

Healthcare Quarterly

Performance Profiles

Emergency Department

Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District

Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview January to March 2018

Same period Change since last year one year ago All presentations: 1 4,402 patients 2% 4.328 Emergency presentations: 2 4,317 patients 1% 4.275

Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ³ January to March 2018

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Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 668 patients	609	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 8 minutes	7 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 21 minutes	23 minutes	23 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 1,127 patients	996	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	19 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 68 minutes	69 minutes	65 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 2,132 patients	2,198	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	32 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	127 minutes	98 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 370 patients	450	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 32 minutes	32 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	131 minutes	97 minutes

Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED Same period Change since

last year one year ago Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 4,401 patients 4,316 Percentage of patients who spent 78% four hours or less in the ED

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- 1. All emergency and non-emergency attendances at the emergency department (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.

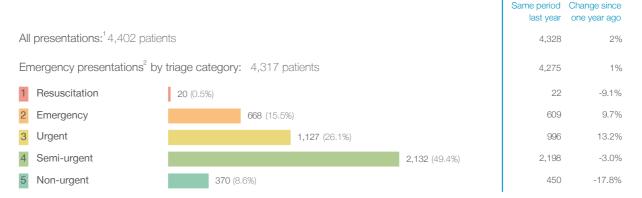
January to March 2018

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.

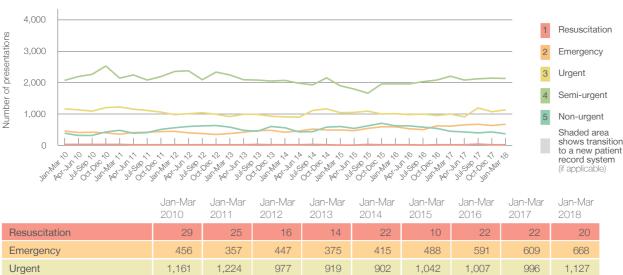
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Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2018



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



Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

2,351

4,350

2,243

4,127

2,068

3,971

1,895

4,032

1,962

4,201

2,198

4,275

Same period Change since

2,132

4,317

2,137

474 4,217

2,071

4,106

January to March 2018

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

All emergency presentations

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	812		
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	14 minutes	13 minutes	1 minute
90th percentile time	27 minutes	26 minutes	1 minute
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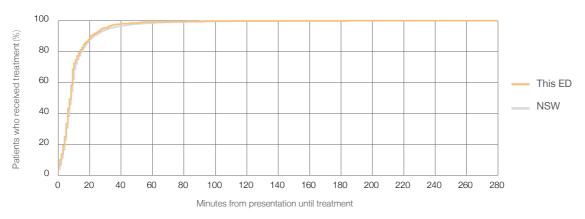
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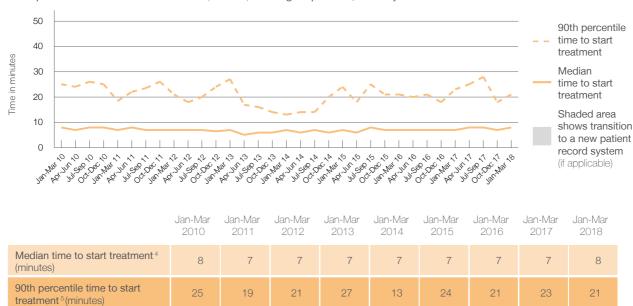
Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 668	609	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 665	562	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 8 minutes	7 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 21 minutes	23 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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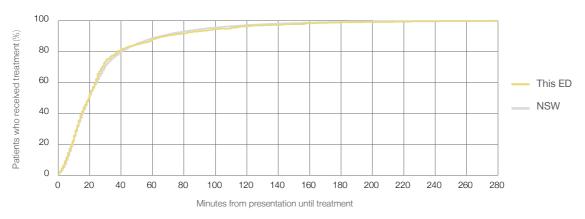
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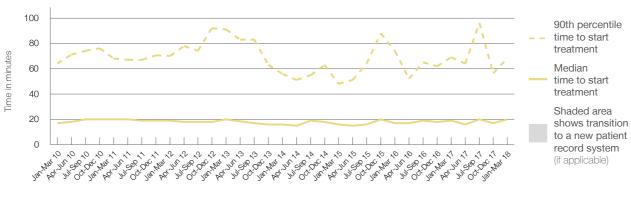
Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 1,127	996	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,103	941	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	19 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 68 minutes	69 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 †‡



	Jan-Mar 2010	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Jan-Mar 2013	Jan-Mar 2014	Jan-Mar 2015	Jan-Mar 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018
Median time to start treatment 4 (minutes)	17	20	19	20	16	16	17	19	20
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 (minutes)	64	68	70	91	56	48	74	69	68

