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Purpose of this document

The Australian Bleeding Disorders Registry (ABDR) is a clinical registry for patients in Australia with bleeding disorders. It is used daily by clinicians in all Australian Haemophilia Treatment Centres (HTCs) to assist in managing the treatment of people with bleeding disorders and to gain a better understanding of the incidence and prevalence of bleeding disorders. Patients also contribute data to ABDR through the MyABDR app, which allows patients to record home treatments and bleeds.

This Annual Report summarises patient and product data from ABDR and other National Blood Authority (NBA) sources to provide a high-level overview of who has bleeding disorders, how they are treated and what products are used. This report may be of interest to clinicians providing care to patients, patient community organisations and government organisations.

For more information see www.blood.gov.au.

2023-24 – Patients and Products Snapshot

There were 8,034 patients active in ABDR as at 30 June 2024. Hereditary von Willebrand Disease (VWD) and hereditary haemophilia A (HMA) are the most prevalent disorders.

Patients	HMA *(Hereditary)*	HMB *(Hereditary)*	VWD *(Hereditary)*	Acquired and Other
Number of patients	2,788	647	2,797	1,802
Number of severe patients	774	116	157	155
Patients who received any product	1,259	282	348	145
Percentage of all ABDR patients	34.7%	8.1%	34.8%	22.4%

Bleeding disorder type and severity are the main determinants of whether a patient will require treatment with FVIII and FIX clotting factor products. In 2023-24, 62% of total FVIII and FIX product was used by patients with HMA (decreased from 64% in 2022-23). Emicizumab use by patients with HMA increased significantly, accounting for the decrease in FVIII use. Further details are provided later in this report.

Products	HMA *(Hereditary)*	HMB *(Hereditary)*	VWD *(Hereditary)*	Acquired and Other
Factor FVIII or Factor IX (IU)	69,386,915 (FVIII)	30,835,001 (FIX)	11,676,330 (FVIII)	559,000 (FVIII & FIX)
FEIBA (IU) (included in above FVIII total)	662,500			236,000
rFVIIa (NovoSeven) (mg)	6,692	285		8,512
% of total FVIII & FIX IUs	61.7%	27.4%	10.4%	0.5%

2023-24 – Demand Snapshot

Overall demand for clotting factors in 2023-24

9.7% of total cost of blood and blood products

- Decreased by 1.4% of total cost from 2022-23
- Actual expenditure decreased by $8.4m

Demand for factor VIII

Decreased by 7.7% from 2022-23

→ Mostly due to increased use of emicizumab

- Recombinant VIII decreased by 9.0%
- Plasma derived FVIII remained the same as in 2022-23

Demand for factor IX

Decreased by 6.3% from 2022-23

- Recombinant FIX decreased by 5.6%
- Plasma derived FIX decreased by 58.9%

Demand for emicizumab

Increased by 11.8% from 2022-23

Source: NBA Annual Report 2023-24

Additional information can be found in Appendix D.

Treatment of bleeding disorders in Australia

In Australia, and for the purposes of this report, bleeding disorders are grouped as set out in Table 1. There are also some patients with Fibrinogen and Vascular disorders. Patient numbers by disorder are provided later in this report. More detail on disorders and grouping is included at Appendix A: Bleeding Disorders.

TABLE 1 - MAJOR BLEEDING DISORDERS AND THEIR CAUSE

Disorder group	Cause
Haemophilia A	Deficiency of Factor VIII
Haemophilia B	Deficiency of Factor IX
von Willebrand Disease	Deficiency, or dysfunction, of von Willebrand Factor
Other Factor deficiencies	Deficiency of other coagulation factors
Platelet Disorder	Inherited deficiency of effective platelet function

Types of haemophilia

- The most common type of haemophilia is Haemophilia A. This means the person does not have enough clotting Factor VIII (factor eight).
- Haemophilia B is less common. A person with Haemophilia B does not have enough Factor IX (factor nine). The symptoms are the same for people with Haemophilia A and B; that is, they bleed for a longer time than normal.

Severity

Haemophilia A and B are classified according to their severity, as this informs the treatment regimens required. The definitions of severity that are applied within ABDR are listed in Table 2[1,2]. Definitions of severity for VWD and other coagulation factor deficiencies are not standardised.

TABLE 2 - SEVERITY AND CONCENTRATION OF CLOTTING FACTORS

Severity	Clotting factor level	Bleeding episodes
Severe	<0.01 IU/ml (<1% of normal)	Spontaneous bleeding into joints or muscles, predominantly in the absence of identifiable haemostatic challenge
Moderate	0.01 – 0.05 IU/ml (1–5% of normal)	Occasional spontaneous bleeding; prolonged bleeding with minor trauma or surgery
Mild	0.05 – 0.40 IU/ml (5-<40% of normal)	Severe bleeding with major trauma or surgery; spontaneous bleeding is rare

Mild conditions may require no treatment or treatment only under special circumstances, such as surgery. More severe conditions may require regular interventions. Treatment may occur in hospital or other medical facilities, or at home. The treatments may be regular and preventative (prophylaxis), or on

[1] Srivastava A, Santagostino E, Dougall A, et al. WFH Guidelines for the Management of Hemophilia, 3rd edition. Haemophilia. 2020: 26(Suppl 6): 1-158. https://doi.org/10.1111/hae.14046

[2] Normal concentration of Factor VIII or IX is defined as 100% or one unit of Factor VIII activity per ml of plasma - 100 U/dL (Kasper, CK 2004, Hereditary plasma clotting factor disorders and their management. Treatment of Hemophilia Monograph Series, No. 4, World Federation of Hemophilia, Montreal, Canada). Levels of FVIII above 40% are usually considered sufficient for normal haemostasis.

demand (when a bleed occurs). In some patients, therapy is complicated when their body develops inhibitors that destroy the replacement clotting factors and other treatment is necessary.

Often the treatments involve providing replacement for the missing or defective clotting factors. Products used include plasma derived and recombinant clotting factors, cryoprecipitate and Desmopressin (1-desamino-8-D-arginine vasopressin; DDAVP) which can stimulate the release of Factor VIII and von Willebrand Factor from stores in the body (this is not used in Haemophilia B or Factor IX deficiency).

Treatment of patients with bleeding disorders is managed through Haemophilia Treatment Centres (HTC). See Appendix B: Haemophilia Treatment Centres for details about the roles and services provided by HTCs.

The Australian Bleeding Disorders Registry (ABDR)

Patient details are captured in ABDR to enable health care and support staff to monitor and manage treatment over time from a single point of reference.

ABDR is subject to robust governance and privacy arrangements and has been endorsed by both the Haemophilia Foundation Australia (HFA) and the Australian Haemophilia Centre Directors' Organisation (AHCDO).

Endorsement from Haemophilia Foundation Australia

Haemophilia Foundation Australia supports the ABDR. It helps doctors and other treating health professionals to understand more about the care and treatment needs of people affected by bleeding disorders. The ABDR will assist and guide planning to ensure treatment product is available when it is needed. We are confident the steps in place will mean accurate, reliable and confidential data is available and that no patient details can be identified outside haemophilia centres.

www.haemophilia.org.au

Endorsement from Australian Haemophilia Centre Directors' Organisation

The ABDR is a valuable tool that provides a summary of those affected with haemophilia and other bleeding disorders in Australia. Data from the ABDR is the best information available for clinicians to advise governments making policy decisions regarding treatment needs and product availability.

National statistics available through the ABDR will give AHCDO an overview of practice and allow opportunities for improvement. This data can be pooled to compare Australian treatment standards with international benchmarks. The ABDR will continue to provide the ability to assess quality of life and other important clinical questions arising across Australia.

AHCDO's partnership on this initiative with the National Blood Authority, Haemophilia Foundation Australia and other specialist health professional groups is vital to the pursuit of excellence in clinical treatment practices.

www.ahcdo.org.au

For more details about the history of ABDR and the privacy and governance arrangements which apply to data in ABDR, please see Appendix C: About ABDR.

Patients

Table 3 shows the numbers of patients in ABDR and the numbers of patients who received products during the years 2019-20 to 2023-24.

TABLE 3 - NUMBER OF PATIENTS IN THE REGISTRY AND TREATED BY BROAD DIAGNOSIS

Diagnosis	Number in ABDR Registry					Number who Received Product				
	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Hereditary										
HMA	2,449	2,529	2,621	2,681	2,788	1,083	1,117	1,110	1,149	1,259
HMB	585	601	622	621	647	235	253	251	262	282
VWD	2,324	2,460	2,577	2,669	2,797	273	312	262	320	348
Acquired										
HMA	92	90	114	126	136	12	15	17	15	16
HMB	<5									
VWD	34	33	35	39	40	9	7	<5	8	5
Other Diagnoses										
Other	195	233	245	260	290	12	16	9	11	14
Other Factor Deficiency	510	557	596	604	652	49	67	60	68	66
Platelet Disorder	355	380	408	422	451	19	14	16	20	15
Vascular	8	8	9	9	10			<5		
Fibrinogen Disorder	133	149	175	196	223	14	23	23	21	29
Total	**6,686**	**7,040**	**7,402**	**7,627**	**8,034**	**1,706**	**1,824**	**1,753**	**1,874**	**2,034**

Notes: Included in the table are patients active as at 30 June 2024. ABDR allows for a diagnosis of 'Other' to be recorded for patients with rare and less prevalent disorders or difficult to classify disorders eg mild VWD.

Table 4 shows the incidence statistics for Australia compared with other countries from the World Federation of Hemophilia (WFH) Annual Global Survey 2023 published in 2024. The full survey can be found at https://wfh.org/research-and-data-collection/annual-global-survey/.

TABLE 4 - INCIDENCE STATISTICS FROM WORLD FEDERATION OF HEMOPHILIA GLOBAL SURVEY 2023

Country	Population	HMA/ HMB	VWD	OBD	HMA/HMB per 100,000	VWD per 100,000	OBD per 100,000	Factor VIII per capita
Australia	26,638,544	3,075	2,669	1,219	12	10.02	4.58	3.20
New Zealand	5,223,100	815	980	593	15.60	18.76	11.35	
UK	68,350,000	9,612	12,077	15,265	14.06	17.67	22.33	5.40
USA	334,914,895	17,178	14,272	8,095	5.13	4.26	2.42	3.83
Canada	40,097,761	4,328	5,352	3,049	10.79	13.35	7.60	4.22
France	68,170,228	9,971	3,724	1,695	14.63	5.46	2.49	
Sweden	10,536,632	1,121	1,094		10.64	10.38		8.15
Germany	84,482,267	6,136	6,870	4,239	7.26	8.13	5.02	8.55
South Africa	60,414,495	2,435	673	216	4.03	1.11	0.36	1.11
Japan	124,516,650	7,187	1,665	541	5.77	1.34	0.43	5.12

Note this data matches last year's ABDR Annual Report, not this current report (excluding acquired and asymptomatic disorders).

