

National Healthcare Agreement: PI 28-Proportion of residential aged care services that are three year re-accredited, 2013 QS

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Identifying and definitional attributes

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Data quality

Data quality statement summary:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The data are restricted to re-accreditations within the previous financial year.• The data exclude those homes that are reviewed during a financial year for possible systemic failures.
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Institutional environment:	<p>The data are from an administrative data collection designed for meeting the Accreditation Standards and a home's responsibilities under the <i>Aged Care Act 1997</i>.</p> <p>The tables for this indicator were prepared by the Department of Health and Ageing (DoHA) and quality-assessed by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW). The data quality statement was developed by DoHA and includes comments from the AIHW. The AIHW did not have the relevant datasets required to independently verify the data tables for this indicator.</p>
Timeliness:	The reference period for this data set is 2011-12.
Accessibility:	The data are collected by the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency and are readily available.
Interpretability:	<p>The data are restricted to re-accreditations within the previous financial year and exclude those homes that are reviewed during a financial year for possible systemic failures.</p> <p>Terms used in the dataset may be ambiguous because a user may not understand that the data has limitations as a proxy measure of the industry's performance.</p> <p>The <i>Report on Government Services</i> includes footnotes and explanations on this measure.</p>
Relevance:	<p>The data are restricted to services seeking re-accreditation. Each year there are more assessment contacts (including unannounced visits) than there are audits. Restricting this measure to 're-accreditation' data excludes those homes which were subject to a review audit – that is, those homes which the regulator has sufficient concerns to decide that the provider may not be meeting the Accreditation Standards or its responsibilities under the <i>Aged Care Act 1997</i>.</p> <p>Assessment contacts are necessarily limited in scope and hence how a home performs at a full audit is considered a more robust indicator. This indicator is a 'point in-time' assessment of performance and as accreditation generally follows a three-yearly cycle. The audit data can sometimes be up to three years old.</p> <p>A limitation in the data is that they are only for re-accreditation decisions made during the financial year, i.e. 2011-12.</p> <p>In 2011-12, there were around 2,700 accredited residential aged care homes, but only around 1,280 re-accreditation decisions were made. In the previous year, only around 480 re-accreditation decisions were made.</p>

Accuracy:	<p>The data used to calculate this indicator are from an administrative data collection designed for meeting the Accreditation Standards and a home's responsibilities under the <i>Aged Care Act 1997</i>. The data are considered to be accurate.</p> <p>The intent of the indicator is to provide a proxy for overall industry performance. The indicator shows how many homes are on the maximum period of accreditation (due to being consistently good performers). It is not relevant how many homes were assessed during the year.</p>
Coherence:	<p>The data are used to report in the <i>Report on Government Services</i> and are coherent.</p> <p>The 'accreditation period' only shows the decision in effect at 30 June of that year. The figures will not necessarily be consistent with the accreditation decisions made in the previous year because those decisions may not yet have taken effect, or may have been superseded. The data vary across years according to how many homes were due for assessment during the year. The year 2010-11 is a period between the accreditation peaks and consequently the number of decisions is much lower than for 2009-10. The comparison across reference periods of the number of homes assessed is not meaningful. The comparison across reference periods of the proportions of re-accredited homes is meaningful and comparable.</p> <p>The measure excludes those homes where there are reasonable grounds to believe there may be significant and systemic failure. The possible decisions available following a review audit of this kind are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to revoke the service's accreditation, • not revoke and not vary the period of accreditation, or • not revoke and to vary the period of accreditation. <p>'Re-accreditation' is not a decision available following a review audit under the Accreditation Grant Principles 2011.</p>

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	<p>Has been superseded by National Healthcare Agreement: PI 28-Proportion of residential aged care services that are three year re-accredited, 2014 QS</p> <p>Health, Superseded 14/01/2015</p>
Indicators linked to this Data Quality statement:	<p>National Healthcare Agreement: PI 28-Proportion of residential aged care services that are three year re-accredited, 2013</p> <p>Health, Superseded 30/04/2014</p>