

# 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 and inter-hospital contracted patient status. The data are derived from the Institute'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. However, Tables 7.10 and 7.11 also include *Newborn* episodes without qualified days. Records for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement* were not included.

Data on Medicare eligibility status for admitted patients have previously been presented in this chapter with data on patient election status and funding source. As for *Australian Hospital Statistics 2001–02* and *Australian Hospital Statistics 2002–03* (AIHW 2003, 2004a), data on Medicare eligibility status have been included in Table 7.1 to allow comparison of data on Medicare eligibility status, patient election status and funding source over time, as far as is possible. Further information on Medicare eligibility status is included in Appendix 3.

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, while the 'Patient election status' for patients whose funding source was reported as *Other hospital or public authority*, *Other* or *Not reported* was categorised according to the reported 'Admitted patient election status'. Separations for *Other hospital or public authority* in Tasmanian private hospitals were reported as public patients on the basis that the contracting hospital was a public hospital.

Caution should be taken when making comparisons with *Australian Hospital Statistics* reports published prior to 2001–02 as the categories presented in Tables 7.1 to 7.5 are not directly comparable due to changes in the data elements used (see Appendix 3 for more information).

## Patient election status and funding source

### Changes 1999–00 to 2003–04

Table 7.1 presents the number of separations and patient days by funding source and hospital sector for the years 1999–00 to 2003–04. Between 1999–00 and 2003–04, the number of separations for private patients for both sectors combined increased by 27.1% (6.2% per

year), while separations for public patients increased by 7.6% (1.8% per year). Between 2002–03 and 2003–04, public patient separations increased by 2.1% and private patient separations increased by 4.2%. After adjusting for the reclassification of two New South Wales private hospitals as public hospitals and the changes in coverage (as detailed in Chapter 2, which may not have been the same for public and private patient separations, or for individual funding sources such as *Private health insurance*), separations for public patients increased by 2.1% and separations for private patients increased by 4.1%. The number of separations for private patients in public hospitals increased by 3.8% between 2002–03 and 2003–04 before adjustment (for coverage change and reclassification), and 3.2% after adjustment, and the number of separations for public patients in private hospitals decreased between 2002–03 and 2003–04 by 11.7% before adjustment and increased by 5.4% after adjustment.

Separations for which private health insurance was reported as the funding source increased by 5.1% overall, and by 4.9% after adjustment for coverage change.

The proportion of separations for *Department of Veterans' Affairs* patients in public hospitals remained relatively stable between 1999–00 and 2003–04 at approximately 3.3% of total separations. Over the same period the proportion of separations in private hospitals that were for *Department of Veterans' Affairs* patients decreased from 8.3% to 7.2%. Medicare eligible patients accounted for 99.1% of all separations from all hospitals in Australia in 2003–04, with 0.3% recorded as not eligible for Medicare. In comparison, 99.4% of separations were reported as being for Medicare eligible patients in 1999–00.

## State and territory overview

Tables 7.2 to 7.6 are presented hierarchically using the data elements 'Admitted patient election status' and selected funding source categories. Accompanying tables published on the Internet present all funding source categories. The data element 'Funding source for hospital patient' (*National Health Data Dictionary* version 12.0 (NHDC 2003)) provides 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, while the number of separations in the funding source categories of *Private health insurance* and *Other private* may be overestimated.

Public patients accounted for 54.6% of all hospital separations, 86.8% in public hospitals (3,646,368) and 3.3% in private hospitals (86,965) (Table 7.2). Patients whose funding source was reported as *Private health insurance* made up 56.0% of private patients in public hospitals, 79.2% of private patients in private hospitals and 34.0% of all separations. *Department of Veterans' Affairs* patients made up 5.0% of all hospital separations.

Overall, around 1.1% of patients were funded by *Workers compensation* (71,872 separations), while 0.4% were funded by *Motor vehicle third party personal claims* (26,129 separations). For these compensable separations, 57.5% were in private hospitals.

In both sectors combined there were 184.9 separations per 1,000 population (age-standardised) for public patients, compared with 152.0 for private patients (Table 7.3). The latter figure is underestimated because separations were not available for a number of private hospitals and/or private free-standing day hospital facilities in Victoria, South

Australia, the Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory and Tasmania (see Appendix 4 for further details). The Northern Territory recorded the highest public patient separation rate for public hospitals (410.0 per 1,000). The separation rate for public patients in private hospitals in Western Australia (29.5 per 1,000) was markedly higher than the national rate.

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 most states and territories. Also, 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, patients whose funding source was reported as *Department of Veterans' Affairs* had the highest average cost weights. 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 59.5% of total patient days, while *Private health insurance* funded patients accounted for 70.7% of patient days for private patients 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 to 74 years, accounting for 15.9% of *Public* patients in public hospitals and 19.8% of *Public* patients in private hospitals. Overall, 35.4% of separations with a funding source of *Private health insurance* were for patients aged 55 to 74 years, and 63.1% of all separations with a funding source of *Department of Veterans' Affairs* were for patients aged 75 to 84 years. Persons aged 25 to 34 years were in the most common age group for separations with a funding source of *Self-funded* (17.5% in both public and private hospitals), and 24.3% of all separations with a funding source of *Motor vehicle third party personal claim* were for patients aged 15–24 years.

Within age groups, 21.6% of separations for persons aged 75–84 years reported a funding source of *Department of Veterans' Affairs*, while for persons aged 55–64 years, 42.7% 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 other (including resident overseas, at sea or no fixed address) (Tables 7.7 to 7.9). This information is derived from data on the area of usual residence of the patient 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, 97.6% (6,674,981) of separations were for patients who were treated

in their state or territory of residence. However, in the Australian Capital Territory, 74.1% of public hospital separations were for Australian Capital Territory residents (51,146), with most of the remainder being residents of New South Wales. This is reflected in the separation rate for Australian Capital Territory residents being much lower than the separation rate for the Australian Capital Territory as state of hospitalisation (see Table 7.3) and is because the Australian Capital Territory is 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 in hospitals in a state other than their state of usual residence. In the Northern Territory, more than 90% of separations for patients whose state of usual residence was Western Australia, and more than 97% of separations for patients whose state of usual residence was South Australia, were for public patients. Almost 69% of separations in Queensland hospitals for patients whose state of usual residence was New South Wales and over 62% of separations in New South Wales hospitals for patients whose state of usual residence was Victoria, 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 state or territory of usual residence. As for Table 7.4, this 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*. 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 all other states and territories compared to the Northern Territory. This reflects a tendency for Northern Territory residents who require more complex treatment to attend hospitals in other states.

## Care type

The data element '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.

Care type was reported for most separations, but was not available for over 18% of the private hospital separations in Tasmania. 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 7.10 and 7.11. Due to the small number of separations reported in the palliative care sub-categories, all palliative care separations have been reported as *Palliative care* in Tables 7.10 and 7.11, without disaggregation into sub-categories.

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 3). Victoria did not provide complete data for the private sector for *Newborn* separations with unqualified days only.

Additionally, some states and territories reported data for *Hospital boarders* and *Posthumous organ procurement*, which are included in the care type data element. This activity is not considered to be admitted patient care, so records relating to it have been excluded from this report. See Appendix 3 for more detail on this activity.

Table 7.10 presents the number of separations for each care type. For public and private sectors combined, 93.0% of separations were classified as episodes of *Acute care*, 3.6% as *Newborn* and 1.8% as *Rehabilitation care*. There was some variation among the states and territories and between the public and private sectors. For example, the proportion of public hospital separations that was for *Rehabilitation care* ranged from 0.9% (655) in the Northern Territory to 2.0% in Queensland (15,147).

*Newborn* separations with unqualified days only have been included in Tables 7.10 and 7.11 only in this report and, as such, will cause total separations in Table 7.10 to differ from those of other tables. They accounted for an additional 194,325 separations, the majority (148,542 or 76.4%) in the public sector.

The average length of stay for episodes of *Acute care* in private hospitals (2.5 days) was shorter than that for public hospitals (3.2 days) (Table 7.11). The average length of stay for *Newborn* episodes with a mixture of qualified and unqualified days has been presented separately as the average number of qualified days and the average number of unqualified days. In the public sector, the average length of stay for these 'mixed' separations was 3.1 qualified days and 2.5 unqualified days, compared with 9.6 days for newborns with qualified days only and 2.8 days for newborns with no qualified days. In the private sector, the average length of stay for these 'mixed' separations was 4.2 qualified days and 3.8 unqualified days, compared with 7.0 days for qualified newborns and 4.5 days for unqualified newborns.

## Non-acute care

Table 7.12 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*, *Psychogeriatric care*, *Geriatric evaluation and management* and *Maintenance care*, with the latter three combined as *Other non-acute care*. Data on patients receiving non-acute care may provide information relevant to continuity of care.

Overall, 63.4% of all separations with non-acute care were in public hospitals and 53.8% 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 (70.5%), while 7.4% reported a separation mode of *Discharge/transfer to a residential aged care service*, 6.5% had a separation mode of *Statistical discharge – type change* (indicating that the patient remained in the same hospital to receive other care) and 5.9% reported a separation mode of *Discharge/transferred to an(other) hospital* (acute or psychiatric) (see Table 7.12). There was some variation between hospital sectors in the modes of separation reported for non-acute care. For example, 8.2% of

separations for non-acute care in public hospitals were transferred to another hospital (acute or psychiatric), compared to 2.7% in private hospitals. There was also variation in the mode of separation by type of non-acute care, as 83.5% of separations for *Rehabilitation care* reported a separation mode of *Other* compared to 37.5% of separations for *Palliative care* and 54.8% for *Other non-acute care*.

