

Healthcare Quarterly

Performance Profiles

Emergency Department

Principal referral hospitals (A1) peer group

Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: ¹ 14,572 patients	13,336	9.3%
Emergency presentations: ² 14,492 patients	13,227	9.6%

Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,585 patients	2,782	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 13 minutes	10 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 43 minutes	30 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 6,475 patients	6,054	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 32 minutes	23 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	85 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,762 patients	3,799	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 39 minutes	23 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	85 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 559 patients	474	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 31 minutes	22 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	75 minutes	118 minutes

Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 14,572 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 59.0%

Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
13,336	9.3%
71.4%	

Same period Change since

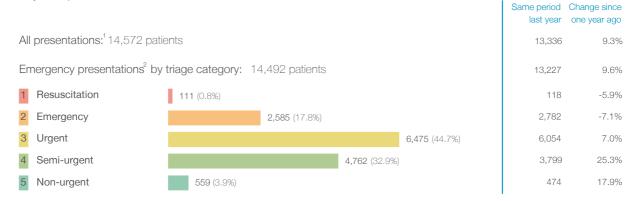
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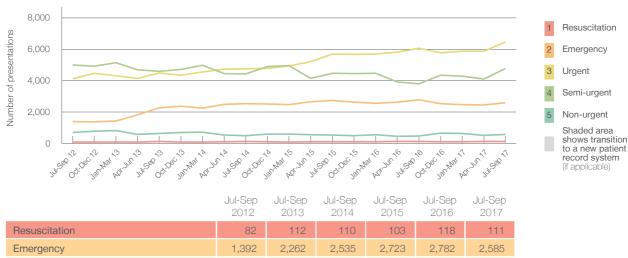
Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 October 2017).

Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



4,478

4,589

12,075

4,747

4,428

12,298

478

5,680

4,457

13,481

6,054

3,799

474

13,227

6,475

4,762

14,492

Same period Change since

Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

4,125

5,006

11,300

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Urgent

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	3,782		
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	18 minutes	14 minutes	4 minutes
90th percentile time	41 minutes	27 minutes	14 minutes

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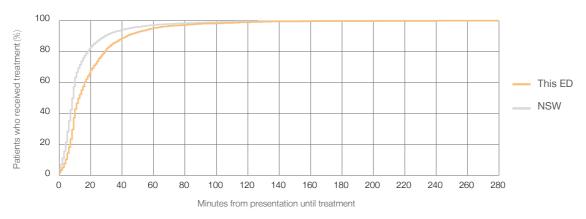
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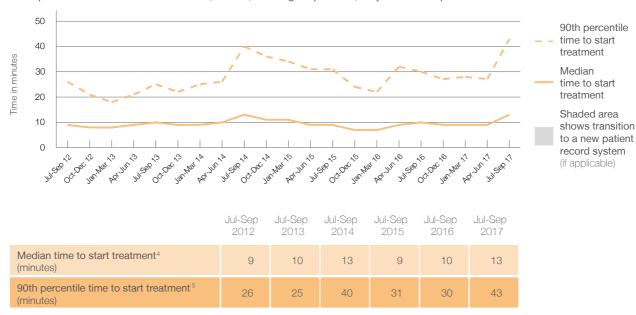
Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,585		
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,576	2,774	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 13 minutes	10 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 43 minutes	30 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 **



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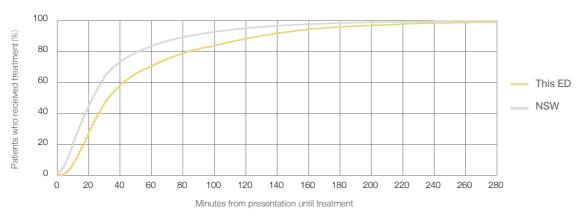
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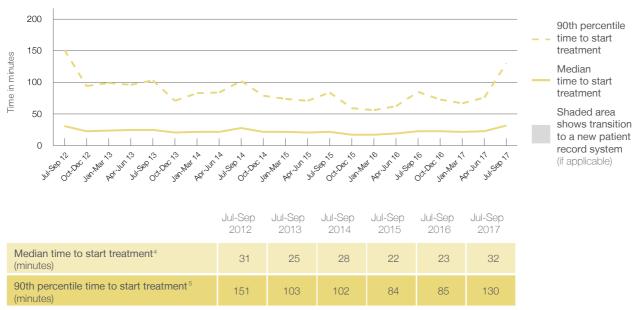
Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)			NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 6,475			
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 6,277			
Median time to start treatment ⁴	32 minutes	23 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	130 minutes	85 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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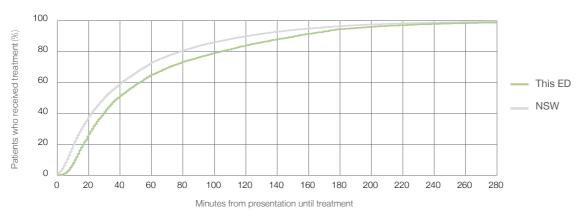
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Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, eara	Same period last year	NSW (this period)	
Number of triage 4 patients: 4,762		3,799	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 4,479		3,621	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 39	minutes	23 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	152 minutes	85 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017



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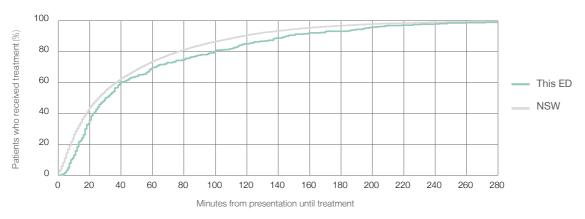
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Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)			NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 559		474	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time:3 376		370	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 31 minutes		22 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	147 minutes	75 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

All presentations: 14,572 patients

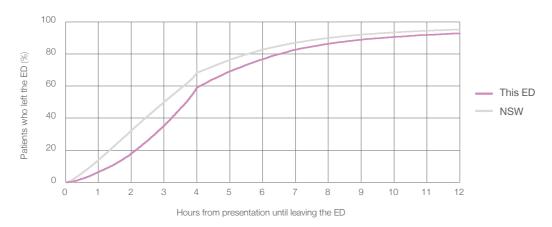
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 14,572 patients

Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 41 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ 9 hours and 40 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	13,336
	13,336
3 hours and 0 minutes	3 hours and 15 minutes
8 hours and 2 minutes	7 hours and 46 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



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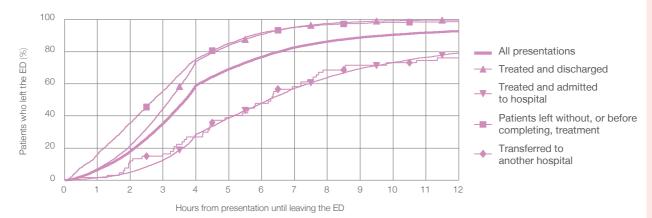
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Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation July to September 2017

All presentations: ¹ 14,572 patients		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Presentations used to calculate time to	leaving the ED: ⁶ 14,572 patients	13,336	9.3%
Treated and discharged	7,865 (54.0%)	6,707	17.3%
Treated and admitted to hospital	4,759 (32.7%)	5,509	-13.6%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	1,859 (12.8%)	981	89.5%
Transferred to another hospital	67 (0.5%)	77	-13.0%
Other	22 (0.2%)	62	-64.5%

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	7.1%	21.6%	44.5%	73.8%	90.7%	97.6%	99.3%	99.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.6%	4.9%	12.4%	28.6%	48.0%	63.9%	73.2%	79.3%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	16.0%	35.6%	55.7%	75.5%	91.8%	96.8%	98.3%	98.7%
Transferred to another hospital	1.5%	11.9%	16.4%	26.9%	47.8%	68.7%	73.1%	76.1%
All presentations	6.4%	17.9%	35.3%	59.0%	76.7%	86.3%	90.5%	92.8%

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Bankstown / Lidcombe Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 14,572 patients

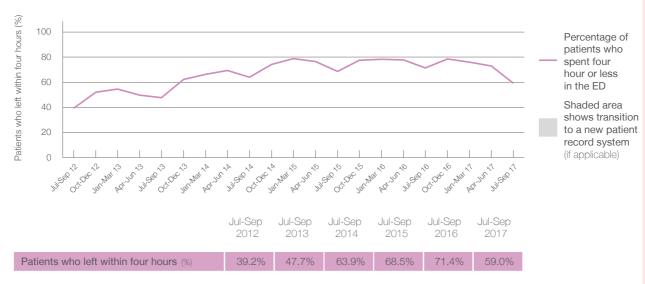
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Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED



	Change since one year ago
13,336	9.3%
13,336	9.3%
71.4%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 14



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- 9. The 90th percentile is the time by which 90% of patients left the ED. The final 10% 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 17 October 2017).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 October 2017).

Concord Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview July to September 2017

All presentations:¹ 10,451 patients
Emergency presentations:² 10,422 patients

	Change since one year ago
9,602	8.8%
9 567	8 9%

NSW

Same period

Concord Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 1,222 patients	1,082	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	8 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	14 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 4,757 patients	3,348	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 23 minutes	21 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 69 minutes	57 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 3,994 patients	4,714	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 26 minutes	28 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 84 minutes	82 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 381 patients	369	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	23 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 74 minutes	83 minutes	118 minutes

Concord Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 10,451 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 70.8%

Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
9,600	8.9%
73.2%	

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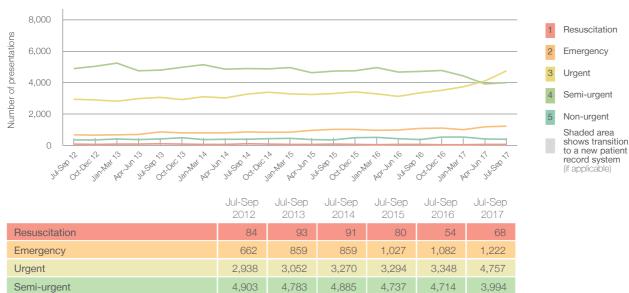
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Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 October 2017).

Concord Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department July to September 2017

Same period Change since last year one year ago All presentations: 10,451 patients 9.602 8.8% Emergency presentations² by triage category: 10,422 patients 9,567 8.9% Resuscitation 68 (0.7%) 54 25.9% 12.9% Emergency 1.082 1,222 (11.7%) 42.1% Urgent 4,757 (45.6%) 3.348 Semi-urgent 3,994 (38.3%) 4,714 -15.3% 381 (3.7%) 369 3.3% Non-urgent

Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



Concord Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Non-urgent

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 2,631 patients

ED Transfer of care time

Median time

13 minutes

13 minutes

19 minutes

4 minutes

407

9,194

9,481

8,930

369

9,567

9,479

381

Same period Change since

10,422

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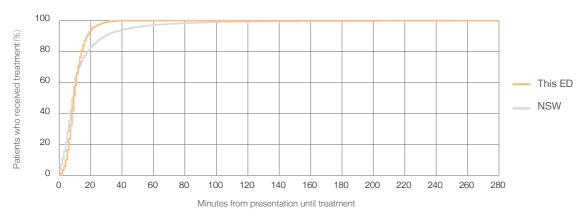
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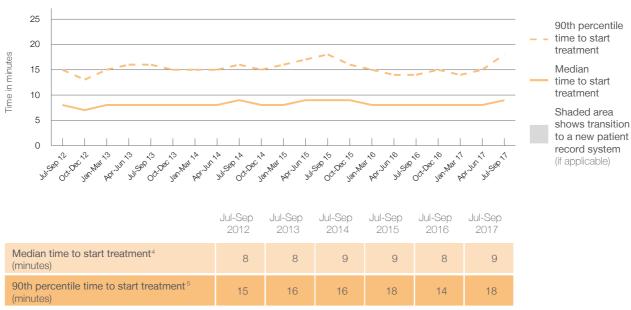
Concord Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)		Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 1,222			
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,212			
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes			9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	18 minutes	14 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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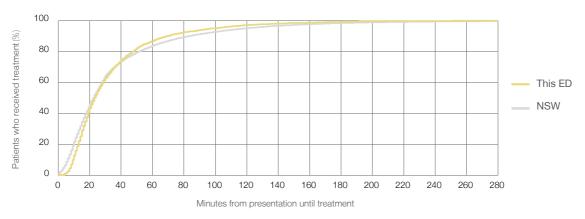
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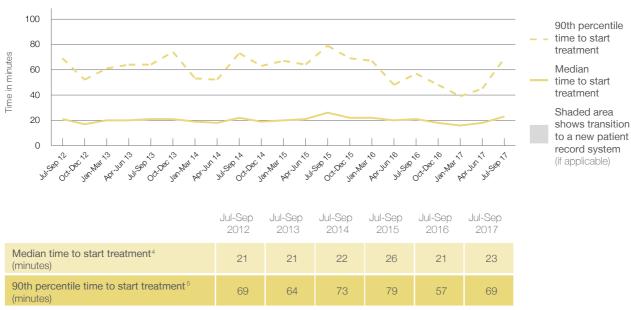
Concord Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)			NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 4,757			
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 4,591			
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 23 minutes			23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 69 minutes			83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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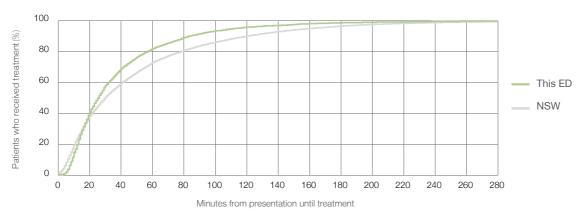
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Concord Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 3,994	4,714	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3,730	4,454	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 26 minutes		30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 84 minutes	82 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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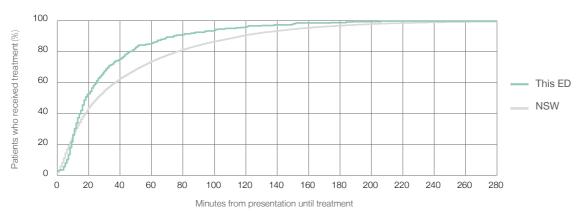
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Concord Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 381	369	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 317	307	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 18 minutes		26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 74 minutes	83 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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Concord Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

