

CHAPTER 7

TRANSPLANT WAITING LIST

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AUSTRALIA

The proportion of patients on the transplant waiting list at 31st March, 2002 was 1728, 25% of the 6909 patients dialysing, similar to last year.

The highest proportion was among satellite haemodialysis (35%), followed by home haemodialysis (25%), hospital haemodialysis (16%) and CAPD (14%). The proportion of APD patients was 9%.

In the age group <65 years, there were 41% (1626) patients on the waiting list. The State ratios range from the Northern Territory (14%) to New South Wales (52%) and the Australian Capital Territory (58%).

Of patients <55 years, 1237 (48%) of 2569 patients were on the waiting list. The proportion in each State ranged from 69% in the ACT, 61% New South Wales, 55% Victoria, 48% Tasmania, 42% South Australia, 39% Western Australia, 28% Queensland, and 17% in the Northern Territory.

Of the 1626 patients <65 years on the waiting list, 88 (5.4%) were Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander patients, resident in Northern Territory (78%), Western Australia (14%), South Australia (4%), New South Wales (4%), Queensland (4%). Two hundred and eight (13%) patients were Asian from New South Wales (17%) and Victoria (12%).

Of the 1728 patients on the waiting list, 1425 (82%) were waiting for their first transplant.

NEW ZEALAND

Of the 1485 patients dialysing at 31st March 2002, 294 (20%) of patients were on the transplant waiting list.

Of patients <55 years old, there were 211 (32%) of 656 patients and <65 years old, 278 of 1066 patients (26%) .

There were 61 (22%) Maori patients <65 years, 45 (16%) Pacific Islanders and 20 (7%) Asians on the waiting list.

Of the 294 patients on the waiting list, 225 (77%) were waiting for their first transplant.

Figure 7.1

Patients on the Waiting List 31-Mar-2002 By Age Group (Patients dialysing)											
Age Groups	Qld	NSW	ACT	Vic.	Tas.	SA	NT	WA		AUST.	N.Z.
00-04 years	0 (2)	1 (1)	0 (0)	0 (5)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)		1 (9)	0 (3)
05-14 years	2 (3)	8 (8)	0 (0)	4 (11)	0 (0)	1 (4)	0 (1)	1 (2)		16 (29)	2 (11)
15-24 years	10 (22)	21 (38)	5 (5)	17 (30)	0 (1)	4 (9)	1 (3)	8 (20)		66 (128)	20 (54)
25-34 years	32 (77)	96 (149)	9 (10)	73 (120)	9 (13)	14 (31)	0 (11)	24 (49)		257 (460)	46 (103)
35-44 years	29 (122)	155 (247)	16 (24)	120 (200)	9 (13)	17 (50)	10 (42)	39 (90)		395 (788)	65 (182)
45-54 years	39 (172)	205 (360)	17 (29)	150 (296)	5 (21)	37 (80)	11 (73)	38 (124)		502 (1155)	78 (303)
55-64 years	22 (226)	194 (499)	14 (38)	105 (367)	6 (30)	16 (74)	4 (50)	28 (127)		389 (1411)	67 (410)
65-74 years	7 (293)	54 (632)	4 (50)	16 (547)	1 (31)	7 (108)	0 (24)	8 (158)		97 (1843)	16 (307)
75-84 years	0 (168)	4 (362)	0 (14)	1 (307)	0 (16)	0 (86)	0 (3)	0 (82)		5 (1038)	0 (104)
> 85 years	0 (12)	0 (15)	0 (0)	0 (12)	0 (1)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (7)		0 (48)	0 (8)
Total	141 (1097)	738 (2311)	65 (170)	486 (1895)	30 (126)	96 (444)	26 (207)	146 (659)		1728 (6909)	294 (1485)

Figure 7.2

Ethnicity of Patients <65 years on the Waiting List 31-Mar-2002											
	Qld	NSW	ACT	Vic.	Tas.	SA	NT	WA		Aust.	N.Z.
Aboriginal	4	30	1	5	1	4	22	19		86	0
Torres Strait Isl.	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		2	0
Asian	10	113	6	54	0	6	3	16		208	20
Caucasoid	115	502	54	393	27	79	0	101		1271	150
Maori	0	6	0	1	0	0	0	0		7	61
Pacific Islanders	2	14	0	4	0	0	0	0		20	45
Other	2	15	0	12	1	0	0	2		32	2
Total	134	680	61	469	29	89	26	138		1626	278

Figure 7.3

All Patients on the Waiting List By Treatment Modality 31-Mar-2002											
	Qld	NSW	ACT	Vic.	Tas.	SA	NT	WA		Aust.	N.Z.
APD	20	83	3	33	1	9	1	14		164	33
Hospital HD	54	137	3	34	19	14	0	18		279	31
Home HD	25	291	16	92	0	5	0	8		437	83
Satellite HD	17	141	32	248	6	59	22	86		611	57
CAPD	25	86	11	79	4	9	3	20		237	90
Total	141	738	65	486	30	96	26	146		1728	294