Table 7.13 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 (56.3%), and over half of the female patients were aged 75 years and over (52.9%, 38,378 separations). For *Palliative care*, the majority of separations were reported for males (52.8%) and 86.0% of all *Palliative care* patients were aged over 55 years. For *Other non-acute care*, the majority of separations were for females (58.3%), with 75 years and over the most common age group for both sexes (60.7%, 32,919).

## Mode of admission

The data element 'Mode of admission' records the mechanism by which a patient begins an episode of care, and is presented in Table 7.14.

In both public and private hospitals, most separations had a mode of admission of *Other* (94.3%, 6,454,575), 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 both *Admitted patient transferred from another hospital* (194,480 or 4.6% of public hospital separations) and *Statistical admission: type change* (63,831 or 1.5% of public hospital separations) than were reported for private hospitals (86,873 or 3.3% and 7,085 or 0.3% of private hospital separations, respectively). Among the states and territories, New South Wales had the highest proportion of separations (5.2%) with an admission mode of *Admitted patient transferred from another hospital*.

## 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, as shown in Table 7.15. 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 12.0 in 2003–04 (NHDC 2000, 2003), and differences in the use of these definitions by jurisdictions, the use of some categories differs between jurisdictions. For 2003–04, the category *Discharge/transfer to residential aged care service* includes separations where the patient was discharged to a residential aged care service which was their usual place of residence in Victoria and for New South Wales private hospital data. Consequently the number of separations with a mode of separation of *Other* may be underestimated for those jurisdictions. 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 interpreted with caution.

The majority of separations (6,303,623, 92.1%) 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 96.8% of separations (2,556,297) were categorised as *Other*;

compared with 89.2% (3,747,326) in the public sector. The main difference between the sectors was that more public sector patients were transferred to other hospitals (5.8%) 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 the *Left against medical advice/discharge at own risk*.

There is a discrepancy between the number of patients reporting a mode of separation of *Discharged/transferred to an (other) hospital* (acute and psychiatric) (290,670, see Table 7.15) and the number of patients who recorded a mode of admission of *Admitted patient transferred from another hospital* (281,353, see Table 7.14). This may indicate that not all patients who are transferred from one hospital to another are having this recorded as their mode of admission.

## Inter-hospital contracted patient status

Table 7.16 reports on the data element 'Inter-hospital contracted patient'. An episode of care for an inter-hospital contracted patient is defined in the *National Health Data Dictionary* version 12.0 (NHDC 2003) 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. Thus it 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 0.4% (30,316) of separations. The total number of inter-hospital contracted patients was higher for private hospitals (23,787) than for public hospitals (6,529).

Approximately 47.0% (3,068 separations) of contracted care provided by public hospitals was purchased by private hospitals and 83.8% (19,934 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 7.17 reports on the data element '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 which are assigned generally 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 (89.4%) and 54.5% of *Elective* admissions were treated in the private sector. For both the private and public sectors

combined, 28.2% (1,932,319) of separations were assigned an *Emergency* status, 57.3% of separations (3,922,260) were assigned an *Elective* status and the status was *Not assigned* for 14.2% of separations. In the public hospital sector, 62.5% of separations that were assigned an *Elective* status and 51.8% of separations that were assigned an *Emergency* status were classified as *Surgical*. In the private sector, approximately 81.0% of separations were assigned an *Elective* status and 51.1% of these were classified as *Surgical*. An *Emergency* status was assigned for 7.7% of private hospital separations and 51.1% of these separations were classified as *Surgical*.

## Hospital in the home care

Table 7.18 reports on the data element 'Hospital in the home', which is used to report 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 12.0 (NHDC 2003) 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 2003-04, New South Wales and Tasmania did not report this data element. For Victoria, Queensland, Western Australia, the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory, 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. For Queensland, hospital in the home care was reported for several public hospitals and a small number of private hospitals in 2003-04. Queensland Health advised that while the volume of services provided under these programs has been increasing in recent years, it still remains a very small percentage of total admitted patient activity. In South Australia, hospital in the home care was defined as separate episodes of care and therefore the total number of patient days is equal to the number of hospital in the home care days for these separations.

Nationally, there were 45,245 separations that reported hospital in the home care. They accounted for 403,133 patient days, of which 296,718 days (73.6%) were reported as hospital in the home care days. Same day separations accounted for 13.1% (5,925 separations) of separations reporting hospital in the home days.

Table 7.1: Separations and patient days<sup>(a)</sup>, by Medicare eligibility status, patient election status<sup>(b)</sup>, funding source and hospital sector, Australia, 1999–00 to 2003–04

	1999–00		2000–01		2001–02		2002–03		2003–04		Change in number of separations (per cent)	
	Separations ('000)	Patient days ('000)	Separations ('000)	Patient days ('000)	Separations ('000)	Patient days ('000)	Separations ('000)	Patient days ('000)	Separations ('000)	Patient days ('000)	Average since 1999–00	Average since 2002–03
<b>Public hospitals</b>												
Medicare eligible	3,854	16,078	3,867	15,636	3,948	16,166	4,073	16,357	4,182	16,324	2.1	2.7
Public	3,388	13,810	3,371	13,271	3,437	13,693	3,555	13,901	3,644	13,784	1.8	2.5
Private	466	2,268	496	2,365	511	2,473	518	2,456	538	2,541	3.6	3.9
Compensable <sup>(c)</sup>	41	208	41	206	39	197	42	203	43	205	1.0	2.0
Department of Veterans' Affairs	127	783	133	817	132	833	138	855	138	860	2.1	0.5
Other private	298	1,277	322	1,342	340	1,443	338	1,397	357	1,475	4.6	5.6
Not Medicare eligible	17	103	14	54	15	55	14	52	14	50	-5.2	-4.7
Not reported	2	63	2	36	2	16	4	16	5	44	22.8	9.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,873</b>	<b>16,243</b>	<b>3,882</b>	<b>15,726</b>	<b>3,966</b>	<b>16,237</b>	<b>4,091</b>	<b>16,425</b>	<b>4,200</b>	<b>16,418</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.7</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>												
Medicare eligible	2,011	6,310	2,230	6,608	2,366	6,750	2,493	6,925	2,595	7,015	6.6	4.1
Public	81	273	102	317	105	344	98	302	87	219	1.8	-11.7
Private	1,930	6,038	2,129	6,291	2,261	6,406	2,395	6,623	2,508	6,796	6.8	4.7
Compensable <sup>(c)</sup>	65	187	82	251	62	180	60	179	57	166	-3.4	-5.6
Department of Veterans' Affairs	167	866	183	933	184	919	193	953	190	945	3.2	-1.6
Other private	1,697	4,985	1,864	5,107	2,015	5,307	2,141	5,491	2,262	5,685	7.4	5.6
Not Medicare eligible	6	13	8	19	9	22	6	14	5	16	-3.6	-11.5
Not reported	9	37	34	116	58	192	56	176	40	134	44.2	-27.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,026</b>	<b>6,361</b>	<b>2,272</b>	<b>6,743</b>	<b>2,433</b>	<b>6,964</b>	<b>2,554</b>	<b>7,115</b>	<b>2,641</b>	<b>7,165</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>3.4</b>
<b>All hospitals</b>												
Medicare eligible	5,865	22,388	6,097	22,244	6,314	22,916	6,566	23,282	6,778	23,339	3.7	3.2
Public	3,469	14,083	3,472	13,588	3,542	14,037	3,653	14,203	3,731	14,002	1.8	2.1
Private	2,396	8,306	2,625	8,656	2,772	8,879	2,912	9,079	3,046	9,336	6.2	4.6
Compensable <sup>(c)</sup>	106	394	122	457	101	377	102	382	99	372	-1.6	-2.5
Department of Veterans' Affairs	295	1,650	316	1,750	315	1,752	331	1,809	328	1,805	2.7	-0.7
Other private	1,995	6,262	2,186	6,449	2,355	6,750	2,480	6,888	2,619	7,159	7.0	5.6
Not Medicare eligible	23	116	21	73	24	77	20	67	19	66	-4.8	-6.6
Not reported	11	100	35	152	61	209	60	193	45	178	41.1	-24.7
<b>Total separations/patient days</b>	<b>5,899</b>	<b>22,604</b>	<b>6,154</b>	<b>22,469</b>	<b>6,398</b>	<b>23,201</b>	<b>6,645</b>	<b>23,541</b>	<b>6,841</b>	<b>23,583</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>2.9</b>

(a) Separations and patient days 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) Changes in the data elements used to present data in this table may have resulted in discontinuities in some categories. See Appendix 3 for more detail.

(c) Includes separations for which the funding source was reported as *Workers compensation*, *Motor vehicle third party personal claim* and *Other compensation* for 2001–02 to 2003–04. This differs from Tables 7.2 to 7.5 because *Other compensation* is included in the *Other private patients* category in those tables.