Prevalence of haemophilia A (HMA) varies considerably among countries, including among the wealthiest of countries[3]. Prevalence data is extremely valuable information for planning by national healthcare agencies in setting priorities and allocating resources for the treatment of bleeding disorders.

[3] Stonebraker JS, Bolton-Maggs PHB, Soucie JM, Walker I, Brooker M. (2010). A study of variations in the reported hemophilia A prevalence around the world. Haemophilia 16(1): 20–32.

Products

The NBA is charged with providing an adequate, safe, secure and affordable supply of blood products, blood-related products and blood-related services in Australia; and promoting safe, high-quality management and use of blood products, blood-related products and blood-related services in Australia.

A key element in ensuring security of supply of products for the treatment of bleeding disorders is the NBA's role in developing, coordinating and monitoring the annual national supply plan and budget, including obtaining annual approval from health ministers. Details on national supply and demand trends over time can be found in Appendix D: National Supply of Products.

Figure 1 shows the total issues and market shares for recombinant FVIII products from 2019-20 to 2023-24 and illustrates the changes that have occurred during that period, including the impact of the introduction of emicizumab. The changes in the five years shown were brought about by new national supply arrangements, with extended half-life (EHL) products added to the mainstream product offering (these were previously trial products). New supply contracts commenced on 1 July 2020, providing further efficiencies in supply and cost. The introduction of emicizumab to the National Product Price List in November 2020 continues to have a significant impact on the use of FVIII products in 2023-24 as shown in Figure 1. Figure 6 in Appendix D shows expenditure on clotting factors from 2009-10 to 2023-24.

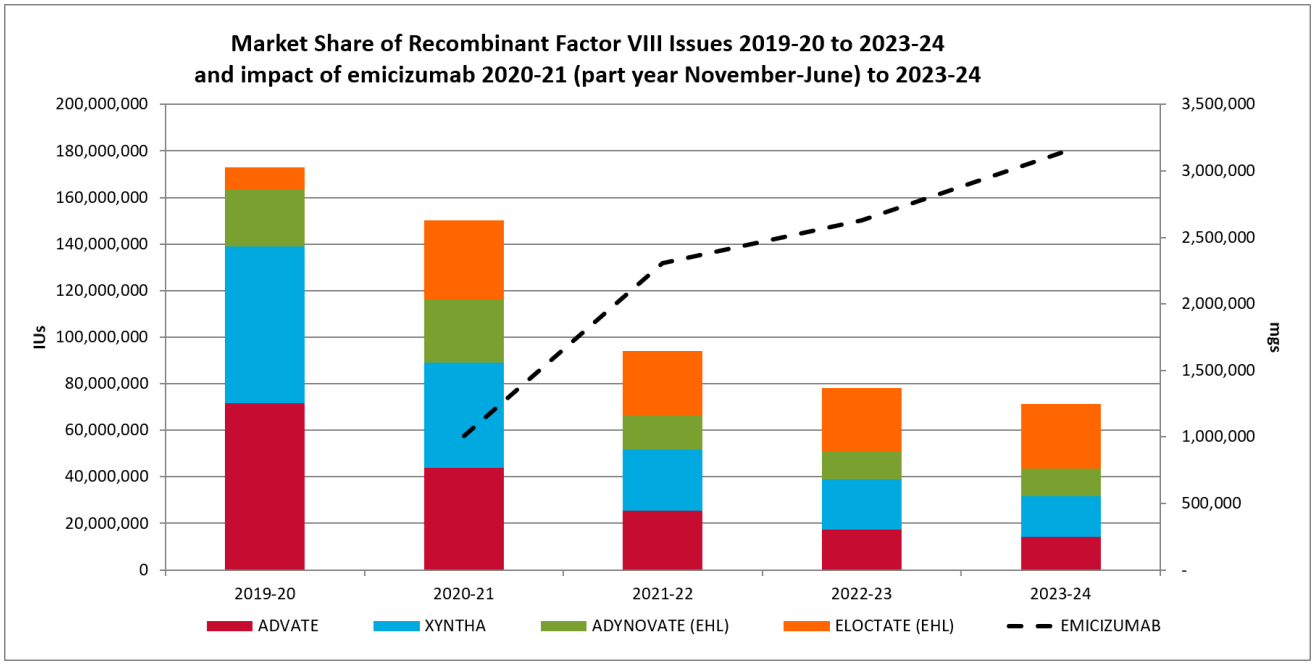

FIGURE 1 - MARKET SHARE OF RECOMBINANT FVIII ISSUES 2019-20 TO 2023-24

Inhibitor status

Inhibitors are immunoglobulins made by the body's immune system to react against replacement clotting factor proteins. This occurs when the immune system perceives the proteins as foreign or harmful to the body. When this happens, the inhibitors prevent the usual replacement factors (Factor VIII or IX) from working properly to stop bleeding. The most challenging aspect of HMA management is the development of FVIII inhibitors. Patients with severe Haemophilia A with high-titre inhibitors are most at risk for recurrent bleeds and chronic haemarthroses.

FEIBA and recombinant Factor VIIa (brand name NovoSeven) are both used to treat patients that have developed inhibitors. Predicting or interpreting changing demand trends is not possible with any accuracy, as the product is only used in a small number of patients each year. Use patterns will vary from year to year and will not only depend on the number of patients treated, but their severity of disease, the potency of inhibitors, whether secondary prophylaxis is practiced, the number and severity of spontaneous bleeds, and the amount of elective surgery undertaken in this patient group.

In 2023-24, there were 131 HMA patients with inhibitors and 15 patients with other bleeding disorders who had inhibitors.

Treatment

The data in this section relates to patients who received treatment (products) during the 2023-24 financial year. Figure 2 shows the proportion of hereditary HMA patients receiving treatment (1,259 patients in 2023-24) by severity. Figure 3 shows the proportion of hereditary HMB patients receiving treatment (282 patients in 2023-24) by severity.

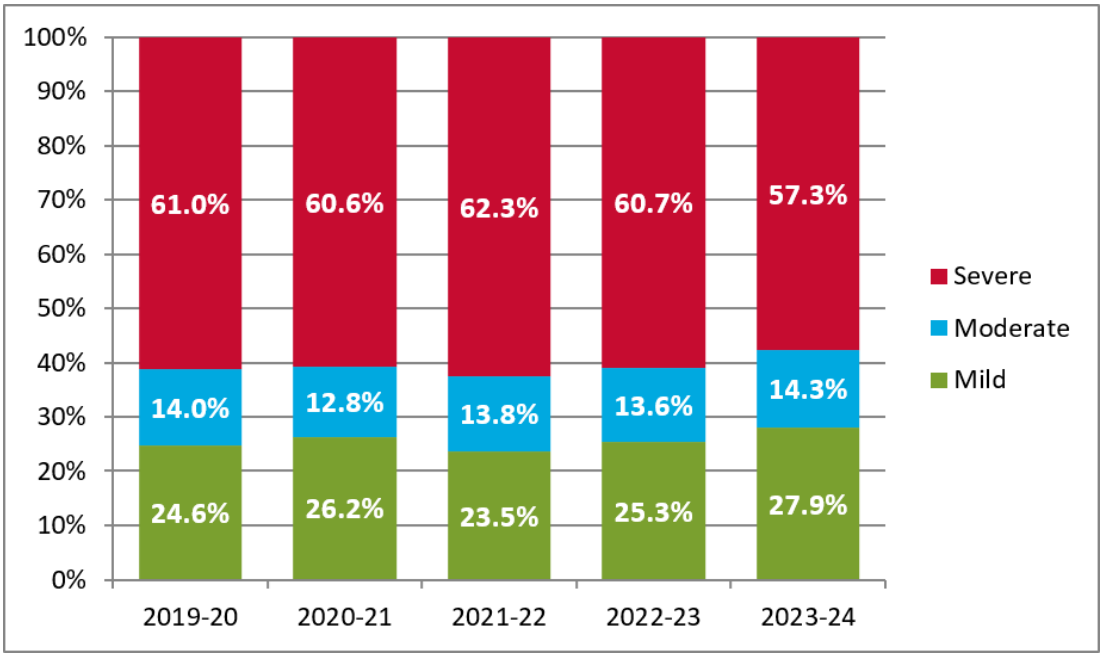

FIGURE 2 - PERCENTAGE OF HEREDITARY PATIENTS RECEIVING PRODUCT BY SEVERITY FOR HMA

Note: A very small number of patients have a severity recorded as Not Applicable or Unknown. These are not shown in the above chart.

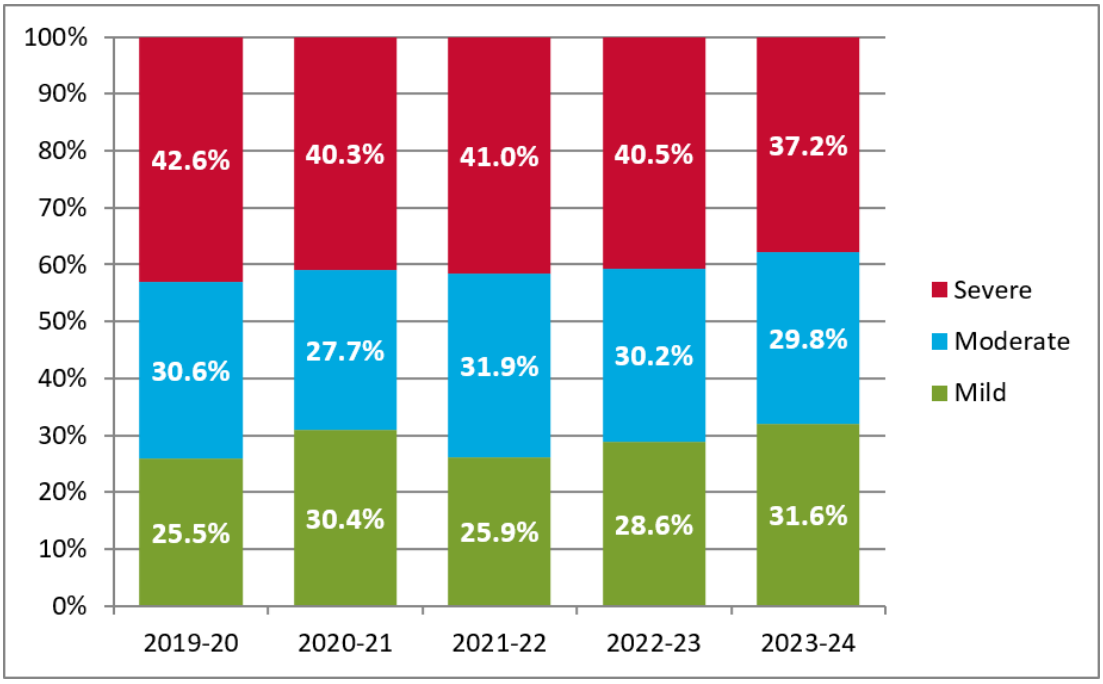

FIGURE 3 - PERCENTAGE OF HEREDITARY PATIENTS RECEIVING PRODUCT BY SEVERITY FOR HMB

Note: A very small number of patients have a severity recorded as Not Applicable or Unknown. These are not shown in the above chart.

