

Forbes District Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

April to June 2017

All presentations:¹ 1,950 patients
Emergency presentations:² 1,766 patients

| Same period last year | Change since one year ago |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 2,377 | -18.0% |
| 1,792 | -1.5% |

Forbes District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

April to June 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 78 patients

Median time to start treatment⁴ 5 minutes

90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ *

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 292 patients

Median time to start treatment⁴ 11 minutes

90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 35 minutes

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 635 patients

Median time to start treatment⁴ 20 minutes

90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 75 minutes

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 756 patients

Median time to start treatment⁴ 18 minutes

90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 112 minutes

| Same period last year | NSW (this period) |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 111 | |
| 6 minutes | 8 minutes |
| 12 minutes | 26 minutes |
| 296 | |
| 15 minutes | 20 minutes |
| 44 minutes | 67 minutes |
| 611 | |
| 30 minutes | 25 minutes |
| 88 minutes | 99 minutes |
| 774 | |
| 26 minutes | 23 minutes |
| 118 minutes | 101 minutes |

Forbes District Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

April to June 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:⁶ 1,949 patients

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

| Same period last year | Change since one year ago |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
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| 93.5% | |

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

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

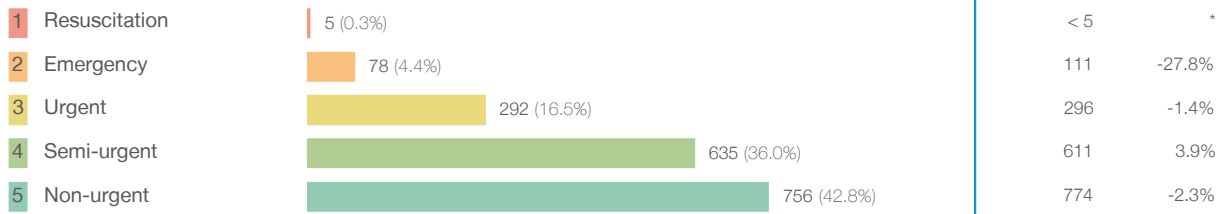
Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 21 July 2017).

Forbes District Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

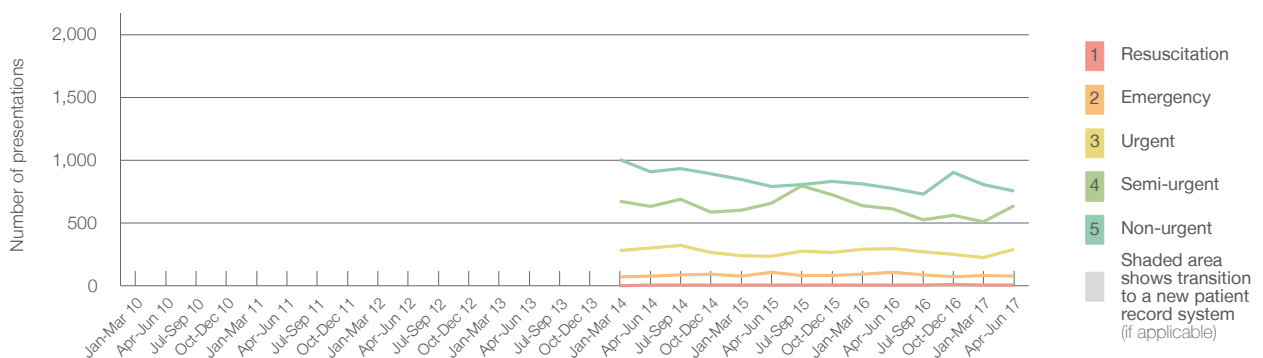
April to June 2017

All presentations:¹ 1,950 patients

Emergency presentations² by triage category: 1,766 patients



Emergency presentations² by quarter, April 2012 to June 2017 ^{† §}



| | Apr-Jun 2010 | Apr-Jun 2011 | Apr-Jun 2012 | Apr-Jun 2013 | Apr-Jun 2014 | Apr-Jun 2015 | Apr-Jun 2016 | Apr-Jun 2017 |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Resuscitation | | | | | < 5 | 5 | < 5 | 5 |
| Emergency | | | | | 80 | 106 | 111 | 78 |
| Urgent | | | | | 302 | 232 | 296 | 292 |
| Semi-urgent | | | | | 634 | 656 | 611 | 635 |
| Non-urgent | | | | | 907 | 790 | 774 | 756 |
| All emergency presentations | | | | | 1,923 | 1,789 | 1,792 | 1,766 |

