

7 Administrative data for admitted patients

Introduction

This chapter presents a summary of patient-level administrative information, covering admitted patient election status, funding source, cross-border flows, care type, urgency of admission, mode of admission, mode of separation, inter-hospital contracted patient status and hospital-in-the-home care. The data are derived from the AIHW's National Hospital Morbidity Database, a compilation of patient-level data for separations from public and private hospitals in Australia (see Chapter 1). Separations were included for all care types except *Newborn* episodes that did not include qualified days and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement*. However, tables 7.11 and 7.12 also include *Newborn* episodes without qualified days.

For the purpose of reporting these data, the patient election status for patients whose funding source was reported as *Australian Health Care Agreements* and *Reciprocal Health Care Agreements* was categorised as public. The patient election status for patients whose funding source was reported as *Private health insurance*, *Self-funded*, *Workers compensation*, *Motor vehicle third party personal claim*, *Other compensation*, *Department of Veterans' Affairs*, *Department of Defence* or *Correctional facility* was categorised as private. For patients whose funding source was reported as *Other hospital or public authority*, *Other* or *Not reported*, the patient election status was categorised according to the reported Admitted patient election status.

Caution should be taken when making comparisons with *Australian hospital statistics* reports published before 2002–03 as the categories presented in tables 7.1 to 7.5 are not directly comparable because of changes in the data elements used (see Appendix 1 for more information).

Patient election status and funding source

Changes 2002–03 to 2006–07

Table 7.1 presents the number of separations and patient days by patient election status, funding source and hospital sector for the years 2002–03 to 2006–07. Between 2002–03 and 2006–07 the number of separations for private patients for both sectors combined increased by an annual average of 4.3%, and separations for public patients increased by an annual average of 2.7%. Between 2005–06 and 2006–07, public patient separations increased by 2.7% and private patient separations increased by 5.5%. Between 2005–06 and 2006–07 the number of separations for private patients in public hospitals increased by 6.4%. Over the same period the number of separations for public patients in private hospitals decreased by 50.9%. However, in Western Australia in 2006–07, two private hospitals which provided a substantial amount of public hospital services through contract arrangements were split, resulting in the creation of two new public hospital reporting units to cover the public

separations from these two hospitals. This represents a change in reporting arrangements that has affected the comparison of public patients in the private sector over time.

The proportion of separations for *Department of Veterans' Affairs* patients in public hospitals decreased from 3.4% in 2002–03 to 2.8% in 2006–07 of total public hospital separations. Over the same period the proportion of separations in private hospitals that were for *Department of Veterans' Affairs* patients decreased each year from 8.0% in 2002–03 to 7.1% in 2006–07.

State and territory overview

Tables 7.2 to 7.6 present data on patient election status and selected funding source categories. Accompanying tables published on the Internet present all funding source categories. The funding source categories (*National health data dictionary version 13 (HDSC 2006)*) provide information about the principal source of funds for an admitted patient episode.

There may have been some variation between jurisdictions in the definitions used for the funding source categories and in the way in which state- or territory-level data were mapped to the *National health data dictionary* format. In particular, Tasmania was not able to identify separations whose funding source was *Self-funded*. Therefore, the number of separations for this category may be underestimated, whereas the number of separations in the funding source categories of *Private health insurance* and *Other private* may be overestimated.

Public patients accounted for 53.6% (4,073,412) of all hospital separations, 86.3% in public hospitals (4,024,311) and 1.7% in private hospitals (49,101) (Table 7.2). Patients whose funding source was reported as *Private health insurance* made up 60.5% of private patients in public hospitals, 81.4% of private patients in private hospitals and 35.9% of all separations. *Department of Veterans' Affairs* patients made up 4.5% of all hospital separations.

Overall, less than 1.0% of patients were funded by *Workers compensation* (73,285 separations), and 0.3% were funded by *Motor vehicle third party personal claims* (26,274 separations). For these compensable separations, 55.6% were in private hospitals.

In both sectors combined there were 191.8 separations per 1,000 population (age-standardised) for public patients, compared with 162.7 for private patients (Table 7.3). The latter figure is underestimated because data were not available for all private free-standing day hospital facilities in the Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory (see Appendix 2 for further details). The Northern Territory recorded the highest public patient separation rate for public hospitals (464.2 per 1,000). The separation rate for public patients in private hospitals in Western Australia (11.2 per 1,000) was markedly higher than the national rate (2.2).

Table 7.4 presents the average cost weight of separations in each state and territory by hospital sector, patient election status and funding source. The table has been restricted to separations with a care type of *Acute, Newborn* (with at least one qualified patient day) or for which the care type was *Not reported*. In the public sector, the average cost weights for private patients were higher than those for public patients for all states and territories. In the public sector, patients whose funding source was reported as *Motor vehicle third party personal claim* had average cost weights markedly higher than other funding source categories. In the private sector, private patients whose funding source was reported as *Self-funded* generally had the lowest average cost weight. More detail about the Australian Refined Diagnosis Related Group classification and cost weights is included in Chapter 12.

Table 7.5 shows the number of patient days reported for each funding source category, by state or territory and hospital sector. Public patients accounted for 58.6% of total patient days, and *Private health insurance* funded patients accounted for 30.2% of patient days in all hospitals.

Age group

Table 7.6 presents the number of separations by patient election status, funding source, age group and hospital sector. For all hospitals, the most common age group for separations with an election status of *Public* was 65–74 years, accounting for 15.8% of *Public patients* in public hospitals and 20.1% of *Public patients* in private hospitals. Overall, 4.4% of separations with a funding source of *Private health insurance* were for patients aged 85 years or older, and 31.2% of all separations with a funding source of *Department of Veterans' Affairs* were for patients aged 85 years or older. Patients aged 25–34 years were in the most common age group for separations with a funding source of *Self-funded* (15.8% of separations in public hospitals and 16.5% of separations in private hospitals). About 24% of all separations with a funding source of *Motor vehicle third party personal claim* were for patients aged 15–24 years.

Funding source varied within age groups. For example, 27.0% of separations for patients aged 85+ years reported a funding source of *Department of Veterans' Affairs*, and for those aged 15–24 years, 27.5% of separations reported a funding source of *Private health insurance*.

Cross-border flows

For cross-border flow information, the state or territory of usual residence is reported as one of the six states, the Australian Capital Territory, the Northern Territory, other Australian territories (including Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Christmas Island and Jervis Bay Territory) or not elsewhere classified (including resident overseas, at sea or no fixed address) (tables 7.7 to 7.10). This information is derived from the patient's area of usual residence stored in the National Hospital Morbidity Database as the state or territory and Statistical Local Area.

Table 7.7 presents the number of separations and age-standardised separation rates per 1,000 population in each jurisdiction by the state or territory of usual residence of the patient and hospital sector. Overall, 97.4% of separations (7,408,512) were for patients who were treated in their state or territory of residence. However, in the Australian Capital Territory, only 75.3% of public hospital separations were for Australian Capital Territory residents (57,056), with most of the remainder being residents of New South Wales. This is a result of the Australian Capital Territory being a referral centre for surrounding districts which are part of New South Wales.

Table 7.8 presents the number of separations in each jurisdiction by state or territory of usual residence and patient election status, and indicates the number of patients who were treated as public patients and as private patients in hospitals in a state other than their state of usual residence. Almost 76% of separations in Queensland hospitals, where the patients' state of usual residence was New South Wales, were for private patients. For most states of usual residence, the age-standardised separation rate was higher for public patients than for private patients. However, for separations for patients whose state of residence was Queensland, the separation rate for private patients was higher than that for public patients.

The average cost weight of separations for each state and territory is presented in Table 7.9 by hospital sector, and by state or territory of usual residence, for separations with a care

type of *Acute*, *Newborn* (with at least one qualified patient day) or for which the care type was *Not reported*. Generally, average cost weights in both the public and private sectors were higher in all jurisdictions for interstate patients than for patients resident in the state of hospitalisation. Caution should be used in the interpretation of these data as the average cost weight for a small number of interstate patients can be inflated by the occurrence of relatively small numbers of separations with high cost weights. Public sector separations for Northern Territory residents had higher average cost weights in almost all other states and territories compared with the Northern Territory. This reflects a tendency for Northern Territory residents who require more complex treatment to attend hospitals in other states.

The notional cost of public patient separations for each state and territory of hospitalisation by state or territory of usual residence is presented in Table 7.10, based on the estimated average cost of the AR-DRG for each separation. This table has been restricted to separations for which the admitted patient election status was reported as *Public* and with a care type of *Acute*, *Newborn* (with at least one qualified patient day) or *Not reported*. These figures do not represent actual expenditure on these separations. These figures should also not be interpreted as an estimate of the total cost of public patients as they do not include estimates of costs for separations with non-acute care.

Nationally, using these notional estimates, approximately 97% of the estimated cost of public patients is for patients treated within their state or territory of residence. For Western Australia, more than 99% of the notional cost of public patients was for Western Australian residents.

Care type

Care type defines the overall nature of a clinical service provided to an admitted patient during an episode of care. Definitions of each care type are summarised in the Glossary.

Not all states and territories supplied detailed information for rehabilitation and palliative care. For rehabilitation, a category of *Rehabilitation – not further specified* was used by some states and territories and is included in tables 7.11 and 7.12. Because of the small number of separations reported in the palliative care subcategories, all palliative care separations have been reported as *Palliative care* in tables 7.11 and 7.12, without disaggregation into subcategories.

The *Newborn* care type is used for all patients aged 9 days or less at admission. *Newborn* episodes of care comprise separations with qualified days only, separations with a mixture of qualified and unqualified days, and separations with unqualified days only. Most states and territories have implemented this *Newborn* definition; however, Tasmania and the Northern Territory did not report *Newborn* separations according to the *National health data dictionary* definition (see the Glossary and Appendix 1). In South Australia, qualified and unqualified newborn care are defined as separate episodes of care. For the purpose of supplying data to the National Hospital Morbidity Database, separate episodes occurring within a single stay in hospital are joined together.

Additionally, some states and territories reported data for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement*, for which categories are included in the care type data element. These activities are not considered to be admitted patient care, so records relating to these activities have been excluded from this report. See Appendix 1 for more detail.

