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In the first half of 2023, Tennessee had 2,166 total state hospital beds for adults with severe mental illness, 1,509 of which were staffed and ready for patients. This puts Texas at 5.0 staffed adult beds per 100,000 population. There are an additional 188 beds for pediatric patients that are not included in total bed counts for the SMI population.

Texas' rank among the states

#45 in beds per 100,000 population

#14 in percentage of beds occupied by forensic patients

Forensic Beds. While Texas has no beds specifically designated for forensic patients, approximately 939 beds (64%) were occupied by forensic patients at the time of data collection. 308 of beds (21%) were occupied by NGRJ patients. The average length of stay for discharged forensic patients was 1.1 years (373 days). Civil patients stay for an average of three months (93 days).

Patients Ready for Discharge & Forensic Waitlist. As of May 2023, there were 377 beds (25% of beds) occupied by patients who would not need continued hospitalization if appropriate support and monitoring were available outside of the hospital. These beds could be used instead to provide treatment to 2,422 incarcerated individuals who were waiting in jail for a state hospital bed to open at the time of data collection. These people wait an average of 1.2 years (444 days) in jail for a bed to open.

Texas' State Hospital System:

[The Department of Health and Human Services](#) operates ten state hospitals:

- [Austin State Hospital](#) (Austin, TX) provides services for adults, children, IST patients, geriatric patients, and people with developmental disabilities.
- [Big Spring State Hospital](#) (Big Spring, TX) provides services for adults and IST patients in 57 counties of West Texas and Texas South Plains.
- [El Paso Psychiatric Center](#) (El Paso, TX) provides services to adults in far West Texas.
- [Kerrville State Hospital](#) (Kerrville, TX) provides services to people who have been acquitted of a criminal offense and committed by a court to receive inpatient mental health services.
- [North Texas State Hospital](#) (Wichita Falls, TX) provides services to adults, children, and people with developmental disabilities.
- [Rio Grande State Center](#) (Harlingen, TX) provides services to adults.
- [Rusk State Hospital](#) (Rusk, TX) provides services to adults, including maximum-security forensic psychiatric services.
- [San Antonio State Hospital](#) (San Antonio, TX) provides services to adults and IST patients. This hospital will be replaced by a new hospital in January 2024.
- [Terrell State Hospital](#) (Terrel, TX) provides services to adults, children, geriatric patients, and IST patients.
- [Waco Center for Youth](#) (Waco, TX) provides services to children and adolescents.