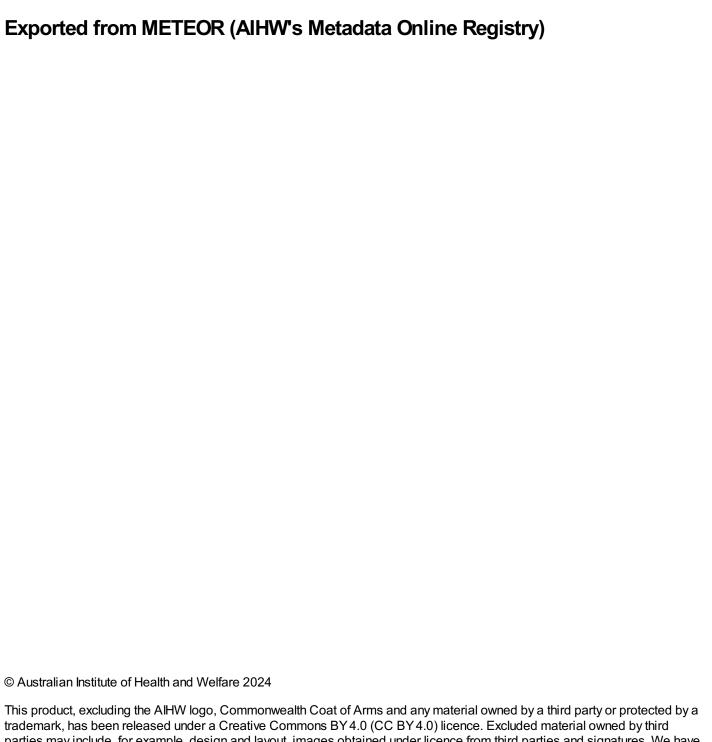
National Health Performance Authority, Healthy Communities: In-hours GP attendances, 2013-14



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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Indicator Indicator type: Indicator

Short name: In-hours GP attendances, 2013–14

METEOR identifier: 635936

Registration status: National Health Performance Authority (retired), Retired 01/07/2016

Description: The number of in-hours GP-attendances per person per year

Collection and usage attributes

Population group age

All Ages

from:

Computation description:

GP attendances represent non-referred attendances between patients and medical practitioners for the purpose of primary health care. These services correspond with the non-referred attendance broad type of services groups (A, B and M) used in MBS statistics published by the Department of Human Services and the Department of Health.

In-hours GP attendances were calculated by subtracting the number of After-hours GP attendances from the total number of GP attendances. Further details on the specification for After-hours GP attendances can be found online at: /content/index.phtml/itemld/620169

For MBS data, Primary Health Network (PHN) and SA3 were derived from the enrolment postcode for each person from the last MBS service of any type, processed by the Department of Human Services in 2013–14. All MBS services for each individual processed in 2013–14 were attributed to this postcode. MBS postcode level data were allocated to PHN and SA3 regions using concordance files provided by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS).

SA3 level data for 2013-14 are not directly comparable to previous years due to a change in method for allocating post-office box (PO box) addresses to SA3 geographies. The change in method means that data for people with a PO box postcode recorded as their residential address may be included in SA3 totals.

Individual SA3 level data has been provided for the Northern Territory for 2013-14. Previously, this data was provided at the state level only.

Presented as average per person.

Before MBS data are published by NHPA all confidential data cells are suppressed.

The current definition of confidential data is as follows:

- For number of MBS services:
 - o if number of services is less than 6 or
 - o if number of services is equal to or greater than 6 but
 - one provider provides more than 85% of services or two providers provide more than 90% of services or
 - one patient receives more than 85% of services or two patients receive more than 90% of services.

Computation: (Numerator ÷ Denominator)

Numerator: Number of after-hours GP attendances subtracted from the Total GP

attendances claimed through the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS), for the

financial year of processing, 2013–14.

Numerator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set-

Person—age, total years N[NN]

Data Source

Medicare (MBS) data

Guide for use

Data source type: Administrative by-product data

Data Element / Data Set-

Address—Australian postcode, Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}

Data Source

Medicare (MBS) data

Guide for use

Data source type: Administrative by-product data

Data Element / Data Set-

Person—General Practitioner MBS out of hours health assessment indicator, yes/no code N

Data Source

Medicare (MBS) data

Guide for use

Data source type: Administrative by-product data.

Denominator:

Total estimated resident population (ERP) of Australia at 30 June 2013.

Denominator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set-

Person—estimated resident population of Australia, total people N[N(7)]

Data Source

ABS Estimated resident population (total population)

Guide for use

Data source type: Census based plus administrative by-product data

Disaggregation: 2013–14

Disaggregation by Primary Health Network (PHN) and Statistical Area Level 3

(SA3)

Some disaggregation may result in numbers too small for publication.

Disaggregation data elements:

Data Element / Data Set-

Address—statistical area, level 3 (SA3) code (ASGS 2011) NNNNN

Data Element / Data Set

Administrative health region—Primary Health Network identifier, code AAANNN

Representational attributes

Representation class: Mean (average)

Data type: Real
Unit of measure: Person
Format: NNNN.N

Data source attributes

Data sources: —Data Source

ABS Estimated resident population (total population)

Frequency

Quarterly

Data quality statement

ABS Estimated resident population (total population), QS

Data custodian

Australian Bureau of Statistics

Data Source

Medicare (MBS) data

Frequency

Annually

Data custodian

Department of Health

Accountability attributes

Reporting requirements: National Health Performance Authority-Performance & Accountability Framework

Organisation responsible for providing data:

For MBS data Department of Health.

For ERP data Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Accountability: National Health Performance Authority

Release date: 28/04/2016

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Health Performance Authority

Origin: Healthy Communities

Reference documents: National Health Performance Authority-Performance & Accountability Framework