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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005[National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/8), Retired 01/07/2016[Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 05/09/2016 |
| Definition: | The length of stay of a patient, excluding leave days, measured in days. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (excluding leave days)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269422) |
| Value Domain: | [Total days N[NN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270577) |

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

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| Data element attributes  |
| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | Formula:LOS = Separation date - Admission date - Total leave daysThe 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269967)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/09/2018       [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/8), Retired 01/07/2016       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 17/06/2020Is formed using [Episode of admitted patient care—number of leave days, total N[NN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270251)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 06/09/2016Is formed using [Episode of admitted patient care—number of leave periods, total N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270058)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 27/04/2021Is 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 02/09/2016Is re-engineered from  [Length of stay, version 3, Derived DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273634) (14.1 KB)       *No registration status* |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Admitted patient care separation (discharge) related data elements (TDLU) cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/743876)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 10/11/2023[Admitted patient care separation (discharge) related data elements (TDLU) cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/785695)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), 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)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/786787)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 21/11/2023***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2023***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2025[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2016](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/662710)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 10/01/2018***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2017[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2017](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/667734)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 10/01/2018***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2017***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2018[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2018](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/689879)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 12/04/2019***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2018***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2019[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2019](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/715026)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 17/06/2020***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2019***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2020[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2020](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/729751)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 22/11/2023***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2020***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2021[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2021](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/740979)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 22/11/2023***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2021***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2022[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2022](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/761036)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 22/11/2023***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2022***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2023[Tasmanian Admitted Patient Data Set - 2023](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/774449)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/601268)       [Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 23/11/2016       [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/8), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/584301)       [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/8), Retired 01/07/2016 |