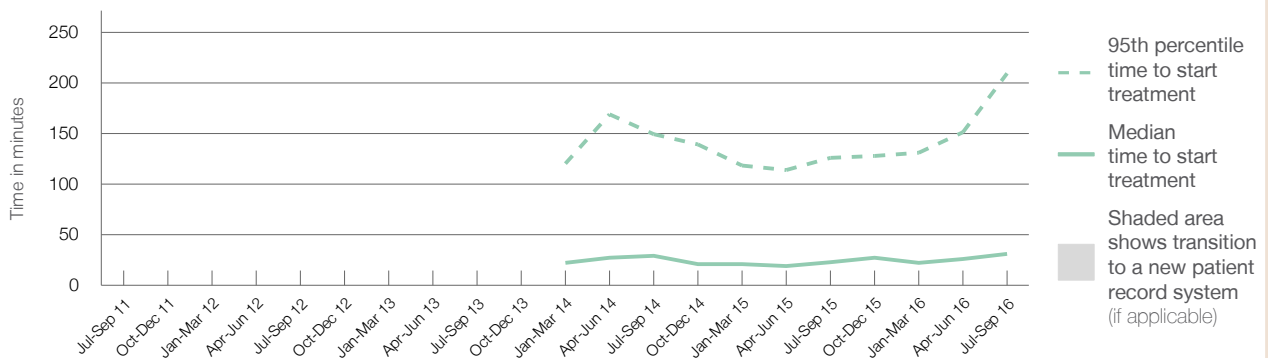
95th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 209 minutes

Same period last year	NSW (this period)
806	734
23 minutes	24 minutes
126 minutes	138 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2011 to September 2016^{†‡§}



	Jul-Sep 2011	Jul-Sep 2012	Jul-Sep 2013	Jul-Sep 2014	Jul-Sep 2015	Jul-Sep 2016
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)				29	23	31
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)				149	126	209

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Forbes District Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2016

All presentations:¹ 1,856 patients

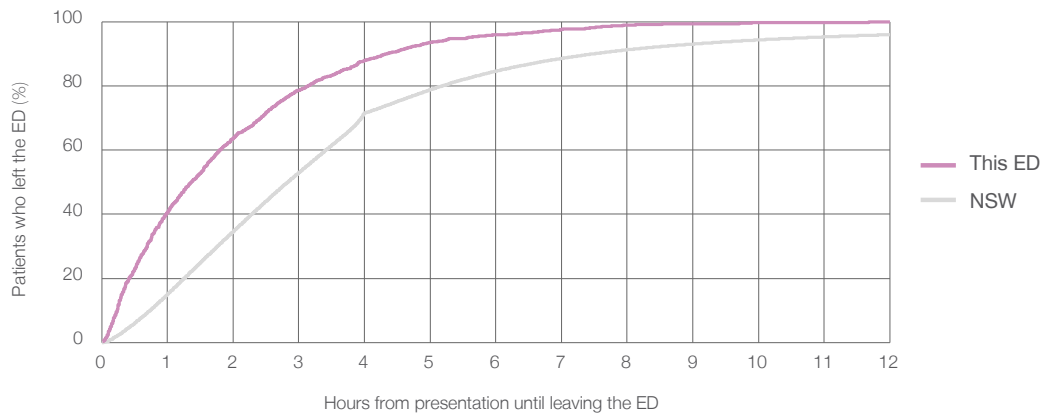
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:⁶ 1,855 patients

