

Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (excluding leave days), total N[NN]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Length of stay
METEOR identifier:	269982
Registration status:	Health , Standard 01/03/2005 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016 Tasmanian Health , Standard 05/09/2016
Definition:	The length of stay of a patient, excluding leave days, measured in days.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (excluding leave days)
METEOR identifier:	269422
Registration status:	Health , Standard 01/03/2005 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016 Tasmanian Health , Standard 05/09/2016
Definition:	<p>The length of stay of a patient measured in patient days.</p> <p>A same-day patient should be allocated a length of stay of one patient day.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Total contracted patient days are included in the length of stay.</p>
Context:	Admitted patient care
Object class:	Episode of admitted patient care
Property:	Length of stay

Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Total days N[NN]
METEOR identifier:	270577
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 10/04/2013 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015 Health , Standard 01/03/2005 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority , Standard 16/03/2016 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016 Tasmanian Health , Standard 05/09/2016
Definition:	Total number of days.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
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Data type: Number
Format: N[NN]
Maximum character length: 3
Unit of measure: Day

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Formula:

LOS = Separation date - Admission date - Total leave days

The calculation is inclusive of admission and separation dates.

Comments: Perinatal length of stay metadata items include leave days and so are not included in this metadata item.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is formed using [Episode of admitted patient care—admission date, DDMMYYYY Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018
[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 17/06/2020

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[Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 27/04/2021

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[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 02/09/2016

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Implementation in Data Set Specifications:	Admitted patient care separation (discharge) related data elements (TDLU) cluster Tasmanian Health , Superseded 10/11/2023
	Admitted patient care separation (discharge) related data elements (TDLU) cluster Tasmanian Health , Standard 10/11/2023
	Implementation start date: 01/07/2023 Implementation end date: 30/06/2025
	Admitted patient care separation (discharge) related data elements (TDLU) cluster (Private Hospitals) Tasmanian Health , Standard 21/11/2023
	Implementation start date: 01/07/2023 Implementation end date: 30/06/2025
	Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2016 Tasmanian Health , Superseded 10/01/2018
	Implementation start date: 01/07/2016 Implementation end date: 30/06/2017
	Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2017 Tasmanian Health , Superseded 10/01/2018
	Implementation start date: 01/07/2017 Implementation end date: 30/06/2018
	Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2018 Tasmanian Health , Superseded 12/04/2019
	Implementation start date: 01/07/2018 Implementation end date: 30/06/2019
	Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2019 Tasmanian Health , Superseded 17/06/2020
	Implementation start date: 01/07/2019 Implementation end date: 30/06/2020
	Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2020 Tasmanian Health , Superseded 22/11/2023
	Implementation start date: 01/07/2020 Implementation end date: 30/06/2021
	Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2021 Tasmanian Health , Superseded 22/11/2023
	Implementation start date: 01/07/2021 Implementation end date: 30/06/2022
	Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2022 Tasmanian Health , Superseded 22/11/2023
	Implementation start date: 01/07/2022 Implementation end date: 30/06/2023
	Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2023 Tasmanian Health , Standard 22/11/2023
	Implementation start date: 01/07/2023 Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as Numerator
3.9 Average length of stay for hip fracture patients aged 65 years and over, major and large public hospitals, 2012–13 Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care , Standard 23/11/2016 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016
National Health Performance Authority: Hospital Performance: Average length of stay (ALOS) for multi-day stay patients in Australian public hospitals, 2013-2015 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016