National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20b–Waiting times for elective surgery: proportion seen on time, 2022

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Indicator
Indicator type:	Progress measure
Short name:	PI 20b–Waiting times for elective surgery: proportion seen on time, 2022
METEOR identifier:	740843
Registration status:	Health, Standard 24/09/2021
Description:	The percentage of patients removed from elective surgery waiting lists who received surgery within the clinically recommended time, by urgency category.
Indicator set:	National Healthcare Agreement (2022) Health, Standard 24/09/2021
Outcome area:	Hospital and Related Care Health, Standard 07/07/2010 National Health Performance Authority (retired), Retired 01/07/2016

Collection and usage attributes

Computation description:	**Elective surgery** as defined in the Elective Surgery Waiting Times National Minimum Data Set (NMDS). Waiting time is as defined in Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time at removal, total days N[NNN]. 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. Waiting times are calculated where reason for removal was: 1. Admitted as an elective patient for awaited procedure by or on behalf of this hospital or the state/territory. 2. Admitted as an emergency patient for awaited procedure by or on behalf of this hospital or the state/territory. The urgency category at the time of admission from the waiting list is reported. If the assigned urgency category changes, the waiting time at removal is calculated as per the Guide for use for Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time at removal, total days N[NNN]. Analysis by state and territory based on location of service. Presented as a percentage.
Computation:	100 x (Numerator ÷ Denominator)
Numerator:	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—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 2020–21
	Guide for use
	Data source type: Administrative by-product data
	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 2020–21
	Guide for use
	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
	National elective surgery waiting times data collection
	NMDS / DSS
	Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2020–21
	Guide for use
	Data source type: Administrative by-product data
Disaggregation:	State and territory, by:

- clinical urgency,
- Indigenous status.

| **Disaggregation data elements:** | **Data Element / Data Set** |
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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 2020–21](#)

Guide for use

Data source type: Administrative by-product data
Used for disaggregation by state/territory

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 2020–21](#)

Guide for use

Data source type: Administrative by-product data

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—Indigenous status, code N](#)

Data Source

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

NMDS / DSS

[Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2020–21](#)

Guide for use

Data source type: Administrative by-product data

Comments: NO DATA FOR 2022 REPORTING.

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.

Further details about waiting times for Indigenous Australians are available from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Performance Framework ([measure 3.14: Access to services compared with need](#)).

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Percentage
Data type:	Real
Unit of measure:	Person
Format:	N[NN].N

Indicator conceptual framework

Framework and dimensions:

[Accessibility](#)

Data source attributes

Data sources:

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

Data custodian

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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Accountability attributes

Reporting requirements: National Healthcare Agreement

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

Further data development / collection required: Specification: Minor work required, the measure needs minor work to meet the intention of the indicator.

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2020. *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Performance Framework*. Canberra: AIHW. Viewed 19 February 2021, https://indigenoushpf.gov.au/

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

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

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.2–Waiting times for elective surgery: waiting times in days, 2020](#)
  [Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

See also [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 2.5.4–Waiting times for elective surgery: percentage waited more than 365 days, 2020](#)
  [Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20a–Waiting times for elective surgery: waiting times in days, 2022](#)
  [Health](#), Standard 24/09/2021

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 32–Patient satisfaction/experience, 2022](#)
  [Health](#), Standard 24/09/2021