

Healthcare Quarterly

Performance Profiles

Emergency Department

Murrumbidgee Local Health District

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Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Emergency department (ED) overview

January to March 2018

Same period Change since last year one year ago All presentations: 1 2,360 patients 2.429 -3% Emergency presentations: 2 1,789 patients -8% 1.955

Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment ³

January to March 2018

January to March 2018

	Same period last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 101 patients	89	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 6 minutes	5 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5	*	23 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 559 patients	613	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 8 minutes	7 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 22 minutes	24 minutes	65 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 790 patients	871	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 8 minutes	7 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 23 minutes	24 minutes	98 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 339 patients	382	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	6 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 25 minutes	26 minutes	97 minutes

Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Time from presentation until leaving the ED Same period Change since

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 2,359 patients 2.429 Percentage of patients who spent 90% four hours or less in the ED

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- 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 2018.
- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients waited equal to or longer
- 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.
- 6. All presentations that have a departure time.

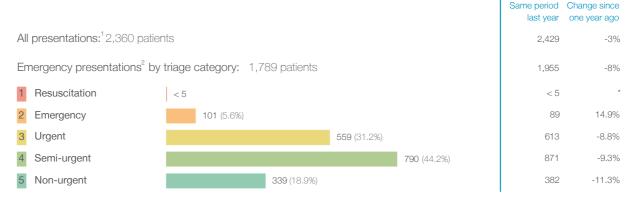
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Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 April 2018).

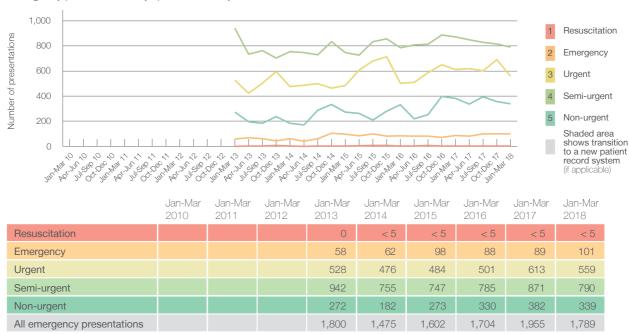
last year one year ago

Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2018



Emergency presentations² by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018 ^{‡§}



Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Patients arriving by ambulance January to March 2018

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 82 patients ** ED Transfer of care time Median time 8 minutes 90th percentile time

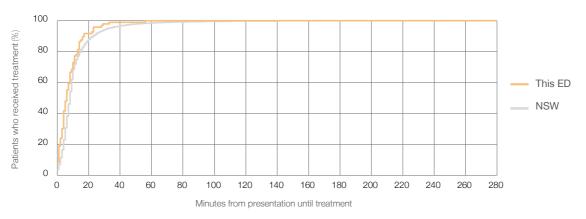
	Change since one year ago
134	
8 minutes	0 minutes
26 minutes	*

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- (**) Interpret with caution: total ambulance arrivals include more than 30% of records for which transfer of care time cannot be calculated.

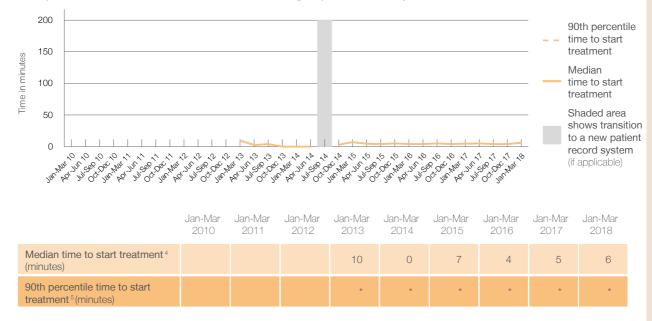
Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 101	89	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 96	86	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 6 minutes	5 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ *	*	23 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 115



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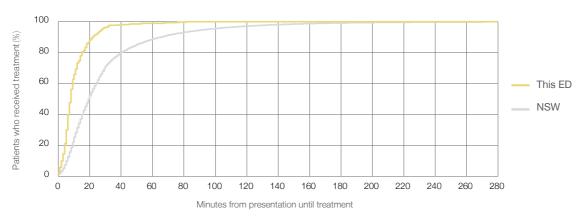
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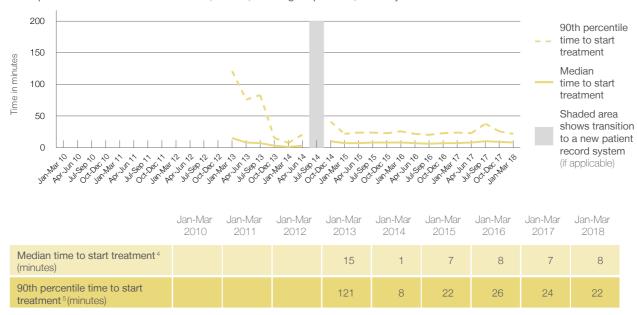
Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 559	613	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 541	601	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 8 minutes	7 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 22 minutes	24 minutes	65 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 115



