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BREAST CANCER DETECTION AND MANAGEMENT (CHAPTER 12)

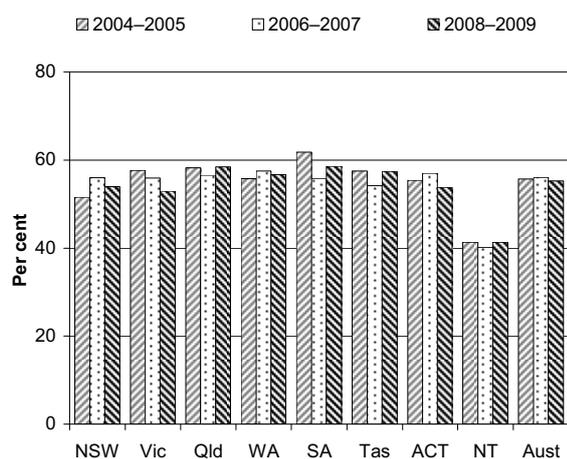
- The focus of this chapter is on the performance of governments in managing two key health issues: breast cancer and mental health. This factsheet focuses on the performance of governments in detecting and managing breast cancer.
- Governments spent around \$175 million on breast cancer screening in 2008-09 (table 12A.6). Over 886 000 women aged 40 years or over were screened by BreastScreen Australia in 2009, compared with around 827 500 in 2005 (p. 12.12).

Objectives of breast cancer detection and management

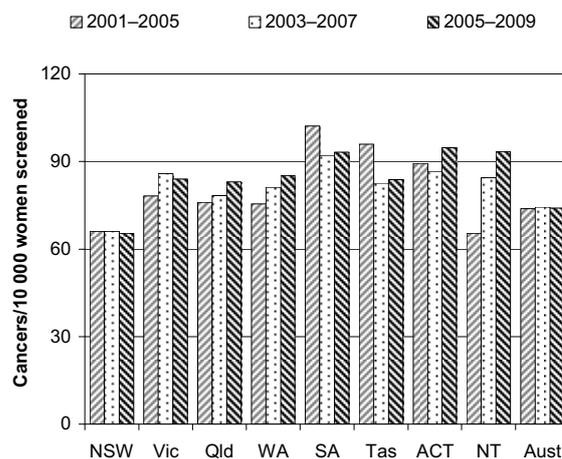
- The objectives of breast cancer detection and management are to reduce morbidity and mortality attributable to breast cancer, and to improve the quality and duration of life of women with breast cancer in a manner that is equitable and efficient.

Selection of results

Age standardised participation rates of women aged 50–69 years in BreastScreen Australia screening programs (24 month period) (p. 12.18)^a

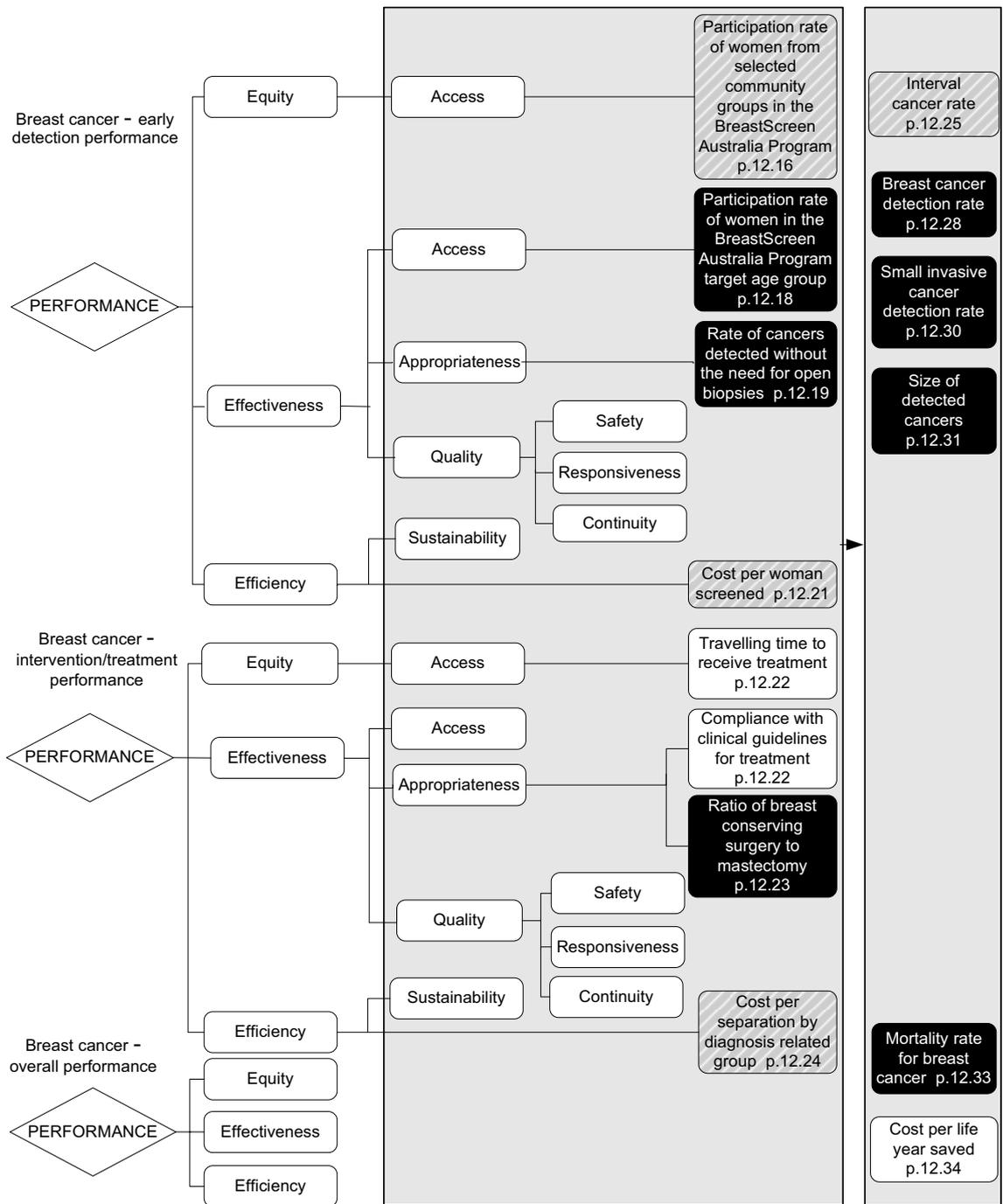


Annual average age standardised breast cancer detection rate for women aged 50–69 years, invasive cancers, first screening round (p. 12.28)^a



^a Data and caveats for these figures are available electronically from the website for the Review of Government Service Provision (www.pc.gov.au/gsp/reports/rogs/2011). Data may be subject to revision. The most recent data will be available on the Review website.

Performance indicators for breast cancer detection and management (figure 12.7, p. 12.15)



Key to indicators

- Text** Data for these indicators comparable, subject to caveats to each chart or table
- Text** Data for these indicators not complete or not directly comparable
- Text** These indicators yet to be developed or data not collected for this Report: chapter contains explanatory text

Developments in reporting since the 2010 Report

- reporting updated data by remoteness for the equity — access indicator ‘Participation rate of women from selected community groups in the BreastScreen Australia Program’ — previously, the most recent data reported by remoteness were for the 24 month period 2005 and 2006
- inclusion of some ‘data quality information’ (DQI) documentation.

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