

AHS Quick Facts

2019-20 FQ4

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Quick Facts provide a snapshot of health care activity across the province and by zones, and demonstrates growth in services provided in the last few years.

Provincial											
		Fiscal Year			Fiscal Quarter					Year to Date	
		2016-17 FY	2017-18 FY	2018-19 FY	2018-19 FQ4	2019-20 FQ1	2019-20 FQ2	2019-20 FQ3	2019-20 FQ4	2018-19 FQ4YTD	2019-20 FQ4YTD
Primary Care/ Population Health	Ambulatory Visits	6,569,162	6,638,806	6,578,463	1,651,499	1,758,778	1,582,015			6,578,463	
	EMS Events	512,167	544,744	560,434	140,049	145,610	147,410	148,351	148,127	560,434	589,498
	Food Safety Inspections	82,482	78,311	65,560	12,412	11,985	12,586	12,283	11,393	65,560	48,247
	Health Link Calls	744,278	706,280	694,313	186,105	175,428	165,064	189,188	362,251	694,313	891,931
Continuing Care	Number of Clients Placed from Acute / Subacute Hospital	5,395	5,218	5,005	1,279	1,236	1,185	1,265	1,427	5,005	5,113
	Number of Clients Placed from Community (home)	2,568	2,709	3,093	827	847	869	833	859	3,093	3,408
	Number of Unique Home Care Clients	119,725	121,887	127,150	82,479	84,614	85,308	86,052	85,525	127,150	132,478
Acute Care	Emergency Department Visits (all sites)	2,079,688	2,101,629	2,056,631	495,874	529,473	524,208	526,728	477,961	2,056,631	2,058,370
	Urgent Care Visits	187,519	198,108	197,401	48,401	51,887	51,641	52,947	46,208	197,401	202,683
	Hospital Discharges	403,958	400,909	401,208	98,930	102,719	99,004	99,914	97,579	401,208	399,216
	Births	53,647	51,692	50,793	12,078	13,003	13,198	11,870	11,909	50,793	49,980
	Total Hospital Days	2,837,865	2,862,324	2,853,001	713,150	711,748	703,808	707,388	728,451	2,853,001	2,851,395
	Average Length of Stay (in days)	7.0	7.1	7.1	7.2	6.9	7.1	7.1	7.5	7.1	7.1
Diagnostic/ Specific Procedures	Hip Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	6,004	6,191	6,278	1,552	1,720	1,574	1,737	1,565	6,278	6,596
	Knee Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	6,692	6,556	6,613	1,616	1,775	1,454	1,552	1,450	6,613	6,231
	Cataract Surgery	38,053	39,340	40,554	10,844	11,548	10,327	11,790	10,307	40,554	43,972
	MRI Exams	192,375	195,017	204,744	53,032	53,840	50,186	48,411	48,681	204,744	201,118
	CT Exams	405,332	415,755	441,938	115,118	115,779	110,940	103,893	96,896	441,938	427,508
	Main Operating Room Activity	290,802	291,089	291,755	74,012	78,168	68,562	74,383	67,280	291,755	288,393
	X-Ray	1,843,076	1,857,946	1,845,811	459,773	482,827	469,851	460,036	434,204	1,845,811	1,846,918
	Lab Tests	76,282,776	76,974,638	80,237,687	20,304,353	21,206,082	20,565,241	20,340,238	19,255,412	80,237,687	81,366,973
Cancer Care	Cancer Patient Visits (patients may have multiple visits)	641,856	639,449	668,817	167,037	178,193	173,897	180,034	172,067	668,817	704,191
	Unique Cancer Patients	57,549	58,409	59,249	28,874	31,714	30,459	31,060	29,965	59,249	62,513
Addiction & Mental Health	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals and standalone psychiatric facilities)	28,249	28,571	30,322	7,653	7,745	7,591	8,050	8,112	30,322	31,498
	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals only)	24,183	24,471	26,111	6,621	6,587	6,432	6,913	6,855	26,111	26,787
	Addiction Residential Treatment and Detoxification Admissions	10,591	11,009	10,663	2,341	2,427	2,799	2,828	2,670	10,663	10,724