Table 7.11 presents the number of separations for each care type. For public and private sectors combined, 93.3% of separations were classified as episodes of *Acute care*, 3.6% as *Newborn* and 2.1% as *Rehabilitation*. There was some variation among the states and territories and between the public and private sectors. For example, the proportion of public hospital separations for *Rehabilitation care* ranged from 0.5% (455) in the Northern Territory to 1.9% in South Australia (7,493).

Newborn separations without any qualified days have been included in tables 7.11 and 7.12 only in this report and, as such, will cause total separations in Table 7.11 to differ from those of other tables. They accounted for 223,218 separations, the majority (175,754 or 79%) in the public sector.

The average length of stay for episodes of *Acute care* in private hospitals (2.3 days) was shorter than that for public hospitals (3.1 days) (derived from tables 7.11 and 7.12). The patient days for *Newborn* episodes with a mixture of qualified and unqualified days are presented separately as the number of qualified days and the number of unqualified days. In the public sector, the average length of stay for these 'mixed' *Newborn* separations was 3.3 qualified days and 2.5 unqualified days, compared with 10.5 days for *Newborn* separations with qualified days only and 2.6 days for *Newborn* separations with unqualified days only. In the private sector, the average length of stay for these 'mixed' *Newborn* separations was 4.0 qualified days and 3.8 unqualified days, compared with 6.9 days for *Newborn* separations with qualified days only and 4.5 days for *Newborn* separations with unqualified days only.

Non-acute care

Table 7.13 presents information by patient election status and mode of separation (see note on variations in the data domains used for this data element below) for separations with a non-acute care type—*Rehabilitation care*, *Palliative care* and *Other non-acute care* (which comprises *Psychogeriatric care*, *Geriatric evaluation and management* and *Maintenance care*). Data on patients receiving non-acute care may provide information relevant to continuity of care.

Overall, 54% of all separations with non-acute care were in public hospitals and 44.3% of non-acute patients elected to be treated as public patients. For separations with non-acute care, the most common mode of separation was *Other*, which includes discharge to usual residence/own accommodation/welfare institution (72.5%), 6.3% reported a separation mode of *Discharge/transfer to a residential aged care service*, 6.1% reported a separation mode of *Discharge/transfer to an(other) hospital (acute or psychiatric)* and 5.9% had a separation mode of *Statistical discharge – type change* (indicating that the patient remained in the same hospital to receive other care) (see Table 7.13). There was some variation between hospital sectors in the modes of separation reported for non-acute care. For example, 9.0% of separations for non-acute care in public hospitals were transferred to another hospital (acute or psychiatric), compared with 2.8% in private hospitals. There was also variation in the mode of separation by type of non-acute care, as 85.2% of separations for *Rehabilitation care* reported a separation mode of *Other*, compared with 34.6% of separations for *Palliative care* and 50% for *Other non-acute care*.

Table 7.14 presents information by age, sex and mode of separation for separations for non-acute care. The majority of separations for patients whose care type was reported as *Rehabilitation care* were for females (56.5%), and over half of the female patients were aged 75 years and over (51.3%, 48,518 separations). For *Palliative care*, the majority of separations were reported for males (54.4%), and 86.6% of all *Palliative care* patients were aged over 55

years. For *Other non-acute care*, the majority of separations were for females (57.7%), and 67.3% (31,625) of all *Other non-acute care* separations were for people aged 75 years and over.

Mode of admission

Mode of admission records the mechanism by which a patient begins an episode of care (Table 7.15).

In both public and private hospitals, most separations had a mode of admission of *Other* (94.2%, 7,162,461), the term used to refer to all planned and unplanned admissions except transfers from other hospitals and statistical admissions. Public hospitals recorded higher proportions of *Admitted patient transferred from another hospital* (218,734 or 4.7% of public hospital separations). Public hospitals also reported higher proportions of *Statistical admission: type change* (60,444 or 1.3%) than were reported for private hospitals (87,592 or 3.0% and 19,144 or 0.7% of private hospital separations, respectively). Among the states and territories, New South Wales had the highest proportion of separations with an admission mode of *Admitted patient transferred from another hospital* (5.0%).

Mode of separation

The mode of separation records the status of the patient (discharged, transferred, care type change, died) at the time of separation and, for some categories, the place to which the person was discharged or transferred (Table 7.16). Due to changes in the *National health data dictionary* definition for some of the categories for this data element between version 9.0 in 2000–01 and version 13 in 2006–07 (HDSC 2000, 2006), and differences in the use of these definitions by jurisdictions, the use of some categories differs between jurisdictions. Consequently, the number of separations with a mode of separation of *Other* may be underestimated. As the reporting of the category *Discharge/transfer to residential aged care service* also differed over time for some jurisdictions, comparisons with mode of separation data from previous years should be treated with caution.

About 92% of separations (7,008,080) were included in the *Other* category, suggesting that most patients go home after their episode of care. This was particularly the case in the private sector, where 97.1% of separations (2,856,828) were categorised as *Other*, compared with 89.1% (4,151,252) in the public sector. The main difference between the sectors was that more public sector patients (6.1%) were transferred to other hospitals (acute and psychiatric) than was the case for private sector patients (1.8%). There were also greater proportions of separations in the public sector for the categories *Died* and *Left against medical advice/discharge at own risk*.

There is a discrepancy between the number of patients reporting a mode of separation of *Discharge/transfer to an (other) hospital* (acute and psychiatric) (334,312; see Table 7.16) and the number of patients who recorded a mode of admission of *Admitted patient transferred from another hospital* (306,326; see Table 7.15). This may indicate that not all patients who are transferred from one hospital to another are having this recorded as their mode of admission, or that some patients were admitted and separated in different reporting years.

Inter-hospital contracted patient status

An episode of care for an inter-hospital contracted patient (Table 7.17) is defined in the *National health data dictionary version 13* (HDSC 2006) as an episode of care for an admitted patient whose treatment and/or care is provided under an arrangement between a hospital purchaser of hospital care and a provider of an admitted service and for which the activity is recorded by both hospitals. These data should be interpreted with caution as the activity reported here includes separations under contract between hospitals, but does not include separations under contract between private hospitals and the jurisdiction or between private hospitals and regional or area health services.

Contracted care was reported for 0.7% of separations (50,874). The total number of inter-hospital contracted patients was higher for private hospitals (35,921) than for public hospitals (14,953).

A small proportion (0.7%, 98 separations) of contracted care provided by public hospitals was purchased by private hospitals. Almost 92% (32,891 separations) of contracted care provided by private hospitals was purchased by public hospitals.

As inter-hospital contracted patients are admitted patients of both the contracting and contracted hospital, these separations may represent double-counting of hospital activity in the National Hospital Morbidity Database.

Urgency of admission

Table 7.18 reports on urgency of admission. This data element describes whether the admission was assigned an urgency status and, if so, whether the admission occurred on an emergency (admission should occur within 24 hours) or an elective basis. The table also includes information on whether the separations were considered to be *Surgical* or *Other*. These categories have been determined based on the *Surgical*, *Medical*, *Other* partitions of the AR-DRG classification. These partitions are generally assigned on the presence of operating room procedures for the *Surgical* partition and non-operating room procedures for the *Medical* and *Other* partitions (see Chapter 12). For this table, the category *Other* includes both the *Medical* and *Other* partitions of the AR-DRG classification.

The majority of *Emergency* admissions were treated in the public sector (90.4%) and 55.9% of *Elective* admissions were treated in the private sector. For both the private and public sectors combined, 28.1% of separations (2,134,012) were assigned an *Emergency* status, 57.6% of separations (4,376,460) were assigned an *Elective* status and the status was *Not assigned* for 14.2% of separations. In the public hospital sector, 41.4% of separations that were assigned an *Elective* status and 11.2% of separations that were assigned an *Emergency* status were classified as *Surgical*. In the private sector, approximately 83.2% of separations were assigned an *Elective* status and 44.5% of these were classified as *Surgical*. An *Emergency* status was assigned for 6.9% of private hospital separations and 20.2% of these separations were classified as *Surgical*.

Hospital-in-the-home care

Table 7.19 reports on hospital-in-the-home care, and the number of days of hospital-in-the-home care provided. Most states and territories have hospital-in-the-home programs under

which admitted patients are provided with hospital care in the home. This care has been defined in the *National health data dictionary version 13* (HDSC 2006) as occurring in the patient's (permanent or temporary) place of residence as a substitute for hospital accommodation, and within an episode of care for an admitted patient.

For 2006–07, New South Wales and Tasmania did not report this data element. For all other states and territories, data on hospital-in-the-home care were provided as defined in the *National health data dictionary*, and separations including this care were included in the National Hospital Morbidity Database.

Several Queensland public and private hospitals conducted hospital-in-the-home programs during the 2006–07 financial year. Although the number of admitted patient separations involving hospital-in-the-home care has remained fairly steady in recent years, the number of days of care provided under these programs has been increasing. Nevertheless, hospital-in-the-home care remains a very small percentage of total admitted patient activity.

For Victoria, Queensland, Western Australia and South Australia, there were 56,763 separations that reported hospital-in-the-home care. They accounted for 490,371 patient days, of which 334,751 days (68.3%) were reported as hospital-in-the-home days. Same-day separations accounted for 20.6% of separations (11,684) reporting hospital-in-the-home care for these states.

