

Hospital Quarterly

Performance Profiles

Emergency Department

Mid North Coast Local Health District

NSW

Same period Change since

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From March 2017, Hospital Quarterly reports the 90th percentile time, rather than the 95th percentile time, for related ED measures.

Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

October to December 2016

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: ¹ 10,055 patients	9,370	7.3%
Emergency presentations: ² 9,727 patients	9,092	7.0%

Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

October to December 2016

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 1,019 patients	845	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 6 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	10 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 3,154 patients	2,747	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 16 minutes	14 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 47 minutes	41 minutes	67 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 3,974 patients	3,727	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	24 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	99 minutes	97 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,527 patients	1,703	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	28 minutes	24 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	106 minutes	103 minutes

Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2016

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 10,054 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 72.3%

	Change since one year ago
9,369	7.3%
74.4%	

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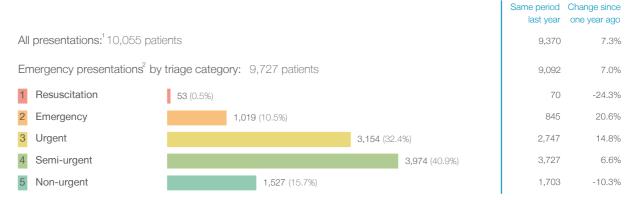
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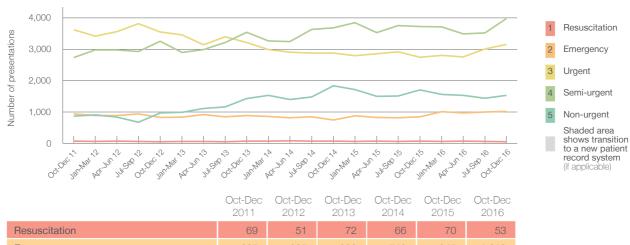
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Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2016



Emergency presentations² by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016 [‡]



Emergency	937	825	886	748	845	1,019
Urgent	3,623	3,551	3,214	2,878	2,747	3,154
Semi-urgent	2,733	3,250	3,542	3,683	3,727	3,974
Non-urgent	863	970	1,424	1,839	1,703	1,527
All emergency presentations	8,225	8,647	9,138	9,214	9,092	9,727

Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

October to December 2016

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	fer of care time: 7 2,394 patients	2,194	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	12 minutes	12 minutes	0 minutes
90th percentile time	27 minutes	28 minutes	-1 minute

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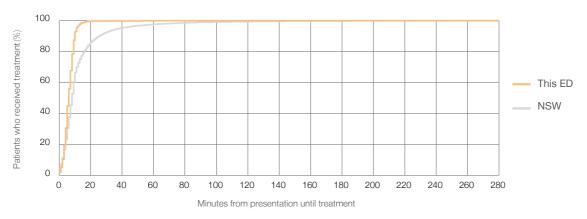
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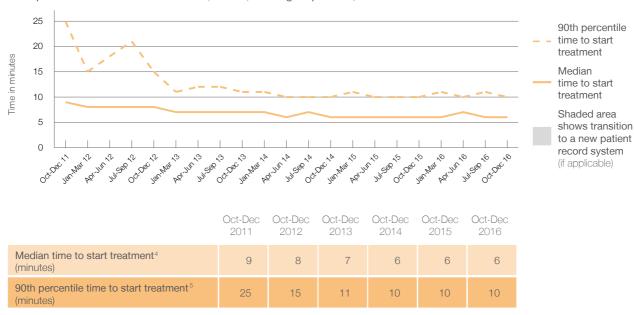
Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2016

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 1,019	845	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,017	842	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 6 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 10 minutes	10 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



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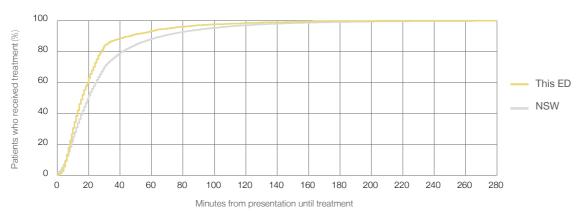
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Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2016

