

# National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 06a- Colorectal cancer detection rate

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Indicator
<b>Indicator type:</b>	Indicator
<b>Short name:</b>	National Bowel Cancer Screening Program colorectal cancer detection rate
<b>Synonymous names:</b>	NBCSP colorectal cancer detection rate
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	533393
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 06/09/2018
<b>Description:</b>	<p>The percentage of people who returned a valid National Bowel Cancer Screening Program (NBCSP) screening test in a 12-month period and were diagnosed with a screen-detected colorectal cancer, measured 12 months after the defined period.</p>
<b>Rationale:</b>	<p>The NBCSP aims to maximise the early detection of colorectal cancer in the target population.</p> <p>This can be achieved by detecting cases of colorectal cancer before a person has symptoms, enabling early intervention. The cancer detection rate is a key indicator of program effectiveness, especially when comparing this rate to the known colorectal cancer incidence rate in the target population. Monitoring the cancer detection rate by various stratifications may also reveal emerging positive or negative trends that need to be investigated and rectified if necessary.</p> <p>To reduce the effect of any lag time between invitation, positive screen, diagnostic assessment and histopathology, this indicator includes all those who screened in the defined period, not all those invited in the defined period (who had a positive screen).</p>
<b>Indicator set:</b>	<a href="#">National Bowel Cancer Screening Program performance indicators 2014–2018</a> <a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 06/09/2018

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Computation:</b>	$10,000 \times (\text{Numerator} \div \text{Denominator})$
<b>Numerator:</b>	The number of people who returned a valid NBCSP screening test in a <a href="#">defined 12-month period</a> who were diagnosed with a screen-detected colorectal cancer within the defined period or the following 12 months.

**Numerator data elements:**

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Patient—cancer status, code N](#)

**Data Source**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—person identifier, X\[X\(19\)\]](#)

**Data Source**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—disease screening test completion status, bowel screening code N](#)

**Data Source**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—disease screening test results sent date, DDMMYYYY](#)

**Data Source**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Denominator:**

The number of people who returned a valid screening test for analysis in the [defined 12-month period](#).

**Denominator data elements:**

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—person identifier, X\[X\(19\)\]](#)

**Data Source**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

**NMDS / DSS**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—disease screening test completion status, bowel screening code N](#)

**Data Source**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

**NMDS / DSS**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—disease screening test results sent date, DDMMYYYY](#)

**Data Source**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

**NMDS / DSS**

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**Disaggregation:**

Items will be presented by sex and age group, by:

- State and territory
- Socioeconomic status
- Remoteness area
- Indigenous status
- Main language spoken at home
- Disability status
- Disease screening invitation round
- Diagnostic assessment type
- Election status

Some disaggregation may result in numbers too small for publication.

**Disaggregation data elements:**

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—Australian state/territory identifier, code N](#)

**Data Source**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

**NMDS / DSS**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—disease screening invitation round count, total number N\[N\]](#)

**Data Source**

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—geographic remoteness, classification \(ASGS-RA\) N](#)

Data Source

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—sex, code N](#)

Data Source

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—Indigenous status, code N](#)

Data Source

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—age, total years N\[NN\]](#)

Data Source

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—disability status, code N](#)

Data Source

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—main language other than English spoken at home, code \(ASCL 2011\) NN{NN}](#)

Data Source

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

#### Data Element / Data Set

[Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas \(SEIFA\) \(2011 Census, ASGS 2011\) cluster](#)

Data Source

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

#### Data Element / Data Set

[Patient—cancer diagnostic assessment type, bowel cancer code N](#)

Data Source

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

#### Data Element / Data Set

[Patient—election status, code N](#)

Data Source

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2014-18](#)

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Proportion

Data type: Real

Unit of measure: Person

Format: N[N].N

## Data source attributes

Data sources:

#### Data Source

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program \(NBCSP\)](#)

Frequency

6-monthly (register snapshot)

Data custodian

Prior to 1 November 2019, Medicare Australia (Medicare Australia merged with the Department of Human Services in 2011). From 1 November 2019, the Department of Health and Aged Care.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata  
references:**

Has been superseded by [National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI06a-Colorectal cancer detection rate](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018