

Emergency department stay—waiting time, total minutes NNNNN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Emergency department waiting time to clinical care commencement
METEOR identifier:	746119
Registration status:	Health , Standard 20/10/2021 Tasmanian Health , Standard 22/03/2023
Definition:	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.
Data Element Concept:	Emergency department stay—waiting time
Value Domain:	Total minutes NNNNN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<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 a Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—episode end status, code N 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>
Comments:	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

Submitting organisation:	Independent Hospital Pricing Authority
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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[Health](#), Superseded 20/10/2021

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 22/03/2023

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

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 22/03/2023

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

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

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 22/03/2023

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Emergency department presentation related data elements \(TDLU\) cluster](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 13/11/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

Conditional obligation:

Required if episode of care meets the data elements criteria

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

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 2023–24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

Conditional obligation:

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- 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 2024–25](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

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[Tasmanian Emergency Department Data Set - 2023](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 23/11/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

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Conditional obligation:

If applicable