Table 7.2: Separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by patient election status, funding source and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	1,087,537	1,051,621	648,597	333,522	328,785	65,701	63,102	67,503	3,646,368
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	1,084,952	1,050,359	646,732	333,197	327,872	65,701	63,092	67,390	3,639,295
Private patients	237,811	132,100	72,416	33,724	50,324	14,857	5,927	2,613	549,772
Private health insurance	149,592	66,545	31,288	18,464	28,557	9,293	3,160	837	307,736
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	18,150	14,277	14,296	842	2,043	0	94	162	49,864
Workers compensation	7,225	5,790	3,706	1,636	1,612	327	332	413	21,041
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	4,833	8,473	2,432	1,671	1,916	744	137	425	20,631
Department of Veterans' Affairs	56,018	36,046	15,314	9,062	15,145	4,485	1,789	499	138,358
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	1,993	969	5,380	2,049	1,051	8	415	277	12,142
Patient election status not reported	187	3,808	0	0	0	360	0	0	4,355
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,325,535</b>	<b>1,187,529</b>	<b>721,013</b>	<b>367,246</b>	<b>379,109</b>	<b>80,918</b>	<b>69,029</b>	<b>70,116</b>	<b>4,200,495</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	2,441	1,846	16,984	56,576	1,291	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	86,965
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	2,440	1,843	16,984	56,570	1,281	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	86,945
Private patients	709,698	677,615	623,063	233,617	204,920	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,551,103
Private health insurance	562,911	532,159	458,736	195,106	177,670	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,019,259
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	83,829	79,347	68,516	12,698	8,736	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	255,240
Workers compensation	13,806	14,583	9,119	6,018	5,463	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	50,831
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	234	3,923	36	786	358	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5,498
Department of Veterans' Affairs	47,983	46,702	77,554	17,149	11,758	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	205,037
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	935	901	9,102	1,860	935	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	15,238
Patient election status not reported	6	1,345	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,629
<b>Total</b>	<b>712,145</b>	<b>680,806</b>	<b>640,047</b>	<b>290,193</b>	<b>206,211</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>2,640,697</b>
<b>All hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	1,089,978	1,053,467	665,581	390,098	330,076	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,733,333
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	1,087,392	1,052,202	663,716	389,767	329,153	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,726,240
Private patients	947,509	809,715	695,479	267,341	255,244	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,100,875
Private health insurance	712,503	598,704	490,024	213,570	206,227	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,326,995
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	101,979	93,624	82,812	13,540	10,779	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	305,104
Workers compensation	21,031	20,373	12,825	7,654	7,075	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	71,872
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	5,067	12,396	2,468	2,457	2,274	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,129
Department of Veterans' Affairs	104,001	82,748	92,868	26,211	26,903	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	343,395
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	2,928	1,870	14,482	3,909	1,986	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	27,380
Patient election status not reported	193	5,153	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,984
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,037,680</b>	<b>1,868,335</b>	<b>1,361,060</b>	<b>657,439</b>	<b>585,320</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>6,841,192</b>

(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*, *Other hospital or public authority* and most patients in public psychiatric hospitals.

(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*.

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**Table 7.3: Separations<sup>(a)</sup> per 1,000 population, by patient election status, funding source and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04**

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	158.9	208.5	170.1	173.3	206.2	133.4	214.5	410.0	180.6
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	156.1	208.0	169.6	172.9	205.6	133.4	214.5	409.4	179.3
Private patients	34.0	25.7	19.2	17.8	29.7	28.6	21.1	18.9	26.9
Private health insurance	21.7	13.2	8.3	9.6	17.6	18.2	10.8	5.4	15.2
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	2.7	2.9	3.8	0.4	1.4	0.0	0.3	0.8	2.5
Workers compensation	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.8	1.1	0.7	1.0	2.0	1.1
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	0.7	1.7	0.6	0.9	1.3	1.6	0.4	2.1	1.0
Department of Veterans' Affairs	7.5	6.6	4.1	5.0	7.7	8.1	7.4	7.3	6.5
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	0.3	0.2	1.4	1.1	0.7	0.0	1.2	1.3	0.6
Patient election status not reported	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>192.9</b>	<b>235.0</b>	<b>189.3</b>	<b>191.0</b>	<b>235.9</b>	<b>162.8</b>	<b>235.6</b>	<b>428.9</b>	<b>207.7</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	0.3	0.4	4.4	29.5	0.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.3
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	0.3	0.4	4.4	29.5	0.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.3
Private patients	102.7	133.3	163.3	120.3	124.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	125.1
Private health insurance	81.7	105.0	119.9	100.1	107.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	99.3
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	12.2	15.8	18.0	6.5	5.7	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12.7
Workers compensation	2.0	2.9	2.4	3.0	3.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2.5
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.4	0.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.3
Department of Veterans' Affairs	6.5	8.6	20.7	9.4	6.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9.7
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	0.1	0.2	2.4	1.0	0.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.8
Patient election status not reported	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>103.0</b>	<b>133.9</b>	<b>167.8</b>	<b>149.8</b>	<b>124.8</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>129.6</b>
<b>All hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	159.3	208.9	174.5	202.7	207.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	184.9
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	156.5	208.3	174.0	202.4	206.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	183.6
Private patients	136.6	159.0	182.5	138.1	153.7	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	152.0
Private health insurance	103.4	118.2	128.2	109.7	125.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	114.4
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	14.9	18.6	21.7	6.9	7.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	15.1
Workers compensation	3.1	4.1	3.3	3.8	4.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3.6
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	0.8	2.5	0.6	1.2	1.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.3
Department of Veterans' Affairs	14.0	15.2	24.8	14.4	13.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16.2
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	0.4	0.4	3.8	2.0	1.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.4
Patient election status not reported	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>295.9</b>	<b>368.9</b>	<b>357.0</b>	<b>340.8</b>	<b>360.7</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>337.2</b>

(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*, *Other hospital or public authority* and most patients in public psychiatric hospitals.

(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*.

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Table 7.4: Average cost weight of separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by patient election status, funding source and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	1.04	0.93	0.99	0.95	0.98	1.05	0.93	0.74	0.98
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	1.04	0.92	0.99	0.95	0.98	1.05	0.93	0.73	0.98
Private patients	1.19	1.24	1.02	1.24	1.15	1.04	1.41	1.24	1.18
Private health insurance	1.16	1.29	0.90	1.18	1.06	0.99	1.49	1.10	1.15
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	1.25	0.80	1.04	0.83	0.78	..	0.92	1.06	1.03
Workers compensation	1.22	1.13	1.17	1.38	1.11	0.99	1.30	1.09	1.19
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	1.86	2.17	2.06	2.49	2.18	2.10	2.85	2.36	2.11
Department of Veterans' Affairs	1.21	1.11	1.04	1.15	1.25	0.98	1.31	0.89	1.16
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	1.24	1.09	1.08	1.13	1.09	0.94	1.00	1.00	1.11
Patient election status not reported	1.43	1.20	..	..	..	1.16	..	..	1.21
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.07</b>	<b>0.96</b>	<b>0.99</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>1.01</b>	<b>1.05</b>	<b>0.97</b>	<b>0.75</b>	<b>1.00</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	0.52	0.39	0.44	0.52	0.65	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.54
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	0.52	0.39	0.44	0.52	0.65	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.54
Private patients	0.88	0.84	0.84	0.89	0.92	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.87
Private health insurance	0.89	0.86	0.87	0.88	0.91	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.88
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	0.68	0.41	0.48	0.58	0.68	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.54
Workers compensation	1.03	1.02	0.89	0.92	1.08	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.99
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	0.98	1.12	1.21	1.02	1.03	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.10
Department of Veterans' Affairs	1.11	1.27	1.04	1.16	1.12	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.13
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	1.08	0.47	0.41	0.81	0.78	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.56
Patient election status not reported	0.31	0.53	..	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.61
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.88</b>	<b>0.84</b>	<b>0.83</b>	<b>0.82</b>	<b>0.92</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>0.85</b>

(a) Separations for which the care type was reported as *Acute*, *Newborn* with qualified days, or was *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*, *Other hospital or public authority* and most patients in public psychiatric hospitals.

(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*.

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.. Not applicable.