Forbes District Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

April to June 2017

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time:⁷ 176 patients

ED Transfer of care time



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

April to June 2017

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

Number of triage 2 patients: 78

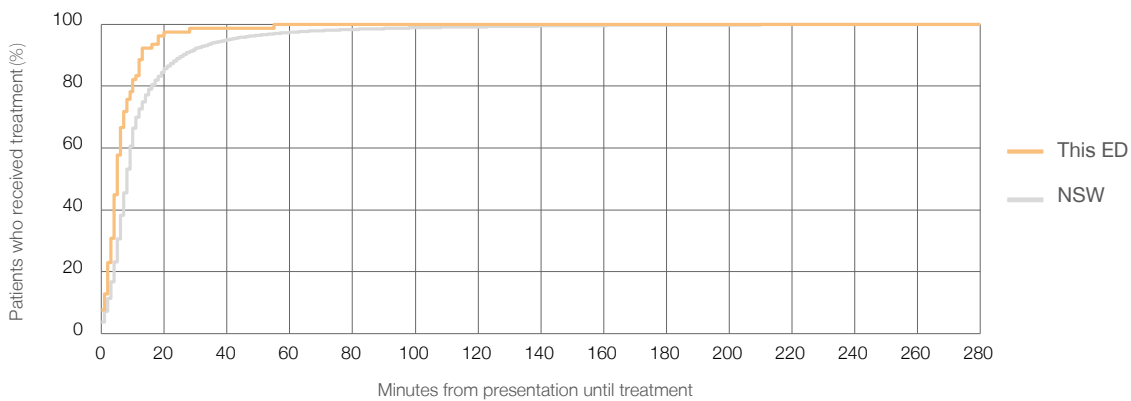
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time:³ 78

Median time to start treatment⁴ 5 minutes

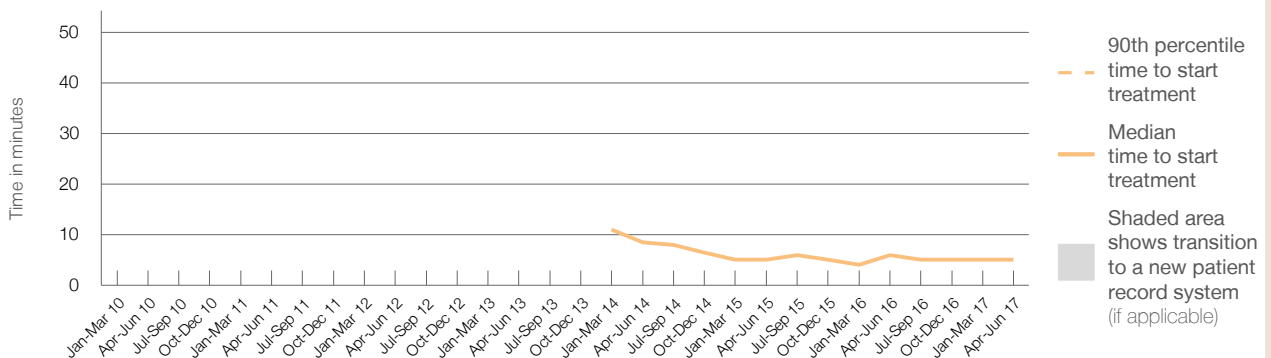
90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ *

| Same period last year | NSW (this period) |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 111 | |
| 107 | |
| 6 minutes | 8 minutes |
| 12 minutes | 26 minutes |

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, April to June 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, April 2012 to June 2017^{†‡§}



| | Apr-Jun 2010 | Apr-Jun 2011 | Apr-Jun 2012 | Apr-Jun 2013 | Apr-Jun 2014 | Apr-Jun 2015 | Apr-Jun 2016 | Apr-Jun 2017 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes) | | | | | 9 | 5 | 6 | 5 |
| 90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes) | | | | | * | 12 | 12 | * |