Table 7.1: Separations and patient days^(a), by patient election status, funding source and hospital sector, Australia, 2002–03 to 2006–07

	Separations ('000)	Patient days ('000)	2003–04		2004–05		2005–06		2006–07		Change in number of separations (per cent)
			Separations ('000)	Patient days ('000)							
Public hospitals											
Public patients ^(b)	3,557	13,908	3,646	13,821	3,706	13,956	3,868	14,122	4,024	14,490	3.1
Public ^(c)	3,551	13,866	3,639	13,766	3,697	13,887	3,861	14,096	4,017	14,463	3.1
Private patients	530	2,500	550	2,584	566	2,691	593	2,821	631	2,879	4.5
Private health insurance	294	1,261	308	1,335	326	1,452	351	1,559	382	1,658	6.8
Self-funded ^(d)	40	90	50	111	51	135	52	156	53	119	7.3
Workers compensation	20	70	21	71	22	75	22	78	23	79	2.5
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	20	125	21	128	20	128	21	135	22	130	1.5
Department of Veterans' Affairs	138	855	138	860	136	826	135	817	131	787	-1.3
Other ^(e)	17	99	12	79	11	75	12	76	21	107	-5.5
Patient election status not reported	5	17	4	14	5	15	5	49	6	70	5.2
<i>Total/</i>	<i>4,091</i>	<i>16,425</i>	<i>4,201</i>	<i>16,479</i>	<i>4,276</i>	<i>16,662</i>	<i>4,466</i>	<i>16,993</i>	<i>4,661</i>	<i>17,439</i>	<i>3.3</i>
Private hospitals											
Public patients ^(b)	98	300	87	219	92	211	100	226	49	109	-15.9
Public ^(c)	98	300	87	219	92	211	100	226	49	109	-15.9
Private patients	2,437	6,755	2,551	6,942	2,643	6,940	2,741	7,103	2,886	7,367	-4.3
Private health insurance	1,913	5,218	2,019	5,403	2,114	5,473	2,196	5,619	2,349	5,875	5.3
Self-funded ^(d)	243	328	255	340	260	345	274	368	261	357	1.8
Workers compensation	54	117	51	114	50	104	52	105	51	107	-1.4
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	6	60	5	51	5	34	5	36	5	34	-8.2
Department of Veterans' Affairs	205	1,007	205	1,012	203	960	201	953	208	970	0.3
Other ^(e)	16	25	15	24	12	24	13	22	13	25	-4.7
Patient election status not reported	19	59	3	4	7	15	5	8	7	9	-23.6
<i>Total/</i>	<i>2,554</i>	<i>7,114</i>	<i>2,641</i>	<i>7,165</i>	<i>2,742</i>	<i>7,166</i>	<i>2,846</i>	<i>7,338</i>	<i>2,942</i>	<i>7,485</i>	<i>3.6</i>
All hospitals											
Public patients ^(b)	3,655	14,208	3,733	14,039	3,798	14,167	3,968	14,349	4,073	14,599	2.7
Public ^(c)	3,649	14,167	3,726	13,984	3,790	14,098	3,961	14,322	4,066	14,572	2.7
Private patients	2,967	9,255	3,101	9,526	3,209	9,631	3,334	9,924	3,517	10,246	4.3
Private health insurance	2,207	6,478	2,327	6,738	2,440	6,925	2,547	7,178	2,731	7,533	5.5
Self-funded ^(d)	284	418	305	450	311	480	326	524	314	476	2.6
Workers compensation	74	187	72	185	71	179	74	183	73	185	-0.3
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	27	185	26	179	25	162	26	171	26	163	-0.2
Department of Veterans' Affairs	342	1,862	343	1,872	339	1,786	336	1,770	338	1,756	-0.3
Other ^(e)	33	124	27	103	23	99	25	98	34	132	0.9
Patient election status not reported	24	76	7	18	11	30	10	58	12	79	-15.4
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,645</i>	<i>23,539</i>	<i>6,841</i>	<i>23,583</i>	<i>7,019</i>	<i>23,829</i>	<i>7,312</i>	<i>24,331</i>	<i>7,603</i>	<i>24,925</i>	<i>3.4</i>

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days, and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.

(b) Includes separations whose patient election status was *Public* and whose funding source was reported as *Australian Health Care Agreements* or *Other hospital or public authority*.

(c) Includes patients whose funding source was reported as *Not reported*.

(d) Some states and territories were unable to identify all patients whose funding source may have been *Self-funded*, therefore the number of separations in this category may be underestimated and others may be overestimated.

(e) Includes separations whose patient election status was *Private* and whose funding source was reported as *Other compensation*, *Department of Defence*, *Correctional facilities*, *Other hospital or public authority*, *Other and Not reported*.

Table 7.2: Separations^(a), by patient election status, funding source and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006–07

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	1,185,567	1,150,207	718,406	399,878	339,692	79,884	67,414	83,263	4,024,311
Public ^(c)	1,182,688	1,148,968	717,212	399,462	338,430	79,743	67,363	83,117	4,016,983
Private patients	276,334	158,769	66,224	51,018	50,955	17,134	8,353	2,550	631,337
Private health insurance	186,437	94,003	27,466	27,145	30,945	11,421	4,002	666	382,085
Self-funded ^(d)	21,031	15,064	14,217	775	1,860	0	118	320	53,385
Workers compensation	7,376	5,886	4,438	1,890	1,784	494	371	311	22,550
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	4,884	8,784	2,321	2,424	1,743	794	243	471	21,664
Department of Veterans' Affairs	54,409	33,831	12,929	8,435	13,471	4,350	3,113	370	130,908
Other ^(e)	2,197	1,201	4,853	10,349	1,152	75	506	412	20,745
Patient election status not reported	228	5,266	0	0	0	138	0	0	5,632
<i>Total</i>	1,462,129	1,314,242	784,630	450,896	390,647	97,156	75,767	85,813	4,661,280
Private hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	5,989	1,439	16,071	23,358	1,354	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	49,101
Public ^(c)	5,977	1,439	16,065	23,358	1,301	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	49,023
Private patients	801,183	759,057	725,943	265,805	227,970	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,886,015
Private health insurance	653,199	638,650	548,114	224,429	196,749	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,348,872
Self-funded ^(d)	84,779	65,353	77,250	16,273	11,216	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	260,940
Workers compensation	14,268	11,143	11,928	5,955	5,204	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	50,735
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	286	2,783	40	663	481	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4,610
Department of Veterans' Affairs	47,660	40,751	81,336	16,810	13,375	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	207,511
Other ^(e)	991	377	7,275	1,675	945	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	13,347
Patient election status not reported	1,204	921	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,521
<i>Total</i>	808,376	761,417	742,014	289,163	229,324	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,941,637
All hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	1,191,556	1,151,646	734,477	423,236	341,046	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4,073,412
Public ^(c)	1,188,665	1,150,407	733,277	422,820	339,731	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4,066,006
Private patients	1,077,517	917,826	792,167	316,823	278,925	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,517,382
Private health insurance	839,636	732,653	575,580	251,574	227,694	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,730,957
Self-funded ^(d)	105,810	80,417	91,467	17,048	13,076	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	314,325
Workers compensation	21,644	17,029	16,366	7,845	6,988	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	73,285
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	5,170	11,567	2,361	3,087	2,224	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,274
Department of Veterans' Affairs	102,069	74,582	94,265	25,245	26,846	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	338,419
Other ^(e)	3,188	1,578	12,128	12,024	2,097	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	34,982
Patient election status not reported	1,432	6,187	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12,153
<i>Total</i>	2,270,505	2,075,659	1,526,644	740,059	619,971	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,602,917

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.

(b) Includes separations whose patient election status was *Public* and whose funding source was reported as *Australian Health Care Agreements, Reciprocal health care agreements, Other hospital or public authority, Other or Not reported*.

(c) Includes patients whose funding source was reported as *Australian Health Care Agreements and Other hospital or public authority*.

(d) Some states and territories were unable to identify all patients whose funding source may have been *Self-funded*, therefore the number of separations in this category may be underestimated and others may be overestimated.

(e) Includes separations whose patient election status was *Private* and whose funding source was reported as *Other compensation, Department of Defence, Correctional facilities, Other hospital or public authority, Other and Not reported*.

Table 7.3: Separations^(a) per 1,000 population, by patient election status, funding source and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006-07

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	168.1	216.7	174.1	193.8	204.3	157.1	216.6	464.2	189.5
Public ^(c)	167.7	216.5	173.9	193.6	203.4	156.8	216.4	463.4	189.2
Private patients	37.9	29.0	16.0	24.6	28.3	31.3	28.2	15.9	29.0
Private health insurance	26.0	17.4	6.7	13.1	17.9	21.3	13.2	3.7	17.8
Self-funded ^(d)	3.0	2.9	3.5	0.4	1.2	0.0	0.3	1.5	2.5
Workers compensation	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.4	1.1
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	0.7	1.7	0.6	1.2	1.1	1.7	0.7	2.2	1.0
Department of Veterans' Affairs	6.7	5.6	3.1	4.1	6.2	7.1	11.6	5.5	5.6
Other ^(e)	0.3	0.2	1.2	5.0	0.7	0.2	1.4	1.8	1.0
Patient election status not reported	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.3
Total	206.0	246.7	190.2	218.4	232.6	188.5	244.8	480.1	218.8
Private hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	0.8	0.3	3.8	11.2	0.9	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2.3
Public ^(c)	0.8	0.2	3.8	11.2	0.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2.2
Private patients	111.9	140.9	174.1	127.2	131.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	133.7
Private health insurance	91.7	119.1	131.4	107.2	114.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	109.2
Self-funded ^(d)	12.0	12.4	18.8	7.9	7.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12.3
Workers compensation	2.1	2.1	2.9	2.8	3.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2.4
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.2
Department of Veterans' Affairs	6.0	6.8	19.2	8.2	6.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	8.9
Other ^(e)	0.1	0.1	1.8	0.8	0.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.6
Patient election status not reported	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.3
Total	112.9	141.3	177.9	138.4	132.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	136.3
All hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	168.9	217.0	178.0	204.9	205.1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	191.8
Public ^(c)	168.5	216.7	177.7	204.7	203.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	191.4
Private patients	149.8	169.9	190.1	151.8	159.9	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	162.7
Private health insurance	117.7	136.5	138.1	120.3	132.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	127.0
Self-funded ^(d)	15.0	15.2	22.2	8.2	8.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	14.9
Workers compensation	3.1	3.2	3.9	3.7	4.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3.5
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	0.8	2.2	0.6	1.5	1.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.3
Department of Veterans' Affairs	12.7	12.4	22.3	12.4	12.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	14.5
Other ^(e)	0.5	0.3	2.9	5.8	1.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.6
Patient election status not reported	0.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.6
Total	318.9	388.0	368.1	356.8	365.1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	355.1

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days, and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.

(b) Includes separations whose patient election status was *Public* and whose funding source was reported as *Australian Health Care Agreements, Reciprocal health care agreements, Other hospital or public authority, Other or Not reported*.

(c) Includes patients whose funding source was reported as *Australian Health Care Agreements and Other hospital or public authority*.

(d) Some states and territories were unable to identify all patients whose funding source may have been *Self-funded*, therefore the number of separations in this category may be underestimated and others may be overestimated.

(e) Includes separations whose patient election status was *Private* and whose funding source was reported as *Other compensation, Department of Defence, Correctional facilities, Other hospital or public authority, Other and Not reported*.