Table 7.5: Patient days<sup>(a)</sup>, by patient election status, funding source and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	4,573,772	3,647,729	2,359,254	1,264,450	1,271,499	294,194	205,930	203,652	13,820,480
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	4,563,853	3,614,681	2,355,649	1,263,120	1,271,013	294,194	205,842	203,291	13,771,643
Private patients	1,206,018	599,878	258,499	155,547	266,915	57,592	29,265	9,860	2,583,574
Private health insurance	671,084	295,896	113,803	72,452	135,866	28,400	15,467	2,205	1,335,173
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	57,395	22,067	22,241	3,305	4,723	..	200	748	110,679
Workers compensation	27,031	17,461	11,587	6,299	5,059	1,170	1,165	1,296	71,068
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	32,650	42,287	14,306	13,359	15,227	5,424	1,236	3,048	127,537
Department of Veterans' Affairs	375,167	218,684	78,269	49,927	104,026	22,570	9,905	1,763	860,311
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	42,691	3,483	18,293	10,205	2,014	28	1,292	800	78,806
Patient election status not reported	1,638	11,532	0	0	0	1,257	0	0	14,427
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,781,428</b>	<b>4,259,139</b>	<b>2,617,753</b>	<b>1,419,997</b>	<b>1,538,414</b>	<b>353,043</b>	<b>235,195</b>	<b>213,512</b>	<b>16,418,481</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	4,929	3,385	49,974	131,442	3,878	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	218,708
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	4,890	3,382	49,974	131,436	3,865	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	218,647
Private patients	1,854,732	1,836,727	1,718,333	674,417	562,011	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,942,353
Private health insurance	1,458,140	1,411,635	1,239,850	537,509	488,847	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5,402,838
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	130,797	99,119	80,412	15,620	10,620	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	339,545
Workers compensation	30,378	39,773	14,825	10,678	13,732	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	113,503
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	965	45,608	105	1,948	905	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	51,025
Department of Veterans' Affairs	232,097	239,425	370,933	104,595	46,161	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,011,587
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	2,355	1,167	12,208	4,067	1,746	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	23,855
Patient election status not reported	6	2,029	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,671
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,859,667</b>	<b>1,842,141</b>	<b>1,768,307</b>	<b>805,859</b>	<b>565,889</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>7,164,732</b>
<b>All hospitals</b>									
Public patients <sup>(b)</sup>	4,578,701	3,651,114	2,409,228	1,395,892	1,275,377	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	14,039,188
Public <sup>(c)</sup>	4,568,743	3,618,063	2,405,623	1,394,556	1,274,878	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	13,990,290
Private patients	3,060,750	2,436,605	1,976,832	829,964	828,926	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,525,927
Private health insurance	2,129,224	1,707,531	1,353,653	609,961	624,713	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,738,011
Self-funded <sup>(d)</sup>	188,192	121,186	102,653	18,925	15,343	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	450,224
Workers compensation	57,409	57,234	26,412	16,977	18,791	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	184,571
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	33,615	87,895	14,411	15,307	16,132	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	178,562
Department of Veterans' Affairs	607,264	458,109	449,202	154,522	150,187	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,871,898
Other <sup>(e)</sup>	45,046	4,650	30,501	14,272	3,760	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	102,661
Patient election status not reported	1,644	13,561	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	18,098
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,641,095</b>	<b>6,101,280</b>	<b>4,386,060</b>	<b>2,225,856</b>	<b>2,104,303</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>23,583,213</b>

(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*, *Other hospital or public authority* and most patients in public psychiatric hospitals.

(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*.

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.. Not applicable.

Table 7.6: Separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by patient election status, funding source and age group, 2003–04

	<1	1–4	5–14	15–24	25–34	35–44	45–54	55–64	65–74	75–84	85+	Total <sup>(b)</sup>
<b>Public hospitals</b>												
Public patients <sup>(c)</sup>	107,816	125,547	155,212	301,089	459,364	402,763	427,912	489,905	579,049	444,062	153,648	3,646,368
Public <sup>(d)</sup>	107,694	125,358	155,006	299,548	457,622	402,071	427,323	489,142	578,344	443,663	153,523	3,639,295
Private patients	10,902	17,476	21,412	30,536	43,289	43,619	50,375	62,434	73,735	145,678	50,316	549,772
Private health insurance	9,641	14,094	16,597	13,651	23,156	27,201	35,501	46,640	52,762	50,001	18,492	307,736
Self-funded <sup>(e)</sup>	870	2,584	2,992	5,861	8,721	6,281	5,154	5,221	6,372	4,662	1,146	49,864
Workers compensation	1	0	17	3,898	4,849	5,001	4,494	2,299	432	47	3	21,041
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	50	384	1,264	5,476	4,004	2,989	2,311	1,520	1,324	1,067	242	20,631
Department of Veterans' Affairs	0	0	8	22	73	550	1,546	5,559	11,562	88,903	30,135	138,358
Other <sup>(f)</sup>	340	414	534	1,628	2,486	1,597	1,369	1,195	1,283	998	298	12,142
Patient election status not reported	382	223	149	1,112	909	357	367	294	327	185	50	4,355
<b>Total</b>	<b>119,100</b>	<b>143,246</b>	<b>176,773</b>	<b>332,737</b>	<b>503,562</b>	<b>446,739</b>	<b>478,654</b>	<b>552,633</b>	<b>653,111</b>	<b>589,925</b>	<b>204,014</b>	<b>4,200,495</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>												
Public patients <sup>(c)</sup>	918	1,147	1,599	4,368	8,264	10,866	12,152	15,502	17,205	12,022	2,922	86,965
Public <sup>(d)</sup>	918	1,147	1,599	4,366	8,259	10,864	12,150	15,498	17,202	12,021	2,921	86,945
Private patients	22,880	29,383	49,269	153,220	256,437	310,308	385,547	444,117	392,186	401,456	106,299	2,551,103
Private health insurance	21,412	25,489	43,710	113,821	198,317	253,780	329,112	385,519	339,496	244,854	63,749	2,019,259
Self-funded <sup>(e)</sup>	1,404	3,841	5,352	32,693	44,711	37,618	33,089	31,679	31,015	27,376	6,461	255,240
Workers compensation	1	2	12	3,524	9,022	14,109	14,709	8,227	1,090	125	10	50,831
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	4	2	50	881	1,195	1,127	994	601	354	235	55	5,498
Department of Veterans' Affairs	2	1	8	94	506	1,125	5,297	15,540	18,772	127,848	35,844	205,037
Other <sup>(f)</sup>	57	48	137	2,207	2,686	2,549	2,346	2,551	1,459	1,018	180	15,238
Patient election status not reported	33	0	5	684	417	294	431	395	298	68	4	2,629
<b>Total</b>	<b>23,831</b>	<b>30,530</b>	<b>50,873</b>	<b>158,272</b>	<b>265,118</b>	<b>321,468</b>	<b>398,130</b>	<b>460,014</b>	<b>409,689</b>	<b>413,546</b>	<b>109,225</b>	<b>2,640,697</b>
<b>All hospitals</b>												
Public patients <sup>(c)</sup>	108,734	126,694	156,811	305,457	467,628	413,629	440,064	505,407	596,254	456,084	156,570	3,733,333
Public <sup>(d)</sup>	108,612	126,505	156,605	303,914	465,881	412,935	439,473	504,640	595,546	455,684	156,444	3,726,240
Private patients	33,782	46,859	70,681	183,756	299,726	353,927	435,922	506,551	465,921	547,134	156,615	3,100,875
Private health insurance	31,053	39,583	60,307	127,472	221,473	280,981	364,613	432,159	392,258	294,855	82,241	2,326,995
Self-funded <sup>(e)</sup>	2,274	6,425	8,344	38,554	53,432	43,899	38,243	36,900	37,387	32,038	7,607	305,104
Workers compensation	2	2	29	7,422	13,871	19,110	19,203	10,526	1,522	172	13	71,872
Motor vehicle third party personal claim	54	386	1,314	6,357	5,199	4,116	3,305	2,121	1,678	1,302	297	26,129
Department of Veterans' Affairs	2	1	16	116	579	1,675	6,843	21,099	30,334	216,751	65,979	343,395
Other <sup>(f)</sup>	397	462	671	3,835	5,172	4,146	3,715	3,746	2,742	2,016	478	27,380
Patient election status not reported	415	223	154	1,796	1,326	651	798	689	625	253	54	6,984
<b>Total</b>	<b>142,931</b>	<b>173,776</b>	<b>227,646</b>	<b>491,009</b>	<b>768,680</b>	<b>768,207</b>	<b>876,784</b>	<b>1,012,647</b>	<b>1,062,800</b>	<b>1,003,471</b>	<b>313,239</b>	<b>6,841,192</b>

(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 reported as *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*, *Other hospital or public authority* and most patients in public psychiatric hospitals.

(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 reported as *Other compensation*, *Department of Defence*, *Correctional facilities*, *Other hospital or public authority*, *Other* and *Not reported*.

Table 7.7: Separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by state or territory of usual residence and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003-04

State or territory of usual residence	State or territory of hospitalisation									Separations per 1,000 population
	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total	
<b>Public hospitals</b>										
New South Wales	1,300,953	18,342	9,324	458	1,740	179	17,447	276	1,348,719	196.3
Victoria	5,223	1,160,902	1,715	388	2,224	307	197	242	1,171,198	231.8
Queensland	8,883	1,107	704,940	321	285	118	106	291	716,051	188.0
Western Australia	435	359	266	364,613	267	42	23	884	366,889	190.8
South Australia	639	1,550	424	197	371,943	71	35	2,098	376,957	234.5
Tasmania	218	1,452	192	49	77	80,113	9	0	82,110	165.3
Australian Capital Territory	2,312	185	142	48	60	5	51,146	0	53,898	183.3
Northern Territory	232	247	321	190	1,910	9	22	65,898	68,829	421.0
Other Australian territories <sup>(b)</sup>	807	883	6	127	0	0	0	0	1,823	935.0
Not elsewhere classified <sup>(c)</sup>	5,833	2,502	2,967	855	69	63	0	426	12,715	..
Not reported	0	0	716	0	534	11	44	1	1,306	..
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,325,535</b>	<b>1,187,529</b>	<b>721,013</b>	<b>367,246</b>	<b>379,109</b>	<b>80,918</b>	<b>69,029</b>	<b>70,116</b>	<b>4,200,495</b>	<b>207.7</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>										
New South Wales	699,593	6,356	23,369	154	1,350	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	737,806	105.9
Victoria	6,269	671,769	1,430	158	1,347	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	681,177	132.9
Queensland	2,718	666	612,739	144	154	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	616,537	160.4
Western Australia	215	269	188	289,205	118	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	290,069	148.5
South Australia	163	467	255	44	201,760	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	202,734	121.7
Tasmania	185	702	253	42	73	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	64,633	127.6
Australian Capital Territory	1,556	173	110	19	34	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	27,159	89.1
Northern Territory	202	163	448	102	1,006	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12,702	78.0
Other Australian territories <sup>(b)</sup>	70	5	86	52	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	213	110.2
Not elsewhere classified <sup>(c)</sup>	1,174	236	732	273	37	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,462	..
Not reported	0	0	437	0	332	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5,205	..
<b>Total</b>	<b>712,145</b>	<b>680,806</b>	<b>640,047</b>	<b>290,193</b>	<b>206,211</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>2,640,697</b>	<b>129.6</b>

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

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

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.. Not applicable.

