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Goulburn Base Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

July to September 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 4,658 patients	4,309	8.1%
Emergency presentations: ² 4,460 patients	4,111	8.5%

Goulburn Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

July to September 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 530 patients	523	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	9 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 21 minutes	22 minutes	29 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 1,918 patients	1,666	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	23 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 81 minutes	82 minutes	83 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 1,746 patients	1,602	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 32 minutes	32 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	129 minutes	121 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 243 patients	297	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 26 minutes	25 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	126 minutes	118 minutes

Goulburn Base Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

July to September 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 4,658 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
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four hours or less in the ED	79.1%

	Change since one year ago
4,309	8.1%
77.2%	

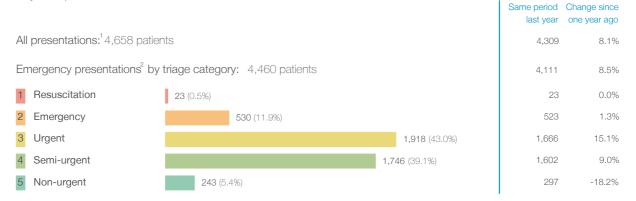
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- 5. The 90th percentile is the time by which 90% of patients started treatment. The final 10% of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
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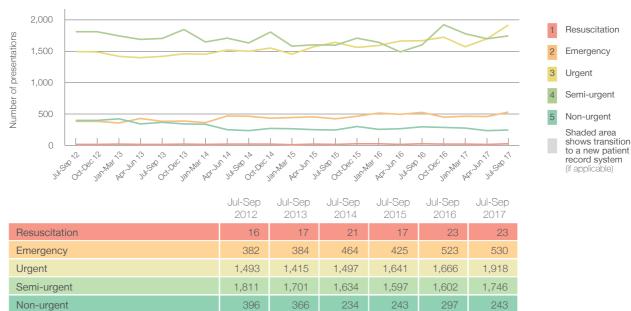
Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 October 2017).

Goulburn Base Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2017



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



Goulburn Base Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

4,098

July to September 2017

All emergency presentations

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 923 patients

ED Transfer of care time

Median time

12 minutes

14 minutes

-2 minutes

90th percentile time

27 minutes

-6 minutes

3,883

3,850

3,923

4,111

4,460

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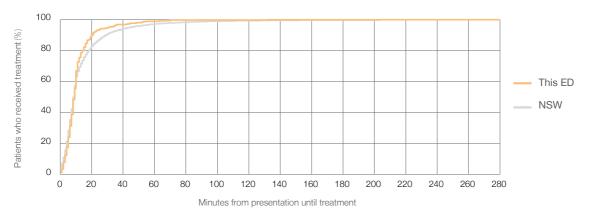
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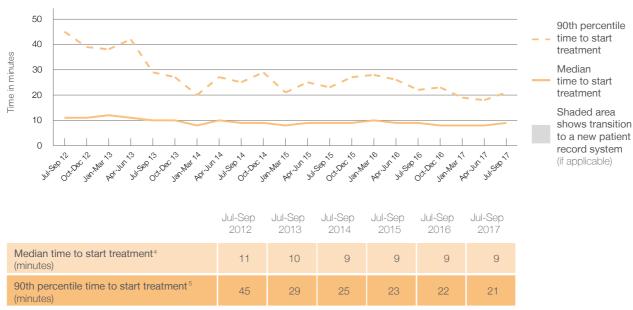
Goulburn Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 530	523	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 529	523	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	9 minutes	9 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 21 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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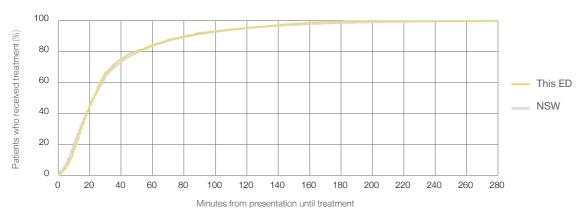
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Goulburn Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 1,918	1,666	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,884	1,615	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	23 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 81 minutes	82 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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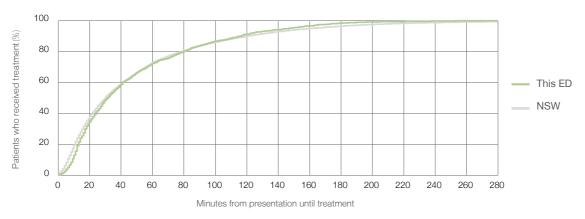
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Goulburn Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 1,746	1,602	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,630	1,458	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 32 minutes	32 minutes	30 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 116 minutes	129 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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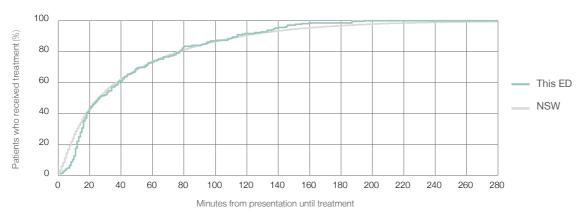
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Goulburn Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 243	297	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 205	239	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 26 minutes	25 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 114 minutes	126 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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Goulburn Base Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2017

