Healthcare Quarterly

Emergency department

Principal referral hospitals (A1) peer group Performance Profiles

October to December 2018



Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview October to December 2018

		Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 14,331 patients	13,750	4%
Emergency presentations: ² 14,249 patients	13,666	4%

Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ^a

October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,574 patients	2,517	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 31 minutes	29 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 7,434 patients	6,399	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 26 minutes	23 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 85 minutes	80 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 3,621 patients	4,099	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 33 minutes	27 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	108 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 512 patients	548	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 31 minutes	29 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 96 minutes	123 minutes	104 minutes

Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2018		Change since one year ago		
Attendances used to calculate time to I	eaving the ED: 6 14,331 patients		13,750	4%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		75%	74%	

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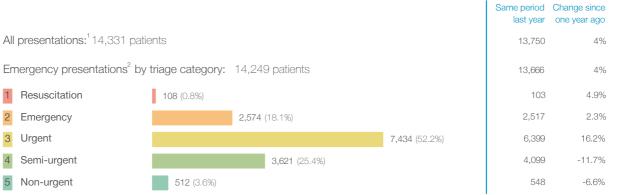
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- 2. All attendances that have a triage category and are coded as emergency presentations or unplanned return visits.
- 3. Some patients are excluded from ED time measures due to calculation requirements. For details, see the *Technical Supplement: October to December 2018.*
- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
- 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.

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.

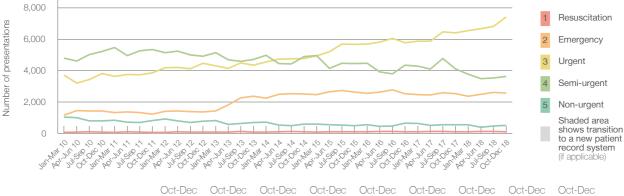
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Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	88	57	71	78	94	94	103	103	108
Emergency	1,424	1,227	1,359	2,371	2,509	2,629	2,521	2,517	2,574
Urgent	3,820	3,846	4,474	4,333	4,762	5,662	5,764	6,399	7,434
Semi-urgent	5,221	5,340	4,918	4,708	4,895	4,454	4,351	4,099	3,621
Non-urgent	785	822	773	682	594	479	653	548	512
All emergency presentations	11,338	11,292	11,595	12,172	12,854	13,318	13,392	13,666	14,249

Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

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		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	sfer of care time: 7 4,347 patients	3,948	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	14 minutes	13 minutes	1 minute
90th percentile time	33 minutes	26 minutes	7 minutes

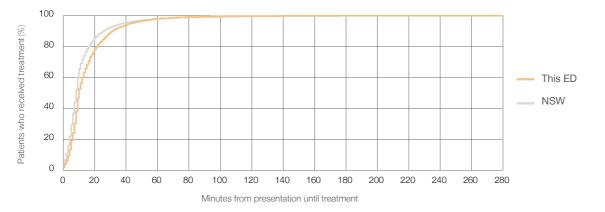
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Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,574	2,517	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 2,571	2,511	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 10 minutes	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 31 minutes	29 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	7	7	8	9	11	7	9	10	10
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	14	18	21	22	36	24	27	29	31

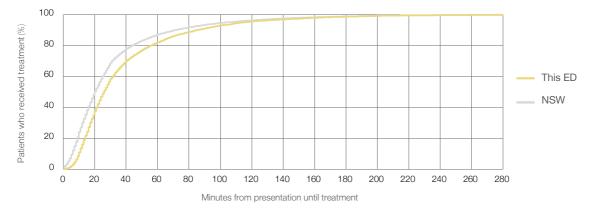
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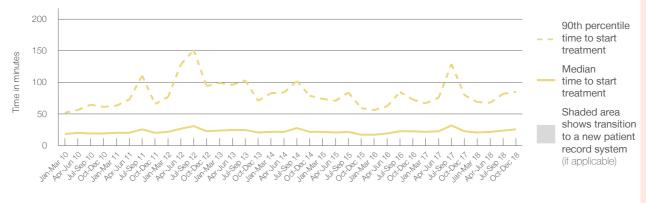
Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 7,434	6,399	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 7,335	6,292	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 26 minutes	23 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 85 minutes	80 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	19	20	23	21	22	17	23	23	26
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	61	66	94	71	79	59	73	80	85

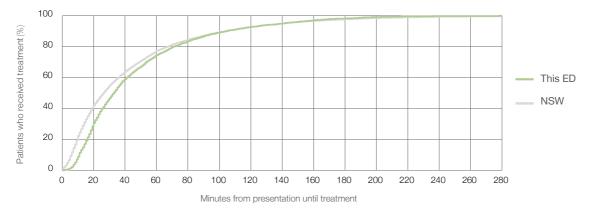
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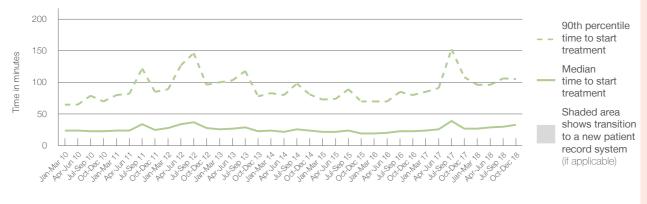
Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 3,621	4,099	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 3,517	3,939	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 33 minutes	27 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 105 minutes	108 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	23	25	28	23	24	19	23	27	33
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	70	85	96	78	81	70	80	108	105

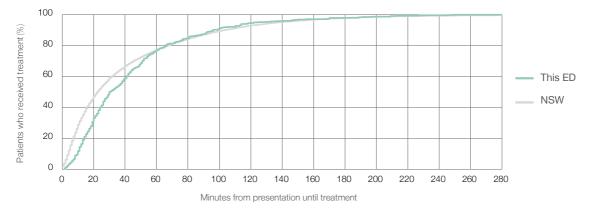
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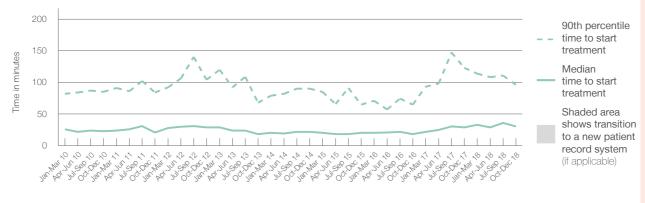
Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 512	548	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 408	420	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 31 minutes	29 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 96 minutes	123 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	23	21	29	18	22	20	18	29	31
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	85	84	104	68	90	65	65	123	96

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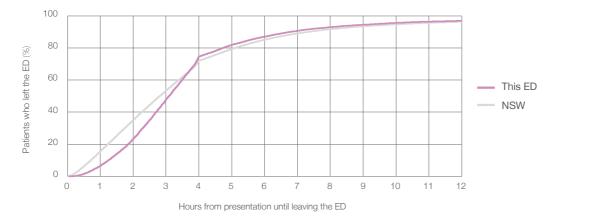
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Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

October to December 2018

NSW Same period (this period) last vear All presentations:1 14,331 patients 13,750 Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 14,331 patients 13.750 3 hours and 2 hours and Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 6 minutes 49 minutes 12 minutes 6 hours and 7 hours and 90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 6 hours and 47 minutes 53 minutes 19 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	4h 23m	4h 12m	3h 55m	3h 34m	3h 7m	2h 58m	3h 0m	3h 12m	3h 6m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	9h 5m	8h 38m	8h 10m	8h 13m	7h 8m	6h 24m	6h 14m	6h 53m	6h 47m

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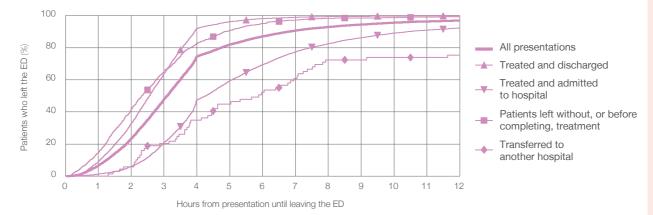
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Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation October to December 2018 Same period Change since All presentations:1 14,331 patients last year one year ago Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 14,331 patients 13.750 Treated and discharged 7,900 (55.1%) 7,539 Treated and admitted to hospital 5,311 (37.1%) 4,898 Patient left without, or before 1,036 (7.2%) 1.225 completing, treatment 69 (0.5%) 73 Transferred to another hospital 15 (0.1%) Other 15

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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

Treated and discharged	9.1%	32.8%	63.9%	92.0%	98.1%	99.4%	99.8%	99.9%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.2%	6.1%	21.0%	47.4%	69.4%	82.5%	89.1%	92.4%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	14.8%	41.5%	65.7%	82.6%	95.1%	98.3%	98.7%	99.3%
Transferred to another hospital	0%	5.8%	20.3%	34.8%	52.2%	72.5%	73.9%	75.4%
All presentations	6.6%	23.5%	48.0%	74.5%	87.0%	92.9%	95.6%	96.9%

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Percentage of patients who sper	t four hours or less in the ED			
October to December 2018				Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency depa	rtment: 114,331 patients		13,750	4%
Presentations used to calculate time to le	eaving the ED: 6 14,331 patients		13,750	4%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		74.5%	73.5%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



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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 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).

Principal referral hospitals (A1) south Western Sydney Local Health District

Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

October to December 2018

		Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 10,662 patients	10,220	4%
Emergency presentations: ² 10,608 patients	10,196	4%

Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ³

October to December 2018 NSW Same period (this period) last year Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 1,310 patients 1.159 9 minutes Median time to start treatment⁴ 9 minutes 8 minutes 18 minutes 90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 19 minutes 26 minutes Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 4,740 patients 4,431 22 minutes Median time to start treatment⁴ 26 minutes 20 minutes 72 minutes 90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 89 minutes 72 minutes Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,054 patients 4.107 29 minutes Median time to start treatment⁴ 27 minutes 26 minutes 101 minutes 90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 104 minutes 96 minutes Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 426 patients 453 26 minutes Median time to start treatment⁴ 22 minutes 23 minutes 101 minutes 90th percentile time to start treatment⁵ 104 minutes 83 minutes

Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED Same period Change since

October to December 2018			last year	one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to le	eaving the ED: 6 10,659 patients		10,217	4%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		74%	75%	

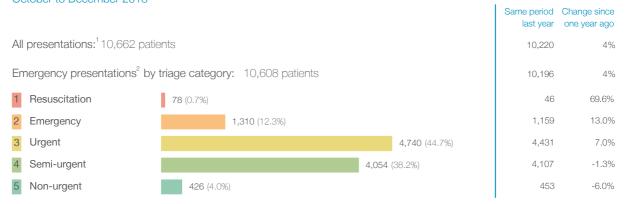
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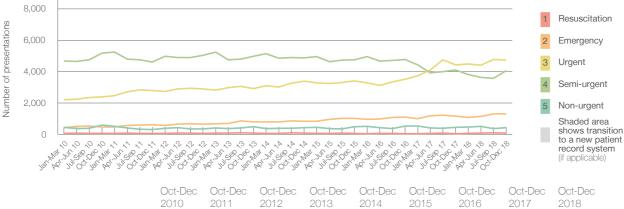
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Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	57	60	68	85	76	56	43	46	78
Emergency	462	619	658	802	828	1,010	1,101	1,159	1,310
Urgent	2,392	2,785	2,891	2,924	3,393	3,408	3,511	4,431	4,740
Semi-urgent	5,179	4,618	5,042	4,985	4,867	4,751	4,779	4,107	4,054
Non-urgent	593	298	353	496	429	478	525	453	426
All emergency presentations	8,683	8,380	9,012	9,292	9,593	9,703	9,959	10,196	10,608

Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trar	nsfer of care time: 7 2,391 patients	2,135	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	11 minutes	12 minutes	-1 minute
90th percentile time	20 minutes	21 minutes	-1 minute

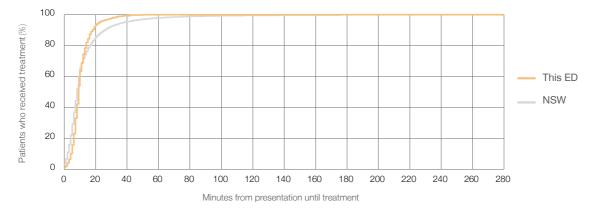
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Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 1,310	1,159	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 1,290	1,154	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 18 minutes	19 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	7	8	7	8	8	9	8	9	9
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	14	14	13	15	15	16	15	19	18

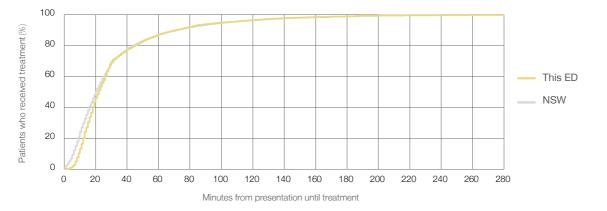
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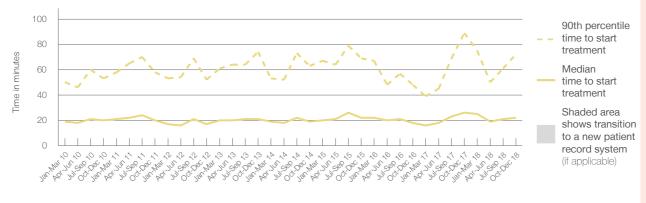
Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 4,740	4,431	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 4,614	4,271	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	26 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 72 minutes	89 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	20	20	17	21	19	22	18	26	22
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	53	58	52	74	63	69	48	89	72

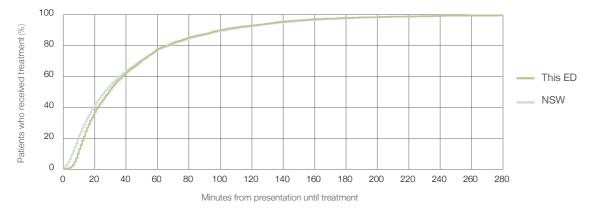
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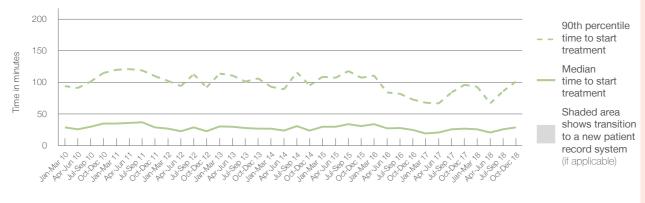
Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 4,054	4,107	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 3,788	3,817	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 29 minutes	27 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 101 minutes	96 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment (minutes)	35	29	23	27	24	31	25	27	29
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	115	110	92	106	95	107	73	96	101

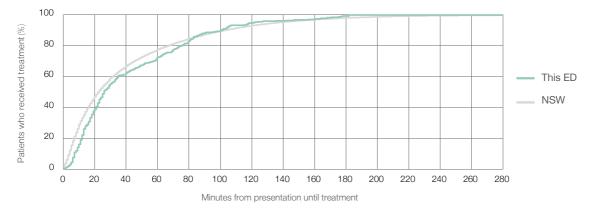
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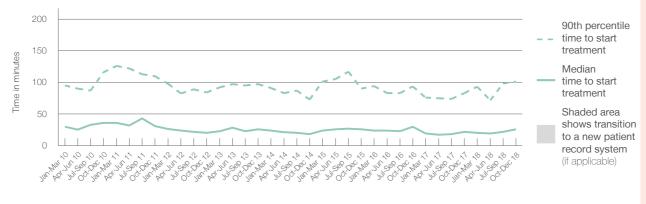
Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 426	453	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 348	384	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 26 minutes	22 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 101 minutes	83 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	36	31	20	26	18	26	30	22	26
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	116	110	84	97	73	90	94	83	101

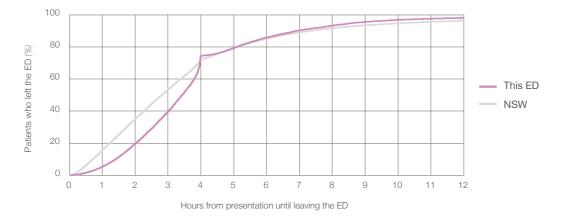
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Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED October to December 2018

	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
All presentations: ¹ 10,662 patients	10,220	
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 10,659 patients	10,217	
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 26 minutes	3 hours and 21 minutes	2 hours and 49 minutes
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ 6 hours and 55 minutes	6 hours and 40 minutes	7 hours and 19 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	3h 46m	3h 38m	3h 4m	3h 16m	3h 10m	3h 12m	3h 1m	3h 21m	3h 26m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	9h 9m	7h 49m	6h 29m	6h 26m	6h 21m	6h 19m	5h 59m	6h 40m	6h 55m