Note: These data should be interpreted with caution because of cross-border flows of patients. That is, patients may be treated in a state or territory other than their state or territory of residence, but separation rates are calculated using the Estimated Resident Populations for the state/territory of hospitalisation.

Table 7.4: Average cost weight of separations^(a), by patient election status, funding source and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006–07

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	1.04	0.92	1.01	0.91	1.00	1.03	0.98	0.71	0.97
Public ^(c)	1.04	0.92	1.01	0.92	1.00	1.03	0.98	0.71	0.98
Private patients	1.18	1.16	1.09	1.35	1.13	1.06	1.31	1.28	1.17
Private health insurance	1.15	1.16	0.96	1.33	1.05	1.00	1.55	1.15	1.14
Self-funded ^(d)	1.19	0.72	1.06	0.86	0.90	..	1.29	1.15	1.01
Workers compensation	1.30	1.21	1.39	1.16	1.20	1.24	1.75	1.15	1.28
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	1.79	2.19	2.03	3.03	2.18	2.01	2.98	1.93	2.16
Department of Veterans' Affairs	1.20	1.07	1.11	1.09	1.23	1.05	0.88	1.37	1.14
Other ^(e)	1.44	0.99	1.10	1.21	0.87	0.78	0.99	0.91	1.13
Patient election status not reported	1.27	1.29	..	..	1.30	..	..	..	1.29
Total	1.07	0.95	1.01	0.95	1.01	1.04	1.01	0.72	1.00
Private hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	1.14	0.62	0.52	0.16	0.87	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.45
Public ^(c)	1.14	0.62	0.52	0.16	0.86	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.45
Private patients	0.96	0.91	0.91	0.98	0.99	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.94
Private health insurance	0.96	0.92	0.92	0.97	0.98	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.94
Self-funded ^(d)	0.77	0.67	0.67	0.78	0.84	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.72
Workers compensation	1.23	1.21	1.13	1.17	1.27	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.20
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	1.22	1.36	1.40	1.14	1.10	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.27
Department of Veterans' Affairs	1.17	1.19	1.00	1.25	1.13	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.11
Other ^(e)	1.16	1.15	0.73	0.87	0.88	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.82
Patient election status not reported	0.82	0.49	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.69
Total	0.96	0.91	0.90	0.92	0.99	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.93

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as Acute, Newborn with qualified days, or Not reported.

(b) Includes separations whose patient election status was Public and whose funding source was reported as Australian Health Care Agreements, Reciprocal health care agreements, Other hospital or public authority, Other or Not reported.

(c) Includes separations for which the funding source was reported as Australian Health Care Agreements or Other hospital or public authority.

(d) Some states and territories were unable to identify all patients whose funding source may have been Self-funded, therefore the number of separations in this category may be underestimated and others may be overestimated.

(e) Includes separations whose patient election status was Private and whose funding source was reported as Other compensation, Department of Defence, Correctional facilities, Other hospital or public authority, Other and Not reported.

Note: Average cost weights have been calculated using AR-DRG version 5.0 public cost weights (2005–06) for both the public sector and the private sector.

Table 7.5: Patient days^(a), by patient election status, funding source and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006–07

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	4,685,998	3,662,791	2,637,049	1,376,127	1,326,297	334,787	221,348	245,828	14,490,225
Public ^(c)	4,656,715	3,659,265	2,632,318	1,372,361	1,325,514	334,314	221,154	245,335	14,466,976
Private patients	1,327,875	693,469	235,029	233,935	271,866	66,180	38,998	11,704	2,879,056
Private health insurance	808,656	409,988	94,017	137,292	147,897	37,613	21,011	1,863	1,658,337
Self-funded ^(d)	63,863	21,357	22,466	3,461	5,652	0	326	1,384	118,509
Workers compensation	27,382	18,678	16,999	6,082	5,552	1,628	1,317	1,049	78,687
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	28,263	42,257	14,344	20,669	13,078	4,991	1,865	4,108	23,249
Department of Veterans' Affairs	339,838	197,784	69,329	45,149	97,577	21,806	13,005	2,136	786,624
Other ^(e)	59,873	3,405	17,874	21,282	2,110	142	1,474	1,164	107,324
Patient election status not reported	1,552	62,857	0	0	0	5,398	0	0	69,807
Total	6,015,425	4,419,117	2,872,078	1,610,062	1,598,163	406,365	260,346	257,532	17,439,088
Private hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	7,793	3,603	45,151	46,765	3,403	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	109,153
Public ^(c)	7,781	3,603	45,151	46,765	3,273	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	109,004
Private patients	1,961,721	1,989,483	1,855,683	696,816	586,514	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,366,921
Private health insurance	1,577,998	1,632,250	1,380,110	558,172	502,352	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5,874,694
Self-funded ^(d)	122,932	103,175	89,467	19,792	13,836	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	357,010
Workers compensation	31,258	29,423	19,117	10,142	11,705	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	106,759
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	766	28,598	127	1,605	1,431	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	33,872
Department of Veterans' Affairs	226,551	195,454	354,185	103,408	55,302	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	969,777
Other ^(e)	2,216	583	12,677	3,697	1,888	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	24,809
Patient election status not reported	1,204	1,036	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,403
Total	1,970,718	1,994,122	1,900,834	743,581	589,917	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	7,485,477
All hospitals									
Public patients ^(b)	4,693,791	3,666,394	2,682,200	1,422,892	1,329,700	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	14,599,378
Public ^(c)	4,684,496	3,662,868	2,677,469	1,419,126	1,328,787	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	14,575,980
Private patients	3,289,596	2,682,952	2,090,712	930,751	858,380	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	10,245,977
Private health insurance	2,386,654	2,042,238	1,474,127	695,464	650,249	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,533,031
Self-funded ^(d)	186,795	124,532	111,933	23,253	19,488	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	475,519
Workers compensation	58,640	48,101	36,116	16,224	17,257	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	185,446
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	29,029	70,855	14,471	22,274	14,509	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	57,121
Department of Veterans' Affairs	566,389	393,238	423,514	148,557	152,879	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,756,401
Other ^(e)	62,089	3,988	30,551	24,979	3,998	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	132,133
Patient election status not reported	2,756	63,893	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	79,210
Total	7,986,143	6,413,239	4,772,912	2,353,643	2,188,080	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	24,924,565

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days, and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.

(b) Includes separations with a patient election status of *Public* and a funding source of *Australian Health Care Agreements, Reciprocal Health care agreements, Other hospital or public authority, Other or Not reported*.

(c) Includes patients whose funding source was reported as *Australian Health Care Agreements or Other hospital or public authority*.

(d) Some states and territories were unable to identify all patients whose funding source may have been *Self-funded*; therefore the number of separations in this category may be underestimated and others may be overestimated.

(e) Includes separations with a patient election status of *Private* and a funding source of *Other compensation, Department of Defence, Correctional facilities, Other hospital or public authority, Other and Not reported*.

Table 7.6: Separations^(a), by patient election status, funding source, age group and hospital sector, Australia, 2006–07

	<1	1–4	5–14	15–24	25–34	35–44	45–54	55–64	65–74	75–84	85+	Total ^(b)
Public hospitals												
Public patients ^(c)	107,939	118,930	159,733	323,767	473,466	449,779	474,208	564,634	636,031	542,907	172,902	4,024,311
Public ^(d)	107,632	118,255	159,575	322,111	471,615	448,999	473,738	563,903	635,209	542,445	172,736	4,016,983
Private patients	12,163	17,816	22,338	26,304	34,954	39,761	46,296	51,108	48,890	50,607	59,309	631,337
Private health insurance	10,918	14,575	17,595	17,151	16,180	17,226	25,362	31,277	30,063	33,040	42,515	382,085
Self-funded ^(e)	914	2,506	2,978	6,238	8,442	6,667	5,603	5,983	7,180	5,592	1,282	53,385
Workers compensation	0	0	14	4,426	4,855	5,236	4,810	2,678	445	76	10	22,550
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	52	314	1,249	5,671	4,068	3,476	2,469	1,796	1,179	1,056	333	21,664
Department of Veterans' Affairs	1	2	9	11	29	326	740	7,369	9,405	66,709	46,307	130,908
Other ^(f)	278	419	493	2,428	3,540	3,122	3,172	2,703	2,534	1,715	341	20,745
Patient election status not reported	158	214	221	1,560	1,543	468	275	368	385	305	134	5,632
Total	120,260	136,960	182,292	360,281	521,305	499,137	533,792	646,814	724,873	689,166	246,377	4,661,280
Private hospitals												
Public patients ^(c)	37	180	268	1,536	2,577	5,800	9,305	10,502	9,865	7,479	1,552	49,101
Public ^(d)	37	178	268	1,532	2,565	5,794	9,298	10,487	9,846	7,470	1,548	49,023
Private patients	23,185	29,314	48,901	168,032	263,491	344,246	415,020	545,888	462,647	441,932	143,359	2,886,015
Private health insurance	21,714	25,164	42,476	128,864	208,298	285,555	359,165	477,463	412,080	311,352	76,741	2,348,872
Self-funded ^(e)	1,354	4,036	6,257	33,091	43,158	40,645	34,380	33,710	30,125	27,163	7,021	260,940
Workers compensation	0	4	12	3,567	8,073	12,950	15,280	9,379	1,226	209	35	50,735
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	0	3	43	656	859	1,096	853	516	331	195	58	4,610
Department of Veterans' Affairs	3	0	12	128	508	1,509	3,432	23,082	17,288	102,190	59,359	207,511
Other ^(f)	114	107	101	1,726	2,595	2,491	1,910	1,738	1,597	823	145	13,347
Patient election status not reported	246	22	43	1,067	1,030	533	623	1,062	931	801	163	6,521
Total	23,468	29,516	49,212	170,635	267,098	350,579	424,948	557,452	473,443	450,212	145,074	2,941,637
All hospitals												
Public patients ^(c)	107,976	119,110	160,001	325,303	476,043	455,579	483,513	575,136	645,896	550,386	174,454	4,073,412
Public ^(d)	107,669	118,433	159,843	323,643	474,180	454,793	483,036	574,390	645,055	549,915	174,384	4,066,006
Private patients	35,348	47,130	71,239	194,336	298,445	384,007	461,316	596,996	511,537	492,539	202,688	3,517,352
Private health insurance	32,632	39,739	60,071	146,015	224,478	302,781	384,527	508,740	442,143	344,392	119,256	2,730,957
Self-funded ^(e)	2,268	6,542	9,235	39,329	51,600	47,312	39,983	39,983	37,305	32,755	8,303	314,325
Workers compensation	0	4	26	7,993	12,928	18,186	20,090	12,057	1,671	285	45	73,285
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	52	317	1,292	6,327	4,927	4,572	3,322	2,312	1,510	1,251	391	26,274
Department of Veterans' Affairs	4	2	21	139	537	1,835	4,172	30,451	26,693	168,899	105,666	338,419
Other ^(f)	392	526	594	4,154	6,135	5,613	5,082	4,441	4,131	2,538	486	34,092
Patient election status not reported	404	236	264	2,627	2,573	1,001	898	1,430	1,316	1,106	297	12,153
Total	143,728	166,476	231,504	530,916	788,403	849,716	958,740	1,204,266	1,198,316	1,139,378	391,451	7,602,917

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as Newborn with no qualified days, and records for Hospital boarders and Posthumous organ procurement have been excluded.

