



MASSACHUSETTS

In the first half of 2023, Massachusetts had 664 state hospital beds. This puts Massachusetts at 9.5 online beds per 100,000 population. Approximately 12% of beds (81) are occupied by forensic patients.

Despite having 664 operational adult beds, the adult census in April 2023 was 689, suggesting that the state hospital system is operating above capacity. Patients in Massachusetts are predominantly male, age 19-65, and non-Hispanic.

Because the Department of Mental Health did not respond to our request for information about state hospital beds in Massachusetts, data comes from publicly available [DMH Section 114 Report](#).

Massachusetts's rank among the states

#29 in beds per 100,000 population
#47 in percentage of beds occupied by forensic patients

Massachusetts' State Hospital System:

Massachusetts has several state hospitals operated by the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health:

- [Worcester Recovery Center and Hospital](#) (Worcester, MA): 290 beds
- [Solomon Carter Fuller Mental Health Center](#) (Boston, MA): 60 beds
- [Lemuel Shattuck Hospital](#) (Jamaica Plain, MA): 95 beds
- [Tewksbury Hospital](#) (Tewksbury, MA): 144 beds
- [Taunton State Hospital](#) (Taunton, MA): 45 beds

There are also several facilities operated by The Department of Corrections, such as [Bridgewater State Hospital](#), which primarily treat patients on civil commitment orders without criminal sentences. These beds are not included in total bed counts for the state of Massachusetts because these beds are operated by the Department of Corrections.