

National Healthcare Agreement: P41-Falls resulting in patient harm in hospitals, 2010

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Indicator
Indicator type:	Indicator
Short name:	Falls resulting in patient harm in hospitals, 2010
METEOR identifier:	395076
Registration status:	Health , Superseded 08/06/2011
Description:	Falls occurring in health care settings and resulting in patient harm treated in hospital.
Indicator set:	National Healthcare Agreement (2010) Health , Superseded 08/06/2011
Outcome area:	Hospital and Related Care Health , Standard 07/07/2010 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016
Data quality statement:	National Healthcare Agreement: P41-Falls resulting in patient harm in hospitals, 2010 QS Health , Superseded 08/06/2011

Collection and usage attributes

Computation description:	<p>Falls as an external cause of external injury includes ICD-10-AM codes W00, W01, W03–W11, W13, W14, W16–W19. Excludes W02, W12 and W15.</p> <p>Exclude from the numerator those separations where the ICD-10-AM code for the principal diagnosis is in the range of S00 to T14 (inclusive).</p> <p>Exclude from the numerator those separations where the principal diagnosis has the ICD-10-AM code Z50.9 (Care involving use of rehabilitation procedure, unspecified) and the second diagnosis is in the range of S00 to T14 (inclusive).</p> <p>Health service area code: Y92.22.</p> <p>Presented as number only, and per 1,000 separations.</p>
Computation:	Numerator only; and $1,000 \times (\text{Numerator} \div \text{Denominator})$
Numerator:	Number of separations with an external cause code for fall and a place of occurrence of Health service area
Numerator data elements:	Data Element / Data Set Episode of admitted patient care—admission date, DDMMYYYY Data Source Admitted Patient Care National Minimum Data Set (APC NMDS) NMDS / DSS Admitted patient care NMDS 2007-08 Guide for use Data source type: Administrative by-product data

Data Element / Data Set

[Episode of admitted patient care—separation date, DDMMYYYY](#)

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Data Element / Data Set

[Person—person identifier, XXXXXX\[X\(14\)\]](#)

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Data Element / Data Set

[Episode of care—additional diagnosis, code \(ICD-10-AM 5th edn\) ANN{.N\[N\]}](#)

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Data Element / Data Set

[Episode of care—principal diagnosis, code \(ICD-10-AM 5th edn\) ANN{.N\[N\]}](#)

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Data Element / Data Set

[Injury event—external cause, code \(ICD-10-AM 5th edn\) ANN{.N\[N\]}](#)

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[Injury event—place of occurrence, code \(ICD-10-AM 5th edn\) ANN{.N\[N\]}](#)

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[Episode of admitted patient care—condition onset flag, code N](#)

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Denominator:

Total number of hospital separations.

Denominator data elements:

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Disaggregation data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

[Establishment—Australian state/territory identifier, code N](#)

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Used for disaggregation by state/territory (public and private hospitals)

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[Establishment—sector, code N](#)

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Data Element / Data Set

[Person—Indigenous status, code N](#)

Data Source

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Data Element / Data Set

[Person—area of usual residence, geographical location code \(ASGC 2006\)
NNNNN](#)

Data Source

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Used for disaggregation by remoteness area and SEIFA of residence

Comments:

Specified disaggregation: Nationally and by state/territory: by Indigenous status, remoteness area and SEIFA of residence, and private/public hospital type.

Available disaggregation: Nationally and by state/territory: by Indigenous status, remoteness area and SEIFA of residence, and private/public hospital type.

Data for 2008-09 will be available in May 2010.

Most recent data available for 2010 CRC baseline report: 2007-08.

Representational attributes

Representation class: Rate
Data type: Real
Unit of measure: Episode
Format: N.N

Indicator conceptual framework

Framework and dimensions: [Safety](#)

Data source attributes

Data sources:**Data Source**

[Admitted Patient Care National Minimum Data Set \(APC NMDS\)](#)

Frequency

Annual

Data custodian

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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

Introduction of the condition onset flag from 2008–09 should allow refinement of this specification to limit the numerator to falls occurring in hospital, and exclude falls in health services areas occurring prior to admission. Use of the condition onset flag will replace the 'place of occurrence' variable in future years.

Other issues caveats: Disaggregations within individual jurisdictions will be limited by data quality considerations. Some disaggregations may result in numbers too small for publication.

Excludes private hospitals in Tasmania, the ACT and NT.

The place of occurrence of 'Health service area' is not specific to hospitals, so may result in an overcount.

Interpretation of differences in rates needs to be undertaken taking into consideration potential effects of different casemix.

The quality of data on Indigenous status is not considered to be adequate for analysis purposes for the ACT and Tasmania.

The indicator will provide a count of separations involving one or more falls. It will not provide a count of falls.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by [National Healthcare Agreement: P141-Falls resulting in patient harm in hospitals, 2011](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 31/10/2011

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: P38-Adverse drug events in hospitals, 2010](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 08/06/2011

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: P39-Healthcare-associated Staphylococcus aureus \(including MRSA\) bacteraemia in acute care hospitals, 2010](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 08/06/2011

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: P40-Pressure ulcers in hospitals, 2010](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 08/06/2011

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: P42-Intentional self-harm in hospitals, 2010](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 08/06/2011

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: P43-Unplanned/unexpected readmissions within 28 days of selected surgical admissions, 2010](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 08/06/2011

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: P52-Falls resulting in patient harm in residential aged care, 2010](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 08/06/2011