

## Technical notes

### Data presentation

Throughout this publication, values presented in the columns and rows of tables may not sum to the totals shown due to missing and not stated values, as well as rounding. Totals reported include missing and not stated values. The percentages shown in the tables are calculated excluding the missing and not stated values, unless indicated otherwise. Percentage distributions may not sum to 100 due to rounding. The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) has strict confidentiality policies which have their basis in section 29 of the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Act 1987 (AIHW Act) and the Privacy Act 1988 (Privacy Act). Cells in tables may be suppressed for either confidentiality reasons or where estimates are based on small numbers, resulting in low reliability. Information that results in attribute disclosure will be suppressed unless agreement from the particular jurisdiction to publish the data has been obtained.

### Population rates

In this publication, crude rates were calculated using the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimated resident population (ERP) at the midpoint of the data range (for example, rates for 2013–14 data were calculated using the ERP at 31 December 2013, while rates for 2013 calendar year data were calculated using ERP at 30 June 2013).

Following the 2011 Census of Population and Housing, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) has rebased the Australian population back to 1991 (undertaken in 2013). This rebasing had a significant impact on the population time series, therefore rates have been recalculated for previous years using the rebased ERP. The exception is for data presented by Indigenous status. Rebased Indigenous population data were available in April 2014, thus sections published on MHSa prior to this date use 2006 based ERP for Indigenous analysis. Crude rates for Indigenous status, country of birth and remoteness area data were calculated using ERP at 30 June of the relevant year.

Data for Victoria were not available for the 2011–12 and 2012–13 reporting period for the community mental health care section of *Mental health services in Australia*. Crude rates for national totals in this section were calculated by subtracting Victorian populations data from the National total. These population data were used in the denominator for calculating national 'Total' crude rates for males, females and persons.

Data for the ACT were not available for the 2014–15 reporting period for community mental health care, residential mental health care, admitted patient, emergency department and public ambulatory-equivalent sections of *Mental health services in Australia*. Crude rates for national totals in these sections were calculated by subtracting ACT populations data from the

National total. These population data were used in the denominator for calculating national 'Total' crude rates for males, females and persons.

## Age-standardised rates

In this publication, some population rates are adjusted (standardised) for age to facilitate comparisons between populations that have different age structures, for example, between Indigenous Australians and other Australians. This publication uses direct standardisation in which age-specific rates are applied to a standard population (the ERP as at 30 June 2001 unless otherwise specified). This effectively removes the influence of age structure on the calculated rate that is described as the age-standardised rate. The method used for this calculation comprises 3 steps:

1. Calculate the crude age-specific rate for each 5-year age group.
2. Calculate the expected number of cases in each 5-year age group by multiplying the age-specific rates by the corresponding standard population and dividing by the base number for the rate calculation (for example 100,000), giving the expected number of cases.
3. Sum the expected number of cases in each age group to give the age-standardised total expected number. Divide this sum by the total of the standard population and multiply by the applicable base number (100,000 in this example).

In some instances in this publication where the numbers in particular 5-year age groups are very small (less than 5), neighbouring age groups have been combined to enable the calculation of a meaningful crude rate.

Data for Victoria were not available for the 2011–12 and 2012–13 reporting period for the community mental health care section of *Mental health services in Australia*. Age-standardised rates for this section were calculated excluding Victorian population data.

Data for the ACT were not available for the 2014–15 reporting period for community mental health care, residential mental health care, admitted patient, emergency department and public ambulatory-equivalent sections of *Mental health services in Australia*. Age-standardised rates for these sections were calculated excluding ACT population data.

## Average annual rates of change

In this publication, the average annual rates of change or growth rates have been calculated as geometric rates:

$$\text{Average rate of change} = ((P_n/P_o)^{(1/n)} - 1) \times 100$$

where:

$P_n$  = value in the later time period

$P_0$  = value in the earlier time period  
n = number of years between the 2 time periods.

Average annual rates of change are not calculated where data are incomplete.