In 2023-24, 77% (by volume) of FVIII products issued for patients with HMA were for patients with a severe disorder (compared with 79% in 2022-23) and around 59% (by volume) of FIX products issued for

patients with HMB were for those with a severe disorder (compared with 61% in 2022-23). Table 5 shows the breakdowns by regimen. Around 36% of patients are diagnosed with HMA (see Table 3), however, in 2023-24 these patients used around 62% of total factor products, a decrease from 64% in 2022-23.

As shown in Figure 1, the decrease in FVIII use is occurring in tandem with the increase in emicizumab use. Emicizumab is available to hereditary severe or moderate HMA patients with or without inhibitors and to mild patients with inhibitors. In 2023-24, 83% (by volume) of emicizumab was used by patients with a severe disorder. A further 15% was used by moderate patients and the remaining 2% was used by patients with a mild disorder.

In relative terms, HMA is the most important consideration for national supply planning, and the key factor is the issue of product to severe HMA patients. The volume issued for prophylactic treatment of severe HMA is the single greatest determining factor for supply planning.

TABLE 5 - VOLUME (IU) OF PRODUCT ISSUED BY SEVERITY AND TREATMENT REGIMEN IN 2023-24

	Prophylaxis	OnDemand	Tolerisation	Unknown	Total
HMA (IU FVIII Products)	**54,537,415**	**14,645,500**		**204,000**	**69,386,915**
Mild	1,291,000	5,129,000		100,750	6,520,750
Moderate	6,306,000	3,038,000		78,000	9,422,000
Severe	46,940,415	6,474,250		23,250	53,437,915
Unknown		4,250		2,000	6,250
HMB (IU FIX Products)	**24,083,001**	**6,629,250**		**122,750**	**30,835,001**
Mild	581,500	2,306,000		10,500	2,898,000
Moderate	6,759,250	3,074,500		15,500	9,849,250
Severe	16,741,251	1,220,250		92,250	18,053,751
Unknown	1,000	28,500		4,500	34,000
VWD (IU FVIII Product)	**5,769,380**	**4,914,450**	**800,000**	**192,500**	**11,676,330**
Mild	156,750	2,506,875		75,000	2,738,625
Moderate	383,000	628,350		20,000	1,031,350
Severe	2,385,000	776,725	800,000		3,961,725
Unknown	2,844,630	1,002,500		97,500	3,944,630

Unknown treatment regimen: represents a blank/not completed/empty field for the treatment regimen in ABDR.
Unknown severity: The severity of a patient's condition is not always known at initial presentation. This table includes product issued to patients with unknown severities.

Table 6, Table 7 and Table 8 show more detailed breakdowns by state, severity, gender, age range, regimen, IU/kg/year and product for HMA, HMB and VWD, the three largest groups of patients and for which most product is used.

TABLE 6 - DETAILED BREAKDOWNS FOR HEREDITARY HMA PATIENTS

Haemophilia A (Hereditary)	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	National
Number of hereditary patients	745	675	587	274	351	85	<20	55	2,788
Severe	*214*	*183*	*187*	*57*	*96*	*19*	*<5*	*16*	*774*
Moderate	*89*	*53*	*49*	*41*	*26*	*7*	*<5*	*10*	*276*
Mild	*412*	*315*	*315*	*166*	*223*	*53*	*13*	*28*	*1,525*
Not applicable/Unknown	*30*	*124*	*36*	*10*	*6*	*6*		*<5*	*213*
Patients who received product	329	270	297	153	143	31	<5	33	1,259
Severe	*198*	*174*	*176*	*56*	*83*	*19*	*<5*	*15*	*<726*
Male	615	529	463	237	284	58	10	47	2,243
Female	129	146	124	37	67	27	6	8	544
Unknown	<5								<5
Age range									
0 - 19	*218*	*159*	*179*	*73*	*89*	*21*	*<5*	*16*	*758*
20 - 39	*212*	*199*	*178*	*72*	*108*	*29*	*6*	*14*	*818*
40 - 59	*170*	*191*	*137*	*65*	*82*	*15*	*6*	*17*	*683*
60 - 79	*113*	*115*	*84*	*49*	*61*	*17*	*<5*	*5*	*445*
80 and over	*32*	*11*	*9*	*15*	*11*	*<5*		*<5*	*84*
Average Weight (kg)	68	59	69	73	72	59	63	69	67
Total FVIII IUs for HMA patients	35,395,000	10,476,665	7,980,000	7,004,750	7,004,000	1,002,000	16,500	508,000	69,386,915
% Prophylaxis	*82%*	*89%*	*72%*	*52%*	*80%*	*92%*	*100%*	*58%*	*79%*
% On Demand	*18%*	*10%*	*28%*	*48%*	*20%*	*8%*		*41%*	*21%*
% of total product used by severe patients	*77%*	*82%*	*78%*	*61%*	*85%*	*94%*	*39%*	*22%*	*77%*
Av IU/kg/yr all hereditary HMA patients	1,758	703	586	662	842	615	92	309	964
Av IU/kg/yr severe hereditary HMA patients	2,396	968	911	1,064	1,489	906	66	216	1,437
By product (IU unless otherwise noted)									
rFVIII	*34,334,750*	*10,444,665*	*7,754,000*	*6,998,250*	*6,840,000*	*994,000*	*16,500*	*508,000*	*67,890,165*
Biostate	*397,750*	*32,000*	*226,000*	*6,500*	*164,000*	*8,000*			*834,250*
FEIBA	*662,500*								*662,500*
NovoSeven (mg)	*464*	*4,892*	*601*	*370*	*365*				*6,692*

TABLE 7 - DETAILED BREAKDOWNS FOR HEREDITARY HMB PATIENTS

Haemophilia B (Hereditary)	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	National
Number of hereditary patients	194	171	156	39	66	8	<5	12	647
Severe	*40*	*37*	*20*	*7*	*8*				*116*
Moderate	*50*	*21*	*46*	*<5*	*14*	*small breakdowns removed*			*140*
Mild	*95*	*80*	*79*	*25*	*41*				*328*
Not applicable/Unknown	*9*	*33*	*11*	*<5*	*<5*				*63*
Patients who received product	82	65	84	19	24	<5		5	282
Severe	*32*	*34*	*20*	*7*	*8*	*small breakdowns removed*			*<111*
Male	152	124	117	32	54	*small breakdowns removed*			495
Female	42	47	39	7	12				152
Age range									
0 - 19	*55*	*38*	*43*	*7*	*8*				*156*
20 - 39	*54*	*55*	*35*	*9*	*18*				*178*
40 - 59	*50*	*42*	*51*	*11*	*18*	*small breakdowns removed*			*178*
60 - 79	*23*	*31*	*27*	*12*	*19*				*115*
80 and over	*12*	*5*			*<5*				*20*
Average Weight (kg)	68	59	78	76	78	56	75	58	69
Total FIX IUs for HMB patients	12,096,001	5,365,750	7,231,500	2,842,500	1,828,250	503,750		967,250	30,835,001
% Prophylaxis	*76%*	*85%*	*74%*	*79%*	*68%*	*97%*		*98%*	*78%*
% On Demand	*23%*	*15%*	*25%*	*21%*	*31%*			*2%*	*21%*
% of total product used by severe patients	*52%*	*79%*	*62%*	*38%*	*58%*	*69%*		*59%*	*59%*
Av IU/kg/yr all hereditary HMB patients	2,378	1,425	1,206	1,329	1,050	3,809		2,994	1,656
Av IU/kg/yr severe hereditary HMB patients	3,846	2,138	3,069	1,803	2,031	4,917		3,792	2,897
By product (IU unless otherwise noted)									
rFIX	*11,896,001*	*5,365,750*	*7,231,500*	*2,842,500*	*1,828,250*	*503,750*		*967,250*	*30,635,001*
MonoFIX - VF	*200,000*								*200,000*
NovoSeven (mg)	*285*								*285*

Note: small patient number breakdowns have been removed to help protect patient privacy

TABLE 8 - DETAILED BREAKDOWNS FOR HEREDITARY VWD PATIENTS

von Willebrand Disease (Hereditary)	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	National
Number of hereditary patients	625	511	751	227	<504	<91	34	60	2,797
Severe	*46*	*22*	*31*	*10*	*34*	*<5*	*8*	*<5*	*157*
Moderate	*65*	*41*	*64*	*25*	*77*	*12*		*7*	*291*
Mild	*227*	*187*	*410*	*118*	*388*	*60*	*18*	*47*	*1,455*
Not applicable/Unknown	*287*	*261*	*246*	*74*	*<5*	*14*	*8*	*<5*	*894*
Patients who received product	115	29	90	<30	59	<11	<5	18	348
Severe	*18*	*8*	*8*	*<5*	*16*	*<5*		*<5*	*<64*
Male	232	206	257	75	155	32	11	21	989
Female	393	305	494	152	346	56	23	39	1,808
Age range									
0 - 19	*145*	*94*	*100*	*28*	*84*	*10*	*<5*	*8*	*472*
20 - 39	*207*	*154*	*298*	*61*	*170*	*35*	*15*	*24*	*964*
40 - 59	*150*	*154*	*204*	*77*	*161*	*26*	*12*	*16*	*800*
60 - 79	*89*	*89*	*127*	*51*	*70*	*16*	*<5*	*11*	*457*
80 and over	*34*	*20*	*22*	*10*	*16*	*<5*		*<5*	*104*
Average Weight (kg)	66	56	62	68	70	53	66	75	64
Total FVIII IUs for vWD patients	3,518,750	368,130	2,597,500	1,802,350	3,115,600	45,750		228,250	11,676,330
% Prophylaxis	*56%*	*59%*	*56%*	*74%*	*23%*	*66%*		*4%*	*49%*
% On Demand	*20%*	*41%*	*41%*	*22%*	*76%*	*21%*		*88%*	*42%*
% of total product used by severe patients	*50%*	*41%*	*13%*	*44%*	*25%*	*42%*		*42%*	*34%*
Av IU/kg/yr all hereditary vWD patients	842	273	427	1,703	754	370	27	189	690
Av IU/kg/yr severe hereditary vWD patients	2,097	294	669	2,149	945	2,202		435	1,217
By product (IU unless otherwise noted)									
rFVIII	*12,000*		*6,500*						*18,500*
Biostate	*3,506,750*	*368,130*	*2,591,000*	*1,802,350*	*3,115,600*	*45,750*		*228,250*	*11,657,830*

Table 9 shows, by treatment regimen, volume of product issued, number of hereditary HMA, HMB and VWD patients and average IU/kg.

