

## Explanatory Notes

The figures in the tables were obtained from forms sent to all private hospitals in Australia. Two collection forms were used to collect the data: Form PHE1 for private acute and psychiatric hospitals and Form PHE2 for free-standing day hospital facilities. A copy of the relevant collection form is provided with the tables. The form contains definitions which may help you with the interpretation of the data in the tables.

Please note that in each table title, a reference to the relevant question number on the collection form is given in brackets.

The associated publication, *Private Hospitals, Australia, 1998-99* (Catalogue Number 4390.0), was released in June 2000. It contains less detailed data and can be obtained by contacting any ABS office. The price is \$18.50.

Please contact Keith Carter (1800 806 415) if you would like to find out more about the tables provided herewith or the associated publication.

In order to maintain confidentiality, it has been necessary to suppress one dimension of some tables. Thus either the State dissection or another component has been omitted.

### Symbols used

n.a	not available
n.p.	confidential- not available for release
—	nil or rounded to zero

Private Health Establishments Collection, Unpublished tables, 1998-99  
Series 2 Free-standing day hospital facilities  
State dissection provided is: NSW and ACT combined, Vic., Balance.

Table	Details
1	Operating theatres (no. of hospitals and theatres, by hospital size based on no. of theatres, for States and Australia.)
2	Procedure rooms (no. of hospitals and rooms, by hospital size based on no. of rooms, for States and Australia.)
3	Sessions and time used (for operating theatres and procedure rooms, for States and Australia.)
4	Beds/chairs available (no. of hospitals and beds, by hospital size based on no. of beds, for States and Australia.)
5	Services (no. of hospitals providing each type of service, for States and Australia.)
6	Full time equivalent staff (no. of hospitals and staff, for States and Australia.)
7	Revenue (total revenue by category, for States and Australia.)
8	Capital expenditure (capital items, showing no. of hospitals and gross expenditure, for States and Australia.)
9	Recurrent expenditure (expenditure items, showing total cost and average cost per separation, for States and Australia.)
10	Period contract services (type of service, showing no. of hospitals and total cost, for Australia only.)
11	Accommodation status (no. of hospitals and separations, for Australia only.)
12	Patient separations by age and sex (10 year age groups, for States and Australia.)
13	Most commonly performed procedures (no. of hospitals and procedures, for States and Australia.)
14	Type of anaesthesia (no. of hospitals and separations (% of total), for Australia only.)
15	Principal diagnosis (no. of hospitals and separations (% of total), for States and Australia.)
16	Principal procedures (no. of hospitals and separations (% of total), for States and Australia.)
17	Self-paying/other patients (no. of separations, for States and Australia.)
18	Consumer related issues (no. of hospitals complying with 5 different indicators, for States and Australia.)

TABLE 1 - OPERATING THEATRES 1998-99 (Q7) (a)

	Number of hospitals	Number of theatres
NSW and ACT		
Hospitals with operating theatres numbering		
1	44	44
2 +	16	36
Total	60	80
Vic.		
Hospitals with operating theatres numbering		
1	17	17
2 +	5	10
Total	22	27
Balance		
Hospitals with operating theatres numbering		
1	24	24
2 +	20	49
Total	44	73
Australia		
Hospitals with operating theatres numbering		
1	85	85
2 +	41	95
Total	126	180

(a) As at 30 June 1999.

TABLE 2 - PROCEDURE ROOMS 1998-99 (Q7) (a)

	Number of hospitals	Number of rooms
NSW and ACT		
Hospitals with procedure rooms numbering		
1	31	31
2 +	15	46
Total	46	77
Vic.		
Hospitals with procedure rooms numbering		
1	19	19
2 +	11	23
Total	30	42
Balance		
Hospitals with procedure rooms numbering		
1	15	15
2 +	12	28
Total	27	43
Australia		
Hospitals with procedure rooms numbering		
1	65	65
2 +	38	97
Total	103	162

(a) As at 30 June 1999.

