

National Healthcare Agreement: P49-Residential and community aged care services per 1,000 population aged 70+ years, 2010 QS

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Quality Statement
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Data quality

Data quality statement summary:

- The data used to calculate this indicator are from an administrative data collection designed for payment of subsidies to service providers and have accurate data on the number and location of funded aged care places.
- The presented measure excludes information about services delivered to older people under the Home and Community Care (HACC) program.

Institutional environment: Approved providers submit data to Medicare Australia to claim subsidies from the Australian Government. This data is provided to the Department of Health and Ageing to administer services under the *Aged Care Act 1997* and the *Aged Care Principles*, and to administer places delivered under the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Aged Care Strategy.

The tables for this indicator were prepared by the Department of Health and Ageing. The data quality statement was developed by the Department and includes comments from the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW). The AIHW did not have all of the relevant datasets required to independently verify the data tables for this indicator.

The AIHW is an independent statutory authority within the Health and Ageing portfolio, which is accountable to the Parliament of Australia through the Minister. For further information see the AIHW website.

Timeliness: Based on a stocktake of aged care places which were operational at 30 June 2009. Data for the previous financial year is available October each year.

Accessibility: Aggregated data items are published in the Productivity Commission's *Report on Government Services*, and in the *Reports on the Operation of the Aged Care Act 1997* prepared by the Department of Health and Ageing.

Interpretability: Further information on definitions is available in the *Aged Care Act 1997* and *Aged Care Principles*, the *Residential Aged Care Manual 2009*, the *Draft Community Packaged Care Guidelines 2007*, and the *Transition Care Program Guidelines*.

Relevance: The data provides complete coverage of aged care services subsidised by the Australian Government under the programs identified above.

This indicator does not include services funded through the HACC program. Further data development is required to develop an indicator of capacity (i.e. places) available under HACC. As an indication of the relative magnitude of the HACC program, in 2007-08 HACC provided assistance to around 831,000 clients (573,000 70 years or older).

Accuracy: The data used to calculate this indicator are from an administrative data collection designed for payment of subsidies to service providers and have accurate data on the number and location of funded aged care places.

Coherence: The data items used in this indicator are consistent and comparable over time.

Relational attributes

**Related metadata
references:**

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