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 3,154	2,747	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3,088	2,708	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 16 minutes	14 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 47 minutes	41 minutes	67 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



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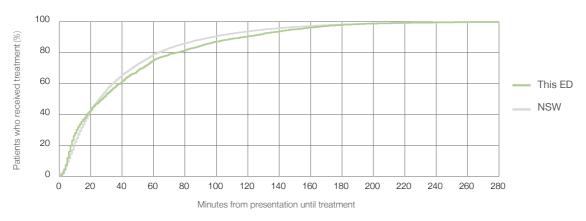
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Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2016

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 3,974	3,727	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3,624	3,439	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	24 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 118 minutes	99 minutes	97 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



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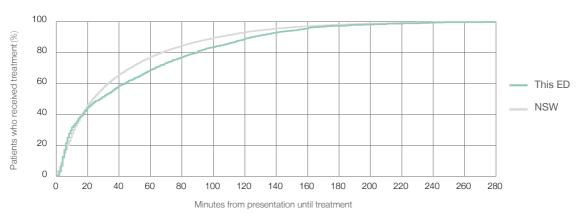
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Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2016

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,527	1,703	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,385	1,581	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	28 minutes	24 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 125 minutes	106 minutes	103 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



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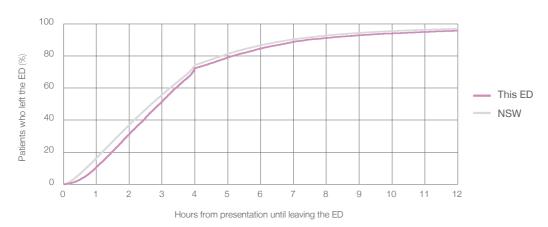
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Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

October to December 2016

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2016



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016



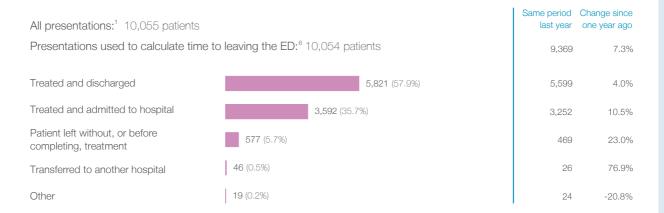
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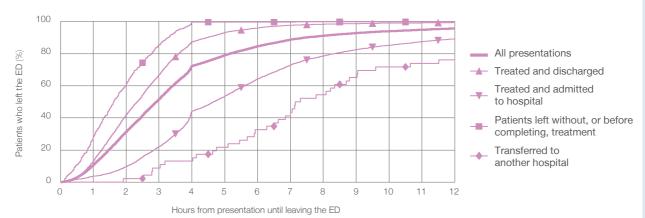
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Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation October to December 2016



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2016



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

Treated and discharged	13.1%	41.8%	66.8%	87.4%	96.1%	98.4%	99.0%	99.4%
Treated and admitted to hospital	3.7%	9.7%	22.1%	44.2%	64.3%	78.6%	85.2%	89.3%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	28.1%	61.2%	85.6%	99.7%	99.7%	99.8%	99.8%	99.8%
Transferred to another hospital	0%	2.2%	8.7%	13.0%	32.6%	54.3%	71.7%	76.1%
All presentations	10.7%	31.4%	51.7%	72.3%	84.6%	91.2%	94.0%	95.7%

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Coffs Harbour Base Hospital: Time spent in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED October to December 2016

All presentations at the emergency department: 10,055 patients

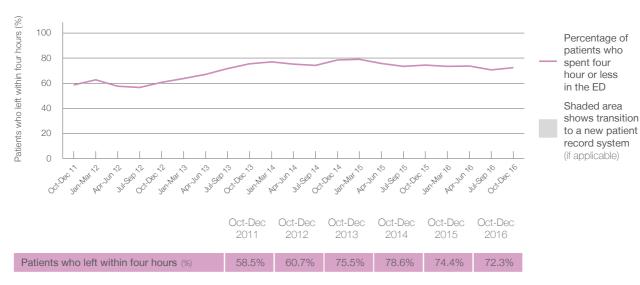
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Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

72.3%

	Change since one year ago
9,370	7.3%
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Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016 11



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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.
- 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 24 January 2017).