Note that average IU/kg in this table is calculated differently to that in Tables 6-8 above. The above tables show the average IU per kilo per year, whereas this table averages the IU/kg value at each order or treatment interaction. Average IU/kg for orders may be inflated due to orders covering amounts for a number of treatments.

TABLE 9 - VOLUME (IU), PATIENT COUNTS AND AVERAGE IU/KG BY PRODUCT AND TREATMENT REGIMEN

FVIII & FIX (IUs)	OnDemand			Prophylaxis			Tolerisation			Not specified		
	No of patients	Total Units	Avg IU/kg	No of patients	Total Units	Avg IU/kg	No of patients	Total Units	Avg IU/kg	No of patients	Total Units	Avg IU/kg
Haemophilia A												
rFVIII	*404*	*14,231,000*	*81*	*503*	*53,467,165*	*195*				*20*	*192,000*	*39*
Biostate	*19*	*335,500*	*124*	*14*	*486,750*	*142*				*<5*	*12,000*	*19*
FEIBA	*<5*	*79,000*	*1,629*	*<5*	*583,500*	*248*						
Haemophilia B												
rFIX	*155*	*6,429,250*	*130*	*129*	*24,083,001*	*227*				*8*	*122,750*	*147*
MonoFIX - VF	*<5*	*200,000*	*233*									
Von Willebrand Disease												
Biostate	*236*	*4,897,450*	*56*	*31*	*5,769,380*	*345*	*<5*	*800,000*	*1,272*	*24*	*191,000*	*36*
rFVIII	*<5*	*17,000*	*98*							*<5*	*1,500*	*15*

There are much smaller numbers of patients with acquired HMA, HMB and VWD. These are set out below, along with state breakdowns for patients with other bleeding disorders.

TABLE 10 - PATIENTS WITH ACQUIRED AND OTHER BLEEDING DISORDERS

Acquired and Other Bleeding Disorders	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	National
Acquired HMA, HMB, vWD									
Acquired haemophilia A	*18*	*49*	*31*	*17*	*19*				*136*
Acquired haemophilia B						*small breakdowns removed*			
Acquired von Willebrand Disease	*5*	*9*	*16*	*7*	*<5*				*40*
Other Factor Deficiency	111	176	97	81	170	<5	5	9	652
Factor V Deficiency	*9*	*11*	*5*	*<5*					*<31*
Factor VII Deficiency	*30*	*33*	*39*	*14*	*25*				*146*
Factor X Deficiency	*5*	*7*	*5*	*<5*	*11*	*small breakdowns removed*			*<33*
Factor XI Deficiency	*57*	*105*	*38*	*58*	*126*				*392*
Factor XII Deficiency		*small breakdowns removed*							*<15*
Factor XIII Deficiency	*7*	*19*	*5*	*<5*	*5*				*<41*
Acquired Factor XIII Deficiency									
Acquired Other Factor Deficiency				*small breakdowns removed*					
Platelet Disorder	77	96	138	59	68	7	5	<5	<455
Fibrinogen	28	72	50	20	47	*small breakdowns removed*			223
Vascular				*small breakdowns removed*					10
Other	50	46	43	46	63	*small breakdowns removed*			254
No Bleeding Disorder recorded		*small breakdowns removed*			28				36

Note: The ABDR allows for a diagnosis of 'Other' to be recorded for patients with rare, less prevalent or difficult to classify disorders eg mild VWD.

TABLE 11 - PRODUCTS USED BY PATIENTS WITH ACQUIRED AND OTHER BLEEDING DISORDERS

Acquired and Other Bleeding Disorders	Product	Units	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	National
Acquired HMA, HMB, vWD											
Acquired haemophilia A	*rFVIII*	*IU*			*10,000*						*10,000*
	Biostate	*IU*			*3,000*						*3,000*
	FEIBA	*IU*					*234,500*				*234,500*
	NovoSeven	*mg*	*119*	*2,387*	*58*	*890*		*7*			*3,461*
Acquired von Willebrand Disease	*Biostate*	*IU*			*50,000*	*51,000*					*101,000*
Other Factor Deficiency											
Factor VII Deficiency	*FEIBA*	*IU*			*1,500*						*1,500*
Factor VII Deficiency	*NovoSeven*	*mg*	*980*		*2,211*	*415*	*80*				*3,686*
Factor XI Deficiency	*Factor XI bpl*	*IU*	*8,002*	*3,002*		*19,002*	*15*				*30,021*
Factor XI Deficiency	*NovoSeven*	*mg*		*108*							*108*
Factor XI Deficiency	*Factor XI*	*IU*				*2,000*					*2,000*
Factor XIII Deficiency	*Fibrogammin*	*IU*	*28,250*	*4,000*	*80,000*					*7,500*	*119,750*
Factor XIII Deficiency	*NovoThirteen*	*IU*		*155,000*			*55,000*				*210,000*
Platelet Disorder											
	Biostate	*IU*			*6,000*						*6,000*
	NovoSeven	*mg*	*20*	*214*		*22*	*24*		*25*		*305*
Fibrinogen											
	RiaSTAP	*g*	*124*	*202*	*212*		*122*				*660*
Other											
	Biostate	*IU*	*180,000*		*16,000*	*2,000*	*3,000*				*201,000*
	NovoSeven	*mg*				*952*					*952*
	rFIX	*IU*			*2,000*						*2,000*

Appendix A: Bleeding Disorders

The information in this section has been drawn from the materials and websites of two peak bodies for haemophilia; the World Federation of Hemophilia (www.wfh.org) and Haemophilia Foundation Australia (HFA) (www.haemophilia.org.au).

In people with bleeding disorders, the clotting process doesn't work properly. As a result, people with bleeding disorders can bleed for longer than normal, and some may experience spontaneous bleeding into joints, muscles, or other parts of their bodies.

Bleeding disorders are inherited (hereditary) or acquired

Bleeding disorders are almost always inherited or passed through families; they have a genetic basis and the genes responsible for the disorders are passed from parents to children. A person can also spontaneously develop a bleeding disorder, although this is rare. Acquired bleeding disorders are not inherited or passed through families. Most acquired bleeding disorders have an identifiable root cause.

Haemophilia

Haemophilia causes excessive bleeding following trauma or surgery and can be related to spontaneous haemorrhages into muscles and joints. People with haemophilia do not bleed any faster than normal, but they can bleed for a longer time.

Haemophilia is an X-linked disorder that typically affects males, whereas females are normally classified as carriers. However, affected males will pass on the haemophilia gene to their daughters, and women carrying a F8 or F9 gene mutation may have reduced factor levels and should therefore be classified as having haemophilia. Most carriers are asymptomatic. Carriers with clotting factor levels in the haemophilia range may be symptomatic, with bleeding manifestations commensurate with their degree of clotting factor deficiency, particularly during trauma and surgery. Symptomatic carriers are classified as haemophilia in line with the World Federation of Hemophilia (www.wfh.org) guidelines.

Haemophilia fast facts

- The most common type of haemophilia is Haemophilia A. This means the person does not have enough clotting Factor VIII (factor eight).
- Haemophilia B is less common. A person with Haemophilia B does not have enough Factor IX (factor nine). The symptoms are the same for people with Haemophilia A and B; that is, they bleed for a longer time than normal.
- Haemophilia occurs in 1 in 6,000-10,000 males internationally.
- Bleeding is most commonly internal into the joints and/or muscles. Less commonly, bleeding into internal organs can also occur. It can happen without an obvious cause (sometimes called 'spontaneous'), or as a result of injury.
- Over time this internal bleeding into joints ('bleeds') can cause severe arthritis, chronic pain and disability.
- Specialised treatment is needed to help blood clot normally. With appropriate treatment haemophilia can be managed effectively.
- Haemophilia is an inherited condition and occurs in families, however in 1/3 of cases it appears in families with no previous history of the disorder. The haemophilia gene is passed down from parent to child through generations. Men with haemophilia will pass the gene on to their daughters but not their sons. Women who carry the haemophilia gene can pass the haemophilia gene on to their sons and daughters. Sons with the gene will have haemophilia. Some women and girls who carry the gene may also experience bleeding problems.

Von Willebrand disorder/disease (VWD)

Von Willebrand disease is the most common type of bleeding disorder. People with VWD have a problem with von Willebrand Factor (VWF), a protein in their blood that would normally help control bleeding. When a blood vessel is injured and bleeding occurs, VWF helps cells in the blood, called platelets, adhere to damaged blood vessels and mesh together and form a clot to stop the bleeding. People with VWD do not have enough VWF, or it does not work the way it should. It takes longer for blood to clot and for bleeding to stop.

VWD is generally less severe than other bleeding disorders. Many people with VWD may not know that they have the disorder because their bleeding symptoms are very mild. For most people with VWD, the disorder causes little or no disruption to their lives except when there is a serious injury or need for surgery. However, with all forms of VWD, there can be bleeding problems. VWD is difficult to accurately diagnose as laboratory values can fluctuate and values in those with mild bleeding symptoms can overlap with normal laboratory values.

From some studies, it is estimated that up to 1% of the world's population has VWD, but because many people have only very mild symptoms, only a small number of them are diagnosed. Research has shown that as many as 9 out of 10 people with VWD have not been diagnosed. It is estimated that VWD affects approximately 200,000 people in Australia, but symptomatic individuals possibly less.

Types of VWD

There are three main types of VWD. Bleeding symptoms can be quite variable within each type depending in part on the VWF activity. It is important to know which type of VWD a person has, because treatment is different for each type.