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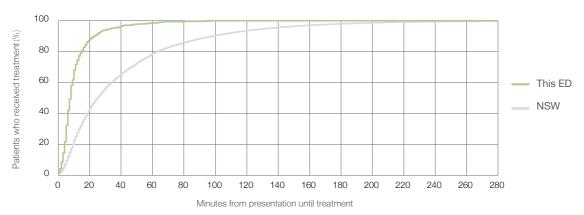
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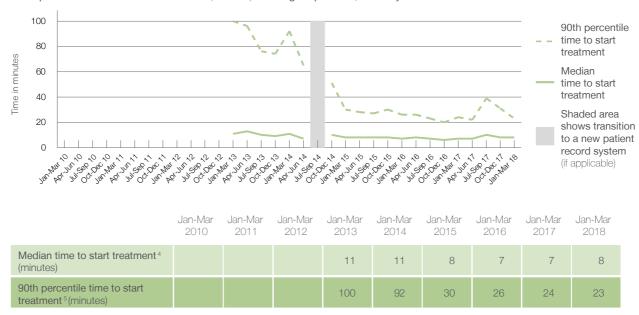
Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 790	871	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 751	834	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 8 minutes	7 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 23 minutes	24 minutes	98 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 115



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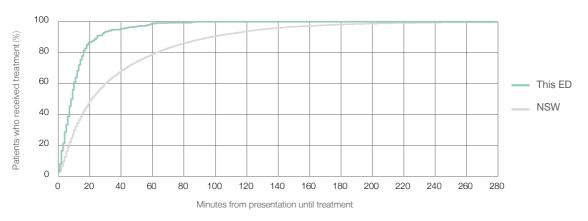
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Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 339	382	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 325	364	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	6 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 25 minutes	26 minutes	97 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 115



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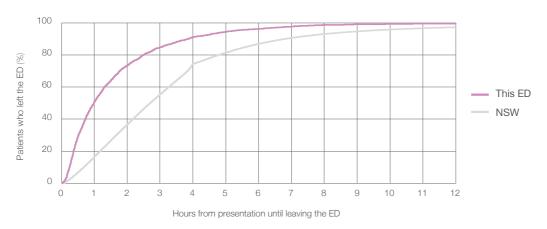
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Same period

Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Time patients spent in the ED January to March 2018

(this period) last vear All presentations: 2,360 patients 2,429 Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 2,359 patients 2.429 0 hours and 2 hours and Median time spent in the ED 8 0 hours and 59 minutes 42 minutes 4 hours and 6 hours and 90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 3 hours and 51 minutes 3 minutes 49 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, January to March 2018



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018



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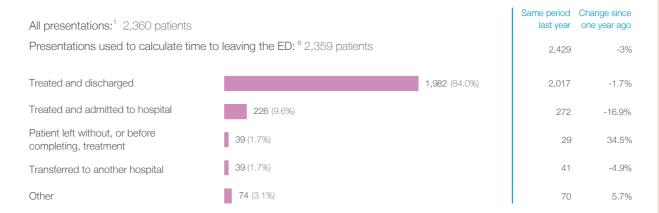
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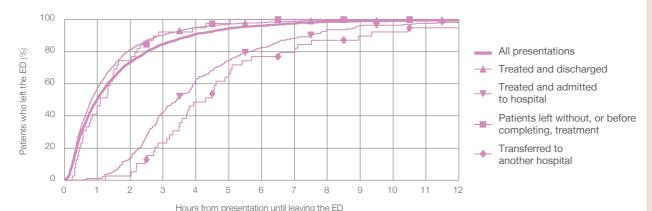
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Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation January to March 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, January to March 2018



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

Treated and discharged	57.2%	81.2%	90.4%	95.0%	98.1%	99.5%	99.7%	99.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.9%	13.7%	42.5%	62.8%	82.3%	93.8%	96.5%	98.7%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	46.2%	74.4%	92.3%	94.9%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	0%	2.6%	23.1%	48.7%	76.9%	87.2%	92.3%	94.9%
All presentations	50.8%	73.4%	84.7%	91.1%	96.2%	98.8%	99.2%	99.6%

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Deniliquin Hospital and Health Services: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED January to March 2018

All presentations at the emergency department: 12,360 patients

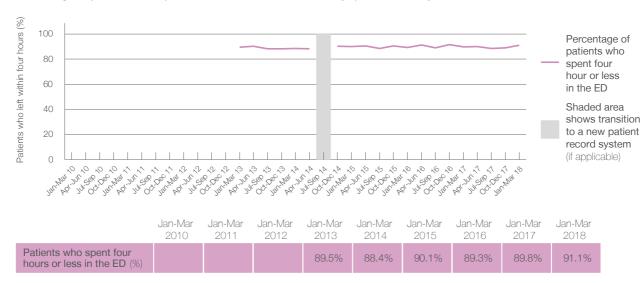
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 2,359 patients

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

91.1%

Same period last year one year ago
2,429 -3%
2,429 -3%
89,8%

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018 1148



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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 April 2018).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 April 2018).