TABLE 3 - SESSIONS AND TIME USED 1998-99 (Q8) (a)

	Operating theatres	Procedure rooms
NSW and ACT		
Number of sessions	295	266
Time used (hours)	1288	1627
Vic.		
Number of sessions	76	151
Time used (hours)	351	610
Balance		
Number of sessions	269	109
Time used (hours)	984	541
Australia		
Number of sessions	640	526
Time used (hours)	2622	2777

(a) For the week ended 27 June 1999.

TABLE 4 - BEDS/CHAIRS AVAILABLE - AVERAGE FOR THE YEAR 1998-99 (Q9)

Hospitals with beds/chairs numbering	Number of Hospitals	Number of Beds
NSW and ACT		
0-5	35	115
6-8	30	207
9 +	24	363
Total	89	685
Vic.		
0-5	16	55
6-8	18	125
9 +	7	76
Total	41	256
Balance		
0-5	25	73
6-8	10	69
9 +	25	377
Total	60	519
Australia		
0-5	76	243
6-8	58	401
9 +	56	816
Total	190	1460

TABLE 5 - SERVICES 1998-99 (Q10)

Type of service	Number of hospitals
NSW and ACT	
Cosmetic surgery	28
Endoscopy	
Bronchoscopy	3
Colonoscopy	37
Cystoscopy	9
Gastroscopy	40
Other	9
ENT	15
General surgical	28
Gynaecology	22
IVF/assisted reproduction	7
Interventional radiology	—
Oncology	3
Ophthalmic	30
Oral/dental	20
Orthopaedic	16
Paediatric	12
Plastic/hand	26
Renal dialysis	1
Urology	6
Therapeutic anaesthesia	3
Other specialised services	22
Total	89
Vic.	
Cosmetic surgery	11
Endoscopy	
Bronchoscopy	1
Colonoscopy	28
Cystoscopy	5
Gastroscopy	27
Other	3
ENT	4
General surgical	12
Gynaecology	8
IVF/assisted reproduction	—
Interventional radiology	—
Oncology	1
Ophthalmic	11
Oral/dental	9
Orthopaedic	3
Paediatric	3
Plastic/hand	12
Renal dialysis	—
Urology	2
Therapeutic anaesthesia	2
Other specialised services	6
Total	41

TABLE 5 - SPECIALISED SERVICES 1998-99 (Q10) (continued)

Type of service	Number of hospitals
<b>Balance</b>	
Cosmetic surgery	23
Endoscopy	
Bronchoscopy	2
Colonoscopy	18
Cystoscopy	5
Gastroscopy	18
Other	6
ENT	13
General surgical	13
Gynaecology	12
IVF/assisted reproduction	4
Interventional radiology	—
Oncology	3
Ophthalmic	25
Oral/dental	19
Orthopaedic	7
Paediatric	1
Plastic/hand	19
Renal dialysis	2
Urology	5
Therapeutic anaesthesia	2
Other specialised services	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Australia</b>	
Cosmetic surgery	62
Endoscopy	
Bronchoscopy	6
Colonoscopy	83
Cystoscopy	19
Gastroscopy	85
Other	18
ENT	32
General surgical	53
Gynaecology	42
IVF/assisted reproduction	11
Interventional radiology	—
Oncology	7
Ophthalmic	66
Oral/dental	48
Orthopaedic	26
Paediatric	16
Plastic/hand	57
Renal dialysis	3
Urology	13
Therapeutic anaesthesia	7
Other specialised services	41
<b>Total</b>	<b>190</b>





TABLE 6 - FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) STAFF 1998-99 (Q16)

Staff category	Number of hospitals	FTE staff Average for year
NSW and ACT		
Salaried Medical Officer	17	28
Nursing administrator	74	62
Nurse educator	2	n.p.
Other registered nurse	81	222
Enrolled nurse	43	58
Student nurse	1	n.p.
Trainee/pupil nurse	—	—
Other nursing staff	14	15
Orderlies/porters	10	9
Diagnostic health professionals	23	30
Administrative and clerical	84	238
Catering and kitchen	2	n.p.
Domestic	15	8
Engineering and maintenance	5	2
Other	—	—
Total	89	676
Vic.		
Salaried Medical Officer	4	3
Nursing administrator	36	29
Nurse educator	4	n.p.
Other registered nurse	41	60
Enrolled nurse	16	15
Student nurse	—	—
Trainee/pupil nurse	—	—
Other nursing staff	3	1
Orderlies/porters	4	n.p.
Diagnostic health professionals	3	n.p.
Administrative and clerical	38	62
Catering and kitchen	3	1
Domestic	4	1
Engineering and maintenance	3	1
Other	1	n.p.
Total	41	179

