

Introduction

The *National Health Data Dictionary* (NHDD) was first published as the *National Minimum Data Set – Institutional Health Care* in September 1989. In March 1993 the *National Health Data Dictionary – Institutional Health Care* (Version 2.0) was published. Since the establishment of the first National Health Information Agreement in June 1993 there have been many changes in the development and management of national health information resulting in the expansion of both the scope and content of subsequent versions of the *National Health Data Dictionary*. The National Health Information Agreement was renewed in May 1998 for a further five years and again in May 2004.

Under the National Health Information Agreement, the *National Health Data Dictionary* is the authoritative source of health data definitions used in Australia where national consistency is required. In 2000, the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council (AHMAC) also endorsed the Data Dictionary as the source of data standards to support Australia's initiatives in electronic capture and exchange of health information.

The Dictionary is designed to improve the comparability of data across the health field. It is also designed to make data collection activities more efficient by reducing duplication of effort in the field, and more effective by ensuring that information to be collected is appropriate to its purpose.

The objectives of the *National Health Data Dictionary* are to:

- establish a core set of uniform definitions relating to the full range of health services and a range of population parameters (including health status and determinants);
- promote uniformity, availability, reliability, validity, consistency and completeness in the data;
- accord with nationally and internationally agreed protocols and standards, wherever possible; and
- promote the national standard definitions by being readily available to all individuals and organisations involved in the generation, use and/or development of health and health services information.

The Health Data Standards Committee is responsible for coordinating the development and revision of the *National Health Data Dictionary*.

The Health Data Standards Committee (HDSC)

The Health Data Standards Committee is a standing committee of the National Health Information Group (NHIG) – a body established by the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council (AHMAC) with responsibility to oversee implementation of the National Health Information Agreement. All data element definitions to be included in the *National Health Data Dictionary* require endorsement by the NHIG.

The primary role of the Health Data Standards Committee is to assess data definitions proposed for inclusion in the *National Health Data Dictionary* and to make recommendations to the NHIG on revisions and additions to each successive version of the Dictionary. In particular, the Committee's role is to ensure that the *National Health Data Dictionary* definitions comply with endorsed standards for the definition of data elements and that all data definitions being considered for the Dictionary have undergone sufficient national consultation with recognised experts and stakeholders in the relevant field.

The rules applied to each data element definition are designed to ensure that each definition is clear, concise and comprehensive, and provides sufficient information to ensure that all those who collect, provide, analyse and use the data, understand its meaning.

All definitions in the *National Health Data Dictionary* are presented in a format that is described in more detail at Appendix B.

The Health Data Standards Committee comprises representatives of:

- the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing
- each state and territory government health authority
- the Australian Bureau of Statistics
- the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
- the Australian Private Hospitals' Association
- the private health insurance industry
- the Australian Government Department of Veterans' Affairs
- the National Centre for Classification in Health
- the Health Insurance Commission
- the Information and Communications Technology Standards Committee (ICTSC)
- Standards Australia IT-14 Health Informatics Committee
- a representative from the Consumer's Health Forum Australia
- Australian clinicians.

The NHIG appoints the Chair of the Health Data Standards Committee (HDSC), currently Dr Ching Choi of the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.

A list of Committee members and their contact details is provided at Appendix A.

The Health Data Standards Committee does not normally develop data definitions directly. Rather, it provides a channel through which standards emerging from nationally focused data development work are documented and endorsed by the NHIG. This facilitates implementation in national data collections and allows wider availability to stakeholders in the national health information arena. The range and relevance of the data definitions included in the *National Health Data Dictionary* are dependent, to a significant extent, on the material submitted to the Health Data Standards Committee by the expert working groups that are actively developing data in the health field.

More information about the Health Data Standards Committee and its processes is available from the HDSC Secretariat (see Secretariat contact details at the end of this section).

The AIHW Knowledgebase—Australia's Health, Community Services and Housing Assistance Metadata Registry

The AIHW Knowledgebase – Australia's Health, Community Services and Housing Assistance Metadata Registry is an electronically accessible registry of national data definitions. The Knowledgebase was designed and created by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare on behalf of the NHIG.

Organisations that have authority to create data definitions in the Knowledgebase are given the status of 'Registration Authority'. The organisation authorised to register *National Health Data Dictionary* data definitions in the Knowledgebase is the National Health Information

Group. The organisation authorised to register *National Community Services Data Dictionary* data definitions in the Knowledgebase is the National Community Services Information Management Group (NCSIMG). The organisation authorised to register *National Housing Assistance Data Dictionary* data definitions in the Knowledgebase is the National Housing Data Agreement Management Group (NHDAMG).

The Knowledgebase integrates and presents information about:

- the *National Health Data Dictionary*
- National Minimum Data Set agreements
- the National Health Information Model
- the National Community Services Information Model
- the *National Community Services Data Dictionary*
- the *National Housing Assistance Data Dictionary*.

The integrating features of the Knowledgebase enable information managers and policy developers to query and view information in ways not possible with traditional paper-based records, repositories, data dictionaries or manuals. It is envisaged that, over time, access to the *National Health Data Dictionary* will be primarily electronic – via the redeveloped Knowledgebase (i.e. the Metadata Online Registry or METeOR).

The Knowledgebase is an Internet application, accessible through any browser compatible with HTML version 3.2 or later. It has been written using Oracle's Webserver technology.

Note that the Knowledgebase contains the latest version of all metadata items and should be used when locating metadata items that have been modified since the publication of this supplement to the *National Health Data Dictionary*.

The Internet address for the Knowledgebase – Australia's Health and Community Services and Housing Assistance Metadata Registry is:

<<http://www.aihw.gov.au/knowledgebase/>>

The Metadata Online Registry—METeOR

The current nationally endorsed data standards for health, community services and housing assistance are electronically accessible via the AIHW Knowledgebase, and published through national data dictionaries. The structure of these metadata is based on the 1994 version of the ISO/IEC 11179 standard for the specification and standardisation of data elements.

The Knowledgebase is currently undergoing a redevelopment process so that data items can be represented using the new 2003 version of the ISO/IEC 11179 standard. The resulting system will be known as the Metadata Online Registry (METeOR) and will be available in early 2005.

This redevelopment project recognises the need to have a greater level of formalisation, and a greater degree of discipline in identifying and registering discrete components of a data element in a metadata registry.

The new METeOR system reflects significant progression of the work of the national data standards committees, and is a response to the issues and pressures that they encounter. It will also provide a structure that allows national metadata development to continue to grow and adapt to emerging needs of national electronic data exchange to support care provision, information systems development, and statistical reporting.

National Health Data Dictionary

All data definitions that are included in the latest version of the *National Health Data Dictionary* as well as all previous versions of those data definitions are available on the AIHW Knowledgebase.

