

Western Australian Data Linkage System

Including ER (from 1988), MHR (from 1966),
hospital inpatient (from 1990), death data (from 1990)

Linking ER and MHR data

MHCs (ER and MHR from 1988)/ Non-MHCs (a random sample of
ER only from 1988)*

Excluding MHR only
and the rest of ER only

Linking cohort data with hospital inpatient and death data (from 1990)

Excluding died before 1
Jan 1990 and dementia

MHCs

(n=139,208)

Non-MHCs

(n=294,180)