

Health Quality Ontario Indicator Library

Field Definitions

SECTION	Field Name	Field Definition
INDICATOR NAME	<i>Name</i>	The name of the indicator
	<i>Alternate Name</i>	The alternate name or short name of the indicator
INDICATOR DESCRIPTION	<i>Description</i>	The description of the indicator, including direction of improvement (e.g., lower rates are ideal)
	<i>Indicator Status</i>	HQO's reporting status for the indicator: "Active" = Health Quality Ontario currently reports the indicator; "Retired" = Health Quality Ontario no longer reports the indicator; "Developmental" = the indicator is undergoing further development or refinement (Health Quality Ontario may or may not be reporting it currently)
	<i>HQO Reporting tool/product</i>	The product where this indicator is reported by Health Quality Ontario
	<i>Dimension</i>	What the indicator measures, with respect to the six domains of quality as outlined in Quality Matters: Realizing Excellent Care for All <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • safe • effective • patient-centred • efficient • timely • equitable
	<i>Type</i>	Type of indicator: process, outcome, structure
	<i>Unit of Measurement</i>	How the indicator is expressed (e.g., percentage)
DEFINITION & SOURCE INFORMATION	<i>Calculation Methods</i>	A description on how the indicator is calculated
	<i>Numerator (short description i.e. not inclusions/exclusions)</i>	Numerator used in calculating the indicator – brief description
	<i>Denominator (short description i.e. not inclusions/exclusions)</i>	Denominator used in calculating the indicator – brief description
	<i>Numerator including inclusion/exclusion</i>	Numerator used in calculating the indicator – in-depth description
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	<i>Adjustment (risk, age/sex standardization)- generalized</i>	If applicable, summary of factors and adjustment methods applied to the Health Quality Ontario calculation of the indicator.

	<i>Adjustment (risk, age/sex standardization)- detailed</i>	If applicable, detailed summary of factors and adjustment methods applied to the Health Quality Ontario calculation of the indicator.
	<i>Data source</i>	The database(s) where the data are derived for calculating the indicator
	<i>Data provided to HQO by</i>	The organization(s) that provides Health Quality Ontario the data
	<i>Reported Levels of comparability /stratifications (defined)</i>	The level(s) for which the indicator is reported or disaggregated (e.g., provincially, by LHIN region, hospital type)
RESULT UPDATES	<i>Indicator Results</i>	Location where indicator results can be viewed (including the URL).
OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION	<i>Caveats and Limitations</i>	Known limitations of the indicator
	<i>Comments Summary</i>	Comments – brief description
	<i>Comments Detailed</i>	Comments – in-depth description
	<i>Footnotes</i>	Contextual resources for the indicator including reports, journal articles, guidelines, etc.
TAGS	<i>Tag</i>	Tags assigned to this indicator based on sector, type, topic, dimension and data source
PUBLISH	<i>Publish Datetime</i>	The date this indicator was last updated in the Health Quality Ontario Indicator Library