

NHSN Healthcare Capacity Dashboard

Version 1

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Introduction

As part of CDC's ongoing NHSN Connectivity Initiative: Hospital Bed Capacity Project, NHSN has created a Dashboard for Groups to visualize their facilities' Healthcare Capacity data. The Dashboard is intended to provide a summary of measures collected via NHSN Connectivity Initiative: Hospital Bed Capacity Project. The Dashboard, accessible via the NHSN Patient Safety Component Home Page, gives Group users an opportunity to view and access their facilities' Healthcare Capacity data via an interactive chart display. The Group Dashboard will include Healthcare Capacity data for the facilities who have granted access to their data. This guide will help Group users understand how to use and interpret the Healthcare Capacity Dashboard. All facility-level data included in this guide are fictitious. They are intended for education purposes only.

TIP: The Dashboard is best viewed using the following internet browsers: Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome, Safari.

How to Access the Healthcare Capacity Dashboard

To view the Dashboard, select "Healthcare Capacity Dashboard" from the Dashboard tab on the left navigation pane of the NHSN Patient Safety Component Home Page. No dataset generation is required to view data in the dashboard. The data in the dashboard are updated as data are received from facilities and/or Groups.



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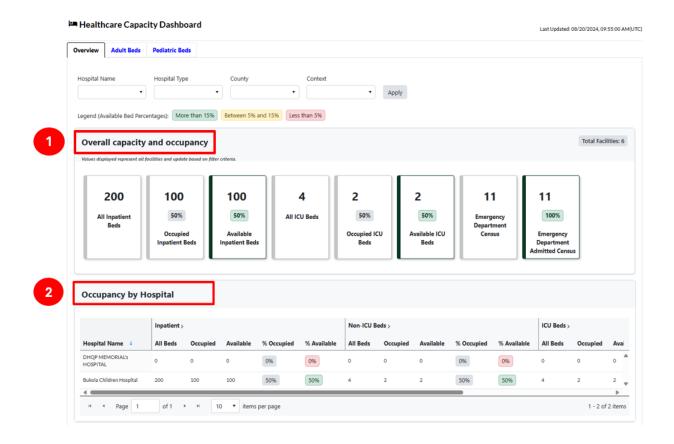


The Interactive Display Tabs: Overview, Adult Beds, and Pediatric Beds

There are three main display tabs that appear in the Healthcare Capacity Group Dashboard: 1) **Overview** 2) **Adult Beds** and 3) **Pediatric Beds**



Within each display tab is 1) an aggregate summary of key capacity and occupancy measures representing the most recent NHSN Connectivity Initiative: Hospital Bed Capacity Project data received for hospitals within the Group, and 2) a line-list table of occupancy measures displayed by hospital within the Group.





Below is a list of the measures included in the Healthcare Capacity Dashboard and their definitions.

Table 1: Details of the NHSN Connectivity Initiative: Hospital Bed Capacity Project Measures Included in NHSN Healthcare Capacity Group Dashboard

Measure Label	Measure Description	Data Type	Calculation (if derived)		
Overview					
All Inpatient Beds	Total Inpatient Beds	Number	Overall Occupied Inpatient Beds + Overall Available Inpatient Beds		
Occupied Inpatient Beds	Census across all beds, including all specialty beds (i.e., CMS-certified rehabilitation, CMS-certified psychiatric, obstetrics, NICU [all levels], and nursery beds)	Number			
Available Inpatient Beds	Count of unoccupied staffed and unblocked beds across all beds, including specialty beds (i.e., CMS-certified rehabilitation, CMS-certified psychiatric, obstetrics, NICU [all levels], and nursery)	Number			
% Inpatient Beds Occupied	Percent of Total Inpatient Beds Occupied	Percent	(Overall Occupied Inpatient Beds / Overall All Inpatient Beds) x 100		
% Inpatient Beds Available	Percent of Total Inpatient Beds Available	Percent	(Overall Available Inpatient Beds / Overall All Inpatient Beds) x 100		
All Non-ICU Beds	Total Non-ICU Beds	Number	Adult Occupied Non-ICU Beds + Adult Available Non-ICU Beds + Pediatric Occupied Non-ICU Beds + Pediatric Available Non-ICU Beds		
Occupied Non-ICU Beds	Total Non-ICU Beds Occupied	Number	Adult Occupied Non-ICU Beds + Pediatric Occupied Non-ICU Beds		
Available Non-ICU Beds	Total Non-ICU Beds Available	Number	Adult Available Non-ICU Beds + Pediatric Available Non-ICU Beds		
% Non-ICU Beds Occupied	Percent of Total Non-ICU Beds Occupied	Percent	(Overall Occupied Non-ICU Beds / Overall All Non-ICU Beds) x 100		
% Non-ICU Beds Available	Percent of Total Non-ICU Beds Available	Percent	(Overall Available Non-ICU Beds / Overall All Non-ICU Beds) x 100		
All ICU Beds	Total ICU Beds	Number	Adult Occupied ICU Beds + Adult Available ICU Beds + Pediatric Occupied ICU Beds + Pediatric Available ICU Beds		
Occupied ICU Beds	Total ICU Beds Occupied	Number	Adult Occupied ICU Beds + Pediatric Occupied Non-ICU Beds		
Available ICU Beds	Total ICU Beds Available	Number	Adult Available ICU Beds + Pediatric Available ICU Beds		
% ICU Beds Occupied	Percent of Total ICU Beds Occupied	Percent	(Overall Occupied ICU Beds / Overall All ICU Beds) x 100		
% ICU Beds Available	Percent of Total ICU Beds Available	Percent	(Overall Available ICU Beds / Overall All ICU Beds) x 100		
Emergency Department Census	Census of all patients in the emergency department. This includes all patients registered in the emergency department regardless of physical location within the department.	Number			