TABLE 6 - FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) STAFF 1998-99 (Q16) (continued)

Staff category	Number of hospitals	FTE staff Average for year
Balance		
Salaried Medical Officer	6	9
Nursing administrator	35	28
Nurse educator	5	3
Other registered nurse	58	203
Enrolled nurse	38	40
Student nurse	2	n.p.
Trainee/pupil nurse	—	—
Other nursing staff	7	5
Orderlies/porters	8	n.p.
Diagnostic health professionals	6	n.p.
Administrative and clerical	56	142
Catering and kitchen	2	n.p.
Domestic	15	9
Engineering and maintenance	9	4
Other	1	n.p.
Total	60	463
Australia		
Salaried Medical Officer	27	40
Nursing administrator	145	119
Nurse educator	11	6
Other registered nurse	180	486
Enrolled nurse	97	113
Student nurse	3	n.p.
Trainee/pupil nurse	—	—
Other nursing staff	24	21
Orderlies/porters	22	22
Diagnostic health professionals	32	38
Administrative and clerical	178	443
Catering and kitchen	7	3
Domestic	34	18
Engineering and maintenance	17	7
Other	2	n.p.
Total	190	1319

TABLE 7 - REVENUE 1998-99 (Q19)

Type of revenue	(\$'000)
NSW and ACT	
Patient revenue	78622
Recoveries	2748
Other	749
Total	82119
Vic.	
Patient revenue	22689
Recoveries	1995
Other	147
Total	24831
Balance	
Patient revenue	52747
Recoveries	1388
Other	316
Total	54450
Australia	
Patient revenue	154058
Recoveries	6131
Other	1211
Total	161400

TABLE 8 - CAPITAL EXPENDITURE 1998-99 (Q22)

Type of expenditure	Number of hospitals	Gross capital expenditure (\$'000)
NSW and ACT		
Land and buildings	11	n.p.
Computer equipment	37	733
Major medical equipment	34	4221
Plant and other equipment	39	1573
Intangible assets	2	n.p.
Other	5	138
Total	63	9641
Vic.		
Land and buildings	3	n.p.
Computer equipment	18	137
Major medical equipment	13	n.p.
Plant and other equipment	17	1180
Intangible assets	2	n.p.
Other	5	37
Total	30	3252
Balance		
Land and buildings	9	2294
Computer equipment	27	1061
Major medical equipment	23	n.p.
Plant and other equipment	28	2664
Intangible assets	2	n.p.
Other	6	175
Total	44	8736
Australia		
Land and buildings	23	5996
Computer equipment	82	1931
Major medical equipment	70	7337
Plant and other equipment	84	5418
Intangible assets	6	596
Other	16	350
Total	137	21629

TABLE 9 - RECURRENT EXPENDITURE 1998-99 (Q20)

Type of expenditure	Expenditure (\$'000)	Average cost per separation
NSW and ACT		
Wages and salaries, including on-costs	30217	229.1
Payments to sessional medical officers	1939	14.7
Drugs, medical and surgical supplies	14233	107.9
Surgically implanted prostheses and homograft items	1157	8.8
Food supplies	308	2.3
Fuel, light and power	547	4.2
Other domestic services	238	1.8
Repairs and maintenance	1302	9.9
Administrative expenses	11722	88.9
Interest payments	1168	8.9
Depreciation	4368	33.1
Contract services (excl. med. pract.)	4425	33.6
Other recurrent expenditure	101	0.8
Total	71724	543.9
Vic.		
Wages and salaries, including on-costs	7881	120.8
Payments to sessional medical officers	n.p.	n.p.
Drugs, medical and surgical supplies	3652	56.0
Surgically implanted prostheses and homograft items	403	6.2
Food supplies	108	1.7
Fuel, light and power	216	3.3
Other domestic services	69	1.0
Repairs and maintenance	411	6.3
Administrative expenses	3745	57.4
Interest payments	320	4.9
Depreciation	687	10.5
Contract services (excl. med. pract.)	1583	24.3
Other recurrent expenditure	n.p.	n.p.
Total	19590	300.2