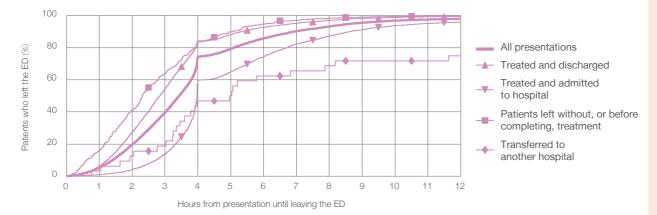
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Concord Repatriation General Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation October to December 2018

Same period Change since All presentations:1 10,662 patients last year one year ago Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 10,659 patients 4% 10.217 5,926 (55.6%) Treated and discharged 6.049 -2.0% Treated and admitted to hospital 4,067 (38.1%) 3,557 14.3% Patient left without, or before 500 (4.7%) 13.9% 439 completing, treatment 32 (0.3%) 26 23.1% Transferred to another hospital 137 (1.3%) Other 149 -8.1%

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018

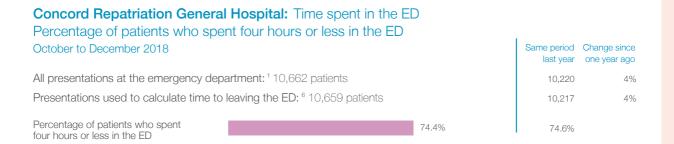


1 hour 2 hours 3 hours 4 hours 6 hours 8 hours 10 hours 12 hours

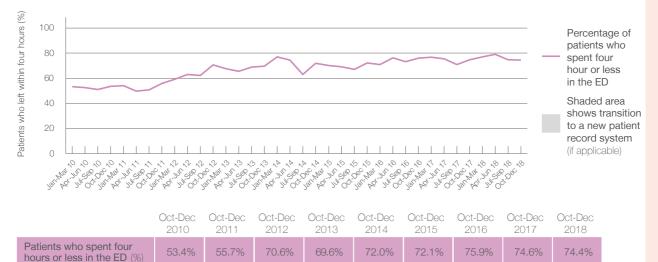
Treated and discharged	6.4%	27.5%	54.6%	83.3%	92.7%	97.0%	98.9%	99.5%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.0%	4.1%	13.9%	59.8%	74.5%	87.3%	93.7%	96.1%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	16.2%	41.2%	63.8%	84.4%	94.8%	98.6%	99.6%	99.8%
Transferred to another hospital	3.1%	12.5%	18.8%	46.9%	62.5%	68.8%	71.9%	75.0%
All presentations	5.4%	19.7%	39.8%	74.4%	85.8%	93.3%	96.9%	98.1%

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Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{1‡}



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Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).

Principal referral hospitals (A1) sydney Local Health District

Gosford Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 18,166 patients	17,135	6%
Emergency presentations: ² 18,065 patients	16,990	6%
Gosford Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ³ October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,647 patients	2,081	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 21 minutes	21 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 7,179 patients	6,458	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	21 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 97 minutes	79 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 7,402 patients	7,667	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	33 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	110 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 621 patients	598	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 37 minutes	29 minutes	23 minutes

 Median time to start treatment⁴
 37 minutes
 29 minutes

 90th percentile time to start treatment⁵
 115 minutes
 107 minutes

Gosford Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2018			Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to le	aving the ED: 6 18,166 patients		17,135	6%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		59%	66%	

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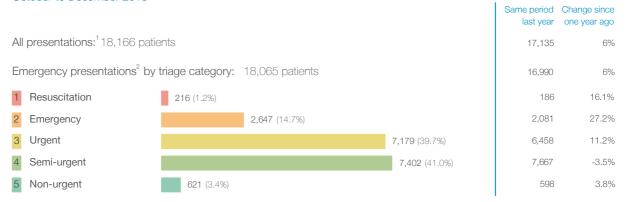
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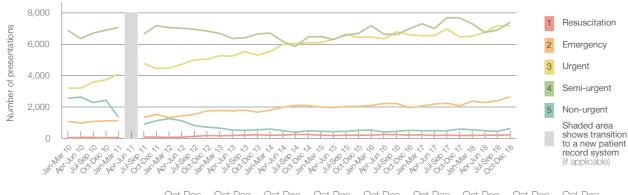
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104 minutes

Gosford Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	47	82	172	225	247	197	211	186	216
Emergency	1,126	1,518	1,751	1,664	2,092	2,037	1,957	2,081	2,647
Urgent	3,724	4,445	5,042	5,294	6,091	6,419	6,603	6,458	7,179
Semi-urgent	6,885	7,173	6,833	6,658	6,475	6,699	6,967	7,667	7,402
Non-urgent	2,431	1,112	717	550	486	499	509	598	621
All emergency presentations	14,213	14,330	14,515	14,391	15,391	15,851	16,247	16,990	18,065

Gosford Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

			Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	ofer of care time: 7 5,100	patients	4,573	
ED Transfer of care time				
Median time	10 minutes		10 minutes	0 minutes
90th percentile time		67 minutes	57 minutes	10 minutes

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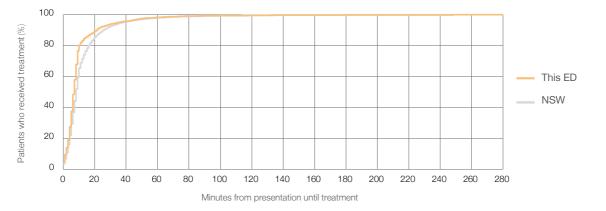
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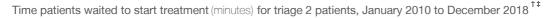
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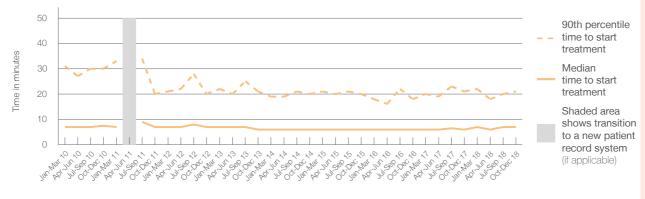
Gosford Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,647	2,081	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 2,632	2,073	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 21 minutes	21 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	8	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	7
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	30	20	20	21	20	20	18	21	21

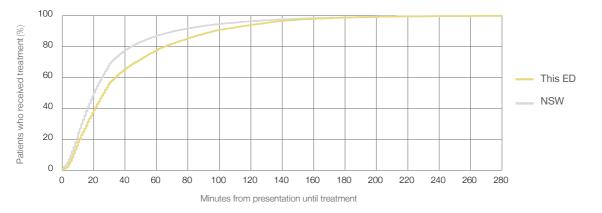
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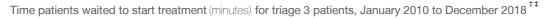
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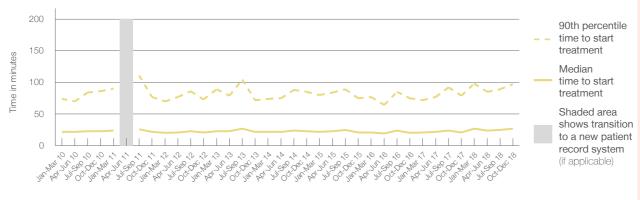
Gosford Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 7,179	6,458	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 7,039	6,353	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	21 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 97 minutes	79 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	23	22	21	22	23	21	20	21	27
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	86	77	73	72	85	75	75	79	97

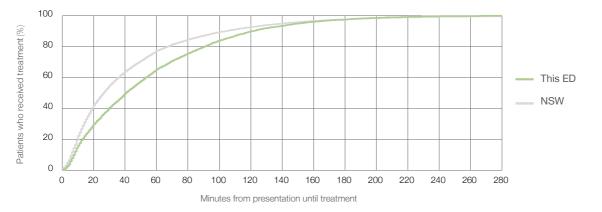
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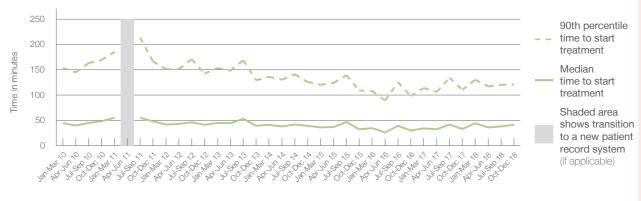
Gosford Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 7,402	7,667	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 7,012	7,282	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 41 minutes	33 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 121 minutes	110 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	48	48	41	39	39	32	30	33	41
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	169	166	142	129	126	109	98	110	121

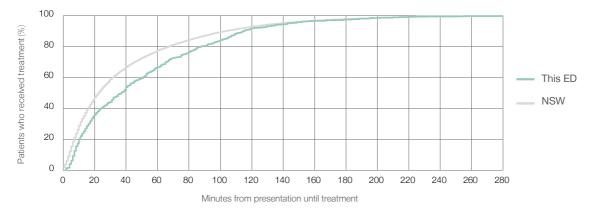
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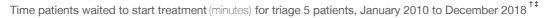
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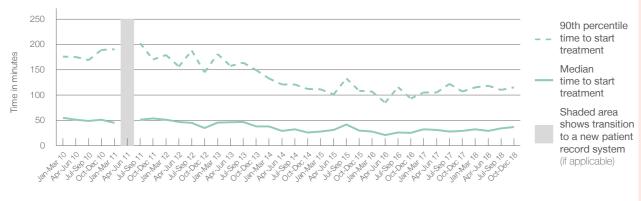
Gosford Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 621	598	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 506	500	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 37 minutes	29 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 115 minutes	107 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	51	54	35	38	26	30	26	29	37
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	189	170	145	149	112	108	93	107	115

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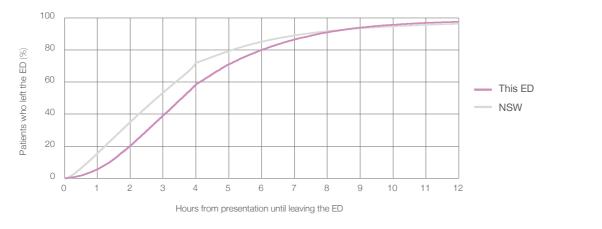
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Gosford Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED October to December 2018 Same period (this period) last vear All presentations:1 18,166 patients 17,135 Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 18,166 patients 17.135 3 hours and 2 hours and Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 35 minutes 49 minutes 10 minutes 6 hours and 7 hours and 90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 7 hours and 44 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



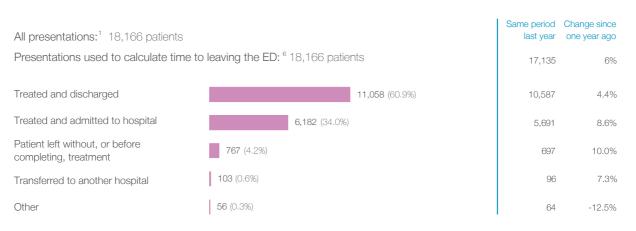
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	4h 5m	4h 34m	3h 55m	3h 49m	3h 21m	3h 6m	3h 3m	3h 10m	3h 35m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	9h 46m	10h 14m	8h 58m	8h 43m	7h 16m	6h 29m	6h 19m	6h 42m	7h 44m

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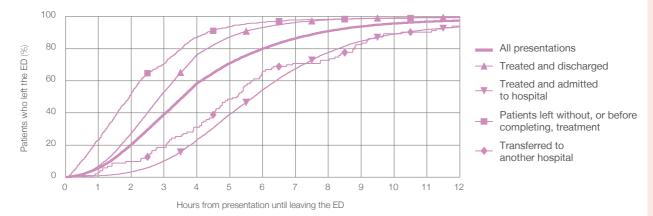
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Gosford Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation

October to December 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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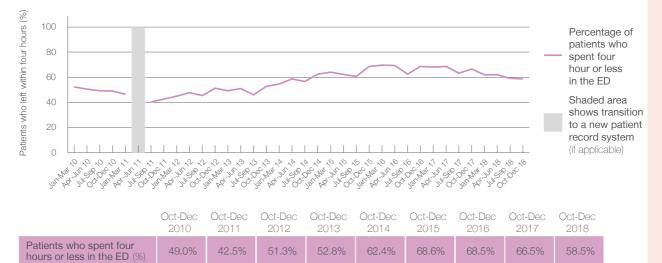
Treated and discharged	6.8%	27.5%	53.2%	76.2%	93.2%	98.0%	99.2%	99.7%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.8%	3.3%	10.2%	23.4%	54.5%	77.7%	89.1%	93.6%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	23.1%	52.0%	70.8%	87.1%	96.5%	98.3%	99.0%	99.5%
Transferred to another hospital	2.9%	9.7%	18.4%	31.1%	66.0%	72.8%	89.3%	94.2%
All presentations	5.6%	20.4%	39.2%	58.5%	80.1%	91.0%	95.7%	97.6%

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Gosford Hospital: Time spent i Percentage of patients who spe	e ED		
October to December 2018		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency depa	17,135	6%	
Presentations used to calculate time to	17,135	6%	
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	58.5%	66.5%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



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Principal referral hospitals (A1) central Coast Local Health District

10,252

2.981

26 minutes

104 minutes

23 minutes

104 minutes

32 minutes

111 minutes

42 minutes

157 minutes

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John Hunter Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 21,151 patients	19,789	7%
Emergency presentations: ² 20,987 patients	19,493	8%
John Hunter Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ^a October to December 2018 Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,255 patients	Same period last year 1,751	NSW (this period)
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 21 minutes	16 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 5,331 patients	4,409	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 21 minutes	20 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 68 minutes	62 minutes	72 minutes

John Hunter Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

33 minutes

40 minutes

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 10,484 patients

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 2,797 patients

Median time to start treatment⁴

Median time to start treatment⁴

90th percentile time to start treatment⁵

90th percentile time to start treatment⁵

October to December 2018			1	Change since one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to I	eaving the ED: ⁶ 21,151 patients		19,789	7%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		63%	61%	

114 minutes

144 minutes

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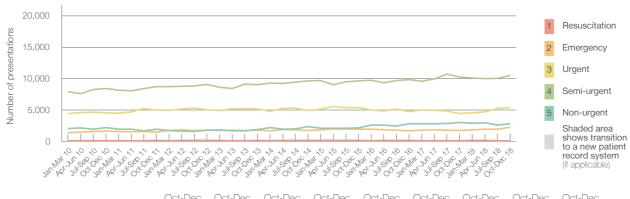
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John Hunter Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department October to December 2018

Same period Change since last year one year ago All presentations:¹21,151 patients 19,789 7% Emergency presentations² by triage category: 20,987 patients 19,493 8% 1 Resuscitation 120 (0.6%) 100 20.0% 28.8% 2,255 (10.7%) 1,751 2 Emergency 20.9% 3 Urgent 5,331 (25.4%) 4.409 4 Semi-urgent 10,484 (50.0%) 10,252 2.3% 2,797 (13.3%) 2,981 -6.2% 5 Non-urgent

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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	108	122	122	129	142	159	127	100	120
Emergency	1,624	1,482	1,763	1,794	1,741	1,930	1,689	1,751	2,255
Urgent	4,524	4,968	5,034	5,149	4,907	5,424	4,745	4,409	5,331
Semi-urgent	8,423	8,702	9,047	8,997	9,625	9,652	9,821	10,252	10,484
Non-urgent	2,169	1,941	1,755	1,892	2,324	2,159	2,802	2,981	2,797
All emergency presentations	16,848	17,215	17,721	17,961	18,739	19,324	19,184	19,493	20,987

John Hunter Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	sfer of care time: 7 4,885 patients	4,646	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	12 minutes	11 minutes	1 minute
90th percentile time	23 minutes	21 minutes	2 minutes

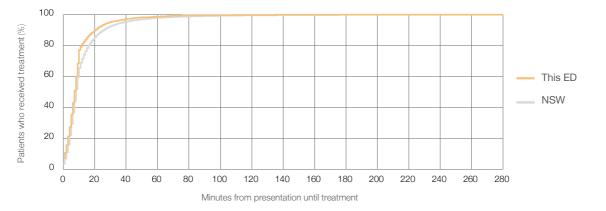
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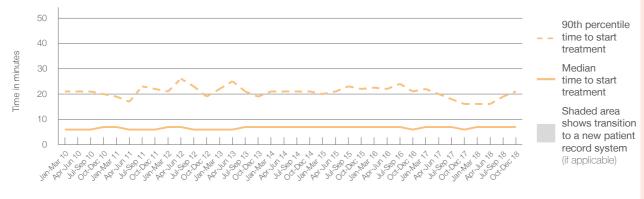
John Hunter Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, s	severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,255		1,751	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calcu	1,734		
Median time to start treatment ⁴	7 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	21 minutes	16 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	7	6	6	7	7	7	6	6	7
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	20	22	19	19	21	22	21	16	21

