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**STATISTICAL PRESS NOTICE**

The following statistics were released today by NHS England:

Bed Availability and Occupancy – Quarter ending 30 June 2015:

The KH03 is a Quarterly collection from all NHS organisations that operate beds, ordinary or day case. It collects the total number of available bed days and the total number of occupied bed days by consultant main specialty. Main findings are:

- The average daily number of beds open overnight was 131,820 in Quarter 1 2015/16 compared with 137,088 in Quarter 4 2014/15.
- The average occupancy rate for all beds open overnight was 86.9% in Quarter 1 2015/16 compared with 88.5% in Quarter 4 2014/15.
- The average daily number of general and acute beds open overnight was 104,121 in Quarter 1 2015/16 compared with 106,358 in Quarter 4 2014/15.
- The average occupancy rate for general and acute beds open overnight was 88.4% in Quarter 1 2015/16 compared with 90.7% in Quarter 4 2014/15.
- The average daily number of day only beds was 12,266 in Quarter 1 2015/16 compared with 12,573 in Quarter 4 2014/15.

In Quarter 1 2015/16 several mental health providers ceased to submit a KH03 return, as a validation of beds data concluded that they were not satisfying the required criteria for consultant-led beds. This is the major factor behind the drop in the number of consultant-led, available mental health beds.

**Notes to Editors**

This dataset covers the number of beds for each NHS provider that are available for patients to have treatment or care.

**Feedback welcomed**

We welcome feedback on the content and presentation of these statistics within this Statistical Press Notice and those published on the NHS England website. If anyone has any comments on this, or any other issues regarding the data and statistics, then please email:

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**Additional Information**

Full details of activity data for individual organisations are available at:

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/bed-availability-and-occupancy/>

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