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Australia's health system is a complex network of public and private services and providers.

On an average day in Australia there are:

	616,000 subsidised prescriptions dispensed
	381,000 visits to a general practitioner (GP)
	246,000 pathology tests
	79,000 visits to a specialist
	27,000 hospitalisations—59% in the public sector
	27,000 allied health services provided
	24,000 contacts made at community mental health care services
	20,000 presentations to public hospital emergency departments— 30% end up being admitted to hospital
	1,900 people admitted for elective surgery in public hospitals—9% for cataract extraction

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