## Confidence intervals

A confidence interval is a range of values that is used to describe the uncertainty around an estimate, usually from a sample survey. Generally speaking, confidence intervals describe how different the estimate could have been if the underlying conditions stayed the same but variability in sampling (i.e. selecting a different sample from the population) had led to a different set of data. Confidence intervals are calculated with a stated probability (commonly 95%); this means that there is a 95% chance that the confidence interval includes the true value.

## Indirect expenditure

The National Mental Health Establishments Database collects information on direct and indirect recurrent expenditure. Direct recurrent expenditure comprises salaries and wages and selected non-salary expenditure, and is collected at the individual mental health service unit level. Indirect recurrent expenditure is additional expenditure associated with the provision of mental health services not incurred or reported at the individual service unit level. Indirect expenditure is reported at 3 overarching levels above the individual service unit level:

- the organisational level; an organisation may or may not comprise a number of individual service units
- the regional level
- the state/territory level.

Some of these indirect expenditure items can be directly linked to the provision of services by the service units. Specifically, at the organisational and regional levels the expenditure on the following items is directly related to individual mental health service units and thus has been apportioned to units in the organisation or region reporting the indirect funds:

- program administration
- support services
- academic chairs
- superannuation
- workers compensation
- insurance
- patient transport services
- property leasing
- other indirect expenditure.

The apportioning of indirect expenditure is calculated on the total direct funds for the service, as a proportion of the total for all service units in the organisation or region. The total allocation or apportioning of funds is reported in the indirect expenditure rows in Table EXP.1.

The remaining indirect expenditure categories of education and training, research, mental health promotion, service development costs associated with the startup of new services and costs associated with the establishment and operation of jurisdictional Mental Health Act review bodies are not apportioned to mental health service units. State/territory level expenditure is also not apportioned to mental health service units. The total for these residual categories is reported in the row 'Other indirect expenditure' in Table EXP.1. Note that grants to non-government-organisations are not regarded as indirect expenditure.

## Deflators

Expenditure aggregates in this report are expressed in current prices and/or constant prices. The transformation of current prices to constant prices is termed 'deflation', using price indexes or 'deflators'. There are a variety of deflators that can be used to translate current prices into constant prices. The deflators that were used by AIHW for the various items in the Expenditure on mental health services section are outlined in the table below. For further information on the methodology used to calculate deflators, refer to Health expenditure Australia 2013–14 (AIHW 2015).

**Table Tech 1: Area of health expenditure, by type of deflator applied**

Area of expenditure	Deflator applied
Public psychiatric hospitals/acute hospitals with a specialised psychiatric unit or ward	Government final consumption expenditure (GFCE) hospitals and nursing homes(a)
Community mental health care services	Professional health workers wage rate index
Residential mental health services	Professional health workers wage rate index
Grants to non-government-operated organisations	Professional health workers wage rate index
Other indirect expenditure	Government final consumption expenditure (GFCE) hospitals and nursing homes(a)
Private psychiatric hospital expenditure	Government final consumption expenditure (GFCE) hospitals and nursing homes(a)
Medicare expenditure on mental health-related services	Medicare fees charged per service by specialists(b)
Expenditure on mental health-related medications subsidised under the PBS and RPBS	PBS pharmaceuticals(b)
Australian Government expenditure on mental health-related services	Government final consumption expenditure (GFCE) hospitals and nursing homes(a)
Expenditure on specialised mental health services	Government final consumption expenditure (GFCE) hospitals and nursing homes(a)

(a) Australian Bureau of Statistics (unpublished data).

(b) AIHW Health Expenditure Database (AIHW 2010).

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## Health-related classifications

Health-related classifications have multiple purposes, including the facilitation of data collection and management in the clinical setting, the analysis of data to inform health policy, and the allocation of financial and other resources. This section provides a short description of the classification systems referenced in this report.

### Australian Classification of Health Interventions

The Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) is the Australian national standard for procedure and intervention coding in Australian hospitals.

The National Centre for Classification in Health (NCCH) developed the ACHI based on the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS). The MBS is a fee schedule for Medicare services including general practice consultations, specialist consultations, surgical procedures and other medical services, such as diagnostic investigations and optometric services. The Department of Health (DoH) updates the MBS at least twice each year and these code changes are incorporated into the ACHI or the MBS codes are mapped to existing ACHI codes.