(b) Includes separations for which the age group was not reported.

(c) Includes separations for which the patient election status was Public and the funding source was Australian Health Care Agreements, Reciprocal health care agreements, Other hospital or public authority, Other or Not reported.

(d) Includes patients whose funding source was reported as Australian Health Care Agreements or Other hospital or public authority.

(e) Some states and territories were unable to identify all patients whose funding source may have been Self-funded; therefore the number of separations in this category may be underestimated and others may be overestimated.

(f) Includes separations for which the patient election status was Private and the funding source was Other compensation, Department of Defence, Correctional facilities, Other hospital or public authority, Other, and Not reported.

Table 7.7: Separations^(a) by state or territory of usual residence and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006-07

State or territory of usual residence	State or territory of hospitalisation							Separations per 1,000 population ^(b)
	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	
Public hospitals								
New South Wales	1,426,157	18,897	9,120	583	1,659	247	18,075	345
Victoria	5,868	1,285,853	1,825	522	2,204	260	275	316
Queensland	12,387	1,365	768,237	443	365	93	194	367
Western Australia	456	430	394	447,508	284	78	46	1,647
South Australia	575	1,559	407	214	383,409	59	53	2,550
Tasmania	338	1,415	229	70	81	96,199	19	27
Australian Capital Territory	2,998	224	156	52	45	12	57,056	34
Northern Territory	218	314	370	231	2,044	9	12	80,527
Other Australian territories ^(c)	n.p.	0	4	158	0	0	1	0
Not elsewhere classified ^(d)	n.p.	4,185	3,291	1,115	65	99	36	0
Not reported	0	0	597	0	491	0	0	1,088
Total	1,462,129	1,314,242	784,630	450,896	390,647	97,156	75,767	85,813
Private hospitals								
New South Wales	790,009	6,902	25,239	204	1,390	n.p.	n.p.	831,135
Victoria	6,523	750,610	1,555	136	1,249	n.p.	n.p.	760,258
Queensland	3,446	950	712,860	163	213	n.p.	n.p.	717,753
Western Australia	355	286	227	288,186	98	n.p.	n.p.	289,225
South Australia	193	403	291	57	224,718	n.p.	n.p.	225,716
Tasmania	273	1,120	270	30	55	n.p.	n.p.	60,837
Australian Capital Territory	1,996	181	150	15	56	n.p.	n.p.	29,475
Northern Territory	199	364	499	179	1,247	n.p.	n.p.	13,528
Other Australian territories ^(c)	n.p.	0	83	36	0	n.p.	n.p.	13.4
Not elsewhere classified ^(d)	n.p.	601	837	157	26	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Not reported	0	0	3	0	272	n.p.	n.p.	275
Total	808,376	761,417	742,014	289,163	229,324	n.p.	n.p.	2,941,637
								136.3

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days, and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.

(b) Rates per 1,000 population were directly age-standardised as detailed in Appendix 1.

(c) Includes Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Christmas Island, Jervis Bay Territory, Records with a *State of usual residence of Other Australian territories* in New South Wales are currently under review.

(d) Includes resident overseas, at sea, no fixed address. Records with a *State of usual residence of Not elsewhere classified* in New South Wales are currently under review.

Table 7.8: Separations^(a), by state or territory of usual residence and patient election status, states and territories, 2006–07

State or territory of usual residence	State or territory of hospitalisation								Total	Separations per 1,000 population ^(b)
	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT		
Public patients										
New South Wales	1,162,808	15,872	8,324	507	1,357	198	16,587	307	1,205,960	170.9
Victoria	4,699	1,129,264	1,776	478	1,828	205	247	278	1,138,775	214.5
Queensland	11,448	1,137	720,208	364	246	150	187	316	734,056	177.9
Western Australia	359	326	364	420,668	233	65	41	1,604	423,660	205.1
South Australia	471	1,076	385	182	334,926	49	49	2,487	339,625	204.4
Tasmania	265	1,152	212	68	63	79,325	16	24	81,125	159.5
Australian Capital Territory	2,351	185	135	43	34	9	50,923	32	53,712	171.7
Northern Territory	167	249	307	199	1,857	8	10	78,215	81,012	449.8
Other Australian territories ^(c)	n.p.	0	2	140	0	0	1	0	n.p.	n.p.
Not elsewhere classified ^(d)	n.p.	2,385	2,195	587	35	93	25	0	n.p.	n.p.
Not reported	0	0	569	0	467	0	0	0	1,036	..
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,191,556</i>	<i>1,151,646</i>	<i>734,477</i>	<i>423,236</i>	<i>341,046</i>	<i>80,102</i>	<i>68,086</i>	<i>83,263</i>	<i>4,073,412</i>	<i>191.8</i>
Private patients										
New South Wales	1,051,946	9,882	26,035	280	1,692	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,098,794	152.7
Victoria	7,692	902,887	1,604	180	1,625	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	914,277	169.2
Queensland	4,382	1,160	760,889	242	332	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	767,217	184.1
Western Australia	452	387	257	315,026	149	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	316,401	151.6
South Australia	297	885	313	89	273,201	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	274,913	157.6
Tasmania	344	1,377	287	32	73	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	75,511	141.5
Australian Capital Territory	2,642	220	171	24	67	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	36,339	115.3
Northern Territory	250	429	562	211	1,434	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	14,334	30.0
Other Australian territories ^(c)	n.p.	0	85	54	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Not elsewhere classified ^(d)	n.p.	599	1,933	685	56	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Not reported	0	0	31	0	296	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	327	..
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,077,517</i>	<i>917,826</i>	<i>792,167</i>	<i>316,823</i>	<i>278,925</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>3,517,352</i>	<i>162.7</i>
Total^(e)	2,270,505	2,075,659	1,526,644	740,059	619,971	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,602,917	355.1

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days, and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.

(b) Rates per 1,000 population were directly age-standardised as detailed in Appendix 1.

(c) Includes Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Christmas Island, Jervis Bay Territory. Records with a State of usual residence of *Other Australian territories* in New South Wales are currently under review.

(d) Includes resident overseas, at sea, no fixed address. Records with a State of usual residence of *Not elsewhere classified* in New South Wales are currently under review.

(e) Includes patients whose patient election status was *Not reported*.

Table 7.9: Average cost weight of separations^(a), by state or territory of usual residence and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006–07

State or territory of usual residence	State or territory of hospitalisation							NT	Total
	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT		
Public hospitals									
New South Wales	1.06	0.98	1.67	1.16	1.89	1.15	1.21	1.24	1.07
Victoria	1.15	0.94	1.14	1.13	1.49	1.25	1.55	1.01	0.95
Queensland	1.04	1.21	1.00	1.26	1.02	1.17	0.85	0.94	1.00
Western Australia	1.70	1.28	1.17	0.95	1.17	1.60	0.77	0.60	0.95
South Australia	1.41	1.65	1.47	1.14	1.00	2.04	0.66	0.61	1.00
Tasmania	1.54	2.53	1.13	1.19	0.79	1.04	1.04	1.05	1.06
Australian Capital Territory	1.43	1.31	0.83	1.41	0.81	0.65	0.95	0.73	0.97
Northern Territory	1.62	2.36	1.69	1.40	2.45	0.43	2.36	0.73	0.78
Other Australian territories ^(b)	n.p.	..	1.49	1.05	..	..	3.04	..	n.p.
Not elsewhere classified ^(c)	n.p.	1.26	1.41	1.46	1.04	1.63	1.35	..	n.p.
Not reported	..	..	1.42	..	1.64	..	..	..	..
Total	1.07	0.95	1.01	0.95	1.01	1.04	1.01	0.72	1.00
Private hospitals									
New South Wales	0.95	1.12	1.05	1.08	1.22	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.96
Victoria	0.92	0.91	0.82	1.00	1.33	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.91
Queensland	0.94	1.18	0.89	1.13	1.20	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.89
Western Australia	1.46	1.15	1.10	0.92	1.20	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.92
South Australia	1.64	1.13	1.05	1.05	0.98	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.98
Tasmania	1.84	2.08	1.07	1.23	1.79	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.02
Australian Capital Territory	1.38	1.18	0.86	0.73	1.05	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.02
Northern Territory	1.29	1.13	1.20	1.08	1.73	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.94
Other Australian territories ^(b)	n.p.	..	0.99	0.89	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.15
Not elsewhere classified ^(c)	n.p.	0.84	1.13	0.86	0.64	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Not reported	..	..	0.73	..	1.28	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Total	0.96	0.91	0.90	0.92	0.99	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.93

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as Acute, or Newborn with qualified patient days, or was Not reported.

(b) Includes Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Christmas Island, Jervis Bay Territory.

(c) Includes resident overseas, at sea, no fixed address.

Note: Average cost weights have been calculated using AR-DRG version 5.0 cost weights (2005–06) for both the public sector and the private sector.