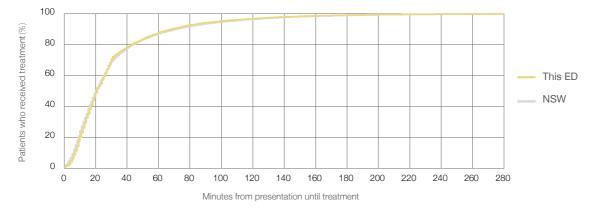
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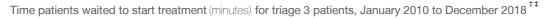
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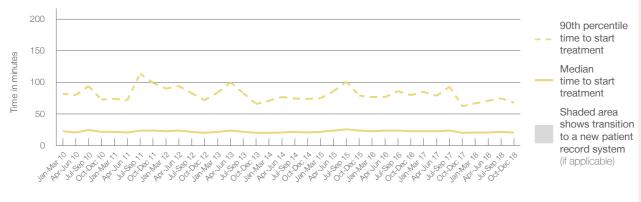
John Hunter Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 5,331	4,409	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 5,203	4,293	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 21 minutes	20 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 68 minutes	62 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	22	24	20	20	21	24	23	20	21
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	73	99	72	66	74	79	80	62	68

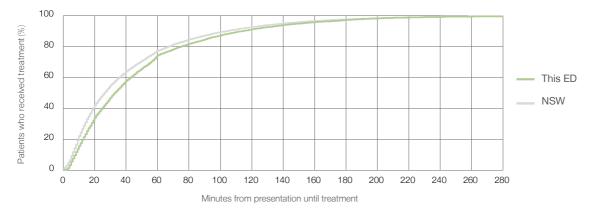
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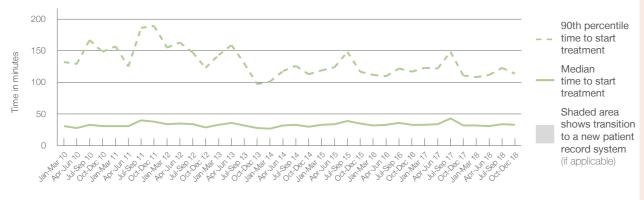
John Hunter Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 10,484	10,252	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 9,445	9,206	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 33 minutes	32 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 114 minutes	111 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	31	38	29	28	30	35	33	32	33
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	148	189	123	97	113	117	117	111	114

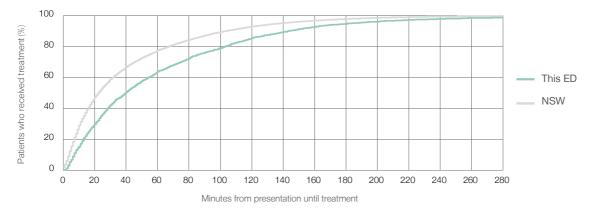
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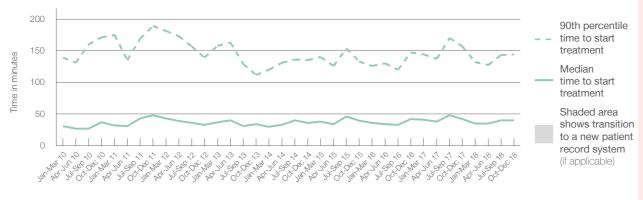
John Hunter Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 2,797	2,981	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 2,235	2,291	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 40 minutes	42 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 144 minutes	157 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



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



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	37	48	33	34	36	40	42	42	40
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	171	189	139	112	135	133	147	157	144

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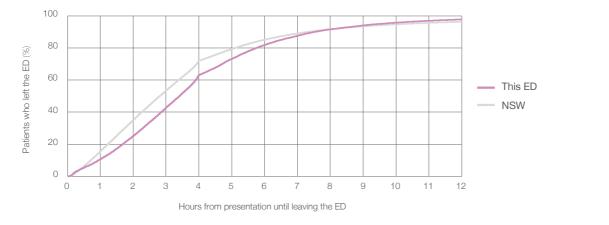
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John Hunter Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED October to December 2018 NSW Same period (this period) last vear All presentations:1 21,151 patients 19,789 Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 21,151 patients 19.789 3 hours and 2 hours and Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 25 minutes 33 minutes 49 minutes 7 hours and 7 hours and 90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 7 hours and 32 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



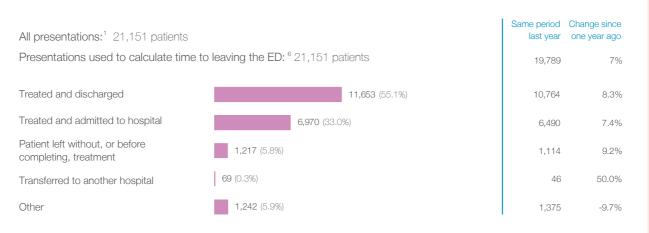
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	4h 12m	4h 28m	3h 56m	3h 22m	3h 20m	3h 17m	3h 19m	3h 33m	3h 25m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	9h 36m	9h 38m	8h 45m	7h 18m	7h 25m	7h 5m	7h 5m	7h 45m	7h 32m

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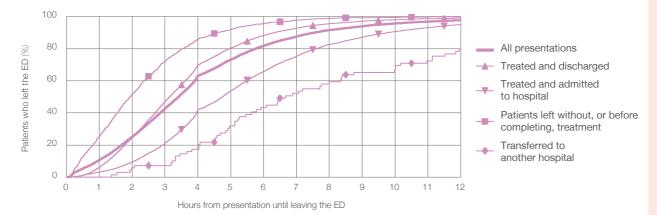
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John Hunter Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation

October to December 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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

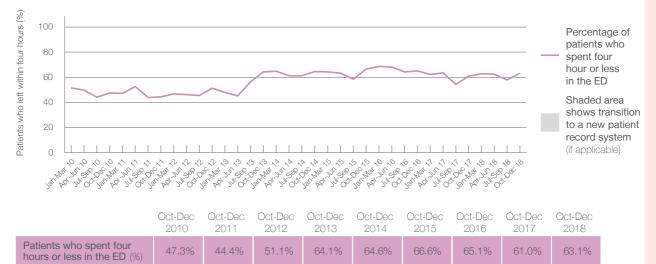
Treated and discharged	6.2%	24.7%	47.3%	69.9%	88.3%	95.6%	98.1%	99.1%
Treated and admitted to hospital	3.1%	9.4%	21.3%	42.0%	65.9%	82.6%	90.7%	95.1%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	25.6%	51.8%	72.1%	85.9%	95.6%	98.8%	99.5%	99.9%
Transferred to another hospital	0%	5.8%	7.2%	17.4%	43.5%	59.4%	66.7%	79.7%
All presentations	10.7%	25.1%	42.9%	63.1%	81.8%	91.6%	95.8%	97.8%

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John Hunter Hospital: Time sp Percentage of patients who spe	ED		
October to December 2018		1	Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency depa	19,789	7%	
Presentations used to calculate time to	19,789	7%	
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	63.1%	61.0%	

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



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- 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: October to December 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 final105% 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 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).

Liverpool Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 23,280 patients	21,967	
Emergency presentations: ² 23,207 patients	21,861	6%
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Liverpool Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment

October to December 2018

	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 4,779 patients	4,088	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	7 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 30 minutes	22 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 11,776 patients	11,005	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	14 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 59 minutes	45 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,964 patients	5,287	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	17 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	58 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,432 patients	1,280	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	14 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 74 minutes	55 minutes	104 minutes

Liverpool Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

Octob	per to December 2018		1	Change since one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 23,280 patients				6%
	ntage of patients who spent ours or less in the ED	49%	60%	

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- 1. All emergency and non-emergency attendances at the emergency department (ED).
- 2. All attendances 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: October to December 2018.*
- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
- 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.

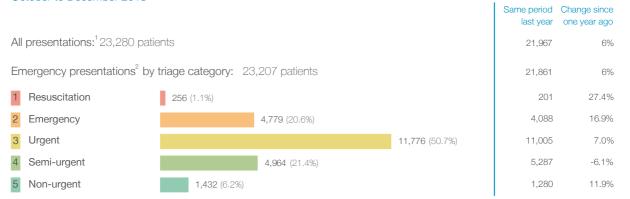
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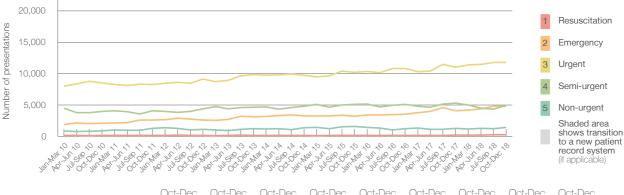
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Liverpool Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	132	150	155	133	162	147	164	201	256
Emergency	2,075	2,591	2,593	3,091	3,274	3,203	3,527	4,088	4,779
Urgent	8,533	8,269	9,133	9,818	9,746	10,184	10,813	11,005	11,776
Semi-urgent	3,996	4,095	4,388	4,638	4,805	5,106	5,092	5,287	4,964
Non-urgent	853	1,254	1,103	1,193	1,385	1,598	1,203	1,280	1,432
All emergency presentations	15,589	16,359	17,372	18,873	19,372	20,238	20,799	21,861	23,207

Liverpool Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

	Change since one year ago
6,334	
13 minutes	1 minute
35 minutes	19 minutes
	last year 6,334 13 minutes

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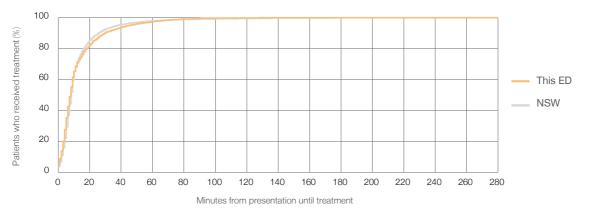
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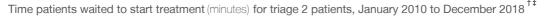
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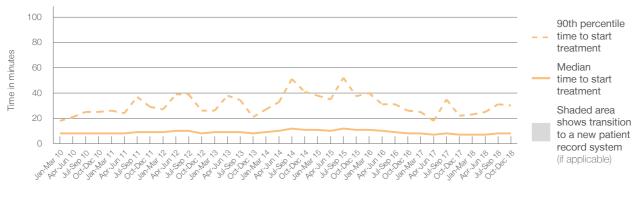
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Liverpool Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018 Same period Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns) (this period) last year Number of triage 2 patients: 4,779 4.088 Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time:³ 4,739 4,072 Median time to start treatment⁴ 8 minutes 8 minutes 7 minutes 90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 30 minutes 26 minutes 22 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	8	9	8	8	11	11	8	7	8
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	25	29	26	21	41	38	26	22	30

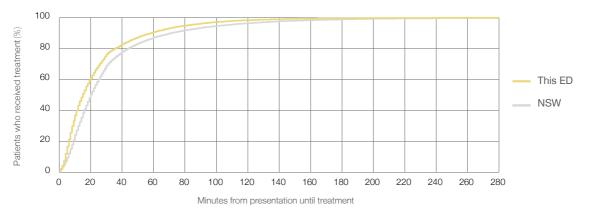
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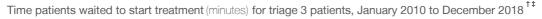
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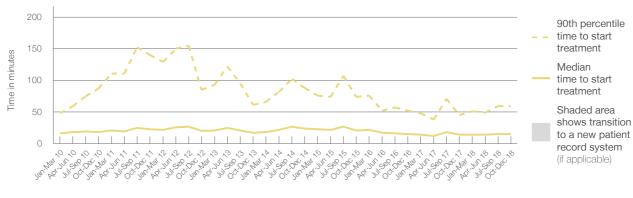
Liverpool Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood lo	Same period last year	NSW (this period)	
Number of triage 3 patients: 11,776	11,005		
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate	10,746		
Median time to start treatment ⁴	15 minutes	14 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	59 minutes	45 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	18	23	20	17	24	21	15	14	15
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	87	140	85	61	88	74	52	45	59

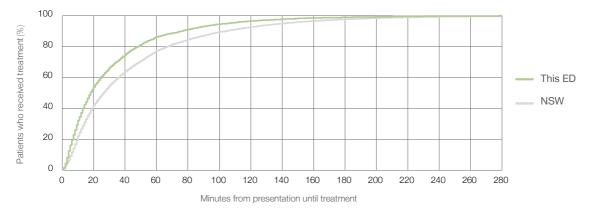
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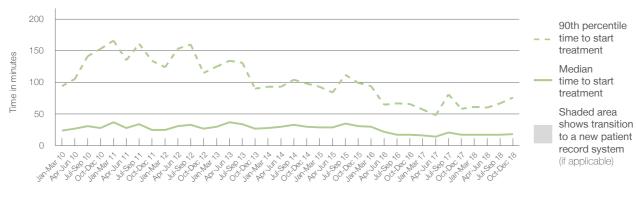
Liverpool Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 4,964	5,287	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 4,459	4,885	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 18 minutes	17 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 76 minutes	58 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	28	25	27	27	30	31	17	17	18
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	153	134	115	90	98	99	66	58	76

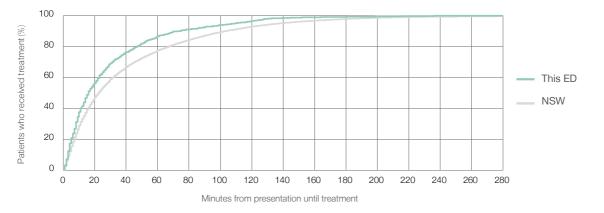
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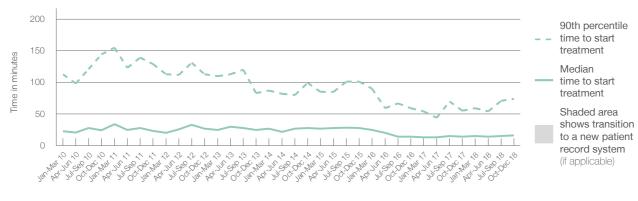
Liverpool Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,432	1,280	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 1,126	1,042	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 16 minutes	14 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 74 minutes	55 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	25	24	27	25	28	28	14	14	16
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	144	129	113	83	99	101	59	55	74

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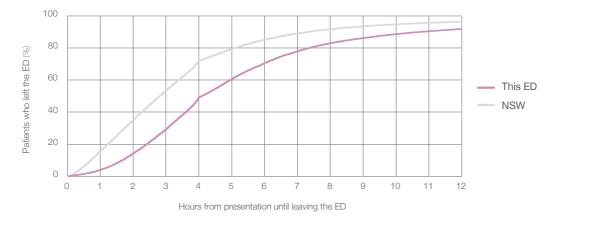
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Liverpool Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

October to December 2018

NSW Same period (this period) last vear All presentations:1 23,280 patients 21,967 Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 23,280 patients 21.966 3 hours and 2 hours and Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 4 hours and 5 minutes 49 minutes 38 minutes 8 hours and 7 hours and 90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ 10 hours and 45 minutes 34 minutes 19 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



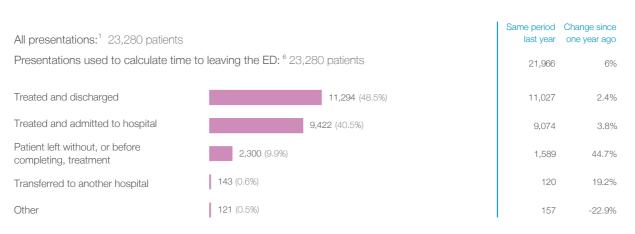
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	5h 23m	5h 7m	4h 0m	3h 40m	3h 55m	3h 54m	3h 57m	3h 38m	4h 5m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	13h 46m	12h 54m	10h 0m	7h 59m	10h 8m	9h 30m	10h 35m	8h 34m	10h 45m

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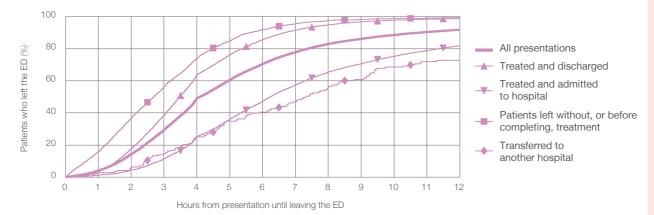
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Liverpool Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation

October to December 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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

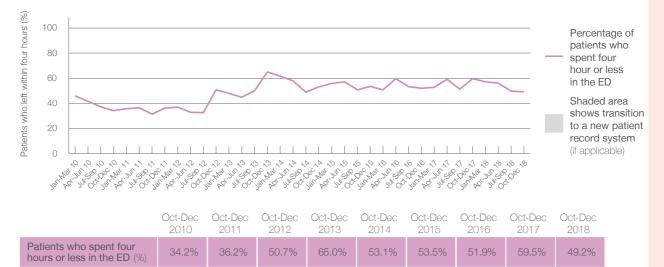
Treated and discharged	3.5%	17.6%	38.6%	63.8%	85.7%	94.9%	97.8%	98.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.2%	4.3%	11.5%	25.4%	47.4%	65.4%	75.3%	81.9%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	15.9%	36.9%	56.3%	74.0%	92.0%	97.6%	98.8%	99.2%
Transferred to another hospital	2.8%	5.6%	14.7%	25.2%	40.6%	55.9%	68.5%	72.7%
All presentations	4.0%	14.3%	29.4%	49.2%	70.6%	83.0%	88.6%	91.8%

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Liverpool Hospital: Time spent Percentage of patients who spen			
October to December 2018			Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency depa	21,967	6%	
Presentations used to calculate time to	21,966	6%	
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	49.2%	59.5%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



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Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).

