
Errata — Report on Government Services 2012

The following amendment was made to the 2012 Report since it was released in January 2012.

The rate of hospital separations for falls in residential aged care services per 10 000 resident occupied place days has changed from 3.3 to 3.4. The rates for 2009-10 in figure 13.30 have also changed nationally and for all jurisdictions (except NSW).

Chapter 13 — Aged care services

The revised chapter text and figure are reproduced below.

Amended text on page 13.67

Box 13.18 Selected adverse events in residential aged care

'Selected adverse events in residential aged care' is defined by the number of hospital separations for falls in residential aged care services per 10 000 resident occupied place days. Falls that occurred in residential aged care, but did not result in hospitalisation are not included.

Low or decreasing rates of hospital separations for falls in residential aged care services per 10 000 resident occupied place days are desirable.

Not all falls are preventable. An excessively custodial and risk-averse approach to preventing falls that infringes on a older person's autonomy and limits rehabilitation is also not appropriate. Interventions that prevent falls or mitigate harm from falls, but do not limit autonomy or rehabilitation are most desirable.

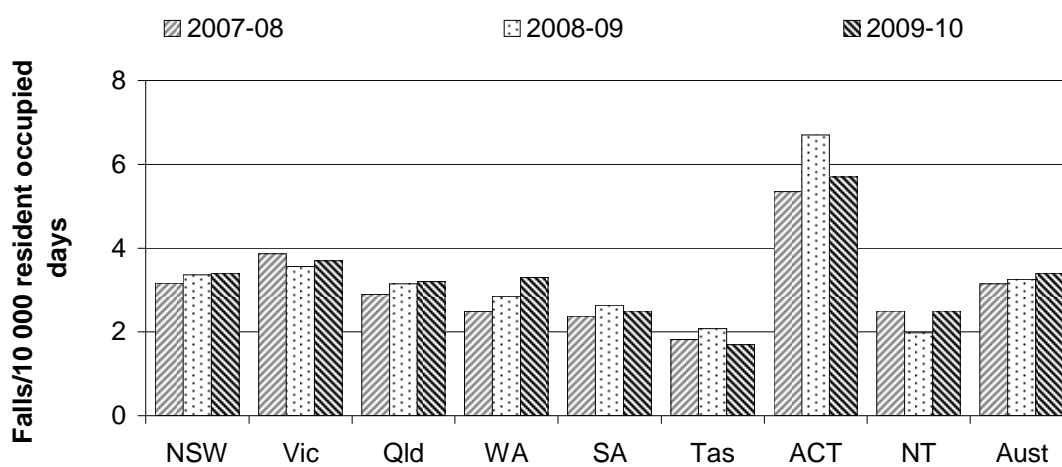
Falls in residential aged care that resulted in a hospital admission are the only adverse events reported on for the 2012 Report. As data for other adverse events (such as pressure ulcers) become available they will also be included.

Data reported for this indicator are comparable.

Data quality information for this indicator is at www.pc.gov.au/gsp/reports/rogs/2012.

Nationally, in 2009-10 there were 3.4 hospital separations for falls in residential aged care services per 10 000 resident occupied place days (figure 13.30). These data are provided by Indigenous status, remoteness area and SEIFA in table 13A.72. See box 13.19 for background information on falls in residential aged care.

Figure 13.30 Hospitalisations for falls in residential aged care^a



^a Number of hospital separations involving one or more falls in an aged care facility, not the number of falls.

Source: AIHW (unpublished); table 13A.72.