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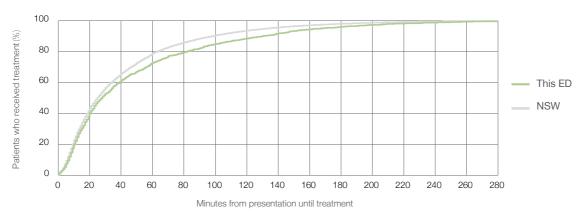
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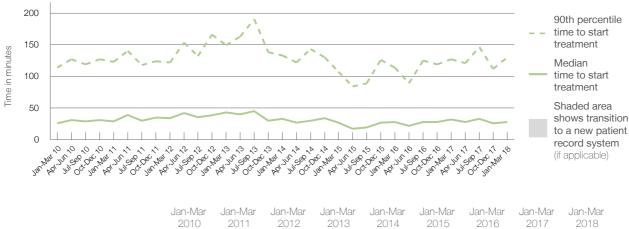
Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 2,132	2,198	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,990	1,978	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	32 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 130 minutes	127 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)	26	29	34	43	33	27	28	32	28
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	114	123	122	149	133	107	114	127	130

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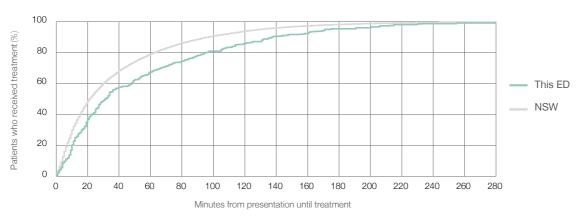
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Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2018

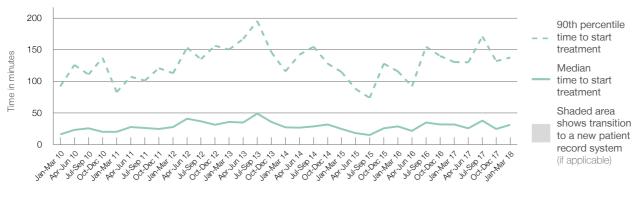
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or a	Same period last year	NSW (this period)	
Number of triage 5 patients: 370	450		
Number of triage 5 patients used to calcula	360		
Median time to start treatment ⁴	32 minutes	32 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	138 minutes	131 minutes	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 †‡

Jan-Mar



		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time to start tr (minutes)	reatment ⁴	16	20	28	36	28	25	29	32	32
90th percentile time to treatment 5 (minutes)	start	92	83	113	150	116	115	116	131	138

Jan-Mar

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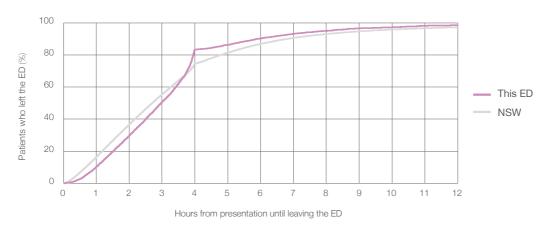
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Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

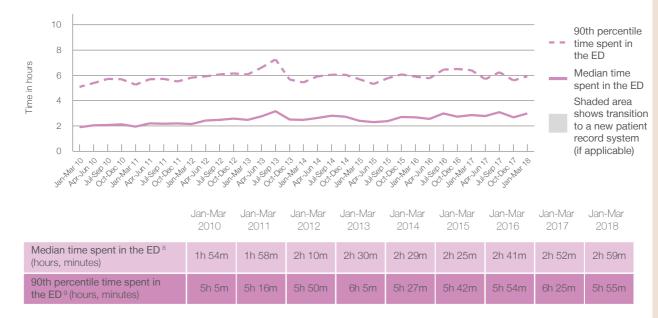
January to March 2018

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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 ^{†‡}



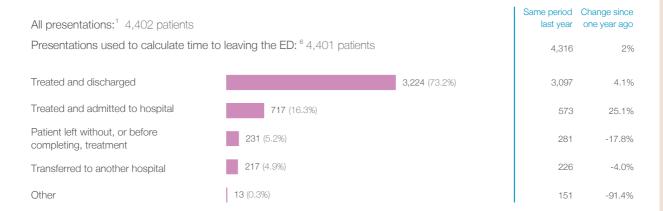
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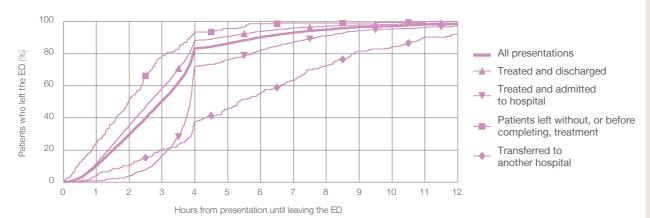
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Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation

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	11.9%	35.4%	58.4%	88.2%	93.8%	97.1%	98.3%	99.1%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.8%	3.8%	16.6%	72.1%	82.0%	91.2%	95.4%	97.3%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	24.7%	51.5%	78.8%	93.5%	98.7%	99.1%	99.6%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	4.1%	10.1%	20.3%	37.8%	55.3%	72.8%	83.9%	92.2%
All presentations	10.4%	29.8%	50.7%	83.3%	90.2%	95.0%	97.2%	98.5%

