

The COVID-19 Snapshot is the American Hospital Association's look at what America's hospitals and front-line workers are facing as they provide care during the public health emergency. America's hospitals and health systems continue to face historic challenges, including unprecedented financial pressures. It is vitally important that hospitals and health systems receive further support and resources to ensure that they can continue to deliver critical care for patients and communities.

## BY THE NUMBERS: COVID-19 IN THE U.S.

(As of March 3)

**452.2** per **100,000** in population  
cumulative hospitalization rate  
(as of 2/20)

Source: [gis.cdc.gov/grasp/COVIDNet/COVID19\\_3.html](https://gis.cdc.gov/grasp/COVIDNet/COVID19_3.html)

**36%**  
year-over-year increase in hospital drug  
expenses per adjusted discharge

Source: [www.kaufmanhall.com/consulting-services/national-hospital-flash-report](https://www.kaufmanhall.com/consulting-services/national-hospital-flash-report)

**19.4%**  
month-over-month decrease in hospital  
cancer care since December 2020

Source: [www.stratadecision.com/national-patient-and-procedure-volume-tracker/](https://www.stratadecision.com/national-patient-and-procedure-volume-tracker/)

**28,761,027** total COVID-19 cases in the U.S.  (451,446 increase over the last 7 days)

Source: [coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html](https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html)

**518,459** total COVID-19 deaths in the U.S.  (13,023 increase over the last 7 days)

Source: [coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html](https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html)

### States with the highest ICU bed utilization (all patients): (as of 3/3)

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| 1. MS – <b>87%</b> | 4. AL – <b>80%</b> |
| 2. DC – <b>86%</b> | 5. DE – <b>80%</b> |
| 3. RI – <b>84%</b> |                    |

Source: [protect-public.hhs.gov/pages/hospital-capacity](https://protect-public.hhs.gov/pages/hospital-capacity)

## FROM THE FRONT LINES

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We just came out of our third peak in this pandemic. When we're in those peaks it stresses the system beyond its capacity — not to its capacity, but beyond. What keeps me up at night is the ability of health care workers to physically and mentally sustain that level of intensity into the future.

John Hauptert | President and CEO of Grady Health System, Atlanta

## IN THE NEWS

**Rural Hospitals Risk Closure Due to COVID-19-Related Drop in Revenue in 2021**

– The Daily Yonder –

**U.S. Hospitals Risk \$122 Billion 2021 Revenue Loss on Pandemic**

– Bloomberg –

**Financial pressure on health care facilities could threaten access to care**

– Medical Economics –

**Cyberattacks Cost Hospitals Millions During COVID-19**

– Wall Street Journal –

**'It's just exhausting': rural Louisiana hospital workers tell of COVID burnout**

– The Guardian –

**As U.S. COVID cases stall, top health officials warn variants could 'hijack' nation's progress**

– CNBC –