The ACHI classifies procedures and interventions performed in public and private Australian hospitals, day centres and ambulatory settings, as well as allied health interventions, dentistry and imaging. The structure of the ACHI is anatomically based, rather than based on the medical specialty.

To maintain parity with disease classification, ACHI chapters resemble the *International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th revision, Australian Modification* (ICD-10-AM chapters). The ACHI is updated biennially by the National Casemix and Classification Centre (NCCC) in line with the disease section of the ICD-10-AM. Use of the codes is guided by the Australian Coding Standards of the ICD-10-AM.

**Further information on the ACHI is available from the [NCCC website](#).**

### Australian Statistical Geography Standard

The Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) was developed by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) for the collection and dissemination of geographically classified statistics. It is a common framework that enables publication of statistics that are comparable and spatially integrated and is an essential reference for understanding and interpreting the geographical context of Australian statistics.

The ASGS replaces the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC) and has been utilised for release of data from the 2011 Census of Population and Housing. The majority of National Minimum Data Sets (NMDSs) transitioned from the ASGC to the ASGS for the 2012–13 collection period. However, there are a number of data sources

published in this report that still use the ASGC to derive remoteness information. Please refer to specific chapters to determine whether the ASGC or ASGS was used to derive remoteness.

## **Remoteness**

In this report the ASGS applies to the data presented by remoteness area. This is based on the ASGS Remoteness Structure which provides a geographical standard for the publication of statistics by relative remoteness (ABS 2011). It is categorised into Remoteness Areas (RAs). RAs aggregate to states and territories and cover the whole of Australia without gaps or overlaps.

This report uses the ASGS to present data in the following categories:

- *Major cities*
- *Inner regional*
- *Outer regional*
- *Remote*
- *Very remote.*

For further information on this classification system, refer to the [ABS website](#).

## **Socio-economic status**

The ABS Socio Economic Indexes For Areas Index of Relative Socio-economic Disadvantage (SEIFA IRSD) is used to report Australian socio-economic data (ABS 2014). SEIFA scores are calculated by taking into account social and economic indicators of advantage and disadvantage, such as education, occupation, employment, income, families, and housing, and are used to summarise the socioeconomic conditions of a geographical area (ABS 2014).

These scores are categorised into five groups, referred to as quintiles, which each represent about one-fifth (20%) of the population (ABS 2014). Quintile 1 is the most disadvantaged group (worst off) and quintile 5 is the least disadvantaged group (best off) (ABS 2014). A geographical area with a low SEIFA score will likely comprise of a higher proportion of people who are relatively disadvantaged and a lower proportion of people who are relatively advantaged.

More information can be found on the ABS website at [www.abs.gov.au](http://www.abs.gov.au)

## **Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical Classification System**

The Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) Classification System, developed by the World Health Organization (WHO), assigns therapeutic drugs to different groups according to the body organ or system on which they act, as well as their therapeutic and chemical characteristics.

The coding of pharmaceutical products within the Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits is based on the ATC Classification System but with some differences as outlined in the relevant data source sections.

For further information on this classification system, refer to the [WHO website](#).

## English Proficiency Country Groups

The English Proficiency Country Groups (EP groups) were developed by the then Bureau of Immigration, Multicultural and Population Research (Australia), based on the 1991 Census. It is a classification of countries of birth to enable the analysis and presentation of data on immigrants to Australia. Countries are classified to 1 of 4 groups depending on the proportion of immigrants in the 5 years before the Census who spoke good English (the EP index).

The latest published version of the EP groups was based on the 2001 Census (DIMIA 2003). They are:

- EP1—all countries rating 98.5% or higher on the EP index with at least 10,000 residents in Australia
- EP2—countries rating 84.5% or higher on the EP index, other than those in EP1
- EP3—countries rating 57.5% to less than 84.5%
- EP4—countries rating less than 57.5%.

AIHW has updated the EP groups based on the 2011 Census and it is this updated classification which has been used in this report. The updated classification can be obtained by emailing [mentalhealth@aihw.gov.au](mailto:mentalhealth@aihw.gov.au).

