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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Indicator |
| Indicator type: | Output measure |
| Short name: | Private sector mental health services, 2010 |
| METEOR identifier: | 394959 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/06/2011 |
| Description: | Ambulatory mental health services provided by private psychiatrists, GPs and allied health providers (including psychologists, occupational therapists and social workers). |
| Indicator set: | [National Healthcare Agreement (2010)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/392471)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/06/2011 |
| Outcome area: | [Primary and Community Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/393484)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/07/2010 |
| Data quality statement: | [National Healthcare Agreement: P29-Private sector mental health services, 2010 QS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/392816)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/06/2011 |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Computation description: | Include *Better Access* Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) items claimed by allied health professionals (including occupational therapists and social workers) in addition to private psychiatrists, GPs and psychologists.  Inclusive of all mental-health related MBS items and includes some ambulatory-equivalent admitted patient mental health service contacts.  Consultant psychiatrist services include MBS items 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 289, 291, 293, 296, 297, 299, 300, 302, 304, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 319, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 338, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350, 352, 353, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 361, 364, 366, 367, 369, 370, 855, 857, 858, 861, 864, 866, 14224  GP and other services include MBS items 170, 171, 172, 2574, 2575, 2577, 2578, 2704, 2705, 2707, 2708, 2710, 2712, 2713, 2721, 2723, 2725, 2727  Clinical psychologist services include MBS items 80000, 80005, 80010, 80015, 80020  Other allied health services include MBS items 10956, 10968, 80100, 80105, 80110, 80115, 80120, 80125, 80130, 80135, 80140, 80145, 80150, 80155, 80160, 80165, 80170, 82000, 82015  Presented per 1,000 population.  Rates are directly age-standardised to the Australian population as at 30 June 2001. |
| Computation: | 1,000 × (Numerator ÷ Denominator) |
| Numerator: | Number of ambulatory mental health service contacts provided by private psychiatrists, general practitioners, clinical psychologists and other allied health providers (including registered psychologists, occupational therapists and social workers) claimed through the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) or Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA). |
| Numerator data elements: | **Data Element / Data Set**MBS item number  **Data Source**  [Medicare (MBS) data](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394305)  **Guide for use**  Data source type: Administrative by-product data Used to identify mental health services    **Data Element / Data Set**Service contact—service contact date  **Data Source**  [Medicare (MBS) data](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394305)  **Guide for use**  Data source type: Administrative by-product data |
| Denominator: | Total population |
| Denominator data elements: | **Data Element / Data Set**Person—estimated resident population of Australia  **Data Source**  [ABS Estimated resident population (total population)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/393625)  **Guide for use**  Data source type: Census-based plus administrative by-product data    **Data Element / Data Set**Person—estimated resident population of Australia  **Data Source**  [ABS Indigenous experimental estimates and projections (2001 Census-based)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394092)  **Guide for use**  Data source type: Census-based plus administrative by-product data |
| Disaggregation data elements: | **Data Element / Data Set**Person (address)—Australian postcode  **Data Source**  [Medicare (MBS) data](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394305)  **Guide for use**  Data source type: Administrative by-product data Used for disaggregation by state/territory, remoteness area and SEIFA of residence.    **Data Element / Data Set**Person—date of birth  **Data Source**  [Medicare (MBS) data](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394305)  **Guide for use**  Data source type: Administrative by-product data    **Data Element / Data Set**Person—sex  **Data Source**  [Medicare (MBS) data](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394305)  **Guide for use**  Data source type: Administrative by-product data |
| Comments: | Specified disaggregation: Nationally and by state/territory (of patient residence): by sex, 10 year age groups, Indigenous status, remoteness area, SEIFA of residence and major service streams (see 'Other issues caveats' below).  Available disaggregation: Nationally and by state/territory (of patient residence): by sex, 10 year age groups, remoteness area, SEIFA of residence and major service streams (see 'Other issues caveats' below).  Data for 2008-09 is currently available.  Most recent data available for 2010 CRC baseline report: 2008-09 |
| Representational attributes | |
| Representation class: | Rate |
| Data type: | Real |
| Unit of measure: | Person |
| Format: | NN[NN].N |
| Indicator conceptual framework | |
| Framework and dimensions: | [Accessibility](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/392591) |
| Data source attributes | |
| Data sources: | **Data Source**  [ABS Estimated resident population (total population)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/393625)  **Frequency**  Quarterly  **Data quality statement**  [ABS Estimated resident population (total population), QS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/449216)  **Data custodian**  Australian Bureau of Statistics    **Data Source**  [Medicare (MBS) data](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394305)  **Frequency**  Annually  **Data custodian**  Department of Health    **Data Source**  [ABS Indigenous experimental estimates and projections (2001 Census-based)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394092)  **Frequency**  Periodic  **Data quality statement**  [ABS Indigenous experimental estimates and projections, QS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/449223)  **Data custodian**  Australian Bureau of Statistics |
| Accountability attributes | |
| Reporting requirements: | National Healthcare Agreement |
| Organisation responsible for providing data: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Further data development / collection required: | Specification: Interim  All relevant Medical Benefits Scheme (MBS) mental health items should be included as an interim measure. In the longer term, look at better balance of GP activity on mental health, information about activity beyond the specified health professions and improve Indigenous identification in MBS data. This includes the development of an adjustment factor for MBS data using data from a currently available sample.  Not all private mental health services are covered by the MBS, including those provided in support of accident or crime compensation cases and DVA-funded cases. Further development of this indicator should attempt to cover the gap of non-MBS items through investigation of the possibility of using private health insurance data. |
| Other issues caveats: | Major service streams are private psychiatrists, general practitioners, clinical psychologists and other allied health providers (including registered psychologists, occupational therapists and social workers).  MBS item numbers change over time and need to be updated as required.  Disaggregations within individual jurisdictions are subject to data quality considerations. Some disaggregations may result in numbers too small for publication.  Department of Veteran's Affairs (DVA) has been identified as a data source, however due to lack of data availability it has not been included in the calculation this reporting cycle. Inclusion in future reporting depends advice from DVA. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 29-Private sector mental health services, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421633)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 30/10/2011  See also [National Healthcare Agreement: P21-Treatment rates for mental illness, 2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394710)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/06/2011  See also [National Healthcare Agreement: P25-Specialist services claimed through Medicare, 2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394822)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/06/2011  See also [National Healthcare Agreement: P28-Public sector community mental health services, 2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394946)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/06/2011 |