



Inquiry into annual and financial reports 2024–2025

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Mr Andrew Braddock MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Health

Reference: HCSD - Health data on injuries

Hearing: 11 November 2025

In relation to: Health injury data relating to transport accidents

Question received: 20 November 2025

Answer Due: 27 November 2025

Does the ACT's Health system record any information regarding the causes of injury being treated by the health system (including walk-in centres and hospitals), to a level of detail that allows reporting on the number of injuries treated relating to road traffic incidents?

If yes, can such data please be provided to the extent it is available and for the greatest time series that is available?

RACHEL STEPHEN-SMITH MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

Information on the cause of injury is not captured for patients treated in Walk-in-Centres or emergency departments in the ACT. Information on the cause of injury is captured when a patient is admitted to hospital for treatment.

A 10-year timeseries of the number and rate of hospitalisations for transport-related injury for ACT residents is available in Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) publications [here](#).

The most recent data released by AIHW on 25 November 2025 is presented in [Table 1](#) below.

Table 1: Number and age-standardised rates of transport injury hospitalisations, by type of transport, Australian Capital Territory residents, 2014–15 to 2023–24

Type of transport	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Number										
Animal or animal-drawn vehicle	42	38	45	50	22	50	43	48	33	32
Bus	6	22	8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Car	227	312	253	323	310	251	293	193	234	282
Heavy transport vehicle	13	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5	n.p.	11	10
Motorcycle	176	227	204	202	201	196	222	165	217	212
Other land transport	12	n.p.	n.p.	10	19	13	19	n.p.	12	12
Other transport	13	12	19	13	16	13	17	16	21	18
Pedal cycle	414	381	448	367	420	505	651	583	406	471
Pedestrian	45	44	47	45	42	38	46	44	51	46
Pick-up truck or van		n.p.	5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5	n.p.	5	n.p.
Special all-terrain or off-road vehicle	9	n.p.	8	5	9	6	8	6	n.p.	10
Total	957	1,060	1,047	1,038	1,057	1,092	1,316	1,070	1,002	1,105
Age standardised rate										
Animal or animal-drawn vehicle	10.7	9.6	10.9	12.0	5.0	11.2	9.7	10.6	7.5	6.9
Bus	n.p.	5.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Car	57.8	77.7	61.6	75.9	70.1	55.6	63.5	41.1	49.3	57.7
Heavy transport vehicle	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Motorcycle	43.3	55.5	48.4	47.2	45.9	42.9	48.4	36.3	46.7	44.9
Other land transport	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Other transport	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.6	n.p.
Pedal cycle	105.5	97.4	111.1	89.7	99.4	117.8	149.3	131.3	89.1	102.2
Pedestrian	10.8	11.3	11.8	10.5	10.2	9.1	10.3	9.8	10.9	9.7
Pick-up truck or van		n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Special all-terrain or off-road vehicle	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
All transport	241.6	266.1	256.5	247.2	244.7	248.8	294.3	237.3	216.4	234.3

Source: AIHW published data (National Hospital Morbidity Database).

Notes:

1. Excludes records where admission mode is transfer from another hospital.
2. Excludes records where admission mode is statistical admission and care type is not acute.
3. Excludes hospitalisations for rehabilitation where care type is not acute.
4. Excludes records where care type was newborn with unqualified days, organ procurement - posthumous, or hospital boarder.
5. Includes hospitalisations for ACT resident in any jurisdiction.
6. n.p.: Numbers not published because of small cell sizes (less than 5 hospitalisations). Age standardised rates have been suppressed where the count is under 20 due to small counts introducing unreliability in interpreting age standardised rates.

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