

# **Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.3— Waiting times for elective surgery: proportion admitted within clinically recommended time, 2019**

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Indicator
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<b>Short name:</b>	AHPF PI 2.5.3—Waiting times for elective surgery: proportion seen on time, 2019
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	715378
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 13/10/2021
<b>Description:</b>	The percentage of patients removed from elective surgery waiting lists who received surgery within the clinically recommended time, by urgency category, in public hospitals.
<b>Indicator set:</b>	<a href="#">Australian Health Performance Framework, 2019</a> <a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 13/10/2021 <a href="#">Australian Health Performance Framework, 2019</a> <a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 13/10/2021

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Computation description:</b>	<p>Elective surgery as defined in the Elective surgery waiting times national minimum data set (NMDS).</p> <p>Waiting time is as defined in <a href="#">Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time (at removal), total days N[NNN]</a>. Calculated by jurisdictions by subtracting the listing date for care from the removal date, minus any days the patient was waiting with a less urgent clinical urgency category than their clinical urgency category at removal, and excluding days where the patient was not ready for care.</p> <p>Waiting times are calculated for patients whose reason for removal was:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Admitted as an elective patient for awaited procedure by or on behalf of this hospital or the state/territory.</li><li>2. Admitted as an emergency patient for awaited procedure by or on behalf of this hospital or the state/territory.</li></ol> <p>For the purposes of reporting, patients are reported as the final urgency category they were when treated. When a patient's urgency category changes, existing NMDS business rules will apply.</p> <p>Analysis by state and territory based on location of service.</p> <p>Presented as a percentage.</p>
<b>Computation:</b>	$100 \times (\text{Numerator} \div \text{Denominator})$
<b>Numerator:</b>	Number of patients removed from elective surgery waiting lists who received surgery within the clinically recommended time.

**Numerator data elements:**

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time \(at removal\), total days N\[NNN\]](#)

**Data Source**

[National elective surgery waiting times data collection](#)

**NMDS / DSS**

[Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2018-19](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Administrative by-product data

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Elective surgery waiting list episode—reason for removal from a waiting list, code N](#)

**Data Source**

[National elective surgery waiting times data collection](#)

**NMDS / DSS**

[Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2018-19](#)

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Data source type: Administrative by-product data

**Denominator:**

Number of patients who received elective surgery.

**Denominator data elements:**

**Data Element / Data Set**

[Elective surgery waiting list episode—reason for removal from a waiting list, code N](#)

**Data Source**

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**Disaggregation:**

2013–14, 2014–15, 2015–16, 2016–17, 2017–18, 2018–19—State and territory, by urgency category.

Local Hospital Network, by urgency category (not reported).

Hospital, by urgency category (not reported).

## Disaggregation data elements:

### Data Element / Data Set

[Establishment—organisation identifier \(Australian\), NNX\[X\]NNNNN](#)

#### Data Source

[National elective surgery waiting times data collection](#)

#### NMDS / DSS

[Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2018-19](#)

#### Guide for use

Data source type: Administrative by-product data  
Used for disaggregation by state/territory and Local Hospital Network.

### Data Element / Data Set

[Elective surgery waiting list episode—clinical urgency, code N](#)

#### Data Source

[National elective surgery waiting times data collection](#)

#### NMDS / DSS

[Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2018-19](#)

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Data source type: Administrative by-product data

## Comments:

Most recent data available for 2019 Australian Health Performance Framework reporting: 2018–19.

The scope of the indicator is all hospitals reporting to the National elective surgery waiting times data collection. It includes episode-level data on patients added to or removed from waiting lists for elective surgery which are managed by public hospitals.

## Representational attributes

**Representation class:** Percentage

**Data type:** Real

**Unit of measure:** Person

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

## Indicator conceptual framework

**Framework and dimensions:** [5. Accessibility](#)

## Data source attributes

### Data sources:

#### Data Source

[National elective surgery waiting times data collection](#)

#### Data custodian

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Accountability attributes

### Reporting requirements:

Australian Health Performance Framework

**Organisation responsible for providing data:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

**Accountability:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Has been superseded by [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.3–Waiting times for elective surgery: proportion admitted within clinically recommended time, 2020](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.2–Waiting times for elective surgery: waiting times in days, 2019](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 13/10/2021

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.4–Waiting times for elective surgery: percentage waited more than 365 days, 2019](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 13/10/2021

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20a–Waiting times for elective surgery: waiting times in days, 2020](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20a–Waiting times for elective surgery: waiting times in days, 2021](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 16/09/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20b–Waiting times for elective surgery: proportion seen on time, 2020](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20b–Waiting times for elective surgery: proportion seen on time, 2021](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 16/09/2020