Median time spent in the ED 8

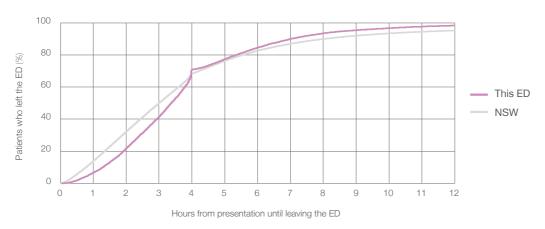
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7 hours and 1 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED 9

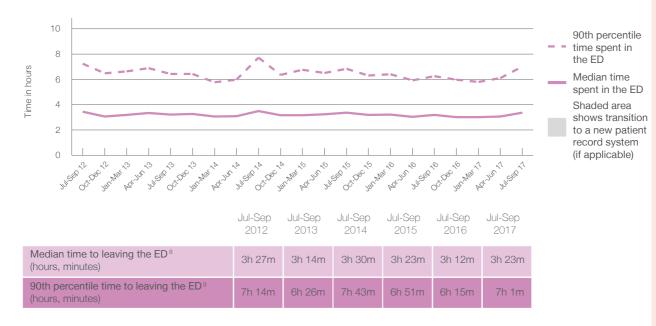


Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



3 hours and 23 minutes

Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017

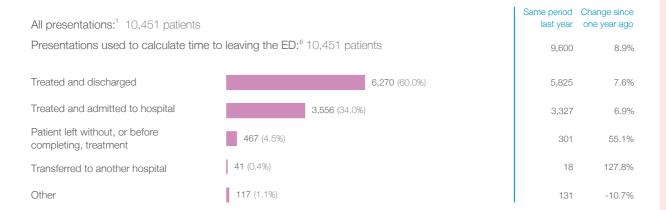


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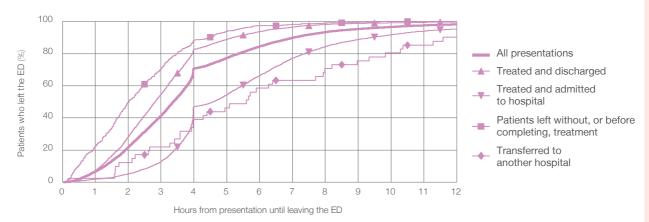
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Concord Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation July to September 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	7.2%	28.2%	54.9%	82.7%	93.8%	98.2%	99.3%	99.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.9%	5.1%	12.9%	47.1%	66.4%	84.4%	91.8%	95.4%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	22.3%	49.7%	70.7%	88.4%	97.4%	99.1%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	2.4%	12.2%	22.0%	39.0%	58.5%	70.7%	80.5%	90.2%
All presentations	6.6%	21.8%	41.6%	70.8%	84.6%	93.4%	96.7%	98.3%

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Concord Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 10,451 patients

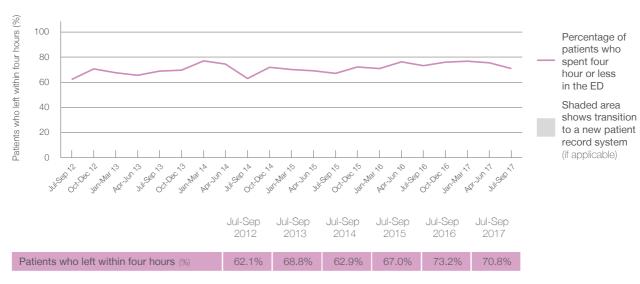
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Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

70.8%

Same period	Change since
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73.2%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



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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 17 October 2017).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 October 2017).

Same period Change since

NSW

Same period

Gosford Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 17,749 patients	16,429	8.0%
Emergency presentations: ² 17,631 patients	16,324	8.0%

Gosford Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,238 patients	2,230	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	6 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 23 minutes	22 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 6,986 patients	6,799	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 24 minutes	24 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 92 minutes	85 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 7,700 patients	6,614	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 42 minutes	39 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	125 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 496 patients	447	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	26 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	116 minutes	118 minutes

Gosford Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 17,735 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
four hours or less in the ED	63.2%

Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
16,429	7.9%
62.4%	

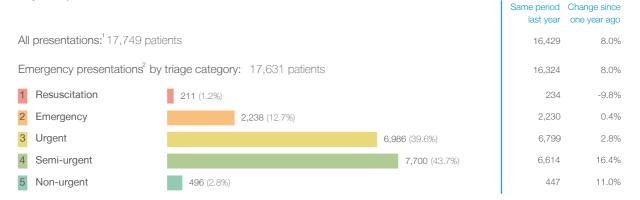
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- 5. The 90th percentile is the time by which 90% of patients started treatment. The final 10% of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
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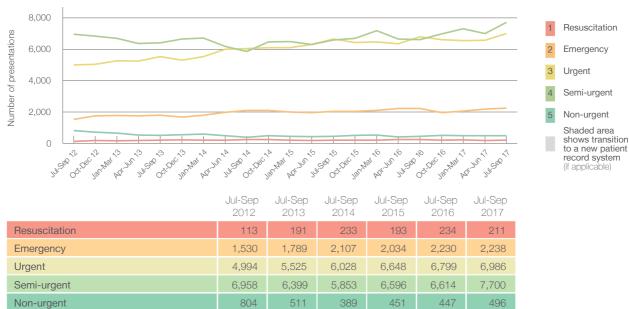
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Gosford Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



14,415 14,610

15,922

16,324

17,631

Same period Change since

14,399

Gosford Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

			last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	sfer of care time: 7 5,207 pa	atients	4,835	
ED Transfer of care time				
Median time	11 minutes		10 minutes	1 minute
90th percentile time		74 minutes	72 minutes	2 minutes

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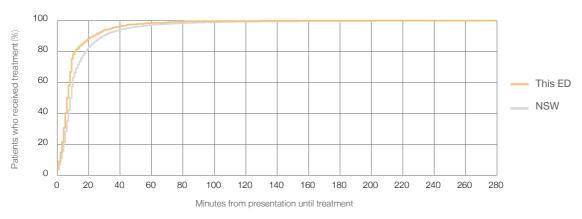
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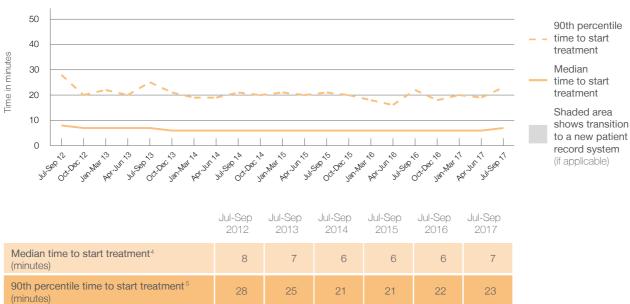
Gosford Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,238	2,230	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,233	2,224	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	6 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 23 minutes	22 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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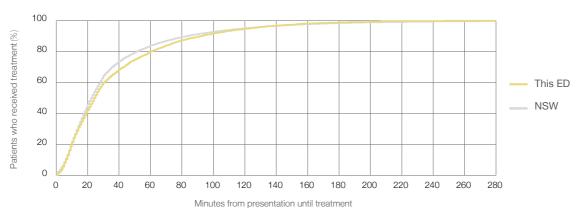
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Gosford Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 6,986	6,799	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 6,866	6,678	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 24 minutes	24 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 92 minutes	85 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 **



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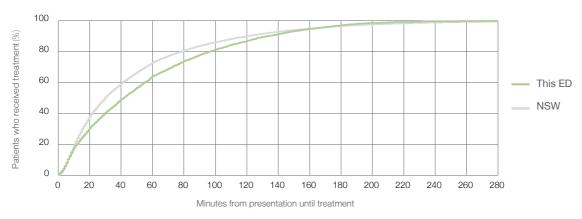
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Gosford Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)			(this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 7,700			
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 7,208			
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 42 minutes		39 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	134 minutes	125 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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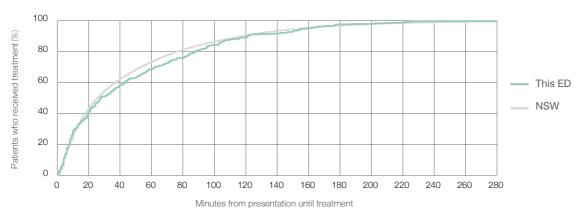
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Gosford Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 496	447	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 387	366	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	26 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 122 minutes	116 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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7 hours and 2 minutes

Gosford Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

90th percentile time spent in the ED 9

All presentations: 17,749 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 17,735 patients

Median time spent in the ED 8 3 hours and 23 minutes

Same period NSW (this period)

16,429

16,429

3 hours and 21 minutes

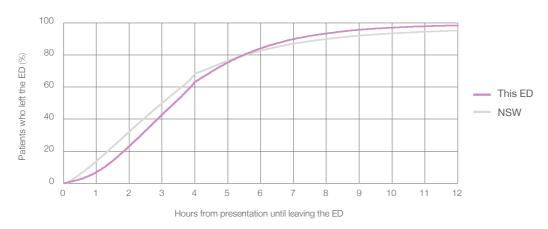
7 hours and 5 minutes

NSW (this period)

3 hours and 0 minutes

8 hours and 2 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



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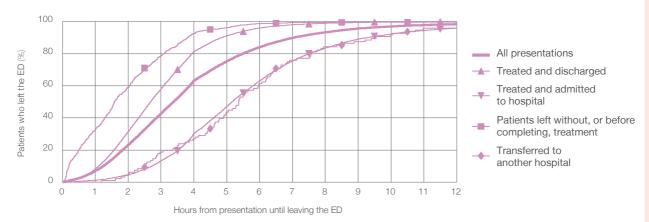
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Gosford Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation July to September 2017

All presentations: ¹ 17,749 patients		Same period last year	Change since one year ago	
Presentations used to calculate time to	leaving the ED: ⁶ 17,735 patients	16,429	7.9%	
Treated and discharged	10,412 (58.7%)	9,327	11.6%	
Treated and admitted to hospital	6,386 (36.0%)	6,322	1.0%	
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	784 (4.4%)	616	27.3%	
Transferred to another hospital	96 (0.5%)	110	-12.7%	
Other	71 (0.4%)	54	31.5%	

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	8.4%	31.6%	58.2%	81.3%	96.0%	99.0%	99.7%	99.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.2%	4.6%	13.3%	30.3%	63.2%	83.5%	92.2%	96.0%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	32.7%	58.8%	78.8%	92.6%	98.7%	99.5%	99.6%	99.7%
Transferred to another hospital	0%	4.2%	18.8%	27.1%	61.5%	84.4%	91.7%	95.8%
All presentations	7.1%	23.1%	42.9%	63.2%	84.1%	93.4%	97.0%	98.4%

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Gosford Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 117,749 patients

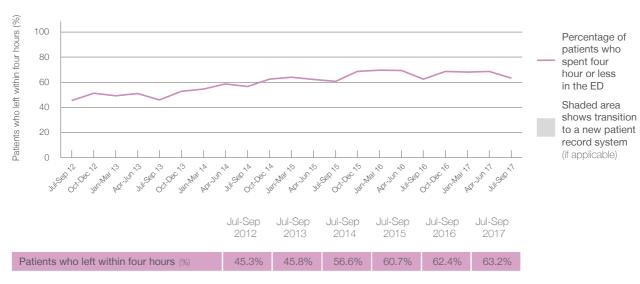
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 17,735 patients

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

63.2%

	Change since one year ago
16,429	8.0%
16,429	7.9%
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Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



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- 5. The 90th percentile is the time by which 90% of patients started treatment. The final 105% of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
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NSW

Same period Change since

Same period

John Hunter Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 20,698 patients	19,453	6.4%
Emergency presentations: ² 20,527 patients	19,233	6.7%

John Hunter Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 1,792 patients	1,792	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	7 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	24 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 4,861 patients	5,170	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 24 minutes	24 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 10,803 patients	9,699	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 43 minutes	36 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	122 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 2,980 patients	2,431	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 48 minutes	33 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	120 minutes	118 minutes