Table 7.8: Separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by state or territory of usual residence and patient election status, states and territories, 2003–04

State or territory of usual residence	State or territory of hospitalisation									Separations per 1,000 population
	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total	
<b>Public patients</b>										
New South Wales	1,071,166	16,282	10,189	411	1,370	154	16,033	232	1,115,837	163.0
Victoria	4,351	1,030,692	1,669	381	1,804	258	169	207	1,039,531	206.1
Queensland	8,080	931	649,466	286	226	90	95	253	659,427	172.9
Western Australia	380	308	243	388,014	203	34	20	852	390,054	202.7
South Australia	508	1,180	384	167	324,167	62	28	2,063	328,559	206.0
Tasmania	164	1,190	166	53	67	72,505	7	0	74,152	150.9
Australian Capital Territory	1,736	153	127	43	47	5	46,700	0	48,811	165.3
Northern Territory	175	200	271	174	1,671	7	17	63,614	66,129	401.8
Other Australian territories <sup>(b)</sup>	740	787	5	125	0	0	0	0	1,657	843.9
Not elsewhere classified <sup>(c)</sup>	2,678	1,744	2,328	444	32	31	0	281	7,538	..
Not reported	0	0	733	0	489	382	33	1	1,638	..
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,089,978</b>	<b>1,053,467</b>	<b>665,581</b>	<b>390,098</b>	<b>330,076</b>	<b>73,528</b>	<b>63,102</b>	<b>67,503</b>	<b>3,733,333</b>	<b>184.9</b>
<b>Private patients</b>										
New South Wales	929,203	8,380	22,504	201	1,720	90	8,284	87	970,469	139.9
Victoria	7,140	797,733	1,476	165	1,767	128	103	72	808,584	158.8
Queensland	3,521	825	668,213	179	213	72	45	65	673,133	176.6
Western Australia	269	311	211	265,804	182	20	5	88	266,890	137.9
South Australia	294	832	295	74	249,536	24	14	54	251,123	151.1
Tasmania	239	960	279	38	83	70,621	8	0	72,228	142.2
Australian Capital Territory	2,131	205	125	24	47	2	29,711	0	32,245	107.8
Northern Territory	258	205	498	118	1,245	6	12	11,864	14,206	89.8
Other Australian territories <sup>(b)</sup>	137	46	87	54	0	0	0	0	324	176.2
Not elsewhere classified <sup>(c)</sup>	4,317	218	1,371	684	74	15	0	145	6,824	..
Not reported	0	0	420	0	377	3,978	44	30	4,849	..
<b>Total</b>	<b>947,509</b>	<b>809,715</b>	<b>695,479</b>	<b>267,341</b>	<b>255,244</b>	<b>74,956</b>	<b>38,226</b>	<b>12,405</b>	<b>3,100,875</b>	<b>152.0</b>
<b>Total<sup>(d)</sup></b>	<b>2,037,680</b>	<b>1,868,335</b>	<b>1,361,060</b>	<b>657,439</b>	<b>585,320</b>	<b>148,881</b>	<b>101,328</b>	<b>81,149</b>	<b>6,841,192</b>	<b>337.2</b>

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

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

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

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.. Not applicable.

Table 7.9: Average cost weight of separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by state or territory of usual residence and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

State or territory of usual residence	State or territory of hospitalisation								Total
	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
New South Wales	1.07	0.97	1.54	1.11	1.74	1.02	1.15	0.88	1.07
Victoria	1.16	0.96	1.05	1.22	1.40	1.31	2.12	1.01	0.96
Queensland	1.14	1.21	0.98	0.96	1.17	0.87	1.32	1.27	0.98
Western Australia	1.20	1.46	1.13	0.97	0.95	0.83	1.09	0.74	0.97
South Australia	1.36	1.84	1.00	1.23	0.99	0.89	1.62	0.67	0.99
Tasmania	1.09	2.33	1.09	1.53	1.06	1.04	0.72	..	1.07
Australian Capital Territory	1.53	1.51	1.24	1.82	1.42	0.50	0.90	..	0.93
Northern Territory	1.53	2.21	1.28	1.76	2.48	0.78	1.49	0.75	0.81
Other Australian territories <sup>(b)</sup>	1.05	1.50	1.37	1.55	..	..	..	..	1.31
Not elsewhere classified <sup>(c)</sup>	1.46	1.27	1.35	1.35	0.78	1.79	..	1.34	1.39
Not reported	..	..	1.28	..	1.91	1.95	2.06	0.76	1.56
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.07</b>	<b>0.96</b>	<b>0.99</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>1.01</b>	<b>1.05</b>	<b>0.97</b>	<b>0.75</b>	<b>1.00</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
New South Wales	0.88	1.18	0.98	1.06	1.17	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.89
Victoria	0.79	0.83	0.89	0.80	1.03	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.83
Queensland	0.84	1.09	0.82	1.20	1.54	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.83
Western Australia	1.11	0.91	1.04	0.82	0.86	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.82
South Australia	1.24	0.93	1.13	1.10	0.91	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.91
Tasmania	1.69	1.93	1.18	1.03	1.12	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.96
Australian Capital Territory	1.45	1.26	0.83	1.11	0.95	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.96
Northern Territory	1.18	1.27	1.05	1.16	1.81	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.87
Other Australian territories <sup>(b)</sup>	0.51	0.88	0.62	1.26	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.75
Not elsewhere classified <sup>(c)</sup>	2.33	0.74	1.08	0.88	0.73	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.61
Not reported	..	..	1.16	..	1.13	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0.57
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.88</b>	<b>0.84</b>	<b>0.83</b>	<b>0.82</b>	<b>0.92</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>0.85</b>

(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.

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.. Not applicable.

Table 7.10: Separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by care type and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

Care type	NSW	Vic <sup>(b)</sup>	Qld	WA	SA <sup>(c)</sup>	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Acute care	1,263,695	1,134,398	687,024	356,203	362,267	78,545	66,365	68,354	4,016,851
Rehabilitation care—not further specified	25,137	21,308	..	4,284	4,193	819	..	655	56,396
Rehabilitation care—delivered in a designated unit	..	..	9,762	..	..	..	331	..	10,093
Rehabilitation care—according to a designated program	..	..	2,596	..	..	..	160	..	2,756
Rehabilitation care—principal clinical intent	..	..	2,789	..	..	..	567	..	3,356
<i>Rehabilitation total</i>	<i>25,137</i>	<i>21,308</i>	<i>15,147</i>	<i>4,284</i>	<i>4,193</i>	<i>819</i>	<i>1,058</i>	<i>655</i>	<i>72,601</i>
Palliative care	8,928	4,296	3,561	610	1,429	387	375	14	19,600
Geriatric evaluation and management	1,001	9,921	591	732	3	22	3	62	12,335
Psychogeriatric care	1,214	2,278	284	729	7	4	2	10	4,528
Maintenance care	8,010	3,804	6,139	2,157	1,634	491	278	143	22,656
Newborn—qualified days only	13,566	9,166	6,130	2,173	3,256	647	804	846	36,588
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days <sup>(d)</sup>	3,972	2,358	1,911	358	411	0	129	0	9,139
Newborn—unqualified days only	51,992	36,729	29,165	13,623	9,812	2,513	2,510	2,198	148,542
<i>Newborn total</i>	<i>69,530</i>	<i>48,253</i>	<i>37,206</i>	<i>16,154</i>	<i>13,479</i>	<i>3,160</i>	<i>3,443</i>	<i>3,044</i>	<i>194,269</i>
Other admitted patient care	2	0	226	0	5,909	0	15	25	6,177
Not reported	10	0	0	0	0	3	0	7	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,377,527</b>	<b>1,224,258</b>	<b>750,178</b>	<b>380,869</b>	<b>388,921</b>	<b>83,431</b>	<b>71,539</b>	<b>72,314</b>	<b>4,349,037</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Acute care	665,747	662,212	620,925	284,050	203,682	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,527,139
Rehabilitation care—not further specified	30,146	10,188	..	1,466	1,943	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	43,745
Rehabilitation care—delivered in a designated unit	..	..	8,680	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	8,680
Rehabilitation care—according to a designated program	..	..	1,840	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,840
Rehabilitation care—principal clinical intent	..	..	1,725	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,725
<i>Rehabilitation total</i>	<i>30,146</i>	<i>10,188</i>	<i>12,245</i>	<i>1,466</i>	<i>1,943</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>55,990</i>
Palliative care	428	368	2,448	1,988	121	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5,359
Geriatric evaluation and management	1,146	0	0	0	3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,152
Psychogeriatric care	0	4,002	22	64	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,126
Maintenance care	330	121	1,241	252	18	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,420
Newborn—qualified days only	2,603	3,914	1,640	824	418	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,791
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days <sup>(d)</sup>	369	1	600	1,549	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,523
Newborn—unqualified days only	18,736	59	14,198	8,225	652	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	45,783
<i>Newborn total</i>	<i>21,708</i>	<i>3,974</i>	<i>16,438</i>	<i>10,598</i>	<i>1,070</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>58,097</i>
Other admitted patient care	11,376	0	926	0	26	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12,347
Not reported	0	0	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12,850
<b>Total</b>	<b>730,881</b>	<b>680,865</b>	<b>654,245</b>	<b>298,418</b>	<b>206,863</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>2,686,480</b>

(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) For South Australia the care type *Other admitted patient care* includes episodes of Hospital in the home care.