Version 12 Supplement

This supplement contains only new data items or those that have been modified since the publication of *National Health Data Dictionary* Version 12 (2003). All data items, including those that have been superseded or rendered obsolete by new data items or new versions of data items are currently available on the Knowledgebase. The Internet address (URL) to access national health metadata via the Knowledgebase is:

<<http://www.aihw.gov.au/knowledgebase/indexkbhealth.html>>.

Select '*National Health Data Dictionary* (NHDD)' from this page to get to the search page for the latest version of the Dictionary. An 'Advanced Search' facility is available from this page. Alternatively, data items can be displayed/selected by alphabetic character.

To reference the *National Health Data Dictionary* in its entirety, one must read both publications in conjunction Version 12 and Version 12 Supplement. Alternatively, a CD-ROM amalgamating NHDD V12 and this supplement are also available.

For completeness, descriptions of the content of all the National Minimum Data Sets (NMDS) have been included showing the changes to NMDSs, the data items added to NMDSs, new versions of data items within the NMDSs, and the retirement of obsolete data items from NMDSs. These NMDS modifications have been endorsed by both the Statistical Information Management Committee (SIMC) and the National Health Information Group (NHIG).

As in Version 12, data definitions are presented in a format based on the standard ISO/IEC 11179 (1994) *Specification and Standardization of Data Elements* – the international standard for defining data elements issued by the International Organization for Standardization and the International Electrotechnical Commission. This format is explained in detail at Appendix B.

International Classification of Diseases, Version 10, Australian Modification, 3rd Edition (ICD-10-AM)

The Health Data Standards Committee (HDSC) has endorsed that all references to ICD-10-AM in the version 12 Supplement to the *National Health Data Dictionary* are to the *third* edition of the ICD-10-AM implemented from 1 July 2002.

Using national data standards—compliance and consistency

The *National Health Data Dictionary* provides agreed national standard specifications for data elements. When data is exchanged between two parties or systems it must meet the requirements of the national standard. Data exchanged between two parties is considered:

- a. **compliant** with the Dictionary when it meets ALL requirements of the national standards. All data supplied as part of a National Minimum Data Set (NMDS) must be **compliant**, i.e. all supplied data must exactly meet the specified requirements for the data elements.
- b. **consistent** with the Dictionary only if:
 - the definition of the data element is the same in the NHDD; and
 - the Data type, Representation class, Format, Maximum field size, or Data Domains are different, but the data is still convertible to the national data element standard without loss of the meaning.

There may be instances where compliance with the Dictionary cannot be achieved, but where consistency with the Dictionary is sufficient to meet local requirements.

Examples are provided below using the permissible values for the Marital status data element.

The *National Health Data Dictionary* Data domain for the data element Marital status (Knowledgebase Identifier 000089) is:

1	Never married
2	Widowed
3	Divorced
4	Separated
5	Married (including de facto)
6	Not stated/inadequately described

Submitted data that uses only these coding categories, numbers and labels would be considered 'compliant with the *National Health Data Dictionary*'.

Summary of changes

National Minimum Data Sets

- **NMDS Admitted patient care** – modified
 - removal of data elements and data element concepts:
 - Establishment identifier
 - Number of leave periods
 - Region code
 - addition of existing data elements and data element concepts:
 - Establishment number
 - Establishment sector
 - Hospital boarder
 - Organ procurement – posthumous
 - modifications to existing data elements and data element concepts:
 - Activity when injured
 - Australian state/territory identifier
 - Inter-hospital contracted patient
 - Place of occurrence of external cause of injury

- **NMDS Alcohol and other drug treatment services** – modified
 - modifications to existing data elements and data element concepts in the NMDS:
 - Establishment sector
 - Main treatment type for alcohol and other drugs
 - Other treatment type for alcohol and other drugs
 - Principal drug of concern
 - Other drug of concern
 - Reason for cessation of treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs
 - Source of referral to alcohol and other drug treatment service
 - Treatment delivery setting for alcohol and other drugs
 - Treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs
 - removal of data elements and data element concepts in the NMDS:
 - Number of service contacts within a treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs
 - Service contact

- **NMDS Community mental health establishments** – modified
 - addition of new data element to NMDS:
 - Specialised mental health service setting
 - addition of new data element concept to NMDS:
 - Specialised mental health service

- **NMDS Emergency Department waiting times** – deleted

- **NMDS Perinatal** – modified
 - removal of data element from the NMDS:
 - First day of last menstrual period

- **NMDS Residential mental health care** – New
 - addition of new data elements to NMDS:
 - Episode of residential care end date
 - Episode of residential care end mode
 - Episode of residential care start date
 - Episode of residential care start mode
 - Leave days from residential care
 - Referral from specialised mental health residential care
 - Residential stay start date
 - addition of new data element concepts to NMDS:
 - Episode of residential care
 - Episode of residential care end
 - Episode of residential care start
 - Resident
 - Residential mental health service
 - Residential stay
 - Specialised mental health service
 - addition of existing data elements and data element concepts to the NMDS:
 - Area of usual residence
 - Establishment identifier
 - Establishment number
 - Region code
 - modifications to existing data elements and data element concepts in the NMDS:
 - Additional diagnosis
 - Australian state/territory identifier

- Country of birth
- Date of birth
- Diagnosis
- Establishment sector
- Indigenous status
- Marital status
- Mental health legal status
- Person identifier
- Principal diagnosis
- Sex

Data set specifications

DSS Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) – New

New non-mandatory core data set for acute coronary syndrome.

DSS Cancer (clinical) – New

New non-mandatory core data set for cancer.

Data elements and data element concepts

New in version 12 Supplement

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) data set specification

- Acute coronary syndrome procedure type
- Acute coronary syndrome stratum
- Angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors therapy status
- Aspirin therapy status
- Beta–blocker therapy status
- Bleeding episode using TIMI criteria – status
- Chest pain pattern category
- Clinical evidence status
- Clinical procedure timing status
- Clopidogrel therapy status
- Concurrent clinical condition – on presentation
- Creatine kinase MB isoenzyme (CK-MB) – measured
- Creatine kinase MB isoenzyme (CK-MB) – units
- Creatine kinase MB isoenzyme (CK-MB) – upper limit of normal range
- Date creatine kinase MB isoenzyme (CK-MB) – measured

- Date of first angioplasty balloon inflation or stenting
- Date of intravenous fibrinolytic therapy
- Date troponin measured
- Electrocardiogram (ECG) change – location
- Electrocardiogram (ECG) change – type
- Fibrinolytic drug used
- Fibrinolytic therapy status
- Functional stress test element
- Functional stress test ischaemic result
- Glycoprotein IIb/IIIa receptor antagonist status
- Heart rate
- Heart rhythm type
- Killip classification code
- Lipid-lowering therapy status
- Reason for readmission – Acute coronary syndrome
- Time creatine kinase MB isoenzyme (CK-MB) measured
- Time of first angioplasty balloon inflation or stenting
- Time of intravenous fibrinolytic therapy
- Time troponin measured
- Troponin assay type
- Troponin assay – upper limit of normal range
- Troponin measured