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Kempsey Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

October to December 2016

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 6,903 patients	6,256	10.3%
Emergency presentations: ² 6,746 patients	6,083	10.9%

Kempsey Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

October to December 2016

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 843 patients		
Median time to start treatment ⁴	11 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 32 minutes	26 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 2,236 patients	2,057	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 24 minutes	20 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 61 minutes	55 minutes	67 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 2,894 patients	2,717	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	20 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	76 minutes	97 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 749 patients	666	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	17 minutes	24 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 92 minutes	78 minutes	103 minutes

Kempsey Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2016

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 6,899 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 82.29

Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
6,253	10.3%
84.5%	

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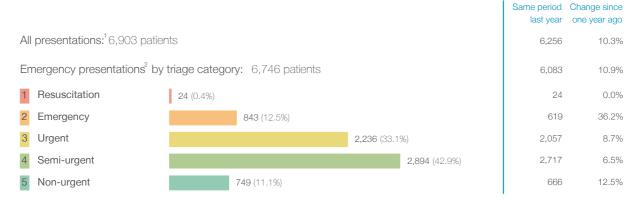
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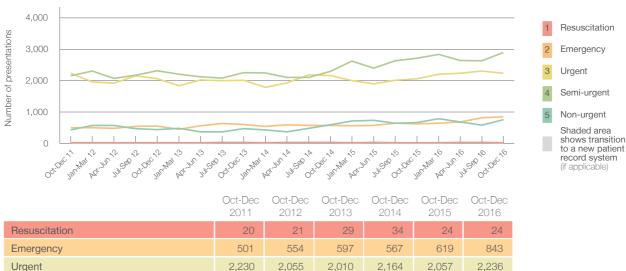
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Kempsey Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2016



Emergency presentations² by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016 [‡]



Kempsey Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

2,151

431

5,333

2,311

433

5,374

2,254

5,353

463

2,295

590

5,650

2,717

6,083

2,894

6,746

749

Same period Change since

October to December 2016

All emergency presentations

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 840 patients		775	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	12 minutes	14 minutes	-2 minutes
90th percentile time	24 minutes	37 minutes	-13 minutes

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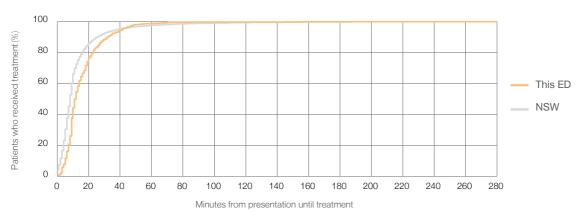
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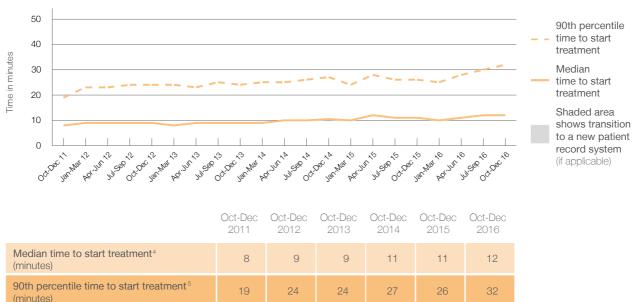
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Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)		(this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 843	619	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 839	619	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 12 minutes	11 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 32 minutes	26 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 2 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