Table 7.10: Notional cost (\$'000) of separations^(a), by state or territory of usual residence, public patients, all hospitals, states and territories, 2006–07

State or territory of usual residence	State or territory of hospitalisation							NT	Total
	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT ^(b)		
New South Wales	3,914,686	49,803	46,203	1,566	8,566	684	n.p.	1,280	n.p.
Victoria	16,810	3,362,856	6,392	1,690	8,588	647	n.p.	913	n.p.
Queensland	37,782	4,232	2,282,282	1,415	811	626	n.p.	976	n.p.
Western Australia	2,113	1,275	1,402	1,202,234	952	285	n.p.	3,052	n.p.
South Australia	2,005	6,380	1,635	659	1,067,301	358	n.p.	4,823	n.p.
Tasmania	1,290	9,129	719	230	174	267,296	n.p.	88	n.p.
Australian Capital Territory	10,340	732	373	73	91	25	n.p.	80	n.p.
Northern Territory	801	2,191	1,644	768	15,025	11	n.p.	182,565	n.p.
Other Australian territories ^(c)	n.p.	..	5	485	..	..	n.p.	..	n.p.
Not elsewhere classified ^(d)	n.p.	10,014	9,006	2,327	150	492	n.p.	..	n.p.
Not reported	..	..	2,528	..	2,398	..	n.p.	..	n.p.
Total	4,018,646	3,446,611	2,352,187	1,211,447	1,104,055	270,423	n.p.	193,777	n.p.

(a) Separations for which the patient election status was *Public* and for which the care type was reported as *Acute*, *Newborn* with at least one qualified day, or *Not reported* have been included. These data are based on the AR-DRG for each separation multiplied by the 2005–06 AR-DRG average public cost of \$3,542. These figures do not represent actual expenditure on these separations. These figures should also not be interpreted as an estimate of the total cost of public patients as they do not include estimates of costs for separations with non-acute care.

(b) ACT Health did not give permission for the release of these data because they do not reflect actual expenditure.

(c) Includes Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Christmas Island, Jervis Bay Territory.

(d) Includes resident overseas, at sea, no fixed address.

Table 7.11: Separations^(a), by care type and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006–07

Care type	NSW	Vic ^(b)	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Acute care	1,406,426	1,267,763	749,127	435,356	376,441	93,812	71,094	83,777	4,483,795
Rehabilitation care—not further specified	24,686	13,475	..	7,261	7,493	984	..	455	54,354
Rehabilitation care—delivered in a designated unit	..	..	8,904	..	..	..	..	..	9,406
Rehabilitation care—according to a designated program	..	..	3,340	..	..	..	..	..	3,590
Rehabilitation care—principal clinical intent	..	..	2,378	..	..	..	..	..	3,472
Rehabilitation total/	24,686	13,475	14,622	7,261	7,493	984	1,846	455	70,822
Palliative care	8,452	5,182	4,405	1,318	1,324	360	476	268	21,785
Geriatric evaluation and management	1,639	11,009	550	672	1	68	557	174	14,670
Psychogeriatric care	1,079	2,045	492	716	170	165	23	5	4,695
Maintenance care	6,008	2,190	5,525	2,259	1,484	591	868	168	19,093
Newborn—qualified days only	9,671	10,466	7,228	2,852	2,811	1,176	830	959	35,993
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days ^(c)	4,116	2,112	2,380	462	923	0	65	0	10,058
Newborn—unqualified days only	63,512	41,791	33,144	18,021	10,685	3,233	3,014	2,354	175,754
Newborn total/	77,299	54,369	42,752	21,335	14,419	4,409	3,909	3,313	221,805
Other admitted patient care	..	0	301	0	..	0	8	7	316
Not reported	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	53
Total	1,525,641	1,355,033	817,774	468,917	401,332	100,389	78,781	88,167	4,837,034
Private hospitals									
Acute care	747,326	737,499	715,742	283,136	223,458	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,816,475
Rehabilitation care—not further specified	56,463	13,275	..	1,093	5,093	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	76,557
Rehabilitation care—delivered in a designated unit	..	..	12,399	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12,399
Rehabilitation care—according to a designated program	..	..	4,066	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4,066
Rehabilitation care—principal clinical intent	..	..	3,379	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,379
Rehabilitation total/	56,463	13,275	19,844	1,093	5,093	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	96,401
Palliative care	440	508	2,083	2,459	125	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,488
Geriatric evaluation and management	742	0	4	0	34	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	780
Psychogeriatric care	0	6,052	10	75	1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,138
Maintenance care	74	51	1,308	166	16	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,636
Newborn—qualified days only	2,888	4,032	1,859	821	597	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	10,655
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days ^(c)	350	..	784	1,413	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,591
Newborn—unqualified days only	19,774	37	15,843	7,500	367	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	47,464
Newborn total/	23,072	4,069	18,486	9,734	964	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	60,710
Other admitted patient care	93	0	380	0	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	473
Not reported	0	0	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0
Total	828,150	761,454	757,857	296,663	229,691	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,989,101

(a) Does not include records for *Hospital boarders* or *Posthumous organ procurement*.

(b) The reporting of *Newborns* with unqualified days only is not compulsory for the Victorian private sector, resulting in a low number of separations in this category.

(c) Tasmania and the Northern Territory did not supply *Newborn* care according to the *National health data dictionary* definition and did not report any separations with both qualified and unqualified days.

Table 7.12: Patient days^(a), by care type and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006–07

Care type	NSW	Vic ^(b)	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Acute care	5,008,247	3,499,030	2,219,919	1,261,532	1,231,088	334,158	197,376	231,194	13,982,544
Rehabilitation care—not further specified	507,555	300,366	103,323	153,458	122,670	26,709	..	4,357	1,115,115
Rehabilitation care—delivered in a designated unit	..	..	80,237	..	..	..	..	..	109,921
Rehabilitation care—according to a designated program	..	..	40,038	..	..	..	..	..	86,081
Rehabilitation care—principal clinical intent	..	..	223,598	153,458	122,670	26,709	..	..	51,071
<i>Rehabilitation total</i>	507,555	300,366	223,598	153,458	122,670	26,709	23,475	4,357	1,362,188
Palliative care	107,394	76,673	40,279	12,448	17,557	4,056	6,151	2,757	267,315
Geriatric evaluation and management	15,150	293,980	8,602	6,332	4	1,393	6,215	4,408	336,084
Psychogeriatric care	68,451	64,295	11,363	37,724	22,433	750	463	497	205,976
Maintenance care	196,127	71,344	285,855	100,279	167,461	27,677	17,677	4,210	870,630
Newborn—qualified days only	99,143	104,410	75,548	35,945	34,314	11,622	8,527	10,097	379,606
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days (qualified days)	13,192	9,019	5,765	2,344	2,636	..	4,12	..	33,368
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days (unqualified days)	11,758	5,261	4,844	911	1,988	..	53	..	24,815
Newborn—unqualified days only	168,002	109,288	71,911	46,401	28,807	10,288	6,849	7,081	448,627
<i>Newborn total</i>	292,095	227,978	158,068	85,601	67,745	21,970	15,841	17,178	886,416
Other admitted patient care	..	..	1,149	..	..	..	50	12	1,211
Not reported	166	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	166
Total^(c)	6,015,425	4,419,117	2,872,078	1,610,062	1,598,163	406,365	260,346	257,532	17,439,088
Private hospitals									
Acute care	1,669,368	1,731,483	1,694,443	671,745	535,073	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,570,562
Rehabilitation care—not further specified	272,685	195,633	..	24,038	48,119	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	551,503
Rehabilitation care—delivered in a designated unit	..	..	79,389	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	79,389
Rehabilitation care—according to a designated program	..	..	20,138	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	20,138
Rehabilitation care—principal clinical intent	..	..	6,824	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,824
<i>Rehabilitation total</i>	272,685	195,633	106,351	24,038	48,119	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	657,854
Palliative care	5,489	6,585	21,611	26,983	1,923	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	64,735
Geriatric evaluation and management	1,738	..	359	..	104	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,201
Psychogeriatric care	..	30,968	25	2,369	2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	33,364
Maintenance care	2,116	6,006	48,433	8,297	655	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	66,820
Newborn—qualified days only	14,497	23,447	22,306	6,240	4,041	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	73,613
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days (qualified days)	4,201	..	2,047	3,909	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	10,445
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days (unqualified days)	2,068	..	2,118	5,310	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,883
Newborn—unqualified days only	92,461	13	62,088	38,666	974	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	211,403
<i>Newborn total</i>	106,271	23,204	86,068	57,190	4,775	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	297,562
Other admitted patient care	624	..	5,259	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5,883
Total^(c)	1,970,718	1,994,122	1,900,834	743,581	589,917	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,485,417

(a) Does not include records for *Hospital boarders* or *Posthumous organ procurement*.
 (b) The reporting of *Newborns* with unqualified days only is not compulsory for the Victorian private sector, resulting in a low number of patient days for this category.
 (c) Excludes separations for *Newborn* with unqualified days only.

Table 7.13: Separations for non-acute care^(a), by patient election status, mode of separation and hospital sector, Australia, 2006–07

		Discharge/ transfer to an(other) acute hospital	Discharge/ transfer to a residential aged care service ^(b)	Discharge/ transfer to other an(other) psychiatric hospital	Statistical discharge- type change	Left against medical advice/ discharge at own risk	Statistical discharge from leave	Died	Other ^(e)	Total ^(e)
Public hospitals										
Rehabilitation care	Public patients ^(f)	4,570	2,361	76	593	5,612	502	543	304	42,399
	Private patients	1,723	1,001	22	245	1,455	60	130	112	8,918
	<i>Total^(g)</i>	6,313	3,370	98	843	7,077	562	674	418	51,441
Palliative care	Public patients ^(f)	734	437	3	155	475	36	142	9,700	5,430
	Private patients	224	163	0	39	74	7	55	2,989	1,119
	<i>Total^(g)</i>	958	600	3	194	549	43	197	12,692	6,549
Other non-acute ^(h) care	Public patients ^(f)	3,045	7,696	360	918	4,052	156	207	1,271	12,964
	Private patients	848	1,965	139	300	961	23	19	401	3,090
	<i>Total^(g)</i>	3,898	9,670	500	1,218	5,016	179	226	1,674	38,458
Total		11,169	13,640	601	2,255	12,642	784	1,097	14,784	74,064
Private hospitals										
Rehabilitation care	Public patients ^(f)	65	85	0	0	54	2	0	10	245
	Private patients	2,182	892	3	155	1,386	91	339	98	90,794
	<i>Total^(g)</i>	2,247	977	3	155	1,440	93	339	108	95,940
Palliative care	Public patients ^(f)	471	26	0	1	9	2	2	812	552
	Private patients	93	40	0	6	17	1	1	1,786	2,669
	<i>Total^(g)</i>	564	66	0	7	26	3	3	2,598	3,221
Other non-acute ^(h) care	Public patients ^(f)	27	208	0	2	33	0	0	29	58
	Private patients	228	411	0	9	96	2	1	65	7,385
	<i>Total^(g)</i>	255	619	0	11	129	2	1	94	8,197
Total		3,066	1,662	3	173	1,595	98	343	2,800	101,703
										111,443

(a) Includes separations for which the care type was reported as *Rehabilitation care, Palliative care, Psychogeriatric care, Geriatric evaluation and management or Maintenance care*.