John Hunter Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 20,698 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
four hours or less in the ED	54.3%

	one year ago
19,453	6.4%
64.3%	

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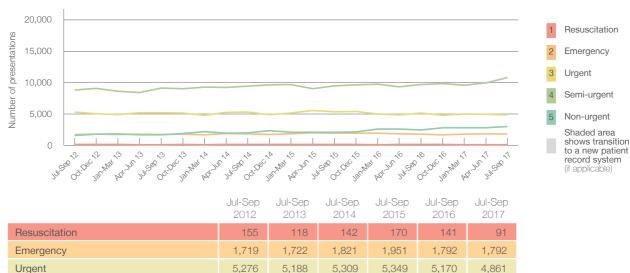
Same period Change since

John Hunter Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017

			last year	ono your ago
All presentations: 20,698 patients				6.4%
ergency presentations ² by	19,233	6.7%		
Resuscitation	91 (0.4%)		141	-35.5%
Emergency	1,792 (8.7%)		1,792	0.0%
Urgent	4,861 (23.7%)		5,170	-6.0%
Semi-urgent		10,803 (52.6%)	9,699	11.4%
Non-urgent	2,980 (14.5%)		2,431	22.6%
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Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



9,102

17,810

9,455

19,009

9,429

1.982

18,683

10,803

2,980

Same period Change since

20.527

9,699

19.233

John Hunter Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

8,824

1.550

17,524

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 5,193 patients

ED Transfer of care time

Median time

12 minutes

11 minutes

1 minutes

29 minutes

5 minutes

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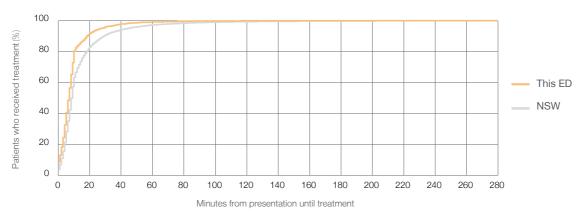
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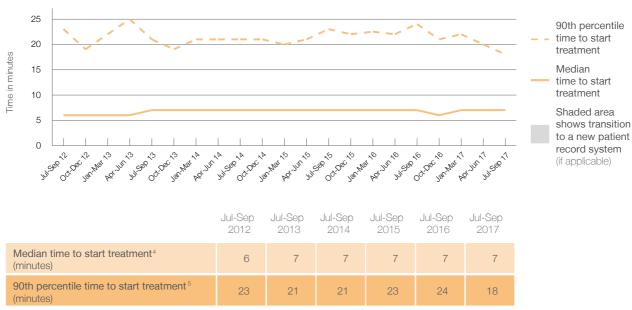
John Hunter Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 1,792	1,792	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,779	1,784	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	7 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 18 minutes	24 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017



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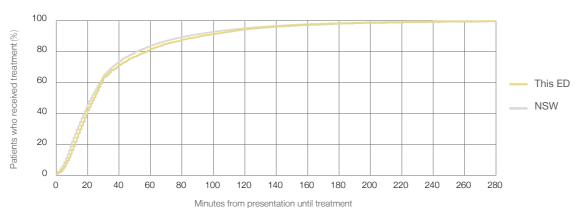
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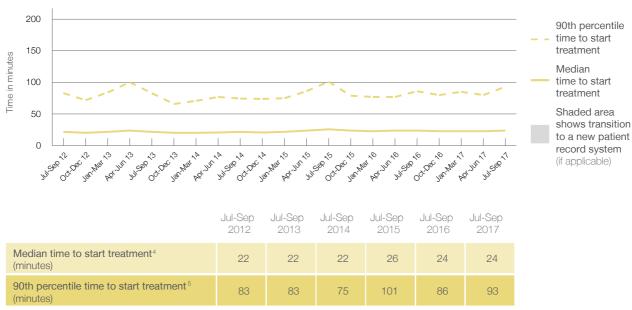
John Hunter Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 4,861	5,170	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 4,708	5,067	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 24 minutes	24 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 93 minutes	86 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 **



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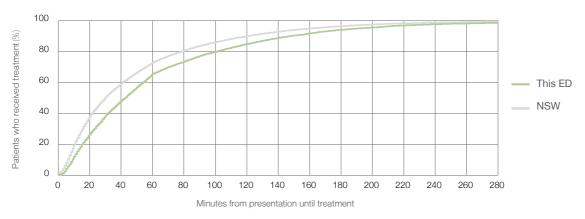
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John Hunter Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)				NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 10,803				
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 9,495				
Median time to start treatment ⁴	43 minutes		36 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		148 minutes	122 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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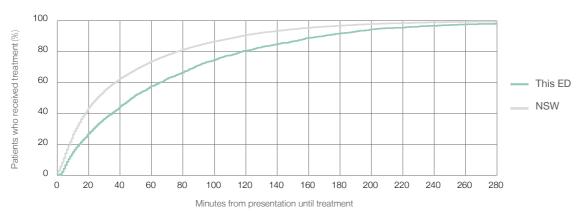
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John Hunter Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)				NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 2,980				
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,320				
Median time to start treatment ⁴	48 minutes		33 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		169 minutes	120 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017



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8 hours and 49 minutes

John Hunter Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

90th percentile time spent in the ED 9

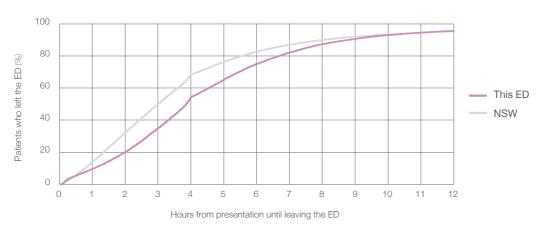
All presentations: ¹ 20,698 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ 20,698 patients

Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 52 minutes

(this period)	Same period last year	
	19,453	
	19,453	
3 hours and 0 minutes	3 hours and 19 minutes	
8 hours and 2 minutes	7 hours and 21 minutes	

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



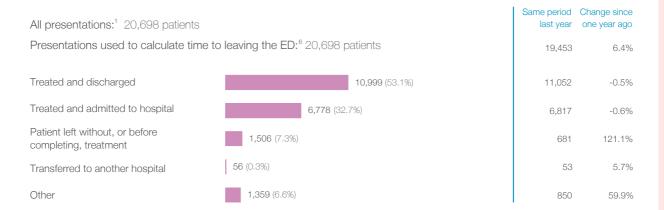
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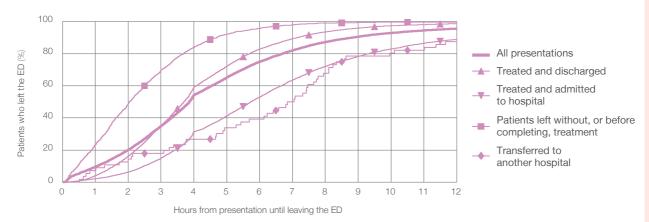
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John Hunter Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation July to September 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	4.0%	16.2%	35.1%	59.1%	82.9%	93.6%	97.4%	98.7%
Treated and admitted to hospital	2.1%	6.3%	15.0%	31.3%	53.0%	72.1%	82.9%	89.0%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	23.3%	48.9%	69.7%	83.9%	95.8%	99.1%	99.6%	99.7%
Transferred to another hospital	7.1%	14.3%	17.9%	26.8%	39.3%	67.9%	80.4%	87.5%
All presentations	9.6%	20.1%	35.0%	54.3%	75.0%	87.3%	92.9%	95.6%

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John Hunter Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 20,698 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 20,698 patients

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



	Change since one year ago
19,453	6.4%
19,453	6.4%
64.3%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 14



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Note: Presentation time is the earlier of times recorded for the start of clerical registration or the triage process.

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Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 October 2017).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 October 2017).

Same period Change since

NSW

Same period

Liverpool Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: ¹ 22,555 patients	20,752	8.7%
Emergency presentations: ² 22,453 patients	20,429	9.9%

Liverpool Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 4,566 patients	3,482	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 8 minutes	9 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 35 minutes	31 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 11,445 patients	10,820	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 18 minutes	16 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 71 minutes	57 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 5,143 patients	4,946	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 21 minutes	17 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 81 minutes	67 minutes	121 minutes
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Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,141 patients	1,028	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	14 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 70 minutes	67 minutes	118 minutes

Liverpool Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to le	eaving the ED:° 22,553 patients
Percentage of patients who spent	
four hours or less in the ED	51.2%

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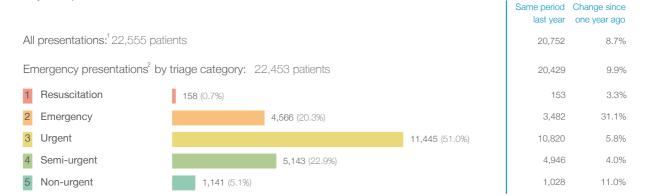
Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
20,751	8.7%
53.2%	

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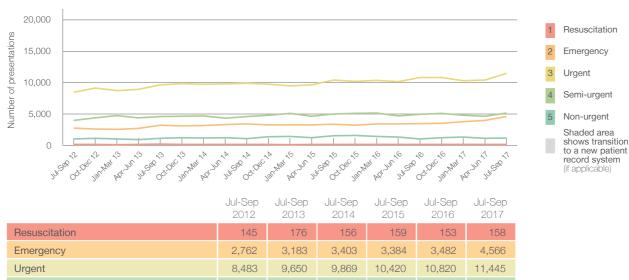
Note: Presentation time is the earlier time recorded for clerical registration or the triage process. Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care relevant to the patient's presenting problems.

Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 October 2017).

Liverpool Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department July to September 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



3,947

16,372

4,567

1.112

18,688

5,006

1.521

20,490

4,560

19,060

5,143

1,141

Same period Change since

22,453

4,946

20,429

Liverpool Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate tran	sfer of care time: 7 6,844 patients	6,890	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	17 minutes	13 minutes	4 minutes
90th percentile time	64 minutes	39 minutes	25 minutes

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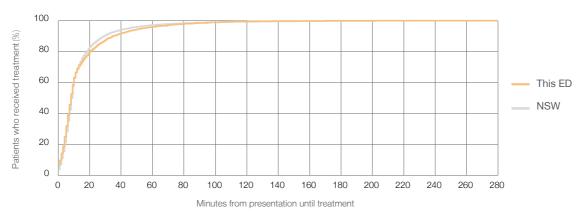
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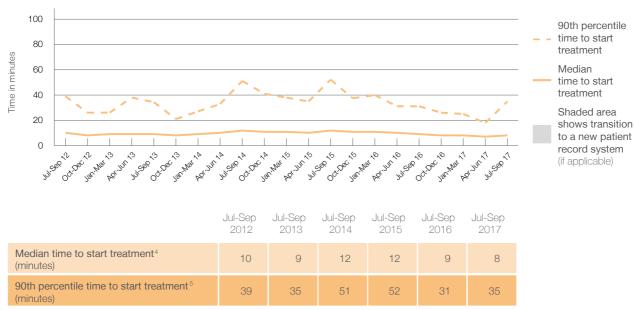
Liverpool Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, s	severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 4,566		3,482	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate	ulate waiting time:3 4,538	3,455	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	8 minutes	9 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	35 minutes	31 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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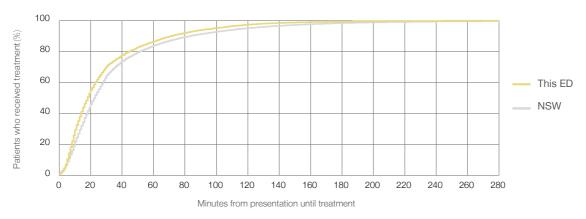
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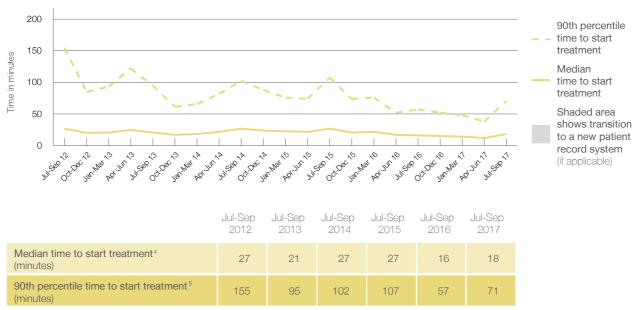
Liverpool Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 11,445	10,820	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 11,021	10,500	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 18 minutes	16 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 71 minutes	57 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 **



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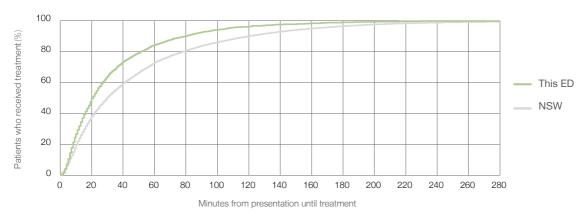
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Liverpool Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 5,143	4,946	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 4,663	4,477	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 21 minutes	17 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 81 minutes	67 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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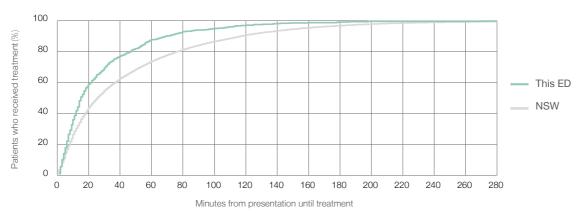
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Liverpool Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,141	1,028	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 900	814	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 15 minutes	14 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 70 minutes	67 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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Liverpool Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

