

2026 NURSING HOME BED NEED PROJECTION

For Determination of Unmet Skilled Nursing Home Bed Need for the Batching Cycle of September 2023

BED NEED = (0.43 x 1000 Population, 0 - 64) + (9.77 x 1000 Population, 65 - 74) + (32.5 x 1000 Population, 75 - 84) + (120 x 1000 Population, 85 and Over)

State Service Delivery Region	Projected Resident Population ¹ and Beds per Age Group								Total Bed Need	Georgia Comparison		
	Population 0 - 64	0.43 Bed Rate	Population 65 - 74	9.77 Bed Rate	Population 75 - 84	32.5 Bed Rate	Population 85 OVER	120 Bed Rate		CURRENT BEDS ²	BED SURPLUS OR DEFICIT (-)	2023 Occupancy ³
1	790,293	340	104,103	1,017	57,465	1,868	21,055	2,527	5,751	3,761	(1,990)	74%
2	656,820	282	83,799	819	54,743	1,779	22,504	2,700	5,581	2,262	(3,319)	66%
3	4,235,643	1,821	462,227	4,516	232,661	7,561	99,700	11,964	25,863	10,872	(14,991)	72%
4	455,067	196	59,110	578	33,468	1,088	14,320	1,718	3,579	2,322	(1,257)	76%
5	586,753	252	69,178	676	40,978	1,332	18,180	2,182	4,442	2,013	(2,429)	66%
6	415,789	179	56,166	549	32,166	1,045	13,140	1,577	3,350	3,344	(6)	66%
7	407,582	175	53,706	525	30,212	982	13,477	1,617	3,299	2,649	(650)	58%
8	303,839	131	40,167	392	22,832	742	9,653	1,158	2,423	2,470	47	58%
9	242,255	104	32,252	315	19,647	639	8,142	977	2,035	2,986	951	70%
10	273,766	118	37,735	369	21,443	697	8,562	1,027	2,211	2,306	95	71%
11	354,014	152	42,943	420	24,444	794	9,653	1,158	2,525	2,555	30	76%
12	628,789	270	76,111	744	44,807	1,456	20,839	2,501	4,971	2,761	(2,210)	65%
Statewide	9,350,610	4,021	1,117,497	10,918	614,866	19,983	259,225	31,107	66,029	40,301	(25,728)	69%

NOTES:

¹Projected Population: Resident population projections from the Georgia Office of Planning and Budget (4/1/2023 Release). See DCH Rule 111-2-2-.09(1)(b)1&2.

²Current Bed Data is based on data from the DCH/DHP facility inventory of approved and existing general nursing home beds (as of 9/27/2023).

³Occupancy Data is calculated on days of patient utilization using data from the 2023 Annual Nursing Home Questionnaire data. In some cases prior year data was used when 2023 data was unavailable. Occupancy in a planning area must equal or exceed 95% in order to establish need for a new or expanded nursing facility pursuant to Rule 111-2-2-.30(3)3. Percentages of Occupancy are not rounded up and are a whole number.

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