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Introduction

The Hospital Mental Health Database (HMHDB) is a pan-Canadian database at the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) that includes diagnosis and demographic data for a given fiscal year for

- General hospital separations (discharges and deaths) with a primary diagnosis of mental illness or addiction; and
- Psychiatric hospital separations.

As of April 1, 2006, hospital separations from designated adult mental health beds in Ontario are reported exclusively to the Ontario Mental Health Reporting System (OMHRS). The separation data from OMHRS for 2006–2007 and subsequent years was integrated into corresponding fiscal years of the HMHDB.

The following lists the data sources that constitute the database for 2014–2015:

Data sources for general and psychiatric hospitals in the Hospital Mental Health Database

Province/territory	Source
British Columbia	DAD
Alberta	DAD
Saskatchewan	DAD HMHS
Manitoba*	DAD HMHS OMHRS
Ontario [†]	DAD OMHRS
Quebec	HMDB
New Brunswick	DAD
Nova Scotia	DAD
Prince Edward Island	DAD
Newfoundland and Labrador	DAD
Yukon	DAD

Province/territory	Source
Northwest Territories	DAD
Nunavut	DAD

Notes

* A Manitoba psychiatric facility, Selkirk Mental Health Centre, started submitting data to OMHRS in 2013–2014.

† Ontario general and psychiatric hospitals report separations from designated adult mental health beds to OMHRS.

Ontario general and psychiatric hospitals report separations from non-OMHRS beds to the DAD.

DAD: Discharge Abstract Database.

HMHS: Hospital Mental Health Survey.

OMHRS: Ontario Mental Health Reporting System.

HMDB: Hospital Morbidity Database.

The DAD, HMDB and OMHRS are maintained by CIHI. Users of the HMHDB may access data quality documents for these data holdings on CIHI's website. 1 Saskatchewan facility and 1 Manitoba facility provide data to CIHI for the HMHS.

List of data elements

The following data elements are present in the HMHDB.

This data dictionary applies to fiscal year 2014–2015.

Data element	Data type (length)	Description
HMHDB_DATA_YEAR	Num (8)	Fiscal year of separation
PROV	Char (2)	Province or territory in which the reporting facility is located
HOSP	Char (5)	Facility identification number, which is assigned by the province or territory
HOSP_POSTALCODE	Char (6)	Facility postal code
ENCRYPTED_HCN	Char (12)	Encrypted health card number
HEALTH_CARD_PROV_CODE	Char (2)	Province/territory issuing health card number
BIRTHDATE	Num (8)	Birthdate of person
SEX	Char (1)	Sex of person
PATIENT_POSTALCODE	Char (6)	Residential postal code of person
ADMITAGE	Num (8)	Age of person at the time of admission
SEPAGE	Num (8)	Age of person at the time of separation

Data element	Data type (length)	Description
HOMELESS	Num (8)	Indicates whether a person was homeless on admission
ADMITTED_VIA_ED	Num (8)	Indicates whether a person was admitted via the emergency department
ADMITDATE	Num (8)	The date the person was admitted to the facility
ADMISSIONMETHOD	Char (1)	A code identifying the method of admission of the person (voluntary, involuntary or other)
SEPDATE	Num (8)	The date the person was formally separated (through discharge or death) from the facility
LOS	Num (8)	The total number of days the person was hospitalized
DISCHARGE_DISPOSITION	Num (8)	Identifies the location where the person was discharged to or the status of the person on discharge
DATA_SOURCE	Num (8)	Indicates the original data source for the record (DAD/HMDB, HMHS or OMHRS)
CODING_CLASS	Char (1)	A code that identifies the original disease classification system used for recording diagnoses
DX1_PRIMARY	Char (7)	Separation diagnosis code that describes the most responsible diagnosis/condition (MRDx) for the person's stay in a facility
DX2–35	Char (7)	Separation diagnosis codes that describe the non-MRDx diagnoses/conditions for the person's stay in a facility
PSYCH_HOSP	Num (8)	Indicates whether a record is from a general or psychiatric facility
DIAGCATEGORY	Char (40)	Broad mental health category that is based on the most responsible separation diagnosis code

Data element	HMHDB_DATA_YEAR
Data type, length and format	Num (8), YYYY
Description	Fiscal year of separation (April 1 through March 31)
Valid values	The 4 bytes that begin the fiscal year. For example, fiscal year 2002–2003 has the value of 2002 in this field.

