

# COVID-19 Snapshot

Challenges Confronting America's Hospitals and Health Systems

(February 10, 2022)

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.

**4,391,970**

cumulative confirmed COVID-19 hospital admissions  
(August 1, 2020 – February 7, 2022)

Source: CDC | COVID Data Tracker

**1,115**

U.S. hospitals reported that they were anticipating a critical staffing shortage within the week (as of 2/9)

Source: COVID-19 Reported Patient Impact and Hospital Capacity by State Timeseries | HealthData.gov

**20.1%**

increase in total hospital expenses year-to-date as of December 2021 compared to pre-pandemic levels

Source: Kaufman Hall Jan. 2022 National Hospital Flash Report

**77,267,876**

total COVID-19 cases in the U.S.  
(as of 2/10)



(1,539,843 increase over the last 7 days)

Source: JHU | COVID-19 Dashboard

**912,257**

total COVID-19 deaths in the U.S.  
(as of 2/10)



(17,263 increase over the last 7 days)

Source: JHU | COVID-19 Dashboard

**States with the highest number of COVID-19 admissions over the last 7 days:**  
(as of 2/9)

1. TX – **9,324**
2. CA – **9,188**
3. FL – **7,798**
4. NY – **3,736**
5. GA – **3,587**

Source: COVID-19 Community Profile Report | beta.HealthData.gov

## FROM THE FRONT LINES

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“Our hospital systems still remain strained. We really encourage people to remain careful and get vaccinated to relieve some of the burden on our healthcare systems.”

Shirin Mazumder, M.D. | Infectious Disease Specialist, Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare, Memphis

## IN THE NEWS

**Why omicron is crushing hospitals — even though cases are often milder than delta**

– NPR –

**Blood supplies run short, affecting patient care**

– The Associated Press –

**Americans get sicker as omicron stalls everything from heart surgeries to cancer care**

– NPR –

**Alabama hospitals still battling Omicron COVID-19 surge**

– WBRC 6 Birmingham –

**Biden marks 900,000 covid-19 deaths and urges: ‘Get vaccinated, get your kids vaccinated’**

– The Washington Post –

**Blood Supplies Run Low as Omicron Limits Donations**

– Wall Street Journal –