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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Indicator |
| Indicator type: | Progress measure |
| Short name: | PI 19–Selected potentially avoidable GP-type presentations to emergency departments, 2021 |
| METEOR identifier: | 725791 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 16/09/2020 |
| Description: | Attendances at public hospital emergency departments that could have potentially been avoided through the provision of appropriate non-hospital services in the community. |
| Indicator set: | [National Healthcare Agreement (2021)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/725844)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 19/11/2020 |
| Outcome area: | [Primary and Community Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/393484)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/07/2010 |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Computation description: | Potentially avoidable General Practitioner (GP)-type presentations are defined as presentations to public hospital emergency departments with a Type of visit of *Emergency presentation* where the patient:* was allocated a triage category of 4 (Semi-urgent: within 60 minutes) or 5 (Non-urgent: within 120 minutes) and
* did not arrive by ambulance, or police or correctional vehicle and
* was not admitted to the hospital, not referred to another hospital, or did not die.

The scope for calculation of this indicator is all hospitals reporting to the Non-admitted Patient Emergency Department Care (NAPEDC) National Minimum Data Set (NMDS) 2019–20 and the NAPEDC National Best Endeavours Data Set (NBEDS) 2019–20.Analysis by state and territory, remoteness and Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) Index of Relative Socio-Economic Disadvantage (IRSD) is based on usual residence of the person.Presented as a number. |
| Computation: | Numerator only. |
| Numerator: | Number of potentially avoidable GP-type presentations to emergency departments. |
| Numerator data elements: | **Data Element / Data Set**[Emergency department stay—transport mode (arrival), code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/651879)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/699738)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data **Data Element / Data Set**[Emergency department stay—transport mode (arrival), code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/651879)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/708556)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data **Data Element / Data Set**[Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—triage category, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/684872)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/699738)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data **Data Element / Data Set**[Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—triage category, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/684872)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/708556)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data **Data Element / Data Set**[Emergency department stay—type of visit to emergency department, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/684942)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/699738)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data **Data Element / Data Set**[Emergency department stay—type of visit to emergency department, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/684942)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/708556)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data **Data Element / Data Set**[Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—episode end status, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/685013)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/699738)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data **Data Element / Data Set**[Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—episode end status, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/685013)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/708556)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data  |
| Disaggregation: | 2019–20—State and territory.Nationally by 2016 SEIFA IRSD deciles (not reported this cycle).State and territory, by (all not reported this cycle):* Indigenous status
* remoteness (Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) 2016)
* 2016 SEIFA IRSD quintiles
* peer group and triage category.

Some disaggregations may result in numbers too small for publication. |
| Disaggregation data elements: | **Data Element / Data Set**[Establishment—organisation identifier (Australian), NNX[X]NNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269973)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/699738)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product dataUsed to derive hospital peer group **Data Element / Data Set**[Establishment—organisation identifier (Australian), NNX[X]NNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269973)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/708556)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product dataUsed for disaggregation by state/territory, remoteness and SEIFA IRSD **Data Element / Data Set**[Person—Indigenous status, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/602543)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/699738)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data **Data Element / Data Set**[Person—Indigenous status, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/602543)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/708556)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data **Data Element / Data Set**[Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 2 (SA2) code (ASGS 2016) N(9)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/659725)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/699738)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product dataUsed for disaggregation by state/territory, remoteness and SEIFA IRSD **Data Element / Data Set**[Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 2 (SA2) code (ASGS 2016) N(9)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/659725)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/708556)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product dataUsed for disaggregation by state/territory, remoteness and SEIFA IRSD **Data Element / Data Set**[Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—triage category, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/684872)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/699738)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data **Data Element / Data Set**[Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—triage category, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/684872)**Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**NMDS / DSS**[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019–20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/708556)**Guide for use** Data source type: Administrative by-product data  |
| Comments: | Most recent data available for 2021 National Healthcare Agreement performance reporting: 2019–20.This definition of ‘potentially avoidable GP-type presentation’ is a refinement of the definition of a primary care patient in an emergency department, as discussed in the [Booz Allen Hamilton study of emergency department care in NSW](http://pandora.nla.gov.au/pan/86401/20080627-1631/www.health.nsw.gov.au/pubs/2007/pdf/booz_allen_report.pdf).Note that for the 2016 and previous reports the scope for the calculation of this indicator was limited to public hospitals in Peer groups A and B, using the peer group classification method as reported in [*Australian hospital statistics 2010–11*](https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports/hospitals/australian-hospital-statistics-2010-11/contents/table-of-contents), with the addition of emergency department activity at the Mersey Community Hospital. |
| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Count |
| Data type: | Real |
| Unit of measure: | Episode |
| Format: | NN[NNNNN] |
| Indicator conceptual framework |
| Framework and dimensions: | [Accessibility](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/392591)  |
| Data source attributes |
| Data sources: | **Data Source**[National non-admitted patient emergency department care database](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/635463)**Data custodian**  Australian Institute of Health and Welfare  |
| Accountability attributes |
| Reporting requirements: | National Healthcare Agreement |
| Organisation responsible for providing data: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Further data development / collection required: | Specification: Substantial work required, the measure requires significant work to be undertaken. |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Reference documents: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2012. Australian hospital statistics 2010–11. Health Services Series No. 43. Cat. no. HSE 117. Canberra: AIHW. Viewed 28 May 2020, <https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports/hospitals/australian-hospital-statistics-2010-11/contents/table-of-contents>Booz Allen Hamilton 2007. Key Drivers of Demand in the Emergency Department. Sydney: New South Wales Department of Health. Viewed 29 May 2020, [https://webarchive.nla.gov.au/awa/20080627063427/http:/pandora.nla.gov.au/pan/86401/20080627-1631/www.health.nsw.gov.au/pubs/2007/pdf/booz\_allen\_report.pdf](https://webarchive.nla.gov.au/awa/20080627063427/http%3A/pandora.nla.gov.au/pan/86401/20080627-1631/www.health.nsw.gov.au/pubs/2007/pdf/booz_allen_report.pdf) |
| Relational attributes  |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 19–Selected potentially avoidable GP-type presentations to emergency departments, 2020](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/716537)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 13/03/2020Has been superseded by [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 19–Selected potentially avoidable GP-type presentations to emergency departments, 2022](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/740847)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 24/09/2021See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 12–Waiting times for GPs, 2021](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/725805)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 03/07/2020See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2021](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/725785)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 16/09/2020See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21b–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion of patients whose length of emergency department stay is less than or equal to four hours, 2021](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/725783)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 16/09/2020 |