

2028 NURSING HOME BED NEED PROJECTION

For Determination of Unmet Skilled Nursing Home Bed Need for the Batching Cycle of March 2026

$$\text{BED NEED} = (0.43 \times 1000 \text{ Population, } 0 - 64) + (9.77 \times 1000 \text{ Population, } 65 - 74) + (32.5 \times 1000 \text{ Population, } 75 - 84) + (120 \times 1000 \text{ Population, } 85 \text{ and Over})$$

State Service Delivery Region	Projected Resident Population ¹ and Beds per Age Group									Georgia Comparison		
	Population 0 - 64	0.43 Bed Rate	Population 65 - 74	9.77 Bed Rate	Population 75 - 84	32.5 Bed Rate	Population 85 OVER	120 Bed Rate	Total Bed Need	CURRENT BEDS ²	BED SURPLUS OR DEFICIT (-)	2025 Occupancy ³
1	796,151	342	107,873	1,054	60,351	1,961	23,495	2,819	6,177	3,771	(2,406)	77%
2	672,559	289	86,362	844	58,132	1,889	26,497	3,180	6,202	2,274	(3,928)	73%
3	4,269,697	1,836	491,828	4,805	254,520	8,272	115,316	13,838	28,751	10,531	(18,220)	77%
4	457,328	197	61,823	604	35,437	1,152	16,533	1,984	3,936	2,322	(1,614)	81%
5	597,150	257	71,825	702	43,741	1,422	21,241	2,549	4,929	2,023	(2,906)	78%
6	414,522	178	57,571	562	34,326	1,116	14,830	1,780	3,636	3,344	(292)	68%
7	407,585	175	54,791	535	32,821	1,067	15,631	1,876	3,653	2,599	(1,054)	69%
8	302,212	130	40,823	399	24,161	785	10,714	1,286	2,600	2,470	(130)	63%
9	241,259	104	32,580	318	20,380	662	8,964	1,076	2,160	2,986	826	73%
10	271,989	117	38,224	373	22,113	719	9,341	1,121	2,330	2,306	(24)	79%
11	355,010	153	43,997	430	25,576	831	10,660	1,279	2,693	2,555	(138)	79%
12	633,883	273	78,168	764	48,049	1,562	24,567	2,948	5,546	2,602	(2,944)	63%
Statewide	9,419,345	4,050	1,165,865	11,391	659,607	21,437	297,789	35,735	72,613	39,783	(32,830)	74%

NOTES:

¹Projected Population: Resident population projections from the Georgia Office of Planning and Budget (4/1/2023 Release). See Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. r. 111-2-2-.09(1)(b)1&2.

²Current Bed Data is based on data from the DCH/OHP facility inventory of approved and existing general nursing home beds (as of 3/18/2026).

³Occupancy Data is calculated on days of patient utilization using data from the 2025 Annual Nursing Home Questionnaire data. In some cases prior year data was used when 2025 data was unavailable. Occupancy in a planning area must equal or exceed 95% in order to establish need for a new or expanded nursing facility pursuant to Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. r. 111-2-2-.30(3)3. Percentages of Occupancy are not rounded up and are a whole number.