

New York State Statewide COVID-19 Hospitalizations and Beds

OVERVIEW

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General Description:

SARS-CoV2, a novel coronavirus, was first identified as the cause of an outbreak of respiratory illness in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China in 2019. There are many coronaviruses, all of which typically cause respiratory disease in humans. The World Health Organization (WHO) named the disease caused by SARS-CoV2 "COVID-19." In March 2020, WHO declared COVID-19 a pandemic due to the number of countries affected by its rapid spread. The primary goal of publishing this dataset is to provide users with timely information about hospitalizations among patients with lab-confirmed COVID-19 disease.

This dataset includes information at the reporting facility level on patients hospitalized, admitted, discharged and fatalities. It also includes information on staffed beds. Patient information collected as part of the HERDS Hospital Survey are lab-confirmed COVID-19 positive. Hospitalized means patients admitted as inpatients in either inpatient or observation beds and does not include patients that were treated and released from an Emergency Department.

Hospitalized patient information is updated daily on NY Forward; New York State's resource for COVID-19 testing, early warning monitoring, and regional daily hospitalization dashboards. More information can be found at forward.ny.gov.

Data Methodology:

The data source for this dataset is the daily COVID-19 survey through the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) Health Electronic Response Data System (HERDS). Hospitals are required to complete this survey daily and data reflects information reported by hospitals through the survey each day. These data include NYS resident and non-NYS resident hospitalizations. The information from the survey is used for statewide surveillance, planning, resource allocation, and emergency response activities. Hospitals began reporting for the HERDS COVID-19 survey in mid-March 2020.

Limitations of Use:

All survey data reported are preliminary and subject to change as COVID-19 hospitalizations continue to be investigated/confirmed. This dataset contains aggregated information on hospitalizations among patients with lab-confirmed COVID-19 disease.