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Zone 1 South											
		Fiscal Year			Fiscal Quarter					Year to Date	
		2016-17 FY	2017-18 FY	2018-19 FY	2018-19 FQ4	2019-20 FQ1	2019-20 FQ2	2019-20 FQ3	2019-20 FQ4	2018-19 FQ4YTD	2019-20 FQ4YTD
Primary Care/ Population Health	Ambulatory Visits	406,163	430,483	461,425	118,204	122,776	105,662	115,748		461,425	
	Food Safety Inspections	7,707	6,401	4,926	824	955	808	925	869	4,926	3,557
	Health Link Calls	34,061	32,644	30,306	8,144	7,574	7,434	8,326	13,848	30,306	37,182
Continuing Care	Number of Clients Placed from Acute / Subacute Hospital	447	417	418	120	99	94	77	51	418	321
	Number of Clients Placed from Community (home)	478	488	490	136	108	112	155	174	490	549
	Number of Unique Home Care Clients	12,597	12,828	13,104	8,519	8,739	8,725	8,812	8,703	13,104	13,494
Acute Care	Emergency Department Visits (all sites)	192,083	193,467	189,864	45,248	49,545	49,854	48,025	46,914	189,864	194,338
	Hospital Discharges	30,521	29,905	29,148	7,222	7,289	7,125	7,210	7,068	29,148	28,692
	Births	3,940	3,865	3,692	930	962	951	896	862	3,692	3,671
	Total Hospital Days	228,308	222,761	220,260	54,993	52,757	55,374	55,212	53,053	220,260	216,396
	Average Length of Stay (in days)	7.5	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.2	7.8	7.7	7.5	7.6	7.5
Diagnostic/ Specific Procedures	Hip Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	591	569	582	138	160	166	153	140	582	619
	Knee Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	784	778	830	184	216	203	209	193	830	821
	Cataract Surgery	2,955	2,920	3,105	810	920	644	830	686	3,105	3,080
	MRI Exams	13,809	13,601	14,513	4,147	3,906	3,630	3,947	3,850	14,513	15,333
	CT Exams	28,926	30,418	31,640	7,988	8,556	8,556	7,978	7,886	31,640	32,976
	Main Operating Room Activity	23,352	22,548	22,134	5,532	5,761	4,940	5,448	4,711	22,134	20,860
	X-Ray	165,091	162,358	163,170	39,951	42,609	41,197	40,610	38,382	163,170	162,798
	Lab Tests	5,195,905	5,200,813	5,473,081	1,405,809	1,482,807	1,393,632	1,398,491	1,342,884	5,473,081	5,617,814
Cancer Care	Cancer Patient Visits (patients may have multiple visits)	34,055	31,067	32,437	8,421	8,538	8,750	9,328	9,332	32,437	35,948
	Unique Cancer Patients	4,379	3,733	3,045	1,675	1,787	1,740	1,794	1,768	3,045	3,183
Addiction & Mental Health	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals and standalone psychiatric facilities)	2,166	2,230	2,316	574	598	590	664	668	2,316	2,520
	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals only)	2,166	2,230	2,316	574	598	590	664	668	2,316	2,520

