

Health
Snapshot of
Australia
2015



GP Care

84% of patient services bulk billed

93% of Australians have a usual general practice

33,275 GPs in Australia



Hospital Care

17.2 public hospital beds available per 1000 population aged 65 and over

68% triage category 3 patients seen within recommended time

73% emergency department visits completed in four hours or less

35 day wait for elective surgery

1,359 in 2013–14, there were 1,359 hospitals in Australia—747 public hospitals, accounting for 65% of hospital beds (58,600), and 612 private hospitals accounting for 35% of beds (31,000)

Health Spending



\$423m in the 2015-16 Budget, the Commonwealth reduced public hospital funding by \$423 million for the three years to 2017-18

\$154.6b was spent on health goods and services in total in 2013–14

\$6,639 was spent per person on average on health in 2013–14

Public Health



1 in 5 Australians affected by multiple chronic diseases

1.3m or 7% of Australians have used methamphetamine

1 in 8 Australians smoke

2 in 3 almost 2 in 3 adults are overweight or obese,
1 in 4 children are overweight or obese

9.7 litres of pure alcohol was consumed per capita

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