Measure Label	Measure Description	Data Type	Calculation (if derived)
Emergency Department	Census of all patients in the emergency	Number	
Admitted Census	department that have an admit to inpatient or		
	observation order.		
% Emergency	Percent of Overall Emergency Department	Percent	(Overall Emergency Department
Department Admitted	Patients Admitted		Admitted Census / Overall
			Emergency Department Census) x
			100
	Adult Beds		
All Inpatient Beds	Total Adult Inpatient Beds	Number	Adult Occupied Inpatient Beds +
			Adult Available Inpatient Beds
Occupied Inpatient Beds	Census across all adult beds (Adult ICU, Adult	Number	
	PCU, Adult MT/MS and Adult OBS), excluding		
	CMS-certified rehabilitation, CMS-certified		
	psychiatric, and obstetrics beds.		
Available Inpatient Beds	Count of unoccupied staffed and unblocked beds	Number	
	across all adult beds (Adult ICU, Adult PCU, Adult		
	MT/MS and Adult OBS), excluding CMS-certified		
	rehabilitation, CMS-certified psychiatric, and		
	obstetrics beds.		
% Inpatient Beds	Percent of Total Adult Inpatient Beds Occupied	Percent	(Adult Occupied Inpatient Beds /
Occupied			Adult All Inpatient Beds) x 100
% Inpatient Beds	Percent of Total Adult Inpatient Beds Available	Percent	(Adult Available Inpatient Beds /
Available			Adult All Inpatient Beds) x 100
All Non-ICU Beds	Total Adult Non-ICU Beds	Number	Adult Occupied Non-ICU Beds +
			Adult Available Non-ICU Beds
Occupied Non-ICU Beds	Census across all adult PCU, MT/MS and OBS	Number	
	beds.		
Available Non-ICU Beds	Count of unoccupied staffed and unblocked beds	Number	
	across all adult PCU, MT, MS and OBS beds.		
% Non-ICU Beds Occupied	Percent of Total Adult Non-ICU Beds Occupied	Percent	(Adult Occupied Non-ICU Beds /
			Adult All Non-ICU Beds) x 100
% Non-ICU Beds Available	Percent of Total Adult Non-ICU Beds Available	Percent	(Adult Available Non-ICU Beds /
			Adult All Non-ICU Beds) x 100
All ICU Beds	Total Adult ICU Beds	Number	Adult Occupied ICU Beds +
			Adult Available ICU Beds
Occupied ICU Beds	Census across all adult intensive care or critical	Number	
	care beds.		
	Adult Critical Care Units provide care and		
	treatment for the highest acuity patients.		
	Interventions may include ventilators,		
	hemodynamic monitoring, IV drug therapies and		
	a variety of procedures.		
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			Adult All ICU Beds) x 100
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			Adult All ICU Beds) x 100
Emergency Department	Census of all adult patients in the emergency	Number	
Census	department. This includes all adult patients		
	registered in the emergency department		
	regardless of physical location within the		
	department.		
Emergency Department	Census of all adult patients in the emergency	Number	
Admitted Census	department that have an admit to inpatient or		
	observation order.		
% Emergency	Percent of Adult Emergency Department Patients	Percent	(Adult Emergency Department
Department Admitted	Admitted		Admitted Census / Adult
			Emergency Department Census) x
			100
	Pediatric Beds		
All Inpatient Beds	Total Pediatric Inpatient Beds	Number	Pediatric Occupied Inpatient Beds
			+ Pediatric Available Inpatient
			Beds
Occupied Inpatient Beds	Census across all pediatric beds (Peds ICU, Peds	Number	
	PCU, Peds MT/MS and Peds OBS), excluding		
	specialty nursery and NICU [all levels] specialty		
	beds.	_	
Available Inpatient Beds	Count of unoccupied staffed and unblocked beds	Number	
	across all pediatric beds (Peds ICU, Peds PCU,		
	Peds MT/MS and Peds OBS), excluding specialty		
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Available Non-ICU Beds	Count of unoccupied staffed and unblocked beds	Number	
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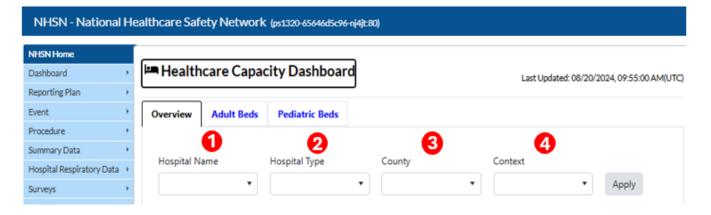
Measure Label	Measure Description	Data Type	Calculation (if derived)
Occupied ICU Beds	Census across all pediatric intensive care or critical care beds.	Number	
	Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) also known as Pediatric Critical Care Unit. Interventions may include ventilators, hemodynamic monitoring, IV drug therapies and a variety of procedures.		
Available ICU Beds	Count of unoccupied staffed and unblocked beds across all pediatric intensive care or critical care beds.	Number	
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% ICU Beds Occupied	Percent of Total Pediatric ICU Beds Occupied	Percent	(Pediatric Occupied ICU Beds / Pediatric All ICU Beds) x 100
% ICU Beds Available	Percent of Total Pediatric ICU Beds Available	Percent	(Pediatric Available ICU Beds / Pediatric All ICU Beds) x 100
Emergency Department Census	Census of all pediatric patients in the emergency department. This includes all pediatric patients registered in the emergency department regardless of physical location within the department.	Number	
Emergency Department Admitted Census	Census of all pediatric patients in the emergency department that have an admit to inpatient or observation order.	Number	
% Emergency Department Admitted	Percent of Pediatric Emergency Department Patients Admitted	Percent	(Pediatric Emergency Department Admitted Census / Pediatric Emergency Department Census) x 100