Data element	PROV
Data type, length and format	Char (2)
Description	Province or territory in which the reporting facility is located
Valid values	<p>10 = Newfoundland and Labrador</p> <p>11 = Prince Edward Island</p> <p>12 = Nova Scotia</p> <p>13 = New Brunswick</p> <p>24 = Quebec</p> <p>35 = Ontario</p> <p>46 = Manitoba</p> <p>47 = Saskatchewan</p> <p>48 = Alberta</p> <p>59 = British Columbia</p> <p>60 = Yukon</p> <p>61 = Northwest Territories</p> <p>62 = Nunavut</p>

Data element	HOSP
Data type, length and format	Char (5), any alphanumeric string
Description	Facility identification number, which is assigned by the province or territory
Valid values	The list is available for the data on request.
Quality and analysis issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Numbers are not unique across Canada. To uniquely identify a facility, this data element should be used in conjunction with the submitting province code (PROV). For records from OMHRS, the OMHRS mental health master number was used as the facility number. It is different from the facility number that is reported to the DAD/HMDB.

Data element	HOSP_POSTALCODE
Data type, length and format	Char (6), ANANAN
Description	Postal code of the reporting facility
Valid values	6-character postal code in ANANAN format (A: alpha code; N: numeric code)

Data element	ENCRYPTED_HCN
Data type, length and format	Char (12), any alphanumeric string
Description	Encrypted health card number
Valid values	Any alphanumeric string Valid values for invalid or unknown HCN: Blank (applies to the HMHS and OMHRS) 0 (zero; applies to records from OMHRS) 000000000000 (12 zeros; applies to records from the DAD/HMDB and OMHRS) -70 = Unknown HCN (applies to records from OMHRS) -90 = Not applicable (applies to records from OMHRS)
Quality and analysis issues	All records from the HMHS are blank for this data element.

Data element	HEALTH_CARD_PROV_CODE
Data type, length and format	Char (2)
Description	Province/territory issuing health card number
Valid values	NF = Newfoundland and Labrador PE = Prince Edward Island NS = Nova Scotia NB = New Brunswick QC = Quebec ON = Ontario MB = Manitoba SK = Saskatchewan AB = Alberta BC = British Columbia YT = Yukon NT = Northwest Territories NU = Nunavut Blank (applies to records from the HMHS and the DAD/HMDB) -7 = Unknown (applies to records from OMHRS) -9 = Not applicable (applies to records from OMHRS) 99 = Not applicable (applies to records from the DAD/HMDB) CA = Canada (applies to records from the DAD/HMDB with a federal health card number)
Quality and analysis issues	All records from the HMHS are blank for this data element.

Data element	BIRTHDATE
Data type, length and format	Num (8), YYYYMMDD
Description	Birthdate of person
Valid values	Valid day, month and year 99990901 = Unknown
Quality and analysis issues	Quebec does not supply birthdates.

