

**Public Accounts and Estimates Committee**  
**Inquiry into the 2021-22 Budget Estimates**  
**27 May 2021**

**PORTFOLIO: MENTAL HEALTH**

**Witnesses:**

- Hon. James Merlino
- Professor Euan Wallace
- Ms Katherine Whetton
- Mr Greg Stenton
- Mr Chris Hotham
- Ms Pam Anders
- Mr Matthew Hercus

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**QUESTION 2**

**Please provide data relating to the number of people admitted to a mental health bed within 8 hours and within 24 hours, separated by health service up to today or at least until the end of April?**

**Mr D O'BRIEN:** Thank you again, Chair. Secretary, could I ask a question to you. Last time in the PAEC hearings we were supplied with data relating to the number of people admitted to a mental health bed within 8 hours and within 24 hours, separated by health service. I am wondering if you could provide that data for us again on notice up to today or at least until the end of April? If you are happy to, perhaps just for the record, say that for Hansard purposes – sorry, Secretary.

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**Name of Committee member asking question: Mr D O'Brien**

**RESPONSE**

Statewide result (1 July 2020 to 30 April 2021)

Financial Year*	Number of ED presentations departing to a mental health bed	Number of ED presentations departing to a mental health bed within 8 hours of arrival	Number of ED presentations departing to a mental health bed with 24 hours of arrival
FY2020-21	10,235	5,398	9,836

**Source:** Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset (VEMD).

Date extracted: 5 August 2021.

Reported by departure date

Excludes Type of Visit Code '19' (COVID-19 Assessment Clinic), and Triage Category '8' (Dead on Arrival).

Excludes Albury ED

Health service level result (1 July 2020 to 30 April 2021)

## Health service level result (1 July 2020 to 30 April 2021)

Health Service (responsible designated mental health service; where applicable)	Number of ED presentations departing to a mental health bed	Number of ED presentations departing to a mental health bed within 8 hours of arrival	Number of ED presentations departing to a mental health bed within 24 hours of arrival
Albury Wodonga Health	<5	<5	<5
Alfred Health	430	321	430
Austin Health	348	180	348
Bairnsdale Regional Health Service (Latrobe Regional Hospital)	135	91	135
Ballarat Health Services	239	138	238
Barwon Health	392	241	392
Bass Coast Health (Latrobe Regional Hospital)	48	37	48
Bendigo Health	416	343	416
Central Gippsland Health Service (Latrobe Regional Hospital)	86	67	86
Eastern Health	1,661	940	1,661
Echuca Regional Health (Bendigo Health)	37	34	36
Goulburn Valley Health	200	165	200
Latrobe Regional Hospital	562	309	562
Melbourne Health	134	32	134
Mercy Hospitals Victoria Ltd	584	303	559
Mildura Base Public Hospital	147	131	147
Monash Health	1,113	465	1,077
Northeast Health Wangaratta (Albury Wodonga Health)	187	43	129
Northern Health (Melbourne Health, Austin Health <18)	948	267	948
Peninsula Health	695	511	694
Royal Children's Hospital	44	24	44
Royal Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital	0	0	0
Royal Women's Hospital (Melbourne Health)	<5	<5	<5
South West Healthcare	141	120	141
St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne	321	268	321
Swan Hill District Health (Bendigo Health)	52	40	52
West Gippsland Healthcare Group (Latrobe Regional Hospital)	68	51	68
Western District Health Service (South West Health Care)	20	12	17
Western Health (Melbourne Health, Royal Children's <18)	1,176	236	905
Wimmera Health Care Group (Ballarat Health Services)	47	27	45

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