Address data items

- Address line
- Building/complex sub-unit number
- Building/complex sub-unit type – abbreviation
- Building/property name
- Floor/level number
- Floor/level type
- House/property number
- Lot/section number
- Postal delivery service number
- Postal delivery service type – abbreviation
- Street name
- Street suffix code
- Street type code

Cancer (clinical) Data Set Specification

- Cancer initial treatment – completion date
- Cancer initial treatment – starting date
- Cancer staging – M stage code
- Cancer staging – N stage code
- Cancer staging – T stage code
- Cancer staging – TNM stage grouping code
- Cancer treatment type
- Cancer treatment – target site
- Date of death
- Date of diagnosis of first recurrence
- Date of surgical treatment for cancer
- Histopathological grade
- Initial treatment episode for cancer
- Intention of treatment for cancer
- Most valid basis of diagnosis of cancer
- Oestrogen receptor assay status
- Outcome of initial treatment
- Progesterone receptor assay status
- Radiotherapy treatment type
- Received radiation dose
- Region of first recurrence
- Regional lymph nodes examined
- Regional lymph nodes positive
- Staging basis
- Staging scheme source
- Staging scheme source edition number
- Surgical treatment procedure for cancer
- Systemic therapy agent name

Cancer registries data items

- Degree of spread of cancer
- Most valid basis of diagnosis of cancer

Community mental health establishments NMDS

- Specialised mental health service setting

Residential mental health care NMDS

- Episode of residential care
- Episode of residential care end
- Episode of residential care end date
- Episode of residential care end mode
- Episode of residential care start
- Episode of residential care start date
- Episode of residential care start mode
- Leave days from residential care
- Referral from specialised mental health residential care
- Resident
- Residential mental health service
- Residential stay
- Residential stay start date
- Specialised mental health service

Specialist private sector rehabilitation care indicator

- Specialist private sector rehabilitation care indicator

Modified in version 12 Supplement**Address Data Items**

- Address
 - new version number
 - modification to 'Definition' section
 - removed text in 'Context' section
 - modification to 'Guide for use' section
 - removed existing reference in 'Source document' section
 - modification to 'Comments' section

Amendments to the following data elements were made to correct errors that existed in Version 12 of the NHDD

- Actual place of birth
- Intended place of birth
- Previous pregnancies

Admitted patient care NMDS

- Activity when injured
 - new version number
 - added alphanumeric data type for admitted patients to 'Data type' section
 - added admitted patient format to 'Format' section

- added maximum field size for admitted patients to 'Maximum field size' section
- added admitted patient information to the 'Data domain' section
- removed 'ICD-10-AM' text from the admitted patient information in the 'Guide for use' section
- removed reference to external cause codes from the 'Verification rules' section
- Australian state/territory identifier
 - added information to the 'Guide for use' section further explaining the use of this data element in the admitted patient care NMDS
- Episode of admitted patient care
 - new version number
 - modified title from Episode care
- Inter-hospital contracted patient
 - modified option 3 in the 'Data domain' section
- Place of occurrence of external cause of injury
 - new version number
 - added alphanumeric data type for admitted patients to 'Data type' section
 - added admitted patient format to 'Format' section
 - added maximum field size for admitted patients to 'Maximum field size' section
 - added admitted patient information to the 'Data domain' section
 - removed 'ICD-10-AM' text from the admitted patient information in the 'Guide for use' section
 - removed reference to external cause codes from the 'Verification rules' section
 - modified reference to ICD-10-AM to current edition in the 'Source document' section

Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS

- Establishment sector
 - modified 'Guide for use' section to further explain the data domain when aligned to the more relevant definitions of 'Government' and 'Non-government'
- Main treatment type for alcohol and other drugs
 - modified 'Guide for use' section to assist clinicians coding to the data domain
- Number of service contacts within a treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs
 - removed from the NMDS
- Other treatment type for alcohol and other drugs
 - modified 'Guide for use' section to assist clinicians coding to the data domain
- Other drug of concern
 - new version number
 - addition to the 'Data domain' section of two supplementary Australian Standard Classification of Drugs of Concern (ASCDC) codes
 - addition to the 'Guide for use' section to explain the use of the two supplementary Australian Standard Classification of Drugs of Concern (ASCDC) codes
- Principal drug of concern
 - new version number

- addition to the 'Data domain' section of two supplementary Australian Standard Classification of Drugs of Concern (ASCDC) codes
- addition to the 'Guide for use' section to explain the use of the two supplementary Australian Standard Classification of Drugs of Concern (ASCDC) codes
- Reason for cessation of treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs
 - modified 'Guide for use' section to clarify the correct use of the data domain
- Service contact
 - removed from the NMDS
- Source of referral to alcohol and other drug treatment service
 - new version number
 - modified 'Guide for use' section to clarify the correct use of the data domain
 - modified 'Data domain' section to aid clarity
- Treatment delivery setting for alcohol and other drugs
 - new version number
 - modified the 'Definition' section to clarify the purpose of this data element
- Treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs
 - new version number
 - modified the 'Definition' section to explain when a change in the treatment setting triggers the end and beginning of a new treatment episode
 - modified the 'Guide for use' section to further clarify when a change in the treatment setting triggers the end and beginning of a treatment episode

Emergency department waiting times NMDS deleted

- Establishment number
 - modified 'Comments' section to remove reference to Emergency department waiting times NMDS.

'Foetus' to 'Fetus' modification

The following data items were modified to change the spelling of 'foetus' to 'fetus' and 'foetal' to 'fetal':

- Birth plurality
- Birthweight
- Complications of labour and delivery
- Complications of pregnancy
- Outcome of last previous pregnancy
- Maternal medical conditions
- Pregnancy – current status
- Presentation at birth
- Status of the baby
- Stillbirth (fetal death)

Integrated data items

The following data elements from the *National Health Data Dictionary* and the *National Community Services Data Dictionary* were identified as having many shared attributes and have therefore been integrated for both health and community services use.

