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**STATISTICAL PRESS NOTICE**

The following statistics were released today by NHS England:

Bed Availability and Occupancy – Quarter ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020:

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.

It should be noted that bed numbers and particularly occupancy rates have been affected in Q1 2020-21 by the response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

**Occupancy Rates**

- The average occupancy rate for all beds open overnight was 64.4% in Quarter 1 2020/21 compared with 86.3% in Quarter 4 2019/20 and 88.0% in Quarter 1 2019/20.
- The average occupancy rate for general and acute beds open overnight was 62.8% in Quarter 1 2020/21 compared with 88.4% in Quarter 4 2019/20 and 90.1% in Quarter 1 2019/20.

**Bed Numbers**

- The average daily number of beds open overnight was 118,451 in Quarter 1 2020/21 compared with 128,935 in Quarter 4 2019/20, and 128,621 in Quarter 1 2019/20.
- The average daily number of general and acute beds open overnight was 92,596 in Quarter 1 2020/21 compared with 102,186 in Quarter 4 2019/20 and 101,762 in Quarter 1 2019/20.
- The average daily number of available day only beds was 9,819 in Quarter 1 2020/21 compared with 12,716 in Quarter 4 2019/20, and 12,690 in Quarter 1 2019/20.

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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

<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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