

# Emergency department stay—waiting time (to commencement of clinical care), total minutes NNNNN

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Emergency department waiting time to clinical care commencement
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	621840
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Health</a>, Superseded 20/10/2021</li><li>• <a href="#">Tasmanian Health</a>, Standard 08/12/2016</li></ul>
<b>Definition:</b>	The time elapsed in minutes for each patient from presentation in the emergency department to the commencement of the emergency department non-admitted clinical care.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Emergency department stay—waiting time (to commencement of clinical care)</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Total
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	NNNNN
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	5
<b>Unit of measure:</b>	Minute (m)

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	<p>Calculated by subtracting the date and time the patient presents to the emergency department from the date and time the emergency department non-admitted clinical care commenced. Although triage category 1 is measured in seconds, it is recognised that the data will not be collected with this precision.</p> <p>This data element should not be completed for patients who have an Episode end status of 'Did not wait to be attended by a health care professional' or 'Registered, advised of another health care service, and left the emergency department without being attended by a health care professional'.</p>
<b>Comments:</b>	It is recognised that at times of extreme urgency or multiple synchronous presentations, or if no medical officer is on duty in the emergency department, this service may be provided by a nurse.

## Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	National reference group for non-admitted patient data development, 2001-02
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## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Supersedes [Emergency department stay—waiting time \(to commencement of clinical care\), total minutes NNNNN](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 19/11/2015
- [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 01/11/2012
- [National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016
- [Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 08/12/2016

Has been superseded by [Emergency department stay—waiting time, total minutes NNNNN](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 20/10/2021

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Emergency department presentation related data elements \(TDLU\) clusterTasmanian Health](#), Standard 18/05/2021

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2017-18Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2017

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2018

**Conditional obligation:**

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2018-19Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2018

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2019

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- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019–20Health](#),  
Retired 19/11/2019

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2019

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2020

**Conditional obligation:**

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2016-17Health](#),  
Superseded 05/10/2016

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2016

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2017

**Conditional obligation:**

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2017-18Health](#),  
Superseded 25/01/2018

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2017

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2018

**Conditional obligation:**

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2018-19ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 08/08/2018  
[Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2018

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2019

**Conditional obligation:**

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019–20Health](#),  
Superseded 18/12/2019

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2019

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2020

**Conditional obligation:**

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2020–21Health](#),  
Superseded 05/02/2021

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2020

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2021

**Conditional obligation:**

This data item is only required to be reported if the value for [Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—episode end status, code N](#) is recorded as:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department.



[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2021–22Health](#),  
Superseded 20/10/2021

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2021

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2022

**Conditional obligation:**

This data item is only required to be reported if the value for [Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—episode end status, code N](#) is recorded as:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department.

[Tasmanian Emergency Department Data Set - 2016Tasmanian Health](#),  
Superseded 30/04/2020

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2016

**Implementation end date:** 28/06/2017

[Tasmanian Emergency Department Data Set - 2019Tasmanian Health](#),  
Superseded 30/04/2020

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2019

**Implementation end date:** 28/06/2020

[Tasmanian Emergency Department Data Set - 2020Tasmanian Health](#), Standard  
15/06/2020

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2020

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2021

**Implementation in  
Indicators:**

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.5—Waiting times for emergency department care: proportion seen on time, 2019Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.5—Waiting times for emergency department care: proportion seen on time, 2019Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.5—Waiting times for emergency department care: proportion seen on time, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.5–Waiting times for emergency department care: proportion seen on time, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.6–Waiting times for emergency department care: waiting times to commencement of clinical care, 2019Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.6–Waiting times for emergency department care: waiting times to commencement of clinical care, 2019Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.6–Waiting times for emergency department care: waiting times to commencement of clinical care, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.6–Waiting times for emergency department care: waiting times to commencement of clinical care, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: Proportion seen on time, 2018Health](#), Superseded 19/06/2019

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: Proportion seen on time, 2019Health](#), Superseded 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: Proportion seen on time, 2019Health](#), Superseded 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2021Health](#), Standard 16/09/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2021Health](#), Standard 16/09/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2022Health](#), Standard 24/09/2021

[Service Agreement - Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania: 2016, ACC 1-2, Emergency Department , Percentage of triage 1 and all emergency department presentations seen within the recommended triage time, 2016Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 28/03/2019

[Service Agreement - Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania: 2017 ACC 1-2 - Emergency Department - Percentage of triage 1 and all emergency department presentations seen within the recommended triage time, 2017Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 28/03/2019

[Service Agreement - Department of Health Tasmania: 2018, Emergency Department - Percentage of triage 1 and all emergency department presentations seen within the recommended triage time, 2018Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 24/07/2019

[Service Plan - Department of Health Tasmania: 2019, Emergency department percentage of triage 1 and all emergency department presentations seen within the recommended time - Triage 1 and all triage categories \(all specified facilities\), 2019Tasmanian Health, Standard 24/07/2019](#)