Hospital census (of elective surgery waitlist patients)—census date, DDMMYYYY

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Census date |
| METEOR identifier: | 270153 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 02/12/2016 |
| Definition: | Date on which the hospital takes a point in time (census) count of and characterisation of patients on the waiting list. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Hospital census (of elective surgery waitlist patients)—census date](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269614) |
| Value Domain: | [Date DDMMYYYY](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270566) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Date | |
| Data type: | Date/Time | |
| Format: | DDMMYYYY | |
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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | This date is recorded when a census is done of the patients on a waiting list. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Origin: | National Health Data Committee |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Is used in the formation of [Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time (at a census date), total days N[NNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/471715)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 19/11/2015  Is used in the formation of [Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time (at a census date), total days N[NNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269961)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 13/12/2011  Is used in the formation of [Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time (at a census date), total days N[NNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/598076)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 12/12/2018  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 16/06/2020  Is used in the formation of [Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time at a census date, total days N[NNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/689765)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 18/12/2019  Is re-engineered from  [Census date, version 2, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273221)  (13.4 KB)  *No registration status* |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Elective surgery waiting times (census data) DSS 1 January 2012-30 June 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/470080)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Retired 13/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 31/03/2012 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2012  [Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273042)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2005  ***Implementation start date:*** 30/09/2002 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2006  [Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2006-09](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/335002)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 03/12/2008  ***Implementation start date:*** 30/09/2006 ***Implementation end date:*** 31/03/2009  [Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2009-12](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/375331)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 13/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 30/06/2009 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2012  [Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2012-13](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/472477)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/05/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 30/09/2012 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2013  [Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2013-15](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/520140)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 12/06/2015  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2015  [Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2015-16](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/600059)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 19/11/2015  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2015 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2016  [Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2016-17](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/613687)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 29/06/2016  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016  [Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2016-17](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/623795)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/10/2016  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2017 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only for patients on an elective surgery waiting list at time of census.  [Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2017-18](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/651416)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/01/2018  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2017 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2018 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only for patients on an elective surgery waiting list at time of census.  [Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2018-19](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/684521)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 12/12/2018  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2018 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2019 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only for patients on an elective surgery waiting list at time of census.  [Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/701975)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 18/12/2019  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2019 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2020 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only for patients on an elective surgery waiting list at time of census.  [Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2020–21](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/714037)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/02/2021  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2020 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2021 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only for patients on an elective surgery waiting list at time of census.  [Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2021–22](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/727350)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 17/12/2021  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2021 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2022 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only for patients on an elective surgery waiting list at time of census.  [Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2022–23](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/742042)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 09/12/2022  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2022 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2023 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only for patients on an elective surgery waiting list at time of census.  [Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2023–24](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/756099)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/12/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2023 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2024 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only for patients on an elective surgery waiting list at time of census.  [Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2024–25](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/775622)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 06/12/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2024 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2025 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only for patients on an elective surgery waiting list at time of census.  [Tasmanian Elective Surgery Waiting List Data Set - 2016](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/663355)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 19/12/2016  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2017  [Tasmanian Elective Surgery Waiting List Data Set - 2019](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/715267)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 15/06/2020  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2019 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2020  [Tasmanian Elective Surgery Waiting List Data Set - 2020](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/729676)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 23/11/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2020 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2021 ***Conditional obligation:***  Required if episode of care meets the data elements criteria  [Tasmanian Elective Surgery Waiting List Data Set - 2021](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/740990)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 23/11/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2021 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2022 ***Conditional obligation:***  Required if episode of care meets the data elements criteria  [Tasmanian Elective Surgery Waiting List Data Set - 2022](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/761238)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 23/11/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2022 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2023 ***Conditional obligation:***  If applicable  [Tasmanian Elective Surgery Waiting List Data Set - 2023](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/775466)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 23/11/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2023 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2024 ***Conditional obligation:***  If applicable |
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Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania: 2015, AES7 - Elective Surgery - Number of Category 2 patients who are treated in turn, 2015](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/615449)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 09/12/2016  [Service Agreement - Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania: 2015, AES8 - Elective Surgery - Number of Category 3 patients who are treated in turn, 2015](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/615494)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 09/12/2016  [Service Agreement - Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania: 2015, AES9 - Elective Surgery - Number of Hospital initiated postponements for pre and post admission for Elective Surgery procedures, 2015](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/615451)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 09/12/2016  [Service Agreement - Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania: 2016, ACC12 - 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Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania: 2016, EFF5 - Elective Surgery - Number of Hospital initiated postponements for pre and post admission for Elective Surgery procedures, 2016](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/645606)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 28/03/2019  [Service Agreement - Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania: 2017, EFF5 - Elective Surgery - Number of hospital initiated postponements for pre and post admission for Elective Surgery procedures, 2017](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/675825)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 28/03/2019  [Service Plan - Department of Health Tasmania: 2018, Elective Surgery - Number of pre-admission hospital initiated postponements due to no beds for Elective Surgery procedures, 2018](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/704425)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 24/07/2019  **Used as Denominator** [Service Agreement - 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