

MENTAL HEALTH — INPATIENT BEDS

3255. Hon Colin Tincknell to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Mental Health:

How many adolescents (under 18) and young adults (18–20) needing inpatient mental health care have been placed in adult ward beds, in each month for the past 12 months?

Hon Alanna Clohesy replied:

I am advised:

The table below presents the unique count of adolescents (under 18 [including 16–17-year-old youth patients on a youth ward]) and young adults (18–20) who were discharged from a designated mental health inpatient adult ward for each month in the period October 2019 – September 2020.

Note that monthly patient counts are distinct for each month therefore will not sum to the total count of unique patients for the age group over the 12-month period.

Age	Year	Month	Patients
Adolescent	2019	Oct	29
		Nov	22
		Dec	27
	2020	Jan	42
		Feb	35
		Mar	33
		Apr	20
		May	18
		Jun	41
		Jul	37
		Aug	26
		Sep	36
Adolescent Total			275
Young Adult	2019	Oct	72
		Nov	70
		Dec	81
	2020	Jan	89
		Feb	83
		Mar	74
		Apr	65
		May	69
		Jun	82
		Jul	74
		Aug	90
		Sep	75
Young Adult Total			667
State Total			930