## International Classification of Diseases

The International Classification of Diseases (ICD), which was developed by the WHO, is the international standard for coding morbidity and mortality statistics. It was designed to promote international comparability in the collection, processing, classification and presentation of these statistics. The ICD is periodically reviewed to reflect changes in clinical and research settings (WHO 2011).

Although the ICD is primarily designed for the classification of diseases and injuries with a formal diagnosis, it also classifies a wide variety of signs, symptoms, abnormal findings, complaints and social circumstances that may stand in place of a diagnosis.

Further information on the [ICD](#) is available from the [WHO website](#).

## International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 9th revision, Clinical Modification

The *International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 9th revision, Clinical Modification* (ICD-9-CM) is based on the ninth revision of the ICD (NCC 1996). The ICD-9-CM was the official system of assigning codes to diagnoses and procedures associated with hospital use in Australia before it was superseded by the ICD-10-AM.



## **International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th revision, Australian Modification**

The Australian Modification of ICD-10 (called ICD-10-AM) is used to classify diagnoses in the health sector in Australia. It is used in public and private hospitals, and in community and residential mental health care services. The ICD-10-AM was developed in Australia by the NCCH with the purpose of making ICD-10 more relevant to Australian clinical practice (NCCH 2006).

## **International Classification of Primary Care, 2nd edition, and ICPC-2 PLUS**

The *International Classification of Primary Care, 2nd edition* (ICPC-2) is a classification method for primary care or general practice encounters accepted by the WHO and primarily used in Australia. It allows for the classification of three elements of a health care encounter in relation to the patient: reasons for encounter; diagnoses or problems; and process of care.

The ICPC-2 PLUS (which is also known as the BEACH coding system) is an extended vocabulary of terms classified according to the ICPC-2, which enables greater specificity in coding. The ICPC-2 PLUS is primarily used in the context of Australian general practice.

The ICPC-2 is currently being used in some electronic health records in clinical general practice, for research purposes (such as the BEACH project) and for coding self-reported health information in other statistical collections such as the ABS National Health Survey.

Further information on [ICPC-2](#) is available from the WHO website and information on [ICPC-2 PLUS](#) is available from the [BEACH website](#).

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## **Codes used to define mental health–related general practice encounters and mental health–related hospital separations**

This section provides a list of codes used to define mental health-related general practice encounters from the Bettering the Evaluation and Care of Health (BEACH) database (as used in the general practice section) and mental health-related hospital separations from the National Hospital Morbidity Database (as used in the [Ambulatory-equivalent](#) and [Admitted patient](#) sections).

### **BEACH survey of general practice activity data**

For the purpose of this report, mental health-related general practice encounters are defined as those encounters where a mental health-related problem was managed. Mental health-related problems are those that are classified in the psychological chapter (that is, the 'P' chapter) of the International Classification of Primary Care, 2nd edition (ICPC-2). In the great majority of cases the codes appearing in the diagnosis or problem fields of the BEACH survey form those listed here under the 'Problems managed' heading. Occasionally a code more relevant to treatments or referrals has appeared. These cases (accounting for 3% of all mental health-related problems managed in BEACH in 2011–12) are still counted as 'mental health-related' general practice encounters for the purpose of the report, in particular the estimates in table class code 1 below.

For treatments and referrals, codes that are classified in the psychological chapter of the ICPC-2 PLUS have been used as these enable greater specificity in coding.

For medications, Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) classification codes (WHO 2011) have been used, where the medication falls into one of four groups.

The following table presents a list of the ICPC-2, ICPC-2 PLUS and ATC codes classed as 'psychological' for problems managed, treatments, referrals and medications.

