

**Admitted patient episodes of care for external cause of contact with jellyfish,  
public acute hospitals,  
Queensland, 2015 and 2016 calendar years**

<b>External Cause</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
Irukandji jellyfish	51	82
Other jellyfish	22	27
<i>Jellyfish (Total)</i>	<i>73</i>	<i>109</i>

**Notes:**

1. Excludes unqualified newborns, posthumous organ procurement and boarders.
2. Data for 2016 are preliminary, subject to change.
3. External cause based on ICD-10-AM coding:
  - Jellyfish (Contact with) - X26.0 encompasses
    - Irukandji jellyfish (Contact with) - X26.01 and
    - Other jellyfish (Contact with) including:
      - X26.00 (Contact with box jellyfish)
      - X26.02 (Contact with Portuguese Man-o-war and bluebottle)
      - X26.08 (Contact with other specified jellyfish)
      - X26.09 (Contact with unspecified jellyfish)
4. Irukandji jellyfish is a subset of Jellyfish.

Source: *Queensland Hospital Admitted Patient Data Collection (QHAPDC),  
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Hospital	Irukandji jellyfish		Other Jellyfish		Jellyfish (Total)	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
Bamaga	1	-	-	1	1	1
Bowen	1	-	1	-	2	-
Bundaberg	3	3	4	-	7	3
Caboolture	-	-	1	1	1	1
Cairns	14	25	3	4	17	29
Caloundra	-	-	-	1	-	1
Capricorn Coast (Yeppoon)	-	-	3	-	3	-
Cooktown	3	1	-	1	3	2
Gold Coast University	-	-	2	2	2	2
Hervey Bay	2	-	1	4	3	4
Joyce Palmer HS	2	6	2	-	4	6
Lady Cilento Children's	-	-	1	-	1	-
Mackay	6	16	1	4	7	20
Mareeba	-	1	-	-	-	1
Mornington Island	-	-	-	1	-	1
Mossman	2	3	-	1	2	4
Nambour	-	-	1	-	1	-
Princess Alexandra	-	-	1	-	1	-
Proserpine	2	16	-	2	2	18
Redcliffe	-	-	-	3	-	3
Thursday Island	9	9	-	-	9	9
Townsville	4	1	1	2	5	3
Tully	-	1	-	-	-	1
Weipa	2	-	0	-	2	-
<b>Public hospital total</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>109</b>

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## Clinical Excellence Division

# Emergency Department presentations Irukandji or Marine Creature Sting (Excl. Fish) \*



**Emergency Presentations, for Irukandji or Marine Creature Sting (Excl. Fish), excluding patients who have been subsequently admitted to hospital\*\***

Facility	2015	2016	2017 (1 Jan to 16 Jan)
Atherton Hospital	0	0	0
Ayr Hospital	3	5	0
Bamaga Hospital	1	5	0
Barcaldine Hospital	0	0	0
Beaudesert Hospital	0	0	0
Biloela Hospital	0	0	0
Blackall Hospital	0	0	0
Bundaberg Hospital	9	8	6
Caboolture Hospital	10	7	5
Cairns Hospital	11	14	0
Caloundra Hospital	13	17	12
Capricorn Coast Hospital	8	17	0
Charleville Hospital	0	1	0
Charters Towers Hospital	0	0	0
Cherbourg Hospital	0	0	0
Chinchilla Hospital	0	0	0
Cooktown Hospital	3	5	0
Cunnamulla Hospital	0	0	0
Dalby Hospital	0	0	0
Emerald Hospital	0	0	0
Gladstone Hospital	5	1	0
Gold Coast University Hospital	14	15	6
Goondiwindi Hospital	0	0	0
Gympie Hospital	3	0	0
Hervey Bay Hospital	5	15	5
Ingham Hospital	4	8	1
Innisfail Hospital	1	4	0
Ipswich Hospital	1	1	0
Joyce Palmer Health Service	8	23	1
Kingaroy Hospital	0	0	0
Lady Cilento Children's Hospital	0	2	3
Logan Hospital	4	1	1
Longreach Hospital	0	0	0
Mackay Base Hospital	18	22	3
Mareeba Hospital	0	0	0
Maryborough Hospital	0	2	0
Mater Hospital Brisbane Public	2	1	0
Mount Isa Base Hospital	0	0	0
Nambour Hospital	5	7	4
Oakey Hospital	0	0	0
Princess Alexandra Hospital	0	0	0

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Facility	2015	2016	2017 (1 Jan to 16 Jan)
Proserpine Hospital	2	16	1
Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Hospital	0	1	2
Redcliffe Hospital	10	10	15
Redland Hospital	8	8	3
Robina Hospital	9	13	2
Rockhampton Hospital	2	1	0
Roma Hospital	0	0	0
Royal Brisbane & Women's Hospital	0	1	0
St George Hospital	0	0	0
Stanthorpe Hospital	0	0	0
The Prince Charles Hospital	3	4	0
Thursday Island Hospital	0	3	0
Toowoomba Hospital	1	0	0
Townsville Hospital	9	14	1
Warwick Hospital	0	1	0
Weipa Hospital	4	9	1
Winton Hospital	0	0	0
<b>Queensland</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>72</b>

**Source:** Queensland Health Emergency Data Collection. This output has been checked against documents and formal correspondence that have previously been published, and figures are consistent.

From July 2015, the scope of emergency reporting facilities increased from 26 (highlighted) to 58.

**Notes:**

\* Irukandji or Marine Creature Sting (Excl. Fish) presentations have a diagnosis code ICD.10 code of 'T63.6' with the description 'Toxic effect of contact with other marine animals'. This code includes toxic contact with any other marine animal (such as 'jellyfish, sea anemone, shellfish, starfish'), excluding fish (which has a separate ICD code and is not included in the numbers above). This also excludes poisoning by ingestion of shellfish (T61.2); sea-snake venom (T63.0).

\*\* This excludes patients who have been subsequently admitted to the hospital following their emergency presentation.