All presentations: ¹ 22,555 patients

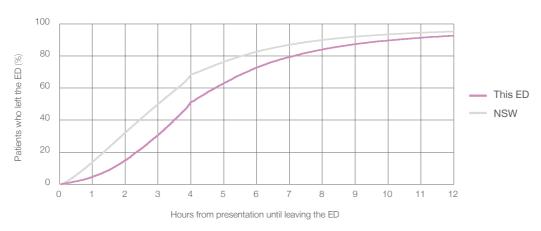
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ 22,553 patients

Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 58 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ 10 hours and 13 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	20,752
	20,751
3 hours and 0 minutes	3 hours and 53 minutes
8 hours and 2 minutes	10 hours and 56 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



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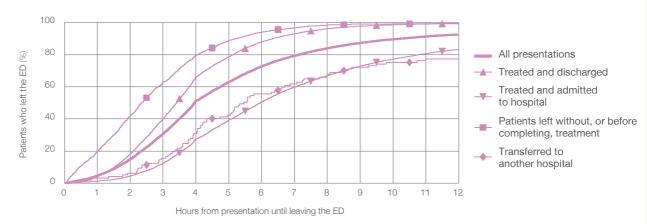
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Liverpool Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation July to September 2017

All presentations: ¹ 22,555 patients		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Presentations used to calculate time	20,751	8.7%	
Treated and discharged	10,726 (47.6%)	8,663	23.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	9,459 (41.9%)	10,086	-6.2%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	2,104 (9.3%)	1,762	19.4%
Transferred to another hospital	97 (0.4%)	81	19.8%
Other	169 (0.7%)	160	5.6%

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	4.1%	18.3%	40.2%	66.2%	88.1%	96.2%	98.6%	99.4%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.2%	4.5%	12.4%	27.5%	50.6%	66.9%	77.2%	83.4%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	19.6%	42.0%	62.5%	79.6%	94.1%	98.4%	99.2%	99.4%
Transferred to another hospital	3.1%	6.2%	15.5%	30.9%	55.7%	67.0%	75.3%	77.3%
All presentations	4.6%	15.0%	30.8%	51.2%	72.8%	84.0%	89.6%	92.6%

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Liverpool Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

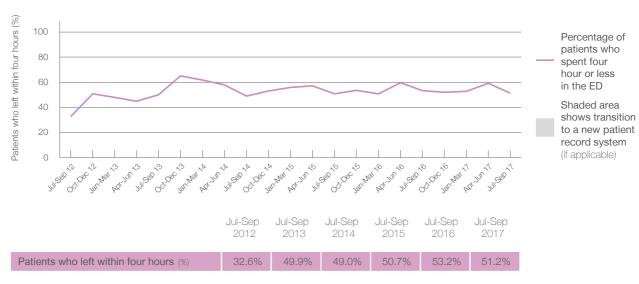
All presentations at the emergency department: 122,555 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 22,553 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 51.2%

	Change since one year ago
20,752	8.7%
20,751	8.7%
53.2%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 14



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Same period Change since

NSW

Same period

$\textbf{Nepean Hospital:} \ \textbf{Emergency department} \ (\textbf{ED}) \ \textbf{overview}$

July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 18,747 patients	17,046	10.0%
Emergency presentations: ² 18,603 patients	16,905	10.0%

Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 3,028 patients	2,633	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 14 minutes	11 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 59 minutes	51 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 5,398 patients 45 minutes	5,005	
Median time to start treatment	30 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 162 minutes	145 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 8,225 patients	7,332	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	32 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 163 minutes	144 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,823 patients	1,836	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 38 minutes	35 minutes	26 minutes

Nepean Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 18,745 patients

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Percentage of patients who spent		55.4%
four hours or less in the ED		55.470

Change since one year ago	1	
10.1%	17,018	
	52.7%	

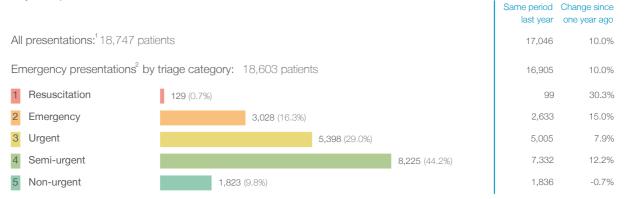
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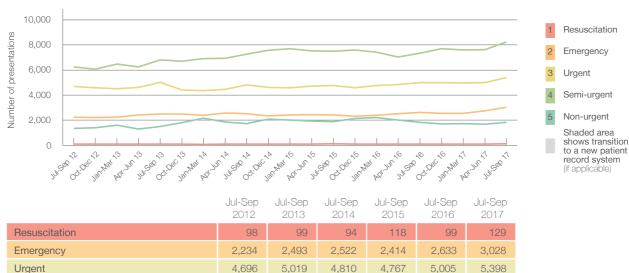
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Nepean Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



6,812

1,489

15,912

7,268

16,427

7,501

16.686

7,332

1,836

16,905

8,225

1,823

18,603

Same period Change since

6,252

14,630

Nepean Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

			last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 75,120 patients			5,034	
ED Transfer of care time				
Median time	14 minutes		12 minutes	2 minutes
90th percentile time		45 minutes	31 minutes	14 minutes

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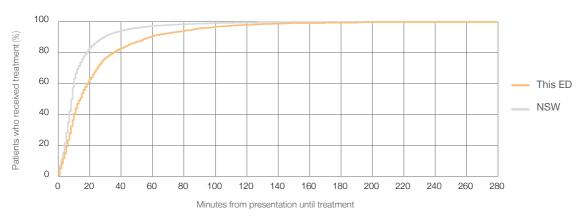
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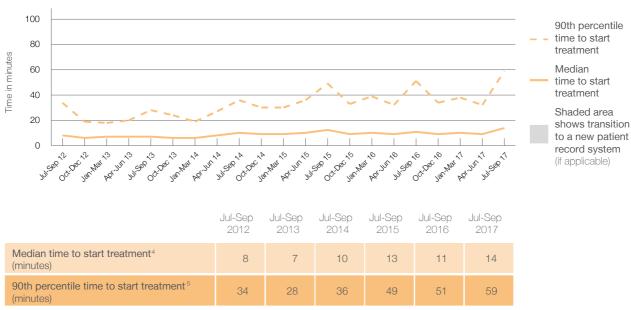
Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 3,028	2,633	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,990		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 14 minutes	11 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 59 minutes	51 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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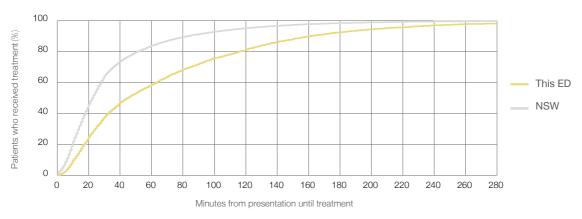
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)			Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 5,398			5,005	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 4,983			4,687	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	45 minutes		30 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		162 minutes	145 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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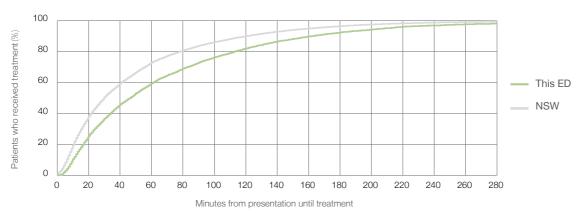
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)			NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 8,225			
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 7,379			
Median time to start treatment ⁴	47 minutes	32 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	163 minutes	144 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017



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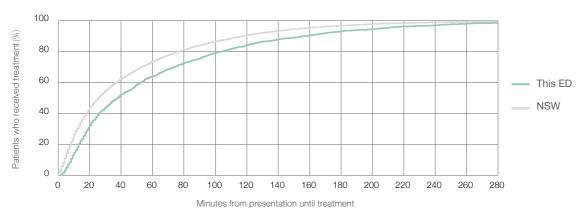
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)			NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,823			
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,488			
Median time to start treatment ⁴	38 minutes	35 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	158 minutes	137 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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Nepean Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

All presentations: 18,747 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 18,745 patients

Median time spent in the ED 3 3 hours and 49 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 11 hours and 3 minutes

Same period NSW (this period)

17,046

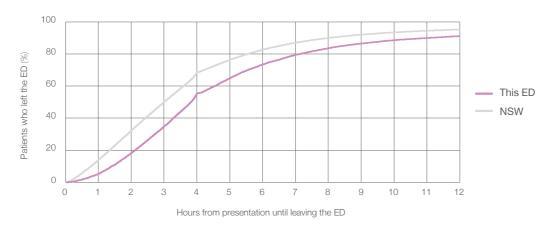
17,018

3 hours and 55 minutes

11 hours and 8 minutes

8 hours and 2 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



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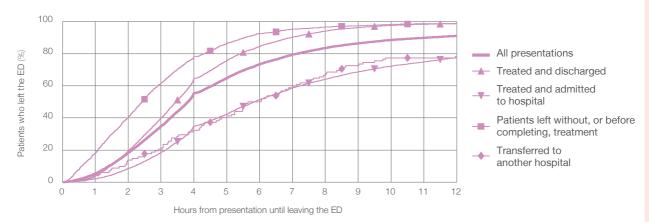
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation July to September 2017

All presentations: ¹ 18,747 patients		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Presentations used to calculate time to	leaving the ED: ⁶ 18,745 patients	17,018	10.1%
Treated and discharged	9,818 (52.4%)	8,122	20.9%
Treated and admitted to hospital	6,676 (35.6%)	7,084	-5.8%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	1,838 (9.8%)	1,683	9.2%
Transferred to another hospital	102 (0.5%)	72	41.7%
Other	313 (1.7%)	85	268.2%

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	4.0%	19.5%	40.0%	64.6%	84.6%	94.1%	97.6%	98.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	2.1%	8.5%	18.5%	34.8%	51.4%	64.2%	72.2%	77.4%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	18.2%	40.7%	61.8%	78.3%	92.4%	96.6%	98.3%	98.8%
Transferred to another hospital	3.9%	13.7%	20.6%	32.4%	50.0%	66.7%	77.5%	78.4%
All presentations	5.4%	18.3%	34.9%	55.4%	73.4%	83.6%	88.5%	91.1%

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Nepean Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or le

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 18,747 patients

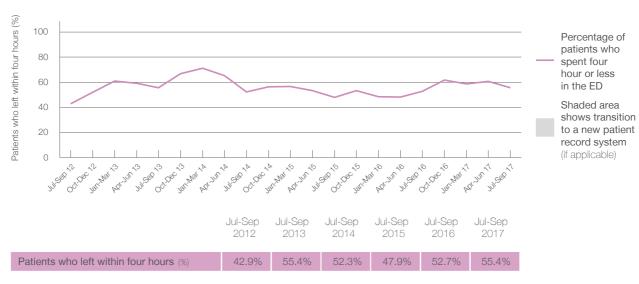
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:⁶ 18,745 patients

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



	Change since one year ago
17,046	10.0%
17,018	10.1%
52.7%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



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Note: Presentation time is the earlier of times recorded for the start of clerical registration or the triage process.

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Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 October 2017).

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Same period Change since

Same period

Prince of Wales Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 14,498 patients	13,920	4.2%
Emergency presentations: ² 13,842 patients	13,108	5.6%

Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 1,246 patients	1,222	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	8 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 27 minutes	24 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 7,483 patients	7,000	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 21 minutes	20 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 77 minutes	65 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,514 patients	4,286	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	18 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 94 minutes	83 minutes	121 minutes
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Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 374 patients	394	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	24 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	136 minutes	118 minutes

Prince of Wales Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 14,491 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
	61.8%
four hours or less in the ED	011070

Change since	Same period	
one year ago	last year	
4.1%	13,917	
	65.0%	

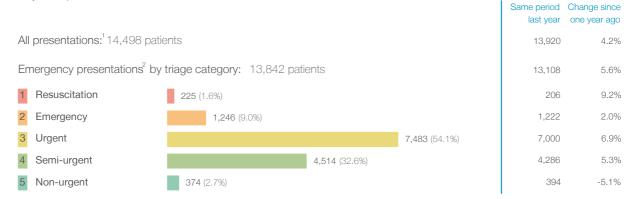
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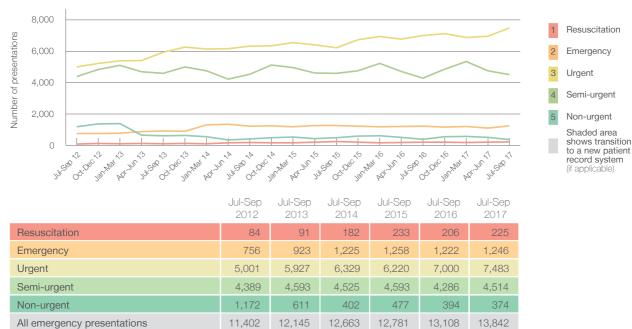
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Prince of Wales Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