**Table Class code 1: ICPC-2, ICPC-2 PLUS and ATC codes classified as psychological for problems managed, treatments, referrals and medications in the BEACH database, 2011–12**

ICPC-2 code	ICPC-2 PLUS code	ATC code	ICPC-2/ICPC-2 PLUS/ATC label
<b>Problems managed</b>			
P01			Feeling anxious/nervous/tense
P02			Acute stress reaction
P03			Feeling depressed
P04			Feeling/behaving irritable/angry
P05			Senility, feeling/behaving old
P06			Sleep disturbance
P07			Sexual desire reduced
P08			Sexual fulfilment reduced
P09			Concern about sexual preference
P10			Stammering, stuttering, tics
P11			Eating problems in children
P12			Bed-wetting, enuresis
P13			Encopresis/bowel training problem
P15			Chronic alcohol abuse
P16			Acute alcohol abuse
P17			Tobacco abuse
P18			Medication abuse
P19			Drug abuse
P20			Memory disturbance
P22			Child behaviour symptom/complaint
P23			Adolescent behaviour symptom/complaint
P24			Specific learning problem
P25			Phase of life problem in adult
P27			Fear of mental disorder
P28			Limited function/disability psychological
P29			Psychological symptom/complaint, other
P70			Dementia (including senile, Alzheimer's)
P71			Organic psychoses, other
P72			Schizophrenia
P73			Affective psychoses
P74			Anxiety disorder/anxiety state
P75			Somatisation disorder
P76			Depressive disorder
P77			Suicide/suicide attempt
P78			Neurasthenia
P79			Phobia, compulsive disorder
P80			Personality disorder
P81			Hyperkinetic disorder
P82			Post-traumatic stress disorder
P85			Mental retardation
P86			Anorexia nervosa, bulimia
P98			Psychoses not otherwise specified/other

P99		Psychological disorders, other
<b>Treatments, including counselling</b>		
Check-ups		
	P30001	Exploration; psychological; complete
	P30002	Check up; complete; psychological
	P30003	Exam; complete; psychological
	P31001	Exploration; psychological; partial
	P31002	Check up; partial; psychological
	P31003	Exam; partial; psychological
	P31004	Exam; mental state
	P31005	Monitoring; drug rehab
Tests and investigations		
	P34001	Test; blood; psychological
	P34002	Test; lithium
	P34003	Test; methadone
	P35001	Test; urine; psychological
	P38001	Test; other lab; psychological
	P39001	Test; physical function; psychological
	P41001	Radiology; diagnostic; psychological
	P43001	Test; psychological
	P43003	Procedures; diagnostic; psychological
	P43004	Exam; mini mental state
Advice/counselling		
	P45001	Advice/education; psychological
	P45002	Observe/wait; psychological
	P45004	Advice/education; smoking
	P45005	Advice/education; alcohol
	P45006	Advice/education; illicit drugs
	P45007	Advice/education; relaxation
	P45008	Advice/education; lifestyle
	P45009	Advice/education; sexuality
	P45010	Advice/education; life stage
	P45013	Anger management
	P58001	Counselling; psychiatric
	P58002	Psychotherapy
	P58004	Counselling; psychological
	P58005	Counselling; sexual; psychological
	P58006	Counselling; individual; psychological
	P58007	Counselling; bereavement
	P58008	Counselling; smoking
	P58009	Counselling; alcohol
	P58010	Counselling; drug abuse
	P58011	Counselling; relaxation
	P58012	Counselling; life style
	P58013	Counselling; anger
	P58014	Counselling; self-esteem
	P58015	Counselling; assertiveness
	P58016	Counselling; life stage
	P58017	Counselling; stress management

	P58018		Therapy; group
	P58019		Cognitive behavioural therapy
	P58020		Rehabilitation; drug
	P58021		Rehabilitation; alcohol
	P58022		Counselling; body image
<b>Therapeutic procedures</b>			
	P59001		Therapeutic procedure; psychological
	P59002		Therapy; electroconvulsive
	P59003		Hypnosis/hypnotherapy
	P59005		Therapy; relaxation
<b>Other management</b>			
	P42001		Electrical tracings; psychological
	P46001		Consultation; other general practitioner/allied health professional; psychological
	P46002		Consultation; primary care provider; psychological
	P46003		Consultation; psychiatrist
	P46004		Consultation; mental health worker
	P47003		Consultation; psychiatrist
	P48002		Discuss; patient reason for encounter; psychological
	P49001		Preventive; procedure; psychological
	P49002		Exchange; needle/syringe
	P49003		Mental health plan
	P50001		Medications; psychological
	P50002		Medication; request; psychological
	P50003		Medication; renew; psychological
	P50004		Prescription; psychological
	P50006		Injection; psychological
	P60001		Test; result(s); psychological
	P60002		Results; procedures; psychological
	P62001		Administrative; psychological
	P63001		Encounter; follow-up; psychological
	P64002		Encounter; provider initiated; psychological
	P69001		Encounter; other; psychological
	P69002		Assist at operation; psychological
<b>Referrals</b>			
	P66003		Referral; psychologist
	P66004		Referral; counsellor
	P66005		Referral; mental health team
	P66006		Referral; drug & alcohol
	P66007		Referral; hypnotherapy
	P67002		Referral; psychiatrist
	P67004		Referral; clinic; psychiatrist
	P67005		Referral; hospital; psychiatrist
	P67006		Referral; sleep clinic
	P68003		Referral; needle/syringe exchange
<b>Medications</b>			
		N05A	Antipsychotics

