

WPQ 73888 (2024) Table. How many people have self-discharged from emergency departments - not sent to short stay beds and as far as can be determined left the ED and the hospital - from 1 July 2022 to 13 November 2024, listed by district, month, self-discharge per capita per district, and total per month across all districts?

Table 1. ED Presentations with event end type of 'self-discharge from an ED acute facility' by provider district

	2022						2023												2024					
District of Service	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Auckland	241	287	381	431	402	486	403	330	378	331	401	433	475	496	434	454	438	362	400	401	344	298	304	356
Bay of Plenty	406	549	577	523	498	728	591	504	551	541	527	720	602	798	595	658	618	609	680	650	605	505	556	706
Canterbury	353	507	537	714	668	714	730	684	781	682	719	710	684	521	556	754	980	1054	957	784	596	568	653	877
Capital and Coast	496	575	695	649	700	552	569	613	674	622	680	612	611	601	555	656	611	537	561	497	524	503	474	603
Counties Manukau	569	749	765	782	747	750	615	525	812	732	717	767	905	1009	962	715	671	662	726	770	771	688	706	747
Hawke's Bay	220	248	326	258	288	304	252	174	223	195	247	248	224	279	365	344	342	310	344	331	309	205	334	351
Hutt Valley	411	403	405	499	545	581	415	503	544	395	567	583	575	651	613	529	634	481	624	452	508	437	680	923
Lakes	263	276	293	335	370	381	333	312	397	377	335	393	421	447	320	408	393	392	456	421	414	327	375	413
MidCentral	524	626	591	642	574	627	528	509	448	497	457	502	644	655	558	643	579	553	482	546	467	363	558	581
Nelson Marlborough	140	146	171	186	183	244	235	233	182	156	141	200	193	179	188	179	174	192	190	199	188	98	143	133
Northland	178	125	168	205	207	276	178	168	210	170	165	236	188	238	195	187	184	234	235	203	163	134	133	179
South Canterbury	94	81	98	95	91	119	90	65	125	81	120	113	118	182	130	123	115	184	185	137	149	97	98	121
Southern	592	678	702	706	650	728	745	800	674	611	660	589	553	635	565	373	296	695	562	631	607	522	468	615
Tairāwhiti	58	77	82	70	57	44	80	57	91	66	105	127	77	182	131	95	106	134	137	95	91	91	93	146
Taranaki	235	254	301	357	383	450	436	280	325	269	399	379	403	505	336	338	234	354	371	439	396	372	353	332
Waikato	554	552	499	538	514	592	551	421	525	486	564	641	608	555	550	510	540	527	495	505	410	478	496	608
Wairarapa	90	116	136	229	212	173	147	144	200	129	137	201	166	193	243	231	216	290	242	190	257	274	250	358
Waitemata	417	514	453	547	587	621	526	491	458	420	589	592	518	826	776	613	698	656	672	738	667	548	561	764
West Coast	157	127	95	61	9	2	1	3	2					1					3	3	2		1	7
Whanganui	185	194	198	215	252	318	229	243	223	272	266	258	281	256	298	266	302	387	232	234	221	228	253	264
Total	6183	7084	7473	8042	7937	8690	7654	7059	7823	7032	7796	8304	8246	9209	8370	8076	8131	8613	8554	8226	7689	6736	7489	9084

Please note:

- Months after June 2024 have not been supplied because data is incomplete.
- Data has not undergone our full validation process and as such is considered 'provisional' and subject to change.
- Southern District data is incomplete for Oct and Nov 2023 due to a system change at that time. The error has been recently identified and work is underway to rectify it.
- Data was extracted on 17 November 2024.

Table 2. ED Presentations with event end type of 'self-discharge from an ED acute facility' per capita, FY2023/24 by district of domicile

District of Domicile	Self-discharge events	Population	Per capita rate (per 100,000 population)
Auckland	5,181	502,000	1032
Bay of Plenty	7,284	285,300	2553
Canterbury	8,915	615,100	1449
Capital and Coast	6,476	330,500	1959
Counties Manukau	9,154	641,700	1427
Hawke's Bay	3,897	186,500	2090
Hutt Valley	6,907	164,200	4206
Lakes	4,293	121,800	3525
MidCentral	6,480	195,600	3313
Nelson Marlborough	2,095	169,200	1238
Northland	2,458	207,500	1185
South Canterbury	1,600	63,800	2508
Southern	6,427	368,200	1746
Tairāwhiti	1,390	53,600	2593
Taranaki	4,426	130,000	3405
Waikato	6,535	472,700	1382
Wairarapa	2,637	51,600	5110
Waitemata	8,257	662,700	1246
West Coast	109	33,000	330
Whanganui	3,232	70,600	4578
Overseas	670		
Total excl. overseas	97,753	5,325,600	1836

Please note:

- Table one splits events by district of service. That data is not suitable for calculating a per capita rate. For instance, Auckland Hospital serves the Waitemāta residents for a large proportion of ED events.
- Therefore, rates have been calculated on events grouped by district of domicile and shown for the last full year.
- Self-discharge from ED is largely driven by patient age. This per capita rate is not age adjusted so does not give a fair comparison between districts.
- Data was extracted on 17 November 2024.