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Zone 2 Calgary											
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		2016-17 FY	2017-18 FY	2018-19 FY	2018-19 FQ4	2019-20 FQ1	2019-20 FQ2	2019-20 FQ3	2019-20 FQ4	2018-19 FQ4YTD	2019-20 FQ4YTD
Primary Care/ Population Health	Ambulatory Visits	2,661,944	2,762,142	2,663,827	658,582	721,379	657,852	684,238		2,663,827	
	Food Safety Inspections	27,093	26,494	23,688	4,337	4,216	4,486	4,167	3,945	23,688	16,814
	Health Link Calls	310,333	292,109	289,203	77,804	71,650	67,981	80,454	94,124	289,203	314,209
Continuing Care	Number of Clients Placed from Acute / Subacute Hospital	1,667	1,762	1,783	442	436	401	433	476	1,783	1,746
	Number of Clients Placed from Community (home)	771	870	885	213	256	262	262	231	885	1,011
	Number of Unique Home Care Clients	35,797	37,274	39,025	25,776	26,102	26,329	26,630	26,732	39,025	40,367
Acute Care	Emergency Department Visits (all sites)	475,485	476,013	476,267	117,397	121,771	123,242	126,373	114,309	476,267	485,695
	Urgent Care Visits	176,120	185,718	185,450	45,345	48,551	48,313	49,454	43,216	185,450	189,534
	Hospital Discharges	143,659	144,354	145,427	36,051	37,234	36,273	36,865	35,559	145,427	145,931
	Births	19,394	18,883	18,195	4,322	4,578	4,905	4,365	4,268	18,195	18,116
	Total Hospital Days	1,024,174	1,021,481	1,036,176	255,203	259,076	248,430	253,518	263,255	1,036,176	1,024,279
	Average Length of Stay (in days)	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.0	6.8	6.9	7.4	7.1	7.0
Diagnostic/ Specific Procedures	Hip Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	2,184	2,276	2,321	572	632	506	596	549	2,321	2,283
	Knee Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	2,490	2,353	2,394	611	686	515	600	543	2,394	2,344
	Cataract Surgery	13,490	14,439	14,425	3,900	3,795	4,677	4,801	4,477	14,425	17,750
	MRI Exams	77,116	77,502	78,231	19,588	21,348	19,743	19,190	18,644	78,231	78,925
	CT Exams	145,678	151,370	162,445	44,439	42,639	40,268	38,643	35,612	162,445	157,162
	Main Operating Room Activity	101,850	102,776	102,108	26,265	27,329	24,603	26,836	23,207	102,108	101,975
	X-Ray	537,800	546,543	542,446	136,979	142,164	137,332	136,160	128,053	542,446	543,709
	Lab Tests	29,212,266	29,639,947	31,010,367	7,878,602	8,178,028	8,065,669	8,199,633	7,567,772	31,010,367	32,011,102
Cancer Care	Cancer Patient Visits (patients may have multiple visits)	213,828	214,536	221,104	54,918	58,513	55,956	59,461	57,025	221,104	230,955
	Unique Cancer Patients	23,792	24,651	25,356	12,546	13,927	13,063	13,339	13,082	25,356	26,094
Addiction & Mental Health	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals and standalone psychiatric facilities)	9,973	10,201	11,451	2,929	2,882	2,780	3,015	3,031	11,451	11,708
	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals only)	9,499	9,668	10,931	2,812	2,754	2,656	2,901	2,894	10,931	11,205