- Australian state/territory identifier
 - new version number
 - modified 'Context' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added text to 'Comments' section
- Country of birth
 - new version number
 - modified 'Context' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Collection methods' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - modified 'Comments' section
- Date of birth
 - new version number
 - modified 'Context' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - removed text from 'Verification rules' section
 - modified 'Collection methods' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - modified 'Comments' section
- Family name
 - new version number
 - added text to 'Context' section
 - modified 'Data type' section
 - modified 'Collection methods' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added text to 'Comments' section
- Given name(s)
 - new version number
 - added text to 'Context' section
 - modified 'Data type' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section

- modified 'Collection methods' section
- modified 'Source organisation' section
- modified 'Source document' section
- modified 'Registration authority' section
- added text to 'Comments' section
- Indigenous status
 - new version number
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - modified 'Comments' section
- Informal carer availability
 - data element name change
 - new version number
 - modified 'Context' section
 - modified 'Collection methods' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - removed text from 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
- Labour force status
 - new version number
 - added text to 'Context' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - removed text from 'Comments' section
- Main language other than English spoken at home
 - new version number
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Collection methods' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added text to 'Comments' section
- Main occupation of person
 - modified data element name
 - new version number
 - modified 'Definition' section
 - modified 'Context' section
 - added text to 'Guide for use' section
 - added text to 'Collection methods' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section

- modified text in 'Comments' section
- Marital status
 - new version number
 - modified 'Definition' section
 - modified 'Context' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Collection methods' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - added 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - modified 'Comments' section
- Mother's original family name
 - new version number
 - added 'Context' section
 - modified 'Data type' section
 - removed text from 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added 'Comments' section
- Name context flag
 - new version number
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - deleted 'Verification rules' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added 'Comments' section
- Name suffix
 - new version number
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Collection methods' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added 'Comments' section
- Name title
 - new version number
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added 'Comments' section

- Person identifier
 - new version number
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - removed 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added 'Comments' section
- Postal delivery point identifier
 - new version number
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
- Postcode – Australian
 - new version number
 - added 'Context' section
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - removed 'Verification rules' section
 - modified collection methods section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - modified 'Comments' section
- Proficiency in spoken English
 - new version number
 - modified 'Definition' section
 - modified 'Context section'
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Collection methods' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
- Sex
 - new version number
 - modified 'Definition section'
 - modified 'Context' section
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Verification rules' section
 - modified 'Collection methods' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - added 'Source document' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - modified 'Comments' section

- Suburb/town/locality name
 - new version number
 - added 'Context' section
 - modified 'Data type' section
 - modified 'Representational class' section
 - modified 'Format' section
 - modified 'Maximum size' section
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - added 'Guide for use' section
 - removed 'Verification rules' section
 - modified 'Collection methods' field
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added 'Comments' section
- Telephone number
 - new version number
 - added 'Context section'
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added 'Comments' section
- Telephone number type
 - new version number
 - modified 'Context' section
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Source organisation' section
 - modified 'Registration authority' section
 - added 'Comments' section

Residential mental health care NMDS

- Additional diagnosis
 - new version number
 - modified 'Definition' section to include reference to Episode of residential care
 - modified 'Data domain' section to reference current edition of ICD-10-AM
 - added reference of 'episode of residential care' to 'Collection methods' section
- Australian state/territory identifier
 - modified 'Guide for use' section to add information on how this data element should be used in the Residential mental health care NMDS
- Diagnosis
 - new version number
 - modified 'Definition' section to include reference to Episode of residential care

- Mental health legal status
 - modified 'Definition' section to include reference to Episode of residential care
 - added text to 'Guide for use' section to indicate that the Mental health legal status may change during an episode of residential care
 - modified 'Collection methods' section to assist in the correct use of the 'Involuntary patient' option
- Principal diagnosis
 - new version number
 - modified 'Definition' section to include reference to Episode of residential care
 - modified 'Guide for use' section to add a reference to the Residential mental health care NMDS
 - added text to the 'Collection methods' section on how to record a 'Resident'

Modified references to 'third edition ICD-10-AM'

The following data items were modified to change any reference of 'third edition ICD-10-AM' to 'current edition ICD-10-AM':

- Activity when injured
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Additional diagnosis
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Complication of labour and delivery
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Complications of pregnancy
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Congenital malformations
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Date of procedure
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
- Diagnosis onset type
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
- External cause – admitted patient
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Indicator procedure
 - modified 'Source document' section

- Maternal medical conditions
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Neonatal morbidity
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Place of occurrence of external cause of injury
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
- Postpartum complication
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Primary site of cancer
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Principal diagnosis
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Verification rules' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Primary site of cancer
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Procedure
 - modified 'Data domain' section
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Vascular history
 - modified 'Source document' section
- Waiting list category
 - modified 'Guide for use' section
 - modified 'Source document' section

New National Minimum Data Sets

Residential mental health care NMDS

The National Mental Health Working Group (NMHWG), the Information Strategy Committee (ISC) and its NMDS Subcommittee have identified residential mental health care as an area where national data are required but are practically non-existent. In response to this identified need, the ISC and its NMDS Subcommittee have recently developed a NMDS for residential mental health care.

The past ten years have seen substantial investment in reforming the mix of mental health services. A key component of these reforms has been the development of residential mental health care services as a community-orientated alternative to long-term hospital stays. While mental health service delivery has moved toward a greater emphasis on residential mental health care, the mental health information infrastructure remains predominantly hospital-based. There has been some progress in the collection of establishment-level data from these services. However there has been very little progress made in the collection of activity data. For this reason, the ISC made the development of an NMDS for residential mental health care a priority and the ISC's NMDS Subcommittee has spent over a year developing the NMDS for residential mental health care.

Once the collection has matured, the residential mental health care data will be an excellent resource for:

- understanding the nature of residential mental health care including characteristics of those using residential mental health services, the level of activity in these services and the relationship between residential mental health care services and other forms of mental health care. This information can then support policy formulation and funding decisions.
- supporting the development of casemix classifications – the data set will provide essential supplementary data for National Outcomes and Casemix Collection (NOCC) for public specialised mental health care services.

Jurisdictions will benefit through the development of nationally consistent information systems, which will allow benchmarking and comparison.

It is intended that these data will be:

- included in AIHW *Mental Health Services in Australia* publications and on-line data tables, in consultation with state and territory health authorities;
- available through the AIHW data request service, in consultation with state and territory health authorities; and
- made available to agencies participating in the Australian Mental Health Outcomes and Classification Network (AMHOCN) to assist in the development of outcome and casemix classifications.

Residential mental health care NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT 14/11/2003 Version number: 1
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET
Start date:	1 July 2004
End date:	
Latest evaluation date:	
Scope:	Episodes of residential care for residents in all government-funded residential mental health services in Australia, except those residential care services that are in receipt of funding under the <i>Aged Care Act</i> and subject to Commonwealth reporting requirements (i.e. report to the System for the Payment of Aged Residential Care (SPARC) collection).
Statistical units:	Episodes of residential care.
Collection methodology:	Data are collected at each service from resident administrative and care-related record systems. Services forward data to the relevant state or territory health authority on a regular basis (e.g. monthly).
National reporting arrangements:	<p>State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation, on an annual basis. South Australia maybe unable to collect this data set for 2004–05. Western Australia will be able to only collect data for 2004–05 for those data elements that were included in the <i>National Health Data Dictionary</i> version 12.</p> <p>Government-operated services that employ mental health trained staff on-site 24 hours per day are to be included from 1 July 2004.</p> <p>Government-funded, non-government operated services and non 24-hour staffed services can be included from 1 July 2004, optionally.</p> <p>For non 24-hour staffed services to be included they must employ mental health-trained staff on-site at least 50 hours per week with at least 6 hours staffing on any single day.</p>
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year. The reference period starts on 1 July and ends on 30 June each year.
Data elements included:	<p>Additional diagnosis, version 5♦ page 252</p> <p>Area of usual residence, version 3♦ NHDD V12 page 55</p> <p>Country of birth, version 4♦ page 266</p> <p>Date of birth, version 5♦ page 269</p> <p>Episode of residential care end date, version 1♦ page 146</p> <p>Episode of residential care end mode, version 1♦ page 147</p> <p>Episode of residential care start date, version 1♦ page 151</p> <p>Episode of residential care start mode, version 1♦ page 153</p> <p>Establishment identifier, version 4♦ NHDD V12 page 211</p>

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**Data elements in common
with other NMDSs:** See Appendix C.

