



## HAWAII

In the first half of 2023, Hawaii had 297 state hospital beds for the SMI population. This puts Hawaii at 20.6 beds per 100,000 population. All of Hawaii State Hospital's beds are designated for forensic patients, but the hospital occasionally serves patients on civil commitment orders as well. Over half of these beds (53%) are occupied by NGRI patients.

Hawaii's rank among the states

**#2** in beds per 100,000 population

**#5** in percentage of beds occupied by forensic patients

When most or all of a state's beds are used for patients who are involved with the criminal legal system, it leaves people with severe mental illness who have no criminal behavior with few options for treatment. The shortage of civil beds in particular means civil patients who rely on state hospitals for care, such as those who have severe mental illness and complex medical needs, may have few options for treatment.

### **Hospital Occupancy Rates**

Hospital occupancy rates greater than 85% are indicative of bed shortages. Hawaii State Hospital had an average occupancy rate of 89.5%. Several of the beds in Hawaii State Hospital (39 beds or 13% of all beds) were occupied by patients who were clinically ready for discharge but unable to be discharged due to a shortage of appropriate facilities.

### **Hawaii's State Hospital System:**

Hawaii State Hospital is Hawaii's only state-operated hospital and is located in Kāneʻohe, HI. The hospital has three low security buildings and two medium security buildings.

