

HEPATITIS C ANTIBODY

AUSTRALIA

One hundred and eighty five (4%) of the 4784 **dialysis** patients tested in the past six months were reported to have Hepatitis C antibody. These 4784 patients tested, represented 98% of all patients dialysed during the period: 111 patients were not tested or not reported.

One hundred and fifty five (5%) of 3267 **transplant** dependent patients tested, were reported to have Hepatitis C antibody. These 3267 patients represented 73% of all transplant dependent patients: a further 1232 were not tested or not reported.

NEW ZEALAND

Sixteen (2%) of the 783 **dialysis** patients tested in the past six months were reported to have Hepatitis C antibody. These 783 patients tested, represented 82% (78% 1996) of all patients dialysed during the period: 171 patients were not tested or not reported.

Eighteen (4%) of 455 **transplant** dependent patients tested, were reported to have Hepatitis C antibody. These 455 patients represented 55% (50% 1996) of all transplant dependent patients: a further 366 were not tested or not reported.

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Australia and New Zealand

Hepatitis C Antibody Patients Alive 31-Mar-97

	No. of Pts	Negative	Positive	Not Reported
AUSTRALIA				
Dialysis	4895	4599	185	111
Transplant	4499	3112	155	1232
NEW ZEALAND				
Dialysis	954	767	16	171
Transplant	821	437	18	366