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STATISTICAL PRESS NOTICE

The following statistics were released today by NHS England:

Bed Availability and Occupancy – Quarter ending 30th September 2019:

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. The main findings are summarised below.

Occupancy Rates

- The average occupancy rate for all beds open overnight was 88.0% in Quarter 2 2019/20 compared with 88.0% in Quarter 1 2019/20 and 87.1% in Quarter 2 2018/19.
- The average occupancy rate for general and acute beds open overnight was 90.0% in Quarter 2 2019/20 compared with 90.1% in Quarter 1 2019/20 and 88.9% in Quarter 2 2018/19.

Bed Numbers

- The average daily number of beds open overnight was 127,225 in Quarter 2 2019/20 compared with 128,621 in Quarter 1 2019/20, and 127,378 in Quarter 2 2018/19.
- The average daily number of general and acute beds open overnight was 100,406 in Quarter 2 2019/20 compared with 101,762 in Quarter 1 2019/20 and 100,454 in Quarter 2 2018/19.
- The average daily number of available day only beds was 12,957 in Quarter 2 2019/20 compared with 12,690 in Quarter 1 2019/20, and 12,486 in Quarter 2 2018/19.

Revisions

We have processed revisions received for Quarter 3 2018/19 and Quarter 1 2019/20 data. All published files have been updated to reflect this. These revisions affect a small number of organisations and have a minimal impact at national level.

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Winter beds data

Note that during winter, NHS England also publish weekly summaries of general and acute daily bed availability as part of the Winter Situation Reports publication at the link below. Publication for winter 2019/20 commences on 13 December 2019.

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/winter-daily-sitreps/>

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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