Specialised mental health service—number of service contacts provided to clients by an ambulatory mental health care service

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element Concept |
| METEOR identifier: | 494399 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/02/2013 |
| Definition: | The number of service contacts provided to individual patients or clients by an ambulatory mental health care service. |

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Object class: | [Specialised mental health service](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/268984) |
| Definition: | Specialised mental health services are those with a primary function to provide treatment, rehabilitation or community health support targeted towards people with a mental disorder or psychiatric disability. These activities are delivered from a service or facility that is readily identifiable as both specialised and serving a mental health care function. |
| Context: | Hospitals and community mental health establishments and residential mental health establishments. |
| Specialisation of: | [Service/care event](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/281121) |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The concept of a specialised mental health service is not dependent on the inclusion of the service within the state or territory mental health budget.  A service is not defined as a specialised mental health service solely because its clients include people affected by a mental disorder or psychiatric disability.  The definition excludes specialist drug and alcohol services and services for people with intellectual disabilities, except where they are established to assist people affected by a mental disorder who also have drug and alcohol related disorders or intellectual disability.  These services can be a sub-unit of a hospital even where the hospital is not a specialised mental health establishment itself (e.g. designated psychiatric units and wards, outpatient clinics). |

## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Property: | [Number of service contacts provided to clients by an ambulatory mental health care service](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/494397) |
| Definition: | The number of service contacts provided to individual patients or clients by an ambulatory mental health care service. |
| Property group: | [Service provision event](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/274661) |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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### Relational attributes

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| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Specialised mental health service—number of service contacts](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/427096)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/02/2013  See also [Mental health service contact](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/727358)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 20/01/2021  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 06/12/2023  See also [Mental health service contact](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/286670)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/02/2013  See also [Mental health service contact](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/493304)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 20/01/2021 |
| Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept: | [Specialised mental health service—number of service contacts provided to clients by an ambulatory mental health care service, total contacts NNNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/494401)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/02/2013 |