

Question on Notice

No. 618

Asked on 23 May 2023

MR J KRAUSE ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR WOMEN (HON S FENTIMAN)—

QUESTION

With reference to answer to Question on Notice No. 516 of 2022—

Will the Minister provide the percentage of Patient Off Stretcher Times (POST) achieved within 30 minutes (reported separately by calendar month from January 2012 to June 2021) for those facilities which collect POST in the Wide Bay Hospital and Health Service and Central Queensland Hospital and Health Service?

ANSWER

It is widely acknowledged that ambulance ramping is not solely an emergency department capacity issue, rather it is reflective of whole-of-hospital pressures that contribute to emergency department overcrowding and delays in offloading patients.

As demands on Queensland's hospitals continue to grow, so do the number of presentations to our Emergency Departments.

The Putting Patients First plan delivers \$764 million of investment to specifically address ambulance access at hospitals and relieve the health system pressures that contribute to emergency department wait times.

The Putting Patient's First plan is focused on:

- Keeping Queenslanders out of hospital and providing alternatives to emergency departments
- Supercharging virtual care
- Strengthening our Queensland Ambulance Service
- Investing in more frontline health workers
- More beds for our growing population.

I am advised the percentage of Patient Off Stretcher Times (POST) achieved within 30 minutes, reported separately by calendar month from January 2012 to June 2021 for the publicly reported facilities within the Wide Bay Hospital and Health Service, and Central Queensland Hospital and Health Service, is provided in the following tables.

2012

	Wide Bay HHS			Central Queensland HHS	
	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Maryborough Hospital	Gladstone Hospital	Rockhampton Hospital
Jan	96.6%	86.1%	96.4%	99.5%	96.1%
Feb	96.1%	85.6%	98.4%	99.2%	96.8%
Mar	95.2%	89.4%	98.9%	98.9%	96.2%
Apr	93.4%	83.2%	94.5%	99.3%	96.3%
May	93.3%	87.7%	98.2%	100.0%	94.2%
Jun	91.8%	82.5%	96.5%	100.0%	95.1%
Jul	89.9%	73.0%	94.9%	98.9%	92.3%
Aug	88.8%	79.4%	96.3%	98.6%	92.0%
Sep	90.8%	85.6%	99.6%	99.5%	97.5%
Oct	91.8%	89.8%	97.5%	99.5%	97.0%
Nov	93.1%	85.9%	95.0%	99.8%	92.3%
Dec	91.2%	88.1%	98.2%	99.8%	97.6%

2013

	Wide Bay HHS			Central Queensland HHS	
	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Maryborough Hospital	Gladstone Hospital	Rockhampton Hospital
Jan	94.0%	83.2%	95.6%	99.0%	98.3%
Feb	94.9%	89.4%	98.2%	99.2%	97.5%
Mar	86.6%	89.5%	98.6%	99.8%	97.3%
Apr	93.5%	84.5%	99.0%	99.5%	97.3%
May	93.5%	90.4%	99.6%	98.8%	98.1%
Jun	94.9%	89.5%	97.8%	99.2%	93.6%
Jul	92.6%	84.3%	96.4%	99.5%	91.7%
Aug	93.3%	84.7%	96.3%	98.2%	94.3%
Sep	88.5%	84.4%	94.4%	97.6%	95.7%
Oct	91.4%	83.6%	96.3%	98.5%	97.0%
Nov	95.1%	90.8%	96.6%	99.3%	98.1%
Dec	96.3%	89.8%	95.3%	99.3%	96.5%

2014

	Wide Bay HHS			Central Queensland HHS	
	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Maryborough Hospital	Gladstone Hospital	Rockhampton Hospital
Jan	96.5%	86.5%	98.7%	99.5%	96.5%
Feb	94.7%	84.1%	95.7%	99.0%	96.4%
Mar	94.0%	85.6%	92.5%	99.3%	97.9%
Apr	97.3%	90.5%	98.8%	98.8%	98.0%
May	96.7%	85.0%	97.7%	99.8%	91.9%
Jun	94.1%	78.7%	94.4%	99.3%	94.1%

Jul	96.1%	74.3%	94.9%	99.4%	86.8%
Aug	93.6%	75.7%	91.6%	99.4%	93.6%
Sep	94.2%	76.3%	92.7%	98.8%	93.3%
Oct	94.7%	90.3%	96.2%	99.8%	98.0%
Nov	97.4%	89.4%	94.5%	99.6%	98.2%
Dec	96.3%	92.5%	97.1%	99.4%	96.9%

2015

	Wide Bay HHS			Central Queensland HHS	
	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Maryborough Hospital	Gladstone Hospital	Rockhampton Hospital
Jan	96.4%	86.7%	95.9%	99.4%	98.9%
Feb	95.9%	85.3%	96.1%	99.1%	95.1%
Mar	97.0%	88.8%	96.4%	98.6%	96.6%
Apr	95.9%	93.1%	96.3%	99.8%	98.0%
May	96.4%	93.6%	96.6%	99.2%	98.9%
Jun	93.3%	92.8%	96.4%	98.5%	98.4%
Jul	93.9%	83.5%	97.0%	98.6%	96.2%
Aug	94.9%	88.3%	95.2%	99.3%	97.4%
Sep	96.3%	92.3%	93.9%	97.8%	98.3%
Oct	95.6%	84.0%	97.4%	98.8%	98.6%
Nov	95.6%	85.5%	98.0%	99.6%	99.7%
Dec	95.0%	85.8%	96.0%	99.2%	99.2%