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Same period Change since

Same period

Griffith Base Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview January to March 2018

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 5,258 patients	5,099	3%
Emergency presentations: ² 5,048 patients	4,862	4%

Griffith Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment 3

January to March 2018

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 450 patients	490	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 6 minutes	7 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 13 minutes	24 minutes	23 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 1,834 patients	1,981	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	15 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 46 minutes	50 minutes	65 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 2,101 patients	1,948	
Median time to start treatment 4 16 minutes	15 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 78 minutes	71 minutes	98 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 627 patients	416	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	15 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	78 minutes	97 minutes

Griffith Base Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED January to March 2018

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 5,258 patients

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

Change since	Same period
one year ago	last year
39	5,099
	83%

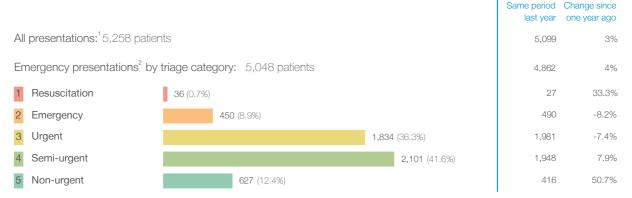
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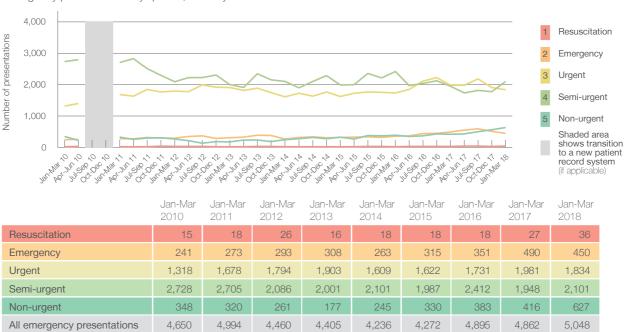
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Griffith Base Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2018



Emergency presentations² by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018 [‡]



Griffith Base Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

January to March 2018

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	ofer of care time: 7 685 patients	671	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	9 minutes	11 minutes	-2 minutes
90th percentile time	18 minutes	23 minutes	-5 minutes

Same period Change since

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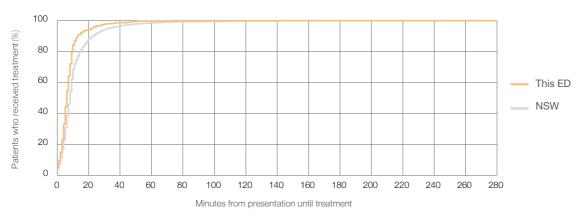
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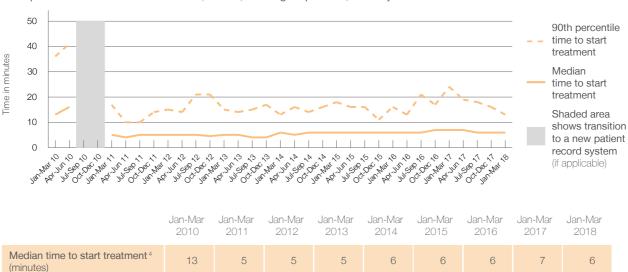
Griffith Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 450	490	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 447	487	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 6 minutes	7 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 13 minutes	24 minutes	23 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 †‡



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90th percentile time to start

treatment 5 (minutes)

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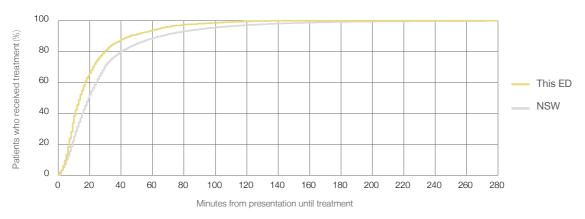
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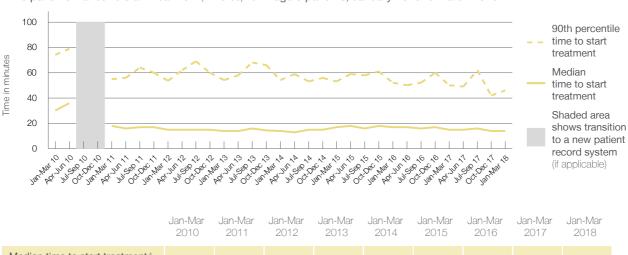
Griffith Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 1,834	1,981	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,809	1,957	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 14 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 46 minutes	50 minutes	65 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 †‡