Principal referral hospitals (A1) south Western Sydney Local Health District

Nepean Hospital: Emergency de October to December 2018	epartment (ED) ove	erview		
			Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 17,884 patients			17,981	-1%
Emergency presentations: ² 17,641 patier	nts		17,651	0%
Nepean Hospital: Time patients October to December 2018	waited to start trea	atment ³	1	
			Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, se	evere burns): 3,192 p	atients	3,131	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	12 minutes		14 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5	47 minutes		49 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood lo	oss, dehydration): 5,73	34 patients	5,196	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	39 minutes		39 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		156 minutes	139 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained an	kle, earache): 7,216 pa	atients	7,697	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	38 minutes		37 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		160 minutes	135 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or	abrasions): 1,405 pat	tients	1,506	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	34 minutes		32 minutes	23 minutes
O0th paraantila time to start treatment ⁵		152 minutes	105 minutos	104 minutoo

Nepean Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED r to D

90th percentile time to start treatment⁵

October to December 2018				one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to le	eaving the ED: 6 17,878 patien	ts	17,974	-1%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		56%	55%	

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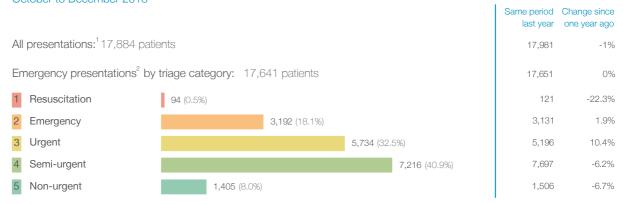
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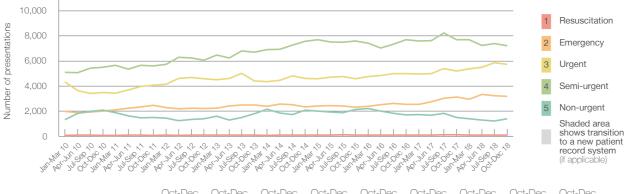
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Same period Change since

Nepean Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	84	77	102	88	95	89	89	121	94
Emergency	2,009	2,482	2,225	2,500	2,352	2,321	2,544	3,131	3,192
Urgent	3,498	4,066	4,593	4,397	4,611	4,578	4,988	5,196	5,734
Semi-urgent	5,496	5,607	6,066	6,702	7,579	7,586	7,704	7,697	7,216
Non-urgent	2,077	1,499	1,387	1,818	2,084	2,147	1,717	1,506	1,405
All emergency presentations	13,164	13,731	14,373	15,505	16,721	16,721	17,042	17,651	17,641

Nepean Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate tran	sfer of care time: 7 5,035 patients	4,942	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	12 minutes	12 minutes	0 minutes
90th percentile time	27 minutes	33 minutes	-6 minutes

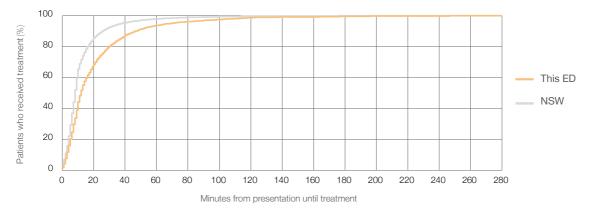
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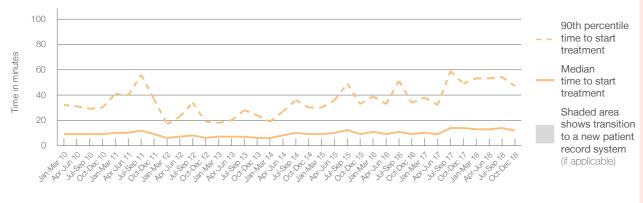
Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 3,192	3,131	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 3,149	3,115	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	14 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 47 minutes	49 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



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



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	9	9	6	6	9	9	9	14	12
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	30	37	19	24	30	33	34	49	47

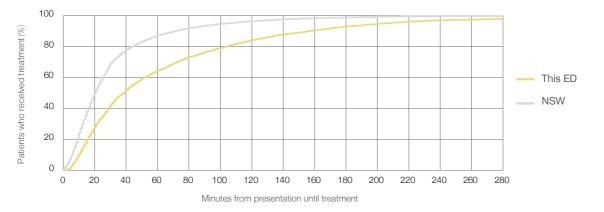
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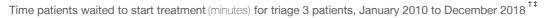
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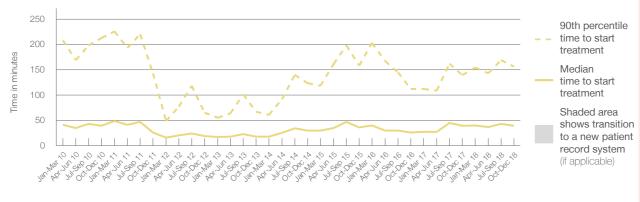
Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood	loss, dehydration)		Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 5,734	5,196			
Number of triage 3 patients used to calc	4,810			
Median time to start treatment ⁴	39 minutes		39 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment $^{\scriptscriptstyle 5}$		156 minutes	139 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	39	26	19	18	30	36	26	39	39
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	213	143	65	67	123	158	112	139	156

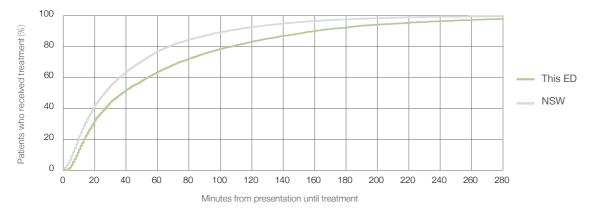
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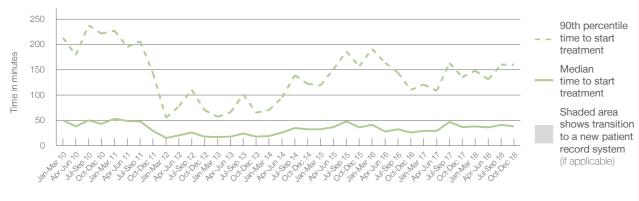
Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 7,216	7,697	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 6,603	6,966	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 38 minutes	37 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	135 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	43	29	18	18	32	36	26	37	38
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	221	143	70	65	122	157	110	135	160

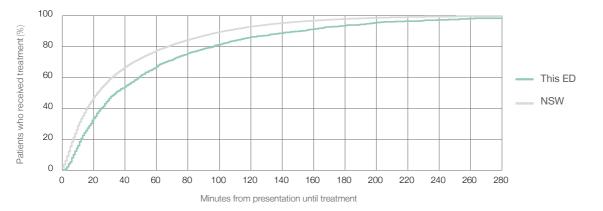
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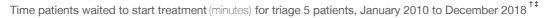
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,405	1,506	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 1,205	1,226	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 34 minutes	32 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 152 minutes	135 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	47	25	19	19	30	33	26	32	34
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	211	109	96	97	127	149	115	135	152

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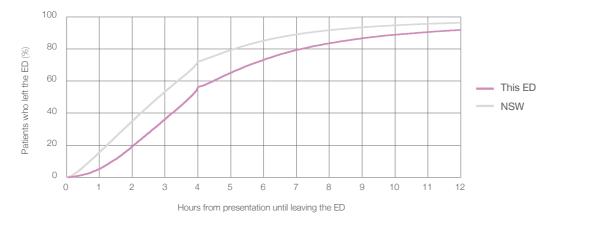
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED October to December 2018

All presentations:1 17,884 patients Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 17,878 patients 3 hours and Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 46 minutes 48 minutes 10 hours and 90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ 10 hours and 41 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



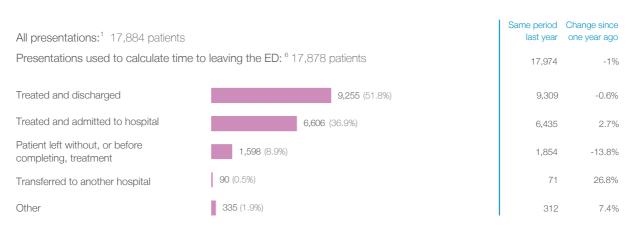
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	4h 55m	4h 28m	3h 53m	3h 26m	3h 46m	3h 54m	3h 29m	3h 48m	3h 46m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	13h 28m	11h 18m	10h 35m	8h 4m	10h 21m	10h 25m	9h 24m	10h 53m	10h 41m

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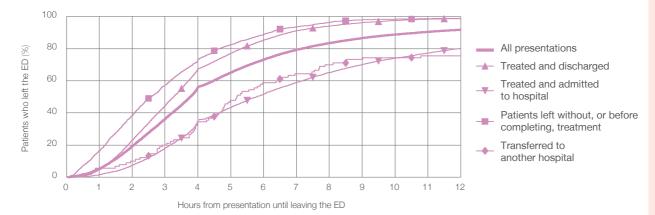
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation

October to December 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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

Treated and discharged	4.5%	23.0%	44.5%	67.5%	85.4%	94.1%	97.6%	98.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.6%	7.5%	18.1%	35.7%	51.8%	65.2%	74.1%	80.3%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	16.4%	38.3%	57.3%	73.2%	88.8%	96.4%	98.4%	98.9%
Transferred to another hospital	5.6%	10.0%	20.0%	34.4%	58.9%	70.0%	74.4%	75.6%
All presentations	5.3%	19.3%	36.3%	56.3%	73.2%	83.5%	88.8%	91.8%

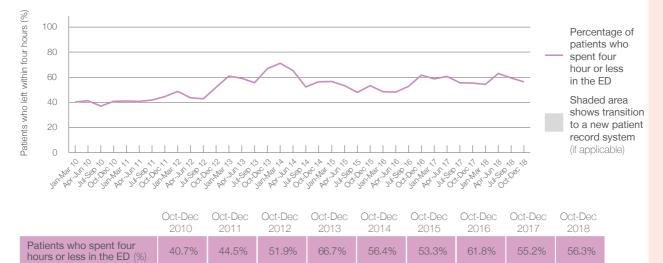
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Nepean Hospital: Time spent in Percentage of patients who spe		e ED		
October to December 2018			Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency dep	artment: 117,884 patients		17,981	-1%
Presentations used to calculate time to	leaving the ED: 6 17,878 patient	IS .	17,974	-1%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		56.3%	55.2%	

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



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Prince of Wales Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 15,980 patients	15,705	2%
Emergency presentations: ² 15,192 patients	14,800	3%
Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ^a		
	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 1,555 patients	1,342	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 31 minutes	27 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 8,328 patients	7,842	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	21 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 86 minutes	73 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,579 patients	4,866	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	20 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 117 minutes	93 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 495 patients	541	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	23 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	127 minutes	104 minutes

Prince of Wales Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2018			1	one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to le	eaving the ED: ⁶ 15,972 patients		15,705	2%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		60%	65%	

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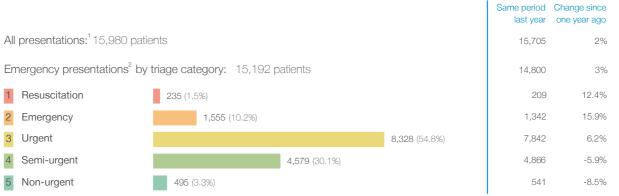
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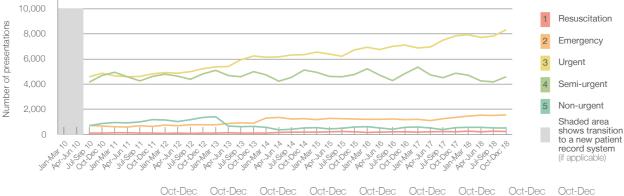
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Prince of Wales Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	100	92	111	110	163	197	194	209	235
Emergency	662	642	754	900	1,249	1,222	1,158	1,342	1,555
Urgent	4,860	4,821	5,229	6,253	6,343	6,736	7,115	7,842	8,328
Semi-urgent	4,697	4,605	4,824	5,006	5,110	4,759	4,852	4,866	4,579
Non-urgent	854	1,174	1,360	627	495	595	547	541	495
All emergency presentations	11,173	11,334	12,278	12,896	13,360	13,509	13,866	14,800	15,192

Prince of Wales Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

October to December 2018

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: ⁷ 3,995 patients

ED Transfer of care time

90th percentile time

Median time

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	35 minutes		

Change since	
one year ago	last year
	3,596
0 minutes	11 minutes
1 minute	34 minutes

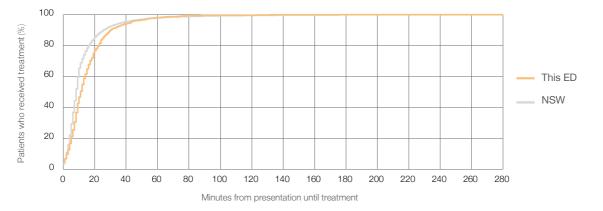
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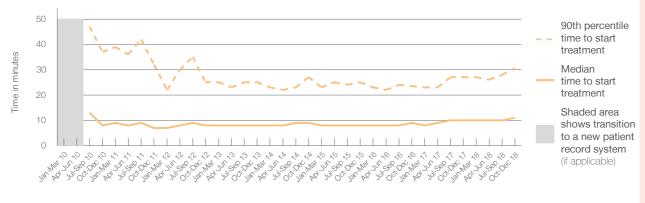
Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 1,555	1,342	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 1,520	1,312	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 11 minutes	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 31 minutes	27 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	8	7	8	8	9	8	9	10	11
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	37	32	25	25	27	25	24	27	31

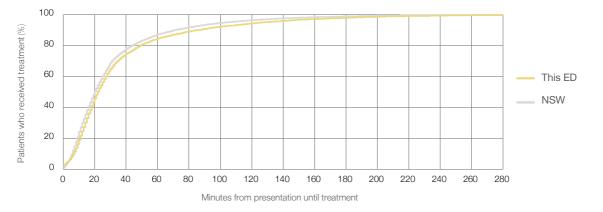
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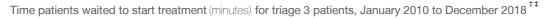
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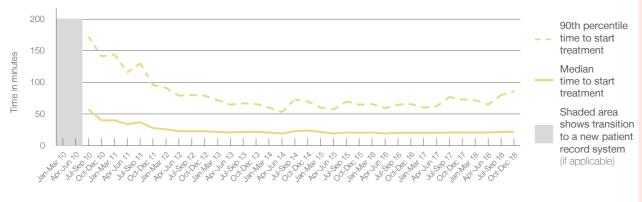
Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood l	Same period last year	NSW (this period)	
Number of triage 3 patients: 8,328	7,842		
Number of triage 3 patients used to calcu	7,681		
Median time to start treatment ⁴	22 minutes	21 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	86 minutes	73 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	40	28	23	22	24	20	20	21	22
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	141	96	79	66	70	65	66	73	86

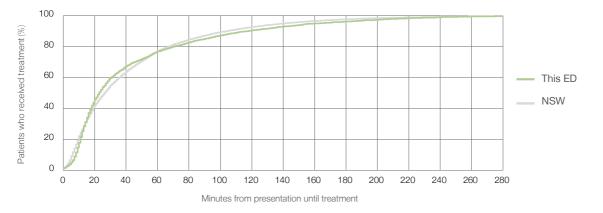
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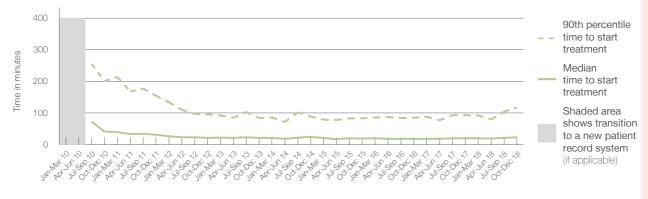
Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 4,579	4,866	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 4,400	4,698	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 23 minutes	20 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 117 minutes	93 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



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



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	42	31	21	21	24	19	18	20	23
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	201	155	96	84	89	83	85	93	117