TABLE 9 - RECURRENT EXPENDITURE 1998-99 (Q20) (continued)

Type of expenditure	Expenditure (\$'000)	Average cost per separation
Balance		
Wages and salaries, including on-costs	18993	180.9
Payments to sessional medical officers	n.p.	n.p.
Drugs, medical and surgical supplies	9516	90.6
Surgically implanted prostheses and homograft items	1011	9.6
Food supplies	178	1.7
Fuel, light and power	603	5.7
Other domestic services	105	1.0
Repairs and maintenance	834	7.9
Administrative expenses	8771	83.6
Interest payments	727	6.9
Depreciation	2152	20.5
Contract services (excl. med. pract.)	3011	28.7
Other recurrent expenditure	n.p.	n.p.
<b>Total</b>	<b>46166</b>	<b>439.7</b>
Australia		
Wages and salaries, including on-costs	57090	189.0
Payments to sessional medical officers	2682	8.9
Drugs, medical and surgical supplies	27401	90.7
Surgically implanted prostheses and homograft items	2571	8.5
Food supplies	594	2.0
Fuel, light and power	1366	4.5
Other domestic services	411	1.4
Repairs and maintenance	2546	8.4
Administrative expenses	24238	80.2
Interest payments	2215	7.3
Depreciation	7206	23.9
Contract services (excl. med. pract.)	9019	29.9
Other recurrent expenditure	142	0.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>137480</b>	<b>455.1</b>

TABLE 10 - PERIOD CONTRACT SERVICES 1998-99 (Q21)

Type of service	Number of hospitals	Cost (\$ 000)
Australia (a)		
Laundry	142	1897
Cleaning	142	1359
Waste disposal	132	429
Catering	42	345
Building maintenance	65	511
Plant and equipment maintenance	101	1318
Medical and allied health professionals	27	1724
Management of services	15	704
Security	106	149
Other	22	583

(a) Dissection by States not available because of confidentiality constraints.



TABLE 11 - ACCOMODATION STATUS 1998-99 (Q23)

	Number of hospitals	Number of separations
Australia (a)		
Eligible public patients	25	6409
Eligible private patients	189	268930
Eligible Dept. Veterans' Affairs patients	134	16951
Eligible other patients	121	5295
Ineligible patients	49	4534
Total	190	302119

(a) Dissection by States not available because of confidentiality constraints.

TABLE 12 - PATIENT SEPARATIONS BY AGE AND SEX 1998-99 (Q27)

Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons
NSW and ACT			
Less than 1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
1-4	403	226	629
5-14	723	693	1416
15-24	2294	7828	10122
25-34	4308	12689	16997
35-44	6695	13191	19886
45-54	9622	11595	21217
55-64	10217	11076	21293
65-74	11010	10824	21834
75-84	7453	8003	15456
85 +	1044	1623	2667
Not stated	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Total	54023	77848	131871
Vic.			
Less than 1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
1-4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
5-14	413	438	851
15-24	884	1515	2399
25-34	2003	2705	4708
35-44	3298	4200	7498
45-54	4299	5559	9858
55-64	4222	5363	9585
65-74	4487	5545	10032
75-84	3031	3977	7008
85 +	520	965	1485
Not stated	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Total	28349	36912	65261
Balance			
Less than 1	117	66	183
1-4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
5-14	790	812	1602
15-24	2076	4872	6948
25-34	2711	7131	9842
35-44	4238	7441	11679
45-54	7207	8984	16191
55-64	8058	8469	16527
65-74	9141	9606	18747
75-84	8368	8491	16859
85 +	1233	1966	3199
Not stated	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Total	45759	59228	104987

TABLE 12 - PATIENT SEPARATIONS BY AGE AND SEX 1998-99 (Q27) (continued)

Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Australia			
Less than 1	303	97	400
1-4	1203	863	2066
5-14	1926	1943	3869
15-24	5254	14215	19469
25-34	9022	22525	31547
35-44	14231	24832	39063
45-54	21128	26138	47266
55-64	22497	24908	47405
65-74	24638	25975	50613
75-84	18852	20471	39323
85 +	2797	4554	7351
Not stated	6280	7467	13747
Total	128131	173988	302119

TABLE 13 - MOST COMMONLY PERFORMED PROCEDURES 1998-99 (Q13)

MBS item number	Number of procedures	Number of hospitals
NSW and ACT		
30473	28391	40
32090	21779	38
42702	10660	30
35643	10389	9
32093	7303	31
13100	n.p.	1
13212	2362	7
13918	n.p.	3
13215	2259	7
38218	n.p.	1
Other	63493	n.a.
Total	154335	89
Vic.		
30473	25972	26
32090	18199	28
42702	4331	9
32093	3779	23
35643	n.p.	3
34073	n.p.	1
32084	936	18
41819	652	11
42575	n.p.	2
36812	473	5
Other	12118	n.a.
Total	69296	41
Balance		
42702	13010	20
30473	9882	18
32090	8517	17
13100	n.p.	2
13706	n.p.	3
35643	n.p.	5
13918	n.p.	3
13915	n.p.	3
32093	3122	13
13924	n.p.	3
Other	59601	n.a.
Total	117170	60

TABLE 13 - MOST COMMONLY PERFORMED PROCEDURES 1998-99 (Q13) (continued)

MBS item number	Number of procedures	Number of hospitals
Australia		
30473	64245	84
32090	48495	83
42702	28001	59
35643	15670	17
32093	14204	67
13100	n.p.	3
13918	5646	6
13915	5418	6
13706	n.p.	6
13215	4128	10
Other	142099	n.a.
Total	340801	190

TABLE 14 - TYPE OF ANAESTHESIA 1998-99 (Q12)

Type of anaesthesia	Number of hospitals	Number of separations
Australia (a)		
Nil/local		
Nil	68	37054
Local	138	42172
Total (nil or local)	158	79226
Other		
General	89	58349
Regional	58	17778
Intravenous sedation	134	137000
Multiple	34	9766
Total (other)	175	222893
Total	190	302119

(a) Dissection by States not available because of confidentiality constraints.

TABLE 15 - PRINCIPAL DIAGNOSIS 1998-99 (Q29) (a)

Principal diagnosis	Number of hospitals	Separations (% of total)
NSW and ACT		
Certain infections and parasitic diseases	47	0.6
Neoplasms	76	10.4
Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs	37	0.7
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	49	0.4
Mental and behavioural disorders	15	—
Diseases of the nervous system	39	1.4
Diseases of the eye and adnexa	48	11.2
Diseases of the ear and mastoid process	27	0.5
Diseases of the circulatory system	53	5.2
Diseases of the respiratory system	27	0.3
Diseases of the digestive system	57	29.2
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue	61	2.5
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and corrective tissue	50	2.5
Diseases of the genitourinary system	42	4.8
Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	22	8.2
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	—	—
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	49	0.4
Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings	53	5.1
Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes	56	0.6
Factors influencing health status and contact with health services	69	15.8
Total	89	100.0
Vic.		
Certain infections and parasitic diseases	14	0.2
Neoplasms	26	5.0
Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs	17	1.0
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	13	0.2
Mental and behavioural disorders	2	n.p.
Diseases of the nervous system	15	n.p.
Diseases of the eye and adnexa	15	7.8
Diseases of the ear and mastoid process	8	0.2
Diseases of the circulatory system	21	2.4
Diseases of the respiratory system	7	0.1
Diseases of the digestive system	29	60.5
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue	21	1.4
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and corrective tissue	14	0.4
Diseases of the genitourinary system	16	0.8
Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	6	n.p.
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	—	—
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	19	0.3
Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings	26	10.7
Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes	16	0.2
Factors influencing health status and contact with health services	24	5.4
Total	41	100.0

TABLE 15 - PRINCIPAL DIAGNOSIS 1998-99 (Q29) (a) (continued)