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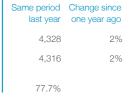
Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

January to March 2018

All presentations at the emergency department: 14,402 patients

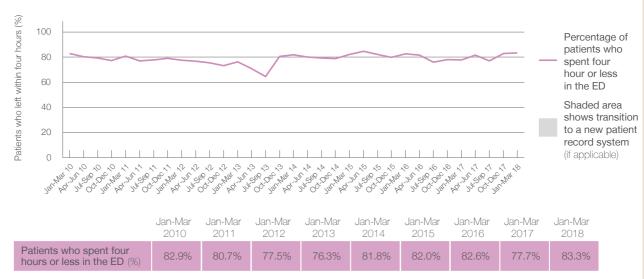
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 4,401 patients

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



83.3%

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



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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 17 April 2018).

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

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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Emergency department (ED) overview

January to March 2018

		Change since one year ago
All presentations: 6,418 patients	6,085	5%
Emergency presentations: ² 6,086 patients	5,757	6%

Hawkesbury District 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): 769 patients	644	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 28 minutes	20 minutes	23 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 1,763 patients	1,677	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	15 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 51 minutes	40 minutes	65 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 3,155 patients	3,118	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	15 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 72 minutes	63 minutes	98 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 377 patients	297	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	13 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 52 minutes	57 minutes	97 minutes

Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 6,418 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 74%

	Change since one year ago
6,085	5%
75%	

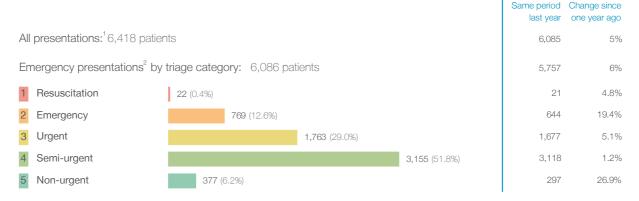
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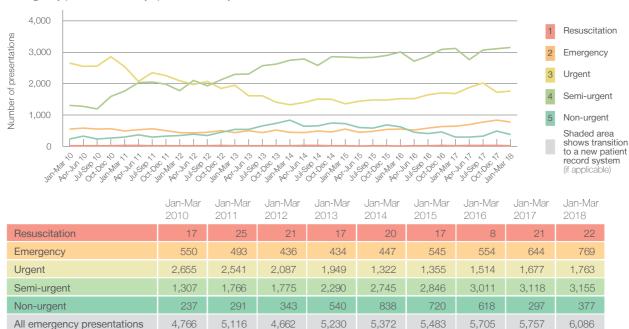
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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2018



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



Hawkesbury District Health Services: Patients arriving by ambulance

4,766

January to March 2018

All emergency presentations

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 946 patients			
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	11 minutes	12 minutes	-1 minute
90th percentile time	22 minutes	26 minutes	-4 minutes

5.483

5.705

5,757

Same period Change since

6.086

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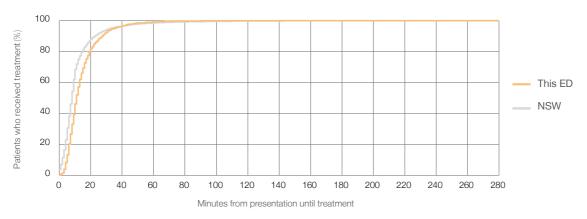
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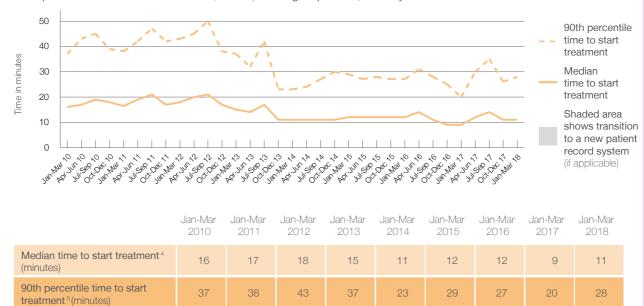
Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 769	644	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 766		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 11 minutes	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 28 minutes	20 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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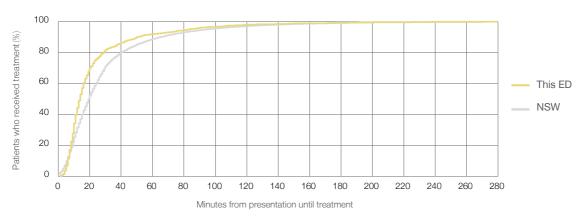
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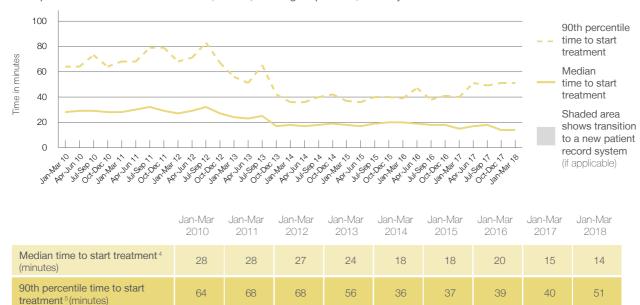
Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 1,763	1,677	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,743	1,676	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 14 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 51 minutes	40 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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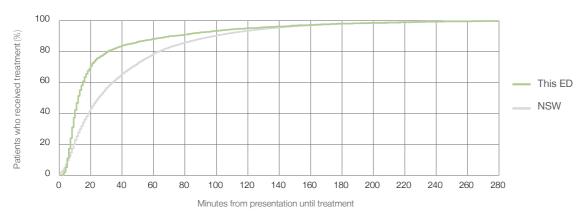
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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 3,155	3,118	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 3,058		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 12 minutes	15 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 72 minutes	63 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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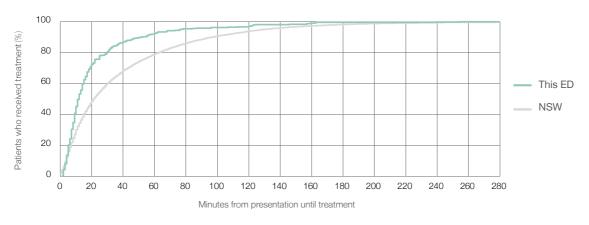
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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 377		
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 359	291	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	13 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 52 minutes	57 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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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients spent in the ED