(b) Unless this is the usual place of residence (see text for exceptions).

(c) Includes mothercraft hospitals, except in jurisdictions where mothercraft facilities are considered acute.

(d) Includes discharge to usual residence/own accommodation/welfare institution (including prisons, hostels and group homes providing primarily welfare services).

(e) Includes separations for which the mode of separation was *Not reported*.

(f) Includes separations for which the patient election status was *Public* and funding source was as *Australian Health Care Agreements, Reciprocal health care agreements, Other hospital or public authority, Other or Not reported*.

(g) The total includes separations for which the patient election status was *not reported*.

(h) Includes separations for which the care type was reported as *Psychogeriatric care, Geriatric evaluation and management or Maintenance care*.

Table 7.14: Separations for non-acute care^(a), by sex, age group and mode of separation, all hospitals, Australia, 2006–07

Rehabilitation care		Discharge/ transfer to an(other) acute hospital	Discharge/ transfer to a residential aged care service ^(b)	Discharge/ transfer to other psychiatric health care ^(c) hospital accommodation	Discharge/ transfer to other health care ^(c) hospital accommodation	Statistical discharge at own risk	Left against medical advice/ discharge at own risk	Statistical discharge from leave	Died	Other ^(d)	Total ^(e)
Males											
Under 14	2	0	0	1	1	3	0	11	0	122	139
15–24	88	6	1	14	88	19	32	1	1,671	1,921	
25–34	114	10	24	17	99	50	52	1	2,332	2,699	
35–44	216	19	8	19	116	39	33	1	4,211	4,211	
45–54	351	28	3	16	321	39	16	7	5,487	6,288	
55–64	511	82	6	32	475	47	50	15	10,244	11,464	
65–74	779	221	4	51	787	60	89	28	14,016	16,037	
75–84	1,276	586	7	139	1,392	52	111	108	17,408	21,080	
85 and over	651	528	8	108	779	18	60	109	6,217	8,480	
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,988</i>	<i>1,480</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>397</i>	<i>4,060</i>	<i>324</i>	<i>454</i>	<i>270</i>	<i>61,255</i>	<i>72,299</i>	
Females											
Under 14	2	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	139	146	
15–24	51	2	0	2	16	7	41	1	1,918	2,038	
25–34	57	5	1	3	48	18	21	0	2,303	2,458	
35–44	114	13	1	7	72	23	38	2	3,429	3,699	
45–54	196	31	2	10	161	14	22	8	6,556	7,002	
55–64	384	58	3	14	333	38	42	8	11,675	12,555	
65–74	824	225	4	67	716	36	59	31	16,172	18,138	
75–84	1,667	1,035	15	202	1,601	64	187	79	26,427	31,282	
85 and over	1,274	1,498	14	296	1,496	42	148	127	12,338	17,236	
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,569</i>	<i>2,867</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>601</i>	<i>4,447</i>	<i>242</i>	<i>559</i>	<i>256</i>	<i>80,957</i>	<i>94,554</i>	
Persons^(f)											
Under 14	4	0	0	1	7	0	12	0	261	285	
15–24	139	8	1	16	104	26	73	2	3,589	3,959	
25–34	171	15	25	20	147	68	73	1	4,635	5,157	
35–44	332	32	9	26	188	151	71	3	7,455	8,269	
45–54	547	59	5	26	482	53	38	15	12,043	13,270	
55–64	895	140	9	46	808	85	92	23	21,919	24,019	
65–74	1,604	446	8	118	1,503	96	148	59	30,188	34,176	
75–84	2,943	1,621	22	341	3,003	116	298	187	43,835	52,372	
85 and over	1,925	2,026	22	404	2,275	60	208	236	18,555	25,776	
<i>Total</i>	<i>8,560</i>	<i>4,347</i>	<i>101</i>	<i>998</i>	<i>8,517</i>	<i>655</i>	<i>1,013</i>	<i>526</i>	<i>142,480</i>	<i>167,223</i>	

Table 7.14 (continued): Separations for non-acute care^(a), by sex, age group and mode of separation, all hospitals, Australia, 2006–07

		Discharge/ transfer to an(other) acute hospital		Discharge/ transfer to a residential aged care service ^(b)		Discharge/ transfer to psychiatric hospital accommoda- tion		Discharge/ transfer to other health care ^(c) type change		Left against medical advice/ discharge at own risk		Statistical discharge from leave		Died		Other ^(d)		Total ^(e)	
Palliative care																			
Males																			
Under 14		1		0		0		0		0		0		0		5	74	80	
15–24		1		0		0		0		0		0		1		10	33	45	
25–34		8		1		0		2		1		0		1		50	53	116	
35–44		23		4		0		3		7		2		4		158	182	383	
45–54		58		8		1		9		21		5		9		566	456	1,333	
55–64		131		23		0		8		34		2		30		1,320	1,070	2,678	
65–74		211		80		1		24		81		6		37		2,103	1,415	3,958	
75–84		267		143		1		27		93		6		28		2,919	1,644	5,128	
85 and over		178		84		0		14		41		1		6		1,237	349	1,910	
Total		878		343		3		87		278		22		116		8,368	5,276	15,371	
Females																			
Under 14		1		0		0		0		0		0		0		5	32	38	
15–24		3		0		0		0		0		1		15		15	34		
25–34		7		0		0		1		2		1		2		43	64	120	
35–44		20		5		0		7		7		2		4		167	259	471	
45–54		61		4		0		12		16		5		8		550	710	1,366	
55–64		109		17		0		11		45		2		20		1,021	911	2,136	
65–74		110		62		0		24		72		8		19		1,508	1,047	2,850	
75–84		265		132		0		32		100		5		19		2,161	1,012	3,726	
85 and over		68		103		0		27		55		1		11		1,452	444	2,161	
Total		644		323		0		114		297		24		84		6,922	4,494	12,902	
Persons^(f)																			
Under 14		2		0		0		0		0		0		0		10	106	118	
15–24		4		0		0		0		0		0		2		25	48	79	
25–34		15		1		0		3		3		1		3		93	117	236	
35–44		43		9		0		10		14		4		8		325	441	854	
45–54		119		12		1		21		37		10		17		1,116	1,166	2,499	
55–64		240		40		0		19		79		4		50		2,341	1,981	4,754	
65–74		321		142		1		48		153		14		56		3,611	2,462	6,808	
75–84		532		275		1		59		193		11		47		5,080	2,656	8,854	
85 and over		246		187		0		41		96		2		17		2,689	793	4,071	
Total		1,522		666		3		201		575		46		200		15,290	9,770	28,273	

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Table 7.14 (continued): Separations for non-acute care^(a), by sex, age group and mode of separation, all hospitals, Australia, 2006–07

Other non-acute care ^(g)	Discharge/ transfer to an(other) acute hospital		Discharge/ transfer to a residential aged care service ^(b)		Discharge/ transfer to other psychiatric hospital accommodation		Left against medical advice/ discharge at own risk		Statistical discharge from leave		Died		Other ^(d)		Total ^(e)
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	
Males															
Under 14	5	0	0	0	1	1	10	1	1	1	0	0	130	148	
15–24	8	3	1	1	6	20	3	5	5	0	0	0	201	247	
25–34	20	4	0	0	3	52	3	9	4	4	4	4	248	343	
35–44	47	15	2	4	4	61	6	5	5	5	5	5	233	378	
45–54	72	60	5	11	11	116	5	7	7	8	8	8	360	644	
55–64	135	207	6	37	214	12	6	42	6	42	6	6	615	1,274	
65–74	426	690	36	88	511	26	37	125	37	125	37	37	2,717	4,656	
75–84	817	1,860	96	204	931	32	37	363	37	363	37	37	3,382	7,722	
85 and over	422	1,388	53	169	575	13	9	378	9	378	9	9	1,466	4,473	
Total	1,952	4,227	199	523	2,490	101	116	925	925	9,352	9,352	9,352	19,885		
Females															
Under 14	3	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	121	134	
15–24	9	1	0	0	0	9	0	1	0	1	0	0	159	179	
25–34	7	4	1	1	1	28	2	4	4	4	0	0	194	241	
35–44	22	10	0	5	36	3	0	0	0	0	3	3	302	382	
45–54	53	52	6	5	47	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	12	352	
55–64	93	136	4	32	155	3	9	23	23	23	9	9	549	1,004	
65–74	326	562	38	55	307	15	39	72	72	72	34	34	3,807	5,221	
75–84	927	2,340	109	255	991	29	34	279	279	279	19	19	5,443	10,407	
85 and over	761	2,957	143	353	1,072	25	19	454	454	454	19	19	3,236	9,022	
Total	2,201	6,062	301	706	2,655	80	111	843	843	843	843	843	14,163	27,125	
Persons^(f)															
Under 14	8	0	1	1	20	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	251	282	
15–24	17	4	1	6	29	3	6	0	0	0	360	0	426	426	
25–34	27	8	1	4	80	5	13	4	4	4	443	4	585	585	
35–44	69	25	2	9	97	9	5	8	8	8	8	8	535	760	
45–54	125	112	11	16	163	8	12	20	20	20	20	20	712	1,179	
55–64	228	343	10	69	369	15	15	65	65	65	65	65	1,164	2,278	
65–74	752	1,252	74	143	818	41	76	197	197	197	197	197	6,524	9,877	
75–84	1,744	4,200	205	459	1,922	61	71	642	642	642	642	642	8,826	18,130	
85 and over	1,183	4,345	196	522	1,647	38	28	832	832	832	832	832	4,702	13,495	
Total	4,153	10,289	500	1,229	5,145	181	227	1,768	1,768	1,768	1,768	1,768	23,517	47,012	

(a) Includes separations for which the care type was reported as *Rehabilitation care*, *Palliative care*, *Psychogeriatric care*, *Geriatric evaluation and management or Maintenance care*.

