



# ARIZONA

In the first half of 2023, Arizona had 259 state hospital beds. This puts Arizona at 3.5 available beds per 100,000 population. 143 of these state hospital beds (55%) are designated for forensic patients, with 98 of these being occupied by patients who are guilty except for insanity.

Arizona's rank among the states  
**#48** in beds per 100,000 population  
**#20** in percentage of beds occupied by forensic patients

## Hospital Occupancy Rates

Hospital occupancy rates greater than 85% are indicative of bed shortages. In Arizona, 83% of all state hospital beds and 78% of designated forensic beds are occupied. No incarcerated individuals were on the waiting list for a state hospital bed in Arizona at the time of data collection.

## Average Length of Stay

Civil patients stay in the hospital for 4.19 years on average, while forensic patients stay 6.39 years on average. 5 patients were ready for discharge but could not be discharged due to a lack of appropriate discharge facilities at the time of data collection.

## Arizona's State Hospital System:

[Arizona State Hospital](#) is the only state hospital in Arizona and is located in Phoenix, Arizona. The facility has 116 beds for civil patients, 143 beds for forensic patients, and 131 beds for sexually violent persons. Beds for sexually violent persons are not included in total bed numbers as these beds are primarily occupied by people with paraphilic disorders. Patients in Arizona State Hospital are predominantly male (71% of civil patients, 89% of forensic patients) and have schizophrenia spectrum disorders (89% of civil patients, 72% of forensic patients). The hospital does not accept voluntary admissions.

