

Use of the Mental Health Act in England shows year-on-year increase

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The number of people detained or treated under the Mental Health Act in England has risen by 12% in the past five years, the health and social care regulator has reported.

In its fourth Mental Health Act annual report, the Care Quality Commission said that there had been a year-on-year increase in the use of the act to 50 000 uses in 2012-13 compared with 45 000 in 2007-08.1

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