

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.

3,325,425

cumulative confirmed COVID-19 hospital admissions
(August 1, 2020 – November 15, 2021)

Source: CDC | COVID Data Tracker

17%

increase in total expenses per adjusted discharge compared to pre-pandemic levels in 2019

Source: Oct. 2021 Kaufman Hall National Hospital Flash Report

5.5%

increase in average length of stay (indicating more resource-intensive and complex patients) compared to pre-pandemic levels in 2019

Source: Oct. 2021 Kaufman Hall National Hospital Flash Report

47,421,879

total COVID-19 cases in the U.S.
(as of 11/18)



(608,710 increase over the last 7 days)

Source: JHU | COVID-19 Dashboard

767,439

total COVID-19 deaths in the U.S.
(as of 11/18)



(8,160 increase over the last 7 days)

Source: JHU | COVID-19 Dashboard

States with the highest percent increase in COVID-19 admissions from the prior week:
(as of 11/15)

1. IL – **29%**
2. HI – **26%**
3. MN – **24%**
4. MI – **23%**
5. MA – **23%**

Source: COVID-19 Community Profile Report | beta.HealthData.gov

FROM THE FRONT LINES

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“This has been a two-and-a-half to three-month slow burn. This is different. This is way more of a marathon than a sprint. It feels like we're going to be continuing this slow burn through the winter months, and that's going to be exhausting for a lot of our people.”

Nick Gilpin | Beaumont Health (Michigan), medical director for infection prevention

IN THE NEWS

Surging COVID-19 cases force hospitals to take drastic measures to address capacity levels

– NBC KARE 11 (Minneapolis, MN) –

‘We are at capacity’: Michigan hospitals seeing another rise in COVID-19 patients

– ABC 7 Local (Detroit, MI) –

CA deploys nurses to Kaweah Health as Visalia hospital sits at 106% capacity, driven by unvaccinated COVID patients

– Visalia Times-Delta (CA) –

Mass. hospitals say capacity a ‘serious challenge’ as they head into a worrisome winter

– The Boston Globe –

Alamogordo hospital among 6 in New Mexico with ICU shortage due to Covid

– ABC News Local (El Paso, TX) –

“Why rural hospitals may be hit hard by the convergence of COVID-19 and flu season”

– Healthcare Purchasing News –