HEPATITIS C ANTIBODY

AUSTRALIA

One hundred and sixty four (3%) of the 5099 **dialysis** patients tested in the past six months were reported to have Hepatitis C antibody. These 5099 patients tested, represented 98% of all patients dialysed during the period: 107 patients were not tested or not reported.

One hundred and fifty seven (4%) of 3570 **transplant** dependent patients, were reported to have Hepatitis C antibody. These 3570 patients represented 76% of all transplant dependent patients: a further 1139 were not tested or not reported.

New ZEALAND

Sixteen (2%) of the 912 **dialysis** patients tested in the past six months were reported to have Hepatitis C antibody. These 912 patients tested, represented 88% (82% 1997) of all patients dialysed during the period: 122 patients were not tested or not reported.

Nineteen (4%) of 529 **transplant** dependent patients tested, were reported to have Hepatitis C antibody. These 529 patients represented 60% (55% 1997) of all transplant dependent patients: a further 348 were not tested or not reported.

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Australia and New Zealand

Hepatitis C Antibody Patients Alive 31-Mar-98

	Mode of Treatment	No. of Patients	Negative	Positive	Not Reported
Australia	Dialysis	5206	4935	164	107
	Transplant	4709	3413	157	1139
New Zealand	Dialysis	1034	896	16	122
	Transplant	877	510	19	348