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

April to June 2017

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

Number of triage 3 patients: 292

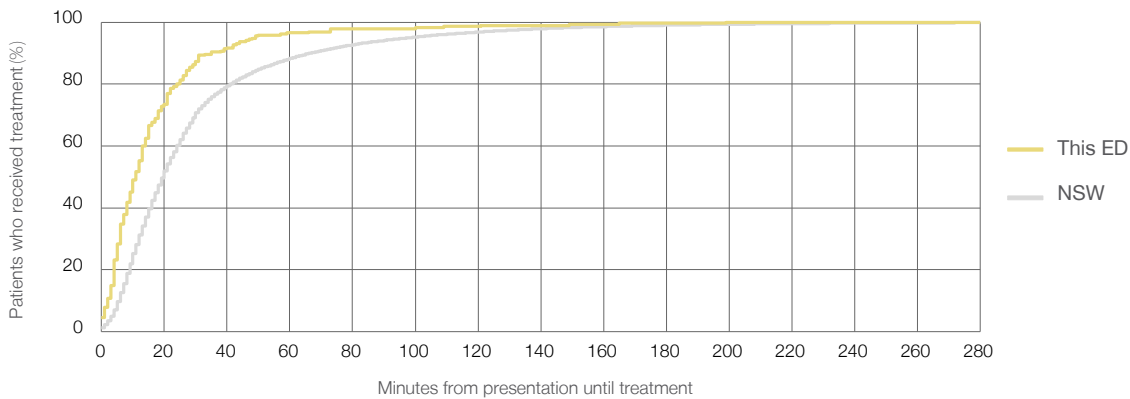
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time:³ 290

Median time to start treatment⁴ 11 minutes

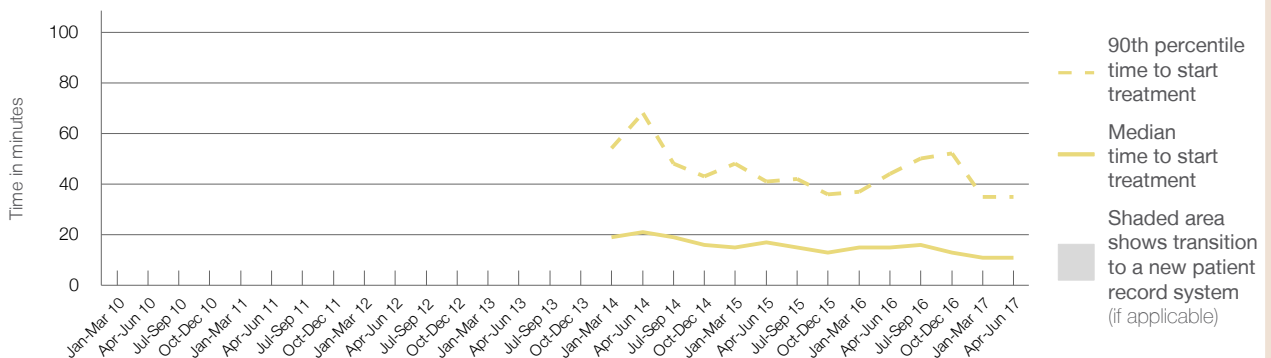
90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 35 minutes

| Same period last year | NSW (this period) |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 296 | |
| 292 | |
| 15 minutes | 20 minutes |
| 44 minutes | 67 minutes |

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, April to June 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, April 2012 to June 2017^{†‡§}



| | Apr-Jun 2010 | Apr-Jun 2011 | Apr-Jun 2012 | Apr-Jun 2013 | Apr-Jun 2014 | Apr-Jun 2015 | Apr-Jun 2016 | Apr-Jun 2017 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes) | | | | | 21 | 17 | 15 | 11 |
| 90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes) | | | | | 68 | 41 | 44 | 35 |

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

April to June 2017

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

Number of triage 4 patients: 635

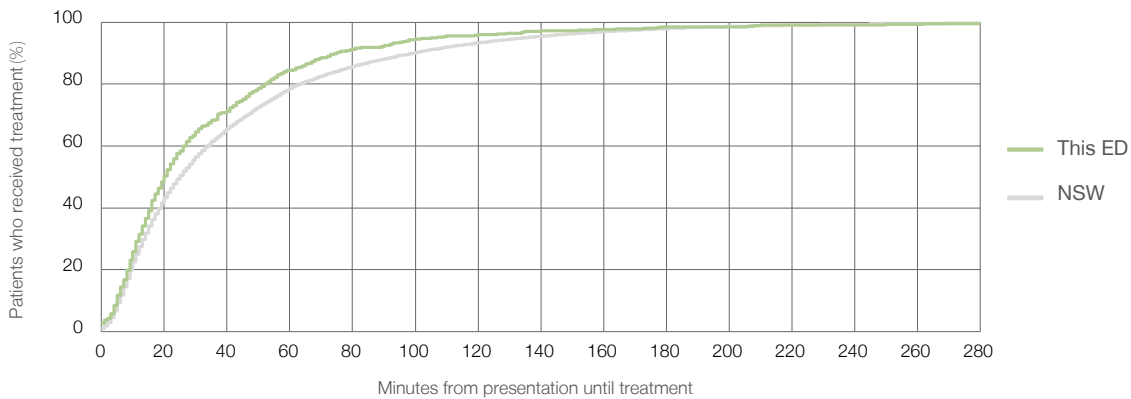
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time:³ 619