January to March 2018

All presentations: 6,418 patients

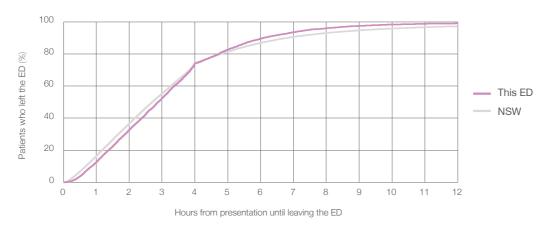
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 6,418 patients

Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 2 hours and 53 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ 6 hours and 6 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	6,085
	6,085
2 hours and 42 minutes	2 hours and 56 minutes
6 hours and 49 minutes	6 hours and 32 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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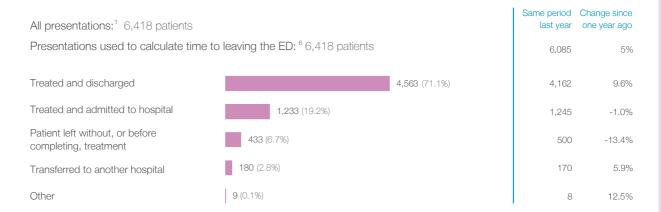
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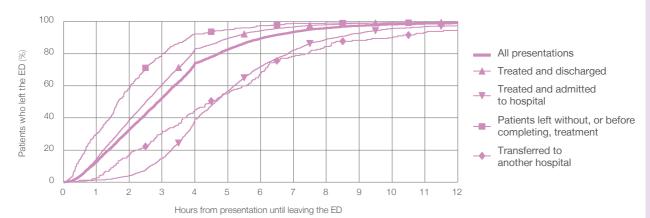
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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients spent in the ED

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	14.3%	38.6%	60.8%	83.0%	94.4%	98.1%	99.3%	99.6%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.3%	4.0%	14.7%	39.2%	72.0%	88.9%	95.8%	97.4%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	30.0%	58.2%	79.9%	92.4%	97.5%	99.1%	99.3%	99.8%
Transferred to another hospital	2.8%	16.7%	30.6%	45.0%	67.8%	84.4%	90.0%	94.4%
All presentations	12.6%	32.7%	52.4%	74.2%	89.6%	96.0%	98.3%	99.0%

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^(§) This hospital does not use one of the two major information systems implemented in NSW emergency departments. Caution is advised when comparing results from this emergency department to others. For more information, see Background Paper: Approaches to reporting time measures of emergency department performance, December 2011.

Hawkesbury District 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: 16,418 patients

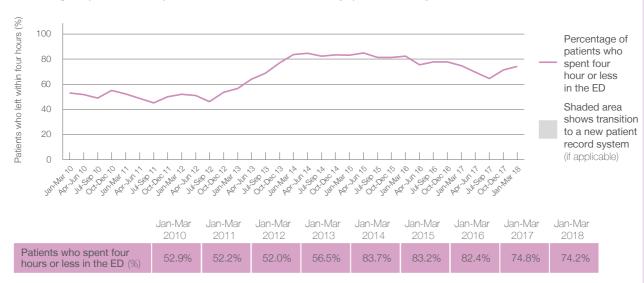
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 6,418 patients

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

74.2%

	Change since one year ago
6,085	5%
6,085	5%
74.8%	

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



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- 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 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 17 April 2018).

