

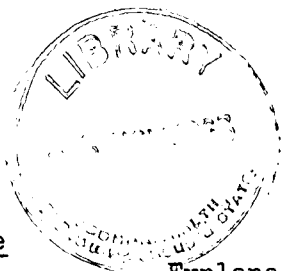
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NO. 14 : HOSPITALS, 1962



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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This Bulletin contains statistics of hospitals throughout Australia for the year ended 30th June, 1962 with comparative figures for earlier years. Corresponding particulars appeared in Social Statistics No. 2 - 1960 and No. 7 - 1961 of this Series.

2. The particulars shown herein refer to public hospitals, mental hospitals, and also to those private hospitals approved for the payment of hospital benefits under the Commonwealth National Health Act 1953-1962.

3. The statistics shown under the heading of "Public Hospitals" refer to all institutions providing hospital treatment, whether general or special, with the exception of mental hospitals, repatriation hospitals, leper hospitals, and private hospitals conducted commercially. They include hospitals wholly provided for by the State, hospitals partially subsidized by the State or by State endowments but receiving also private aid, and hospitals established and endowed by individuals for the benefit of the needy generally.

4. Statistics shown for mental hospitals include particulars of the two authorized private mental hospitals in New South Wales. The mental hospital figures exclude particulars of reception houses, and observation wards in gaols.

5. Particulars of the six repatriation general hospitals (at Concord, N.S.W.; Heidelberg, Victoria; Greenslopes, Queensland; Springbank, S.A.; Hollywood, W.A.; and Hobart, Tasmania) are not included. The average daily number of patients resident in these hospitals during the year ended 30th June, 1961 was 3,163.

6. The four isolation hospitals for the care and treatment of persons suffering from Hansen's disease (leprosy), located at Little Bay, N.S.W.; Fantome Island, Queensland; Derby, W.A.; and East Arm Settlement, N.T. are also excluded. At the end of 1962 there were 395 patients at these hospitals.

7. Statistics of staff of private hospitals are not available.

TABLE 1. - NUMBER OF HOSPITALS

State or Territory	At 30th June -				
	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
PUBLIC HOSPITALS					
New South Wales	270	269	267	268	269
Victoria	138	139	141	140	144
Queensland	(r)137	(r)136	(r)137	(r)138	143
South Australia	64	65	65	66	65
Western Australia	93	93	93	91	91
Tasmania	28	26	28	28	28
Northern Territory	4	4	4	4	4
Australian Capital Territory	1	1	1	1	1
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	(r) 735	(r) 733	(r) 736	(r) 736	745
MENTAL HOSPITALS					
New South Wales	14	15	15	15	15
Victoria (a)	11	11	11	11	(c) 9
Queensland	5	5	5	5	5
South Australia	2	2	2	2	2
Western Australia (a)	(r)6	(r)6	(r)6	(r)6	6
Tasmania	1	1	1	1	1
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	(r) 39	(r) 40	(r)40	(r)40	38
PRIVATE HOSPITALS (b)					
New South Wales	410	429	444	461	474
Victoria	240	239	256	254	260
Queensland	69	74	79	92	116
South Australia	125	140	144	143	156
Western Australia	60	63	74	79	85
Tasmania	21	28	33	32	34
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	925	973	1,030	1,061	1,125
TOTAL					
New South Wales	694	713	726	744	758
Victoria	389	389	408	405	413
Queensland	(r) 211	(r) 215	(r) 221	(r) 235	264
South Australia	191	207	211	211	223
Western Australia	(r)159	(r)162	(r)173	(r)176	182
Tasmania	50	55	62	61	63
Northern Territory	4	4	4	4	4
Australian Capital Territory	1	1	1	1	1
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	(r)1,699	(r)1,746	(r)1,806	(r)1,837	1,908

(a) At 31st December.

(b) Approved for the payment of hospital benefits under the Commonwealth National Health Act 1953-1962.

(c) Excludes two institutions which were, in 1962, reclassified as Intellectual Deficiency Training Centres.

(r) - Revised.

TABLE 2. - NUMBER OF HOSPITAL BEDS

(Including Cots)

