



WYOMING

In the first half of 2023, Wyoming had 104 total state hospital beds for adults with severe mental illness, 72 of which were staffed and ready for patients. This puts Wyoming at 12.4 staffed beds per 100,000 population. The state hospitals are 67% occupied on average. Civil patients stay an average of 9.8 months (294 days) in the hospital before being discharged. Forensic patients stay an average of almost two years (698 days).

Forensic Beds

32 beds (44%) are designated for forensic patients in Wyoming. There are an additional ten civil beds that were occupied by forensic patients at the time of data collection, bringing the total census of forensic patients to 42 (58% of beds). 15 of these patients were NGMI patients. Forensic beds in Wyoming are 82% occupied, on average.

Wyoming's rank among the states

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

Patients Ready for Discharge & Forensic Waitlist

Approximately 25 beds (35%) were occupied by patients who are clinically ready for discharge but unable to be discharged because of a lack of appropriate facilities. These beds could instead be used for the 72 incarcerated individuals who on the waiting list for a state hospital bed at the time of data collection if appropriate discharge facilities were available. Incarcerated individuals wait an average of 6.8 months in jail (203 days) for admission into the state hospital.

Wyoming's State Hospital System:

[Wyoming State Hospital](#) (Evanston, WY) is the only state hospital in Wyoming. The hospital has 104 beds when fully staffed and provides services to people who have been involuntarily committed as civil patients, are not guilty by reason of mental illness (NGMI), and those who require competency restoration.