- Type 1 VWD is the most common form. People with Type 1 VWD have lower than normal levels of VWF. Symptoms are usually mild. Still, it is possible for someone with Type 1 VWD to have serious bleeding.
- Type 2 VWD involves a defect in the VWF structure. The VWF protein does not work properly, causing lower than normal VWF activity. There are different Type 2 VWD defects. Severity of symptoms can vary.
- Type 3 VWD is usually the most serious form. People with Type 3 VWD have very little or no VWF. Symptoms are more severe. People with Type 3 VWD can have bleeding into muscles and joints, sometimes without injury.

Rare clotting factor deficiencies

Rare clotting factor deficiencies are a group of inherited bleeding disorders caused by a problem with one of several clotting factors other than factor VIII or factor IX. Clotting factors are proteins in the blood that control bleeding. Many different clotting factors work together in a series of chemical reactions to stop bleeding. This is called the clotting process.

Rare clotting factor deficiencies are bleeding disorders in which one of the other clotting factors (i.e., factors I, II, V, V+VIII, VII, X, XI, or XIII) is missing or not working properly. The World Federation of Hemophilia produced a summary (Table 12) of the characteristics of rare clotting factor deficiencies, the severity of bleeds associated with them, and the treatment typically required.

TABLE 12 - CHARACTERISTICS OF RARE CLOTTING FACTOR DEFICIENCIES

Missing Factor	Incidence*	Inheritance	Severity of Bleeding	Treatment
Factor I Afibrinogenemia Hypofibrinogenemia Dysfibrinogenemia Hypodysfibrinogenemia	1 in 1 million	Autosomal recessive Recessive or dominant Recessive or dominant Recessive or dominant	Usually mild, except in afibrinogenemia	•Fibrinogen (not funded in Australia) •Cryoprecipitate •Fresh frozen plasma
Factor II	1 in 2 million	Autosomal recessive	Moderate to severe when factor levels are low; usually mild	•Prothrombin complex •Fresh frozen plasma
Factor V	1 in 1 million	Autosomal recessive	Moderate to severe when factor levels are low; usually mild	•Fresh frozen plasma
Combined Factor V and Factor VIII	1 in 1 million†	Autosomal recessive‡	Usually mild	•Fresh frozen plasma •Factor VIII •Desmopressin
Factor VII	1 in 500,000	Autosomal recessive	Severe when factor levels are low	•Recombinant Factor VIIa •Factor VII •Fresh frozen plasma
Factor X	1 in 1 million	Autosomal recessive	Moderate to severe when factor levels are low	•Prothrombin complex •Fresh frozen plasma
Combined deficiency of vitamin K dependent clotting factors	not available	Autosomal recessive	Usually mild, but a few families have reported very low levels and more severe symptoms	•Vitamin K •Prothrombin complex •Fresh frozen plasma
Factor XI	1 in 100,000	Recessive or dominant	Mild to moderate when factor levels are low	•Factor XI •Antifibrinolytic drugs •Fibrin glue •Fresh frozen plasma
Factor XII	1 in 1 million	Autosomal recessive	Mild or non-existent	•Treatment is usually not needed
Factor XIII	1 in 2 million	Autosomal recessive	Moderate to severe when factor levels are low	•Factor XIII •Cryoprecipitate •Fresh frozen plasma

Note: Australian Prothrombin Complex Concentrate is not used for FVII deficiency

* Estimates only

† 1 in 100,000 in some populations, including Israel, Iran, and Italy

‡ Very rarely, Factor VIII deficiency can be inherited separately from only one parent

Platelet function disorders

Platelets are small parts of cells that circulate in the blood. They are involved in the formation of blood clots and the repair of damaged blood vessels.

When a blood vessel is injured, platelets stick to the damaged area and spread along the surface to stop the bleeding (this process is called adhesion). At the same time, chemical signals are released from small sacks inside the platelets called granules (this process is called secretion). These chemicals attract other platelets to the site of injury and make them clump together to form what is called a platelet plug (this process is called aggregation).

Sometimes the platelet plug is enough to stop the bleeding. However, if the wound is large, other proteins called clotting factors are recruited to the site of injury. These clotting factors work together on the surface of the platelets to form and strengthen the blood clot.

Platelet function disorders are conditions in which platelets don't work the way they should, resulting in a tendency to bleed or bruise. Since the platelet plug does not form properly, bleeding can continue for longer than normal. Since platelets have many roles in blood clotting, platelet function disorders can lead to bleeding disorders of various intensities.

Special issues for girls and women

Women with clotting factor deficiencies may have additional symptoms because of menstruation and childbirth. Girls may have especially heavy bleeding when they begin to menstruate. Women with clotting factor deficiencies may have heavier and/or longer menstrual flow, which can cause anaemia (with low levels of iron, which results in weakness and fatigue). Women with clotting factor deficiencies should receive genetic counselling about the risks of having an affected child well in advance of any planned pregnancies and should see an obstetrician as soon as they suspect they are pregnant. The obstetrician should work closely with the staff of the haemophilia/bleeding disorder treatment centre to provide the best care during pregnancy and childbirth and to minimize the potential complications for both the mother and the newborn child.

Women with certain rare factor deficiencies (such as Factor XIII deficiency and afibrinogenemia) may be at greater risk of miscarriage and placental abruption (a premature separation of the placenta from the uterus that disrupts the flow of blood and oxygen to the foetus). Therefore, these women require treatment throughout the pregnancy to prevent these complications.

The main risk related to pregnancy is postpartum haemorrhage. All bleeding disorders are associated with a greater risk of increased bleeding after delivery. The risk and the severity of the bleeding can be reduced with appropriate treatment. This treatment is different for each woman and depends on her personal and family history of bleeding symptoms, the severity of the factor deficiency, and the mode of delivery (vaginal birth vs. caesarean section). Factor replacement may be necessary in some cases.

The bleeding disorders captured in ABDR have been summarised to higher level groups to enable this report to be more concise. The bleeding disorders included in each group are:

Haemophilia A
Factor VIII Deficiency (Haemophilia A)
Asymptomatic Carrier Factor VIII Deficiency (Haemophilia A)
Symptomatic Carrier Factor VIII Deficiency (Haemophilia A)
(Acquired) Factor VIII Deficiency (Haemophilia A)
Haemophilia B
Factor IX Deficiency (Haemophilia B)
Asymptomatic Carrier Factor IX Deficiency (Haemophilia B)
Symptomatic Carrier Factor IX Deficiency (Haemophilia B)
(Acquired) Factor IX Deficiency (Haemophilia B)
Von Willebrand Disease
Von Willebrand Disease Type 1
Von Willebrand Disease Type 2 - Uncharacterised
Von Willebrand Disease Type 2A
Von Willebrand Disease Type 2B
Von Willebrand Disease Type 2M
Von Willebrand Disease Type 2N
Von Willebrand Disease Type 3
Von Willebrand Disease - Uncharacterised
(Acquired) Von Willebrand Disease - Uncharacterised
(Acquired) Von Willebrand Disease Type 1
(Acquired) Von Willebrand Disease Type 2 - Uncharacterised
(Acquired) Von Willebrand Disease Type 2A
(Acquired) Von Willebrand Disease Type 2M
(Acquired) Von Willebrand Disease Type 3
Other Factor Deficiency
Factor V Deficiency
Factor VII Deficiency
Factor X Deficiency
Factor XI Deficiency
Factor XII Deficiency
Factor XIII Deficiency
(Acquired) Factor V Deficiency
(Acquired) Factor X Deficiency
(Acquired) Factor XI Deficiency
(Acquired) Factor XIII Deficiency
Platelet Disorder
Platelet Dysfunction - Bernard-Soulier
Platelet Dysfunction - Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia
Platelet Dysfunction - Macrothrombocytopenias
Platelet Dysfunction - May Hegglin
Platelet Dysfunction - Primary Secretion Defect
Platelet Dysfunction - Storage Pool (Dense Granule) Deficiency
Platelet Dysfunction - Uncharacterised
Fibrinogen
Fibrinogen - Afibrinogenemia
Fibrinogen - Dysfibrinogenemia
Fibrinogen - Hypofibrinogenemia
Fibrinogen Dysfunction - Uncharacterised
Vascular
Vascular Disorders - Ehlers Danlos Syndrome
Other
A diagnosis of 'Other' may be recorded for patients with rare and less prevalent disorders or difficult to classify disorders.

Note: Acquired disorders may be included in the group or shown separately depending on the table.

Appendix B: Haemophilia Treatment Centres

The majority of people with these conditions are treated at Haemophilia Treatment Centres (HTCs) which are specialist centres that provide comprehensive care to people with haemophilia and other bleeding disorders. The comprehensive care model ensures that preventative and general treatment on the complex aspects of haemophilia is given in a co-ordinated way by a multi-disciplinary team with specialised expertise within the one centre.

HTCs were established following a decision by Australian Health Ministers Advisory Council (AHMAC) in 1998. The locations of the HTCs in Australia are shown in Figure 4.

FIGURE 4 - LOCATION OF HAEMOPHILIA TREATMENT CENTRES

Haemophilia Treatment Centres coordinate and, where possible, integrate patient care, research and education to provide the optimal use of expertise and resources within hospitals and the community. The model for HTCs varies between jurisdictions in relation to centralisation of services, size and age of patient population. HTCs maintain on-going dialogue with the client group in each state and territory. The role of State and Territory Governments is to designate 'Haemophilia Treatment Centres' and negotiate the funding of the HTC including the purchase of therapeutic blood and recombinant products for distribution within states (or regions) and territories.

Haemophilia Centres provide:

- a single point of care for patients with bleeding disorders with responsibility for the coordination, allocation and distribution of therapeutic resources for the treatment of patients
- a clinical service by experienced staff for patients with bleeding disorders and their families at short notice at any time of the day or night
- organisation of home therapy programs by the centre or in collaboration with other haemophilia treatment facilities
- a counselling and advisory service for people with haemophilia and their families including genetic counselling and family planning
- specialist medical expertise, principally haematology, surgery (the surgeons would have to be accredited to the Haemophilia Centre), rheumatology, infectious diseases and dental services
- specialist allied health services to include physiotherapy, social work and podiatry
- a laboratory service able to carry out all investigations required for the accurate diagnosis of haemophilia and other inherited disorders of haemostasis and to have access, in association with other centres, to specialised testing facilities, for example gene typing
- records for all investigations, treatments, allocation of therapeutic products and adverse reactions, including data entry into ABDR
- a capability to participate in research including clinical trials
- educational programs and guidelines for medical staff, other personnel, patients and their families which promote care of patients with disorders of haemostasis
- an outreach service to isolated patients and treating medical services. The outreach service may include: a haemophilia treatment facility located in a hospital that does not provide all the specialist services and a designated supervising medical practitioner
- data management for ABDR, to aid in capturing data critical to HTC staff for the day-to-day management of people with bleeding disorders and for supply management and policy purposes.