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Zone 3 Central											
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		2016-17 FY	2017-18 FY	2018-19 FY	2018-19 FQ4	2019-20 FQ1	2019-20 FQ2	2019-20 FQ3	2019-20 FQ4	2018-19 FQ4YTD	2019-20 FQ4YTD
Primary Care/ Population Health	Ambulatory Visits	501,083	481,016	493,336	125,862	131,296	111,965	123,948		493,336	
	Food Safety Inspections	9,944	9,508	7,511	1,407	1,313	1,587	1,454	1,434	7,511	5,788
	Health Link Calls	61,431	56,996	56,202	14,911	13,972	12,841	14,130	20,744	56,202	61,687
Continuing Care	Number of Clients Placed from Acute / Subacute Hospital	808	736	760	222	225	182	206	257	760	870
	Number of Clients Placed from Community (home)	544	500	552	160	144	171	135	148	552	598
	Number of Unique Home Care Clients	18,988	19,226	20,368	12,775	13,172	13,359	13,402	13,380	20,368	21,477
Acute Care	Emergency Department Visits (all sites)	344,993	347,222	328,256	77,925	85,364	83,606	82,979	73,199	328,256	325,148
	Hospital Discharges	45,265	43,982	42,801	10,549	10,892	10,052	10,378	10,381	42,801	41,703
	Births	4,765	4,433	4,364	1,034	1,115	1,017	894	1,012	4,364	4,038
	Total Hospital Days	338,305	328,939	334,361	86,562	84,398	79,569	80,901	88,597	334,361	333,465
	Average Length of Stay (in days)	7.5	7.5	7.8	8.2	7.7	7.9	7.8	8.5	7.8	8.0
Diagnostic/ Specific Procedures	Hip Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	632	646	654	153	200	151	172	160	654	683
	Knee Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	678	621	706	166	203	153	160	148	706	664
	Cataract Surgery	3,859	3,947	4,221	1,149	1,256	813	1,008	731	4,221	3,808
	MRI Exams	11,034	12,058	13,089	3,596	3,798	3,538	3,278	3,231	13,089	13,845
	CT Exams	38,679	38,310	42,698	11,512	11,188	10,479	10,552	10,238	42,698	42,457
	Main Operating Room Activity	30,930	28,603	29,573	7,380	8,121	6,766	7,552	7,146	29,573	29,585
	X-Ray	251,374	251,082	255,168	63,409	68,687	66,781	64,845	61,741	255,168	262,054
	Lab Tests	6,426,497	6,385,971	6,707,603	1,714,664	1,804,516	1,717,715	1,702,497	1,625,317	6,707,603	6,850,045
Cancer Care	Cancer Patient Visits (patients may have multiple visits)	33,366	33,856	34,856	8,638	9,495	9,580	9,930	8,852	34,856	37,857
	Unique Cancer Patients	2,970	3,038	3,268	1,696	1,894	1,849	1,895	1,788	3,268	3,586
Addiction & Mental Health	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals and standalone psychiatric facilities)	4,441	4,501	4,624	1,211	1,215	1,208	1,259	1,382	4,624	5,064
	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals only)	2,633	2,614	2,611	711	674	646	729	737	2,611	2,786

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		2016-17 FY	2017-18 FY	2018-19 FY	2018-19 FQ4	2019-20 FQ1	2019-20 FQ2	2019-20 FQ3	2019-20 FQ4	2018-19 FQ4YTD	2019-20 FQ4YTD
Primary Care/ Population Health	Ambulatory Visits	2,581,917	2,561,790	2,555,649	646,223	677,409	613,347				2,555,649
	Food Safety Inspections	23,188	20,484	16,673	3,358	3,356	3,334	3,401	3,049	16,673	13,140
	Health Link Calls	278,755	267,218	263,928	70,655	68,681	64,643	72,184	96,102	263,928	301,610
Continuing Care	Number of Clients Placed from Acute / Subacute Hospital	2,040	1,795	1,600	397	355	406	424	500	1,600	1,685
	Number of Clients Placed from Community (home)	535	593	925	255	275	265	221	239	925	1,000
	Number of Unique Home Care Clients	38,438	38,266	39,671	25,564	26,384	26,556	26,848	26,411	39,671	41,360
Acute Care	Emergency Department Visits (all sites)	545,147	552,858	552,341	134,239	143,475	140,324	142,265	127,111	552,341	553,175
	Urgent Care Visits	11,399	12,390	11,951	3,056	3,336	3,328	3,493	2,992	11,951	13,149
	Hospital Discharges	142,584	140,224	143,163	35,317	36,862	35,724	35,632	34,687	143,163	142,905
	Births	19,849	18,758	18,949	4,427	4,885	4,919	4,448	4,440	18,949	18,692
	Total Hospital Days	995,740	1,007,038	998,979	252,338	246,913	255,417	249,709	251,730	998,979	1,003,769
	Average Length of Stay (in days)	7.0	7.2	7.0	7.1	6.7	7.1	7.0	7.3	7.0	7.0
Diagnostic/ Specific Procedures	Hip Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	2,270	2,345	2,337	586	631	650	719	605	2,337	2,605
	Knee Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	2,191	2,241	2,199	538	536	472	481	451	2,199	1,940
	Cataract Surgery	15,751	16,014	16,642	4,465	5,177	3,897	4,733	4,033	16,642	17,840
	MRI Exams	77,523	79,087	85,649	22,148	21,435	20,306	19,121	20,382	85,649	81,244
	CT Exams	157,225	159,512	168,599	42,024	43,374	42,200	37,667	35,493	168,599	158,734
	Main Operating Room Activity	106,465	108,765	112,350	28,585	30,163	26,572	28,531	26,506	112,350	111,772
	X-Ray	603,962	609,941	601,553	149,300	156,198	152,546	146,418	138,867	601,553	594,029
	Lab Tests	28,233,276	28,672,978	29,879,909	7,472,649	7,841,933	7,551,059	7,312,057	6,996,105	29,879,909	29,701,154
Cancer Care	Cancer Patient Visits (patients may have multiple visits)	344,170	343,539	363,466	90,839	96,948	95,186	96,583	92,274	363,466	380,991
	Unique Cancer Patients	26,442	27,150	27,726	12,729	13,867	13,644	13,635	13,002	27,726	28,810
Addiction & Mental Health	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals and standalone psychiatric facilities)	8,693	8,493	8,992	2,233	2,358	2,319	2,390	2,331	8,992	9,398
	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals only)	6,909	6,813	7,314	1,818	1,869	1,846	1,897	1,856	7,314	7,468