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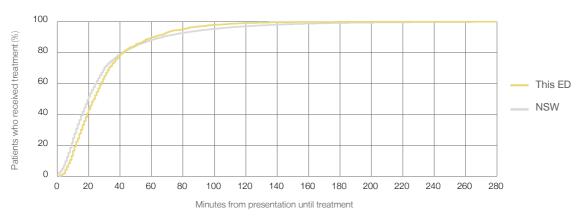
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Kempsey Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3

October to December 2016

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)		(this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 2,236	2,057	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 2,198	2,018	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 24 minutes	20 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 61 minutes	55 minutes	67 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 3 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	20	22	20	19	20	24
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 (minutes)	60	67	62	49	55	61

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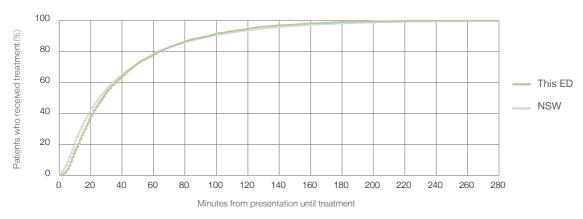
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Kempsey Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2016

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	(this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 2,894	2,717	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,780	2,615	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	20 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 95 minutes	76 minutes	97 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



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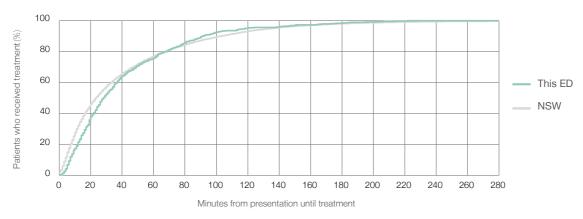
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Kempsey Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2016

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)		Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 749		666	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 669		603	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	28 minutes	17 minutes	24 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	92 minutes	78 minutes	103 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



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



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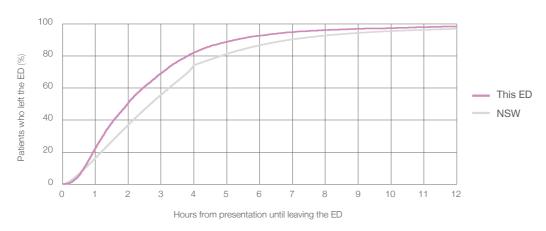
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Kempsey Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2016



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016



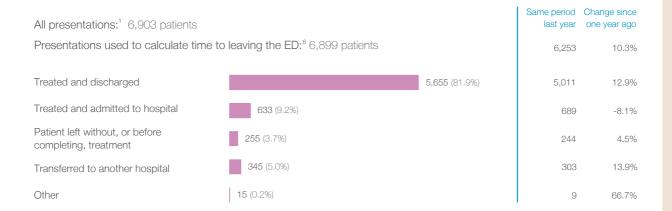
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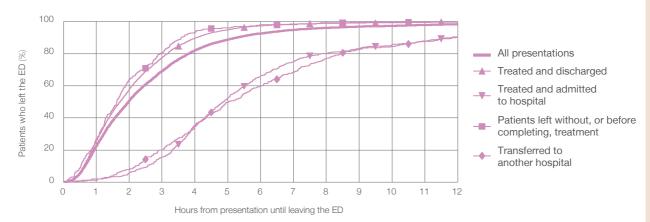
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Kempsey Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation October to December 2016



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2016



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

Treated and discharged	25.9%	57.9%	77.6%	89.8%	97.3%	98.9%	99.3%	99.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	2.1%	5.7%	15.6%	34.8%	66.2%	80.1%	85.5%	90.2%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	27.1%	63.9%	80.8%	93.3%	98.0%	99.2%	99.6%	99.6%
Transferred to another hospital	1.2%	7.8%	20.0%	35.4%	59.7%	77.1%	84.6%	90.4%
All presentations	22.6%	50.9%	69.2%	82.2%	92.6%	96.1%	97.3%	98.4%

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Kempsey Hospital: Time spent in the ED