All presentations: 4,658 patients

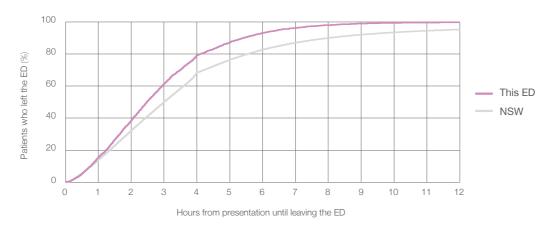
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 4,658 patients

Median time spent in the ED 8 2 hours and 28 minutes

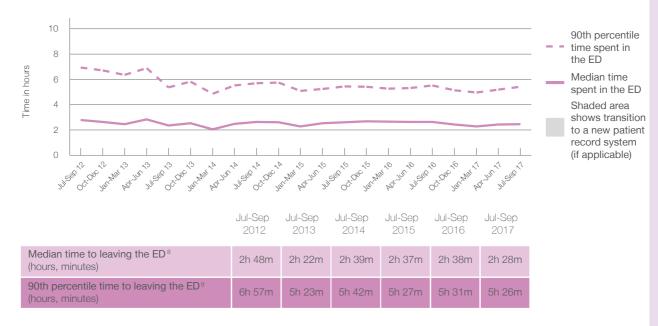
90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 5 hours and 26 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year	
	4,309	
	4,309	
3 hours and 0 minutes	2 hours and 38 minutes	
8 hours and 2 minutes	5 hours and 31 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 †‡



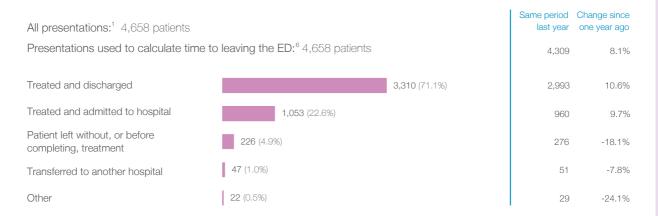
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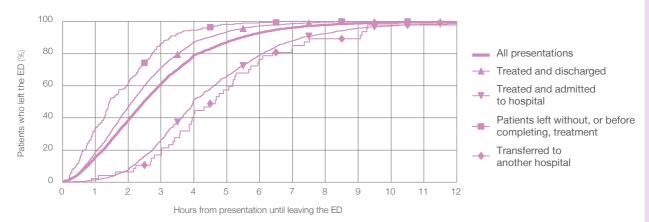
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Goulburn Base Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

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	18.5%	46.9%	71.3%	87.3%	97.3%	99.7%	100%	100%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.4%	7.8%	26.4%	51.4%	79.1%	92.5%	97.3%	98.7%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	33.2%	61.9%	86.3%	94.7%	99.6%	100%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	2.1%	6.4%	17.0%	42.6%	76.6%	89.4%	97.9%	97.9%
All presentations	15.5%	38.5%	61.4%	79.1%	93.0%	97.9%	99.4%	99.7%

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Goulburn Base 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: 4,658 patients

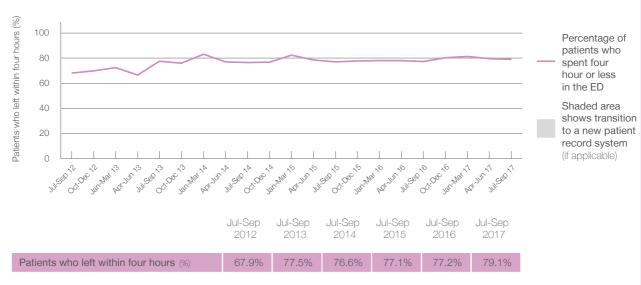
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 4,658 patients

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

79.1%

	Change since one year ago
4,309	8.1%
4,309	8.1%
77 20%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2012 to September 2017 11



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- 6. All presentations that have a departure time.
- 7. Transfer of care time refers to the period between arrival of patients at the ED by ambulance and the transfer of responsibility for their care from paramedics to ED staff in an ED treatment zone. For more information see Spotlight on Measurement: measuring transfer of care from the ambulance to the emergency department.
- 8. The median is the time by which half of patients left the ED. The other half of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
- 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).