Prince of Wales Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2017

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 3,604 patients

ED Transfer of care time

Median time

12 minutes

51 minutes

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3,521

10 minutes

2 minutes

24 minutes

Same period Change since

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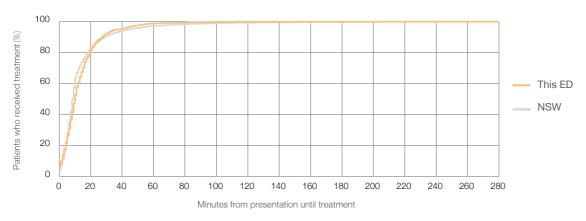
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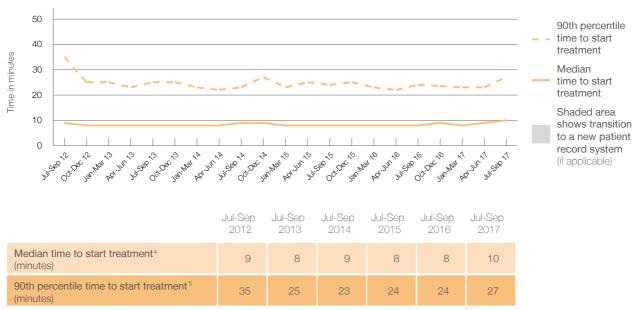
Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 1,246	1,222	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,216	1,208	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 10 minutes	8 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 27 minutes	24 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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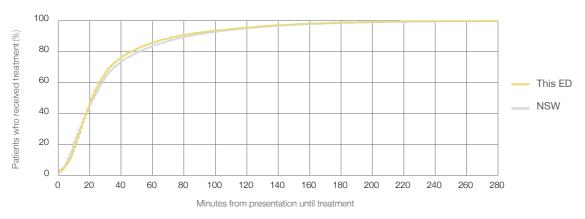
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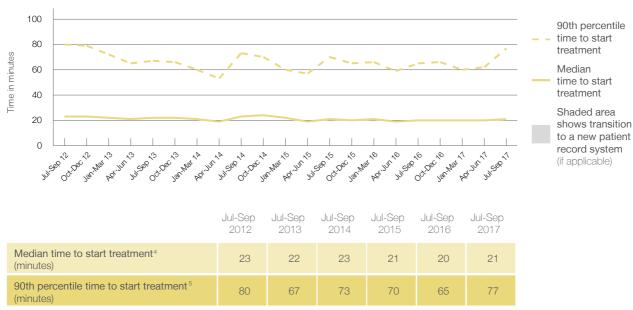
Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 7,483	7,000	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 7,351	6,898	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 21 minutes	20 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 77 minutes	65 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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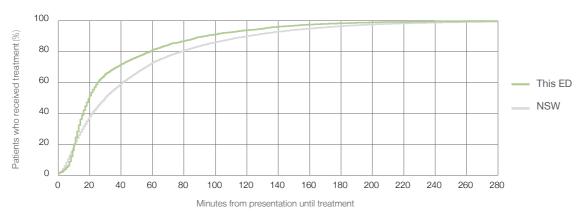
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Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 4,514	4,286	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 4,349	4,157	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	18 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 94 minutes	83 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 **



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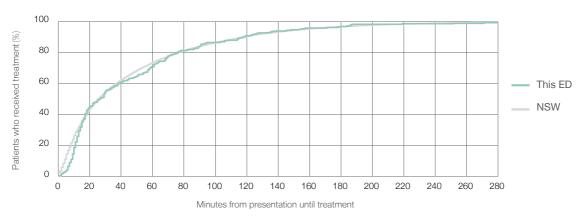
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Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 374	394	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 283	330	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	24 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	136 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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8 hours and 5 minutes

Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

All presentations: 14,498 patients

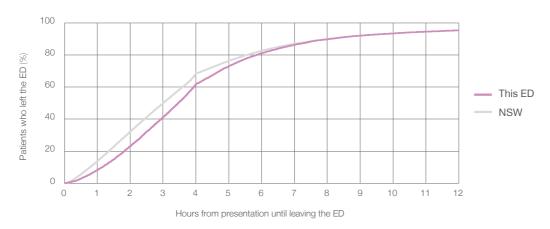
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 14,491 patients

Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 28 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED 9



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 $^{\dagger *}$



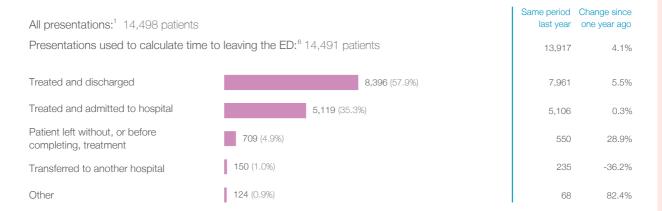
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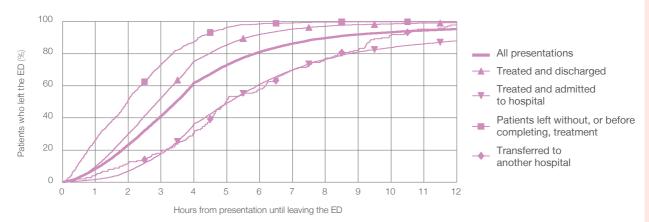
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Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation July to September 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	9.8%	30.1%	52.5%	75.2%	92.0%	97.1%	98.6%	99.3%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.6%	6.9%	17.7%	36.2%	61.1%	76.5%	83.8%	88.0%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	26.1%	51.5%	73.2%	87.4%	98.6%	99.7%	99.9%	99.9%
Transferred to another hospital	4.0%	12.0%	19.3%	30.7%	58.0%	76.7%	91.3%	98.0%
All presentations	8.4%	23.3%	41.3%	61.8%	81.1%	89.7%	93.3%	95.3%

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Prince of Wales Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 114,498 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 14,491 patients

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

61.8%

	Change since
last year	one year ago
13,920	4.2%
13,917	4.1%
65.0%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 14



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Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 October 2017).

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Same period Change since

Same period

Royal North Shore Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

July to September 2017

All presentations: 22,438 patients 20,111 11.6% Emergency presentations: 22,350 patients 19,944 12.1%

Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 4,547 patients	4,377	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 8 minutes	8 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 20 minutes	18 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 6,426 patients	5,824	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	19 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 57 minutes	51 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 8,199 patients	7,125	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	28 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 83 minutes	79 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 2,701 patients	2,180	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 32 minutes	31 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	110 minutes	118 minutes

Royal North Shore Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 22,432 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 60.3%

1	Change since one year ago
20,111	11.5%
59.3%	

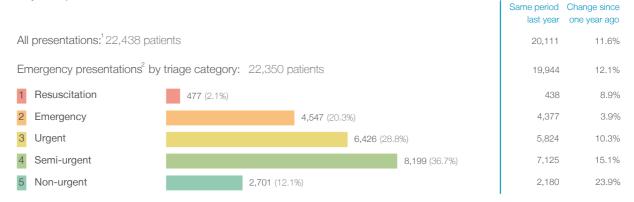
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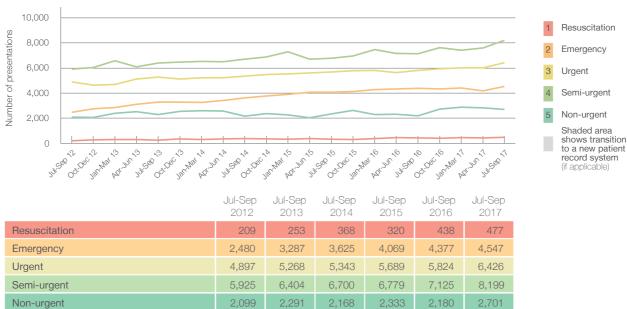
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Royal North Shore Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



Royal North Shore Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate tran	sfer of care time: 7 4,978 patients	4,593	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	14 minutes	15 minutes	-1 minute
90th percentile time	44 minutes	36 minutes	8 minutes

17,503

15.610

18,204

19,190

19,944

22.350

Same period Change since

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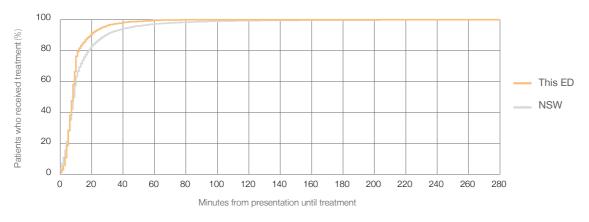
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Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 4,547	4,377	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 4,525		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 8 minutes	8 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 20 minutes	18 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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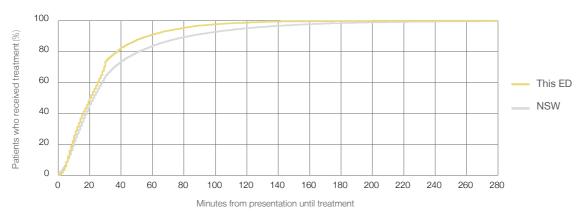
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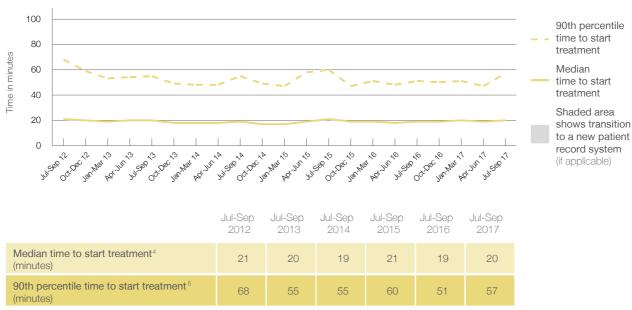
Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 6,426	5,824	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 6,328		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	19 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 57 minutes	51 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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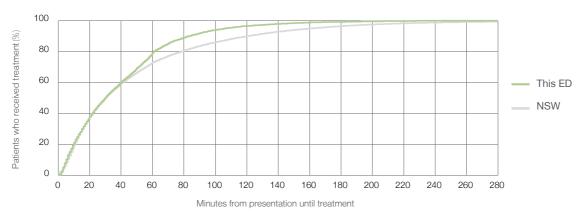
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Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 8,199	7,125	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 7,924		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	28 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 83 minutes	79 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 **



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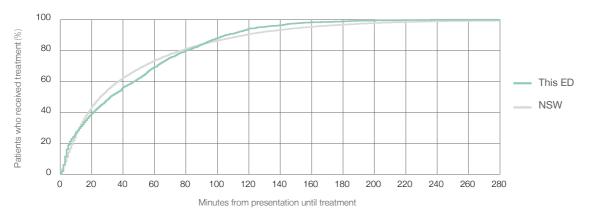
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Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 2,701	2,180	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,413		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 32 minutes	31 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 106 minutes	110 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

All presentations: 22,438 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 22,432 patients

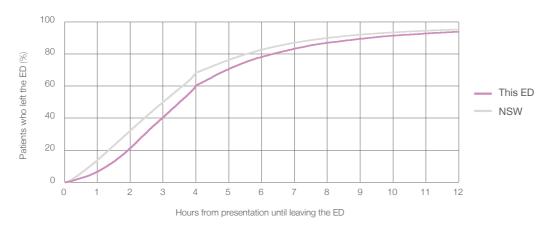
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 31 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ 9 hours and 1

9 hours and 18 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	20,111
	20,111
3 hours and 0 minutes	3 hours and 34 minutes
8 hours and 2 minutes	8 hours and 38 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



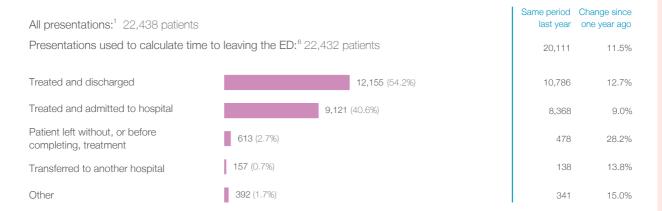
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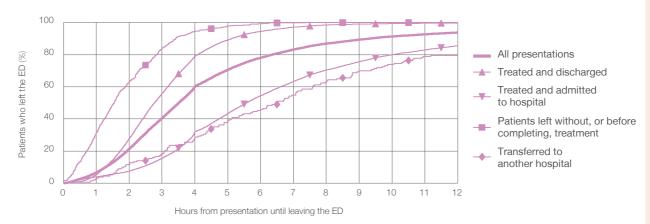
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Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation July to September 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	5.4%	27.8%	56.0%	79.1%	94.6%	98.5%	99.4%	99.7%
Treated and admitted to hospital	4.0%	7.5%	15.6%	32.0%	54.5%	70.5%	80.0%	85.6%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	31.5%	63.3%	84.0%	94.5%	99.3%	100%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	2.5%	11.5%	17.8%	28.7%	45.9%	63.7%	73.9%	79.6%
All presentations	6.6%	21.4%	40.7%	60.3%	78.1%	87.0%	91.4%	93.8%

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60.3%

Royal North Shore Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 122,438 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 22,432 patients

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

	Change since one year ago
20,111	11.6%
20,111	11.5%
59.3%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 14



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Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 October 2017).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 October 2017).

