

Emergency department activity

		Jul-Sep 2019	Jul-Sep 2018	Difference	% change
All arrivals at ED by ambulance		13,628	12,840	788	6.1%
All ED presentations		55,711	53,671	2,040	3.8%
All emergency presentations		55,572	53,463	2,109	3.9%
Emergency presentation by triage category	T1: Resuscitation	510	461	49	10.6%
	T2: Emergency	10,591	9,414	1,177	12.5%
	T3: Urgent	19,039	16,994	2,045	12.0%
	T4: Semi-urgent	20,906	20,751	155	0.7%
	T5: Non-urgent	4,526	5,843	-1,317	-22.5%
Admissions to hospital from EDs		20,585	19,223	1,362	7.1%

Emergency department performance

	Jul-Sep 2019	Jul-Sep 2018	Difference	NSW results
Time to treatment by triage category	Median time to treatment	7m	7m	9m
	T2: Emergency 90th percentile time to treatment	17m	16m	29m
	% started treatment on time	77.6%	78.9%	61.1%
	Median time to treatment	18m	16m	22m
	T3: Urgent 90th percentile time to treatment	58m	47m	1h 23m
	% started treatment on time	73.3%	79.6%	65.0%
	Median time to treatment	23m	20m	29m
	T4: Semi-urgent 90th percentile time to treatment	1h 22m	1h 17m	1h 57m
	% started treatment on time	81.9%	83.8%	74.1%
	Median time to treatment	23m	21m	24m
	T5: Non-urgent 90th percentile time to treatment	1h 40m	1h 44m	1h 53m
	% started treatment on time	94.6%	94%	91.4%
Patients starting treatment on time %	79.0%	82.6%	-3.6 percentage points	70.2%
Median time to leave the ED	3h 13m	3h 05m	8m	3h 01m
90th percentile time to leave the ED	7h 04m	6h 57m	7m	8h 06m
Patients leaving the ED within four hours of presentation	69.0%	72.1%	-3.1 percentage points	68.1%
Transfer of care	Median transfer of care time (minutes)	11m	12m	13m
	90th percentile transfer of care time (minutes)	25m	29m	40m
	Percent on target	92.8%	90.5%	84.4%

Interpret with caution

Emergency department (ED) performance results for Northern Sydney LHD should be interpreted with caution because of challenges experienced in the implementation of a new information system at Northern Beaches ED following its opening on 30 October 2018. Services at Manly and Mona Vale hospitals were transferred to Northern Beaches Hospital On 30 October 2018. *Healthcare Quarterly* only includes data relating to publicly contracted services at Northern Beaches Hospital.

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Elective surgery activity

		Jul-Sep 2019	Jul-Sep 2018	Difference	% change
Elective surgery procedures performed		3,602	3,505	97	2.8%
Urgency category	Urgent	904	758	146	19.3%
	Semi-urgent	1,318	1,292	26	2.0%
	Non-urgent	1,318	1,411	-93	-6.6%
Patients on waiting list ready for elective surgery at the end of quarter		4,542	3,740	802	21.4%
Urgency category	Urgent	112	99	13	13.1%
	Semi-urgent	835	718	117	16.3%
	Non-urgent	3,595	2,923	672	23.0%

Elective surgery performance


			Jul-Sep 2019	Jul-Sep 2018	Difference	NSW results
Waiting time (days)	Urgent	Median	9 days	8 days	1 days	11 days
		90th percentile	24 days	23 days	1 days	26 days
	Semi-urgent	Median	44 days	41 days	3 days	45 days
		90th percentile	82 days	84 days	-2 days	84 days
	Non-urgent	Median	186 days	159 days	27 days	241 days
		90th percentile	351 days	352 days	-1 days	359 days
Elective surgery procedures performed on time	All procedures		96.9%	96.4%	0.5 percentage points	96.6%
	Urgent		100%	99.7%	0.3 percentage points	99.9%
	Semi-urgent		96.2%	94.4%	1.8 percentage points	96.8%
	Non-urgent		95.5%	96.3%	-0.8 percentage points	94.6%

Admitted patient activity

		Jul-Sep 2019	Jul-Sep 2018	Difference	% change
Episodes	All episodes	38,840	40,629	-1,789	-4.4%
	Acute	35,626	37,679	-2,053	-5.4%
	Acute Overnight	20,431	21,839	-1,408	-6.4%
	Acute Same Day	15,195	15,840	-645	-4.1%
	Non-acute	2,124	1,840	284	15.4%
	Mental health	1,090	1,110	-20	-1.8%
Average length of stay (days)	Acute	3.0	3.1	-0.1	
	Acute Overnight	4.5	4.6	-0.1	
	Non-acute	12.3	13.6	-1.3	
	Mental health	24.7	19.7	5.0	
Hospital bed days	All bed days	160,171	162,325	-2,154	-1.3%
	Acute	107,065	115,324	-8,259	-7.2%
	Non-acute	26,168	25,115	1,053	4.2%
	Mental health	26,938	21,886	5,052	23.1%
Babies born in Northern Sydney public hospitals		1,383	1,432	-49	-3.4%

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