(b) Unless this is the usual place of residence (see text for exceptions).

(c) Includes mothercraft hospitals, except in jurisdictions where mothercraft facilities are considered acute.

(d) Includes discharge to usual residence/own accommodation/welfare institution (including prisons, hostels and group homes providing primarily welfare services).

(e) Includes separations for which the mode of separation was *Not reported*.

(f) The total includes separations for which the sex/age of the person was not reported.

(g) Includes separations where the care type was reported as *Psychogeriatric care*, *Geriatric evaluation and management or Maintenance care*.

Table 7.15: Separations^(a), by mode of admission and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006-07

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Admitted patient transferred from another hospital	82,453	58,447	27,638	27,813	16,731	3,009	2,312	331	218,734
Statistical admission: type change	19,589	10,453	13,632	7,771	3,169	1,592	3,305	933	60,444
Other ^(b)	1,320,821	1,245,016	743,360	415,312	368,536	83,408	70,150	84,549	4,331,152
Not reported	39,266	326	0	0	2,211	9,147	0	0	50,950
Total	1,462,129	1,314,242	784,630	450,896	390,647	97,156	75,767	85,813	4,661,280
Private hospitals									
Admitted patient transferred from another hospital	30,286	25,786	16,154	5,632	5,608	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	87,592
Statistical admission: type change	2,265	1,968	3,765	709	240	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	19,144
Other ^(b)	775,154	733,663	722,095	282,822	223,400	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,831,309
Not reported	671	0	0	0	76	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,592
Total	808,376	761,417	742,014	289,163	229,324	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	2,941,637
All hospitals									
Admitted patient transferred from another hospital	112,739	84,233	43,792	33,445	22,339	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	306,326
Statistical admission: type change	21,854	12,421	17,397	8,480	3,409	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	79,588
Other ^(b)	2,095,975	1,978,679	1,465,455	698,134	591,936	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,162,461
Not reported	39,937	326	0	0	2,287	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	54,542
Total	2,270,505	2,075,659	1,526,644	740,059	619,971	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	7,602,917

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days, and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.

(b) Other refers to all planned and unplanned admissions except transfers from other hospitals and statistical admissions.

Table 7.16: Separations^(a), by mode of separation and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006-07

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Discharge/transfer to an(other) acute hospital	98,426	84,446	43,193	19,127	20,854	3,523	3,552	3,215	276,336
Discharge/transfer to residential aged care service ^(b)	16,830	16,160	3,904	5,792	7,503	1,035	1,195	231	52,650
Discharge/transfer to an(other) psychiatric hospital	2,789	1,657	193	850	941	0	20	2	6,452
Discharge/transfer to other health care accommodation ^(c)	4,604	1,325	2,374	567	659	1,076	295	1,825	12,725
Statistical discharge: type change	18,671	10,485	13,698	8,050	3,155	1,618	3,442	899	60,018
Left against medical advice/discharge at own risk	15,527	4,768	6,472	3,580	2,556	466	190	2,476	36,035
Statistical discharge from leave	4,625	2	678	1,312	177	9	0	0	6,803
Died	23,241	15,070	9,121	4,032	4,623	1,537	815	467	58,906
Other ^(d)	1,277,354	1,180,329	704,997	407,586	350,139	87,892	66,257	76,698	4,151,252
Not reported	62	0	0	0	40	0	1	0	103
Total	1,462,129	1,314,242	784,630	450,896	390,647	97,156	75,767	85,813	4,661,280
Private hospitals									
Discharge/transfer to an(other) acute hospital	16,797	14,911	12,011	2,580	4,259	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	51,394
Discharge/transfer to residential aged care service ^(b)	1,317	2,210	1,180	1,122	1,203	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,194
Discharge/transfer to an(other) psychiatric hospital	50	12	3	38	27	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	130
Discharge/transfer to other health care accommodation ^(c)	554	0	571	7	80	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,521
Statistical discharge: type change	2,211	2,169	3,775	776	285	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,226
Left against medical advice/discharge at own risk	518	459	205	118	35	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,338
Statistical discharge from leave	0	0	411	25	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	436
Died	2,129	3,107	4,777	1,881	1,285	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	13,534
Other ^(d)	784,800	738,549	719,081	282,616	222,114	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,856,828
Not reported	0	0	0	0	36	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	36
Total	808,376	761,417	742,014	289,163	229,324	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,941,637

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days, and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.

(b) Unless this is the usual place of residence (see text for exceptions).

(c) Includes mothercraft hospitals, except in jurisdictions where mothercraft facilities are considered acute.

(d) Includes discharge to usual residence/own accommodation/welfare institution (including prisons, hostels and group homes providing primarily welfare services).

Table 7.17: Separations^(a), by inter-hospital contracted patient status and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006–07

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Inter-hospital contracted patient from public sector	3,111	16	0	7,733	2,548	0	0	0	14,855
Inter-hospital contracted patient from private sector	0	69	0	1	0	0	0	28	98
Not inter-hospital contracted patient	1,459,018	1,313,831	784,630	443,162	388,099	97,156	75,767	84,338	4,646,001
Not reported	0	326	0	0	0	0	0	0	326
Total	1,462,129	1,314,242	784,630	450,896	390,647	97,156	75,767	85,813	4,661,280
Private hospitals									
Inter-hospital contracted patient from public sector	21,795	262	4,239	2,335	702	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	32,891
Inter-hospital contracted patient from private sector	0	1	3,029	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,030
Not inter-hospital contracted patient	786,581	760,116	734,735	286,828	228,622	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,893,465
Not reported	0	1,038	11	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12,251
Total	808,376	761,417	742,014	289,163	229,324	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,941,637
All hospitals									
Inter-hospital contracted patient from public sector	24,906	278	4,239	10,068	3,250	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	47,746
Inter-hospital contracted patient from private sector	0	70	3,029	1	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,128
Not inter-hospital contracted patient	2,245,599	2,073,947	1,519,355	729,990	616,721	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,539,466
Not reported	0	1,364	11	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12,577
Total separations	2,270,505	2,075,659	1,526,644	740,059	619,971	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,602,917

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days, and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.

Table 7.18: Separations^(a), by urgency of admission and hospital sector, states and territories, 2006-07

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Emergency	681,230	474,563	340,415	170,697	161,833	42,417	29,305	29,525	1,929,935
Surgical ^(b)	73,379	51,826	33,400	23,672	18,553	5,856	5,108	3,495	215,289
Other ^(b)	607,851	422,737	307,015	147,025	143,280	36,561	24,197	26,030	1,714,696
Elective	607,088	748,756	207,520	153,228	136,571	33,189	19,559	24,453	1,930,364
Surgical ^(b)	188,274	187,913	108,283	63,532	60,833	12,197	9,547	5,262	635,841
Other ^(b)	418,814	560,843	99,237	89,696	75,738	20,992	10,012	19,191	1,294,523
Not assigned	173,229	90,597	236,695	126,971	92,243	21,542	26,903	31,835	800,015
Not reported	582	326	0	0	0	0	0	0	916
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,462,129</i>	<i>1,314,242</i>	<i>784,630</i>	<i>450,896</i>	<i>390,647</i>	<i>97,156</i>	<i>75,767</i>	<i>85,813</i>	<i>4,661,280</i>
Private hospitals									
Emergency	38,617	36,877	72,165	16,636	30,480	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	204,027
Surgical ^(b)	10,689	6,291	10,566	3,330	7,310	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	41,296
Other ^(b)	27,928	30,586	61,599	13,306	23,170	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	162,731
Elective	721,520	703,770	536,684	225,357	173,502	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,446,096
Surgical ^(b)	326,851	263,986	253,530	110,710	90,905	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,088,531
Other ^(b)	394,669	439,784	283,154	114,647	82,597	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,357,565
Not assigned	48,239	20,770	133,165	47,170	25,342	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	280,300
Not reported	0	0	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,214
<i>Total</i>	<i>808,376</i>	<i>761,417</i>	<i>742,014</i>	<i>289,163</i>	<i>229,324</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>2,941,637</i>
All hospitals									
Emergency	719,847	511,440	412,580	187,333	192,313	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,134,012
Surgical ^(b)	84,068	58,117	43,966	27,002	25,863	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	256,585
Other ^(b)	635,779	453,323	368,614	160,331	166,450	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,877,427
Elective	1,328,608	1,452,526	744,204	378,585	310,073	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4,376,460
Surgical ^(b)	515,125	451,899	361,813	174,242	151,738	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,724,372
Other ^(b)	813,483	1,000,627	382,391	204,343	158,335	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,652,088
Not assigned	221,468	111,367	369,860	174,141	117,585	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,080,315
Not reported	582	326	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12,130
Total separations	2,270,505	2,075,659	1,526,644	740,059	619,971	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,602,917

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days, and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.

(b) Separations have been categorised as *Surgical* or *Other* based on the AR-DRG classification recorded for the separation. Other includes AR-DRGs in the *Medical* and *Other* partitions.

Table 7.19: Separations^(a) with hospital-in-the-home care, by hospital sector, states and territories, 2006–07

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
Public hospitals									
Separations									
Same-day	n.a.	8,627	98	15	912	n.a.	0	3	9,655
Overnight	n.a.	32,239	1,027	4,087	5,668	n.a.	922	596	44,539
Hospital-in-the-home days	n.a.	193,079	11,319	46,960	48,064	n.a.	8,577	5,025	313,024
Total patient days	n.a.	289,668	14,640	72,523	73,027	n.a.	12,206	7,553	469,617
Private hospitals									
Separations									
Same-day	n.a.	462	74	3	1,493	n.a.	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.
Overnight	n.a.	1,789	81	136	52	n.a.	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.
Hospital-in-the-home days	n.a.	28,713	3,735	1,102	1,779	n.a.	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.
Total patient days	n.a.	32,372	3,780	2,582	1,779	n.a.	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.
All hospitals									
Separations									
Same-day	n.a.	9,089	172	18	2,405	n.a.	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.
Overnight	n.a.	34,028	1,108	4,223	5,720	n.a.	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.
Hospital-in-the-home days	n.a.	221,792	15,054	48,062	49,843	n.a.	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.
Total patient days	n.a.	322,040	18,420	75,105	74,806	n.a.	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Newborn* with no qualified days, and records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* have been excluded.