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Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 19,682 patients	18,420	6.9%
Emergency presentations: ² 19,160 patients	17,894	7.1%

Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 3,243 patients	2,744	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	11 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 26 minutes	24 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 10,367 patients	9,524	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 29 minutes	24 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 94 minutes	72 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,927 patients	5,009	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 36 minutes	32 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	109 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 474 patients	490	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 32 minutes	31 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	116 minutes	118 minutes

Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 19,680 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 60.8%

Change since	Same period
one year ago	last year
6.8%	18,420
	65.2%

Same period Change since

Same period

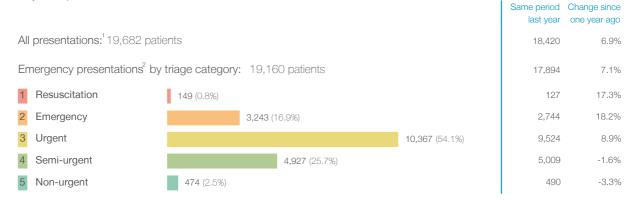
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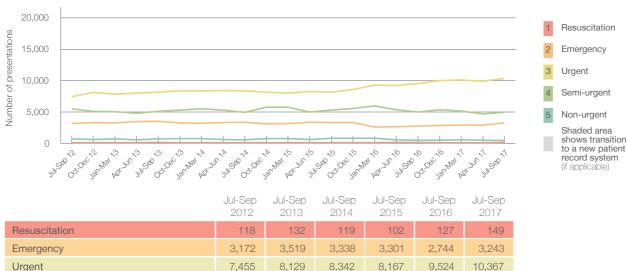
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Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



5,100

17,567

4,957

17,288

5,280

17,670

5,009

490

17,894

4,927

19,160

474

Same period Change since

Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

5,516

16,974

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

	last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 5,320 patients	5,232	
ED Transfer of care time		
Median time 17 minutes	14 minutes	3 minutes
90th percentile time 35 minutes	27 minutes	8 minutes

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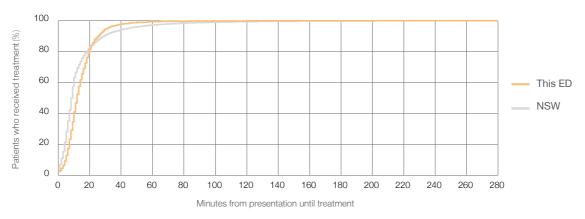
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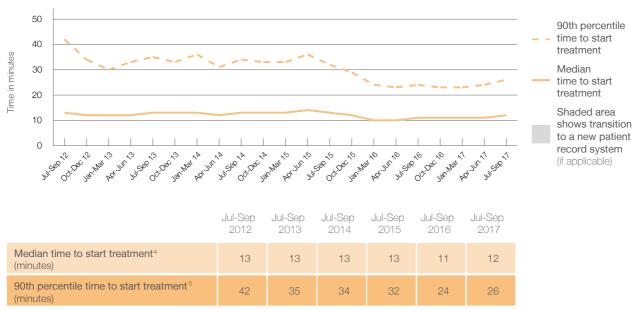
Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 3,243	2,744	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3,233	2,737	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 12 minutes	11 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 26 minutes	24 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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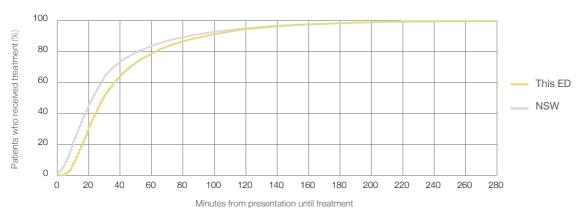
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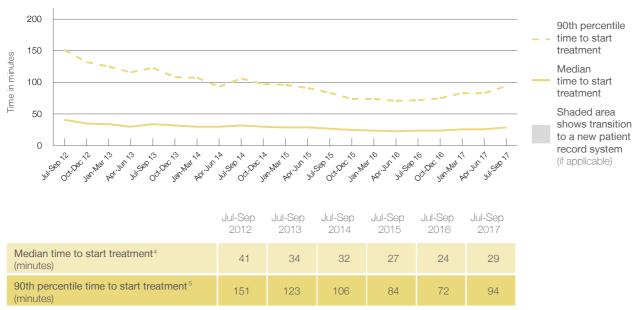
Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)			NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 10,367	9,524		
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 10,138			
Median time to start treatment ⁴	29 minutes	24 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	94 minutes	72 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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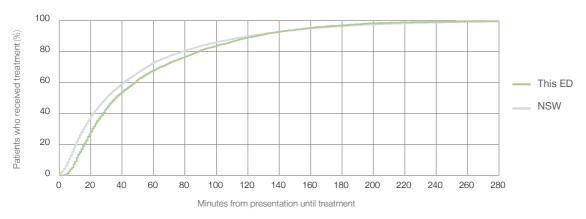
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Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 4,927	5,009	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 4,652	4,755	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 36 minutes	32 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 125 minutes	109 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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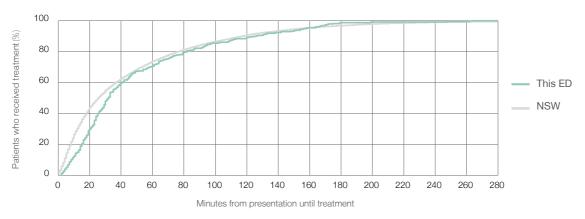
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Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 474	490	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 323	341	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 32 minutes	31 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 126 minutes	116 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017



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Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

All presentations: 19,682 patients

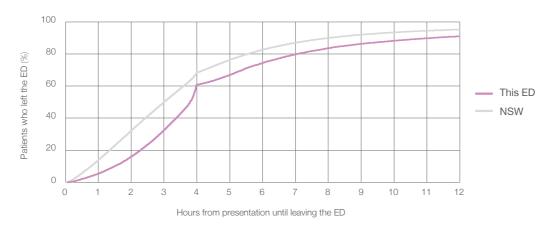
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 19,680 patients

Median time spent in the ED 3 3 hours and 48 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 11 hours and 12 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year	
	18,420	
	18,420	
3 hours and 0 minutes	3 hours and 41 minutes	
8 hours and 2 minutes	9 hours and 6 minutes	

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



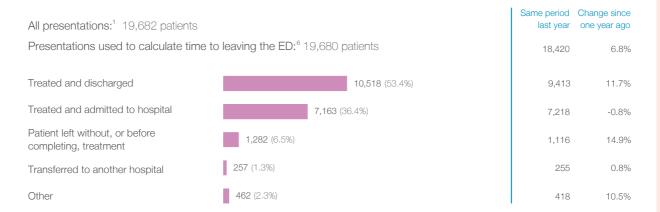
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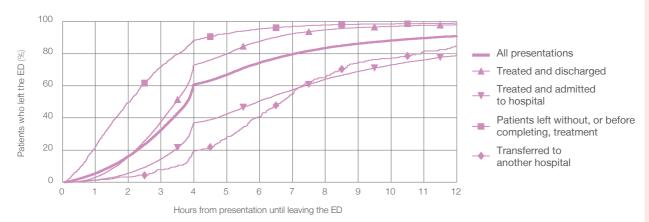
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Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation
July to September 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	3.0%	15.9%	37.8%	73.0%	87.7%	94.8%	97.1%	98.0%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.2%	5.5%	14.4%	36.9%	50.6%	64.1%	73.1%	79.0%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	22.2%	49.8%	71.8%	88.4%	95.5%	97.9%	98.6%	99.1%
Transferred to another hospital	1.2%	3.1%	7.8%	19.5%	40.5%	65.0%	77.4%	84.8%
All presentations	5.5%	16.1%	32.6%	60.8%	74.4%	83.6%	88.2%	91.0%

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Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 19,682 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 19,680 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 60.8%

	Change since one year ago
18,420	6.9%
18,420	6.8%
65.2%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 14



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Same period Change since

Same period

NSW

St George Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: ¹ 21,178 patients	19,062	11.1%
Emergency presentations: ² 21,041 patients	18,958	11.0%

St George Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,328 patients	2,565	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	10 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 32 minutes	27 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 9,251 patients	8,632	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	27 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 87 minutes	70 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 8,105 patients	6,640	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 43 minutes	35 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	85 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,178 patients	946	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 43 minutes	37 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	100 minutes	118 minutes

St George Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 21,173 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 59.3%

Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
19,062	11.1%
60.6%	

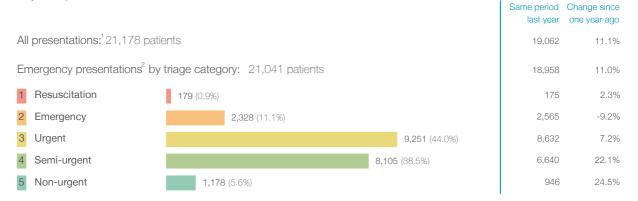
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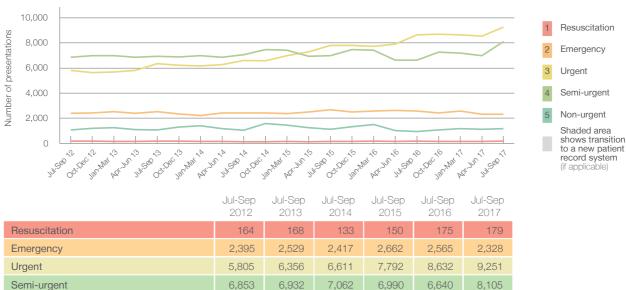
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St George Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



St George Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Non-urgent

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	sfer of care time: 7 5,533 patients	5,271	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	13 minutes	11 minutes	2 minutes
90th percentile time	37 minutes	23 minutes	14 minutes

1.064

17,049

17,276

18,710

16,277

946

18,958

1.178

Same period Change since

21,041

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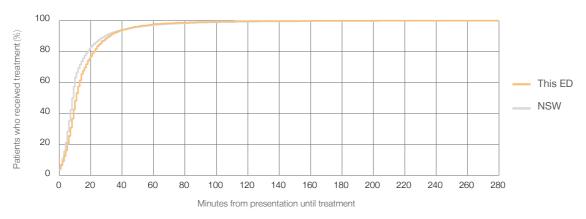
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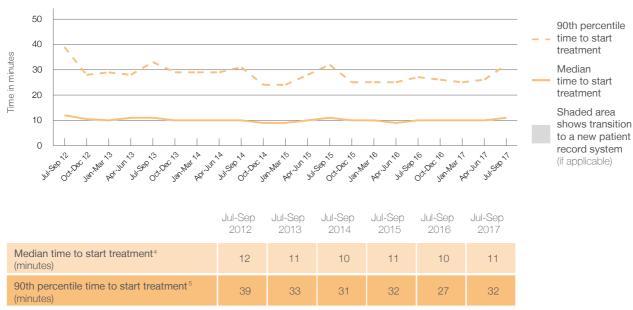
St George Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,328	2,565	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,321	2,562	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 11 minutes	10 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 32 minutes	27 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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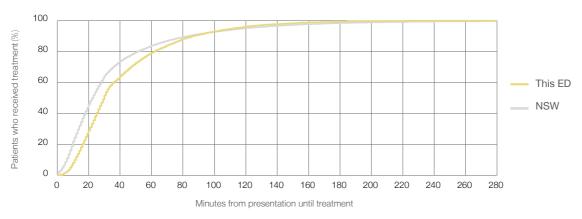
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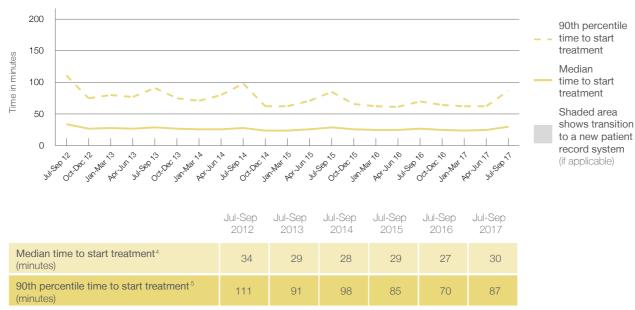
St George Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 9,251	8,632	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 9,049	8,531	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	27 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 87 minutes	70 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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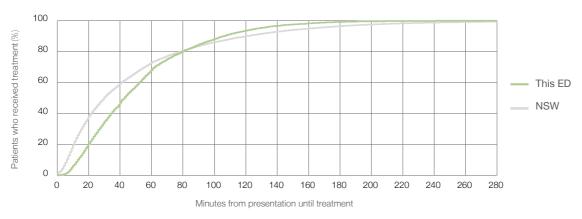
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St George Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ar	nkle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 8,105		6,640	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 7,765		6,469	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	43 minutes	35 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	106 minutes	85 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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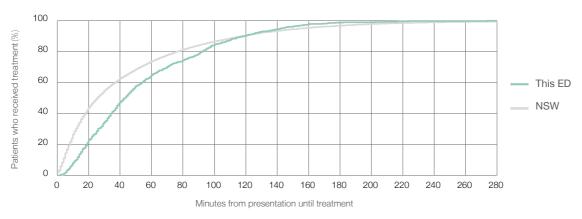
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St George Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	(this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,178	946	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 982	878	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 43 minutes	37 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 120 minutes	100 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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9 hours and 34 minutes

St George Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

90th percentile time spent in the ED 9

All presentations: 21,178 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 21,173 patients

Median time spent in the ED 8 3 hours and 38 minutes

Same period last year (this period)