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
dian time to start treatment 4 uutes)	30	18	15	14	14	17	17	15	14
n percentile time to start tment ⁵ (minutes)	74	55	54	54	54	53	52	50	46

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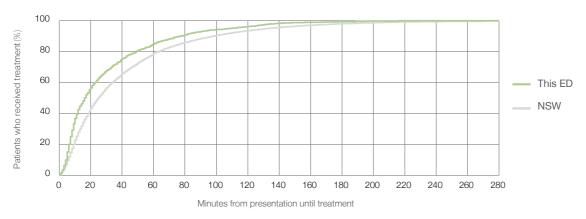
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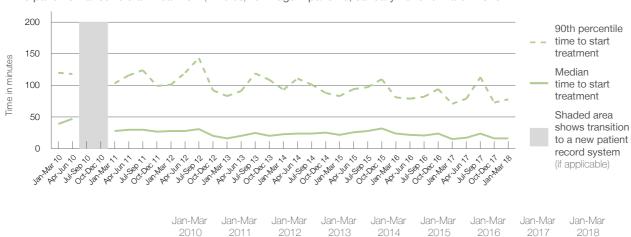
Griffith Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 2,101	1,948	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,035	1,896	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 16 minutes	15 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 78 minutes	71 minutes	98 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 †‡



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	39	28	28	16	23	22	24	15	16
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 (minutes)	120	103	101	83	93	83	81	71	78

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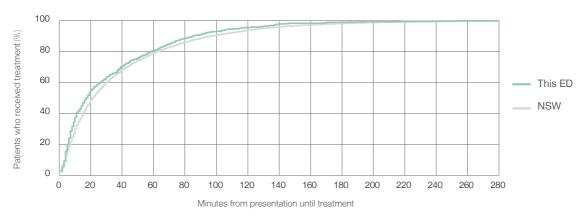
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Griffith Base Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 627	416	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 578	386	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 17 minutes	15 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 85 minutes	78 minutes	97 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 †‡



Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	30	30	36	17	19	24	21	15	17
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	105	141	141	101	89	85	77	78	85

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Griffith Base Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

January to March 2018

All presentations: ¹ 5,258 patients

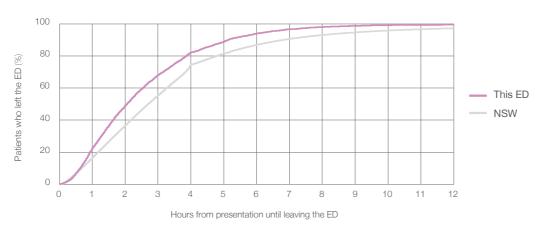
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ 5,258 patients

Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 2 hours and 3 minutes

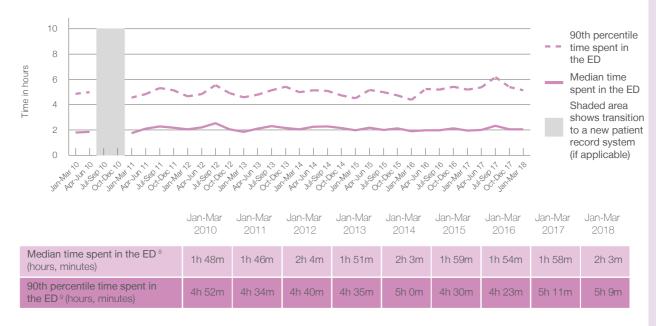
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ 5 hours and 9 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	5,099
	5,099
2 hours and 42 minutes	1 hours and 58 minutes
6 hours and 49 minutes	5 hours and 11 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, January to March 2018



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018 †‡



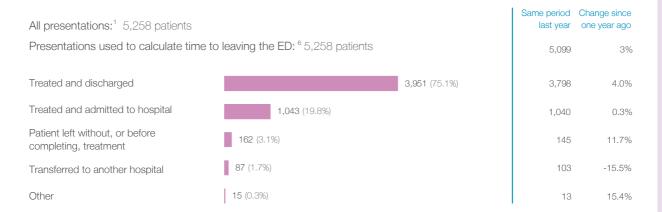
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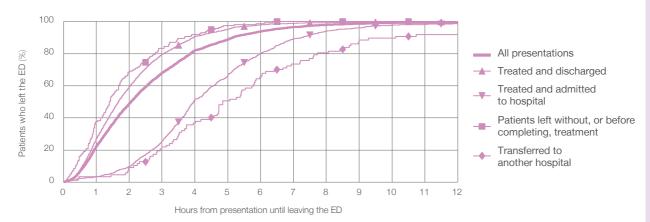
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Griffith Base Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation January to March 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, January to March 2018



