

Georgia Department of Community Health
2026 Projected Neonatal Intermediate Care Bed Need

Rule: 111-2-2-.24(3)(a)2(i) to (v)							(i)	(ii)	(iii)		(iv)	(v)		
Planning Area SSDR	Female Population Ages 15-44			Resident Live Births			Three Year Average Birth Rate	Projected Female Population in Horizon Year 2026	Projected Birth Rate in Horizon Year 2026	Average Neonatal Intermediate Patient Days from 2020 & 2021 AHQs	Projected Neonatal Intermediate Patient Days in 2026	Projected Beds in Horizon Year 2026	Available & Approved Neonatal Interm. Beds from/since the 2021 AHQ	Surplus (Deficit)
	2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020								
1	172,435	173,874	175,320	10,332	10,307	10,229	0.0592	181,359	10,732	4,510	4,731	17	27	10
2	134,278	137,028	139,772	7,764	7,740	7,549	0.0561	155,404	8,715	7,030	8,116	28	39	11
3	1,000,170	1,008,286	1,016,404	55,571	55,356	53,517	0.0544	1,044,451	56,781	65,370	69,356	238	298	60
4	102,926	104,027	105,133	6,161	6,388	6,042	0.0596	110,206	6,565	4,890	5,313	19	31	12
5	135,098	137,091	139,071	7,201	7,304	7,014	0.0523	149,916	7,844	8,220	9,193	32	31	(1)
6	100,028	100,215	100,382	5,827	5,888	5,820	0.0583	100,541	5,864	6,820	6,872	24	33	9
7	95,380	95,493	95,587	6,142	6,034	5,791	0.0627	94,951	5,955	3,820	3,928	14	20	6
8	70,281	69,670	69,066	4,652	4,536	4,509	0.0655	65,080	4,265	6,450	6,100	21	21	0
9	51,969	52,078	52,195	3,437	3,491	3,321	0.0656	52,421	3,439	287	297	2	3	1
10	67,210	66,938	66,642	4,219	4,212	4,178	0.0628	64,505	4,051	6,795	6,588	23	19	(4)
11	81,772	82,148	82,521	5,402	5,469	5,220	0.0653	83,760	5,469	1,811	1,897	7	22	15
12	151,918	152,561	153,215	9,343	9,525	9,189	0.0613	155,359	9,524	14,526	15,054	52	63	11
Total	2,163,465	2,179,409	2,195,308	126,051	126,250	122,379	0.0573	2,257,953	129,204	130,526	137,446	477	607	130

Neonatal Intermediate Care Aggregate Utilization [DCH Rule 111-2-2-.24(3)(a)4]			
SSDR	2020	2021	Meets 80% Standard Each Year?
1	45%	46%	No
2	47%	51%	No
3	58%	62%	No
4	39%	46%	No
5	68%	76%	No
6	56%	56%	No
7	46%	57%	No
8	53%	114%	No
9	28%	24%	No
10	78%	117%	No
11	18%	26%	No
12	60%	65%	No
Statewide	55%	62%	

Sources:

Resident Live Births 2018, 2019, and 2020 provided by Department of Public Health.
 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2026 Population: Resident Population Projections, 2018-2030, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget (4/1/2021 Release)
 Patient Days of Care, AHQ Perinatal Addenda