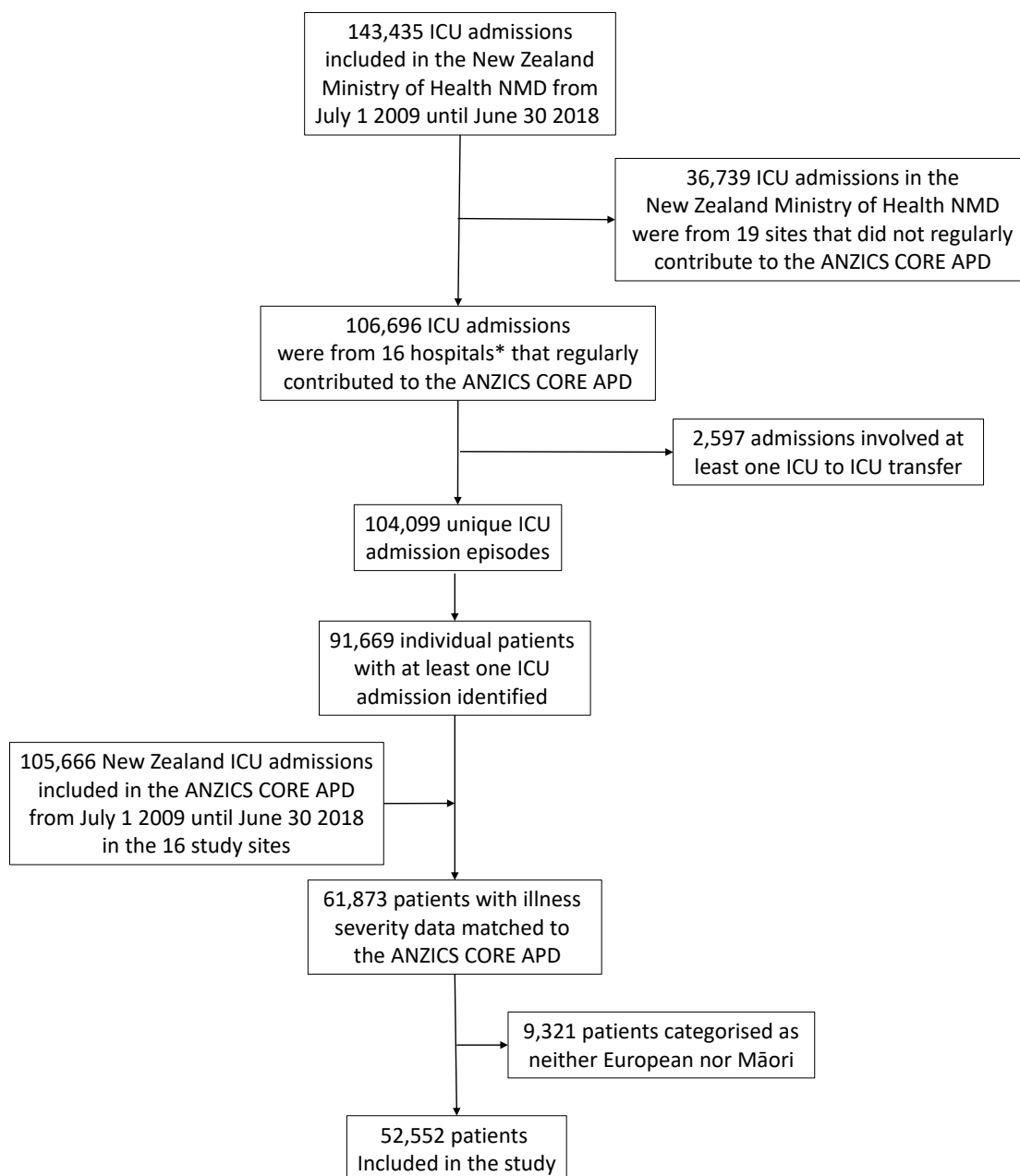


Figure 1: Flow diagram.

*Two ICUs from a single hospital were included for a total of 17 contributing ICUs.

Abbreviations: ANZICS CORE APD: Australian and New Zealand Intensive Care Society Centre for Outcome and Resource Evaluation Adult Patient Database; ICU: intensive care unit; NMD: National Minimum Database.