**Scope links with other
NMDSs:**

Source organisation:

Comments:

Statistical units are entities from or about which statistics are collected, or in respect of which statistics are compiled, tabulated or published. Some admitted patient care services may meet the definition of a residential mental health service. However, as they are admitted patient care services, relevant data on their patients are reported to the National Minimum Data Set for admitted patient care.

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Existing National Minimum Data Sets

A National Minimum Data Set (NMDS) is a set of data elements agreed by the National Health Information Group for mandatory collection and reporting at a national level. One National Minimum Data Set may include data items that are also included in another National Minimum Data Set. A National Minimum Data Set is contingent upon a national agreement to collect uniform data and to supply it as part of the national collection, but does not preclude agencies and service providers from collecting additional data to meet their own specific needs.

The *National Health Data Dictionary* contains definitions of data elements that are included in National Minimum Data Set collections in the health sector, including data elements used to derive some of the performance indicators required under Australian Health Care Agreements (bilateral agreements between the Commonwealth and state/territory governments about funding and delivery of health services). The Dictionary also contains some data elements that are not currently included in any agreed National Minimum Data Set collection but have been developed and endorsed as appropriate national standards. That is, all data elements used in National Minimum Data Sets are included in the Dictionary, but not all data elements in the Dictionary are included in National Minimum Data Sets.

The following is a list of all current existing National Minimum Data Sets:

- 1 **Admitted patient care NMDS**
- 2 **Admitted patient mental health care NMDS**
- 3 **Admitted patient palliative care NMDS**
- 4 **Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS**
- 5 **Community mental health care NMDS**
- 6 **Community mental health establishments NMDS**
- 7 **Elective surgery waiting times NMDS**
- 8 **Health labour force NMDS**
- 9 **Injury surveillance NMDS**
- 10 **Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS**
- 11 **Perinatal NMDS**
- 12 **Public hospital establishments NMDS**

Admitted patient care NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT	1/07/2001	Version number: 2
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET		
Start date:	1 July 1989		
Scope:	<p>Episodes of care for admitted patients in all public and private acute and psychiatric hospitals, free standing day hospital facilities and alcohol and drug treatment centres in Australia. Hospitals operated by the Australian Defence Force, corrections authorities and in Australia's off shore territories may also be included. Hospitals specialising in dental, ophthalmic aids and other specialised acute medical or surgical care are included.</p> <p>Hospital boarders and still births are not included as they are not admitted to hospital. Organ procurement episodes are also not included.</p>		
Statistical units:	Episodes of care for admitted patients.		
Collection methodology:	Data are collected at each hospital from patient administrative and clinical record systems. Hospitals forward data to the relevant state or territory health authority on a regular basis (e.g. monthly).		
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation, on an annual basis.		
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year.		
Data elements included:	<p>Activity when injured, version 3[∇] page 248</p> <p>Additional diagnosis, version 5[∇] page 252</p> <p>Admission date, version 4 NHDD V12 page 33</p> <p>Admitted patient election status, version 1 NHDD V12 page 38</p> <p>Area of usual residence, version 3 NHDD V12 page 55</p> <p>Australian state/territory identifier, version 4[∇] page 256</p> <p>Care type, version 4 NHDD V12 page 94</p> <p>Country of birth, version 4[∇] page 266</p> <p>Date of birth, version 5[∇] page 269</p> <p>Diagnosis related group, version 1 NHDD V12 page 190</p> <p>Establishment number, version 4[∇] page 278</p> <p>Establishment sector, version 4[∇] page 279</p> <p>External cause – admitted patient, version 4[∇] page 281</p> <p>Funding source for hospital patient, version 1 NHDD V12 page 245</p> <p>Hospital insurance status, version 3 NHDD V12 page 282</p> <p>Indigenous status, version 5[∇] page 296</p> <p>Infant weight, neonate, stillborn, version 3 NHDD V12 page 306</p> <p>Intended length of hospital stay, version 2 NHDD V12 page 311</p> <p>Inter-hospital contracted patient, version 2[∇] page 305</p>		
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	Number of qualified days for newborns, version 2.....	NHDD V12 page 408
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	Procedure, version 5 [∇]	page 358
	Region code, version 2.....	NHDD V12 page 508
	Separation date, version 5	NHDD V12 page 523
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	Total leave days, version 3	NHDD V12 page 586
	Total psychiatric care days, version 2.....	NHDD V12 page 588
	Urgency of admission, version 1	NHDD V12 page 618
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Admitted patient, version 3		NHDD V12 page 36
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Newborn qualification status, version 2.....		NHDD V12 page 383
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Same-day patient, version 1		NHDD V12 page 519
Separation, version 3.....		NHDD V12 page 522
Data elements in common with other NMDSs:		See Appendix C.

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Scope links with other NMDSs:	<p>Episodes of care for admitted patients which occur partly or fully in designated psychiatric units of public acute hospitals or in public psychiatric hospitals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Admitted patient mental health care NMDS, version 2. <p>Episodes of care for admitted patients where care type is palliative care:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Admitted patient palliative care NMDS, version 2.
Source organisation:	National Health Information Group.
Comments:	Statistical units are entities from or about which statistics are collected, or in respect of which statistics are compiled, tabulated or published.

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT 1/07/2001 Version number: 2
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET
Start date:	1 July 1997
Scope:	The scope of this minimum data set is restricted to admitted patients receiving care in psychiatric hospitals or in designated psychiatric units in acute hospitals. The scope does not currently include patients who may be receiving treatment for psychiatric conditions in acute hospitals who are not in psychiatric units.
Statistical units:	Episodes of care for admitted patients.
Collection methodology:	Data are collected at each hospital from patient administrative and clinical record systems. Hospitals forward data to the relevant state or territory health authority on a regular basis (for example, monthly).
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation, on an annual basis.
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year
Data elements included:	<p>Additional diagnosis, version 5[∇] page 252</p> <p>Admission date, version 4 NHDD V12 page 33</p> <p>Area of usual residence, version 3 NHDD V12 page 55</p> <p>Care type, version 4 NHDD V12 page 94</p> <p>Country of birth, version 4[∇] page 266</p> <p>Date of birth, version 5[∇] page 269</p> <p>Diagnosis related group, version 1 NHDD V12 page 190</p> <p>Employment status – acute hospital and private psychiatric hospital admissions, version 2 NHDD V12 page 205</p> <p>Employment status – public psychiatric hospital admissions, version 2 NHDD V12 page 207</p> <p>Establishment identifier, version 4 NHDD V12 page 211</p> <p>Indigenous status, version 5[∇] page 296</p> <p>Major diagnostic category, version 1 NHDD V12 page 336</p> <p>Marital status, version 4[∇] page 318</p> <p>Mental health legal status, version 5[∇] page 322</p> <p>Mode of separation, version 3 NHDD V12 page 358</p> <p>Person identifier, version 2[∇] page 337</p> <p>Previous specialised treatment, version 3 NHDD V12 page 477</p> <p>Principal diagnosis, version 4[∇] page 353</p>

