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## COVID-19 Snapshot

Challenges Confronting America's Hospitals and Health Systems (March 25, 2021)

The COVID-19 Snapshot is the American Hospital Association's look at what America's hospitals and front-line workers are facing as they provide care during the public health emergency. America's hospitals and health systems continue to face historic challenges, including unprecedented financial pressures. It is vitally important that hospitals and health systems receive further support and resources to ensure that they can continue to deliver critical care for patients and communities.

## BY THE NUMBERS: COVID-19 IN THE U.S.

(As of March 24)

**478.4** per **100,000** in population

cumulative hospitalization rate (as of 3/13)

Source: gis.cdc.gov/grasp/COVIDNet/COVID19\_3.html

**Up to 50%** 

of U.S. hospitals could experience negative operating margins by the end of 2021

Source: 2021 Kaufman Hall Hospital Margins Report

**Up to 80%** 

reduction possible for median hospital operating margins from pre-pandemic levels by the end of 2021

Source: 2021 Kaufman Hall Hospital Margins Report

30,012,351

total COVID-19 cases in the U.S.

(402,722 increase over the last 7 days)

Source: coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html

545,282

total COVID-19 deaths in the U.S.



(6,961 increase over the last 7 days) States with the highest ICU bed occupancy rates (all patients):

(as of 3/20)

**82**% 4. GA – **79**% **80**% 5. AL – **78**%

3. DC - **80%** 

1. TX -

2. DE -

**Source:** beta.healthdata.gov/Health/COVID-19-Community-Profile-Report/gqxm-d9w9

## FROM THE FRONT LINES

Source: coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html



We've hired doctors to be able to get into the rural communities to keep people closer to home, drop the cost and improve their access. What we can't afford today is sequestration of another \$1.5 million of impact.

David Goldberg | President and CEO of Mon Health System based in Morgantown, W.Va.

## IN THE NEWS

Hospitals Stung Financially by COVID-19 Pandemic Seek Remainder of Relief Fund Payouts

- Wall Street Journal -

Nearly 40% of hospitals may face negative margins this year even with smooth vaccine rollout

- Fierce Healthcare -

Pandemic Drains Hospital Finances

- PEW Trusts -

COVID-19 'survival mode' sparking new hospital challenges, federal watchdog says

- Modern Healthcare -

15 states are experiencing alarming upticks in COVID-19 infections

- The Hill -

Rural hospitals report millions in lost revenue due to COVID-19

- WIS News 10, Columbia, SC -