State or Territory	At 30th June -				
	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
PUBLIC HOSPITALS					
New South Wales	21,625	22,620	22,883	23,135	23,193
Victoria	12,391	12,522	12,817	13,108	13,193
Queensland	11,293	11,756	12,422	12,376	12,450
South Australia	3,870	3,994	4,409	4,475	4,403
Western Australia	4,432	4,589	4,505	4,590	4,922
Tasmania	2,381	2,386	2,468	2,569	2,683
Northern Territory	373	422	441	471	480
Australian Capital Territory	253	255	258	258	318
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	56,618	58,544	60,203	60,982	61,642
MENTAL HOSPITALS					
New South Wales	(r)12,636	(r)12,996	(r)13,181	13,324	13,494
Victoria (a)	8,897	8,872	8,950	8,950	8,891(c)
Queensland	4,804	4,736	4,573	4,269	4,267
South Australia	2,708	2,776	2,727	2,824	2,696
Western Australia (a)	(r)1,868	(r)1,868	(r)1,868	(r)1,911	1,915
Tasmania	797	900	892	892	850
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	(r)31,710	(r)32,148	(r)32,191	(r)32,170	32,113
PRIVATE HOSPITALS (b)					
New South Wales	7,438	8,172	8,864	9,678	10,563
Victoria	4,827	4,830	5,013	4,998	5,556
Queensland	1,877	1,949	2,162	2,445	2,943
South Australia	2,382	2,742	2,796	2,866	3,440
Western Australia	1,554	1,605	1,799	1,945	2,381
Tasmania	478	607	665	687	763
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	18,556	19,905	21,299	22,619	25,646
TOTAL					
New South Wales	(r)41,699	(r)43,788	(r)44,928	46,137	47,250
Victoria	26,115	26,224	26,780	27,056	27,640
Queensland	17,974	18,441	19,157	19,090	19,660
South Australia	8,960	9,512	9,932	10,165	10,539
Western Australia	(r)7,854	(r)8,062	(r)8,172	(r)8,446	3,218
Tasmania	3,656	3,893	4,025	4,148	4,296
Northern Territory	373	422	441	471	480
Australian Capital Territory	253	255	258	258	318
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	(r)106,884	(r)110,597	(r)113,693	(r)115,771	119,401

(a) At 31st December.

(b) Approved for the payment of hospital benefits under the Commonwealth National Health Act 1953-1962.

(c) Excludes beds at two institutions which were, in 1962, reclassified as Intellectual Deficiency Training Centres.

(r)-Revised.

TABLE 3. - NUMBER OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS

(Average Daily Number Resident)

State or Territory	During Year ended 30th June -				
	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
PUBLIC HOSPITALS					
New South Wales	(r)15,038	(r)15,806	(r)15,993	(r)16,218	16,695
Victoria	8,474	8,751	8,808	8,606	9,004
Queensland	7,490	7,767	7,961	8,130	8,166
South Australia	2,527	2,643	2,683	2,758	2,769
Western Australia	2,748	2,847	2,913	2,948	3,059
Tasmania	1,745	1,728	1,809	1,833	1,845
Northern Territory	266	282	309	310	330
Australian Capital Territory	182	197	196	206	237
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	(r)38,470	(r)40,021	(r)40,672	(r)41,009	42,105
MENTAL HOSPITALS (a)					
New South Wales	(r)12,282	(r)12,645	(r)12,479	12,315	12,164
Victoria (b)	8,303	8,326	8,364	8,326	7,607(c)
Queensland	4,327	4,308	4,098	3,937	3,950
South Australia	2,570	2,579	2,507	2,454	2,392
Western Australia (b)	(r)1,868	(r)1,856	(r)1,820	(r)1,833	1,830
Tasmania	749	764	783	746	763
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	(r)30,099	(r)30,478	(r)30,051	(r)29,611	28,706
PRIVATE HOSPITALS (d)					
New South Wales	6,044	6,398	7,129	7,955	8,644
Victoria	3,354	3,494	3,620	4,014	4,410
Queensland	1,305	1,476	1,708	1,905	2,219
South Australia	1,725	1,956	2,049	2,255	2,477
Western Australia	1,186	1,362	1,524	1,707	1,839
Tasmania	345	400	510	573	598
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	13,959	15,086	16,540	18,409	20,187
TOTAL					
New South Wales	(r)33,364	(r)34,849	(r)36,601	36,488	37,503
Victoria	20,131	20,571	20,792	20,946	21,021
Queensland	13,122	13,551	13,767	13,972	14,335
South Australia	6,822	7,178	7,239	7,467	7,638
Western Australia	(r)5,802	(r)6,065	(r)6,257	(r)6,488	6,728
Tasmania	2,839	2,892	3,102	3,152	3,206
Northern Territory	266	282	309	310	330
Australian Capital Territory	182	197	196	206	237
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	(r)82,528	(r)85,585	(r)88,263	(r)89,029	90,998

(a) Includes voluntary patients.

(b) During year ended 31st December.

(c) Excludes patients at two institutions which were, in 1962, reclassified as Intellectual Deficiency Training Centres.

(d) Approved for the payment of hospital benefits under the Commonwealth National Health Act 1953-1962. The average daily numbers of patients resident have been calculated on the basis of the amount of Commonwealth ordinary benefits paid to those hospitals.