Appendix C: About ABDR

ABDR is a database that is designed to collect all clinical information related to the treatment of people with inherited bleeding disorders. This includes information about patient diagnosis, viral status, treatment details, hospital admissions and administrative information as well as details on ordering, supply and use of clotting factor products. Information is entered into ABDR web enabled software by staff at HTCs.

ABDR provides health care teams and support staff with a record enabling them to monitor and manage treatment over time to improve patients' quality of life. De-identified information from ABDR may be used for research purposes by authorised organisations to understand and improve treatment for bleeding disorders. ABDR also provides governments with information on total clotting factor product requirements to inform supply planning to meet the needs of all Australians with bleeding disorders.

The current version of ABDR has been in existence since December 2008, building on the original registry which was first developed in 1988. In August 2012 the 4th generation ABDR was implemented. ABDR has evolved with improvements in technology and feedback from stakeholders. In 2014 ABDR entered a new phase with MyABDR, a secure app for smartphones (Android and iOS) and a web site for people with bleeding disorders or parents/caregivers to record home treatments and bleeds. MyABDR is an internet-based online system that gives patients a quick, easy and reliable way to:

- record treatments and bleeds
- manage treatment product stock
- share the information with a Haemophilia Treatment Centre through ABDR
- update contact and personal details.

A more in-depth history of the development of ABDR is available at Appendix D of the 2019-20 ABDR Annual Report, available from: https://www.blood.gov.au/australian-bleeding-disorders-registry-annual-report.

For more information about ABDR, including patient privacy, governance arrangements and support materials, see https://www.blood.gov.au/clinical-guidance/bleeding-disorders/australian-bleeding-disorders-registry.

ABDR management and governance

ABDR is managed under a robust governance framework by the NBA in accordance with the guidance and policy oversight provided by the ABDR Steering Committee. The Committee consists of representatives involved in the clinical management, advocacy and funding of treatment for people with bleeding disorders.

In 2023-24 the Steering Committee representatives were:

- A/Prof Chris Barnes (ABDR Steering Committee Chair) – AHCDO Executive Committee Member
- Dr Stephanie P'Ng – Chair, AHCDO Executive Committee
- Natashia Coco – Executive Director, Haemophilia Foundation Australia
- Ben Noyen – Deputy Chief Executive, National Blood Authority.

Patient privacy and consent in ABDR and MyABDR

ABDR and MyABDR are provided by the NBA. The NBA is required to ensure that patient information in ABDR and MyABDR is collected and managed in a way which complies with the Commonwealth *Privacy Act 1988*. There are also parallel requirements which may apply under state and territory laws. Privacy requirements under the *Privacy Act 1988* were tightened in 2014, and a new Privacy Policy for these systems was implemented from 26 January 2015.

A patient's personal information may be entered into ABDR either at an HTC or when a patient enters data directly via MyABDR. This information becomes part of an electronic record about the patient's bleeding disorder condition. Security protocols are embedded into the technical architecture of ABDR. These control access to personal data, so information is only accessible to treating health professionals and authorised support staff.

In accordance with the ABDR/MyABDR Privacy Policy, a patient's consent is required to recording their data in ABDR (consent may be given by a parent, guardian or authorised representative where relevant). Where a patient does not consent then details will not be aggregated in this report, and therefore patient numbers and product use may be understated.

More information about the management of patient privacy in ABDR and MyABDR can be found at https://www.blood.gov.au/clinical-guidance/bleeding-disorders/australian-bleeding-disorders-registry, including a copy of the ABDR/MyABDR Privacy Policy together with further information, forms and other implementation resources.

Data quality issues

There are several historic data quality issues in ABDR. These include incomplete records with empty fields or entries. The data captured in some fields has also been inconsistent in some cases. Data quality has improved greatly over the years. Patient and product details have now been calculated consistently since 2015-16, however comparison with reports from before 2014-15 will be difficult. Improvements in data quality in other specific areas of the system continue to be made through data analysis and cleansing.

There are also some patients whose treatment is managed by clinicians who are not associated with an HTC. The proportion of product that is used in these circumstances varies across jurisdictions and there is some variability in the data capture for this activity between jurisdictions. Accordingly, data on total volume of products reported from ABDR may not be consistent with data from other sources.

Appendix D: National Supply of Products

The NBA is responsible for managing the national blood supply to ensure that healthcare providers have sustainable, reliable and efficient access to blood and blood products needed for patient care. To fulfil this role the NBA negotiates and manages blood supply contracts and arrangements with local and overseas suppliers. A key element of the NBA's role in ensuring security of supply is to develop, coordinate and monitor the annual national supply plan and budget, including obtaining annual approval from health ministers.

This is achieved by:

- developing a national estimate of product demand
- liaising with jurisdictions and stakeholders to refine the estimated demand for products
- collecting and distributing data on product issued and reporting variations to jurisdictions on the approved supply plan
- intensively managing products if they are in short supply.

Figure 5 illustrates the national supply by product category for 2023-24 and shows issues of clotting factor products was 6.2% of total issues. In 2023-24, emicizumab accounted for 3.6%. Total expenditure for clotting factors, including emicizumab, was 9.7% of expenditure ($165.1m).

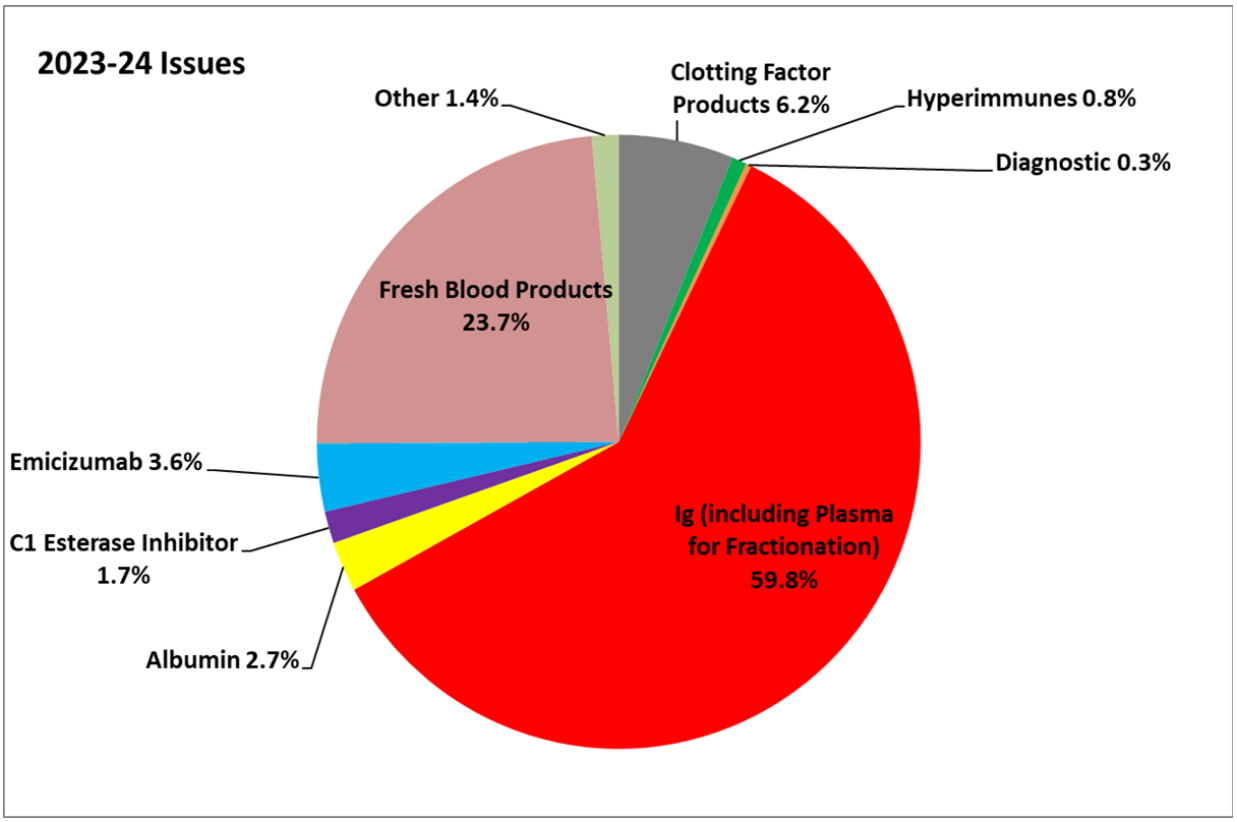

FIGURE 5 - NATIONAL ISSUES BY PRODUCT CATEGORY 2023-24

Note: Plasma for Fractionation costs paid to the Blood Service for collection have been attributed to IVIg and Hyperimmunes.