Median time to start treatment⁴ 20 minutes

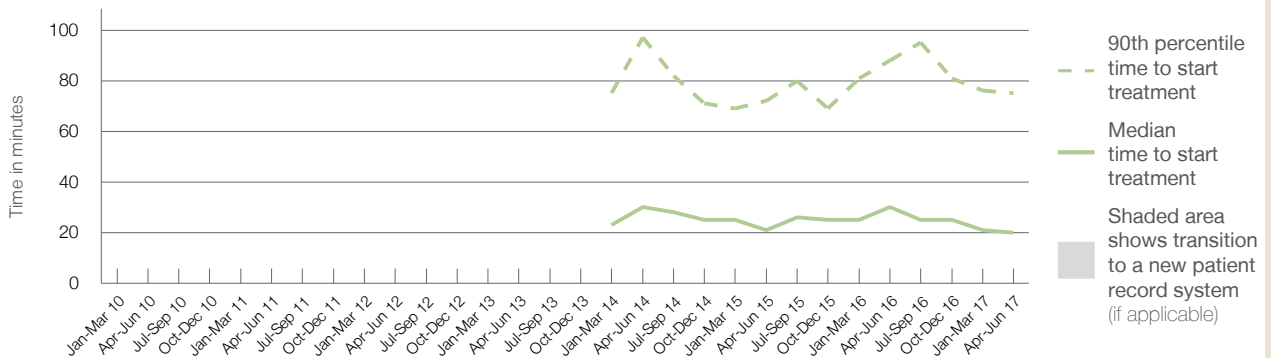
90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 75 minutes

| Same period last year | NSW (this period) |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 611 | |
| 594 | |
| 30 minutes | 25 minutes |
| 88 minutes | 99 minutes |

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, April to June 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, April 2012 to June 2017^{†‡§}



| | Apr-Jun 2010 | Apr-Jun 2011 | Apr-Jun 2012 | Apr-Jun 2013 | Apr-Jun 2014 | Apr-Jun 2015 | Apr-Jun 2016 | Apr-Jun 2017 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes) | | | | | 30 | 21 | 30 | 20 |
| 90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes) | | | | | 97 | 72 | 88 | 75 |

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

April to June 2017

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

Number of triage 5 patients: 756

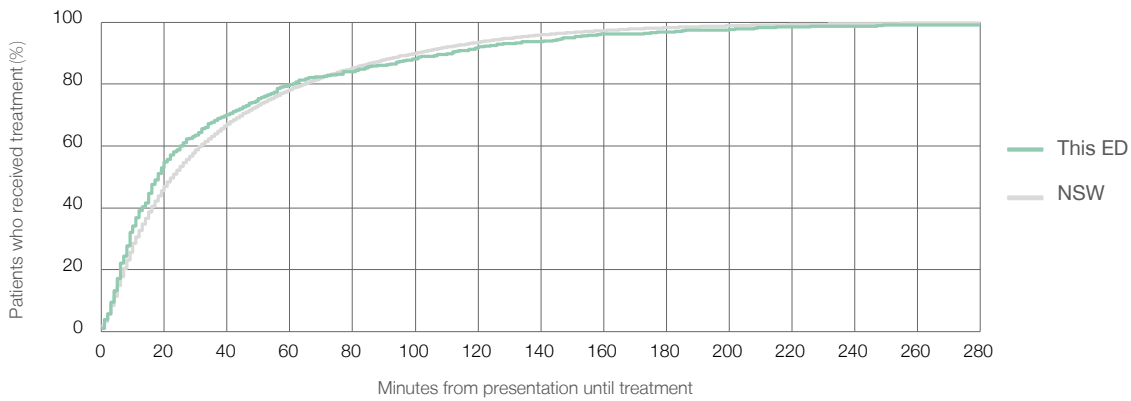
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time:³ 722