2016

	Wide Bay HHS			Central Queensland HHS	
	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Maryborough Hospital	Gladstone Hospital	Rockhampton Hospital
Jan	96.7%	83.9%	94.1%	99.1%	98.9%
Feb	91.7%	85.7%	95.4%	99.8%	96.7%
Mar	92.1%	87.6%	94.0%	99.5%	97.5%
Apr	94.4%	82.6%	95.4%	98.7%	98.6%
May	94.0%	81.1%	96.7%	98.9%	96.8%
Jun	92.9%	79.3%	96.4%	99.5%	96.6%
Jul	93.9%	77.3%	94.3%	99.1%	97.1%
Aug	88.7%	78.5%	95.8%	99.1%	94.4%
Sep	88.8%	84.0%	95.9%	99.4%	94.5%
Oct	92.7%	84.7%	98.6%	99.5%	94.9%
Nov	90.5%	78.1%	95.2%	99.6%	94.9%
Dec	96.7%	84.0%	93.6%	98.9%	95.8%

2017

	Wide Bay HHS			Central Queensland HHS	
	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Maryborough Hospital	Gladstone Hospital	Rockhampton Hospital
Jan	93.3%	85.8%	95.1%	99.1%	95.4%
Feb	89.4%	86.0%	96.4%	99.4%	91.5%
Mar	94.8%	86.1%	95.5%	99.4%	88.9%
Apr	93.8%	91.3%	99.4%	98.9%	94.0%
May	91.7%	88.8%	95.7%	98.9%	90.6%
Jun	93.5%	87.8%	95.7%	98.5%	92.6%
Jul	90.8%	88.6%	94.2%	95.1%	87.1%
Aug	81.0%	86.1%	96.6%	87.6%	77.2%
Sep	87.6%	81.1%	91.1%	86.8%	78.0%
Oct	89.4%	84.1%	95.7%	87.7%	72.6%
Nov	85.5%	78.3%	90.4%	93.0%	83.3%
Dec	88.3%	84.7%	91.8%	96.4%	82.7%

2018

	Wide Bay HHS			Central Queensland HHS	
	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Maryborough Hospital	Gladstone Hospital	Rockhampton Hospital
Jan	84.9%	83.6%	89.0%	93.5%	80.6%
Feb	86.4%	83.3%	93.3%	98.3%	84.0%
Mar	86.3%	75.8%	87.1%	97.2%	85.1%
Apr	84.5%	81.0%	92.4%	96.1%	81.6%
May	86.2%	83.5%	91.7%	96.7%	83.6%
Jun	83.6%	81.5%	90.7%	97.2%	77.3%
Jul	83.1%	85.4%	96.8%	96.6%	79.6%
Aug	80.5%	81.3%	87.9%	96.2%	70.4%
Sep	81.9%	83.9%	90.8%	96.4%	76.3%
Oct	88.1%	89.7%	91.4%	94.2%	83.4%
Nov	86.9%	87.6%	91.8%	96.6%	84.0%
Dec	90.5%	83.9%	93.9%	95.1%	81.7%

2019

	Wide Bay HHS			Central Queensland HHS	
	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Maryborough Hospital	Gladstone Hospital	Rockhampton Hospital
Jan	86.3%	89.7%	93.0%	96.5%	83.3%
Feb	87.0%	84.1%	88.8%	95.3%	78.6%
Mar	86.9%	81.9%	91.9%	95.5%	80.8%
Apr	90.7%	82.8%	91.5%	96.8%	79.4%
May	85.6%	86.4%	94.9%	96.4%	73.8%
Jun	82.6%	77.0%	91.3%	94.1%	70.7%
Jul	81.6%	79.0%	94.5%	92.4%	65.5%
Aug	79.4%	76.9%	90.4%	92.7%	66.5%
Sep	85.8%	74.4%	90.3%	95.0%	58.7%
Oct	85.1%	80.5%	90.4%	95.7%	65.5%
Nov	87.6%	78.3%	93.1%	93.7%	67.2%
Dec	88.6%	83.3%	90.4%	95.3%	71.6%

2020

	Wide Bay HHS			Central Queensland HHS	
	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Maryborough Hospital	Gladstone Hospital	Rockhampton Hospital
Jan	88.5%	85.0%	91.0%	95.9%	70.9%
Feb	84.3%	81.9%	91.4%	95.8%	78.3%
Mar	86.4%	85.4%	96.0%	96.5%	74.4%
Apr	86.2%	89.9%	96.1%	95.5%	84.9%
May	87.3%	91.6%	94.1%	96.8%	75.4%
Jun	84.0%	88.0%	94.2%	94.5%	69.8%
Jul	84.8%	85.4%	94.1%	94.1%	66.9%
Aug	81.4%	80.4%	95.8%	84.5%	65.9%
Sep	79.5%	82.7%	94.9%	86.6%	64.7%
Oct	78.6%	78.6%	92.3%	87.2%	64.6%
Nov	76.5%	79.4%	91.9%	85.2%	63.1%
Dec	78.2%	79.8%	94.7%	81.8%	62.5%

2021

	Wide Bay HHS			Central Queensland HHS	
	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Maryborough Hospital	Gladstone Hospital	Rockhampton Hospital
Jan	78.3%	79.3%	92.1%	86.0%	53.0%
Feb	77.1%	79.6%	92.2%	78.9%	50.5%
Mar	78.7%	75.8%	92.5%	83.3%	53.4%
Apr	78.6%	74.7%	89.6%	89.6%	55.6%
May	77.1%	69.0%	91.2%	86.7%	52.9%
Jun	72.7%	64.5%	90.1%	87.5%	56.9%
Jul	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.
Aug	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.
Sep	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.
Oct	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.
Nov	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.
Dec	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.	n.r.

Source: Queensland Ambulance Service, 16/05/2023.

n.r = data not requested.