		N05B	Anxiolytics
		N05C	Hypnotics and sedatives
		N06A	Antidepressants

Source: ICPC-2 International Classification of Primary Care, 2nd edition

## National Hospital Morbidity Database data

Data from the National Hospital Morbidity Database (NHMD) are the source for the [Ambulatory-equivalent](#) and [Admitted patient](#) sections of this online report. The definition of the scope of each section is provided in the section's introduction or data source. Key elements of these definitions depend on the ICD-10-AM diagnosis codes and the Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) procedure codes. The codes in-scope are listed below.

During the preparation of *Mental health services in Australia 1999–00* (AIHW 2002), attention was given to ensuring that, for data on hospital separations from the NHMD, the definition of a 'mental health-related diagnosis' included all codes that were either clinically or statistically relevant to mental health. This definition was revised for *Mental health services in Australia 2000–01* (AIHW 2003) to increase the accuracy of the data. More specifically, for the analyses of the 2000–01 National Hospital Morbidity data, a diagnosis was considered clinically relevant to mental health if:

- it was included as a principal diagnosis defining Australian Refined Diagnosis Related Group Version 4.2 Major Diagnostic Categories (MDC) 19 (Mental diseases and disorders) and 20 (Alcohol/drug use and alcohol/drug induced organic mental disorders), or
- it appeared to be specific for a mental health-related condition based on expert advice.

A diagnosis was defined as being statistically relevant to mental health if:

- during 2000–01 there were more than 20 separations with specialised psychiatric care for that principal diagnosis at the 3-character level of ICD-10-AM or more than 10 at the 4-character level, or
- over 50% of separations with that principal diagnosis included specialised psychiatric care.

This method was developed in consultation with the National Mental Health Working Group Information Strategy Committee (now called the Mental Health Information Strategy Standing Committee) and the Clinical Casemix Committee of Australia.

Certain codes were statistically relevant during 1999–00 but not in 2000–01; these were examined and included if over 50% of total separations over the 2 years included specialised psychiatric care.

For *Mental health services in Australia*, the same codes used for the analysis of the 2000–01 data have been used to define 'mental health-related' hospital separations in the [Ambulatory-equivalent](#) and [Admitted patient](#) sections. However, updates have been made to incorporate changes in codes that have occurred as new editions of ICD-10-AM have been released.

The full list of codes used to define mental health-related hospital separations is shown in the following table.

**Table Class code 2: ICD-10-AM diagnosis codes used to define mental health-related hospital separations**

<b>ICD-10-AM code</b>	<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>MDC 19</b>	<b>MDC 20</b>	<b>Statistically relevant</b>	<b>Apparently otherwise relevant</b>
F00	Dementia in Alzheimer's disease	..	..	..	Y
F01	Vascular dementia	..	..	..	Y
F02	Dementia in other diseases classified elsewhere	..	..	Y	..
F03	Unspecified dementia	..	..	..	Y
F04	Organic amnesic syndrome, not induced by alcohol and other psychoactive substances	..	..	..	Y
F05	Delirium, not induced by alcohol and other psychoactive substances	..	..	..	Y
F06	Other mental disorders due to brain damage and dysfunction and to physical disease	..	..	Y	Y
F07	Personality and behavioural disorders due to brain disease, damage and dysfunction	..	..	Y	Y
F09	Unspecified organic or symptomatic mental disorder	..	..	Y	..
F10	Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of alcohol	..	Y	..	..
F11	Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of opioids	..	Y	..	..
F12	Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of cannabinoids	..	Y	Y	..
F13	Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of sedatives or hypnotics	..	Y	..	..
F14	Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of cocaine	..	Y	..	..
F15	Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of other stimulants, including caffeine	..	Y	Y	..
F16	Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of hallucinogens	..	Y	..	..
F17	Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of tobacco	..	Y	..	..
F18	Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of volatile solvents	..	Y	..	..
F19	Mental and behavioural disorders due to multiple drug use and use of other psychoactive substances	..	Y	Y	..
F20	Schizophrenia	Y	..	Y	..
F21	Schizotypal disorder	Y	..	Y	..
F22	Persistent delusional disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F23	Acute and transient psychotic disorders	Y	..	Y	..