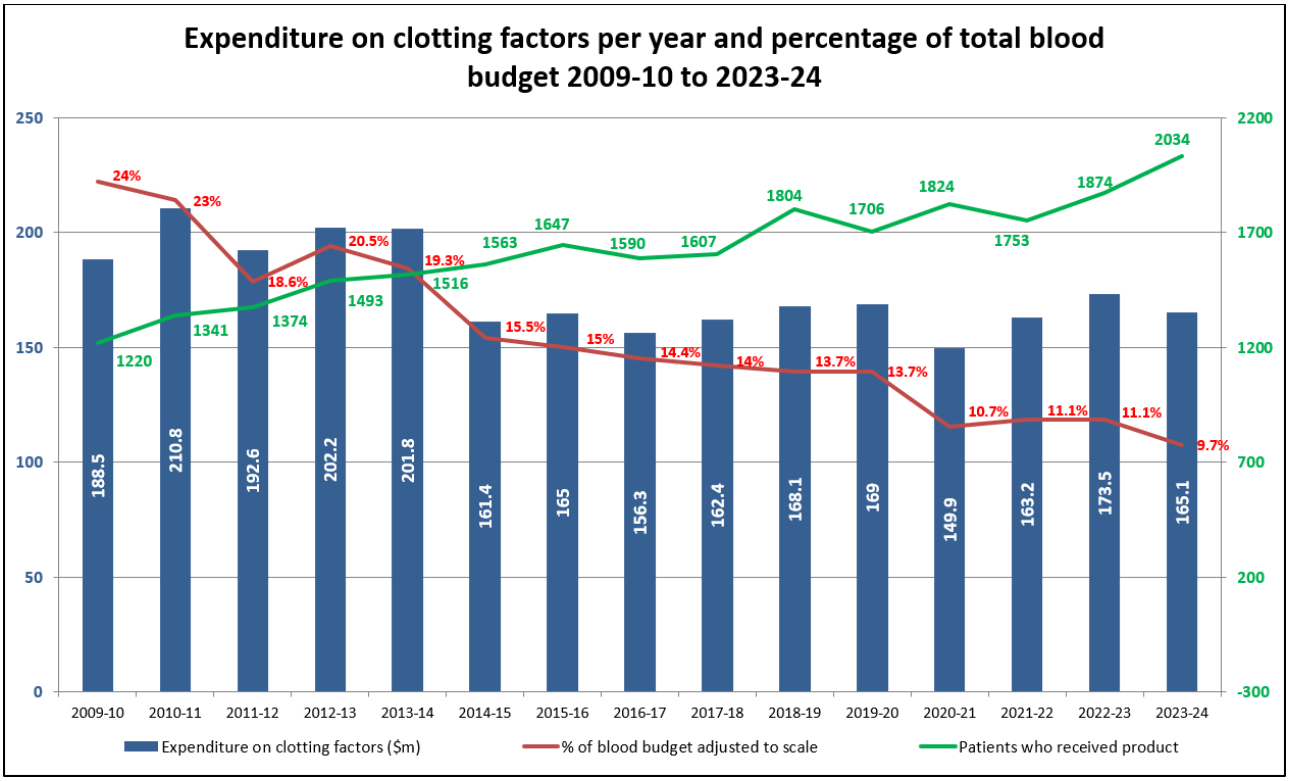

FIGURE 6 - EXPENDITURE ON CLOTTING FACTORS AND PERCENTAGE OF BLOOD BUDGET 2009-10 TO 2023-24
Note: emicizumab included from 2020-21 (part year).

Figure 6 illustrates the variations in total expenditure on clotting factors and the percentage of the blood and blood products budget clotting factor products comprised each year for 2009-10 to 2023-24. It also shows that the number of patients who received products has grown significantly over the 15 years to 2023-24. Overall expenditure has changed since the introduction of emicizumab, with a slight decrease in 2023-24, while remaining significantly lower than the earlier years shown in the chart. Contract negotiation processes have led to falls in average costs per IU from 2012-13 to 2023-24. The introduction of emicizumab has had an impact on the need for FVIII products, as described in the Treatment section in the main part of this report, and costs are expected to reduce further over time.

Throughout 2023-24, products were supplied to meet clinical demand and supply risks were effectively managed. The approved budget for 2023-24, covering the supply and management of blood and blood products and services under contract, was $1,707 million, comprising $765.2 million for fresh blood products and plasma collection and $919.5 million for plasma derived and recombinant products. An additional $22.5 million was included for activities supporting the appropriate use and management of blood, blood products and blood-related services, such as printing and distributing Patient Blood Management (PBM) Guidelines, administering ABDR, maintaining the Australian Haemophilia Centre Directors' Organisation (AHCDO), funding BloodSafe eLearning, maintaining and enhancing blood sector ICT systems and maintaining the operations of the NBA.

Issues of clotting factors

Issues of clotting factor products are the products delivered from suppliers to all Australian Health Providers (AHPs) (including hospitals and HTCs) and home delivery of products to patients.

Figure 7 indicates that the demand for Factor VIII products in 2023-24 decreased by 7.7 per cent when compared to 2022-23. This was due to the continued effect of the introduction of emicizumab, plus clinical trials. The demand for recombinant Factor VIII decreased by 9.0 per cent and plasma derived Factor VIII remained the same as in 2022-23.

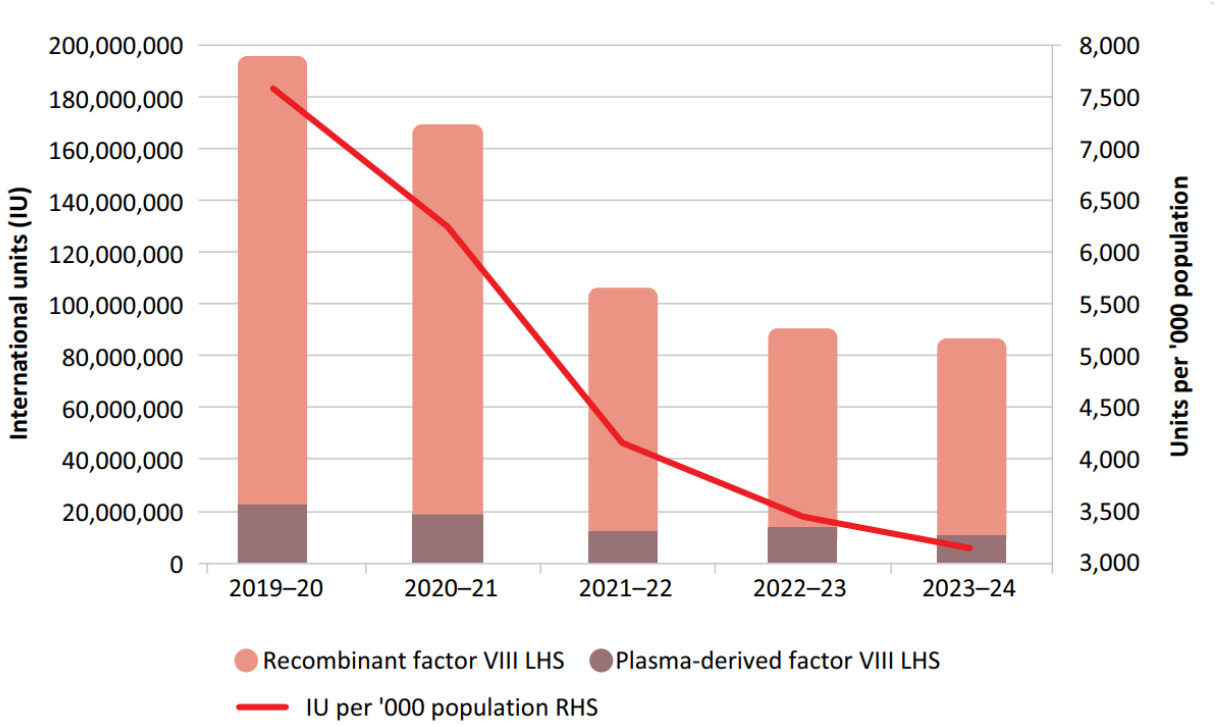

FIGURE 7 - ISSUES OF FACTOR VIII PRODUCTS, 2019-20 TO 2023-24 PER '000 POPULATION

Figure 8 indicates that demand for factor IX products decreased by 6.3 per cent in 2023-24 compared to 2022-23. Plasma derived factor IX demand increased by 58.9 per cent in 2023-24 due to specific patient requirements. Demand for recombinant factor IX decreased by 5.6 per cent. The decrease in factor IX can be attributed to clinical trials and the stabilisation of surgeries after COVID-19.

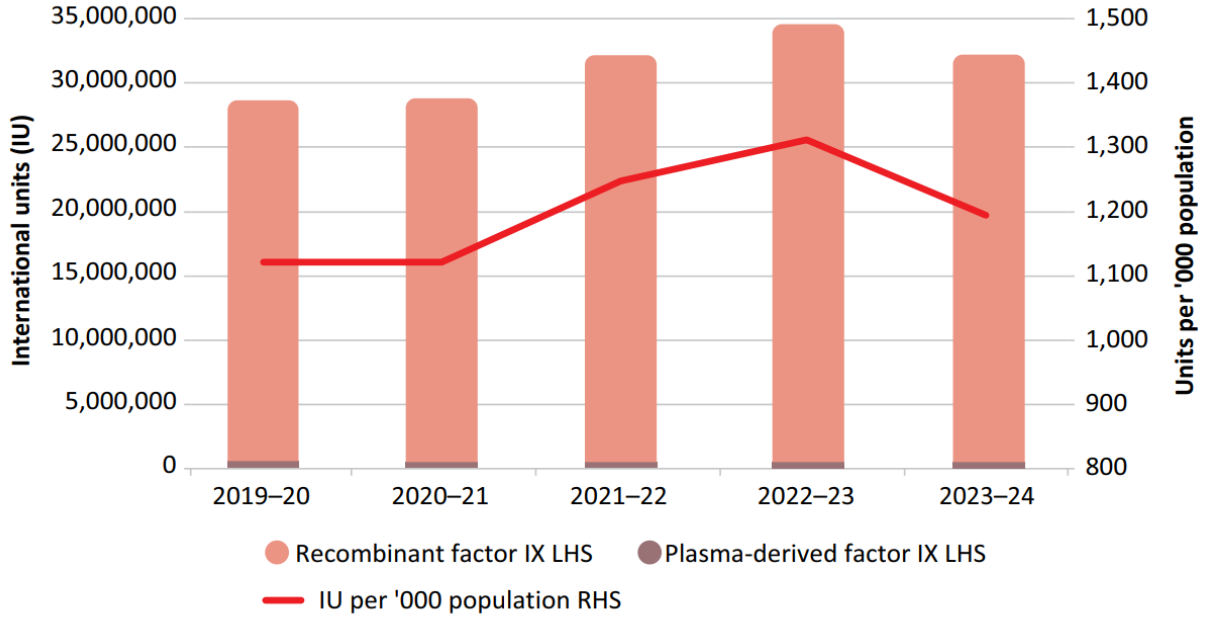

FIGURE 8 - ISSUES OF FACTOR IX PRODUCTS, 2019-20 TO 2023-24 PER '000 POPULATION

Figure 9 and Figure 10 show demand for recombinant factor VIIa increased by 14.2 per cent and demand for FEIBA reduced by 52.3 per cent compared with an unusually high 2022-23 demand. The increase for recombinant factor VIIa was due to the continued effect of the introduction of emicizumab. The decrease for FEIBA was a result of demand returning to previous patterns after a high number of acquired haemophilia A patients required treatment in 2022-23. Recombinant factor VIIa and FEIBA are generally used to treat inhibitor development in patients with severe and moderate haemophilia A.