Median time to start treatment⁴ 18 minutes

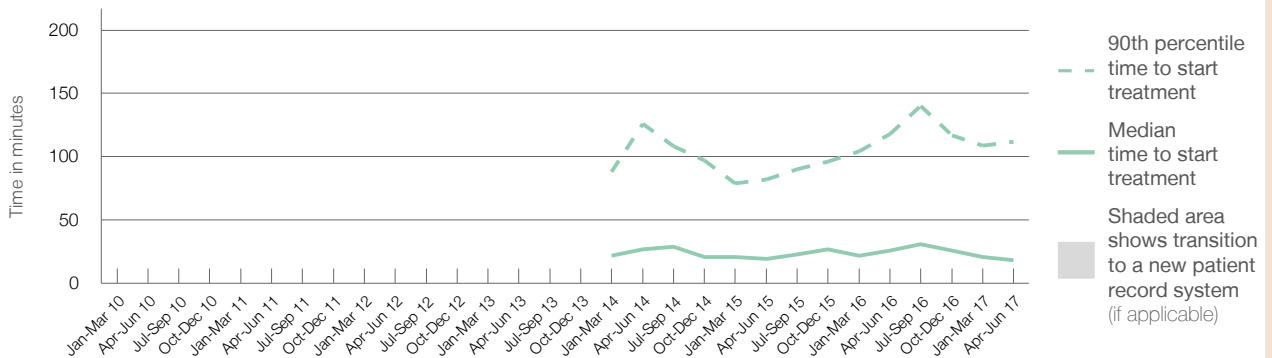
90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 112 minutes

| Same period last year | NSW (this period) |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 774 | 724 |
| 26 minutes | 23 minutes |
| 118 minutes | 101 minutes |

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, April to June 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, April 2012 to June 2017^{†‡§}



| | Apr-Jun 2010 | Apr-Jun 2011 | Apr-Jun 2012 | Apr-Jun 2013 | Apr-Jun 2014 | Apr-Jun 2015 | Apr-Jun 2016 | Apr-Jun 2017 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes) | | | | | 27 | 19 | 26 | 18 |
| 90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes) | | | | | 126 | 82 | 118 | 112 |

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Forbes District Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

April to June 2017

All presentations:¹ 1,950 patients

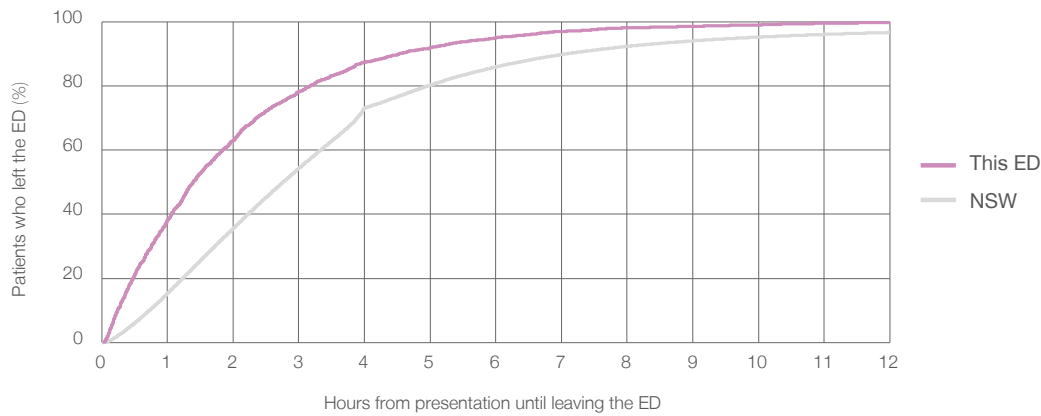
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:⁶ 1,949 patients