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

Same period Change since

NSW

Same period

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

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 1 3,062 patients	2,957	4%
Emergency presentations: ² 2,978 patients	2,854	4%

Lithgow 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): 340 patients	306	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 4 minutes	4 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 12 minutes	13 minutes	23 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 1,088 patients	892	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	9 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 38 minutes	35 minutes	65 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 1,188 patients	1,207	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	9 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 60 minutes	46 minutes	98 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 352 patients	437	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	7 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 51 minutes	43 minutes	97 minutes

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

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 3,062 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
	85%
four hours or less in the ED	00 /0

	Change since one year ago
2,957	4%
87%	

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- 1. All emergency and non-emergency attendances at the emergency department (ED).
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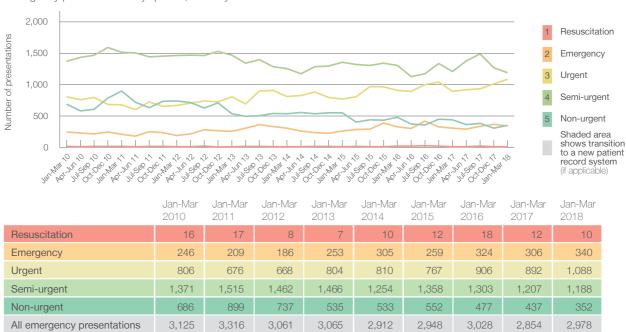
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Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 17 April 2018).

Lithgow Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department January to March 2018

Same period Change since last year one year ago All presentations: 13,062 patients 2.957 4% Emergency presentations² by triage category: 2,978 patients 2,854 4% Resuscitation 10 (0.3%) 12 -16.7% 340 (11.4%) 306 11.1% Emergency 22.0% Urgent 1,088 (36.5%) 892 Semi-urgent 1,188 (39.9%) 1,207 -1.6% 352 (11.8%) 437 -19.5% Non-urgent

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



Lithgow Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

January to March 2018

			last year	one year ago
Α	rivals used to calculate trans	ofer of care time: 7 572 patients	562	
El	O Transfer of care time			
M	edian time	10 minutes	10 minutes	0 minutes
90	oth percentile time	23 minutes	22 minutes	1 minute

Same period Change since

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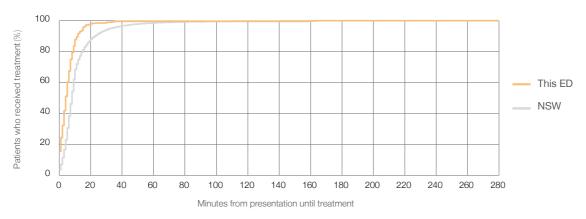
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Lithgow Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 340	306	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 335	305	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 4 minutes	4 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 12 minutes	13 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 †‡



	2010	2011	Jan-Iviar 2012	Jan-Mar 2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Jan-Ivlar 2018
Median time to start treatment 4 (minutes)	5	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	4
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 (minutes)	20	20	19	12	13	10	11	13	12

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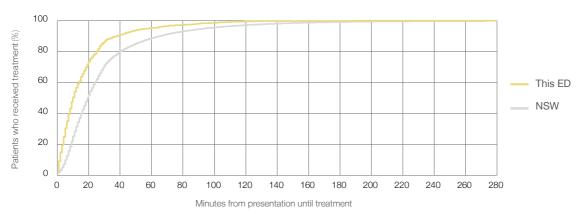
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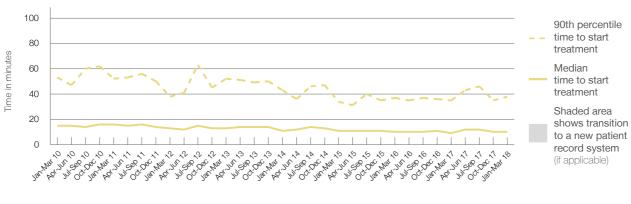
Lithgow Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 1,088	892	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,073	879	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 10 minutes	9 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 38 minutes	35 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 †‡



	Jan-Mar 2010	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Jan-Mar 2013	Jan-Mar 2014	Jan-Mar 2015	Jan-Mar 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018
Median time to start treatment 4 (minutes)	15	16	13	13	11	11	10	9	10
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 (minutes)	53	52	38	52	43	34	37	35	38

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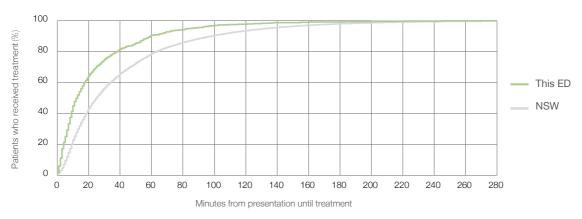
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Lithgow Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 1,188	1,207	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,154	1,166	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 13 minutes	9 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 60 minutes	46 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)	18	18	12	14	12	11	10	9	13
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	71	78	58	61	53	54	50	46	60