Data element	SEX
Data type, length and format	Char (1)
Description	Sex of person
Valid values	1 = Male 2 = Female 3 = Other (hermaphrodite, transsexual or undifferentiated)

Data element	PATIENT_POSTALCODE
Data type, length and format	Char (6), ANANAN, ANA or 2-digit alpha code (province/territory postal abbreviation)
Description	Residential postal code of person. If the postal code is unavailable, the provincial/territorial postal abbreviation might be used. For Canadian residents, the coding system is as follows: NF = Newfoundland and Labrador PE = Prince Edward Island NS = Nova Scotia NB = New Brunswick QC = Quebec ON = Ontario MB = Manitoba SK = Saskatchewan AB = Alberta BC = British Columbia YT = Yukon NT = Northwest Territories NU = Nunavut

Data element	PATIENT_POSTALCODE
Valid values	6-character postal code in ANANAN format (A: alpha code; N: numeric code) Forward Sortation Area (FSA) code in ANA format 2-digit postal abbreviation Blank -70 = Unknown (applies to records from OMHRS) -90 = Not applicable (applies to records from OMHRS) 99 = Unknown (applies to records from the DAD/HMDB) XX = Homeless (applies to records from the DAD/HMDB)
Quality and analysis issues	Quebec does not provide the postal code, so all Quebec records contain the default provincial postal abbreviation "QC."

Data element	ADMITAGE
Data type, length and format	Num (8)
Description	Age of person at the time of admission
Valid values	0–130 years (applies to records from the HMHS and the DAD/HMDB) 0+ years (no upper age limit) (applies to records from OMHRS)

Data element	SEPAGE
Data type, length and format	Num (8)
Description	Age of person at the time of separation
Valid values	0–130 years (applies to records from the HMHS and the DAD/HMDB) 0+ years (no upper age limit) (applies to records from OMHRS)

Data element	HOMELESS
Data type, length and format	Num (8)
Description	Indicates whether a person was homeless on admission
Valid values	0 = Non-homeless (applies to records from the DAD/HMDB and OMHRS) 1 = Homeless (applies to records from the DAD/HMDB and OMHRS) Blank (applies to records from the HMHS)
Quality and analysis issues	All records from the HMHS are blank for this data element.

Data element	ADMITTED_VIA_ED
Data type, length and format	Num (8)
Description	Indicates whether a person was admitted via the emergency department
Valid values	0 = No (applies to records from the DAD/HMDB and OMHRS) 1 = Yes (applies to records from the DAD/HMDB and OMHRS) Blank (applies to records from the HMHS)
Quality and analysis issues	All records from the HMHS are blank for this data element.

Data element	ADMITDATE
Data type, length and format	Num (8), YYYYMMDD
Description	The date that the person was admitted to the facility
Valid values	Valid day, month and year

Data element	ADMISSIONMETHOD
Data type, length and format	Char (1)
Description	A code identifying the method of admission of the person
Valid values	1 = Voluntary hospitalization 2 = Involuntary hospitalization 3 = Other Blank
Quality and analysis issues	In the DAD, this is mandated in Newfoundland and Labrador, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Ontario only. This data element is not populated for records from Quebec.

Data element	SEPDATE
Data type, length and format	Num (8), YYYYMMDD
Description	The date the person was formally separated (through discharge or death) from the facility
Valid values	Day, month and year must be valid, and the date must fall within the fiscal year being reported.

Data element	LOS
Data type, length and format	Num (8)
Description	The total number of days the person was hospitalized. It is equal to the length of hospitalization from the date of admission to the date of separation. Service interruptions and alternate level of care (ALC) days are included if they occurred during the stay. If the date of admission and the date of separation are in different fiscal (data) years, the record will appear in the fiscal year of separation only. The days of stay will reflect the total length of stay regardless of the number of fiscal years that the hospitalization covered.
Valid values	1+
Quality and analysis issues	The length of stay is set to 1 for those hospitalizations where the admission and separation dates are the same day.

Data element	DISCHARGE_DISPOSITION
Data type, length and format	Num (8)
Description	Identifies the location where the person was discharged to or the status of the person on discharge
Valid values	<p>1 = Discharged home (including private home and home setting with support or support services)</p> <p>2 = Transferred (including acute care, psychiatric, long-term care and rehabilitation hospital/unit, hospice facility/palliative care unit, correctional facility, ambulatory care, addiction treatment centre, jail and social agency)</p> <p>3 = Died</p> <p>4 = Sign-out (including absent without leave [AWOL], left against medical advice and person didn't return from a pass)</p> <p>5 = Other (including homeless and other; applies to records from OMHRS)</p> <p>Blank (applies to records from the HMHS)</p>
Quality and analysis issues	All records from the HMHS are blank for this data element.