Median time spent in the ED⁸ 1 hours and 23 minutes

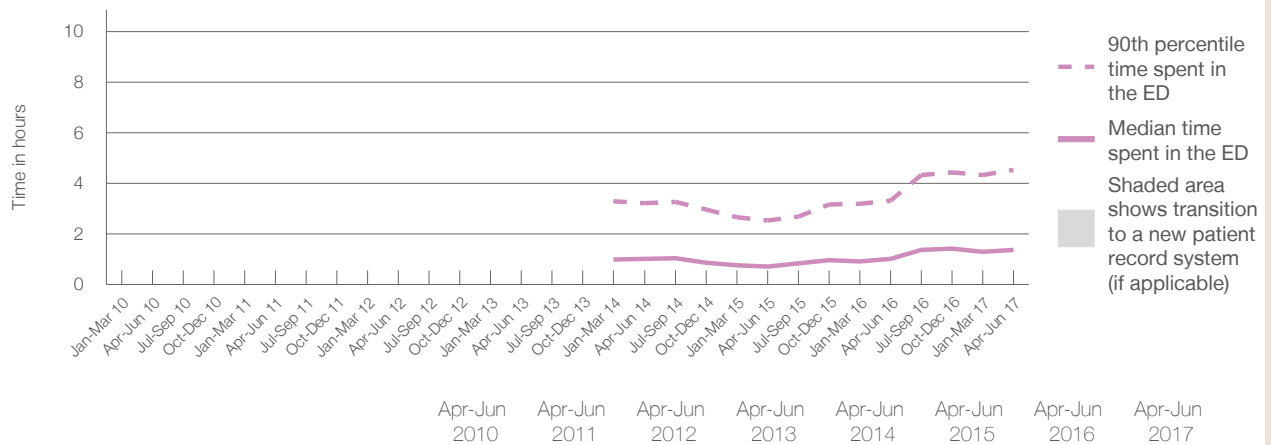
90th percentile time spent in the ED⁹ 4 hours and 32 minutes

| Same period last year | NSW (this period) |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| 2,377 | 2,377 |
| 1 hours and 1 minutes | 2 hours and 46 minutes |
| 3 hours and 19 minutes | 7 hours and 5 minutes |

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, April to June 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, April 2012 to June 2017^{†‡§}



| | Apr-Jun 2010 | Apr-Jun 2011 | Apr-Jun 2012 | Apr-Jun 2013 | Apr-Jun 2014 | Apr-Jun 2015 | Apr-Jun 2016 | Apr-Jun 2017 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Median time to leaving the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes) | | | | | 1h 2m | 0h 43m | 1h 1m | 1h 23m |
| 90th percentile time to leaving the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes) | | | | | 3h 14m | 2h 32m | 3h 19m | 4h 32m |

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Forbes District Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation

April to June 2017

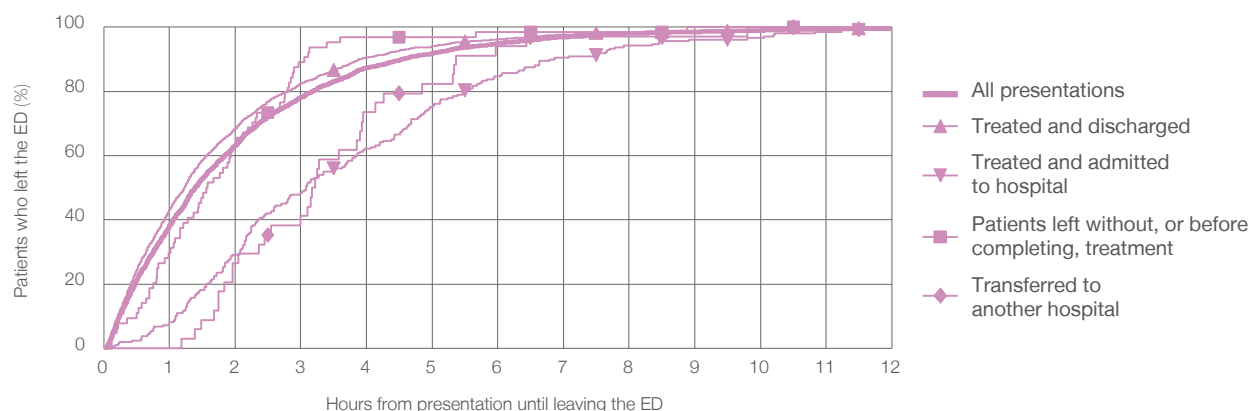
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Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:⁶ 1,949 patients

| | |
|---|---------------|
| Treated and discharged | 1,631 (83.6%) |
| Treated and admitted to hospital | 209 (10.7%) |
| Patient left without, or before completing, treatment | 64 (3.3%) |
| Transferred to another hospital | 34 (1.7%) |
| Other | 12 (0.6%) |

| | Same period last year | Change since one year ago |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| | 2,377 | -18.0% |
| Treated and discharged | 1,947 | -16.2% |
| Treated and admitted to hospital | 280 | -25.4% |
| Patient left without, or before completing, treatment | 90 | -28.9% |
| Transferred to another hospital | 57 | -40.4% |
| Other | 3 | 300.0% |

