

Question on Notice

No. 698

Asked on 25 May 2023

MR M HART 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. 434 of 2022—

Will the Minister provide the percentage of Patient Off Stretcher Times (POST) achieved within 30 minutes for each hospital which collects POST data as listed on the 'Queensland Reporting Hospitals' website (reported separately by calendar month) for January 2023 to April 2023?

ANSWER

The March 2023 quarterly performance data shows that Queensland hospitals continue to perform well despite the pressures the system is facing.

Our Emergency Departments saw 571,324 presentations in the March 2023 Quarter, which is higher than the comparable quarter last year, and features a 13.6 per cent increase in the most serious cases.

Despite this, more than 70 per cent of patients were seen within clinically recommended timeframes, and the average wait time was 34 minutes.

The Patient Off Stretcher Times (POST) performance for the March 2023 quarter was 57 per cent, reported on the Queensland Health Hospital Performance website at <http://www.performance.health.qld.gov.au/>.

The Hospital Performance website includes an interactive map of Queensland which links to Health and Hospital Services and individual hospitals, reporting data against a number of key performance indicators including POST, staffing information, and elective surgery.

The POST for reporting hospitals between January and March 2023 was:

- January 2023 – 58 per cent
- February 2023 – 57 per cent
- March 2023 – 57 per cent

The POST data for April 2023 will be released when the next round of quarterly data is published.