(d) 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.

n.p. Not published.

.. Not applicable.

Table 7.11: Average length of stay (days)<sup>(a)</sup>, by care type and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

Care type	NSW	Vic <sup>(b)</sup>	Qld	WA	SA <sup>(c)</sup>	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Acute care	3.7	2.9	2.9	3.2	3.2	3.8	2.9	2.8	3.2
Rehabilitation care—not further specified	18.1	15.6	..	29.3	28.9	29.4	..	5.2	18.8
Rehabilitation care—delivered in a designated unit	..	..	9.9	..	..	..	14.8	..	10.1
Rehabilitation care—according to a designated program	..	..	5.2	..	..	..	24.0	..	6.3
Rehabilitation care—principal clinical intent	..	..	12.3	..	..	..	10.8	..	12.0
<i>Rehabilitation total</i>	<i>18.1</i>	<i>15.6</i>	<i>9.5</i>	<i>29.3</i>	<i>28.9</i>	<i>29.4</i>	<i>14.0</i>	<i>5.2</i>	<i>16.8</i>
Palliative care	11.9	17.2	9.7	10.6	12.2	12.5	17.8	42.2	12.8
Geriatric evaluation and management	11.7	28.1	20.2	8.1	n.p.	19.5	n.p.	20.9	25.1
Psychogeriatric care	72.5	29.0	30.3	45.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26.6	43.7
Maintenance care	40.2	36.5	53.3	38.9	110.3	34.2	33.0	24.8	47.8
Newborn—qualified days only	7.9	10.0	10.6	12.5	10.8	12.3	11.0	11.3	9.6
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days (qualified days)	3.0	3.3	2.5	4.8	2.1	..	6.0	..	3.1
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days (unqualified days)	2.8	2.5	2.2	2.2	2.1	..	2.7	..	2.5
Newborn—unqualified days only	2.9	2.9	2.4	3.2	3.0	2.9	2.7	3.2	2.8
<i>Newborn total</i>	<i>4.1</i>	<i>4.4</i>	<i>3.9</i>	<i>4.5</i>	<i>4.9</i>	<i>4.9</i>	<i>4.8</i>	<i>5.5</i>	<i>4.3</i>
Other admitted patient care	n.p.	..	7.6	..	6.7	..	3.7	3.0	6.7
Not reported	11.6	..	..	..	..	n.p.	..	n.p.	7.3
<b>Total<sup>(e)</sup></b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>3.8</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Acute care	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2.5
Rehabilitation care—not further specified	6.6	15.8	..	21.1	14.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9.6
Rehabilitation care—delivered in a designated unit	..	..	4.3	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.3
Rehabilitation care—according to a designated program	..	..	9.3	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9.3
Rehabilitation care—principal clinical intent	..	..	9.8	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9.8
<i>Rehabilitation total</i>	<i>6.6</i>	<i>15.8</i>	<i>5.8</i>	<i>21.1</i>	<i>14.4</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>8.8</i>
Palliative care	13.4	13.4	9.1	11.5	12.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	10.7
Geriatric evaluation and management	2.8	..	..	..	17.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2.9
Psychogeriatric care	..	6.4	13.9	44.7	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.1
Maintenance care	6.8	61.6	41.4	26.0	20.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	29.2
Newborn—qualified days only	5.5	5.4	12.2	8.6	4.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7.0
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days (qualified days)	12.2	n.p.	2.7	2.9	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.2
Newborn—qualified and unqualified days (unqualified days)	3.9	n.p.	3.0	4.0	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3.8
Newborn—unqualified days only <sup>(d)</sup>	4.5	1.5	4.3	4.8	3.9	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.5
<i>Newborn total</i>	<i>4.8</i>	<i>5.3</i>	<i>5.1</i>	<i>5.4</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>5.0</i>
Other admitted patient care	5.3	..	12.9	..	4.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5.8
Not reported	..	..	..	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7.9
<b>Total<sup>(e)</sup></b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>2.7</b>

(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) For South Australia the care type *Other admitted patient care* includes episodes of Hospital in the home care.

(d) The reporting of *Newborns* with unqualified days only is not compulsory for the Victorian private sector, therefore the average length of stay for this care type may not be comparable with the average length of stay for other jurisdictions.

(e) Excludes separations for *Newborn* with unqualified days only.

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.. Not applicable.

Table 7.12: Separations for non-acute care<sup>(a)</sup>, by patient election status and mode of separation, all hospitals, Australia, 2003-04

		Discharge/ transfer to an(other) acute hospital	Discharge/ transfer to a residential aged care service <sup>(b)</sup>	Discharge/ transfer to an(other) psychiatric hospital	Discharge/ transfer to other health care <sup>(c)</sup> accommodation	Statistical discharge: type change	Left against medical advice/ discharge at own risk	Statistical discharge from leave	Died	Other <sup>(d)</sup>	Total <sup>(e)</sup>
<b>Public hospitals</b>											
Rehabilitation care	Public patients <sup>(f)</sup>	4,181	2,379	80	498	5,101	397	558	360	47,124	60,679
	Private patients	1,332	779	9	151	1,477	52	194	116	7,796	11,906
	<i>Total<sup>(g)</sup></i>	<i>5,514</i>	<i>3,159</i>	<i>89</i>	<i>649</i>	<i>6,580</i>	<i>450</i>	<i>752</i>	<i>476</i>	<i>54,931</i>	<i>72,601</i>
Palliative care	Public patients <sup>(f)</sup>	677	390	1	124	397	26	151	8,209	5,414	15,389
	Private patients	220	123	0	21	63	4	76	2,557	1,142	4,206
	<i>Total<sup>(g)</sup></i>	<i>897</i>	<i>513</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>460</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>227</i>	<i>10,770</i>	<i>6,557</i>	<i>19,600</i>
Other non-acute <sup>(h)</sup> care	Public patients <sup>(f)</sup>	3,235	8,287	450	530	4,287	187	301	1,655	13,811	32,752
	Private patients	606	1,798	63	107	1,015	20	29	406	2,714	6,758
	<i>Total<sup>(g)</sup></i>	<i>3,843</i>	<i>10,085</i>	<i>513</i>	<i>638</i>	<i>5,303</i>	<i>207</i>	<i>330</i>	<i>2,062</i>	<i>16,529</i>	<i>39,519</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,254</b>	<b>13,757</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>12,343</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>1,309</b>	<b>13,308</b>	<b>78,017</b>	<b>131,720</b>	
<b>Private hospitals</b>											
Rehabilitation care	Public patients <sup>(f)</sup>	53	121	1	6	63	0	1	19	469	733
	Private patients	1,453	628	2	58	985	45	2	106	51,975	55,254
	<i>Total<sup>(g)</sup></i>	<i>1,507</i>	<i>749</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>1,048</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>52,446</i>	<i>55,990</i>
Palliative care	Public patients <sup>(f)</sup>	74	43	0	1	14	1	3	936	700	1,772
	Private patients	63	34	0	9	30	3	1	1,337	2,109	3,586
	<i>Total<sup>(g)</sup></i>	<i>138</i>	<i>77</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>44</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>2,273</i>	<i>2,809</i>	<i>5,359</i>
Other non-acute <sup>(h)</sup> care	Public patients <sup>(f)</sup>	19	337	0	5	17	1	0	44	73	496
	Private patients	376	491	1	9	104	7	1	94	13,119	14,202
	<i>Total<sup>(g)</sup></i>	<i>395</i>	<i>828</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>121</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>138</i>	<i>13,192</i>	<i>14,698</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,040</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>1,213</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2,536</b>	<b>68,447</b>	<b>76,047</b>	

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

(b) Unless this is the usual place of residence (see text in Chapter 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*, *Geriatric evaluation and management* or *Maintenance*.