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Supporting data elements and data element concepts:	Acute care episode for admitted patients, version 1 NHDD V12 page 25 Admission, version 3 NHDD V12 page 32 Admitted patient, version 3 NHDD V12 page 36 Australian state/territory identifier, version 4 [∇] page 256 Diagnosis, version 2 [∇] page 273 Episode of admitted patient care, version 2 [∇] page 277 Establishment number, version 4 [∇] page 278 Establishment sector, version 4 [∇] page 279 Hospital, version 1 NHDD V12 page 279 Patient, version 1 NHDD V12 page 437 Region code, version 2..... NHDD V12 page 508 Separation, version 3 NHDD V12 page 522
Data elements in common with other NMDSs:	See Appendix C.
Scope links with other NMDSs:	Episodes of care for admitted patients which occur partly or fully in designated psychiatric units of public acute hospitals or in public psychiatric hospitals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Admitted patient care NMDS, version 2 - Admitted patient palliative care NMDS, version 2.
Source organisation:	National Health Information Group.
Comments:	Statistical units are entities from or about which statistics are collected or in respect of which statistics are compiled, tabulated or published. Number of days of hospital in the home care data will be collected from all states and territories except Western Australia from 1 July 2001. Western Australia will begin to collect data from a later date.

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Admitted patient palliative care NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT	1/07/2001	Version number: 2
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET		
Start date:	1 July 2000		
Scope:	The scope of this data set is admitted patients receiving palliative care in all public and private acute hospitals, and free standing day hospital facilities. Hospitals operated by the Australian Defence Force, correctional authorities and Australia's external territories are not currently included. Palliative care patients are identified by the data element Care type.		
Statistical units:	Episodes of care for admitted patients.		
Collection methodology:			
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation, on an annual basis.		
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year		
Data elements included:	Additional diagnosis, version 5 [∇] page 252 Admission date, version 4..... NHDD V12 page 33 Area of usual residence, version 3 NHDD V12 page 55 Care type, version 4 NHDD V12 page 94 Country of birth, version 4 [∇] page 266 Date of birth, version 5 [∇] page 269 Establishment identifier, version 4 NHDD V12 page 211 Funding source for hospital patient, version 1 NHDD V12 page 245 Indigenous status, version 5 [∇] page 296 Mode of admission, version 4..... NHDD V12 page 357 Mode of separation, version 3 NHDD V12 page 358 Number of days of hospital-in-the-home care, version 1 ... NHDD V12 page 405 Person identifier, version 2 [∇] page 337 Previous specialised treatment, version 3..... NHDD V12 page 477 Principal diagnosis, version 4 [∇] page 353 Separation date, version 5..... NHDD V12 page 523 Sex, version 4 [∇] page 365		
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	Hospital-in-the-home care, version 1.....	NHDD V12 page 385
	Patient, version 1.....	NHDD V12 page 437
	Region code, version 2.....	NHDD V12 page 508
	Separation, version 3.....	NHDD V12 page 522
Data elements in common with other NMDSs:	See Appendix C.	
Scope links with other NMDSs:	Episodes of care for admitted patients which occur partly or fully in designated psychiatric units of public acute hospitals or in public psychiatric hospitals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Admitted patient care NMDS, version 2 - Admitted patient mental health care NMDS, version 2. 	
Source organisation:	National Health Information Group.	
Comments:	Statistical units are entities from or about which statistics are collected or in respect of which statistics are compiled, tabulated or published. Number of days of hospital in the home care data will be collected from all states and territories except Western Australia from 1 July 2001. Western Australia will begin to collect data from a later date.	

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Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT	1/07/2003	Version number: 4
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET		
Start date:	1 July 2000		
Scope:	<p>This metadata set is nationally mandated for collection and reporting. Publicly funded government and non-government agencies providing alcohol and/or drug treatment services. Including community-based ambulatory services and outpatient services.</p> <p>The following services are currently not included in the coverage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - services based in prisons and other correctional institutions - agencies that provide primarily accommodation or overnight stays such as 'sobering-up shelters' and 'halfway houses' - agencies that provide services concerned primarily with health promotion - needle and syringe programs - agencies whose sole function is to provide prescribing and/or dosing of methadone - acute care and psychiatric hospitals, or alcohol and drug treatment units that report to the admitted patient care NMDS and do not provide treatment to non-admitted patients. <p>Clients who are on a methadone maintenance program may be included in the collection where they also receive other types of treatment.</p>		
Statistical units:	Completed treatment episodes for clients who participate in a treatment type as specified in the data element Main treatment type for alcohol and other drugs.		
Collection methodology:	Data to be reported in each agency on completed treatment episode and then forwarded to state/territory authorities for collation.		
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation on an annual basis.		
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collected:	Financial years ending 30 June each year.		
Data elements included:	<p>Client type – alcohol and other drug treatment services, version 3 NHDD V12 page 118</p> <p>Country of birth, version 4[∇] page 266</p> <p>Date of birth, version 5[∇] page 269</p> <p>Date of cessation of treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs, version 2..... NHDD V12 page 153</p> <p>Date of commencement of treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs, version 2..... NHDD V12 page 157</p> <p>Establishment identifier, version 4 NHDD V12 page 211</p>		
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Method of use for principal drug of concern, version 1 ...	NHDD V12 page 349
Other drug of concern, version 3 [∇]	page 332
Other treatment type for alcohol and other drugs, version 1 [∇]	page 334
Person identifier, version 2 [∇]	page 337
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Reason for cessation of treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs, version 2 [∇]	page 362
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and data element
concepts:**

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**Data elements in common
with other Metadata sets:**

See Appendix C.

Source organisation:

National Health Information Group.

Comments:

Statistical units are entities from or about which statistics are collected, or in respect of which statistics are compiled, tabulated or published.