Principal diagnosis	Number of hospitals	Separations (% of total)
<b>Balance</b>		
Certain infections and parasitic diseases	31	0.5
Neoplasms	45	11.7
Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs	19	1.4
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	38	0.4
Mental and behavioural disorders	7	n.p.
Diseases of the nervous system	29	n.p.
Diseases of the eye and adnexa	33	18.2
Diseases of the ear and mastoid process	21	1.2
Diseases of the circulatory system	26	0.8
Diseases of the respiratory system	20	0.7
Diseases of the digestive system	32	15.9
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue	38	1.8
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and corrective tissue	32	2.2
Diseases of the genitourinary system	26	9.6
Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	10	n.p.
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	—	—
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	34	0.5
Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings	34	7.7
Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes	38	2.6
Factors influencing health status and contact with health services	42	18.3
Total	60	100.0
<b>Australia</b>		
Certain infections and parasitic diseases	92	0.5
Neoplasms	147	9.7
Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs	73	1.0
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	100	0.4
Mental and behavioural disorders	24	—
Diseases of the nervous system	83	1.7
Diseases of the eye and adnexa	96	12.9
Diseases of the ear and mastoid process	56	0.7
Diseases of the circulatory system	100	3.1
Diseases of the respiratory system	54	0.4
Diseases of the digestive system	118	31.3
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue	120	2.1
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and corrective tissue	96	1.9
Diseases of the genitourinary system	84	5.6
Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	38	5.5
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	—	—
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	102	0.4
Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings	113	7.2
Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes	110	1.2
Factors influencing health status and contact with health services	135	14.4
Total	190	100.0

(a) From 1998-99, based on the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th Revision - Australian Modification (ICD-10-AM).



TABLE 16 - PRINCIPAL PROCEDURE 1998-99 (Q33) (a)

Principal procedure	Number of hospitals	Separations (% of total)
NSW and ACT		
Procedures on		
Nervous system	29	1.0
Endocrine system	4	n.p.
Eye and adnexa	44	11.1
Ear and mastoid process	25	n.p.
Nose, mouth and pharynx	36	0.7
Dental services	20	2.8
Procedures on		
Respiratory system	15	0.1
Cardiovascular system	41	3.7
Blood and blood-forming organs	17	n.p.
Digestive system	51	41.0
Urinary system	19	n.p.
Male genital organs	27	0.9
Gynaecological procedures	29	16.1
Obstetric procedures	5	—
Procedures on musculoskeletal system	38	2.4
Dermatological and plastic procedures	63	10.3
Procedures on breast	29	n.p.
Chemotherapeutic and radiation oncology procedures	9	n.p.
Miscellaneous procedures	32	1.7
Imaging services	4	n.p.
Allied health interventions	2	n.p.
Total	89	100

TABLE 16 - PRINCIPAL PROCEDURE 1998-99 (Q33) (a) (continued)

Principal procedure	Number of hospitals	Separations (% of total)
Vic.		
Procedures on		
Nervous system	10	0.2
Endocrine system	1	n.p.
Eye and adnexa	14	8.9
Ear and mastoid process	5	n.p.
Nose, mouth and pharynx	12	0.2
Dental services		
Procedures on	7	3.4
Respiratory system	—	—
Cardiovascular system	8	0.1
Blood and blood-forming organs	4	n.p.
Digestive system	29	76.6
Urinary system	3	n.p.
Male genital organs	12	0.3
Gynaecological procedures	10	2.7
Obstetric procedures	1	n.p.
Procedures on musculoskeletal system	10	0.4
Dermatological and plastic procedures	20	4.3
Procedures on breast	13	n.p.
Chemotherapeutic and radiation oncology procedures	1	n.p.
Miscellaneous procedures	9	1.2
Imaging services	1	n.p.
Allied health interventions	—	—
Total	41	100.0

TABLE 16 - PRINCIPAL PROCEDURE 1998-99 (Q33) (a) (continued)