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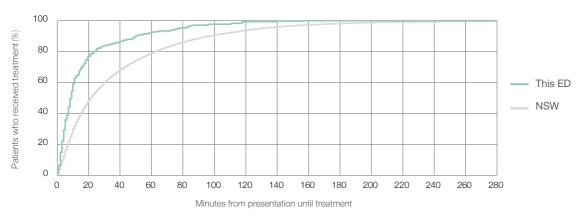
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Lithgow Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 352	437	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 329	408	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	7 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 51 minutes	43 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 †‡



(minutes)

90th percentile time to start

treatment 5 (minutes)

80

48

43

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Lithgow Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

January to March 2018

All presentations: 1 3,062 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 3,062 patients

Median time spent in the ED ⁸

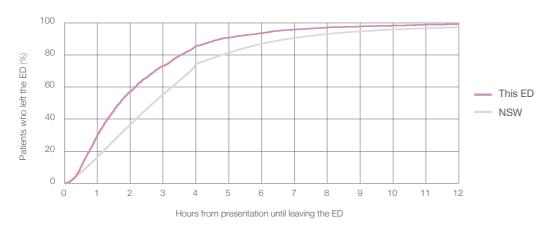
1 hours and 41 minutes

90th percentile time spent in the ED $^{\rm 9}$

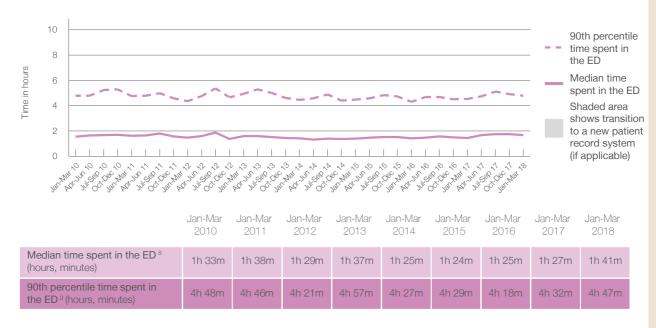
4 hours and 47 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	2,957
	2,957
2 hours and 42 minutes	1 hours and 27 minutes
6 hours and 49 minutes	4 hours and 32 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 †‡

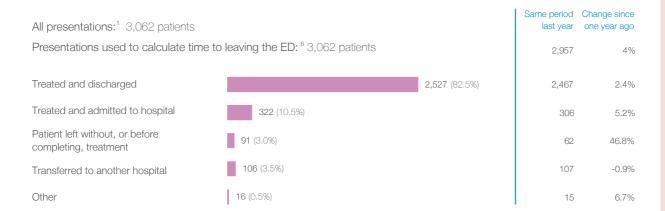


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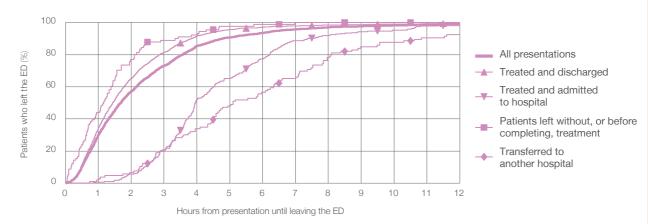
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Lithgow Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation January to March 2018



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	34.5%	65.2%	81.5%	91.7%	97.1%	98.5%	99.1%	99.4%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.6%	5.6%	20.8%	52.2%	77.3%	91.9%	95.3%	98.1%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	44.0%	76.9%	89.0%	92.3%	98.9%	100%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	1.9%	6.6%	19.8%	34.0%	56.6%	78.3%	87.7%	92.5%
All presentations	30.1%	57.2%	73.2%	85.5%	93.5%	97.1%	98.3%	99.1%

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Lithgow 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: 13,062 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 63,062 patients

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

85.5%

one year ago	
4%	2,957
4%	2,957
	87.5%

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).

Same period Change since

Same period

NSW

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

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 1 17,763 patients	17,079	4%
Emergency presentations: ² 17,524 patients	16,971	3%

Nepean 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): 2,964 patients	2,559	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	38 minutes	23 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 5,384 patients	4,971	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 40 minutes	27 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	112 minutes	65 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 7,694 patients	7,599	
	7,000	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 38 minutes	29 minutes	25 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	121 minutes	98 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,393 patients	1,743	
	1,7 10	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 34 minutes	27 minutes	22 minutes

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

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 17,760 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
r crocinage of patients who spent	E 40/
four hours or less in the ED	54%

	Change since one year ago
17,068	4%
59%	

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- 5. The 90th percentile is the time by which 90% of patients started treatment. The final 10% of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
- 6. All presentations that have a departure time.