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TABLE 4. - HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF

(Excluding Private Hospitals)

State or Territory	At 30th June -				
	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
HONORARY MEDICAL STAFF AT PUBLIC HOSPITALS					
New South Wales	4,029	4,217	4,496	4,681	4,656
Victoria	1,420	1,424	1,531	1,551	1,507
Queensland	26	30	29	44	(a)9
South Australia	463	502	518	549	607
Western Australia	322	331	336	356	350
Tasmania	106	89	97	112	112
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..
Australian Capital Territory	36	40	65	78	80
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	6,402	6,633	7,072	7,371	7,331
SALARIED MEDICAL STAFF AT PUBLIC HOSPITALS					
New South Wales	815	720	809	863	921
Victoria	730	805	815	886	914
Queensland	762	778	796	809	872
South Australia	126	160	185	182	220
Western Australia	108	112	124	137	143
Tasmania	117	126	134	117	111
Northern Territory	15	16	15	16	17
Australian Capital Territory	3	4	4	5	6
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	2,676	2,721	2,882	3,015	3,204
MEDICAL STAFF AT MENTAL HOSPITALS					
New South Wales (b)	(r)116	(r)109	(r)114	(r)116	164
Victoria (c)	103	110	116	126	(d)125
Queensland	14	19	17	21	20
South Australia	13	13	14	15	3
Western Australia (c)	(r)12	(r)10	(r)15	(r)16	16
Tasmania	3	4	5	3	5
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	(r)261	(r)265	(r)281	(r)297	333
TOTAL MEDICAL STAFF AT PUBLIC AND MENTAL HOSPITALS					
New South Wales	(r)4,960	(r)5,046	(r)5,419	(r)5,660	5,741
Victoria	2,253	2,339	2,462	2,563	2,546
Queensland	802	827	842	874	901
South Australia	602	675	717	746	830
Western Australia	(r)442	(r)453	(r)475	(r)509	509
Tasmania	226	219	236	232	238
Northern Territory	15	16	15	16	17
Australian Capital Territory	39	44	69	83	86
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	(r)9,340	(r)9,619	(r)10,235	(r)10,683	10,868

(a) The differences in the figures for 1961 and 1962 were due, in the main, to a change in the system of staffing at a major centre.

(b) Excludes medical staff at the two authorised private mental hospitals. Includes visiting specialists who are paid for their time, as follows:- 1958, 52; 1959, 43; 1960, 44; 1961, 43; and 1962, 57.

(c) At 31st December.

(d) Excludes two institutions which were, in 1962, reclassified as Intellectual Deficiency Training Centres..

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TABLE 5. - HOSPITAL NURSING STAFF

(Excluding Private Hospitals)

State or Territory	At 30th June -				
	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
NURSING STAFF AT PUBLIC HOSPITALS					
New South Wales	12,218	13,261	13,568	14,141	14,543
Victoria	8,673	9,075	9,432	9,811	10,237
Queensland	4,915	5,011	5,529	5,741	5,947
South Australia	2,237	2,467	2,790	2,889	3,121
Western Australia	2,808	2,914	3,017	3,215	3,307
Tasmania	1,242	1,249	1,290	1,385	1,422
Northern Territory	130	156	162	167	198
Australian Capital Territory	213	239	235	258	287
AUSTRALIA	32,436	34,372	36,023	37,607	39,062
MALE NURSING STAFF AND ATTENDANTS AT MENTAL HOSPITALS					
New South Wales (a)	(r)1,019	(r)1,110	(r)1,172	1,209	1,288
Victoria (b)	1,155	1,160	1,155	1,249	(c)1,196
Queensland	640	664	652	602	639
South Australia	217	229	228	238	247
Western Australia (b)	(r)237	(r)214	(r)231	(r)232	242
Tasmania	98	88	99	107	114
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..
AUSTRALIA	(r)3,366	(r)3,465	(r)3,537	(r)3,637	3,726
FEMALE NURSING STAFF AND ATTENDANTS AT MENTAL HOSPITALS					
New South Wales (a)	(r)1,106	(r)1,157	(r)1,269	1,372	1,378
Victoria (b)	1,320	1,278	1,247	1,358	(c)1,403
Queensland	509	518	512	489	489
South Australia	238	242	240	270	290
Western Australia (b)	(r)185	(r)181	(r)212	(r)191	201
Tasmania	95	90	89	95	100
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..
AUSTRALIA	(r)3,453	(r)3,466	(r)3,569	(r)3,775	3,861
TOTAL NURSING STAFF AT PUBLIC AND MENTAL HOSPITALS					
New South Wales	(r)14,343	(r)15,528	(r)16,009	16,722	17,209
Victoria	11,148	11,513	11,834	12,418	12,836
Queensland	6,064	6,193	6,693	6,832	7,075
South Australia	2,692	2,938	3,258	3,397	3,658
Western Australia	(r)3,229	(r)3,309	(r)3,460	(r)3,638	3,750
Tasmania	1,435	1,427	1,478	1,587	1,636
Northern Territory	130	156	162	167	198
Australian Capital Territory	213	239	235	258	287
AUSTRALIA	(r)39,254	(r)41,303	(r)43,129	(r)45,019	46,649

(a) Includes nursing staff and attendants at the two authorized private mental hospitals for years 1961 and 1962.

(b) At 31st December. r - Revised.

(c) Excludes staff at two institutions which were, in 1962, reclassified as Intellectual Deficiency Training Centres..

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