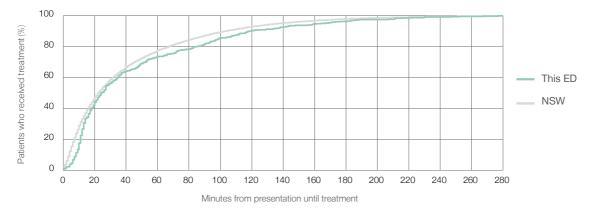
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Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 495	541	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 396	432	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	23 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 120 minutes	127 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



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



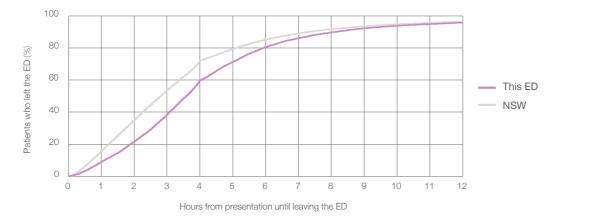
	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	44	30	24	23	28	27	21	23	25
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	216	153	110	117	122	108	105	127	120

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



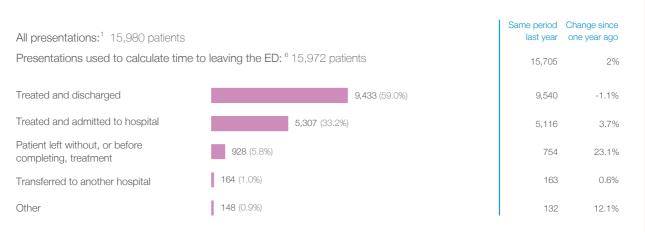
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	4h 22m	4h 2m	3h 13m	3h 10m	3h 6m	3h 4m	3h 16m	3h 13m	3h 35m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	9h 31m	9h 20m	7h 21m	7h 18m	7h 11m	7h 17m	7h 20m	7h 33m	8h 7m

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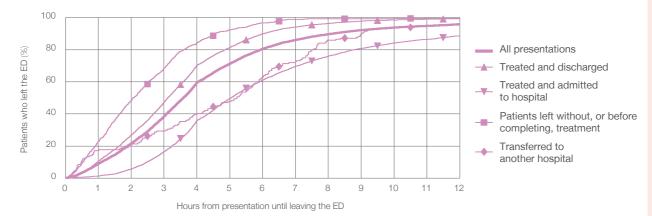
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Prince of Wales Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation

October to December 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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

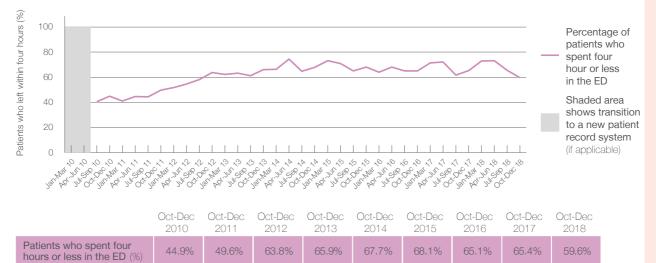
Treated and discharged	10.5%	26.9%	47.3%	70.2%	89.9%	96.4%	98.5%	99.4%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.4%	5.7%	16.5%	35.8%	61.1%	76.0%	84.1%	88.6%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	22.8%	48.5%	68.6%	84.4%	96.7%	99.2%	99.4%	99.5%
Transferred to another hospital	17.1%	20.7%	29.3%	40.2%	62.8%	86.0%	93.9%	96.3%
All presentations	9.0%	21.7%	38.6%	59.6%	80.5%	89.7%	93.8%	95.8%

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Prince of Wales Hospital: Time	and the second		
Percentage of patients who sper	nt four hours or less in the ED		
October to December 2018			Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency depa	15,705	2%	
Presentations used to calculate time to	15,705	2%	
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	59.6%	65.4%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



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- 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.
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- Note: Presentation time is the earlier of times recorded for the start of clerical registration or the triage process. Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care that is relevant to the patient's presenting problems. For patients who were treated and discharged, departure time is the time when treatment was completed. For all other patients, departure time is the time when the patient actually left the ED.
 Note: All percentages are rounded and therefore percentages may not add to 100%.

Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).

Royal North Shore Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 22,832 patients	22,732	0%
Emergency presentations: ² 22,774 patients	22,659	1%
Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ³ October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 4,862 patients	4,349	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	7 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 18 minutes	15 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 6,184 patients	6,253	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	18 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 54 minutes	44 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 8,518 patients	8,591	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	26 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 84 minutes	70 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 2,892 patients	3,090	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	28 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 110 minutes	102 minutes	104 minutes

Royal North Shore Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2018		Same period	Change since one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to le	22,732	0%	
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	61%	66%	

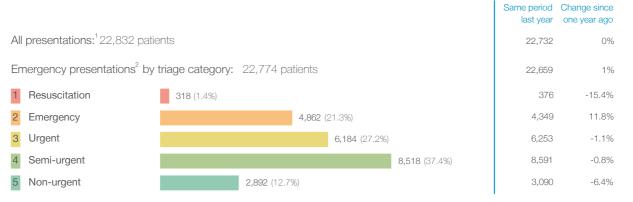
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Note: Presentation time is the earlier time recorded for clerical registration or the triage process. Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care relevant to the patient's presenting problems.

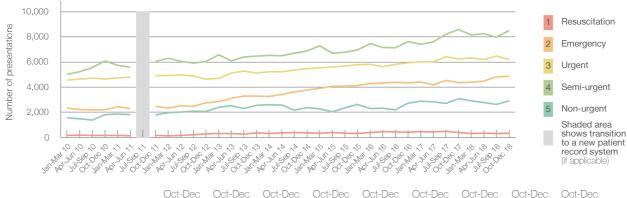
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Royal North Shore Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	143	137	285	354	341	314	408	376	318
Emergency	2,195	2,478	2,756	3,286	3,759	4,131	4,335	4,349	4,862
Urgent	4,635	4,913	4,638	5,133	5,485	5,774	5,946	6,253	6,184
Semi-urgent	6,089	6,030	6,048	6,483	6,884	6,951	7,620	8,591	8,518
Non-urgent	1,798	1,777	2,060	2,556	2,376	2,630	2,714	3,090	2,892
All emergency presentations	14,860	15,335	15,787	17,812	18,845	19,800	21,023	22,659	22,774

Royal North Shore Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

October to December 2018

		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	4,761		
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	12 minutes	13 minutes	-1 minute
90th percentile time	32 minutes	28 minutes	4 minutes

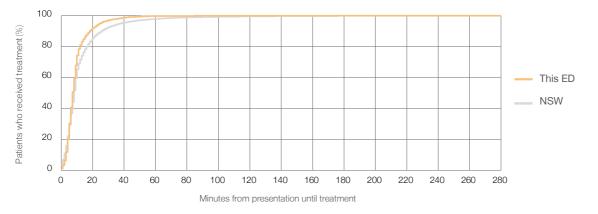
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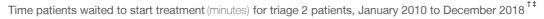
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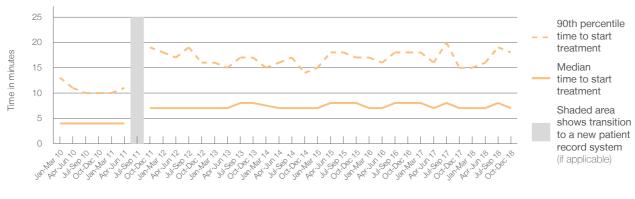
Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 4,862	4,349	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 4,845	4,324	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	7 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 18 minutes	15 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	4	7	7	8	7	8	8	7	7
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	10	19	16	17	14	17	18	15	18

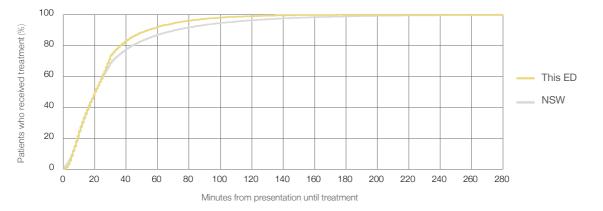
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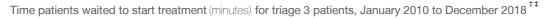
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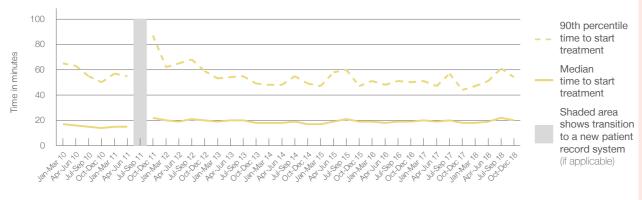
Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 6,184	6,253	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 6,107	6,198	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	18 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 54 minutes	44 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	14	22	20	18	17	19	19	18	20
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	50	87	59	49	49	47	50	44	54

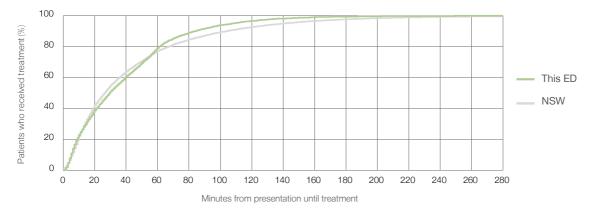
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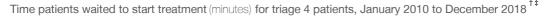
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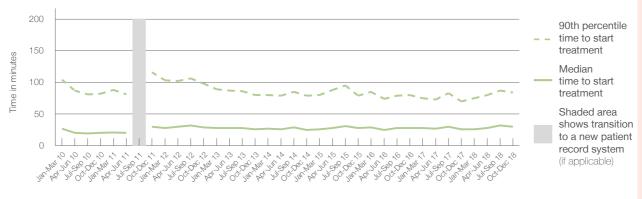
Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018



Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	20	30	29	26	25	28	28	26	30
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	82	116	98	80	79	79	80	70	84

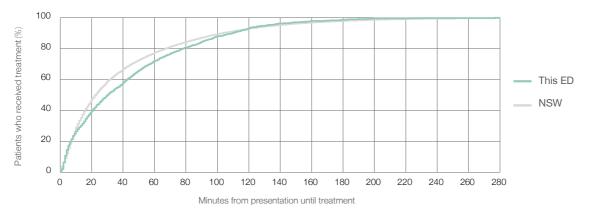
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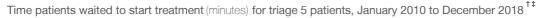
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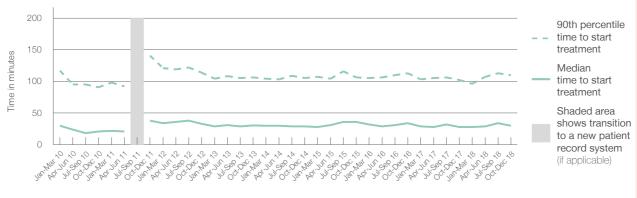
Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 2,892	3,090	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 2,628	2,789	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	28 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 110 minutes	102 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	21	38	33	31	29	36	34	28	30
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	91	141	114	106	105	106	113	102	110

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	3h 38m	4h 8m	3h 42m	3h 12m	3h 9m	3h 21m	3h 24m	3h 14m	3h 30m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	8h 56m	9h 34m	8h 36m	6h 52m	7h 15m	7h 26m	7h 37m	7h 20m	8h 18m

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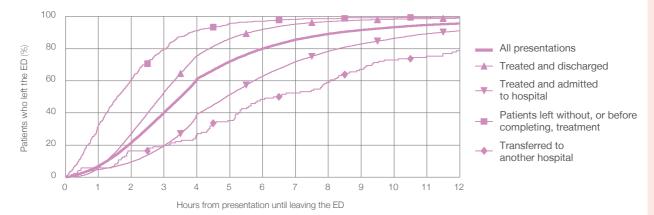
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Royal North Shore Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation

October to December 2018

All presentations: ¹ 22,832 patients Presentations used to calculate time to	leaving the ED: ⁶ 22,83	32 patients	Same period last year 22,732	Change since one year ago 0%
Treated and discharged		12,407 (54.3%)	13,010	-4.6%
Treated and admitted to hospital	g	9,386 (41.1%)	8,726	7.6%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	580 (2.5%)		426	36.2%
Transferred to another hospital	122 (0.5%)		154	-20.8%
Other	337 (1.5%)		416	-19.0%

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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

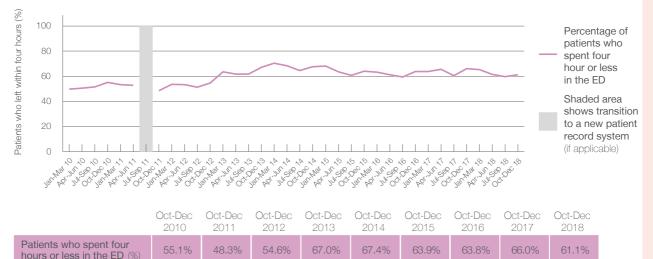
Treated and discharged	5.9%	27.0%	52.8%	75.7%	92.1%	96.9%	98.4%	99.0%
Treated and admitted to hospital	4.8%	9.5%	19.6%	39.2%	62.8%	78.4%	86.5%	91.3%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	32.4%	61.0%	79.7%	91.2%	97.1%	98.8%	99.3%	99.7%
Transferred to another hospital	5.7%	16.4%	19.7%	26.2%	48.4%	59.0%	73.0%	78.7%
All presentations	7.0%	21.5%	40.3%	61.1%	80.1%	89.2%	93.4%	95.8%

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Royal North Shore Hospital: Ti Percentage of patients who sper			
October to December 2018			Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency depa	22,732	0%	
Presentations used to calculate time to I	22,732	0%	
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	61.1%	66.0%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



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- Note: Presentation time is the earlier of times recorded for the start of clerical registration or the triage process. Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care that is relevant to the patient's presenting problems. For patients who were treated and discharged, departure time is the time when treatment was completed. For all other patients, departure time is the time when the patient actually left the ED.
 Note: All percentages are rounded and therefore percentages may not add to 100%.

Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).

Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview October to December 2018

		Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 20,664 patients	19,371	7%
Emergency presentations: ² 20,285 patients	18,960	7%

Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ^a

October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 3,538 patients	3,155	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	11 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 23 minutes	23 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 10,456 patients	10,023	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	25 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 76 minutes	83 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 5,555 patients	5,004	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	36 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	119 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 529 patients	640	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	35 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 95 minutes	117 minutes	104 minutes

Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2018			last year	one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to le	eaving the ED: 6 20,664 patients		19,371	7%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		64%	68%	

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- 1. All emergency and non-emergency attendances at the emergency department (ED).
- 2. All attendances 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: October to December 2018.*
- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
- 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.