Table 7.13: Separations for non-acute care<sup>(a)</sup>, by sex, age group and mode of separation, all hospitals, Australia, 2003–04

Rehabilitation care	Discharge/ transfer to acute hospital	Discharge/ transfer to a residential aged care service <sup>(b)</sup>	Discharge/ transfer to an(other) psychiatric hospital	Discharge/ transfer to other health care <sup>(c)</sup> accommodation	Statistical discharge: type change	Left against medical advice/ discharge at own risk	Statistical discharge from leave	Died	Other <sup>(d)</sup>	Total <sup>(e)</sup>
<b>Male</b>										
Under 14	10	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	164	180
15–24	87	3	0	5	36	21	16	1	1,354	1,523
25–34	121	16	4	12	58	52	26	2	2,012	2,303
35–44	191	23	5	14	98	55	24	1	3,422	3,833
45–54	249	48	5	17	247	32	25	5	5,017	5,645
55–64	380	74	3	22	334	37	33	11	7,838	8,732
65–74	659	204	7	46	728	37	62	49	9,954	11,746
75–84	1,115	532	10	78	1,308	45	91	119	12,880	16,178
85 and over	442	388	5	65	639	16	33	124	4,284	5,996
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,254</i>	<i>1,288</i>	<i>39</i>	<i>262</i>	<i>3,451</i>	<i>295</i>	<i>310</i>	<i>312</i>	<i>46,925</i>	<i>56,136</i>
<b>Female</b>										
Under 14	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	121	126
15–24	38	5	0	3	18	13	12	0	960	1,049
25–34	100	9	0	6	31	14	9	0	1,881	2,050
35–44	138	7	4	7	72	22	27	0	3,238	3,515
45–54	162	28	0	11	73	16	22	5	5,094	5,411
55–64	296	51	3	12	212	24	35	12	7,887	8,532
65–74	710	198	7	29	631	36	62	35	11,683	13,391
75–84	1,403	1,036	16	172	1,677	58	153	106	20,318	24,939
85 and over	918	1,285	23	211	1,461	17	125	131	9,268	13,439
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,767</i>	<i>2,619</i>	<i>53</i>	<i>451</i>	<i>4,177</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>445</i>	<i>289</i>	<i>60,450</i>	<i>72,452</i>
<b>Persons<sup>(f)</sup></b>										
Under 14	12	0	0	3	5	0	0	0	285	306
15–24	125	8	0	8	54	34	28	1	2,314	2,572
25–34	221	25	4	18	89	66	35	2	3,893	4,353
35–44	329	30	9	21	170	77	51	1	6,662	7,350
45–54	411	76	5	28	320	48	47	10	10,111	11,056
55–64	676	125	6	34	546	61	68	23	15,725	17,264
65–74	1,369	402	14	75	1,359	73	124	84	25,637	27,137
75–84	2,518	1,569	26	250	2,985	103	244	225	33,198	41,118
85 and over	1,360	1,673	28	276	2,100	33	158	255	13,552	19,435
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,021</b>	<b>3,908</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>713</b>	<b>7,628</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>107,377</b>	<b>128,591</b>

(continued)

Table 7.13 (continued): Separations for non-acute care<sup>(a)</sup>, by sex, age group and mode of separation, all hospitals, Australia, 2003–04

	Discharge/ transfer to an(other) acute hospital	Discharge/ transfer to a residential aged care service <sup>(b)</sup>	Discharge/ transfer to an(other) psychiatric hospital	Discharge/ transfer to other health care <sup>(c)</sup> accommodation	Statistical discharge: type change	Left against medical advice/ discharge at own risk	Statistical discharge from leave	Died	Other <sup>(d)</sup>	Total <sup>(e)</sup>
<b>Palliative care</b>										
<b>Male</b>										
Under 14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	48	58
15–24	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	47	64
25–34	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	44	40	91
35–44	18	1	1	3	3	1	5	148	173	353
45–54	45	7	0	5	10	3	14	477	423	984
55–64	126	32	0	19	57	5	15	1,058	885	2,197
65–74	140	57	0	24	67	9	35	2,092	1,529	3,953
75–84	165	123	0	26	95	2	33	2,443	1,230	4,117
85 and over	59	67	0	8	33	2	7	866	308	1,350
<i>Total</i>	<i>564</i>	<i>287</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>85</i>	<i>266</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>109</i>	<i>7,149</i>	<i>4,683</i>	<i>13,167</i>
<b>Female</b>										
Under 14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	28	29
15–24	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	39	50
25–34	5	1	0	0	3	1	2	41	78	131
35–44	19	4	0	7	9	1	10	165	279	494
45–54	58	6	0	7	8	3	21	485	650	1,238
55–64	92	13	0	10	22	2	17	895	872	1,923
65–74	122	47	0	13	64	0	38	1,335	1,224	2,843
75–84	123	143	0	21	89	2	26	1,924	1,128	3,456
85 and over	52	89	0	12	43	2	7	1,038	385	1,628
<i>Total</i>	<i>471</i>	<i>303</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>122</i>	<i>5,894</i>	<i>4,683</i>	<i>11,792</i>
<b>Persons<sup>(f)</sup></b>										
Under 14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	76	87
15–24	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	22	86	114
25–34	10	1	0	0	4	2	2	85	118	222
35–44	37	5	1	10	12	2	15	313	452	847
45–54	103	13	0	12	18	6	35	962	1,073	2,222
55–64	218	45	0	29	79	7	32	1,953	1,757	4,120
65–74	262	104	0	37	131	9	73	3,427	2,753	6,796
75–84	288	266	0	47	184	4	59	4,367	2,358	7,573
85 and over	111	156	0	20	76	4	14	1,904	693	2,978
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,035</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>13,043</b>	<b>9,366</b>	<b>24,959</b>

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Table 7.13 (continued): Separations for non-acute care<sup>(a)</sup>, by sex, age group and mode of separation, all hospitals, Australia, 2003–04

	Discharge/ transfer to an(other) acute hospital	Discharge/ transfer to a residential aged care service <sup>(b)</sup>	Discharge/ transfer to an(other) psychiatric hospital	Discharge/ transfer to other health care <sup>(c)</sup> accommodation	Statistical discharge: type change	Left against medical advice/ discharge at own risk	Statistical discharge from leave	Died	Other <sup>(d)</sup>	Total <sup>(e)</sup>
<b>Other non-acute care<sup>(g)</sup></b>										
<b>Male</b>										
Under 14	3	0	0	0	3	0	1	2	436	445
15–24	32	0	8	6	19	4	7	1	385	462
25–34	32	3	7	7	54	10	21	2	497	633
35–44	38	21	3	11	64	20	4	9	738	908
45–54	61	59	3	21	51	7	7	14	1,025	1,248
55–64	118	206	17	30	167	10	13	41	1,342	1,944
65–74	407	782	46	44	389	23	46	172	2,787	4,701
75–84	796	1,878	61	95	1,019	33	46	449	3,385	7,763
85 and over	450	1,389	72	55	561	12	17	380	1,587	4,523
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,937</b>	<b>4,338</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>2,327</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>12,182</b>	<b>22,627</b>
<b>Female</b>										
Under 14	4	0	0	0	12	0	0	5	320	341
15–24	1	2	1	4	17	6	7	1	383	422
25–34	15	2	3	1	29	4	3	0	1,011	1,068
35–44	14	15	2	4	62	7	3	2	891	1,000
45–54	80	34	3	16	59	10	0	8	1,133	1,343
55–64	81	115	4	13	121	4	6	31	1,254	1,629
65–74	349	687	39	41	433	18	58	77	3,449	5,153
75–84	964	2,621	111	151	1,210	31	67	415	5,622	11,193
85 and over	793	3,098	134	153	1,154	16	25	591	3,476	9,440
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,301</b>	<b>6,574</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>3,097</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>1,130</b>	<b>17,539</b>	<b>31,589</b>
<b>Persons<sup>(f)</sup></b>										
Under 14	7	0	0	0	15	0	1	7	756	786
15–24	33	2	9	10	36	10	14	2	768	884
25–34	47	5	10	8	83	14	24	2	1,508	1,701
35–44	52	37	5	15	126	27	7	11	1,629	1,909
45–54	141	93	6	37	110	17	7	22	2,158	2,591
55–64	199	321	21	43	288	14	19	72	2,596	3,573
65–74	756	1,469	85	85	822	41	104	249	6,236	9,854
75–84	1,760	4,499	172	246	2,229	64	113	864	9,007	18,956
85 and over	1,243	4,487	206	208	1,715	28	42	971	5,063	13,963
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,238</b>	<b>10,913</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>5,424</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>29,721</b>	<b>54,217</b>

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

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

(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*, *Geriatric evaluation and management* or *Maintenance*.

Table 7.14: Separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by mode of admission and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Admitted patient transferred from another hospital	76,656	47,888	24,251	24,246	16,212	3,016	1,854	357	194,480
Statistical admission: type change	24,135	13,740	12,050	4,052	6,938	1,196	1,180	540	63,831
Other <sup>(b)</sup>	1,220,565	1,125,488	684,712	338,948	355,959	67,135	65,995	69,219	3,928,021
Not reported	4,179	413	0	0	0	9,571	0	0	14,163
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,325,535</i>	<i>1,187,529</i>	<i>721,013</i>	<i>367,246</i>	<i>379,109</i>	<i>80,918</i>	<i>69,029</i>	<i>70,116</i>	<i>4,200,495</i>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Admitted patient transferred from another hospital	30,080	23,951	21,404	4,627	4,649	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	86,873
Statistical admission: type change	1,319	1,561	2,575	1,165	42	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,085
Other <sup>(b)</sup>	680,502	655,294	616,068	284,401	201,520	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,526,554
Not reported	244	0	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	20,185
<i>Total</i>	<i>712,145</i>	<i>680,806</i>	<i>640,047</i>	<i>290,193</i>	<i>206,211</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>2,640,697</i>
<b>All hospitals</b>									
Admitted patient transferred from another hospital	106,736	71,839	45,655	28,873	20,861	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	281,353
Statistical admission: type change	25,454	15,301	14,625	5,217	6,980	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	70,916
Other <sup>(b)</sup>	1,901,067	1,780,782	1,300,780	623,349	557,479	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,454,575
Not reported	4,423	413	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	34,348
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,037,680</b>	<b>1,868,335</b>	<b>1,361,060</b>	<b>657,439</b>	<b>585,320</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>6,841,192</b>

(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.

