

Emergency department activity		Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2016	Difference	% change
All arrivals at ED by ambulance		5,623	5,632	-9	-0.2%
All ED presentations		32,330	32,524	-194	-0.6%
Emergency presentations		31,326	31,249	77	0.2%
Triage category	T1: Resuscitation	175	152	23	15.1%
	T2: Emergency	3,459	3,428	31	0.9%
	T3: Urgent	8,802	8,698	104	1.2%
	T4: Semi-urgent	13,676	13,499	177	1.3%
	T5: Non-urgent	5,214	5,472	-258	-4.7%
Admissions to hospital from EDs ¹		6,160	6,243	-83	-1.3%
Admitted patient activity		Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2016	Difference	% change
All admitted patient episodes		20,444	21,377	-933	-4.4%
All acute episodes		**	**		
Overnight		**	**		
Same-day		**	**		
Non-acute		**	**		
Acute		**	**		
Average length of stay (days)	Acute overnight episodes	**	**		
	Non-acute	**	**		
All bed days		66,271	73,032	-6,761	-9.3%
Hospital bed days	Acute	**	**		
	Non-acute	**	**		
Babies born in Western NSW public hospitals		788	830	-42	-5.1%
Elective surgery activity		Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2016	Difference	% change
Elective surgery procedures performed		2,690	2,666	24	0.9%
Urgency category	Urgent	475	417	58	13.9%
	Semi-urgent	837	823	14	1.7%
	Non-urgent	1,131	1,171	-40	-3.4%
Patients on waiting list ready for elective surgery at the end of quarter		4,149	3,963	186	4.7%
Urgency category	Urgent	13	15	-2	-13.3%
	Semi-urgent	384	327	57	17.4%
	Non-urgent	3,752	3,621	131	3.6%

** These data are not reported due to a policy change in the definition of patient stay types. A new mental health care stay type has been introduced that comprises patients who were previously included in the acute and non-acute stay types that are routinely reported by BHI. Acute, non-acute and mental health stay types will be reported separately in the next edition of Healthcare Quarterly, which covers January to March 2018.

¹ The decrease in the percentage of patients treated and admitted to hospital from the ED may reflect changes in data coding practices. Changes will be reflected in the January to March 2018 edition of *Healthcare Quarterly*

Emergency department performance			Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2016	Difference
Time to treatment by triage category	T2: Emergency	Median time to treatment	6m	6m	0m
		90th percentile time to treatment	15m	14m	1m
		% started treatment on time	82.7%	82.6%	0.1 percentage points
	T3: Urgent	Median time to treatment	16m	18m	-2m
		90th percentile time to treatment	50m	54m	-4m
		% started treatment on time	77.6%	75.5%	2.1 percentage points
	T4: Semi-urgent	Median time to treatment	20m	23m	-3m
		90th percentile time to treatment	1h 16m	1h 28m	-12m
		% started treatment on time	85.1%	81.8%	3.3 percentage points
	T5: Non-urgent	Median time to treatment	18m	21m	-3m
		90th percentile time to treatment	1h 27m	1h 44m	-17m
		% started treatment on time	94.8%	93.4%	1.4 percentage points
Patients starting treatment on time %			84.2%	82.0%	2.2 percentage points
Median time to leave the ED			2h 06m	2h 18m	-12m
90th percentile time to leave the ED			6h 23m	6h 55m	-32m
Patients leaving the ED within four hours of presentation			80.6%	77.6%	3.0 percentage points
Transfer of care	Median transfer of care time (minutes)		10m	12m	-2m
	90th percentile transfer of care time (minutes)		24m	30m	-6m
	Percent on target		93.3%	89.5%	3.8 percentage points
Elective surgery performance			Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2016	Difference
Waiting time (days)	Urgent	Median	15 days	12 days	3 days
		90th percentile	27 days	26 days	1 days
	Semi-urgent	Median	49 days	47 days	2 days
		90th percentile	83 days	83 days	0 days
	Non-urgent	Median	287 days	273 days	14 days
		90th percentile	351 days	351 days	0 days
Elective surgery procedures performed on time	All procedures		99.5%	99.5%	0.0 percentage points
	Urgent		100%	100%	0.0 percentage points
	Semi-urgent		99.4%	99.1%	0.3 percentage points
	Non-urgent		99.4%	99.7%	-0.3 percentage points

(*) Suppressed due to small numbers and to protect patient privacy

(n/a) No elective surgeries performed