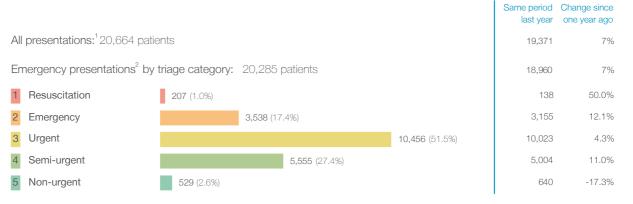
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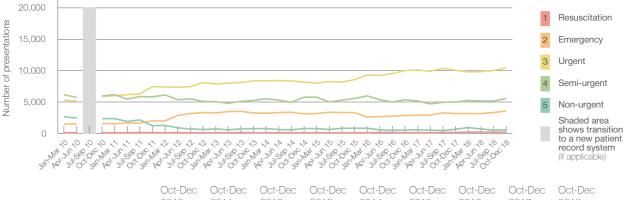
Same period Change since

Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	82	103	119	119	80	78	104	138	207
Emergency	1,599	1,980	3,304	3,236	3,118	3,303	2,842	3,155	3,538
Urgent	5,856	7,449	8,110	8,365	8,177	8,539	9,965	10,023	10,456
Semi-urgent	5,949	5,824	5,119	5,271	5,758	5,559	5,366	5,004	5,555
Non-urgent	2,341	1,233	620	774	739	799	488	640	529
All emergency presentations	15,827	16,589	17,272	17,765	17,872	18,278	18,765	18,960	20,285

Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

October to December 2018		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	5,007		
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	15 minutes	15 minutes	0 minutes
90th percentile time	29 minutes	29 minutes	0 minutes

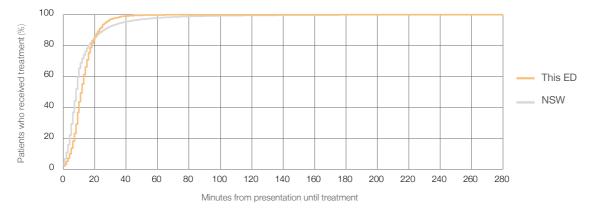
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Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 3,538	3,155	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 3,534	3,149	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 12 minutes	11 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 23 minutes	23 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	9	9	12	13	13	12	11	11	12
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	27	22	34	33	33	29	23	23	23

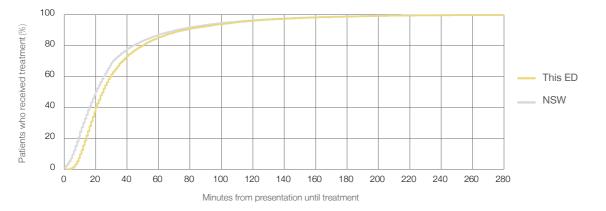
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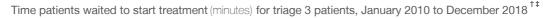
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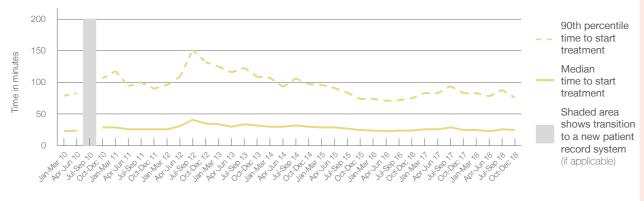
Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 10,456	10,023	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 10,265	9,818	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	25 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 76 minutes	83 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	29	26	35	32	30	25	24	25	25
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	106	90	132	109	97	74	75	83	76

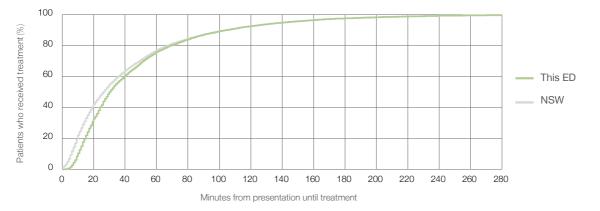
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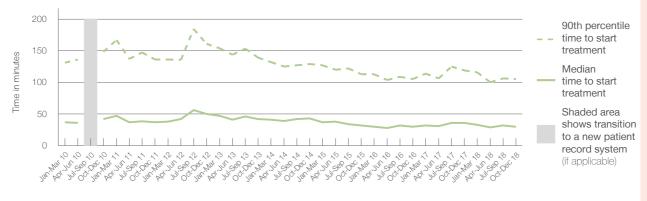
Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 5,555	5,004	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 5,299	4,729	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	36 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 105 minutes	119 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



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



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	42	37	50	42	43	32	30	36	30
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	148	136	161	139	129	113	105	119	105

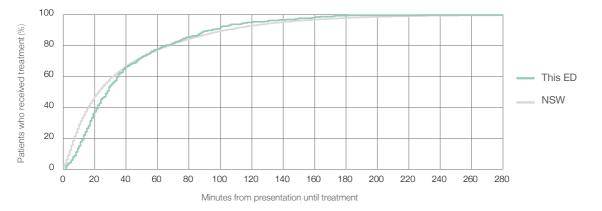
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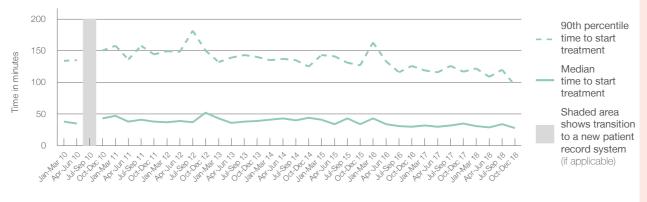
Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

NSW Same period Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions) (this period) last year Number of triage 5 patients: 529 640 Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 384 428 Median time to start treatment⁴ 28 minutes 23 minutes 35 minutes 90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 95 minutes 104 minutes 117 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



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



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	43	38	52	39	44	34	30	35	28
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	150	144	150	140	125	127	126	117	95

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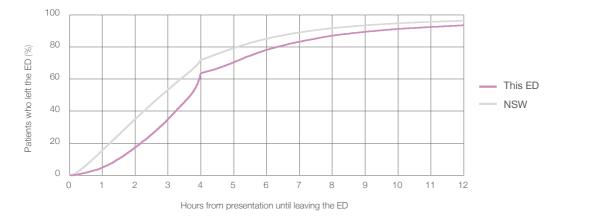
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Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

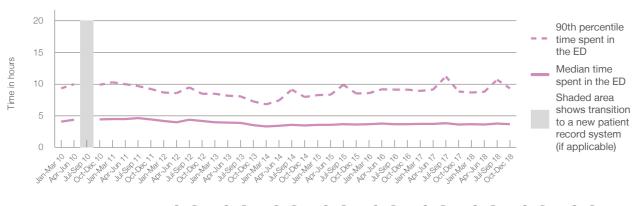
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NSW Same period (this period) last vear All presentations:1 20,664 patients 19,371 Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 20,664 patients 19.371 3 hours and 2 hours and Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 41 minutes 49 minutes 36 minutes 8 hours and 7 hours and 90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 9 hours and 19 minutes 49 minutes 19 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	4h 26m	4h 24m	4h 9m	3h 30m	3h 27m	3h 36m	3h 41m	3h 36m	3h 41m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	9h 52m	9h 13m	8h 28m	7h 14m	7h 59m	8h 31m	9h 7m	8h 49m	9h 19m

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7%

10.3%

2.7%

52%

41.0%

-30.9%

227

404

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Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation October to December 2018 Same period Change since All presentations:1 20,664 patients last year one year ago Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 20,664 patients 19.371 11,450 (55.4%) Treated and discharged 10.382 Treated and admitted to hospital 7,303 (35.3%) 7,111 Patient left without, or before 1,312 (6.3%) 1.247 completing, treatment

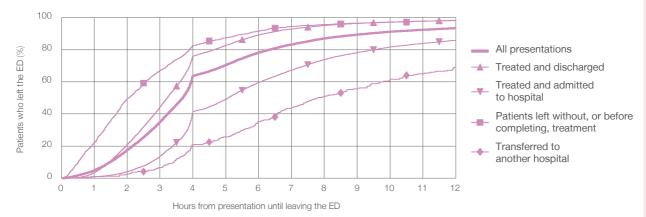
320 (1.5%)

279 (1.4%)

Transferred to another hospital

Other





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

Treated and discharged	3.6%	20.9%	44.4%	75.9%	89.2%	95.1%	97.2%	98.3%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.8%	4.0%	13.7%	41.5%	59.6%	73.9%	81.7%	85.9%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	22.3%	49.5%	67.0%	82.7%	91.6%	95.7%	97.1%	98.1%
Transferred to another hospital	0.9%	2.5%	6.6%	20.9%	35.3%	50.6%	61.6%	69.1%
All presentations	4.9%	17.5%	35.1%	63.7%	78.2%	87.0%	91.2%	93.5%

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Royal Prince Alfred Hospital: Percentage of patients who spe	the second se	ED		
October to December 2018				Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency depa	artment: 1 20,664 patients		19,371	7%
Presentations used to calculate time to	leaving the ED: 6 20,664 patients		19,371	7%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		63.7%	67.6%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 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.

hours or less in the ED (%)

- 7. Transfer of care time refers to the period between arrival of patients at the ED by ambulance and the transfer of responsibility for their care from paramedics to ED staff in an ED treatment zone. For more information see Spotlight on Measurement: measuring transfer of care from the ambulance to the emergency department.
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Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 22 January 2019).

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Same period

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St George Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview October to December 2018		
		Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 20,642 patients	20,352	1%
Emergency presentations: ² 20,460 patients	20,208	1%
St George Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ^a		
October to December 2018		

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,438 patients	2,169	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 26 minutes	25 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 9,509 patients	8,376	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	25 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 72 minutes	64 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 7,328 patients	8,129	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 36 minutes	32 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 89 minutes	82 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,015 patients	1,376	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 37 minutes	34 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 100 minutes	90 minutes	104 minutes

St George Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2018			last year	one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to le	eaving the ED: 6 20,635 patients		20,352	1%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		63%	66%	

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- 1. All emergency and non-emergency attendances at the emergency department (ED).
- 2. All attendances that have a triage category and are coded as emergency presentations or unplanned return visits.
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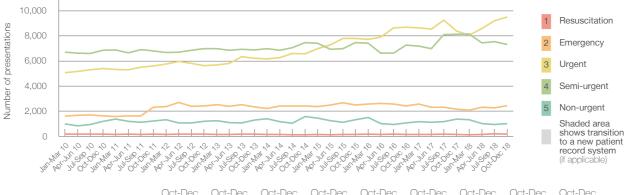
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St George Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department October to December 2018

Same period Change since last year one year ago All presentations:¹20,642 patients 20,352 1% Emergency presentations² by triage category: 20,460 patients 20,208 1% 1 Resuscitation 170 (0.8%) 158 7.6% 12.4% 2,438 (11.9%) 2,169 2 Emergency Urgent 9,509 (46.5%) 8,376 13.5% 3 4 Semi-urgent 7,328 (35.8%) 8,129 -9.9% 5 1,015 (5.0%) 1,376 -26.2% Non-urgent

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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	166	164	174	171	128	153	152	158	170
Emergency	1,616	2,307	2,422	2,337	2,420	2,504	2,430	2,169	2,438
Urgent	5,403	5,603	5,642	6,223	6,587	7,804	8,702	8,376	9,509
Semi-urgent	6,851	6,802	6,997	6,872	7,462	7,478	7,255	8,129	7,328
Non-urgent	1,193	1,233	1,191	1,293	1,567	1,330	1,056	1,376	1,015
All emergency presentations	15,229	16,109	16,426	16,896	18,164	19,269	19,595	20,208	20,460

St George Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	sfer of care time: 7 5,044 patients	4,883	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	12 minutes	11 minutes	1 minute
90th percentile time	29 minutes	23 minutes	6 minutes

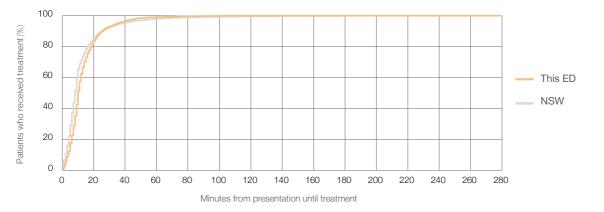
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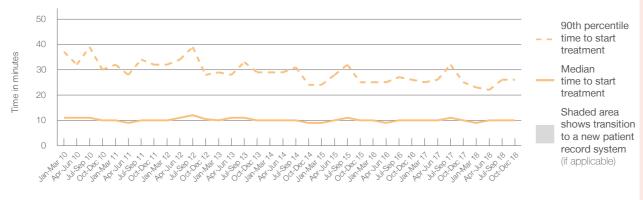
St George Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)			NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,438		2,169	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calcu	2,159		
Median time to start treatment ⁴	10 minutes	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	26 minutes	25 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	10	10	11	10	9	10	10	10	10
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	30	32	28	29	24	25	26	25	26

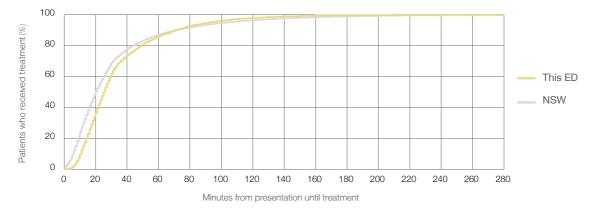
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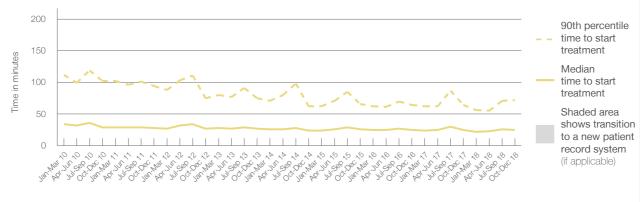
St George Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood	oss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 9,509	8,376		
Number of triage 3 patients used to calc	8,247		
Median time to start treatment ⁴	25 minutes	25 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	72 minutes	64 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



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



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	29	28	27	27	24	26	25	25	25
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	102	94	75	75	62	66	64	64	72

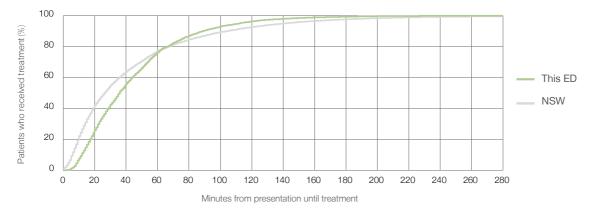
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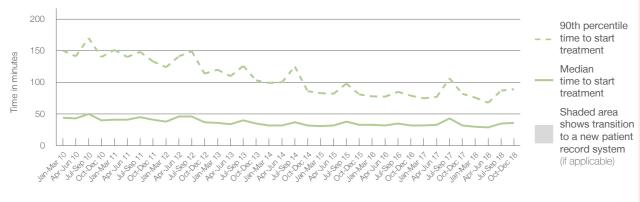
St George Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 7,328	8,129	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 7,067	7,881	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 36 minutes	32 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 89 minutes	82 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
dian time to start treatment ⁴ nutes)	40	41	37	35	32	33	32	32	36
h percentile time to start atment ⁵ (minutes)	140	133	114	103	86	81	79	82	89

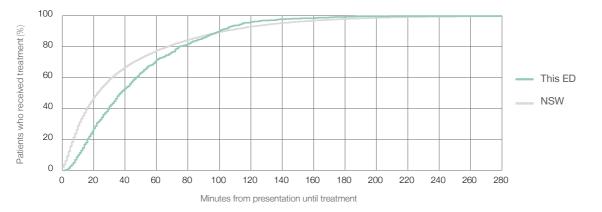
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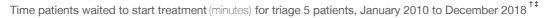
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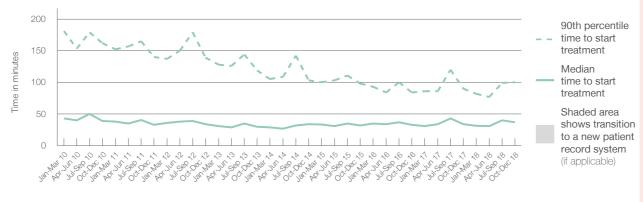
St George Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,015	1,376	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 855	1,151	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 37 minutes	34 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 100 minutes	90 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	39	33	34	30	34	32	33	34	37
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	162	140	139	119	103	98	84	90	100

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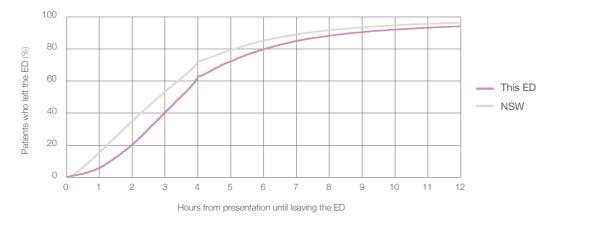
8 hours and 45 minutes

St George Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED October to December 2018

All presentations:¹ 20,642 patients Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ 20,635 patients Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 28 minutes

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

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



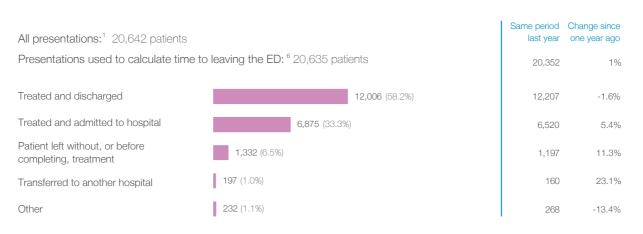
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	3h 57m	3h 48m	3h 37m	3h 19m	3h 14m	3h 18m	3h 28m	3h 18m	3h 28m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	9h 55m	8h 55m	8h 16m	7h 22m	7h 23m	7h 4m	7h 57m	7h 39m	8h 45m

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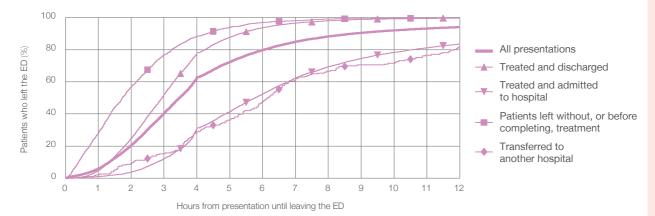
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St George Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation

October to December 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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

Treated and discharged	4.8%	24.8%	52.1%	78.1%	93.8%	98.0%	99.3%	99.7%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.0%	3.7%	12.1%	31.3%	52.5%	69.4%	78.3%	83.5%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	27.9%	56.7%	76.7%	88.4%	97.0%	99.1%	99.6%	99.8%
Transferred to another hospital	2.0%	9.1%	15.2%	28.9%	47.7%	66.5%	71.6%	81.7%
All presentations	5.9%	20.4%	40.5%	62.9%	79.8%	88.3%	92.0%	94.1%

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St George Hospital: Time spent in th	e ED		
Percentage of patients who spent four	r hours or less in the ED		
October to December 2018		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency department	t: 1 20,642 patients	20,352	1%
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving	the ED: ⁶ 20,635 patients	20,352	1%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	62.9%	66.3%	

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



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- 3. Some patients are excluded from ED time measures due to calculation requirements. For details, see the *Technical Supplement: October to December 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 final105% of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
- 6. All presentations that have a departure time.
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- Note: Presentation time is the earlier of times recorded for the start of clerical registration or the triage process. Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care that is relevant to the patient's presenting problems. For patients who were treated and discharged, departure time is the time when treatment was completed. For all other patients, departure time is the time when the patient actually left the ED.
 Note: All percentages are rounded and therefore percentages may not add to 100%.

Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).

Principal referral hospitals (A1) South Eastern Sydney Local Health District

St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Emergency department (ED) overview October to December 2018

		Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 13,086 patients	12,516	5%
Emergency presentations: ² 12,948 patients	12,308	5%

St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Time patients waited to start treatment ³

October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 1,711 patients	1,464	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ ^{3 minutes}	3 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 14 minutes	12 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 6,046 patients	5,875	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 17 minutes	14 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 70 minutes	60 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,410 patients	4,156	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	18 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 114 minutes	95 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 452 patients	520	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	12 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 109 minutes	111 minutes	104 minutes

St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2018			1	Change since one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to le	eaving the ED: 6 13,086 patients		12,516	5%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		66%	67%	

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- 2. All attendances that have a triage category and are coded as emergency presentations or unplanned return visits.
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- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
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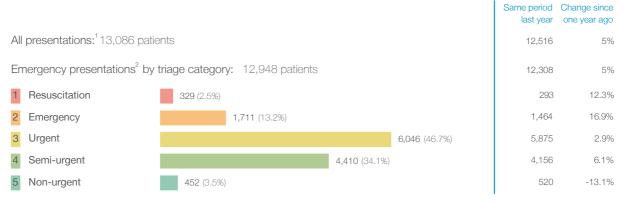
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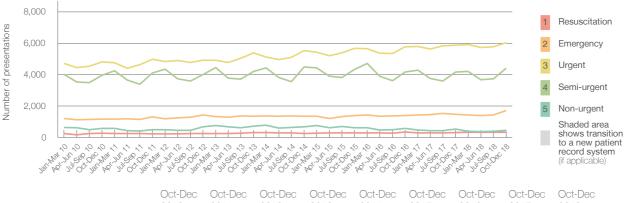
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St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	271	229	242	293	246	284	336	293	329
Emergency	1,157	1,312	1,421	1,337	1,338	1,376	1,386	1,464	1,711
Urgent	4,812	4,970	4,924	5,393	5,536	5,675	5,773	5,875	6,046
Semi-urgent	3,949	4,107	4,003	4,209	4,480	4,315	4,163	4,156	4,410
Non-urgent	565	481	672	718	671	615	562	520	452
All emergency presentations	10,754	11,099	11,262	11,950	12,271	12,265	12,220	12,308	12,948

St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	sfer of care time: 7 3,902 patients	3,599	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	13 minutes	13 minutes	0 minutes
90th percentile time	36 minutes	34 minutes	2 minutes

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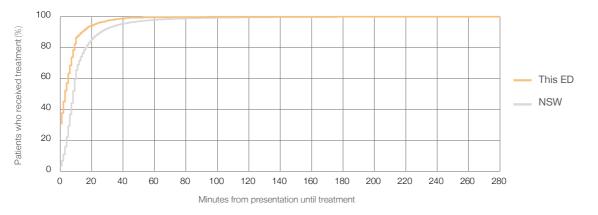
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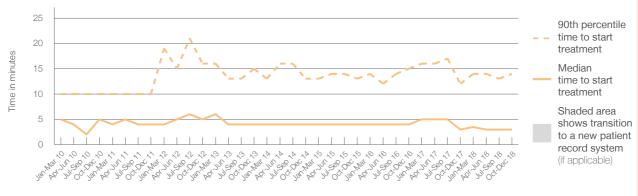
St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 1,711	1,464	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 1,708	1,456	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 3 minutes	3 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 14 minutes	12 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{++s}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	5	4	5	4	4	4	4	3	3
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	10	10	16	15	13	13	15	12	14

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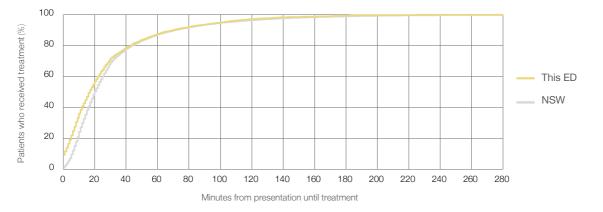
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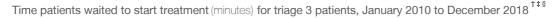
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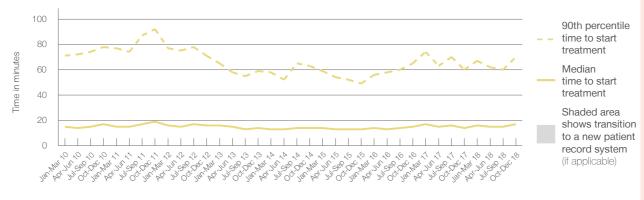
St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 6,046	5,875	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 5,781	5,649	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	14 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 70 minutes	60 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	17	19	16	14	14	13	15	14	17
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	78	92	71	59	63	49	65	60	70

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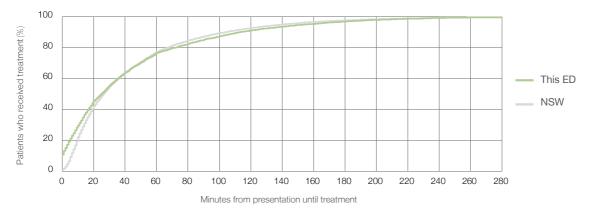
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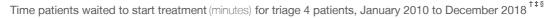
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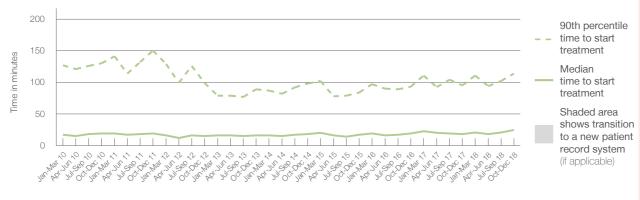
St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018



Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	19	19	15	16	18	17	19	18	25
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	130	150	99	89	98	84	93	95	114

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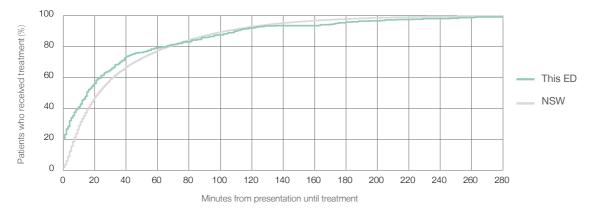
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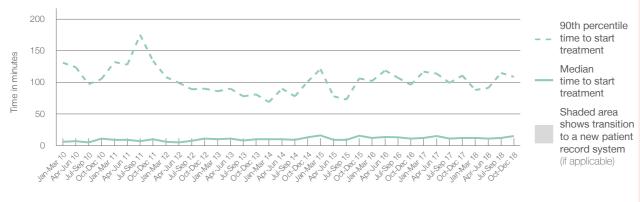
St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 452	520	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 353	398	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	12 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 109 minutes	111 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Nedian time to start treatment ⁴ minutes)	11	10	11	10	13	16	11	12	15
00th percentile time to start reatment ⁵ (minutes)	105	134	90	81	101	106	96	111	109

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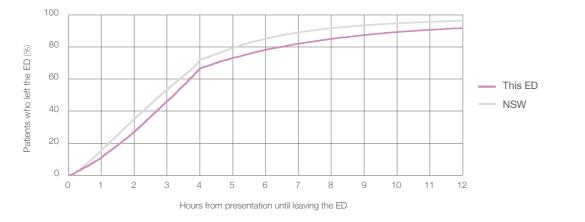
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St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Time patients spent in the ED

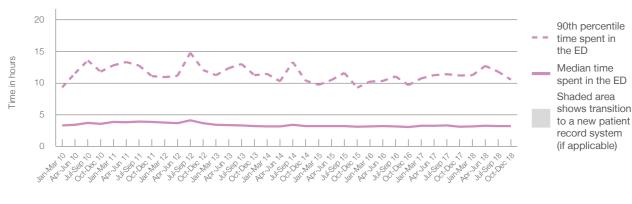
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NSW Same period (this period) last vear All presentations:1 13,086 patients 12,516 Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 13,086 patients 12,516 3 hours and 2 hours and Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 13 minutes 49 minutes 7 minutes 11 hours and 7 hours and 90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 10 hours and 31 minutes 12 minutes 19 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	3h 35m	3h 53m	3h 40m	3h 11m	3h 14m	3h 6m	3h 4m	3h 7m	3h 13m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	11h 49m	11h 5m	12h 2m	11h 16m	10h 24m	9h 17m	9h 41m	11h 12m	10h 31m

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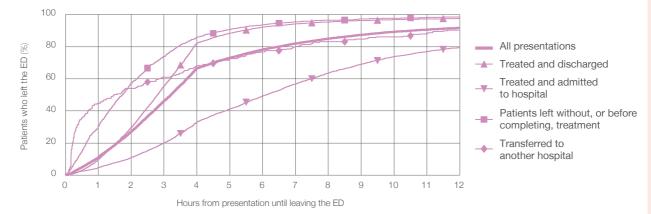
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St Vincent's Hospital Sydney: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation October to December 2018 Same period Change since All presentations:1 13,086 patients last year one year ago Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 13,086 patients 12.516 Treated and discharged 7,167 (54.8%) 6.833 Treated and admitted to hospital 4,221 (32.3%) 4,161 Patient left without, or before 1,395 (10.7%) 1.163 completing, treatment 267 (2.0%) 316 Transferred to another hospital

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018 $^{\pm\pm\,\$}$

36 (0.3%)

Other



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

Treated and discharged	9.8%	29.8%	55.7%	82.2%	92.2%	95.4%	96.8%	97.6%
Treated and admitted to hospital	4.7%	10.9%	20.1%	33.1%	49.3%	63.6%	73.8%	79.5%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	30.5%	57.2%	73.9%	85.9%	93.6%	96.4%	97.8%	98.5%
Transferred to another hospital	44.6%	53.9%	61.0%	68.2%	76.8%	83.1%	86.1%	90.3%
All presentations	11.2%	27.2%	46.3%	66.5%	78.2%	85.0%	89.3%	91.7%

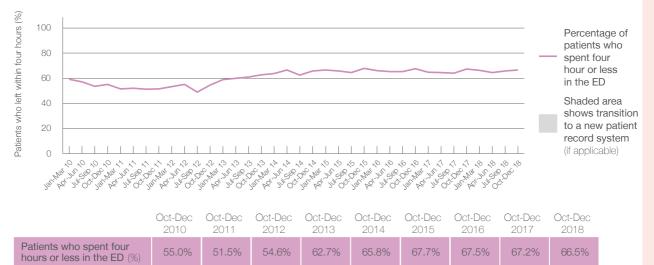
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St Vincent's Hospital Sydney:				
Percentage of patients who sper	nt four hours or less in the El	D		
October to December 2018			Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency depa	12,516	5%		
Presentations used to calculate time to I	12,516	5%		
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		66.5%	67.2%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



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

Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).

104 minutes

23 minutes

104 minutes

122 minutes

46 minutes

132 minutes

1.376

Same period Change since

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Westmead Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview		
October to December 2018	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations: ¹ 20,318 patients	19,296	5%
Emergency presentations: ² 20,168 patients	19,151	5%
Westmead Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ³ October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 6,310 patients	5,872	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 13 minutes	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 62 minutes	39 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 7,452 patients	6,866	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 34 minutes	25 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 133 minutes	95 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,475 patients 47 minutes	4,508	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	42 minutes	26 minutes

October to December 2018	

40 minutes

			iast your	one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to le	eaving the ED: 6 20,316 patients		19,294	5%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		64%	58%	

140 minutes

131 minutes

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- 1. All emergency and non-emergency attendances at the emergency department (ED).
- 2. All attendances 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: October to December 2018.*
- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
- 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.

90th percentile time to start treatment⁵

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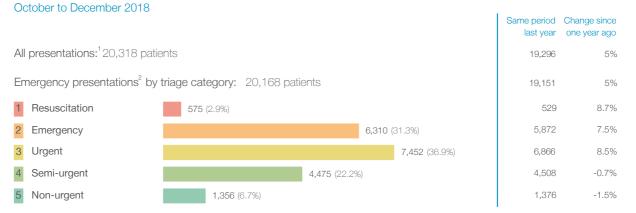
Median time to start treatment⁴

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,356 patients

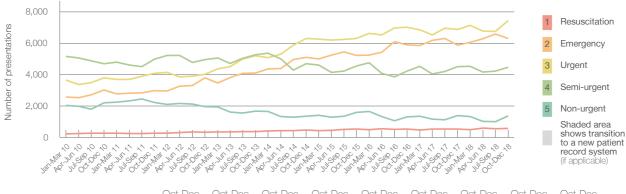
Note: Presentation time is the earlier time recorded for clerical registration or the triage process. Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care relevant to the patient's presenting problems.

Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 22 January 2019).

Westmead Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department



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



	0ct-Dec 2010	2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	2018
Resuscitation	269	270	315	370	472	527	532	529	575
Emergency	3,020	2,967	3,802	4,089	5,104	5,219	5,894	5,872	6,310
Urgent	3,798	4,083	4,022	5,207	6,292	6,310	7,025	6,866	7,452
Semi-urgent	4,697	4,977	4,955	5,269	4,681	4,542	4,223	4,508	4,475
Non-urgent	2,204	2,225	1,961	1,676	1,343	1,591	1,305	1,376	1,356
All emergency presentations	13,988	14,522	15,055	16,611	17,892	18,189	18,979	19,151	20,168

Westmead Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate tra	ansfer of care time: ⁷ 5,972 patients	5,378	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	13 minutes	12 minutes	1 minute
90th percentile time	26 minutes	23 minutes	3 minutes

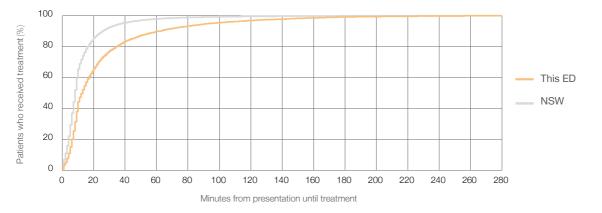
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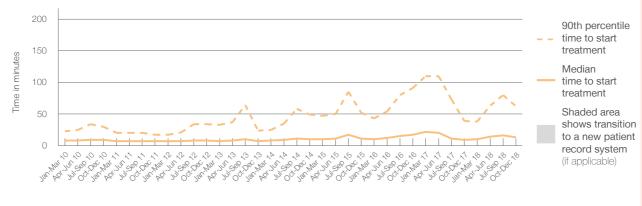
Westmead Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 6,310	5,872	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 6,195	5,800	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 13 minutes	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 62 minutes	39 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	9	7	8	7	10	11	17	9	13
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	30	17	34	24	49	52	91	39	62

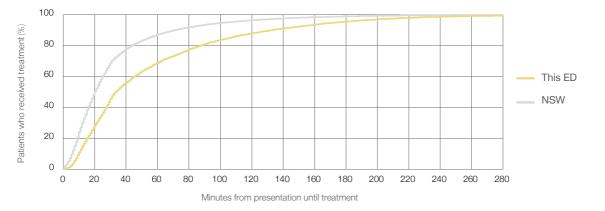
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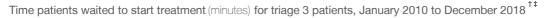
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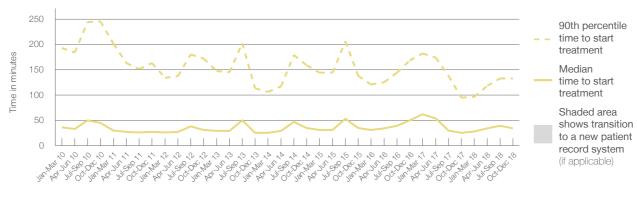
Westmead Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood	Same period last year	NSW (this period)	
Number of triage 3 patients: 7,452	6,866		
Number of triage 3 patients used to calc	6,562		
Median time to start treatment ⁴	34 minutes	25 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment $^{\scriptscriptstyle 5}$	133 minutes	95 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	45	27	31	25	35	35	50	25	34
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	245	163	172	113	159	138	168	95	133