Median time spent in the ED⁸ 1 hours and 22 minutes

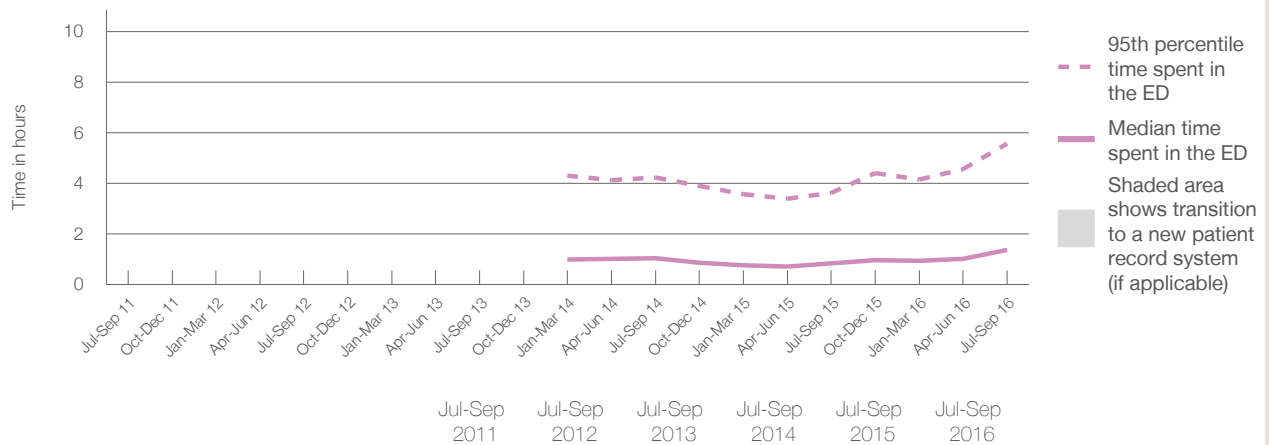
95th percentile time spent in the ED⁹ 5 hours and 35 minutes

Same period last year	NSW (this period)
2,512	
2,512	
0 hours and 51 minutes	2 hours and 50 minutes
3 hours and 37 minutes	10 hours and 43 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2016



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016^{†‡§}



	Jul-Sep 2011	Jul-Sep 2012	Jul-Sep 2013	Jul-Sep 2014	Jul-Sep 2015	Jul-Sep 2016
Median time to leaving the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)				1h 3m	0h 51m	1h 22m
95th percentile time to leaving the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)				4h 14m	3h 37m	5h 35m

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Forbes District Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED
By mode of separation
July to September 2016

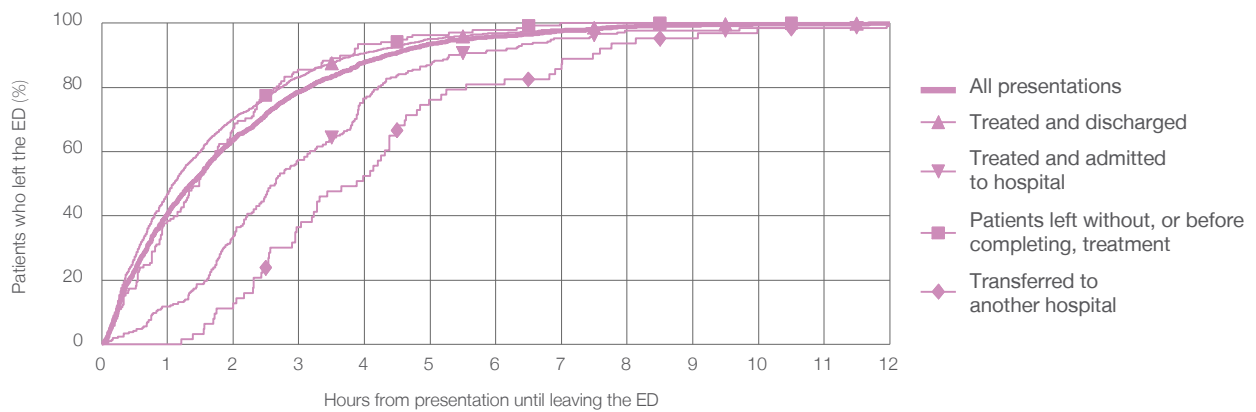
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Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:⁶ 1,855 patients

Treated and discharged	1,426 (76.8%)
Treated and admitted to hospital	214 (11.5%)
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	138 (7.4%)
Transferred to another hospital	63 (3.4%)
Other	15 (0.8%)

