



NORTH DAKOTA

In the first half of 2023, North Dakota had 57 state hospital beds for adults with severe mental illness. This puts North Dakota at 7.3 staffed beds per 100,000 population. North Dakota State Hospital is 89% occupied. North Dakota also has 24 beds for geriatric patients, which are not included in total bed counts for the SMI population.

Forensic Beds

While North Dakota has no beds specifically designated for forensic patients, there were approximately 8 beds (14% of beds) occupied by forensic patients, 5 of which were occupied by NGRJ patients.

North Dakota's rank among the states

#41 in beds per 100,000 population

#46 in percentage of beds occupied by forensic patients

Forensic Waitlist

There were 5 incarcerated individuals waiting in jail for a state hospital bed to open. Incarcerated individuals wait an average of 7-10 days for a bed in the state hospital to open.

Length of Stay

Civil patients stay in the hospital for four months (120 days) on average, while forensic patients stay an average of three months (90 days)

Patients Ready for Discharge

40% of patients in the state hospital were ready for discharge but unable to be discharged due to a lack of appropriate facilities at the time of data collection.

North Dakota's State Hospital System:

[North Dakota State Hospital](#) is North Dakota's only public hospital and is located in Jamestown, ND. The North Dakota Health and Human Services agency also operates eight regional human service centers that provide behavioral health services to North Dakotans. Each center serves a designated multi-county area. You can find human service center for your county [here](#).