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

Treated and discharged	27.0%	59.4%	79.5%	90.7%	97.9%	99.4%	99.7%	99.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	3.5%	9.8%	25.6%	51.6%	80.3%	94.1%	97.8%	98.7%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	37.7%	68.5%	83.3%	92.0%	98.8%	100%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	3.4%	9.2%	21.8%	36.8%	65.5%	80.5%	89.7%	92.0%
All presentations	22.4%	49.0%	68.0%	82.1%	93.9%	98.0%	99.2%	99.5%

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

January to March 2018

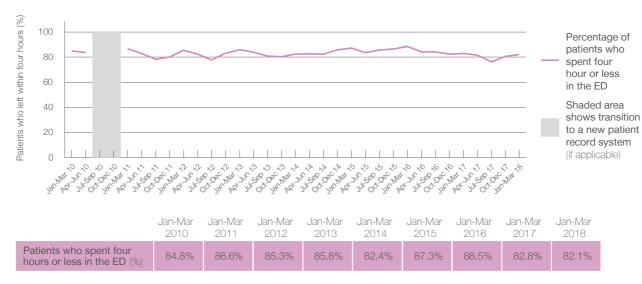
All presentations at the emergency department: 15,258 patients Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 5,258 patients

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

82.1%

	Change since one year ago
5,099	3%
5,099	3%
82.8%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018 †*



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Note: All percentages are rounded and therefore percentages may not add to 100%.

ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 April 2018). Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 April 2018).

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Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

January to March 2018

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 1 10,297 patients	9,682	6%
Emergency presentations: ² 9,990 patients	9,182	9%

Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ³

January to March 2018

January to March 2018

	Same period last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 888 patients	680	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 6 minutes	5 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 13 minutes	12 minutes	23 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 3,887 patients	3,843	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 15 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 45 minutes	47 minutes	65 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 3,894 patients	3,728	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	21 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	75 minutes	98 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,283 patients	884	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	19 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	79 minutes	97 minutes

Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ 10,295 patients

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

68%

Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
9,682	6%
70%	

Same period Change since

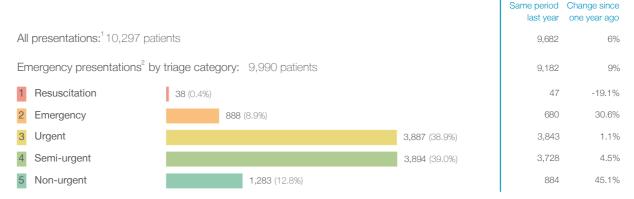
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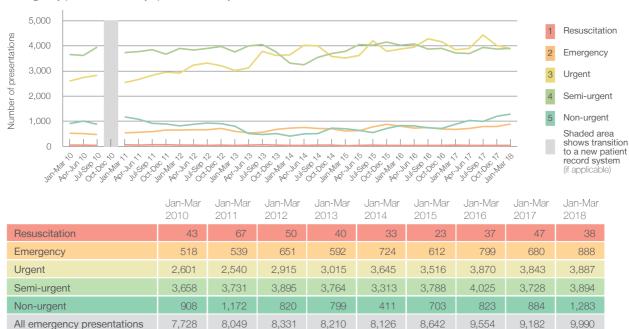
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Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2018



Emergency presentations² by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018 [‡]



Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

7,728

January to March 2018

All emergency presentations

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	1,963		
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	9 minutes	9 minutes	0 minutes
90th percentile time	18 minutes	19 minutes	-1 minute

9,182

Same period Change since

9.990

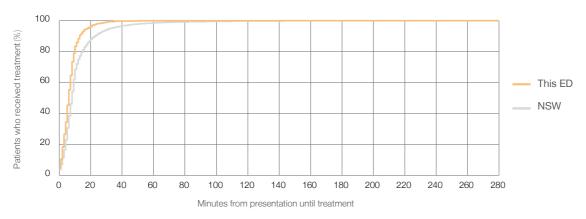
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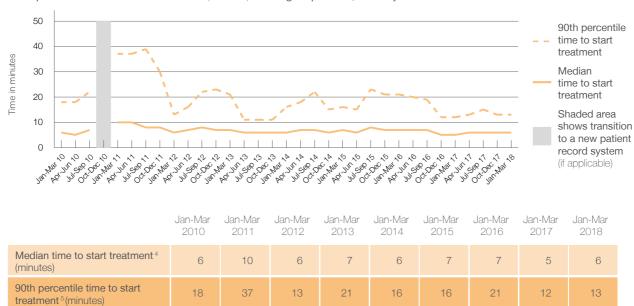
Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 888	680	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 886	679	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 6 minutes	5 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	12 minutes	23 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 †‡