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, April to June 2017^{††§}



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

| | 1 hour | 2 hours | 3 hours | 4 hours | 6 hours | 8 hours | 10 hours | 12 hours |
|---|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| Treated and discharged | 43.3% | 68.3% | 82.4% | 90.6% | 96.3% | 98.5% | 99.2% | 99.8% |
| Treated and admitted to hospital | 8.1% | 29.2% | 48.3% | 62.2% | 84.7% | 94.3% | 96.7% | 99.0% |
| Patient left without, or before completing, treatment | 29.7% | 64.1% | 89.1% | 96.9% | 98.4% | 98.4% | 100% | 100% |
| Transferred to another hospital | 0% | 26.5% | 41.2% | 73.5% | 94.1% | 97.1% | 100% | 100% |
| All presentations | 38.3% | 63.1% | 78.1% | 87.4% | 95.0% | 98.1% | 99.0% | 99.7% |

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Forbes District Hospital: Time spent in the ED
 Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED
 April to June 2017

All presentations at the emergency department:¹ 1,950 patients

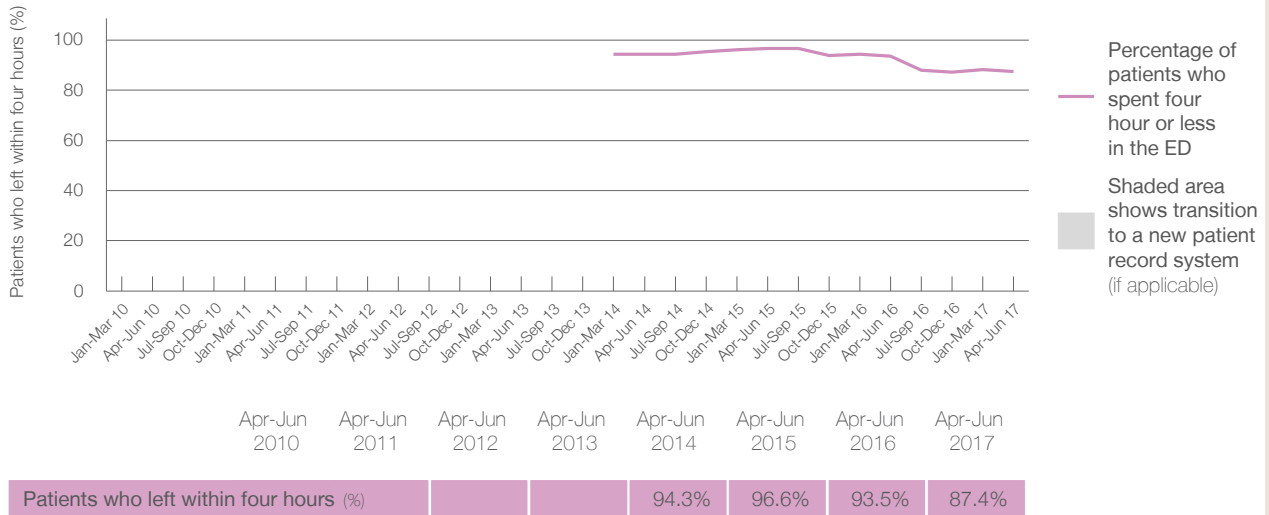
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Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED



| | Same period last year | Change since one year ago |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------------|
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| Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ | 2,377 | -18.0% |
| Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED | 93.5% | |

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, April 2012 to June 2017^{†‡§}



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- All presentations that have a departure time.
- Transfer of care time refers to the period between arrival of patients at the ED by ambulance and the transfer of responsibility for their care from paramedics to ED staff in an ED treatment zone. For more information see *Spotlight on Measurement: measuring transfer of care from the ambulance to the emergency department*.
- The median is the time by which half of patients left the ED. The other half of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
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Note: All percentages are rounded and therefore percentages may not add to 100%.

Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health(extracted 21 July 2017).
 Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System(extracted 21 July 2017).