

Annex

Average waiting time for each triage category of Accident & Emergency (A&E) services for the last three years (as at March 31, 2023)

Year	Average waiting time for A&E services (minutes)				
	Priority 1 (Critical)	Priority 2 (Emergency)	Priority 3 (Urgent)	Priority 4 (Semi-urgent)	Priority 5 (Non-urgent)
2020-21	0	7	23	100	127
2021-22	0	8	29	135	168
2022-23 (provisional figures)	0	8	26	124	158

Note: In view of the emergence of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 epidemic in Hong Kong since early 2020, the Hospital Authority (HA) has adjusted its services in response to the epidemic. This should be taken into account when comparing the throughput of services provided by the HA across the years.