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Zone 5 North											
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		2016-17 FY	2017-18 FY	2018-19 FY	2018-19 FQ4	2019-20 FQ1	2019-20 FQ2	2019-20 FQ3	2019-20 FQ4	2018-19 FQ4YTD	2019-20 FQ4YTD
Primary Care/ Population Health	Ambulatory Visits	418,055	403,375	404,226	102,628	105,918	93,189	98,656		404,226	
	Food Safety Inspections	14,550	15,424	12,762	2,486	2,145	2,371	2,336	2,096	12,762	8,948
	Health Link Calls	59,698	57,313	54,674	14,591	13,551	12,165	14,094	21,019	54,674	60,829
Continuing Care	Number of Clients Placed from Acute / Subacute Hospital	433	508	444	98	121	102	125	143	444	491
	Number of Clients Placed from Community (home)	240	258	241	63	64	59	60	67	241	250
	Number of Unique Home Care Clients	13,905	14,293	14,982	9,845	10,217	10,339	10,360	10,299	14,982	15,780
Acute Care	Emergency Department Visits (all sites)	521,980	532,069	509,903	121,065	129,318	127,182	127,086	116,428	509,903	500,014
	Hospital Discharges	41,929	42,444	40,669	9,791	10,442	9,830	9,829	9,884	40,669	39,985
	Births	5,699	5,753	5,593	1,365	1,463	1,406	1,267	1,327	5,593	5,463
	Total Hospital Days	251,338	282,105	263,225	64,054	68,604	65,018	68,048	71,816	263,225	273,486
	Average Length of Stay (in days)	6.0	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.9	7.3	6.5	6.8
Diagnostic/ Specific Procedures	Hip Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	327	355	384	103	97	101	97	111	384	406
	Knee Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	549	563	484	117	134	111	102	115	484	462
	Cataract Surgery	1,998	2,020	2,161	520	400	296	418	380	2,161	1,494
	MRI Exams	12,893	12,769	13,262	3,553	3,353	2,969	2,875	2,574	13,262	11,771
	CT Exams	34,824	36,145	36,556	9,155	10,022	9,437	9,053	7,667	36,556	36,179
	Main Operating Room Activity	28,205	28,397	25,590	6,250	6,794	5,681	6,016	5,710	25,590	24,201
	X-Ray	284,849	288,022	283,474	70,134	73,169	71,995	72,003	67,161	283,474	284,328
	Lab Tests	4,937,068	4,819,741	4,893,157	1,258,152	1,308,879	1,247,046	1,203,386	1,185,379	4,893,157	4,944,690
Cancer Care	Cancer Patient Visits (patients may have multiple visits)	16,437	16,451	16,954	4,221	4,699	4,425	4,732	4,584	16,954	18,440
	Unique Cancer Patients	2,378	2,297	2,314	978	1,136	972	1,062	1,006	2,314	2,199
Addiction & Mental Health	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals and standalone psychiatric facilities)	2,976	3,146	2,939	706	692	694	722	700	2,939	2,808
	Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals only)	2,976	3,146	2,939	706	692	694	722	700	2,939	2,808