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

October to December 2016

All presentations at the emergency department: 16,903 patients

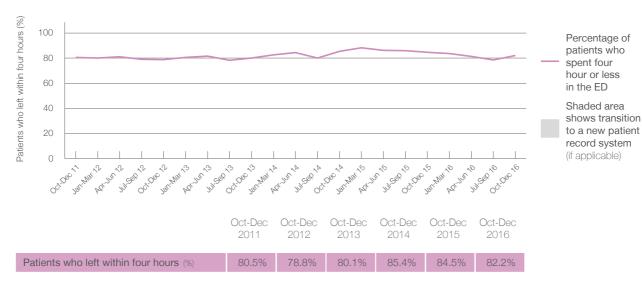
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 6,899 patients

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

82.2%

	Change since one year ago
6,256	10.3%
6,253	10.3%
84 5%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016 11



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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.

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Same period Change since

Same period

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Macksville District Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

October to December 2016

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 3,587 patients	3,440	4.3%
Emergency presentations: ² 3,361 patients	3,178	5.8%

Macksville District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

October to December 2016

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 384 patients	290	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 24 minutes	25 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 1,104 patients	1,102	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	21 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 58 minutes	52 minutes	67 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 1,447 patients	1,444	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	26 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 87 minutes	83 minutes	97 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 415 patients	325	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	25 minutes	24 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		

Macksville District Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2016

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 3,586 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
r crocinage of patients who spent	00 70/
four hours or less in the ED	86.7%

Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
3,440	4.2%
88.4%	

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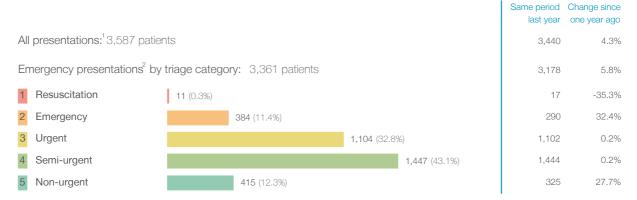
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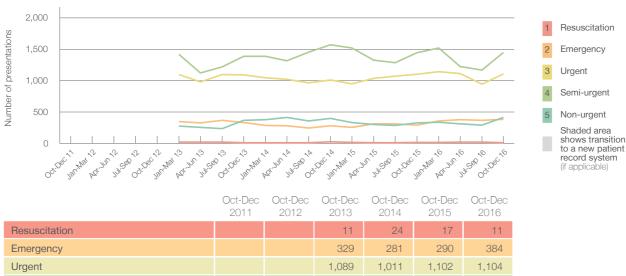
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Macksville District Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2016



Emergency presentations² by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016 ^{‡§}



Macksville District Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

October to December 2016

All emergency presentations

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	ofer of care time: 7 515 patients	466	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	13 minutes	14 minutes	-1 minute
90th percentile time	28 minutes	29 minutes	-1 minute

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1,447

415

Same period Change since

3,361

1,444

3,178

1,569

3,284

1,386

3.181

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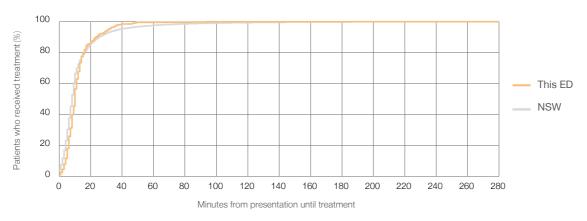
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Macksville District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2016

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 384		
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 370		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 10 minutes	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 24 minutes	25 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



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



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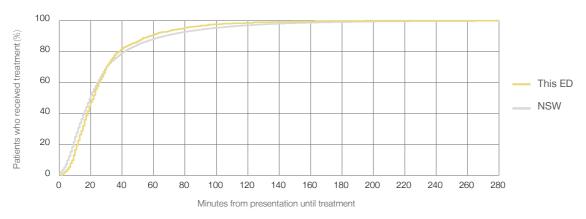
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Macksville District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2016

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 1,104	1,102	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,050	1,071	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes		20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 58 minutes	52 minutes	67 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