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Community mental health care NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT	1/07/2001	Version number: 2
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET		
Start date:	1 July 2000		
End date:			
Latest evaluation date:			
Scope:	<p>Patient level data: Data required for reporting by specialised psychiatric services that deliver ambulatory services, in both institutional and community settings. It does not extend to services provided to patients who are in general (non-specialised) care who may be receiving treatment or rehabilitation for psychiatric conditions.</p> <p>The data provided through the Community mental health care NMDS supplements that reported for psychiatric and acute care hospitals through the Admitted patient mental health care NMDS.</p>		
Statistical units:	Service contact.		
Collection methodology:			
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation, on an annual basis.		
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year.		
Data elements included:	Area of usual residence, version 3 NHDD V12 page 55 Country of birth, version 4 [∇] page 266 Date of birth, version 5 [∇] page 269 Establishment identifier, version 4 NHDD V12 page 211 Indigenous status, version 5 [∇] page 296 Marital status, version 4 [∇] page 318 Mental health legal status, version 5 [∇] page 322 Person identifier, version 2 [∇] page 337 Principal diagnosis, version 4 [∇] page 353 Service contact date, version 1 NHDD V12 page 529 Sex version 4 [∇] page 365		
Supporting data elements and data element concepts:	Australian state/territory identifier, version 4 [∇] page 256 Diagnosis, version 2 [∇] page 273 Establishment number, version 4 [∇] page 278 Establishment sector, version 4 [∇] page 279		
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	Service contact, version 1 NHDD V12 page 527
Data elements in common with other NMDs:	See Appendix C.
Scope links with other NMDs:	
Source organisation:	National Health Information Group.
Comments:	Statistical units are entities from or about which statistics are collected or in respect of which statistics are compiled, tabulated or published.

Community mental health establishments NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT 1/07/2000 Version number: 1
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET
Start date:	1 July 1998
End date:	
Latest evaluation date:	
Scope:	<p>Data required for reporting by specialised psychiatric services that deliver ambulatory services, in both institutional and community settings, and/or community-based residential care. It does not extend to services provided to patients who are in general (non-specialised) care who may be receiving treatment or rehabilitation for psychiatric conditions.</p> <p>The data provided through the NMDS – Community mental health establishments supplements that reported for psychiatric and acute care hospitals through the NMDS – Admitted patient mental health care.</p>
Statistical units:	Establishment-level data.
Collection methodology:	
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation on an annual basis.
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year.
Data elements included:	<p>Establishment identifier, version 4 NHDD V12 page 211</p> <p>Full time equivalent staff, version 2 NHDD V12 page 243</p> <p>Geographical location of establishment, version 2..... NHDD V12 page 247</p> <p>Non-salary operating costs, version 1 NHDD V12 page 399</p> <p>Number of available beds for admitted patients, version 2 NHDD V12 page 401</p> <p>Salaries and wages, version 1 NHDD V12 page 517</p> <p>Separations, version 2..... NHDD V12 page 526</p> <p>Specialised mental health service setting, version 1♦ page 217</p>
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	Payments to visiting medical officers, version 1	NHDD V12 page 446
	Region code, version 2	NHDD V12 page 508
	Repairs and maintenance, version 1	NHDD V12 page 514
	Separation, version 3	NHDD V12 page 522
	Specialised mental health service, version 1 [∇]	page 215
	Superannuation employer contributions (including funding basis), version 1	NHDD V12 page 548
	Data elements in common with other NMDSs:	See Appendix C.
Scope links with other NMDSs:		
Source organisation:	National Health Information Group.	

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Elective surgery waiting times NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT	1/07/2001	Version number: 3
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET		
Start date:	1 July 1994		
End date:			
Latest evaluation date:			
Scope:	<p>The scope of this minimum data set is patients on, or removed from, waiting lists for elective surgery (as defined in the Waiting list category data element) which are managed by public acute hospitals. This will include private patients treated in public hospitals, and may include public patients treated in private hospitals.</p> <p>Hospitals may also collect information for other care (as defined in the Waiting list category data element), but this is not part of the NMDS for elective surgery waiting times.</p> <p>Patients on, or removed from, waiting lists managed by hospitals operated by the Australian Defence Force, corrections authorities and Australia's external territories are not currently included.</p> <p>There are two different types of data collected for this minimum data set (census data and removals data) and the scope and list of data elements associated with each is different.</p> <p>Census data:</p> <p>Data are collected for patients on elective surgery waiting lists who are yet to be admitted to hospital or removed for another reason. The scope is patients on elective surgery waiting lists on a census date who are 'ready for care' as defined in the Patient listing status data element.</p> <p>Removals data:</p> <p>Data are collected for patients who have been removed from an elective surgery waiting list (for admission or another reason). Patients who were 'ready for care' and patients who were 'not ready for care' at the time of removal are included.</p>		
Statistical units:	Patients on waiting lists on census dates; patients removed from waiting lists (for admission or other reason) during each financial year.		
Collection methodology:	Category reassignment date is required for reporting to the NMDS, but is necessary for the derivation of Waiting time at census date and Waiting time at removal from elective surgery waiting list. Waiting list category and Patient listing status are not required for reporting to the NMDS, but are necessary for determining whether patients are in scope for the NMDS. These data elements should be collected at the local level and reported to state and territory health authorities as required.		
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation on an annual basis.		
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year for removals data. Census dates are 30 September, 31 December, 31 March and 30 June.		

Data elements included:**Census data**

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**Data elements in
common with other
NMDSs:**

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Scope links with other NMDSs:

Source organisation: National Health Information Group.

Comments: For the purposes of this NMDS, public hospitals include hospitals which are set up to provide services for public patients (as public hospitals do), but which are managed privately.

Comments (continued): Category reassignment date is not required for reporting to the NMDS, but is necessary for the derivation of Waiting time at census date and Waiting time at removal from elective surgery waiting list. Waiting list category and Patient listing status are not required for reporting to the NMDS, but are necessary for determining whether patients are in scope for the NMDS. These data elements should be collected at the local level and reported to State and territory health authorities as required.

The inclusion of public patients on, or removed from, elective surgery waiting lists managed by private hospitals will be investigated in the future.

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Health labour force NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT	1/07/2000	Version number: 1
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET		
Start date:	1 July 1989		
End date:			
Latest evaluation date:			
Scope:	The scope of this set of data elements is all health occupations. National collections using this data set have been undertaken for the professions of medicine, nursing, dentistry pharmacy, physiotherapy and podiatry, using labour force questionnaires in the annual renewal of registration to practice.		
Statistical units:			
Collection methodology:			
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation, on an annual basis.		
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year.		
Data elements included:	Classification of Health labour force job, version 1 NHDD V12 page 115 Date of birth, version 5 [∇] page 269 Hours on-call (not worked) by medical practitioner, version 2 NHDD V12 page 287 Hours worked by health professional, version 2 NHDD V12 page 289 Hours worked by medical practitioner in direct patient care, version 2 NHDD V12 page 291 Principal area of clinical practice, version 1 NHDD V12 page 481 Principal role of health professional, version 1 NHDD V12 page 487 Profession labour force status of health professional, version 1 NHDD V12 page 491 Total hours worked by medical practitioner, version 2 NHDD V12 page 584 Type and sector of employment establishment, version 1 . NHDD V12 page 600		
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Data elements in common with other NMDSs:	See Appendix C.		
Scope links with other NMDSs:			

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Source organisation: National Health Information Group.