Note:

- The number of Ambulatory Visits in the Edmonton Zone are not available for 2019-20 Q3, as a result, provincial numbers are not available.
- Health Link calls for 2019-20 Q4 and 2019-20 FY provincial numbers include COVID 19 calls; however, the zone numbers exclude COVID 19 calls, as these calls could not be separated by zone

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Quick Fact	Definition
PRIMARY CARE / POPULATION HEALTH	
Ambulatory Visits	Ambulatory visits include a wide range of services across clinic, other location, and day surgery visits and all modes of contact. This includes care provided on an outpatient basis, including diagnosis, observation, consultation, treatment, intervention and rehabilitation services. Non-hospital surgical facilities (NHSF) are included. Figures exclude Emergency Department (ED) and Urgent Care Centre (UCC). Advanced Ambulatory Care Centre visits are included.
EMS Calls / Events	Number of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) emergency calls and events, including inter-facility transfers and other event types.
Food Safety Inspections	Number of food safety inspections conducted. Public Health Inspectors inspect food facilities and work collaboratively with food facility owners and operators to help ensure compliance with the requirements of the Public Health Act and the Food Regulation. Through unannounced inspections, follow-up of public complaints, and construction/renovation consultations, AHS helps protect Albertans and make our communities healthier.
Health Link Calls	Number of calls to Health Link Alberta including 811, mental health helpline, Healthy Beginnings/Early Start line, calls transferred from UCC/ER, Cantonese/Mandarin line, and First Nations line. Calls from the Addictions Help and Alberta Quits lines are not included in this data.
CONTINUING CARE	
Number of People Placed from Acute / Subacute Hospital	Total number of people placed in a continuing care facility (long-term care or designated supportive living) in the reporting period, including people from acute hospital care and subacute hospital care.
Number of People Placed from Community (home)	Total number of people placed in a continuing care facility (long-term care or designated supportive living) in the reporting period from the community.
Number of Unique Home Care Clients	Number of unique individual home care clients receiving care within the reporting period. This includes all clients in all age groups within categories of short term, long term, and palliative, as well as day programs and Supportive Living Settings. These services are provided to individuals living with frailty, disability, acute or chronic illness living at home or in a supportive living setting.
ACUTE CARE	
Emergency Department Visits (all sites)	Number of visits to an Emergency Department (ED). Figures include the Northeast Health Centre, which is a stand-alone ED. Emergency departments are for those who are seriously ill or injured, with potentially life-threatening conditions.
Urgent Care Visits	Number of visits to a designated Urgent Care Centre (UCC). An Urgent Care Centre (UCC) is a community-based service delivery site (non-hospital setting) where higher level assessment, diagnostic and treatment services are provided for unscheduled clients who require immediate medical attention for injuries /illnesses, including potentially life threatening conditions, that require human and technical resources more intensive than what is available in a physicians' office. There are six Urgent Care Centres in Alberta.
Hospital Discharges	Number of discharges from an acute care hospital. Acute inpatient care provides necessary treatment for a disease or severe episode of illness for a short period of time, with the goal of discharging patients as soon as they are stable. Discharges are counted when patient leaves the hospital. All discharges are counted, including patients that left against medical advice, deaths and transfers out of facility.
Live Births	Number of live hospital births in an acute care hospital. Figures exclude newborns born outside of an acute health care facility.
Total Hospital Days	Total number of inpatient days at an acute care hospital (admission date to discharge date). Figures include acute, subacute and alternate level of care (ALC) days.
Average Length of Stay (in days)	The average length of stay (days) for discharged inpatients acute care hospitals. Figures include acute, subacute and ALC days
DIAGNOSTIC / SPECIFIC PROCEDURES	
Hip Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	Number of hip replacements including emergency, total, partial and revisions. Bilateral replacements are counted as two procedures. Hip replacement surgery or arthroplasty is a procedure in which a surgeon surgically removes a hip joint and replaces it with an artificial joint often made of metal and/or plastic components. Includes scheduled, elective, urgent and emergent hip replacements.
Knee Replacements (scheduled and emergency)	Number of knee replacements including emergency, total, partial and revisions. Bilateral replacements are counted as two procedures. Knee replacement surgery or arthroplasty is a procedure in which a surgeon surgically removes a knee joint and replaces it with an artificial joint often made of metal and/or plastic components. Includes scheduled, elective, urgent and emergent knee replacements.