19,062

19,062

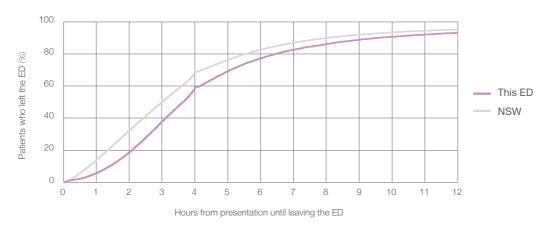
3 hours and 37 minutes

8 hours and 26 minutes

NSW (this period)

3 hours and 0 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



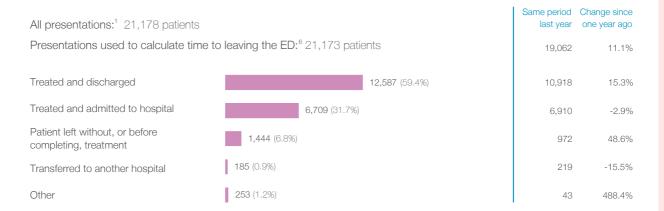
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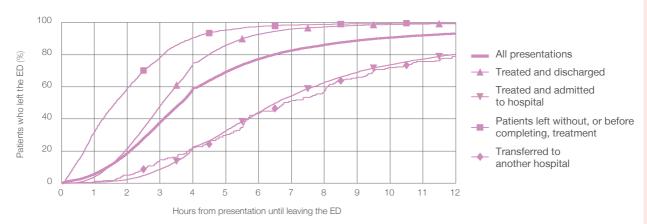
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St George Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation
July to September 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	3.9%	21.5%	48.1%	74.9%	92.7%	97.3%	98.8%	99.3%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.4%	2.3%	8.6%	23.0%	44.1%	62.8%	73.7%	80.3%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	31.9%	59.1%	78.4%	90.7%	97.5%	98.9%	99.6%	99.7%
Transferred to another hospital	0.5%	4.9%	14.6%	22.2%	43.2%	57.3%	71.9%	78.9%
All presentations	5.7%	18.6%	37.9%	59.3%	77.3%	86.2%	90.7%	93.2%

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St George Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 121,178 patients

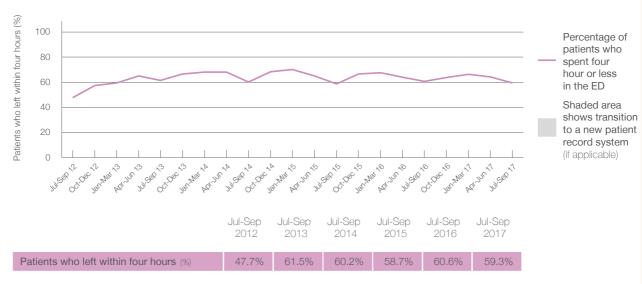
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 21,173 patients

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

59	.3%	

	Change since one year ago
19,062	11.1%
19,062	11.1%
60.6%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 14



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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 17 October 2017).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 October 2017).

St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Emergency department (ED) overview July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 11,834 patients	11,181	5.8%
Emergency presentations: ² 11,684 patients	11,049	5.7%

St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

July to September 2017

four hours or less in the ED

	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 1,533 patients	1,361	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 5 minutes	4 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	14 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 5,829 patients	5,338	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	14 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 70 minutes	60 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 3,596 patients	3,605	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	17 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	89 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 435 patients	484	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	13 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 108 minutes	107 minutes	118 minutes

St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:⁶ 11,833 patients

Percentage of patients who spent

	one year ago
11,181	5.8%
65.3%	

Same period Change since

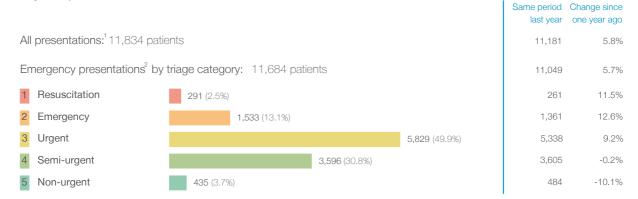
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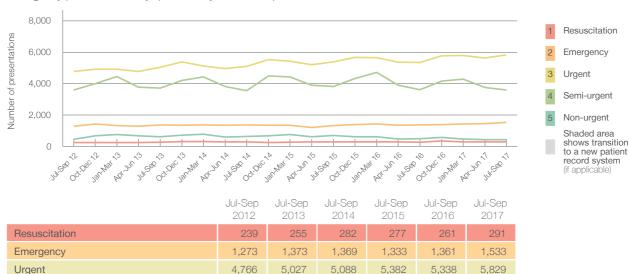
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St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 ^{‡§}



St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Patients arriving by ambulance

3,591

10,317

3,701

10,964

3,547

10,907

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

	last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 3,624 patients	3,439	
ED Transfer of care time		
Median time 14 minutes	13 minutes	1 minute
90th percentile time 38 minutes	38 minutes	0 minutes

3,605

484

11,049

3,596

435

Same period Change since

11,684

3,806

11,493

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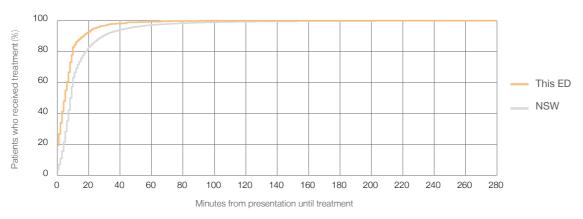
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St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 1,533	1,361	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,526	1,357	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 5 minutes	4 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 17 minutes	14 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 ***



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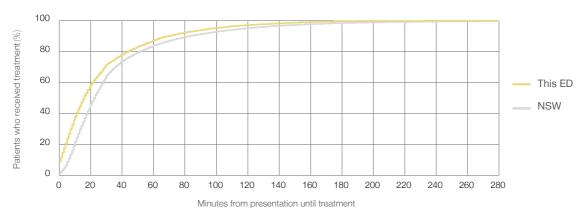
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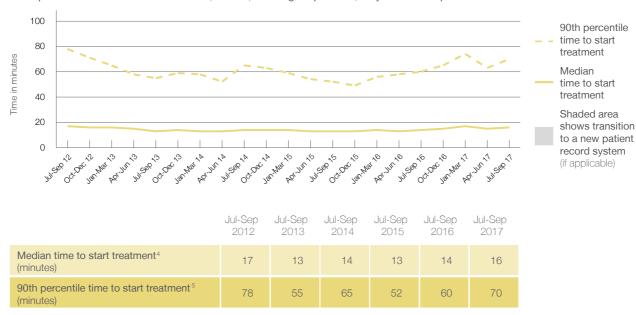
St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 5,829	5,338	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 5,646	5,162	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 16 minutes	14 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 70 minutes	60 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 ***



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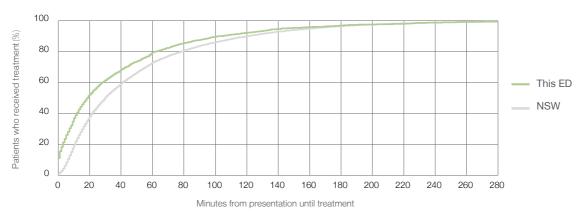
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St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 3,596	3,605	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3,107	3,176	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 19 minutes	17 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 104 minutes	89 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 ***



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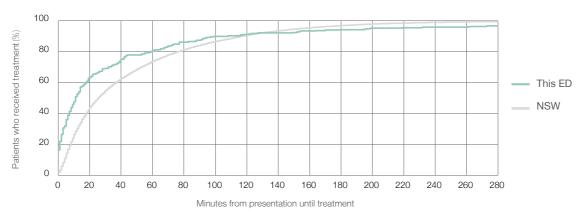
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St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 435	484	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 324	388	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	13 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 108 minutes	107 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 ***



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St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

All presentations: 11,834 patients

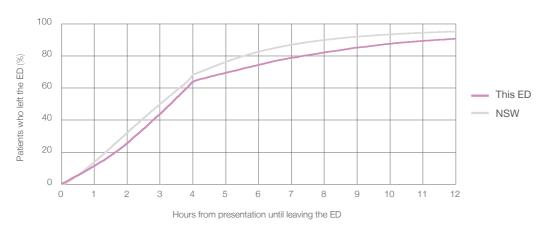
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 11,833 patients

Median time spent in the ED 3 3 hours and 19 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 11 hours and 26 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	11,181
	11,181
3 hours and 0 minutes	3 hours and 9 minutes
8 hours and 2 minutes	11 hours and 6 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 $^{\dagger \ddagger \, \$}$



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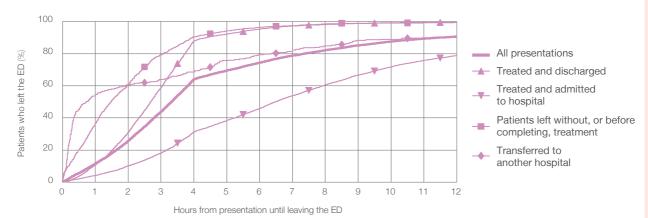
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St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation July to September 2017

Same period Change since All presentations: 11,834 patients last year one year ago Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 11,833 patients 5.8% 11.181 Treated and discharged 5,566 (47.0%) 5.145 8.2% Treated and admitted to hospital 4,937 (41.7%) 4,663 5.9% Patient left without, or before 983 (8.3%) 932 5.5% completing, treatment 300 (2.5%) 375 -20.0% Transferred to another hospital 48 (0.4%) Other 66 -27.3%

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 $^{\dagger \ddagger \, \$}$



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

Treated and discharged	10.8%	31.1%	59.0%	87.9%	95.3%	98.2%	99.4%	99.6%
Treated and admitted to hospital	4.1%	10.1%	18.2%	31.3%	45.9%	60.5%	71.8%	79.0%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	36.6%	61.0%	79.5%	90.5%	96.4%	98.6%	99.1%	99.5%
Transferred to another hospital	54.3%	60.7%	64.0%	68.7%	79.3%	85.0%	89.0%	90.3%
All presentations	11.5%	25.8%	43.9%	64.0%	74.4%	82.2%	87.6%	90.7%

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St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 111,834 patients

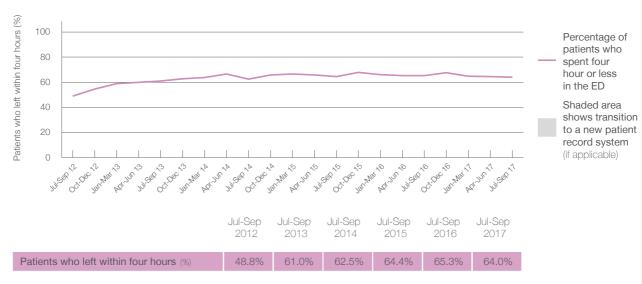
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 11,833 patients

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

64.0%

Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
11,181	5.8%
11,181	5.8%
65.3%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



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Same period Change since

NSW

Same period

Westmead Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 19,292 patients	18,660	3.4%
Emergency presentations: ² 19,093 patients	18,511	3.1%

Westmead Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 6,299 patients	6,106	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	15 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 73 minutes	80 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 6,960 patients	6,982	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	39 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	144 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,200 patients	3,846	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 47 minutes	40 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	126 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,118 patients	1,067	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 41 minutes	33 minutes	26 minutes

Westmead Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 19,288 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 50.99

	200.9		Change since one year ago
the ED:6 19,288 pat	tients	18,647	3.4%
	50.9%	56.8%	

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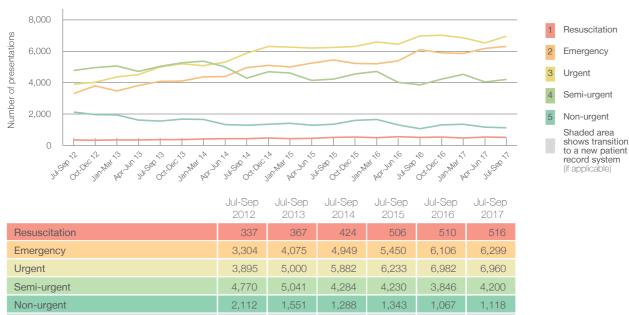
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Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 October 2017).