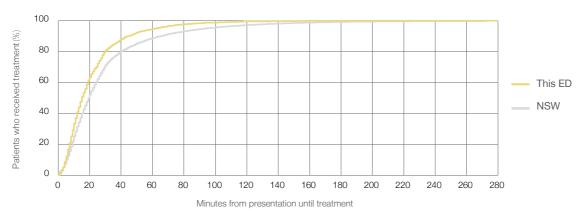
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Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 3,887	3,843	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 3,831	3,802	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 15 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 45 minutes	47 minutes	65 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 †‡



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90th percentile time to start

treatment 5 (minutes)

66

51

47

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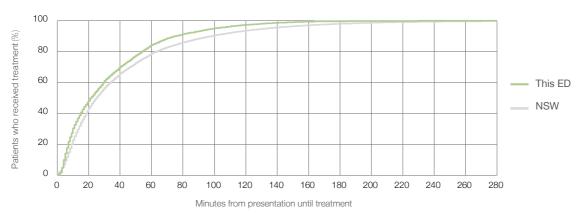
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Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 3,894	3,728	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3,743	3,624	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	21 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 75 minutes	75 minutes	98 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 †‡



treatment 5 (minutes)

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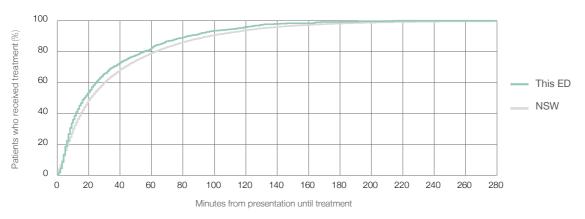
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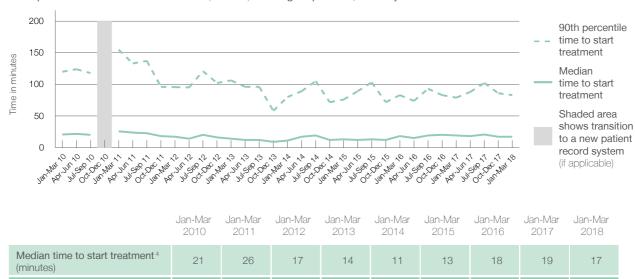
Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,283	884	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,195	828	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 17 minutes	19 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 83 minutes	79 minutes	97 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 †‡



96

106

80

90th percentile time to start

treatment 5 (minutes)

79

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Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

January to March 2018

All presentations: 1 10,297 patients

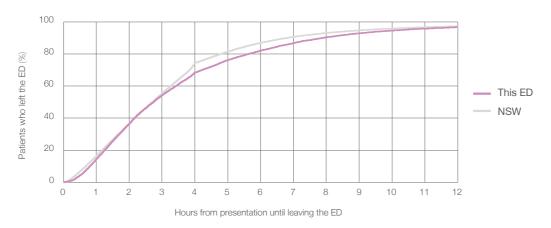
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 10,295 patients

Median time spent in the ED 8 2 hours and 45 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 7 hours and 54 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	9,682
	9,682
2 hours and 42 minutes	2 hours and 41 minutes
6 hours and 49 minutes	7 hours and 42 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, January to March 2018



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018 †‡

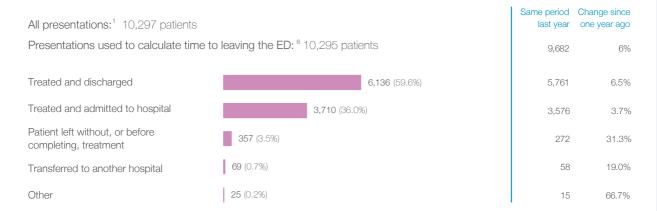


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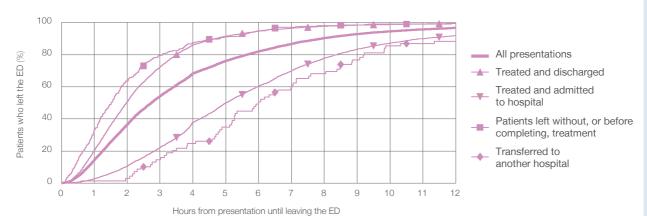
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Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation January to March 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, January to March 2018



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

Treated and discharged	20.6%	50.8%	72.4%	86.1%	94.7%	97.8%	98.8%	99.5%
Treated and admitted to hospital	2.9%	10.6%	22.2%	37.8%	60.5%	78.0%	87.2%	91.9%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	33.1%	63.6%	79.6%	87.4%	95.0%	98.0%	99.2%	99.4%
Transferred to another hospital	1.4%	2.9%	14.5%	24.6%	50.7%	68.1%	85.5%	88.4%
All presentations	14.6%	36.5%	54.2%	68.3%	82.1%	90.4%	94.6%	96.7%

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Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED January to March 2018

All presentations at the emergency department: 10,297 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 10,295 patients

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



	Change since one year ago
9,682	6%
9,682	6%
69.9%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018 †*



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Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 April 2018).

