

# National Healthcare Agreement: PI 14-People deferring access to selected healthcare due to financial barriers, 2013

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Indicator
<b>Indicator type:</b>	Progress measure
<b>Short name:</b>	PI 14-People deferring access to selected healthcare due to financial barriers, 2013
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	497252
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 30/04/2014
<b>Description:</b>	Proportion of people who required treatment but deferred that treatment due to cost, by type of health service.
<b>Indicator set:</b>	<a href="#">National Healthcare Agreement (2013)</a> <a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 30/04/2014
<b>Outcome area:</b>	<a href="#">Primary and Community Health</a> <a href="#">Health</a> , Standard 07/07/2010
<b>Data quality statement:</b>	<a href="#">National Healthcare Agreement: PI 14-People deferring access to selected healthcare due to financial barriers, 2013 QS</a> <a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 14/01/2015

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Population group age from:</b>	15 years		
<b>Computation description:</b>	Population is limited to persons aged 15 years and over.  Rates directly age-standardised to the 2001 Australian population.  Analysis by remoteness and Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) Index of Relative Socio-Economic Disadvantage (IRSD) is based on usual residence of person.  Presented as a percentage.  95% confidence intervals and relative standard errors calculated for rates.		
<b>Computation:</b>	$100 \times (\text{numerator} \div \text{denominator})$ calculated separately for each type of healthcare (GP, medical specialist, dental care, prescribed medication, pathology or imaging tests).		
<b>Numerator:</b>	(a) Number of persons who reported delaying or not seeing a GP in the last 12 months because of cost.  (b) Number of persons who reported delaying or not seeing a medical specialist in the last 12 months because of cost.  (c) Number of persons who reported delaying or not seeing a dental practitioner in the last 12 months because of cost.  (d) Number of persons who reported delaying or not getting a prescription filled for medication in the last 12 months because of cost.  (e) Number of persons who reported delaying or not getting pathology or imaging tests in the last 12 months because of cost.		
<b>Numerator data elements:</b>	<table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Data Element / Data Set</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Number of persons who reported delaying or not getting a prescription filled for</td></tr></tbody></table>	Data Element / Data Set	Number of persons who reported delaying or not getting a prescription filled for
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medication in the last 12 months

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Number of persons who reported delaying or not getting pathology or imaging tests in the last 12 months because of cost.

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Number of persons who reported delaying or not seeing a dental practitioner in the last 12 months because of cost.

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Number of persons who reported delaying or not seeing a GP in the last 12 months

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Number of persons who reported delaying or not seeing a medical specialist in the last 12 months

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Reason for delaying or not seeking treatment

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Denominator:**

(a) Total number of persons who saw a GP or needed to see a GP but didn't in the last 12 months.

(b) Total number of persons who received a written referral to a specialist by a GP in the last 12 months.

(c) Total number of persons who saw a dental practitioner or who needed to see a dental practitioner but didn't in the last 12 months.

(d) Total number of persons who received a prescription for medication from a GP in the last 12 months.

(e) Total number of persons who had a pathology or imaging test or who needed a pathology or imaging test but didn't get one in the last 12 months

**Denominator data elements:**

**Data Element / Data Set**

Person—age

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

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Data source type: Survey and census-based

**Data Element / Data Set**

Total number of persons who had a pathology or imaging test or who needed a pathology or imaging test but didn't get one in the last 12 months

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey or census-based

**Data Element / Data Set**

Total number of persons who received a prescription for medication from a GP in the last 12 months

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey and census-based

**Data Element / Data Set**

Total number of persons who received a written referral to a specialist by a GP in the last 12 months.

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey and census-based

**Data Element / Data Set**

Total number of persons who saw a dental practitioner or who needed to see a dental practitioner but didn't in the last 12 months.

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey and census-based

**Disaggregation:**

2011-12—State and Territory, by type of healthcare (GP, medical specialist, dental care, prescribed medication, pathology or imaging tests), by:

- remoteness (Australian Standard Geographical Classification Remoteness Structure)

2011-12—Nationally by type of healthcare (GP, medical specialist, dental care, prescribed medication, pathology or imaging tests), by:

- SEIFA Index of Relative Socio-Economic Disadvantage (IRSD) deciles

Some disaggregation may result in numbers too small for publication.

**Disaggregation data elements:****Data Element / Data Set**

Type of treatment

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Person—area of usual residence, geographical location code \(ASGC 2010\) NNNNN](#)

**Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

Used for disaggregation by state/territory, remoteness and SEIFA IRSD

**Comments:**

Most recent data available for 2013 Council of Australian Governments (COAG) Reform Council (CRC) report: 2011-12.

Dental practitioner includes dentist, dental hygienist or dental specialist.

Pathology and imaging tests exclude those had while in hospital. Imaging tests also exclude those for dental work.

Some survey respondents may report pathology and imaging as a referral to a medical specialist.

**Representational attributes**

**Representation class:** Percentage

**Data type:** Real

**Unit of measure:** Person

**Format:** N[NN.NN]

**Indicator conceptual framework**

**Framework and dimensions:** [Accessibility](#)

**Data source attributes**

**Data sources:****Data Source**

[ABS Patient Experience Survey \(PEX\)](#)

**Frequency**

Annual

**Data custodian**

Australian Bureau of Statistics

## Accountability attributes

**Reporting requirements:** National Healthcare Agreement

**Organisation responsible for providing data:** Australian Bureau of Statistics

**Further data development / collection required:** Specification: Final, the measure meets the intention of the indicator.

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Supersedes [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 16-People deferring access to selected healthcare due to cost, 2012](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 25/06/2013

Has been superseded by [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 14-People deferring access to selected healthcare due to financial barriers, 2014](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 14/01/2015

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 32-Patient satisfaction/experience, 2013](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 30/04/2014