NSW

Same period Change since

Same period

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Inverell District Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

January to March 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 2,131 patients	2,115	0.8%
Emergency presentations: ² 2,057 patients	1,994	3.2%

Inverell District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

January to March 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 263 patients	253	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 5 minutes	5 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 30 minutes	19 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 607 patients	639	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	10 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 55 minutes	50 minutes	69 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 908 patients	895	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	20 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 85 minutes	70 minutes	101 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 279 patients	207	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	15 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	69 minutes	104 minutes

Inverell District Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED January to March 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 2,131 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
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four hours or less in the ED	87.4%

Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
2,115	0.8%
89.8%	

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- 6. All presentations that have a departure time.

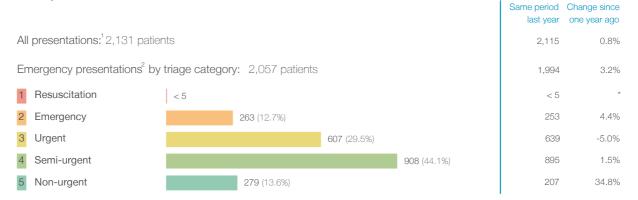
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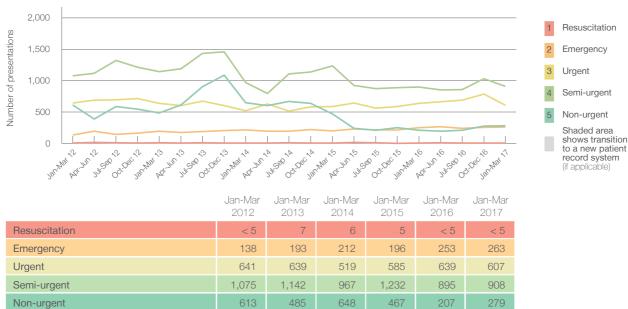
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Inverell District Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017[‡]



Inverell District Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

2,467

January to March 2017

All emergency presentations

	last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 274 patients **	296	
ED Transfer of care time		
Median time 6 minutes	6 minutes	0 minutes
90th percentile time 21 minutes	21 minutes	0 minutes

2,466

2,352

2.485

2,057

Same period Change since

1.994

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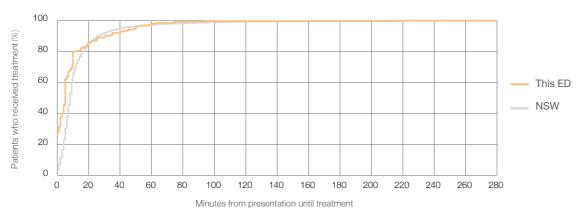
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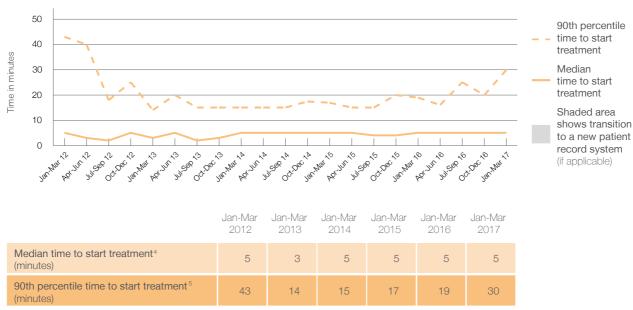
Inverell District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 263	253	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 255	244	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 5 minutes	5 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 30 minutes	19 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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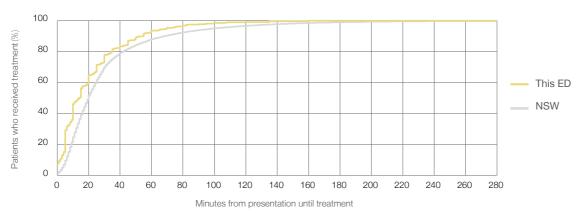
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Inverell District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 607	639	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 592	620	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 14 minutes	10 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 55 minutes	50 minutes	69 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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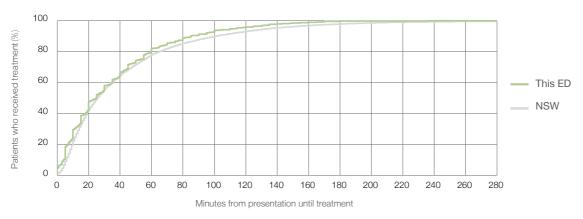
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Inverell District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 908	895	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 846	816	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	20 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 85 minutes	70 minutes	101 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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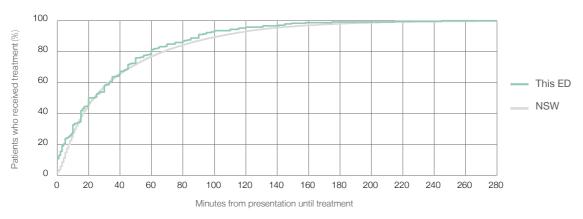
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Inverell District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 279	207	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 232	190	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	15 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 90 minutes	69 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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Inverell District Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

January to March 2017

All presentations: 2,131 patients

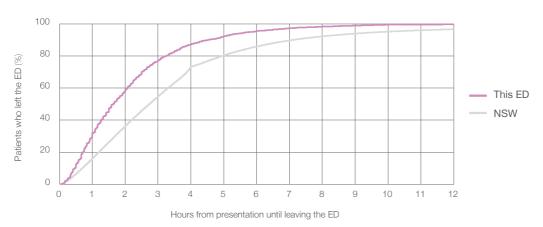
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 2,131 patients

Median time spent in the ED 1 1 hours and 39 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED 1 4 hours and 32 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	2,115
	2,115
2 hours and 44 minutes	1 hours and 29 minutes
7 hours and 7 minutes	4 hours and 3 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, January to March 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017



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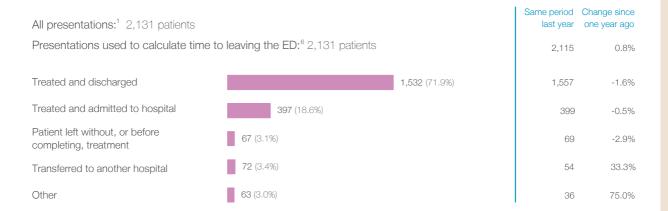
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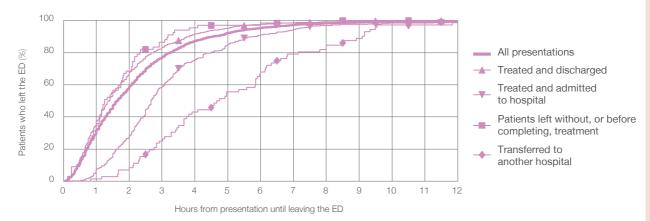
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Inverell District Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation
January to March 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, January to March 2017 ^{†‡}



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

Treated and discharged	37.1%	67.6%	83.2%	91.8%	97.8%	99.3%	99.8%	99.9%
Treated and admitted to hospital	7.3%	28.0%	58.7%	75.6%	91.2%	97.0%	98.5%	99.0%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	34.3%	68.7%	86.6%	95.5%	98.5%	98.5%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	1.4%	8.3%	25.0%	43.1%	68.1%	84.7%	97.2%	98.6%
All presentations	31.6%	58.9%	77.2%	87.4%	95.6%	98.3%	99.4%	99.7%

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Inverell District Hospital: Time spent in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED January to March 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 12,131 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 2,131 patients

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

87.4%

Same period last year one year ago
2,115 0.8%
2,115 0.8%
89.8%

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



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- 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.
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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 18 April 2017).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 18 April 2017).