Comments: Statistical units are entities from or about which statistics are collected or in respect of which statistics are compiled, tabulated or published.

Injury surveillance NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT	1/07/2000	Version number: 1
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET		
Start date:	1 July 1989		
End date:			
Latest evaluation date:			
Scope:	The scope of this minimum data set is patient level data from selected emergency departments of hospitals and other settings.		
Statistical units:			
Collection methodology:			
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation, on an annual basis.		
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year.		
Data elements included:	Activity when injured, version 3 [∇] page 248 Bodily location of main injury, version 1 NHDD V12 page 77 External cause – admitted patient, version 4 [∇] page 281 External cause – human intent, version 4 NHDD V12 page 224 Narrative description of injury event, version 1 NHDD V12 page 375 Nature of main injury – non-admitted patient, version 1... NHDD V12 page 376 Place of occurrence of external cause of injury, version 6 [∇] page 339		
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Data elements in common with other NMDSs:	See Appendix C.		
Scope links with other NMDSs:			
Source organisation:	National Health Information Group.		
Comments:	Statistical units are entities from or about which statistics are collected or in respect of which statistics are compiled, tabulated or published.		

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Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS

Admin. status:	01/07/2003 Version number: 1
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET
Start date:	1 July 2003
Scope:	<p>This metadata set is nationally mandated for collection and reporting.</p> <p>The scope of this NMDS is non-admitted patients registered for care in emergency departments in selected public hospitals that are classified as either Peer Group A or B in the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare's <i>Australian Hospital Statistics</i> publication from the preceding financial year.</p> <p>The care provided to patients in emergency departments is, in most instances, recognised as being provided to 'non-admitted' patients. Patients being treated in emergency departments may subsequently become 'admitted'. The care provided to non-admitted patients who are treated in the emergency department prior to being admitted is included in this NMDS.</p> <p>Care provided to patients who are being treated in an emergency department site as an admitted patient (e.g. in an observation unit, short-stay unit, 'Emergency department ward' or awaiting a bed in an admitted patient ward of the hospital) are excluded from the emergency department care NMDS since the recording of the care provided to these patients is part of the scope of the Admitted patient care NMDS.</p>
Statistical units:	Non-admitted patient emergency department service episodes.
National reporting arrangements:	<p>State and territory health authorities provide the NMDS data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation, on an annual basis, within 3 months of the end of a reporting period.</p> <p>The Institute and the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing will agree on a data quality and timeliness protocol. Once cleaned, a copy of the data and a record of the changes made will be forwarded by the Institute to the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing. A copy of the cleaned data for each jurisdiction should also be returned to that jurisdiction on request.</p>
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years, ending 30 June each year. Extraction of data for a financial year should be based on the date of the end of the non-admitted emergency department service episode.
Data elements included:	<p>Area of usual residence, version 3 NHDD V12 page 55</p> <p>Compensable status, version 3 NHDD V12 page 126</p> <p>Country of birth, version 4[∇] page 266</p> <p>Date of birth, version 5[∇] page 269</p> <p>Date patient presents, version 2 NHDD V12 page 171</p> <p>Department of Veterans' Affairs patient, version 1 NHDD V12 page 176</p> <p>Emergency department arrival mode – transport, version 1 NHDD V12 page 200</p>

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	Region code, version 2 NHDD V12 page 508
Data elements in common with other Metadata sets:	See Appendix C.
Scope links with other Metadata sets:	Episodes of care for admitted patients are reported through the Admitted patient care NMDS.
Source organisation:	National Health Information Group.
Comments:	

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Perinatal NMDS

Admin. status:	CURRENT	1/07/2001	Version number: 1
Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET		
Start date:	1 July 1997		
End date:			
Latest evaluation date:			
Scope:	The scope of this minimum data set is all births in Australia in hospitals, birth centres and the community. The data set includes information on all births, both live and stillborn, of at least 20 weeks gestation or 400g birth weight.		
Statistical units:			
Collection methodology:			
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation, on an annual basis.		
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year.		
Data elements included:	<p>Actual place of birth, version 2[∇]page 250</p> <p>Birth order, version 1 NHDD V12 page 63</p> <p>Birth plurality, version 1[∇]page 258</p> <p>Country of birth, version 4[∇]page 266</p> <p>Date of birth, version 5[∇]page 269</p> <p>Establishment identifier, version 4..... NHDD V12 page 211</p> <p>First day of last menstrual period, version 1 NHDD V12 page 232</p> <p>Gestational age, version 1..... NHDD V12 page 252</p> <p>Indigenous status, version 5[∇]page 296</p> <p>Infant weight, neonate, stillborn, version 3..... NHDD V12 page 306</p> <p>Method of birth, version 1 NHDD V12 page 348</p> <p>Onset of labour, version 2..... NHDD V12 page 421</p> <p>Person identifier, version 2[∇]page 337</p> <p>Separation date, version 5 NHDD V12 page 523</p> <p>Sex, version 4[∇]page 365</p> <p>Status of the baby, version 1[∇]page 370</p>		
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Data elements in common with other NMDs:	See Appendix C.	
Scope links with other NMDs:		
Source organisation:	National Health Information Group.	
Comments:	Statistical units are entities from or about which statistics are collected or in respect of which statistics are compiled, tabulated or published.	

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Public hospital establishments NMDS

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Metadata type:	NATIONAL MINIMUM DATA SET																										
Start date:	1 July 1989																										
End date:																											
Latest evaluation date:																											
Scope:	<p>The scope of this dataset is establishment level data for public acute and psychiatric hospitals, including hospitals operated for or by the Australian Government Department of Veterans' Affairs, and alcohol and drug treatment centres.</p> <p>From version 9 Patient-level data remains in the new NMDS called Admitted patient care. These new NMDS replace the version 8 NMDS called Institutional health care.</p> <p>Similar data for private hospitals and free standing day hospital facilities is collected by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in the Private Health Establishments Collection.</p> <p>Hospitals operated by the Australian Defence Force, corrections authorities and Australia's external territories are not currently included. Hospitals specialising in dental, ophthalmic aids and other specialised acute medical or surgical care are included.</p>																										
Statistical units:	Public hospital establishments.																										
Collection methodology:	Data are collected at each hospital from patient administrative and clinical record systems. Hospitals forward data to the relevant state or territory health authority on a regular basis (for example, monthly).																										
National reporting arrangements:	State and territory health authorities provide the data to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for national collation, on an annual basis.																										
Periods for which data are collected and nationally collated:	Financial years ending 30 June each year.																										
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Data elements in common with other NMDSs:	See Appendix C.		
Scope links with other NMDSs:	Episodes of care for admitted patients which occur partly or fully in designated psychiatric units of public acute hospitals or in public psychiatric hospitals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Admitted patient care NMDS, version 1 - Admitted patient mental health care NMDS, version 1 - Admitted patient palliative care NMDS, version 1 		

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