Data element	DATA_SOURCE
Data type, length and format	Num (8)
Description	Indicates the original data source for the record (DAD/HMDB, HMHS or OMHRS)
Valid values	<p>1 = DAD/HMDB</p> <p>2 = HMHS</p> <p>3 = OMHRS</p>

Data element	CODING_CLASS
Data type, length and format	Char (1)
Description	Identifies the original disease classification system (i.e., the format in which the data was originally submitted) used for recording diagnoses
Valid values	0 = ICD-10-CA 9 = ICD-9-CM 4 = DSM-IV-TR P = OMHRS DSM-IV-TR diagnostic categories
History	Please refer to the DAD and HMDB data quality documentation for the coding classifications historically used in each fiscal year.

Data element	DX1_PRIMARY
Data type, length and format	Char (7)
Description	Separation diagnosis code that describes the most responsible diagnosis/condition (MRDx) for the person's stay in a facility
Valid values	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For records from a psychiatric facility The diagnosis code can be any mental health diagnosis code or any non-mental health diagnosis code. • For records from a general facility The diagnosis code must be any mental health diagnosis code (with the exception of OMHRS). • For records from OMHRS with CODING_CLASS = P The value can be any DSM-IV-TR diagnostic category. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a = Disorders of childhood/adolescence b = Delirium, dementia and amnesic and other cognitive disorders c = Mental disorders due to general medical condition d = Substance-related disorders e = Schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders f = Mood disorders g = Anxiety disorders h = Somatoform disorders i = Factitious disorders j = Dissociative disorders k = Sexual and gender identity disorders l = Eating disorders m = Sleep disorders n = Impulse-control disorders not classified elsewhere

Data element	DX1_PRIMARY
	<p>o = Adjustment disorders</p> <p>p = Personality disorders</p> <p>q = Not applicable — admitted to mental health bed for reasons not related to mental health</p>
Quality and analysis issues	To identify a diagnosis, this data element should be used in conjunction with the CODING_CLASS data element, which identifies the disease classification system used for recording diagnoses.

Data element	DX2–35
Data type, length and format	Char (7)
Description	Separation diagnosis codes that describe the non-MRDx diagnoses/conditions for the person’s stay in a facility
Valid values	The diagnosis code can be any mental health diagnosis code, any non–mental health diagnosis code or any DSM-IV-TR diagnostic category.
Quality and analysis issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To identify a diagnosis, this data element should be used in conjunction with the CODING_CLASS data element, which identifies the disease classification system used for recording diagnoses. The number of additional diagnosis code fields available (DX2–DX35) varies by data source. Please contact the HMHDB team for details.

Data element	PSYCH_HOSP
Data type, length and format	Num (8)
Description	Indicates whether a record is from a general or psychiatric facility
Valid values	<p>0 = General</p> <p>1 = Psychiatric</p>

Data element	DIAGCATEGORY
Data type, length and format	Char (40)
Description	Broad mental health category based on the most responsible separation diagnosis code
Valid values	<p>1 = Organic disorders</p> <p>2 = Substance-related disorders</p> <p>3 = Schizophrenic and psychotic disorders</p> <p>4 = Mood disorders</p> <p>5 = Anxiety disorders</p> <p>6 = Personality disorders</p> <p>7 = Other mental health disorders</p> <p>8 = Unknown disorders</p> <p>99 = Non-mental health disorder</p>
Quality and analysis issues	For records with missing, invalid or under-specified diagnostic codes, the value <i>unknown disorders</i> was assigned.