PERFORMANCE PROFILES: Emergency department care

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Same period Change since

Same period

Young Health Service: Emergency department (ED) overview

January to March 2018

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 1,832 patients	2,411	-24%
Emergency presentations: ² 1,699 patients	2,230	-24%

Young Health Service: Time patients waited to start treatment 3

January to March 2018

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 189 patients	111	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 18 minutes	27 minutes	23 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 693 patients	788	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	8 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 26 minutes	28 minutes	65 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 661 patients	1,069	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	10 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 40 minutes	38 minutes	98 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 148 patients	254	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	10 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 38 minutes	45 minutes	97 minutes

Young Health Service: Time from presentation until leaving the ED January to March 2018

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Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 1,832 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
four hours or less in the ED	959

	Change since one year ago
2,411	-24%
97%	

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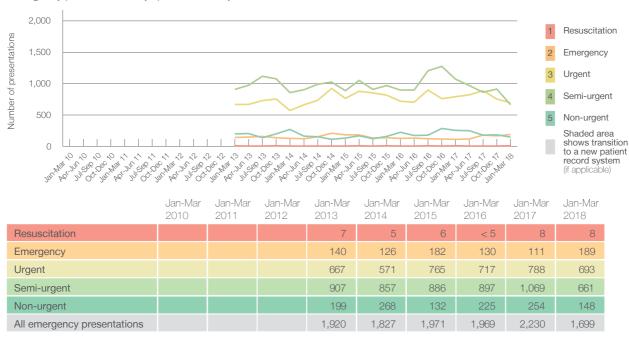
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Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 April 2018).

Young Health Service: Patients presenting to the emergency department January to March 2018

			Same period last year	Change since one year ago	
All presentations: 1,832 patie	ents		2,411	-24%	
Emergency presentations ² by	y triage category: 1,699 patients		2,230	-24%	
1 Resuscitation	8 (0.5%)		8	0.0%	
2 Emergency	189 (11.1%)		111	70.3%	
3 Urgent		693 (40.8%)	788	-12.1%	
4 Semi-urgent		661 (38.9%)	1,069	-38.2%	
5 Non-urgent	148 (8.7%)		254	-41.7%	

Emergency presentations ² by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018 ^{‡§}



Young Health Service: Patients arriving by ambulance

January to March 2018

ED Transfer of care time is not currently available for this hospital. ⁷

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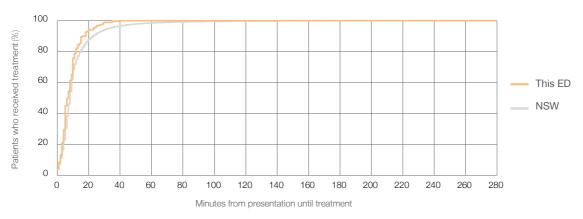
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Young Health Service: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	(this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 189	111	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 189		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 18 minutes	27 minutes	23 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 115



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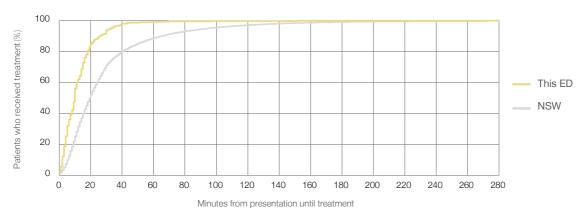
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Young Health Service: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 693	788	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 693		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 10 minutes	8 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 26 minutes	28 minutes	65 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 115



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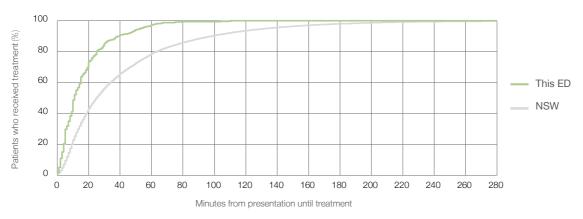
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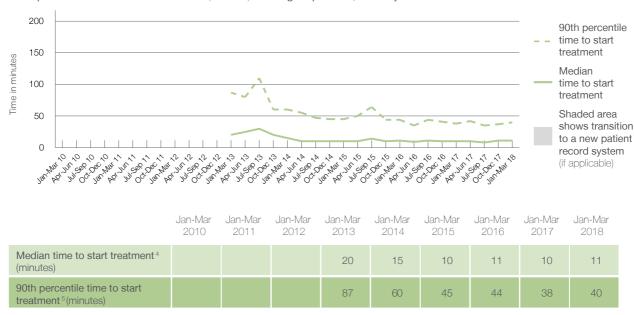
Young Health Service: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 661	1,069	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 655	1,061	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 11 minutes	10 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 40 minutes	38 minutes	98 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 115