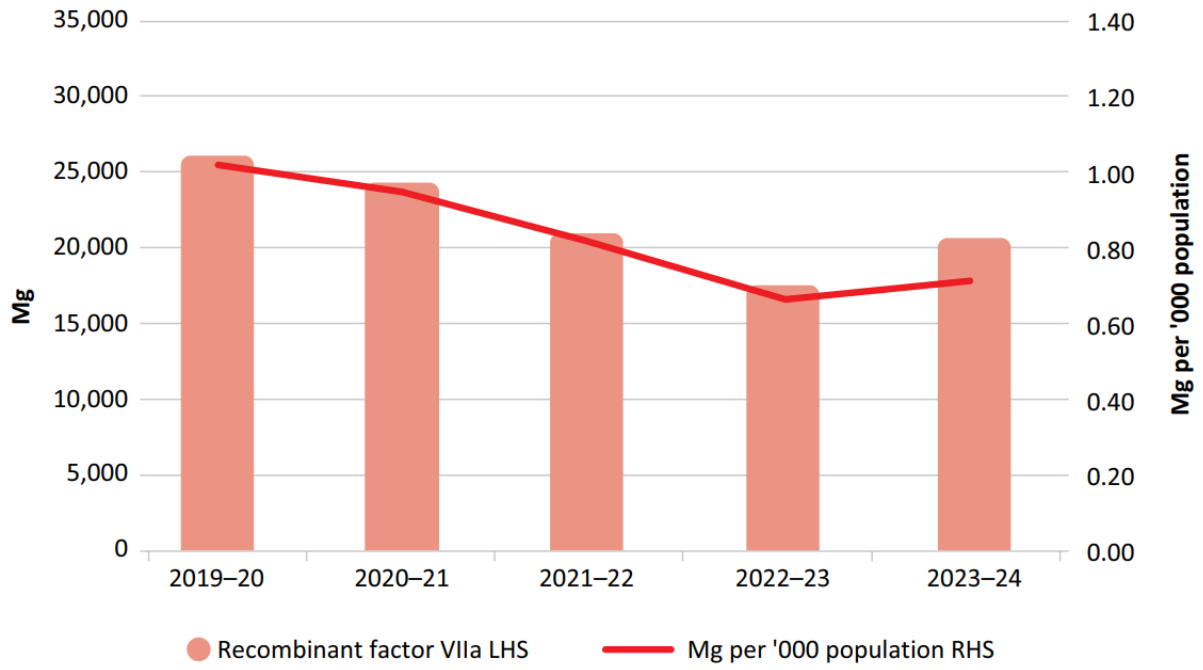

FIGURE 9 - ISSUES OF RECOMBINANT FACTOR VIIA PRODUCTS, 2019-20 TO 2023-24 PER '000 POPULATION

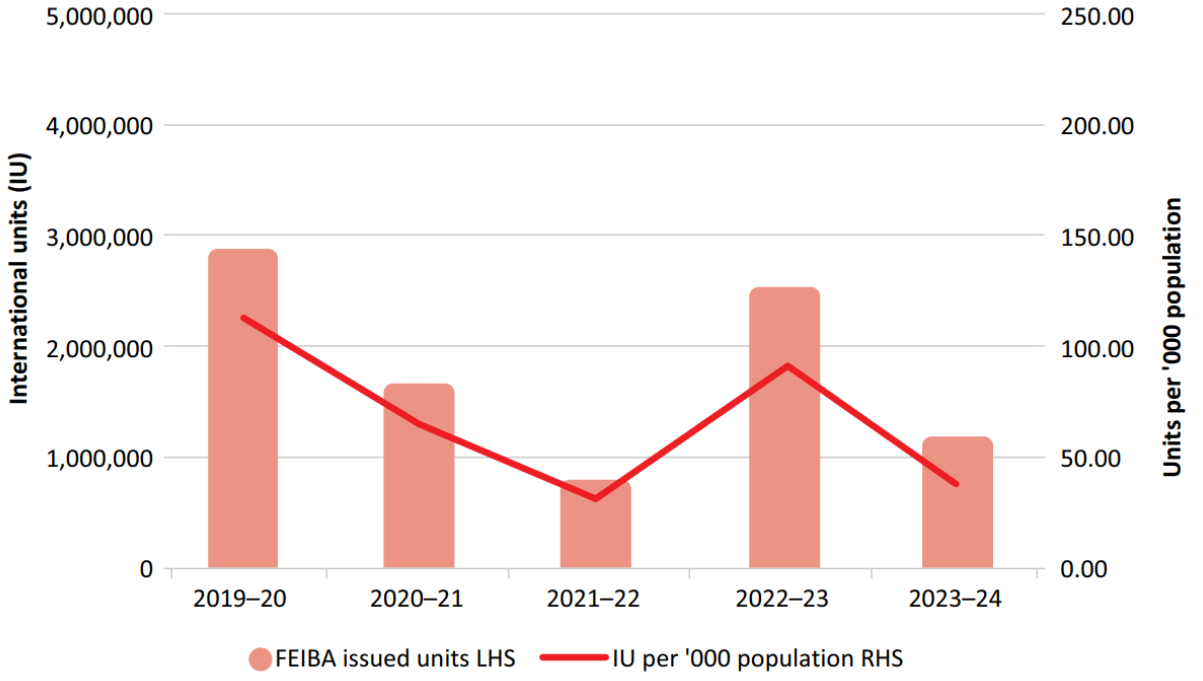

FIGURE 10 - ISSUES OF FEIBA, 2019-20 TO 2023-24 PER '000 POPULATION

Figure 11 shows the demand for emicizumab since it was added to the national supply arrangements in November 2020. Emicizumab is a monoclonal product used to treat factor VIII deficiency. In 2023-24, demand increased by 11.8 per cent compared to 2022-23.

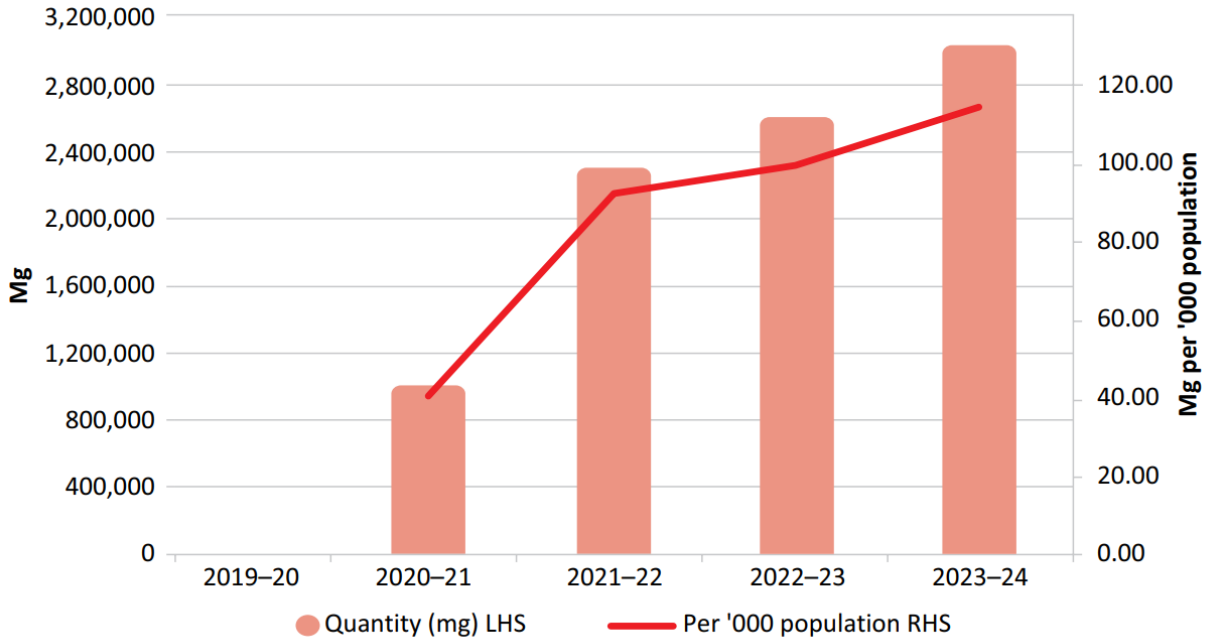

FIGURE 11 - ISSUES OF EMICIZUMAB, 2019-20 TO 2023-24 PER '000 POPULATION

Figures 7 to 11 are sourced from the NBA Annual Report 2023-24: https://www.blood.gov.au/annual-report.

Terminology used in this report: Products

Table 13 shows the brand names of specific products and their product type. This report may refer to the types at a combined level (eg FVIII or FIX), may split them into recombinant and plasma derived ('r', 'pd'), or may refer to them specifically by brand name in some instances.

TABLE 13 - PRODUCT TYPES AND BRAND NAMES USED IN THIS REPORT

Product Type	Brand names used in this report
rFVIII	Advate (SHL), Xyntha (SHL), Adynovate (EHL), Eloctate (EHL)
pdFVIII	Biostate
pdFVIII (APCC)	FEIBA
rFIX	BeneFIX (SHL), Alprolix (EHL)
pdFIX	MonoFIX
rFVIIa	NovoSeven
emicizumab	Hemlibra
pdFXI	Factor XI
rFXIII	NovoThirteen
pdFXIII	Fibrogammin
Fibrinogen concentrate	RiaSTAP

Appendix E: Glossary of terms

Term	Definition
ABDR	Australian Bleeding Disorders Registry
AHCDO	Australian Haemophilia Centre Directors' Organisation
BU (BU/ml)	Bethesda unit (expressed as Bethesda units per millilitre)
DDAVP	Desmopressin (1-desamino-8-D-arginine vasopressin)
EHL	Extended half-life
emicizumab	a bi-functional monoclonal antibody product, used to treat Factor VIII deficiency (HMA)
FEIBA	Factor VIII Inhibitor Bypass Activity (Activated Prothrombin Complex Concentrate (APCC))
FIX	Factor IX (nine)
FVIIa	Factor VIIa (seven 'a')
FVIII	Factor VIII (eight)
HFA	Haemophilia Foundation Australia
HMA	Haemophilia A (Factor VIII deficiency)
HMB	Haemophilia B (Factor IX deficiency)
HTC	Haemophilia Treatment Centre (see Appendix B for more information)
IDMS	The NBA's Integrated Data Management System
IU	International Units
mg	milligrams
MyABDR	an app and web site for people with bleeding disorders to record home treatments and bleeds
NBA	National Blood Authority
OBD	Other bleeding disorders
pdFIX	Plasma derived Factor IX, products used to treat Factor IX deficiency
pdFVIII	Plasma derived Factor VIII, products used to treat Factor VIII and VWF deficiencies
rFIX	Recombinant Factor IX, products used to treat Factor IX deficiency
rFVIIa	Recombinant Factor VIIa
rFVIII	Recombinant Factor VIII, products used to treat Factor VIII deficiency
SHL	Standard half-life
VWD	von Willebrand disease
VWF	von Willebrand factor
WFH	World Federation of Hemophilia