Principal procedure	Number of hospitals	Separations (% of total)
<b>Balance</b>		
Procedures on		
Nervous system	23	1.2
Endocrine system	1	n.p.
Eye and adnexa	29	20.3
Ear and mastoid process	23	n.p.
Nose, mouth and pharynx	29	3.9
Dental services	17	2.3
Procedures on		
Respiratory system	7	0.1
Cardiovascular system	21	0.2
Blood and blood-forming organs	12	n.p.
Digestive system	27	20.8
Urinary system	9	n.p.
Male genital organs	18	0.5
Gynaecological procedures	19	8.5
Obstetric procedures	10	n.p.
Procedures on musculoskeletal system	25	2.4
Dermatological and plastic procedures	36	9.2
Procedures on breast	20	n.p.
Chemotherapeutic and radiation oncology procedures	5	n.p.
Miscellaneous procedures	33	8.2
Imaging services	3	n.p.
Allied health interventions	9	n.p.
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>100.0</b>

TABLE 16 - PRINCIPAL PROCEDURE 1998-99 (Q33) (a) (continued)

Principal procedure	Number of hospitals	Separations (% of total)
Australia		
Procedures on		
Nervous system	62	0.9
Endocrine system	6	—
Eye and adnexa	87	13.9
Ear and mastoid process	53	0.7
Nose, mouth and pharynx	77	1.8
Dental services	44	2.8
Procedures on		
Respiratory system	22	0.1
Cardiovascular system	70	1.7
Blood and blood-forming organs	33	0.4
Digestive system	107	41.5
Urinary system	31	3.5
Male genital organs	57	0.6
Gynaecological procedures	58	10.5
Obstetric procedures	16	0.1
Procedures on musculoskeletal system	73	2.0
Dermatological and plastic procedures	119	8.6
Procedures on breast	62	n.p.
Chemotherapeutic and radiation oncology procedures	15	5.8
Miscellaneous procedures	74	3.9
Imaging services	8	—
Allied health interventions	11	n.p.
Total	190	100.0

(a) From 1998-99, based on the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th Revision - Australian Modification (ICD-10-AM).

TABLE 17 - SELF-PAYING/OTHER PATIENTS 1998-99 (Q26)

	Separations ('000)		
	Self-paying	All other	Total
NSW and ACT	54.7	77.2	131.9
Victoria	25.6	39.7	65.3
Balance	23.3	81.7	105.0
Australia	103.6	198.5	302.1

TABLE 18 - CONSUMER RELATED ISSUES 1998-99 (Q15)

Consumer related issues	Number of hospitals		
	Yes	No	Total
NSW and ACT			
Is feedback sought by patient satisfaction questionnaires?	85	4	89
Is information explaining rights and responsibilities of patients displayed and made publically available in the hospital?	74	15	89
Are patients advised they may make a complaint to the hospital or an appropriate external body?	69	20	89
Are patients involved in setting up their discharge plan early in their period of hospitalisation?	78	11	89
Does the hospital contact the patient's health insurer to check that they are covered for the procedure which they are to undergo?	73	16	89
Vic.			
Is feedback sought by patient satisfaction questionnaires?	30	11	41
Is information explaining rights and responsibilities of patients displayed and made publically available in the hospital?	25	16	41
Are patients advised they may make a complaint to the hospital or an appropriate external body?	16	25	41
Are patients involved in setting up their discharge plan early in their period of hospitalisation?	27	14	41
Does the hospital contact the patient's health insurer to check that they are covered for the procedure which they are to undergo?	27	14	41
Balance			
Is feedback sought by patient satisfaction questionnaires?	50	10	60
Is information explaining rights and responsibilities of patients displayed and made publically available in the hospital?	47	13	60
Are patients advised they may make a complaint to the hospital or an appropriate external body?	31	29	60
Are patients involved in setting up their discharge plan early in their period of hospitalisation?	47	13	60
Does the hospital contact the patient's health insurer to check that they are covered for the procedure which they are to undergo?	45	15	60

TABLE 18 - CONSUMER RELATED ISSUES 1998-99 (Q15) (continued)

Consumer related issues	Number of hospitals		
	Yes	No	Total
Australia			
Is feedback sought by patient satisfaction questionnaires?	165	25	190
Is information explaining rights and responsibilities of patients displayed and made publically available in the hospital?	146	44	190
Are patients advised they may make a complaint to the hospital or an appropriate external body?	116	74	190
Are patients involved in setting up their discharge plan early in their period of hospitalisation?	152	38	190
Does the hospital contact the patient's health insurer to check that they are covered for the procedure which they are to undergo?	145	45	190