F24	Induced delusional disorder	Y	..	Y	..
F25	Schizoaffective disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F28	Other non-organic psychotic disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F29	Unspecified non-organic psychosis	Y	..	Y	..
F30	Manic episode	Y	..	Y	..
F31	Bipolar affective disorder	Y	..	Y	..
F32	Depressive episode	Y	..	Y	..
F33	Recurrent depressive disorder	Y	..	Y	..
F34	Persistent mood (affective) disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F38	Other mood (affective) disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F39	Unspecified mood (affective) disorder	Y	..	Y	..
F40	Phobic anxiety disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F41	Other anxiety disorders	Y	..	..	..
F42	Obsessive–compulsive disorder	Y	..	Y	..
F43	Reaction to severe stress, and adjustment disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F44	Dissociative (conversion) disorders	Y	..	..	..
F45	Somatoform disorders	Y	..	..	..
F48	Other neurotic disorders	Y	..	..	..
F50	Eating disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F51	Non-organic sleep disorders	Y	..	..	..
F52 <sup>(a)</sup>	Sexual dysfunction, not caused by organic disorder or disease	Y	..	Y	Y
F53	Mental and behavioural disorders associated with the puerperium, not elsewhere classified	..	..	..	Y
F54	Psychological and behavioural factors associated with disorders or diseases classified elsewhere	Y	..	..	..
F55	Harmful use of non-dependence-producing substances	..	Y	..	Y
F59	Unspecified behavioural syndromes associated with physiological disturbances and physical factors	Y	..	..	..
F60	Specific personality disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F61	Mixed and other personality disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F62	Enduring personality changes, not attributable to brain damage and disease	Y	..	Y	..
F63	Habit and impulse disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F64	Gender identity disorders	Y	..	..	..
F65	Disorders of sexual preference	Y	..	Y	..
F66	Psychological and behavioural disorders associated with sexual development and orientation	Y	..	Y	..
F68	Other disorders of adult personality and behaviour	Y	..	Y	..
F69	Unspecified disorder of adult personality and behaviour	Y	..	..	..
F70	Mild mental retardation	..	..	Y	..
F71	Moderate mental retardation	..	..	..	Y
F72	Severe mental retardation	..	..	..	Y