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



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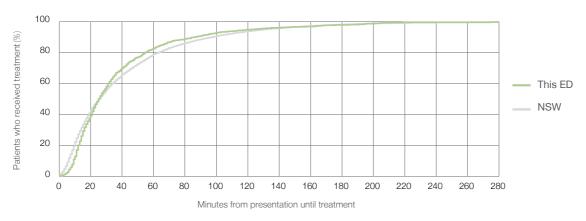
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Macksville District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2016

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 1,447	1,444	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,369	1,393	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	26 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 87 minutes	83 minutes	97 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



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



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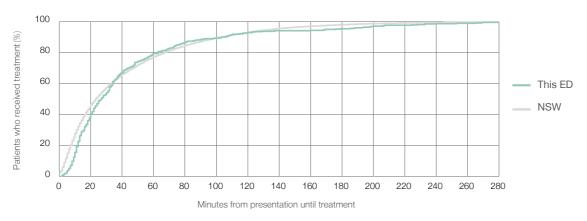
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Macksville District Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2016

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 415	325	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 369	309	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	25 minutes	24 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 106 minutes	79 minutes	103 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



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



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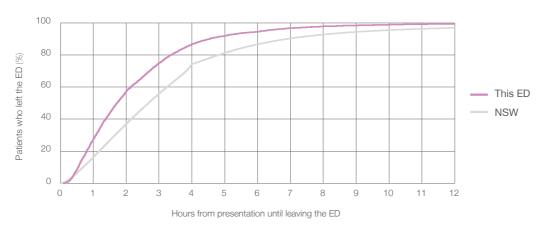
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Macksville District Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

October to December 2016

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2016



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016 $^{\dagger \ddagger \$}$



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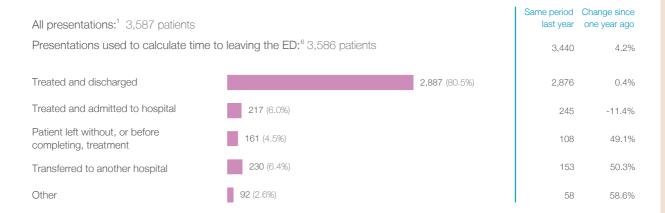
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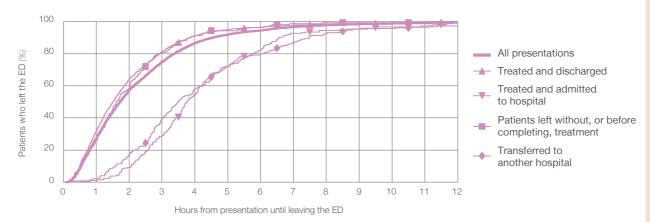
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Macksville District Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation October to December 2016



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2016 $^{\dagger \ddagger \$}$



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

Treated and discharged	31.9%	64.2%	81.3%	91.2%	96.5%	98.5%	99.2%	99.7%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.9%	9.2%	29.0%	54.4%	82.5%	94.5%	96.8%	99.1%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	26.1%	59.6%	80.7%	91.3%	96.3%	99.4%	99.4%	99.4%
Transferred to another hospital	2.2%	17.4%	39.1%	58.3%	79.6%	92.6%	95.7%	97.4%
All presentations	27.5%	57.3%	75.0%	86.7%	94.5%	97.8%	98.8%	99.4%

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Macksville District Hospital: Time spent in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED October to December 2016

All presentations at the emergency department: 13,587 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 3,586 patients

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

86.7%

Same period last year one year ago
3,440 4.3%
3,440 4.2%

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016 118



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Port Macquarie Base Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

October to December 2016

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: ¹ 8,903 patients	8,130	9.5%
Emergency presentations: ² 8,662 patients	7,872	10.0%

Port Macquarie Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

October to December 2016

	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 1,242 patients	1,213	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 27 minutes	23 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 3,456 patients	3,111	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 23 minutes	18 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 66 minutes	50 minutes	67 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 3,457 patients	3,207	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 31 minutes	21 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	75 minutes	97 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 461 patients	297	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	19 minutes	24 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	86 minutes	103 minutes

