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# Abbreviations

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
AGPSCC	Australian General Practice Statistics and Classification Centre, University of Sydney, a collaborating unit of the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
AIHW	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographical Classification
ATC	Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (classification)
AUDIT	Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test
BEACH	Bettering the Evaluation And Care of Health
BMI	body mass index
CAPS	Coding Atlas for Pharmaceutical Substances
CI	confidence interval (in this report 95% CI is used)
CT	computerised tomography
DoHA	Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing
DVA	Australian Government Department of Veterans' Affairs
FMRC	Family Medicine Research Centre
FRACGP	Fellow of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners
GP	general practitioner
HbA1c	haemoglobin, type A1c
ICPC	International Classification of Primary Care
ICPC-2	International Classification of Primary Care (Version 2)
ICPC-2 PLUS	a terminology classified according to ICPC-2
INR	International Normalised Ratio
MBS	Medicare Benefits Schedule
OTC	over-the-counter (that is, medications advised for over-the-counter purchase)
QA	quality assurance (in this case the Quality Assurance Program of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners)
RACGP	Royal Australian College of General Practitioners
RFE(s)	reason(s) for encounter (see Glossary)
RRMA	Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Area
SAND	Supplementary Analysis of Nominated Data
SAS	Statistical Analysis System
WHO	World Health Organization
Wonca	World Organization of Family Doctors



# Symbols

↑/↓	indicates a statistically significant linear change
↑/↓	indicates a marginally significant linear change
§	indicates a non-linear significant or marginal change
–	indicates no change
N/A	not applicable
NAv	not available
NEC	not elsewhere classified
NOS	not otherwise specified

