Establishment—number of separations (financial year), total N[NNNNN]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Separations |
| Synonymous names: | Discharge |
| METEOR identifier: | 270407 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | The total number of  [**separations**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/327268) occurring during the reference period. This includes both formal and statistical separations. |

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| Data element concept attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Data element concept: | [Establishment—number of separations](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269822) |
| METEOR identifier: | 269822 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | The total number of  [**separations**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/327268) occurring during the reference period. This includes both formal and statistical separations. |
| Context: | Admitted patient care:  Needed as the basic count of the number of [**separations**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/327268) from care for an establishment. |
| Object class: | [Establishment](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/268953) |
| Property: | [Number of separations](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269336) |

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| Value domain attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Value domain: | [Total separations N[NNNNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270908) |
| METEOR identifier: | 270908 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | Total number of separations. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Total | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[NNNNN] | |
| Maximum character length: | 6 | |
| Unit of measure: | Separation | |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | May be calculated at:   * individual establishment level; or * system (i.e. state/territory) level i.e. the sum of the number of establishments.   The sum of the number of separations where the separation date has a value:   * >= the beginning of the reference period (typically a financial year); and * <= the end of the reference period. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Origin: | National Health Data Committee |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Is formed using [Episode of admitted patient care—separation date, DDMMYYYY](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270025)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 02/09/2016  Is re-engineered from  [Separations, version 2, Derived DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273186)  (14.3 KB)  *No registration status*  See also [Specialised mental health service—number of episodes of admitted care, total episodes N[NNNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/573022)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 13/11/2014 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Community mental health establishments NMDS 2004-05](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273049)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/12/2004  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2004 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2005  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2005-06](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/298027)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2005  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2005  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2005-06](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/311875)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 21/03/2006  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2005 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2006 ***DSS specific information:***  For the Mental health establishments national minimum data set, separations are only to be reported for specialised mental health services provided by private hospitals that receive state or territory government funding. That is, separations from public hospitals need not be reported.  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2006-07](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/334283)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 23/10/2006  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2006 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2007 ***DSS specific information:***  For the Mental health establishments national minimum data set, separations are only to be reported for specialised mental health services provided by private hospitals that receive state or territory government funding. That is, separations from public hospitals need not be reported.  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2007-08](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/345134)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/02/2008  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2007 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2008 ***DSS specific information:***  For the Mental health establishments national minimum data set, separations are only to be reported for specialised mental health services provided by private hospitals that receive state or territory government funding. That is, separations from public hospitals need not be reported.  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2008-09](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/362299)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 03/12/2008  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2009 ***DSS specific information:***  For the Mental health establishments national minimum data set, separations are only to be reported for specialised mental health services provided by private hospitals that receive state or territory government funding. That is, separations from public hospitals need not be reported.  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2009-10](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/374981)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/12/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2009 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2010 ***DSS specific information:***  For the Mental health establishments national minimum data set, separations are only to be reported for specialised mental health services provided by private hospitals that receive state or territory government funding. That is, separations from public hospitals need not be reported.  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2010-11](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/378611)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 01/12/2010  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2010 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2011  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2011-12](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/424725)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2011 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2012  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2012-13](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/468195)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/02/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2012 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2013  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2013-14](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/493652)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/03/2014  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2014  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2014-15](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/546889)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 13/11/2014  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2014 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2015  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2015-16](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/565661)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/09/2015  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2015 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2016  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2016-17](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/605829)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 17/08/2017  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2017  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2017–18](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/645723)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/01/2018  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2017 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2018  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2018–19](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/677892)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 12/12/2018  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2018 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2019  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/707557)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 16/01/2020  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2019 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2020  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2020–21](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/722168)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 20/01/2021  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2020 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2021  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2021–22](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/727352)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 17/12/2021  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2021 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2022  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2022–23](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/742046)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 09/12/2022  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2022 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2023  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2023–24](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/756103)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/12/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2023 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2024  [Mental health establishments NMDS 2024–25](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/775628)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 06/12/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2024  ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2025 |
| Implementation in Indicators: | [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 04J – Average length of acute inpatient stay, 2015](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/584306)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 11/05/2016  [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 04J – Average length of acute inpatient stay, 2016](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/630367)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 14/06/2017  [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 04J – Average length of acute inpatient stay, 2017](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/663813)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 13/01/2021  [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 04J – Average length of acute mental health inpatient stay, 2018](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/692981)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 13/01/2021  [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 04J – Average length of acute mental health inpatient stay, 2019](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/709403)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 13/01/2021  [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 04J – Average length of acute mental health inpatient stay, 2020](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/723369)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 17/12/2021  [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 04J – Average length of acute mental health inpatient stay, 2021](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/739878)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 16/09/2022  [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 04J – Average length of acute mental health inpatient stay, 2022](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/753246)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/09/2023  [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 04J – Average length of acute mental health inpatient stay, 2023](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/774402)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 06/09/2023  [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 04J – Average length of acute mental health inpatient stay, 2024](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/783643)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Recorded 07/03/2024 |