Same period last year	Change since one year ago
2,512	-26.2%
2,157	-33.9%
217	-1.4%
80	72.5%
56	12.5%
2	650.0%

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2016 ^{††§}



1 hour 2 hours 3 hours 4 hours 6 hours 8 hours 10 hours 12 hours

	1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	4 hours	6 hours	8 hours	10 hours	12 hours
Treated and discharged	46.9%	70.3%	83.2%	90.8%	96.9%	99.3%	99.9%	100%
Treated and admitted to hospital	11.7%	33.6%	57.5%	76.6%	91.6%	97.7%	98.6%	99.1%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	38.4%	67.4%	85.5%	93.5%	97.8%	100%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	0%	12.7%	36.5%	52.4%	81.0%	93.7%	98.4%	100%
All presentations	40.7%	63.8%	78.7%	88.0%	95.8%	99.0%	99.7%	99.9%

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Forbes District Hospital: Time spent in the ED
 Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED
 July to September 2016

All presentations at the emergency department: ¹ 1,856 patients

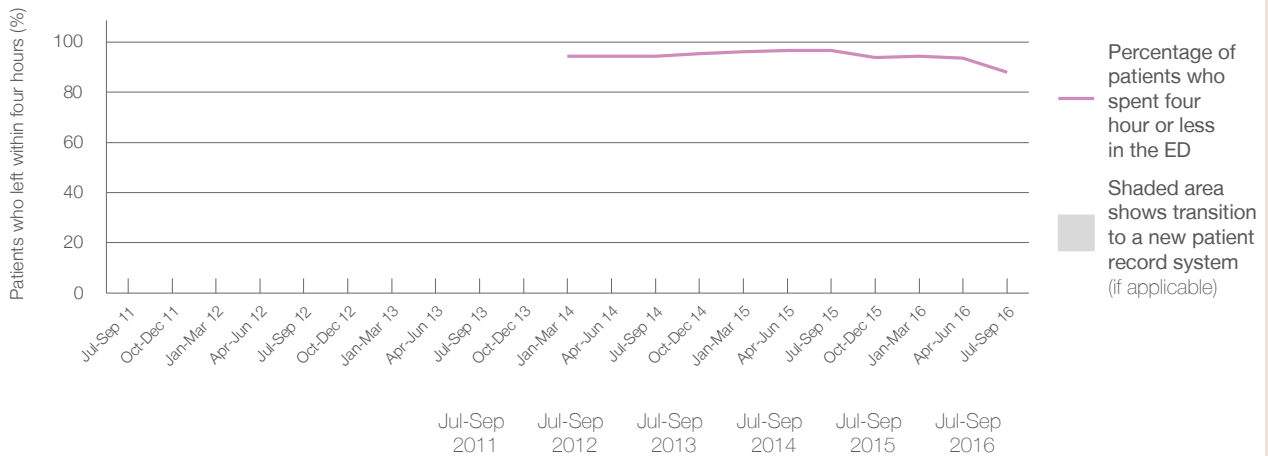
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ 1,855 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED



	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency department	2,512	-26.1%
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED	2,512	-26.2%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	96.6%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 ^{†‡§}



Patients who left within four hours (%)						
				94.2%	96.6%	88.0%

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- Transfer of care time refers to the period between arrival of patients at the ED by ambulance and the transfer of responsibility for their care from paramedics to ED staff in an ED treatment zone. For more information see Spotlight on Measurement: measuring transfer of care from the ambulance to the emergency department.
- The median is the time by which half of patients left the ED. The other half of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
- The 95th percentile is the time by which 95% of patients left the ED. The final 5% of patients took equal to or longer than this time.

Note: Presentation time is the earlier of times recorded for the start of clerical registration or the triage process. Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care that is relevant to the patient's presenting problems. For patients who were treated and discharged, departure time is the time when treatment was completed. For all other patients, departure time is the time when the patient actually left the ED.

Note: All percentages are rounded and therefore percentages may not add to 100%.

Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 20 October 2016).
 Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 20 October 2016).