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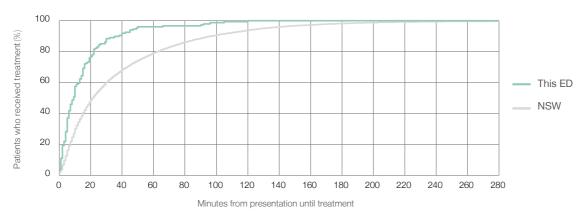
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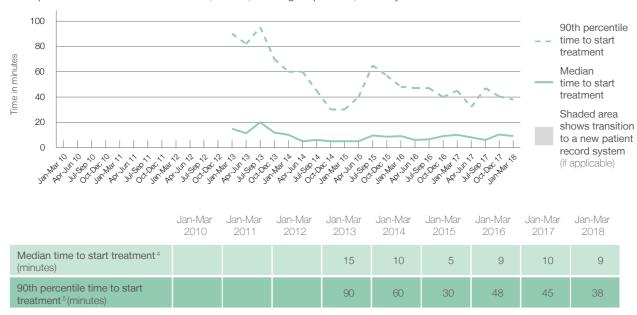
Young Health Service: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 148	254	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 146	252	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	10 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 38 minutes	45 minutes	97 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2010 to March 2018 115



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Young Health Service: Time patients spent in the ED

January to March 2018

All presentations: 1,832 patients

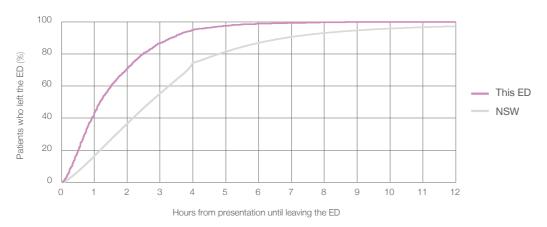
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 1,832 patients

Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 1 hours and 11 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ 3 hours and 21 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	2,411
	2,411
2 hours and 42 minutes	1 hours and 1 minutes
6 hours and 49 minutes	2 hours and 55 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, January to March 2018



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018



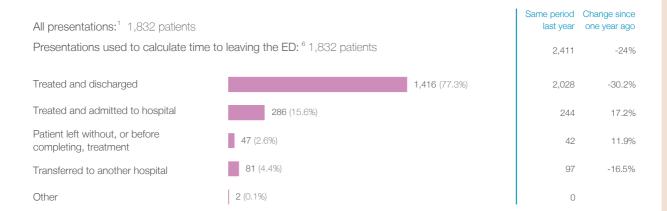
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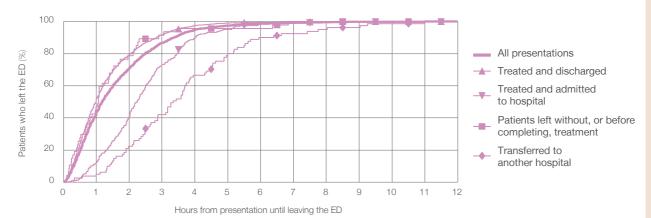
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Young Health Service: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation January to March 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, January to March 2018



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

Treated and discharged	52.0%	79.4%	91.9%	97.6%	99.6%	99.9%	100%	100%
Treated and admitted to hospital	12.2%	40.9%	73.4%	89.9%	98.3%	99.3%	100%	100%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	46.8%	78.7%	91.5%	95.7%	95.7%	100%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	4.9%	22.2%	42.0%	66.7%	90.1%	95.1%	98.8%	100%
All presentations	43.6%	70.9%	86.8%	95.0%	98.9%	99.6%	99.9%	100%

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Young Health Service: Time spent in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED January to March 2018

All presentations at the emergency department: 11,832 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 1,832 patients

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

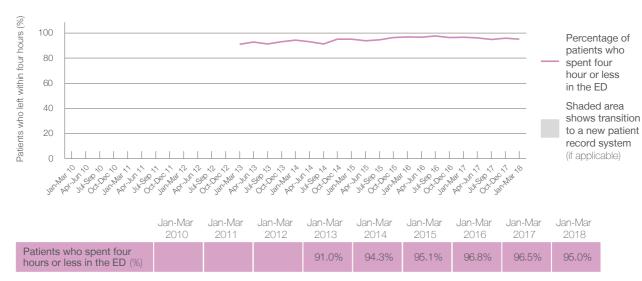
95.0%

last year one year ago
2,411 -24%
2,411 -24%

96.5%

Same period Change since

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to March 2018 118



- * 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 2018.*
- 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 10% 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 17 April 2018).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 17 April 2018).