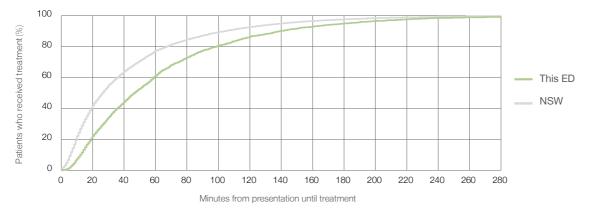
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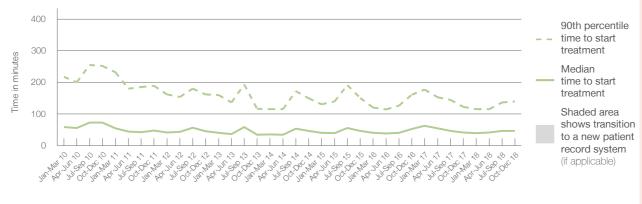
Westmead Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 4,475	4,508	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 4,155	4,221	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 47 minutes	42 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 140 minutes	122 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



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



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	73	48	46	34	47	47	53	42	47
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	252	189	162	116	150	151	161	122	140

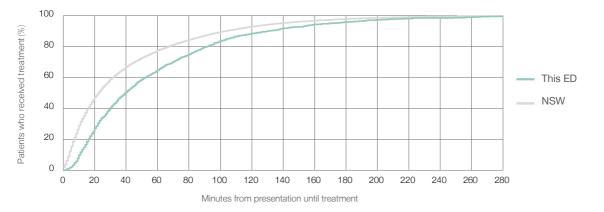
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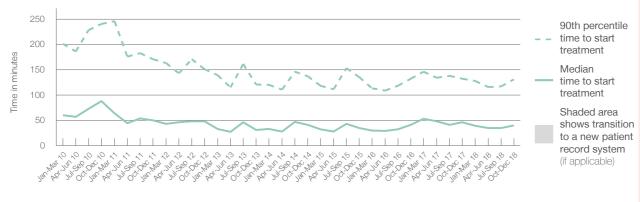
Westmead Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,356	1,376	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 1,228	1,238	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 40 minutes	46 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 131 minutes	132 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	88	50	48	31	41	35	41	46	40
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	240	171	151	121	137	135	132	132	131

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(this period)

2 hours and

49 minutes

7 hours and

19 minutes

Same period

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Westmead Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

October to December 2018

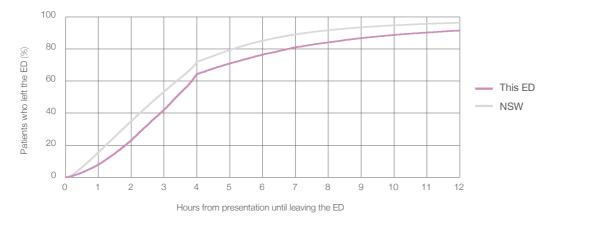
 All presentations:¹ 20,318 patients
 19,296

 Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ 20,316 patients
 19,294

 Median time spent in the ED ⁸
 3 hours and 23 minutes
 3 hours and 35 minutes

 90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹
 10 hours and 51 minutes
 11 hours and 51 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2013	2010	2011	2010
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	5h 51m	5h 26m	4h 24m	3h 37m	3h 55m	3h 41m	3h 45m	3h 35m	3h 23m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	13h 18m	13h 15m	11h 31m	9h 29m	9h 49m	9h 55m	12h 44m	11h 1m	10h 51m

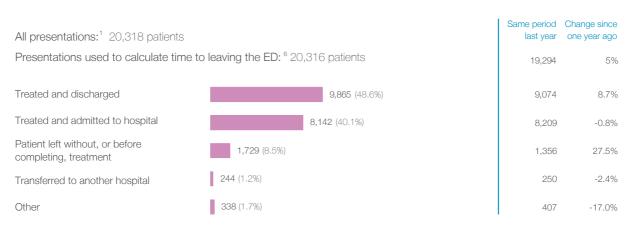
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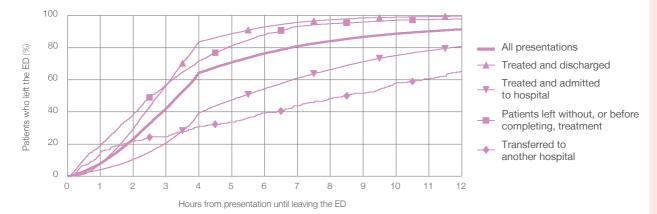
Westmead Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation

October to December 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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

Treated and discharged	7.7%	29.4%	56.4%	83.7%	93.0%	97.5%	99.0%	99.6%
Treated and admitted to hospital	4.1%	10.5%	20.8%	39.3%	54.4%	66.3%	75.1%	80.8%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	19.2%	38.5%	57.0%	71.9%	88.1%	95.0%	97.1%	98.0%
Transferred to another hospital	14.8%	21.7%	24.6%	30.7%	39.3%	48.4%	58.2%	65.6%
All presentations	8.0%	23.1%	42.2%	64.3%	76.5%	84.1%	88.7%	91.5%

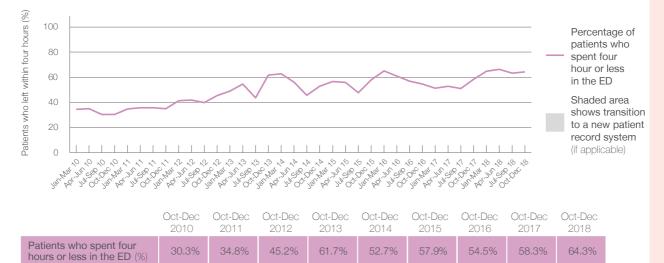
Principal referral hospitals (A1) Western Sydney Local Health District

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Westmead Hospital: Time spent in Percentage of patients who spent for			
October to December 2018		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency departm	nent: 1 20,318 patients	19,296	5%
Presentations used to calculate time to leav	ing the ED: ⁶ 20,316 patients	19,294	5%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	64.3%	58.3%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



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- All emergency and non-emergency presentations at the emergency department (ED).
- 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: October to December 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 final105% 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 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).

Principal referral hospitals (A1) Western Sydney Local Health District

Wollongong Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview October to December 2018		
	Same period last year	Change since one year ago
All presentations:1 18,053 patients	16,765	8%
Emergency presentations: ² 17,699 patients	16,501	7%
Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ³ October to December 2018 Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,509 patients	Same period last year 2.258	NSW (this period)
Median time to start treatment*	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 26 minutes	23 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 7,275 patients	6,992	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	22 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 77 minutes	70 minutes	72 minutes

90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 77 minutes	70 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 6,813 patients	6,442	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	24 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 109 minutes	102 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 897 patients	657	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	26 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 109 minutes	102 minutes	104 minutes

Wollongong Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2018		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Attendances used to calculate time to le	aving the ED: 6 18,051 patients	16,762	8%
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	57%	66%	

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- 1. All emergency and non-emergency attendances at the emergency department (ED).
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- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
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- 6. All presentations that have a departure time.

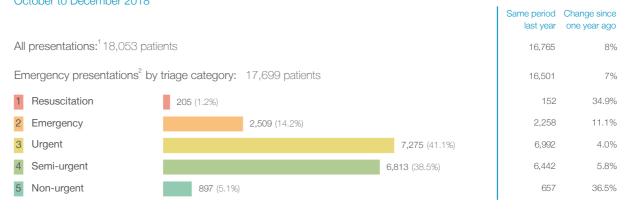
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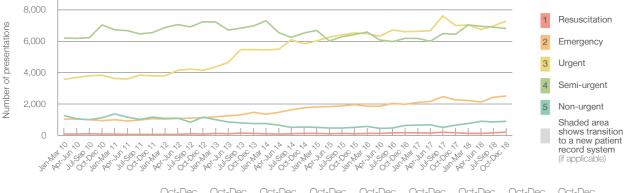
Principal referral hospitals (A1) Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District

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Wollongong Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department October to December 2018



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



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	71	50	83	114	111	109	170	152	205
Emergency	935	1,068	1,121	1,475	1,756	1,964	1,981	2,258	2,509
Urgent	3,828	3,782	4,136	5,457	5,833	6,525	6,610	6,992	7,275
Semi-urgent	7,035	6,543	7,247	6,981	6,533	6,423	6,189	6,442	6,813
Non-urgent	1,126	1,153	1,160	755	533	501	620	657	897
All emergency presentations	12,995	12,596	13,747	14,782	14,766	15,522	15,570	16,501	17,699

Wollongong Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance October to December 2018

		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	fer of care time: ⁷ 5,634 patients	5,421	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	13 minutes	11 minutes	2 minutes
90th percentile time	40 minutes	25 minutes	15 minutes

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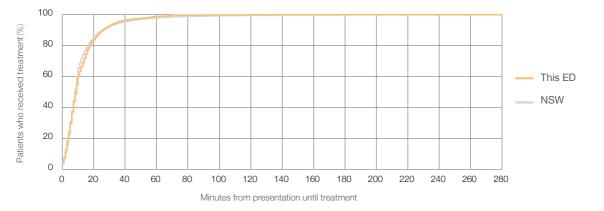
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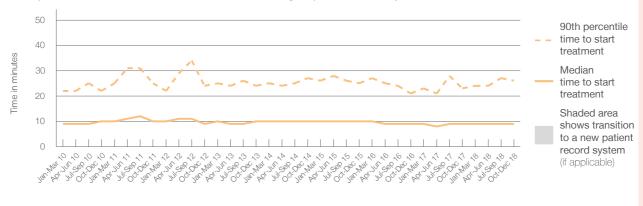
Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, s	evere burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,509		2,258	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calcu	late waiting time: ³ 2,506	2,253	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	9 minutes	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	26 minutes	23 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	10	10	9	10	10	10	9	9	9
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	22	25	24	24	27	25	21	23	26

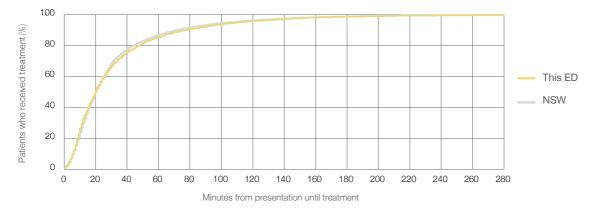
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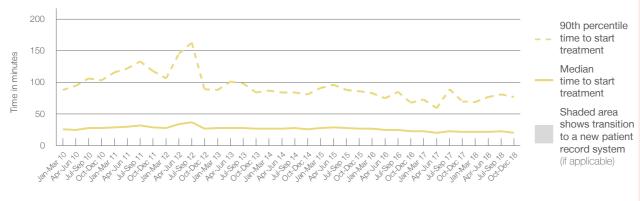
Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood	loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 7,275		6,992	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calc	culate waiting time: ³ 7,102	6,855	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	20 minutes	22 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	77 minutes	70 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	28	29	27	27	26	27	23	22	20
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	103	118	89	84	81	86	68	70	77

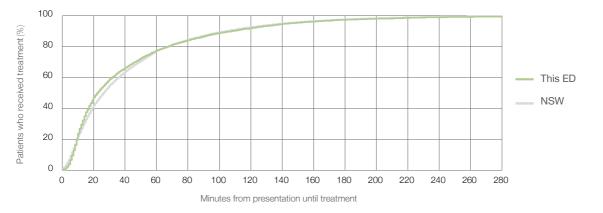
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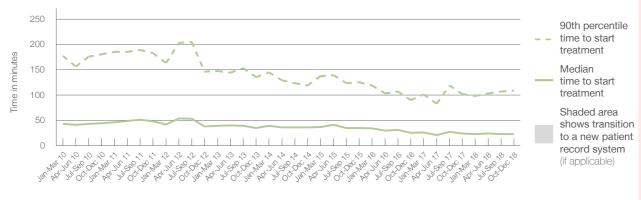
Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 6,813	6,442	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 6,387	6,090	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 23 minutes	24 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 109 minutes	102 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018







	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	44	48	38	35	36	35	25	24	23
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	180	183	146	135	119	125	90	102	109

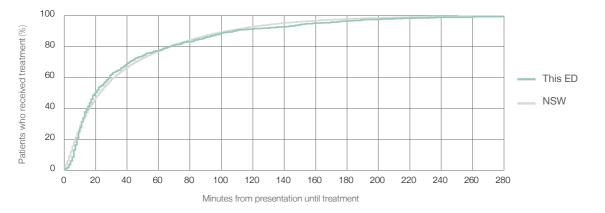
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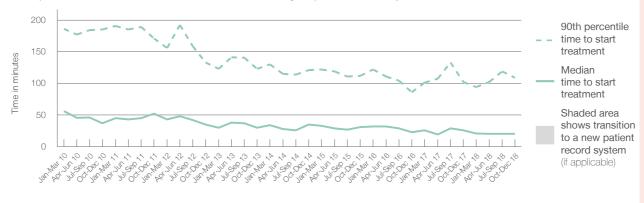
Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 897	657	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 769	571	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	26 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 109 minutes	102 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	37	52	35	30	35	31	23	26	20
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	185	171	133	123	121	112	86	102	109

(†) Data points are not shown in graphs for quarters when patient numbers are too small.

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More information is available on BHI's interactive portal at www.bhi.nsw.gov.au/healthcare_observer

Wollongong Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

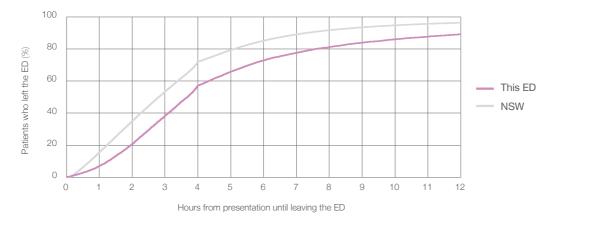
October to December 2018

All presentations:¹ 18,053 patients Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ 18,051 patients Median time spent in the ED ⁸ 3 hours and 41 minutes

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

12 hours and 40 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



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



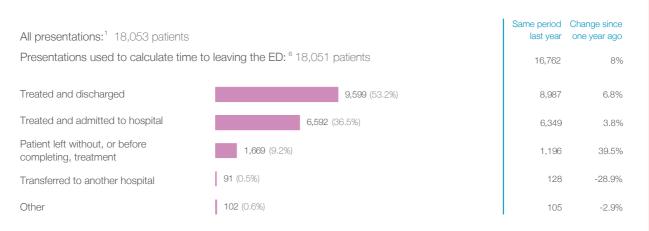
	Oct-Dec 2010	Oct-Dec 2011	Oct-Dec 2012	Oct-Dec 2013	Oct-Dec 2014	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2016	Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2018
Median time spent in the ED ⁸ (hours, minutes)	4h 11m	4h 23m	3h 59m	3h 29m	3h 11m	3h 23m	3h 16m	3h 17m	3h 41m
90th percentile time spent in the ED ⁹ (hours, minutes)	11h 5m	11h 52m	10h 3m	9h 18m	7h 39m	13h 47m	10h 35m	9h 17m	12h 40m

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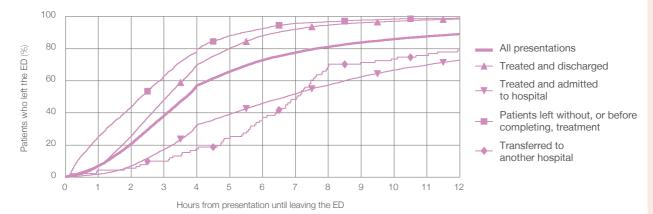
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Wollongong Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation

October to December 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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

Treated and discharged	6.9%	25.7%	48.3%	70.1%	88.0%	94.7%	97.1%	98.5%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.8%	7.0%	17.3%	32.6%	46.0%	57.4%	66.7%	72.9%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	25.3%	43.7%	63.1%	79.9%	92.5%	96.8%	98.5%	99.1%
Transferred to another hospital	4.4%	5.5%	9.9%	17.6%	37.4%	69.2%	73.6%	79.1%
All presentations	7.1%	20.8%	38.4%	57.1%	72.9%	81.2%	86.0%	89.1%

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Wollongong Hospital: Time spe Percentage of patients who sper			
October to December 2018			Change since one year ago
All presentations at the emergency depa	16,765	8%	
Presentations used to calculate time to	16,762	8%	
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED	57.1%	66.4%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 ^{†‡}



- * Suppressed due to small numbers and to protect privacy. Relevant graphs are also suppressed.
- + Data points are not shown in graphs for quarters when patient numbers were too small.
- Caution is advised when interpreting abrupt changes over time at the hospital level. For example, performance before and after transition to a new information system is not directly comparable. For more information see Background Paper: Approaches to reporting time measures of emergency department performance, December 2011.
- All emergency and non-emergency presentations at the emergency department (ED).
- 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: October to December 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 final105% 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 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).

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