

National Healthcare Agreement: PI 14-People deferring access to selected healthcare due to financial barriers, 2015

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Indicator
Indicator type:	Progress measure
Short name:	PI 14-People deferring access to selected healthcare due to financial barriers, 2015
METEOR identifier:	559040
Registration status:	Health , Superseded 08/07/2016
Description:	Proportion of people who required treatment but deferred that treatment due to cost, by type of health service.
Indicator set:	National Healthcare Agreement (2015) Health , Superseded 08/07/2016
Outcome area:	Primary and Community Health Health , Standard 07/07/2010
Data quality statement:	National Healthcare Agreement: PI 14-People deferring access to selected healthcare due to financial barriers, 2015 QS Health , Superseded 08/07/2016

Collection and usage attributes

Population group age from:	15 years			
Computation description:	<p>Population is limited to persons aged 15 years and over.</p> <p>Analysis by remoteness and Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) Index of Relative Socio-economic Disadvantage (IRSD) is based on usual residence of person.</p> <p>Presented as a percentage.</p> <p>95% confidence intervals and relative standard errors calculated for rates.</p>			
Computation:	100 × (numerator ÷ denominator) calculated separately for each type of healthcare (GP, medical specialist, dental care, prescribed medication, pathology or imaging tests).			
Numerator:	<p>(a) Number of persons who reported delaying or not seeing a GP in the last 12 months because of cost.</p> <p>(b) Number of persons who reported delaying or not seeing a medical specialist in the last 12 months because of cost.</p> <p>(c) Number of persons who reported delaying or not getting a prescription filled for medication in the last 12 months because of cost.</p> <p>(d) Number of persons who reported delaying or not seeing a dental practitioner in the last 12 months because of cost.</p> <p>(e) Number of persons who reported delaying or not getting pathology or imaging tests in the last 12 months because of cost.</p>			
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Data Source

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander people who reported not getting a prescription filled in the last 12 months

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Reason(s) for not seeking treatment or having a prescription filled

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Persons who reported delaying or not getting a prescription filled for medication in the last 12 months

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Persons who reported delaying or not getting pathology or imaging tests in the last 12 months

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Persons who reported delaying or not seeing a dental practitioner in the last 12 months

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Persons who reported delaying or not seeing a GP in the last 12 months

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Persons who reported delaying or not seeing a medical specialist in the last 12 months

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Reason for delaying or not seeking treatment

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who reported needing to see a dental practitioner in the last 12 months

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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:

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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

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Persons who received a prescription for medication from a GP in the last 12 months

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Persons who received a written referral to a specialist by a GP in the last 12 months.

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Disaggregation:

2012–13 (resupplied for crude rate data), 2013–14—State and Territory, by type of healthcare (GP, medical specialist, dental care, prescribed medication, pathology or imaging tests, i.e. measures (a) to (e)), by:

- remoteness (Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) Remoteness Structure) (major cities, other)

2012–13 (resupplied for crude rate data), 2013–14—Nationally by type of healthcare (GP, medical specialist, dental care, prescribed medication, pathology or imaging tests, i.e. measures (a) to (e)), by:

- sex
- 2011 Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) Index of Relative Socioeconomic Disadvantage (IRSD) deciles
- remoteness (Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) Remoteness Structure) (major cities, inner regional, outer regional, remote/very remote)

Some disaggregation may result in numbers too small for publication.

Disaggregation data elements:

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Data Element

Person—area of usual residence

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

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Person—sex

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Person—area of usual residence

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Used for disaggregation by state/territory and remoteness

Comments:

Most recent data available for 2015 National Healthcare Agreement (NHA) performance reporting: 2013-14 (total population: PEX); 2012–13 (Indigenous: AATSIHS).

Non-Indigenous data from PEX may not be directly comparable with data for Indigenous people from AATSIHS.

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:

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Frequency

Annual

Data custodian

Australian Bureau of Statistics

Data Source

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Data custodian

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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 14-People deferring access to selected healthcare due to financial barriers, 2014](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 14/01/2015

Has been superseded by [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 14–People deferring access to selected healthcare due to financial barriers, 2016](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 31/01/2017

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 32-Patient satisfaction/experience, 2015](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 08/07/2016