

Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (excluding leave days)

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Definition: The length of stay of a patient measured in patient days.
A [same-day patient](#) should be allocated a length of stay of one patient day.
The length of stay of an [overnight stay patient](#) is calculated by subtracting the date the patient is admitted from the date of separation and deducting total leave days.
Total contracted patient days are included in the length of stay.

Context: Admitted patient care

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class: [Episode of admitted patient care](#)
Definition: The period of admitted patient care between a formal or statistical [admission](#) and a formal or statistical [separation](#), characterised by only one care type.
Context: Admitted patient care.
Specialisation of: [Service episode](#)

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This treatment and/or care provided to a patient during an episode of care can occur in hospital and/or in the person's home (for [hospital-in-the-home](#) patients).

Source and reference attributes

Origin: Health Data Standards Committee.

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property: [Length of stay](#)
Definition: The duration of an episode of care or service event that includes the provision of accommodation and/or residential care.
Property group: [Performance indicators](#)

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element concept attributes

Relational attributes

**Data Elements
implementing this Data
Element Concept:**

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