Westmead Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department July to September 2017

Same period Change since last year one year ago All presentations: 19,292 patients 18.660 3.4% Emergency presentations² by triage category: 19,093 patients 18,511 3.1% Resuscitation 516 (2.7%) 510 1.2% 3.2% Emergency 6,299 (33.0%) 6,106 -0.3% Urgent 6,960 (36.5%) 6.982 Semi-urgent 4,200 (22.0%) 3.846 9.2% 1,118 (5.9%) 1,067 4.8% Non-urgent

Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



Westmead Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 5,941 patients

ED Transfer of care time

Median time

13 minutes

12 minutes

1 minutes

27 minutes

0 minutes

16,034

16,827

17,762

18,511

19,093

Same period Change since

14.418

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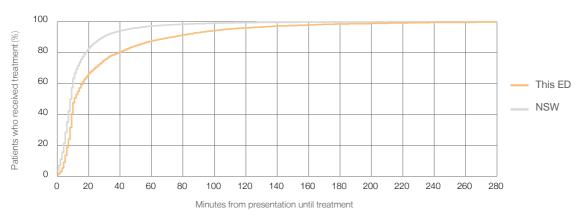
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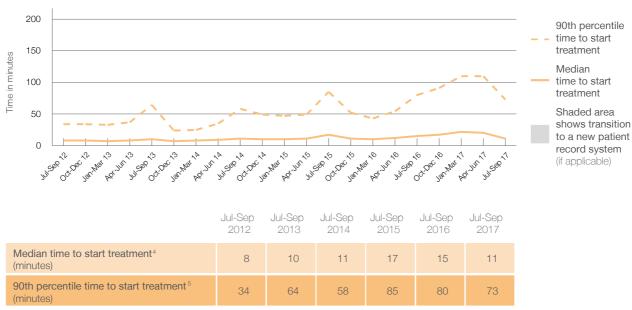
Westmead Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 6,299	6,106	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 6,135		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 11 minutes	15 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 73 minutes	80 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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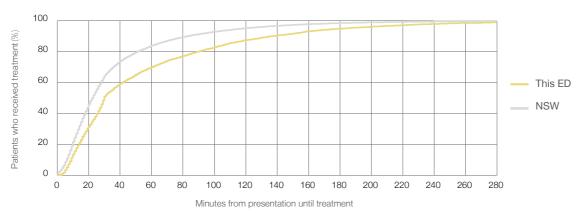
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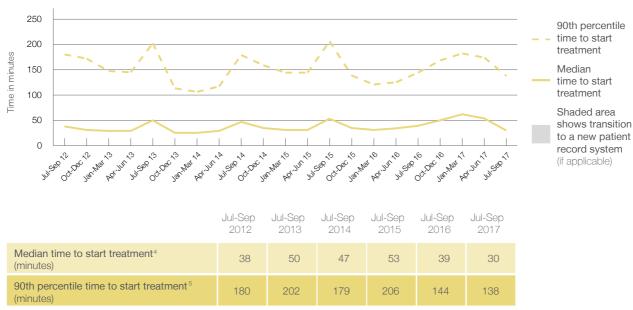
Westmead Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)			Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 6,960			6,982	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 6,435			6,404	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	30 minutes		39 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	13	38 minutes	144 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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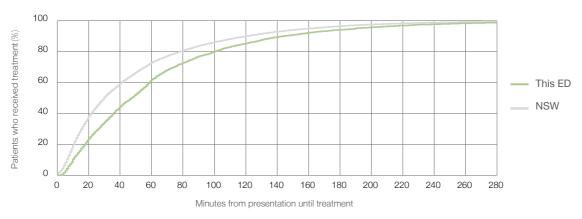
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Westmead Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)			Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 4,200				
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3,729			3,453	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	47 minutes		40 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		145 minutes	126 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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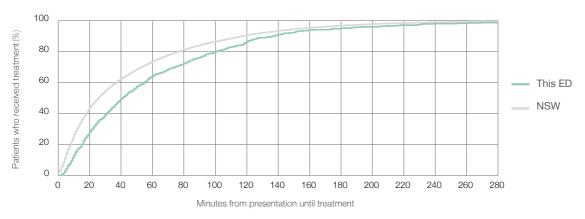
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Westmead Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)			NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,118			
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 934			
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 41 minutes		33 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	138 minutes	118 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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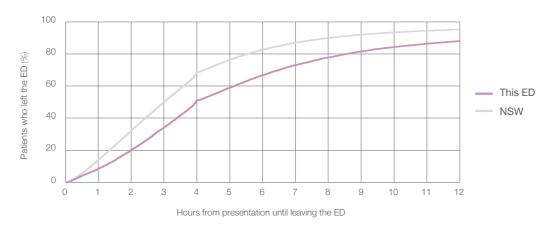
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Westmead Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



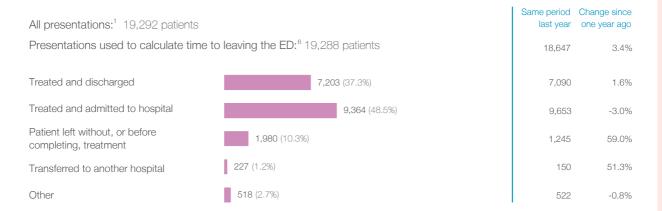
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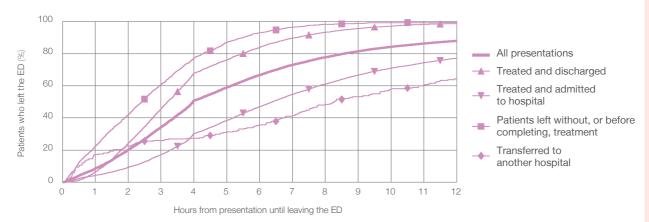
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Westmead Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation
July to September 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	6.4%	24.3%	45.7%	67.9%	84.0%	93.3%	97.2%	98.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	4.2%	9.2%	17.2%	30.3%	47.0%	61.2%	71.0%	77.3%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	22.5%	41.9%	60.9%	77.5%	93.1%	98.2%	99.3%	99.6%
Transferred to another hospital	17.2%	22.5%	26.0%	27.3%	35.7%	48.0%	58.1%	64.3%
All presentations	8.5%	20.1%	34.3%	50.9%	66.7%	77.8%	84.3%	88.0%

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Westmead Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 19,292 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 19,288 patients

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





Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 †‡



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Same period Change since

Wollongong Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 17,561 patients	15,656	12.2%
Emergency presentations: ² 17,271 patients	15,339	12.6%

Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,471 patients	2,038	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	9 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 28 minutes	24 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 7,610 patients	6,711	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 23 minutes	25 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 89 minutes	85 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 6,493 patients	5,967	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	31 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	107 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 506 patients	465	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 29 minutes	29 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	104 minutes	118 minutes

Wollongong Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:⁶ 17,561 patients

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

56.2%

	one year ago
15,656	12.2%
59.7%	

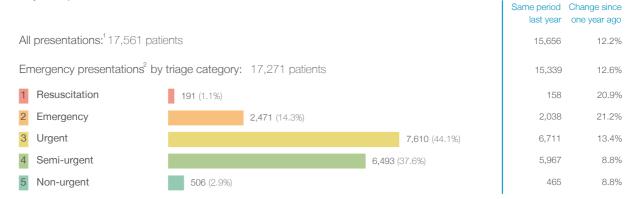
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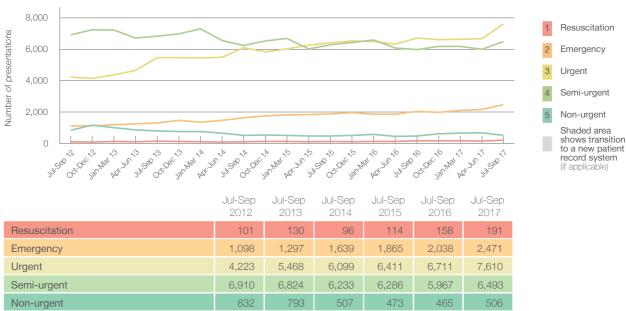
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Wollongong Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 [‡]



Wollongong Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 6,136 patients

ED Transfer of care time

Median time

14 minutes

43 minutes

12 minutes

12 minutes

12 minutes

12 minutes

14,512

14,574

15,149

15,339

17,271

Same period Change since

13,164

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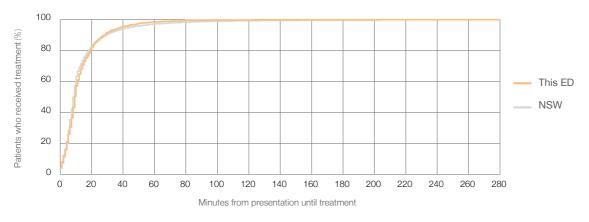
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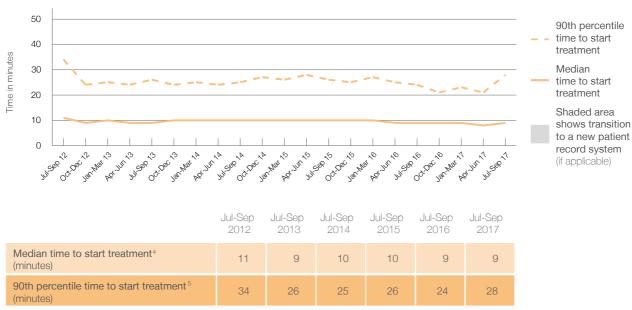
Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)		Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,471			
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,462		2,036	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	9 minutes	9 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	28 minutes	24 minutes	29 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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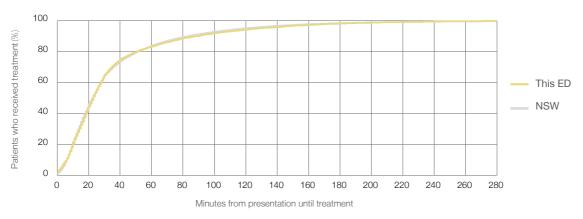
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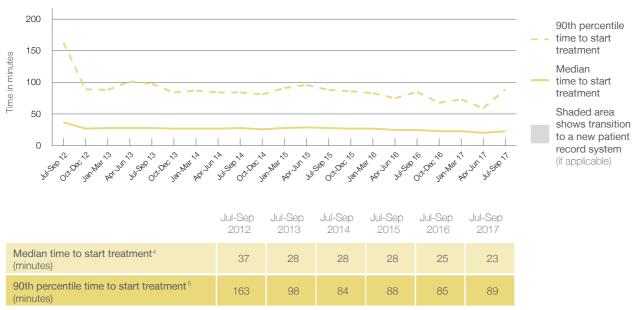
Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 7,610	6,711	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 7,375	6,572	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 23 minutes	25 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 89 minutes	85 minutes	83 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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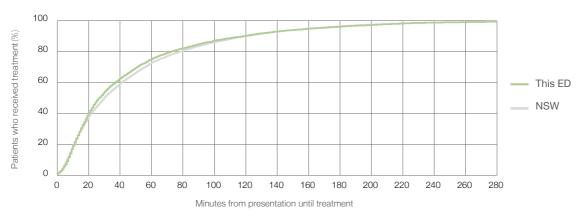
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Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 6,493	5,967	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 6,031	5,622	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	31 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	107 minutes	121 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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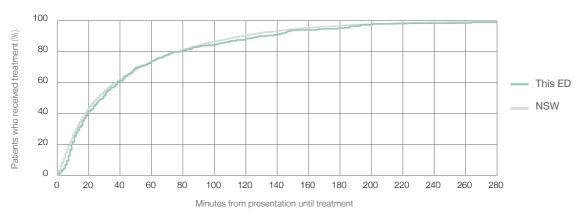
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Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or	Same period last year	NSW (this period)	
Number of triage 5 patients: 506			
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 418			
Median time to start treatment ⁴	29 minutes	29 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	133 minutes	104 minutes	118 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2012 to September 2017 † †



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Wollongong Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

All presentations: 17,561 patients

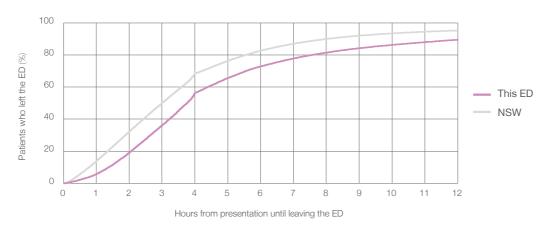
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 17,561 patients

Median time spent in the ED 8 3 hours and 46 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 12 hours and 27 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	15,656
	15,656
3 hours and 0 minutes	3 hours and 34 minutes
8 hours and 2 minutes	16 hours and 28 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 $^{\dagger *}$



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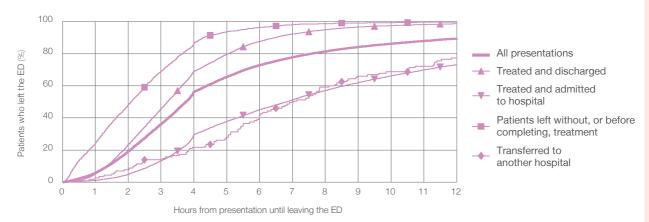
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Wollongong Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation
July to September 2017

All presentations: ¹ 17,561 patients		Same period last year	Change since one year ago	
Presentations used to calculate time to	leaving the ED: ⁶ 17,561 patients	15,656	12.2%	
Treated and discharged	9,451 (53.8%)	8,429	12.1%	
Treated and admitted to hospital	6,327 (36.0%)	5,808	8.9%	
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	1,566 (8.9%)	1,146	36.6%	
Transferred to another hospital	115 (0.7%)	164	-29.9%	
Other	102 (0.6%)	109	-6.4%	

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2017 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	5.2%	23.4%	45.7%	69.1%	87.6%	94.9%	97.5%	98.7%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.1%	4.9%	13.2%	29.4%	45.1%	57.1%	66.2%	73.2%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	24.3%	48.2%	69.0%	86.3%	96.4%	98.7%	99.3%	99.7%
Transferred to another hospital	2.6%	7.8%	13.9%	21.7%	41.7%	59.1%	68.7%	77.4%
All presentations	5.8%	19.2%	36.2%	56.2%	72.8%	81.4%	86.2%	89.5%

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Wollongong Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 17,561 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 17,561 patients

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



1	Change since one year ago
15,656	12.2%
15,656	12.2%
59.7%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 14



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