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Table 7.15: Separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by mode of separation and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Discharge/transfer to an (other) acute hospital	89,243	69,283	34,853	16,450	19,268	3,366	2,478	2,429	237,370
Discharge/transfer to residential aged care service <sup>(b)</sup>	14,644	13,465	3,650	4,862	7,524	974	1,120	232	46,471
Discharge/transfer to an (other) psychiatric hospital	3,035	1,291	182	659	1,295	0	13	6	6,481
Discharge/transfer to other health care accommodation <sup>(c)</sup>	3,352	0	2,672	572	595	1,156	254	1,566	10,167
Statistical discharge: type change	18,222	13,868	12,014	4,204	6,664	1,195	1,233	480	57,880
Left against medical advice/discharge at own risk	12,931	4,091	5,333	3,465	2,141	412	114	1,933	30,420
Statistical discharge from leave	3,917	3	576	1,653	261	0	0	0	6,410
Died	23,427	15,022	8,690	3,595	4,685	1,343	817	325	57,904
Other <sup>(d)</sup>	1,156,698	1,070,506	653,043	331,786	336,676	72,472	63,000	63,145	3,747,326
Not reported	66	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	66
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,325,535</b>	<b>1,187,529</b>	<b>721,013</b>	<b>367,246</b>	<b>379,109</b>	<b>80,918</b>	<b>69,029</b>	<b>70,116</b>	<b>4,200,495</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Discharge/transfer to an (other) acute hospital	15,137	14,164	9,758	2,990	4,131	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	46,588
Discharge/transfer to residential aged care service <sup>(b)</sup>	1,231	2,170	1,433	1,192	1,507	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,641
Discharge/transfer to an (other) psychiatric hospital	85	8	0	89	47	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	231
Discharge/transfer to other health care accommodation <sup>(c)</sup>	495	0	561	16	79	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,725
Statistical discharge: type change	1,461	1,750	2,586	1,251	52	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7,424
Left against medical advice/discharge at own risk	600	464	199	197	61	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,680
Statistical discharge from leave	25	0	23	17	18	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	83
Died	2,268	3,407	4,597	2,157	1,353	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	14,028
Other <sup>(d)</sup>	690,843	658,843	620,890	282,284	198,963	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,556,297
Not reported	0	0	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>712,145</b>	<b>680,806</b>	<b>640,047</b>	<b>290,193</b>	<b>206,211</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>2,640,697</b>

(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 in Chapter 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).

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Table 7.16: Separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by inter-hospital contracted patient status and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Inter-hospital contracted patient from public sector	875	1,636	0	300	639	0	0	11	3,461
Inter-hospital contracted patient from private sector	2,357	17	0	0	0	0	0	694	3,068
Not inter-hospital contracted patient	956,325	1,185,463	721,013	366,946	375,346	80,918	69,029	69,410	3,824,450
Not reported	365,978	413	0	0	3,124	0	0	1	369,516
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,325,535</i>	<i>1,187,529</i>	<i>721,013</i>	<i>367,246</i>	<i>379,109</i>	<i>80,918</i>	<i>69,029</i>	<i>70,116</i>	<i>4,200,495</i>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Inter-hospital contracted patient from public sector	1,146	2,533	1,117	6,353	610	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	19,934
Inter-hospital contracted patient from private sector	0	0	3,852	1	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,853
Not inter-hospital contracted patient	710,999	678,273	635,035	283,839	205,518	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,606,115
Not reported	0	0	43	0	83	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	10,795
<i>Total</i>	<i>712,145</i>	<i>680,806</i>	<i>640,047</i>	<i>290,193</i>	<i>206,211</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>2,640,697</i>
<b>All hospitals</b>									
	0	0	0	0	0				0
Inter-hospital contracted patient from public sector	2,021	4,169	1,117	6,653	1,249	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	23,395
Inter-hospital contracted patient from private sector	2,357	17	3,852	1	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,921
Not inter-hospital contracted patient	1,667,324	1,863,736	1,356,048	650,785	580,864	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6,430,565
Not reported	365,978	413	43	0	3,207	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	380,311
<b>Total separations</b>	<b>2,037,680</b>	<b>1,868,335</b>	<b>1,361,060</b>	<b>657,439</b>	<b>585,320</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>6,841,192</b>

(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.

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Table 7.17: Separations<sup>(a)</sup>, by urgency of admission and hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Emergency	632,824	403,528	310,573	147,122	154,056	34,694	21,641	23,930	1,728,368
Surgical <sup>(b)</sup>	323,458	209,002	162,492	76,992	81,991	18,692	11,454	11,957	896,038
Other <sup>(b)</sup>	309,366	194,589	148,081	70,130	72,065	16,002	10,187	11,973	832,393
Elective	545,690	697,852	208,069	126,274	137,162	25,289	21,098	21,315	1,782,749
Surgical <sup>(b)</sup>	356,103	479,140	103,443	60,736	73,566	13,756	9,728	16,986	1,113,458
Other <sup>(b)</sup>	189,587	218,823	104,626	65,538	63,596	11,533	11,370	4,329	669,402
Not assigned	146,988	85,736	202,371	93,850	87,891	20,702	26,290	24,868	688,696
Not reported	33	413	0	0	0	233	0	3	682
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,325,535</b>	<b>1,187,529</b>	<b>721,013</b>	<b>367,246</b>	<b>379,109</b>	<b>80,918</b>	<b>69,029</b>	<b>70,116</b>	<b>4,200,495</b>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Emergency	27,584	33,304	78,217	25,626	27,541	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	203,951
Surgical <sup>(b)</sup>	14,235	17,547	38,495	12,515	14,548	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	104,286
Other <sup>(b)</sup>	13,349	15,760	39,722	13,111	12,993	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	99,668
Elective	641,703	627,954	437,768	211,113	158,870	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,139,511
Surgical <sup>(b)</sup>	336,833	339,468	212,607	97,075	75,545	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,093,781
Other <sup>(b)</sup>	304,870	289,226	225,161	114,038	83,325	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,046,470
Not assigned	42,858	19,548	124,062	53,454	19,800	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	285,854
Not reported	0	0	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,381
<b>Total</b>	<b>712,145</b>	<b>680,806</b>	<b>640,047</b>	<b>290,193</b>	<b>206,211</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>2,640,697</b>
<b>All hospitals</b>									
Emergency	660,408	436,832	388,790	172,748	181,597	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,932,319
Surgical <sup>(b)</sup>	337,693	226,549	200,987	89,507	96,539	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,000,324
Other <sup>(b)</sup>	322,715	210,349	187,803	83,241	85,058	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	932,061
Elective	1,187,393	1,325,806	645,837	337,387	296,032	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,922,260
Surgical <sup>(b)</sup>	692,936	818,608	316,050	157,811	149,111	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,207,239
Other <sup>(b)</sup>	494,457	508,049	329,787	179,576	146,921	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,715,872
Not assigned	189,846	105,284	326,433	147,304	107,691	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	974,550
Not reported	33	413	0	0	0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12,063
<b>Total separations</b>	<b>2,037,680</b>	<b>1,868,335</b>	<b>1,361,060</b>	<b>657,439</b>	<b>585,320</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>6,841,192</b>

(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.

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Table 7.18: Separations<sup>(a)</sup> with hospital in the home care, by hospital sector, states and territories, 2003–04

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA <sup>(b)</sup>	Tas	ACT	NT	Total
<b>Public hospitals</b>									
Separations									
Same day	n.a.	4,590	336	1	910	n.a.	0	0	5,837
Overnight	n.a.	31,081	809	383	4,999	n.a.	1,033	292	38,597
Hospital in the home days	n.a.	226,343	6,268	6,178	39,758	n.a.	8,959	2,839	290,345
<i>Total patient days</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>317,534</i>	<i>8,137</i>	<i>9,383</i>	<i>39,758</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>14,148</i>	<i>4,655</i>	<i>393,615</i>
<b>Private hospitals</b>									
Separations									
Same day	n.a.	1	79	0	8	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.	88
Overnight	n.a.	422	20	241	18	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.	723
Hospital in the home days	n.a.	3,208	761	2,265	114	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.	6,373
<i>Total patient days</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>4,299</i>	<i>761</i>	<i>4,103</i>	<i>114</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>9,518</i>
<b>All hospitals</b>									
Separations									
Same day	n.a.	4,591	415	1	918	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.	5,925
Overnight	n.a.	31,503	829	624	5,017	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.	39,320
Hospital in the home days	n.a.	229,551	7,029	8,443	39,872	n.a.	n.p.	n.p.	296,718
<b>Total patient days</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>321,833</b>	<b>8,898</b>	<b>13,486</b>	<b>39,872</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>n.p.</b>	<b>403,133</b>

(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) In South Australia, hospital in the home care was defined as separate episodes of care and therefore the total number of patient days is equal to the number of hospital in the home care days.

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n.a. Not available.