F73	Profound mental retardation	..	..	..	Y
F78	Other mental retardation	..	..	..	Y
F79	Unspecified mental retardation	..	..	Y	..
F80	Specific developmental disorders of speech and language	Y	..	..	..
F81	Specific developmental disorders of scholastic skills	Y	..	..	..
F82	Specific developmental disorder of motor function	Y	..	..	..
F83	Mixed specific developmental disorders	Y	..	..	..
F84 <sup>(b)</sup>	Pervasive developmental disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F88	Other disorders of psychological development	Y	..	..	..
F89	Unspecified disorder of psychological development	Y	..	..	..
F90	Hyperkinetic disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F91	Conduct disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F92	Mixed disorders of conduct and emotions	Y	..	Y	..
F93	Emotional disorders with onset specific to childhood	Y	..	Y	..
F94	Disorders of social functioning with onset specific to childhood and adolescence	Y	..	..	..
F95	Tic disorders	Y	..	Y	..
F98 <sup>(c)</sup>	Other behavioural and emotional disorders with onset usually occurring in childhood and adolescence	Y	..	Y	..
F99	Mental disorder, not otherwise specified	Y	..	..	..
G30.0	Alzheimer's disease with early onset	..	..	Y	..
G30.1	Alzheimer's disease with late onset	..	..	Y	..
G30.8	Other Alzheimer's disease	..	..	..	Y
G30.9	Alzheimer's disease, unspecified	..	..	..	Y
G47.0	Disorders initiating and maintaining sleep	Y	..	..	..
G47.1	Disorders excessive somnolence	Y	..	..	..
G47.2	Disorders of the sleep-wake schedule	Y	..	..	..
G47.8	Other sleep disorders	Y	..	..	..
G47.9	Sleep disorder, unspecified	Y	..	..	..
O99.3	Mental disorder nervous system pregnancy and birth	..	..	..	Y
R44.0	Auditory hallucinations	Y	..	..	..
R44.1	Visual hallucinations	..	..	..	Y
R44.2	Other hallucination	Y	..	..	..
R44.3	Hallucinations, unspecified	Y	..	..	..
R44.8	Other/not otherwise specified symptom involving general sensation perception	Y	..	..	..
R45.0	Nervousness	Y	..	..	..
R45.1	Restlessness and agitation	Y	..	..	..
R45.4	Irritability and anger	Y	..	..	..
R48.0	Dyslexia and alexia	Y	..	..	..
R48.1	Agnosia	Y	..	..	..
R48.2	Apraxia	Y	..	..	..

R48.8	Other and unspecified symbolic dysfunctions	Y	..	..	..
Z00.4	General psychiatric examination, not elsewhere classified	..	..	Y	..
Z03.2	Observation for suspected mental and behavioural disorder	Y	..	Y	..
Z04.6	General psychiatric examination, requested by authority	..	..	Y	..
Z09.3	Follow-up examination after psychotherapy	..	..	..	Y
Z13.3	Special screening examination for mental and behavioural disorders	..	..	..	Y
Z50.2	Alcohol rehabilitation	..	..	..	Y
Z50.3	Drug rehabilitation	..	..	..	Y
Z54.3	Convalescence following psychotherapy	..	..	..	Y
Z61.9	Negative life event in childhood, unspecified	..	..	Y	..
Z63.1	Problems relationship w parents & in-laws	..	..	Y	..
Z63.8	Other spec problems related to prim support group	..	..	Y	..
Z63.9	Problem related to primary support group, unspecified	..	..	Y	..
Z65.8	Other specified problems related to psychosocial circumstances	..	..	Y	..
Z65.9	Problem related to unspecified psychosocial circumstances	..	..	..	Y
Z71.4	Counselling and surveillance for alcohol use disorder	..	..	..	Y
Z71.5	Counselling and surveillance for drug use disorder	..	..	..	Y
Z76.0	Issue of repeat prescription	..	..	Y	..

.. not applicable

Y code used

(a) Excluding F52.5.

(b) Excluding F84.2.

(c) Excluding F98.5 and F98.6.

## Procedures component of the definition of ambulatory-equivalent mental health-related separations

The full list of ACHI codes as part of the definition of ambulatory-equivalent mental health-related hospital separations is shown in the following table. If there is no procedure recorded, or only procedure(s) in this list, and other criteria as outlined in Section 5 are met, then the separation will be categorised as ambulatory-equivalent.

**Table Class code 3: ACHI codes used as part of the definition of ambulatory equivalent mental health-related hospital separations**

Block code	Procedure code	Block or procedure label
1822	All	Assessment of personal care and other activities of daily/independent living
1823	All	Mental, behavioural or psychosocial assessment
1867	All	Counselling or education relating to personal care and other activities of daily/independent living
1868	All	Psychosocial counselling
1869	All	Other counselling or education
1872	All	Alcohol and drug rehabilitation and detoxification
1873	All	Psychological/psychosocial therapies
1875	All	Skills training in relation to learning, knowledge and cognition
1878	All	Skills training for personal care and other activities of daily/independent living
1916	95550-01	Allied health intervention, social work
1916	95550-02	Allied health intervention, occupational therapy
1916	95550-10	Allied health intervention, psychology

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