Appendix — Mental illness diagnosis categories and subcategories

Diagnosis category	Subcategory	DSM-IV-TR code	ICD-9-CM code	ICD-10-CA code
Organic disorders	Senile and pre-senile psychotic conditions	290.40–290.43	290.0, 290.10–290.13, 290.20–290.21, 290.3, 290.40–290.43, 290.8–290.9	F00–F09, F53.1, G30
	Transient organic psychotic conditions	293.0, 293.9	293.0, 293.1, 293.81–293.84, 293.89, 293.9	
	Other organic psychotic conditions	294.0, 294.8, 294.10, 294.11, 294.9, 310.1, 780.09	294.0, 294.1, 294.8, 294.9	
Substance-related disorders	Alcoholic psychoses	291.0–291.9	291.0–291.5, 291.81, 291.89, 291.9	F10–F19, F55
	Drug psychoses	292.0, 292.11, 292.12, 292.81, 292.82–292.84, 292.85, 292.89, 292.9	292.0, 292.11–292.12, 292.2, 292.81–292.84, 292.89, 292.9	
	Alcohol dependence	303.00, 303.90	303.00–303.03, 303.90–303.93	
	Drug dependence	304.00, 304.10, 304.20, 304.30, 304.40, 304.50, 304.60, 304.80, 304.90, 305.1	304.00–304.03, 304.10–304.13, 304.20–304.23, 304.30–304.33, 304.40–304.43, 304.50–304.53, 304.60–304.63, 304.70–304.73, 304.80–304.83, 304.90–304.93	
	Non-dependent abuse of drugs	305.00, 305.20, 305.30, 305.40, 305.50, 305.60, 305.70, 305.90	305.00–305.03, 305.1, 305.20–305.23, 305.30–305.33, 305.40–305.43, 305.50–305.53, 305.60–305.63, 305.70–305.73, 305.80–305.83, 305.90–305.93	

Diagnosis category	Subcategory	DSM-IV-TR code	ICD-9-CM code	ICD-10-CA code
Schizophrenic and psychotic disorders	Schizophrenia	295.10, 295.20, 295.30, 295.40, 295.60, 295.70, 295.90	295.00–295.05, 295.10–295.15, 295.20–295.25, 295.30–295.35, 295.40–295.45, 295.50–295.55, 295.60–295.65, 295.70–295.75, 295.80–295.85, 295.90–295.95	F20–F29
	Psychoses	298.8, 298.9	298.8, 298.9	
	Paranoia, delusional disorders, other psychoses	297.1, 297.3, 293.81, 293.82	297.0–297.3, 297.8, 297.9, 298.0–298.4	
Mood disorders	Bipolar	296.00–296.06, 296.40–296.46, 296.50–296.56, 296.60–296.66, 296.7, 296.80, 296.89, 301.13	296.00–296.06, 296.10–296.16, 296.40–296.46, 296.50–296.56, 296.60–296.66, 296.7, 296.80–296.82, 296.89	F30–F31
	Depression	296.20–296.26, 296.30–296.36, 300.4, 311	296.20–296.26, 296.30–296.36, 300.4, 311	F32–F33, F34.1, F53.0
	Other	293.83, 296.90	296.90, 296.99	F34.0, F34.8, F34.9, F38, F39
Anxiety disorders	Anxiety	300.00–300.02, 300.21–300.23, 300.29, 300.3, 309.21	300.00–300.02, 300.09, 300.20–300.23, 300.29, 300.3, 309.81	F40–F42, F93.0–F93.2
	Acute stress	293.84, 293.89, 308.3, 309.81	308.0–308.4, 308.9	F43.0, F43.1, F43.8, F43.9
Personality disorders	Personality disorders	301.0, 301.20, 301.22, 301.4, 301.50, 301.6, 301.7, 301.81–301.83, 301.9	301.0, 301.10–301.13, 301.20–301.22, 301.3, 301.4, 301.50, 301.51, 301.59, 301.6, 301.7, 301.81–301.84, 301.89, 301.9	F60–F62, F68–F69