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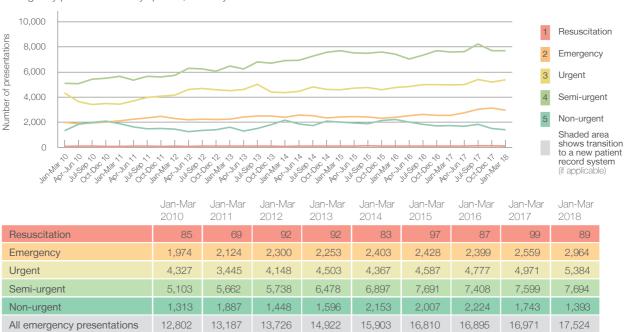
Same period Change since

Nepean Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2018

				last year	one year ago	
All presentations: 17,763 patie	ents			17,079	4%	
Emergency presentations ² by	Emergency presentations ² by triage category: 17,524 patients					
1 Resuscitation	89 (0.5%)			99	-10.1%	
2 Emergency	2,964 (16.9%)			2,559	15.8%	
3 Urgent		5,384 (30.7%)		4,971	8.3%	
4 Semi-urgent			7,694 (43.9%)	7,599	1.3%	
5 Non-urgent	1,393 (7.9%)			1,743	-20.1%	

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



Nepean Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

January to March 2018

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transfer	of care time: 7 4,961 patients	4,748	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	12 minutes	11 minutes	1 minute
90th percentile time	29 minutes	26 minutes	3 minutes

Same period Change since

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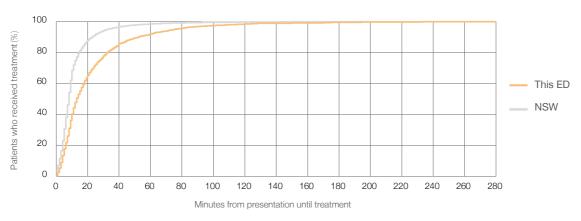
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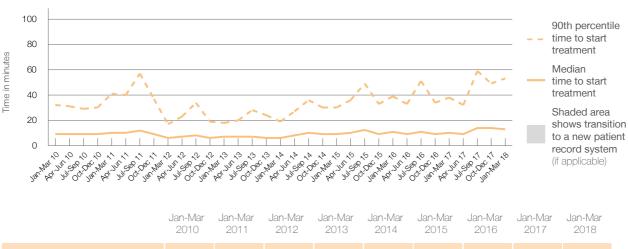
Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,964	2,559	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,952	2,543	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 13 minutes	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 53 minutes	38 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 †‡



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	9	10	6	7	6	9	11	10	13
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 (minutes)	32	41	17	18	19	30	39	38	53

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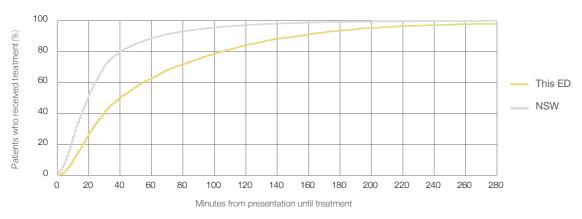
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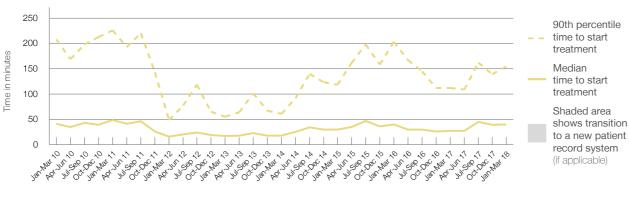
Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood	Same period last year	NSW (this period)		
Number of triage 3 patients: 5,384	4,971			
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 5,081			4,687	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	40 minutes		27 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		154 minutes	112 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 †‡



	Jan- 20		an-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Jan-Mar 2013	Jan-Mar 2014	Jan-Mar 2015	Jan-Mar 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018
Median time to start treatm (minutes)	ent ⁴	11	49	16	17	18	30	40	27	40
90th percentile time to star treatment 5 (minutes)	t 20)8	226	49	55	61	118	203	112	154

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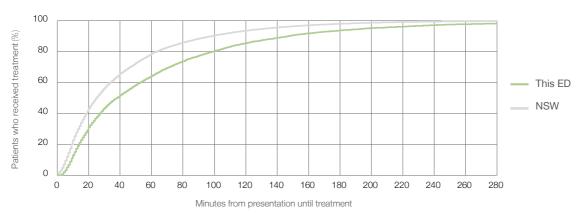
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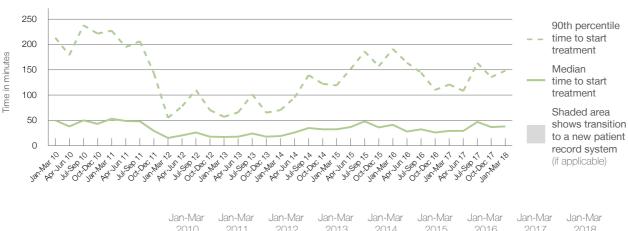
Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained an	Same period last year	NSW (this period)		
Number of triage 4 patients: 7,694	7,599			
Number of triage 4 patients used to calc	7,010			
Median time to start treatment ⁴	38 minutes	29 minutes	25 minutes	
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		148 minutes	121 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)	50	53	15	17	19	32	41	29	38
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 (minutes)	213	227	55	57	70	119	191	121	148