Quick Fact	Definition
Cataract Surgery	Number of lens extractions for any reason. Bilateral cataract lens extractions are counted as one procedure. Cataract surgery is a procedure that removes the lens inside your eye that has become cloudy and replaced with an artificial lens to restore clear vision.
Main Operating Room Activity	Number of cases done in the main operating rooms/theatres (emergent, urgent, elective, scheduled, etc.) including inpatient, day surgery, cesarean section, and scopes if done in the Main OR. Excludes procedures performed in the minor surgery room, endoscopy suites, emergency department, patient rooms, labor & delivery, intensive care etc.
MRI Exams	Number of magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) exams. Includes out-sourced exams. MRI is a non-invasive imaging technology that produces three dimensional detailed anatomical images. It is often used for disease detection, diagnosis, and treatment monitoring.
CT Exams	Number of computerized tomography (CT) scans. A CT scan combines a series of two-dimensional X-ray images taken from different directions around your body to create tomographic (three dimensional) images from cross-sectional (slices) of the tissues inside your body. CT scan images provide more-detailed information than plain X-rays do.
X-rays	Number of general radiology x-rays. Figures include bone densitometry and mammography. Medical x-rays use high-energy electromagnetic radiation to produce images of tissues and structures inside the body.
Lab Tests	Number of laboratory tests. Laboratory tests include those performed at Alberta Precision Laboratories (AHS, CLS, Covenant Health, Lamont and Provincial Laboratory for Public Health (PLPH)), Dynalife Diagnostic(DLDX) up to FQ4 2019/20 and MHD up to FQ1 2019/20. Figures exclude procurements and ECGs. Some ECGs may have been included prior to Q2 2019/20.
CANCER CARE	
Cancer Patient Visits (patients may have multiple visits)	Number of visits to an ambulatory clinic in a cancer centre. This figure represents all visits to all facilities by all patients.
Unique Cancer Patients	Number of unique individual cancer patients who attended a Cancer Care visit during the time period. A patient may attend appointments across multiple zones during the reporting period but would only be counted once for the provincial figures.
ADDICTION & MENTAL HEALTH	
Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals and standalone psychiatric facilities)	Number of mental health discharges from an acute care hospital and the standalone psychiatric facilities. Standalone psychiatric facilities: Alberta Hospital Edmonton, Southern Alberta Forensic Psychiatric Centre (Calgary), Centennial Centre for Mental Health and Brain Injury (CCMHBI) (Ponoka), Claresholm Centre for Mental Health and Addictions and Villa Caritas (Edmonton).
Mental Health Discharges (acute care hospitals only)	Number of mental health discharges from an acute care hospital.
Addiction Residential Treatment & Detoxification Admissions	Number of Admissions to an Addiction Residential Treatment & Detoxification centre. Residential treatment describes either a mental health facility or a drug and/or alcohol or process addiction treatment program that is provided to patients in a residential setting. Some residential treatment centers specialize in only one illness, such as eating disorders or substance abuse. Others treat people with a variety of diagnoses or dual diagnosis of substance abuse and a psychiatric diagnosis.