How to Filter Data in the Healthcare Capacity Dashboard

There are four filter options that can be used to filter the data that are summarized and displayed in each tab of the Healthcare Capacity Dashboard. Please note that the filter is only applied to the tab being viewed. The four available filters are:

- 1. Hospital Name: Facility ID number & Name of Hospital
- 2. **Hospital Type:** Filters data to include only hospital records for the specified hospital type (e.g., HOSP-GEN General Hospital, including Acute, Trauma, and Teaching; HOSP-CHLD Children's Hospital; HOSP-REHAB Rehabilitation Hospital, etc.)
- 3. County: Filters data to include only records from hospitals within the specified county/county-equivalent
- 4. **Context**: Filters data to include only hospital records for the specified reporting context (e.g., HOSP, IRF, IPF, etc.)



Capacity and Occupancy Summary

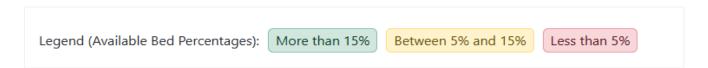
The Capacity and Occupancy chart displayed on each tab provides a snapshot of key healthcare capacity and occupancy measures for facilities within the Group. The measures displayed are 1) All Inpatient Beds 2) Occupied Inpatient Beds 3) Available Inpatient Beds 4) All ICU Beds 5) Occupied ICU Beds 6) Available ICU Beds 7) Emergency Department Census 8) Emergency Department Admitted Census as shown in the screenshot below.



For non-zero values of the following metrics, a percentage metric will also display within the metric card below the absolute count: Occupied Inpatient Beds, Available Inpatient Beds, Occupied ICU beds, Available ICU Beds, and Emergency Department Admitted Census.



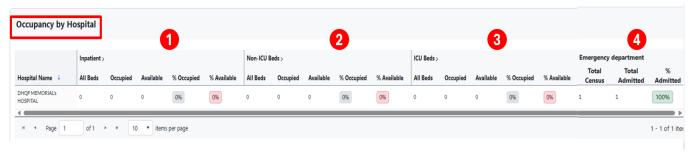
The occupied bed percentages will display as gray, while the available bed percentages and the emergency department admitted census percentages will be color-coded based on the categories listed in the legend provided at the top of the dashboard (see screenshot below).



NOTE: Default values displayed represent aggregates of all facilities and update based on filter criteria.

Occupancy by Hospital Line-list

The Occupancy by Hospital provides a line-list of key healthcare capacity and occupancy measures for each hospital within the Group. The measures are separated into 1) **Inpatient** 2) **Non-ICU Beds** 3) **ICU Beds** 4) **Emergency Department** as shown in the screenshot below.



Similar to the Capacity and Occupancy Summary, percentage metrics will display within a color-coded box in the table. The occupied bed percentages will display as gray, while the available bed percentages and the emergency department admitted census percentages will be color-coded based on the categories listed in the legend.

Additional Resources:

NHSN Connectivity Initiative: Hospital Bed Capacity Project: Hospital Bed Capacity Project | NHSN | CDC