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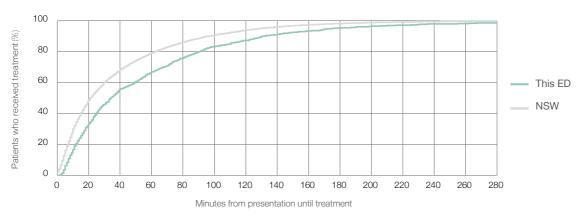
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,393	1,743	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,169	1,500	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 34 minutes	27 minutes	22 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	nutes 109 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 †‡



172

90th percentile time to start

treatment 5 (minutes)

80

177

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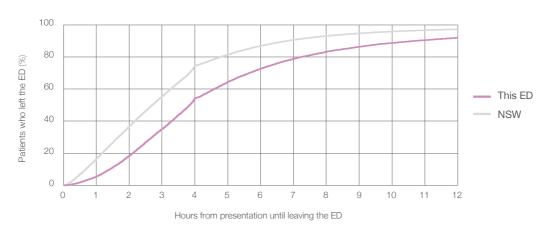
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

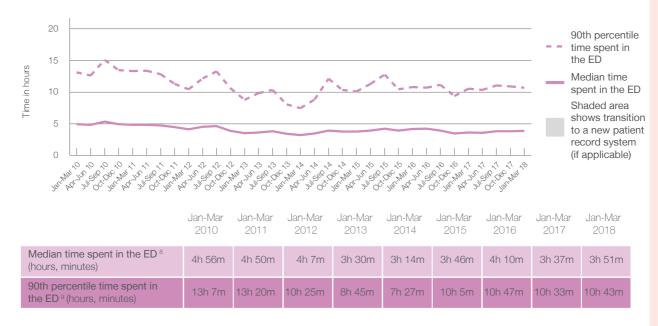
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(this period) last vear All presentations: 17,763 patients 17,079 Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 17,760 patients 17.068 3 hours and 2 hours and Median time spent in the ED 8 3 hours and 51 minutes 42 minutes 10 hours and 6 hours and 90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 10 hours and 43 minutes 33 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 †‡

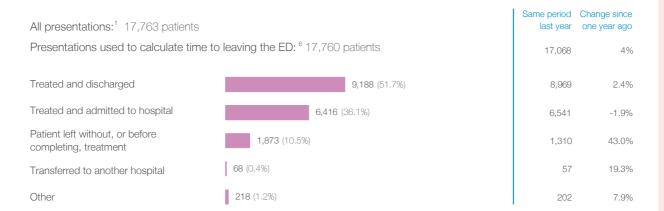


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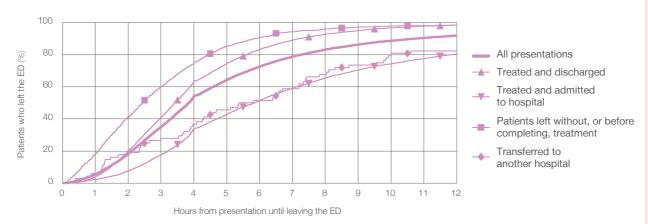
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation January to March 2018



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	4.0%	19.9%	41.1%	63.5%	83.3%	92.8%	96.7%	98.5%
Treated and admitted to hospital	2.3%	7.6%	17.8%	33.9%	51.5%	65.5%	74.3%	80.5%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	18.1%	41.0%	60.1%	75.4%	90.8%	96.0%	97.9%	98.5%
Transferred to another hospital	5.9%	17.6%	27.9%	36.8%	51.5%	67.6%	80.9%	82.4%
All presentations	5.5%	18.4%	35.2%	54.3%	72.6%	83.2%	88.7%	91.9%

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Nepean 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: 17,763 patients

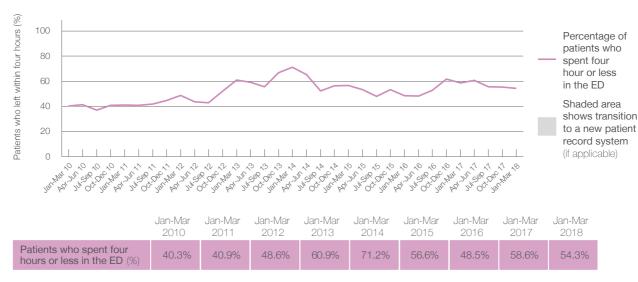
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 17,760 patients

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

last year	one year ago
17,079	4%
17,068	4%
58.6%	

Same period Change since

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



54.3%

- * Suppressed due to small numbers and to protect privacy. Relevant graphs are also suppressed.
- $_{\mbox{\scriptsize †}}$ Data points are not shown in graphs for quarters when patient numbers were too small.
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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 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 17 April 2018).

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