Diagnosis category	Subcategory	DSM-IV-TR code	ICD-9-CM code	ICD-10-CA code
Other disorders	Adjustment disorders	309.0, 309.24, 309.28, 309.3, 309.4, 309.9	309.0–309.1, 309.21–309.24, 309.28–309.29, 309.3–309.4, 309.82–309.83, 309.89, 309.9	F43.2, F99
	Physiological malfunction arising from mental factors	307.80, 307.89	306.0–306.4, 306.50–306.53, 306.59, 306.6–306.9	F59
	Sexual disorders	302.2–302.4, 302.70–302.76, 302.79, 302.81–302.85, 302.89, 302.9, 306.51, 607.84, 608.89, 625.0, 625.8	302.0–302.4, 302.50–302.53, 302.6, 302.70–302.76, 302.79, 302.81–302.85, 302.89, 302.9	F52, F64, F65, F66
	Dissociative and factitious disorders	300.12–300.16, 300.19, 300.6	300.10–300.16, 300.19, 300.6	F44, F48.1
	Somatoform disorders	300.11, 300.7, 300.81, 300.82	300.7, 300.81–300.82, 300.89, 300.9, 307.80–307.81, 307.89	F45
	Eating disorders	307.1, 307.50, 307.51	307.1, 307.50–307.54, 307.59	F50
	Disorders of infancy, childhood, adolescence, and developmental disorders	299.00, 299.10, 299.80, 302.6, 307.0, 307.20–307.23, 307.3, 307.52, 307.53, 307.59, 307.6, 307.7, 307.9, 309.21, 312.81, 312.82, 312.89, 312.9, 313.23, 313.81, 313.82, 313.89, 313.9, 314.00, 314.01, 314.9, 315.00, 315.1, 315.2, 315.31, 315.32, 315.39, 315.4, 315.9, 317, 318.0–318.2, 319	299.00–299.01, 299.10–299.11, 299.80–299.81, 299.90–299.91, 307.20–307.23, 307.0, 307.3, 307.6, 307.7, 307.9, 309.21–309.22, 312.00–312.03, 312.10–312.13, 312.20–312.23, 312.4, 312.81, 312.82, 312.89, 312.9, 313.0, 313.1, 313.21–313.23, 313.3, 313.81–313.83, 313.89, 313.9, 314.00–314.01, 314.1–314.2, 314.8–314.9, 315.00–315.02, 315.09, 315.1, 315.2, 315.31–315.32, 315.39, 315.4, 315.5, 315.8, 315.9, 317, 318.0–318.2, 319	F70–F73, F78–F79, F80–F89, F90, F91–F92, F93.0, F93.3, F93.8–F93.9, F94, F95, F98

Diagnosis category	Subcategory	DSM-IV-TR code	ICD-9-CM code	ICD-10-CA code
	Sleep disorders	307.42, 307.44–307.47	307.40–307.49	F51
	Impulse control disorders	312.30–312.34, 312.39	312.30–312.35, 312.39	F63
	Mental disorders due to a general medical condition not elsewhere classified	290.40–290.43, 316	290.40–290.43, 310.0–310.2, 310.8, 310.9, 316	F54
	All other psychiatric disorders	300.9	300.5, 648.40–648.44	F48.0, F48.8, F48.9, F53.8, F53.9, O99.3

Notes

The following codes may be found in more than 1 category in the above grouping table: DSM-IV-TR — 290.40, 290.41, 290.42, 290.43, 309.21; ICD-9-CM — 290.40, 290.41, 290.42, 290.43, 309.21, 309.22; ICD-10-CA — F93.0. To avoid double-counting separations, these codes have been grouped to only 1 broad mental health category within the HMHDB. The volume of separations for these codes is very low (ranging from 0 to 35 nationally for the 2011–2012 data year); consequently, the impact on categorization to 1 category versus another is minimal.

Diagnostic groupings correspond to 2014–2015 data. For information on diagnostic groupings for prior years, please contact the Mental Health and Addictions team at mentalhealth@cihi.ca.



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