Port Macquarie Base Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2016

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 8,903 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 73.6%

	Change since
last year	one year ago
8,130	9.5%
74.3%	

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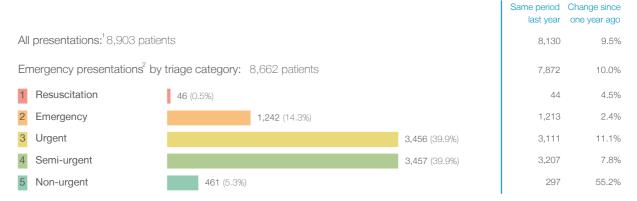
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Port Macquarie Base Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2016



Emergency presentations² by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016 [‡]



	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2010
Resuscitation	54	43	59	32	44	46
Emergency	1,224	1,028	1,371	1,304	1,213	1,242
Urgent	3,167	2,710	3,223	3,360	3,111	3,456
Semi-urgent	3,203	2,993	2,548	2,761	3,207	3,457
Non-urgent	375	505	202	245	297	461
All emergency presentations	8,023	7,279	7,403	7,702	7,872	8,662

Port Macquarie Base Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

October to December 2016

			last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	fer of care t	ime: 7 1,930 patients	1,739	
ED Transfer of care time				
Median time	12 minu	utes	11 minutes	1 minute
90th percentile time		28 minutes	29 minutes	-1 minute

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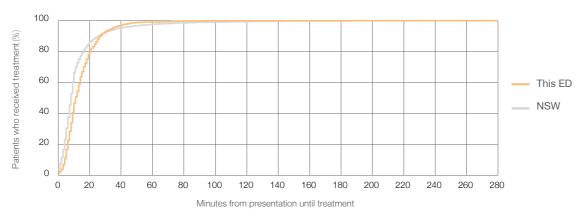
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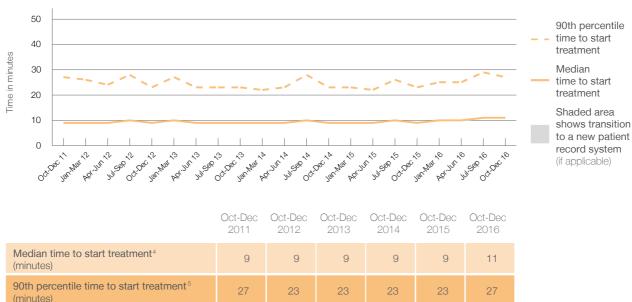
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Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 1,242	1,213	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,238	1,207	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 11 minutes	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 27 minutes	23 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 2 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



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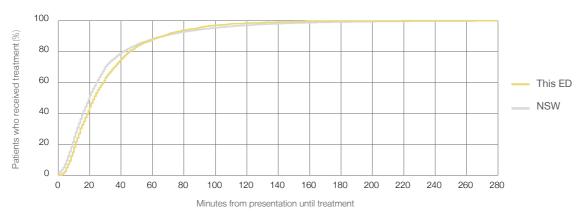
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Port Macquarie Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2016

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 3,456	3,111	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3,358	3,044	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 23 minutes	18 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 66 minutes	50 minutes	67 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



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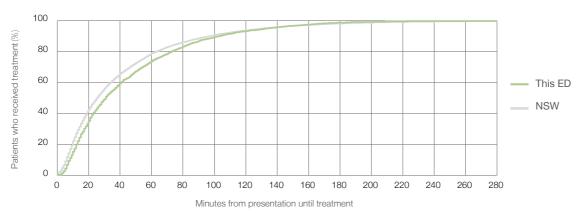
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Port Macquarie Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2016

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 3,457	3,207	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,831	2,743	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 31 minutes	21 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 104 minutes	75 minutes	97 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



