

Table 1a: Indigenous hospital separations (excluding dialyses), by selected principal diagnosis aged 0–14 years, Northern Territory, 2001–02 to 2008–09(a)(b)(c)(d)

Principle Diagnosis	2001–02	2002–03	2003–04	2004–05	2005–06	2006–07	2007–08	2008–09
Intestinal infectious disease(e)	753	669	678	581	787	579	531	544
Injury(f)	371	433	411	414	423	460	456	503
Skin infection(g)	325	338	339	386	400	428	436	478
Disease of oral cavity(h)	134	129	105	145	138	160	242	443
Pneumonia(i)	503	573	490	436	392	384	343	385
Otitis media(j)	68	77	72	69	87	68	105	234
Acute upper respiratory infections(k)	116	136	134	121	138	170	184	230
Asthma(l)	80	84	61	52	59	63	48	106
Malnutrition(m)	75	79	86	61	43	59	54	91
Congenital anomalies(n)	96	93	101	106	125	137	94	90
Acute and chronic rheumatic heart disease(o)	68	54	53	50	56	51	60	49
Scabies(p)	46	23	27	35	40	81	43	48
Nutritional anaemia(q)	N/P	14	9	6	10	15	7	11
Dehydration(r)	N/P	N/P	N/P	N/P	N/P	7	N/P	N/P
Other(s)	2,493	2,574	2,450	2,330	2,378	2,491	2,720	2,730
Total	5,128	5,280	5,016	4,794	5,076	5,153	5,323	5,942

(a) Data excludes private hospitals.

(b) Categories are based on the ICD-10-AM second, third fourth and fifth editions (National Centre for Classification in Health 2006 and earlier) for 2001–02 to 2007–08 and ICD-10-AM sixth edition (National Centre for Classification in Health 2008) for 2008–09.

(c) Financial year reporting.

(d) Care types 7.3, 9 & 10 (Newborn – unqualified days only; posthumous organ procurement; hospital boarders) excluded from analysis.

(e) Intestinal infectious disease defined by ICD-10-AM codes A00–A09. Note a change in coding practices for gastroenteritis commenced in the sixth edition ICD-10-AM which may result in under-reporting of intestinal infectious disease.

(f) Injury defined by ICD-10-AM codes S00–T35.

(g) Skin infection defined by ICD-10-AM codes L00–L08.

(h) Disease of oral cavity defined by ICD-10-AM codes K00.1–K14.8.

(i) Pneumonia defined by ICD-10-AM codes J12–J16, J18.

(j) Otitis media defined by ICD-10-AM codes H65–H66.

(k) Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis defined by ICD-10-AM codes J00–J06.

(l) Asthma defined by ICD-10-AM codes J45–J46.

(m) Malnutrition defined by ICD-10-AM codes E40–E46, commencing in 2008–09 (sixth edition ICD-10-AM coding rules) malnutrition may be coded when it is documented by a dietician.

(n) Congenital anomalies defined by ICD-10-AM codes Q00–Q99.

(o) Acute and chronic rheumatic heart diseases defined by ICD-10-AM codes I00–I09.

(p) Scabies defined by ICD-10-AM codes B86.

(q) Nutritional anaemia defined by ICD-10-AM codes D50–D53.

(r) Dehydration defined by ICD-10-AM code E86.

(s) All other principle diagnosis.

Source: AIHW analysis of National Hospital Morbidity Database.