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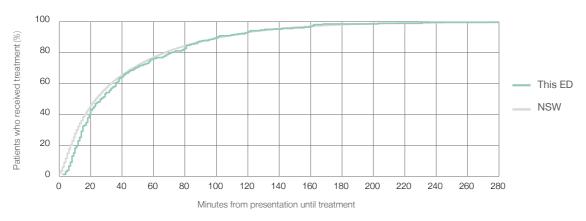
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Port Macquarie Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2016

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 461	297	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 253	188	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	19 minutes	24 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 101 minutes	86 minutes	103 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, October 2011 to December 2016



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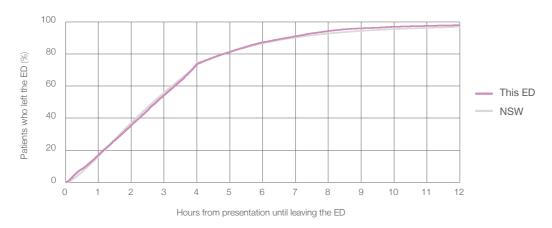
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Port Macquarie Base Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

October to December 2016

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2016



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016



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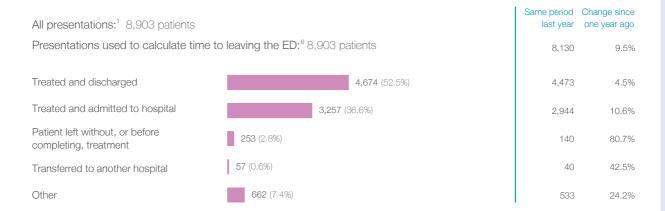
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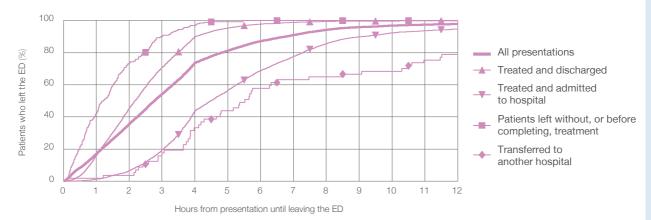
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By mode of separation October to December 2016



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2016



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

Treated and discharged	16.0%	45.4%	70.7%	90.0%	97.8%	99.5%	99.8%	99.9%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.3%	6.5%	19.5%	43.7%	69.0%	85.6%	92.3%	94.7%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	41.9%	73.5%	90.1%	96.8%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	1.8%	3.5%	17.5%	33.3%	57.9%	64.9%	68.4%	78.9%
All presentations	17.0%	35.7%	54.3%	73.6%	87.2%	94.2%	96.9%	97.9%

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Port Macquarie Base Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

October to December 2016

All presentations at the emergency department: 18,903 patients

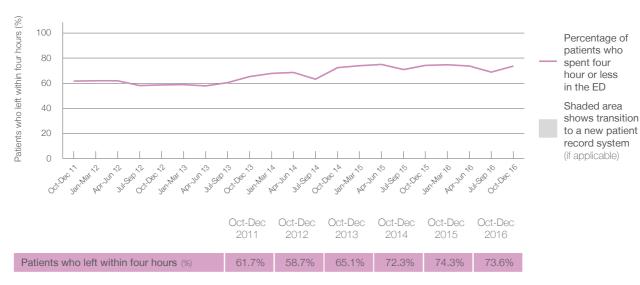
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 8,903 patients

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

73.6%

Change since one year ago	
9.5%	8,130
9.5%	8,130
	74.3%

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, October 2011 to December 2016 11



- * Suppressed due to small numbers and to protect privacy. Relevant graphs are also suppressed.
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- 1. All emergency and non-emergency presentations at the emergency department (ED).
- 2. All presentations that have a triage category and are coded as emergency presentations or unplanned return visits.
- 3. Some patients are excluded from ED time measures due to calculation requirements. For details, see the *Technical Supplement: Emergency department measures, January to March 2016.*
- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
- 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.
- 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 24 January 2017).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 24 January 2017).