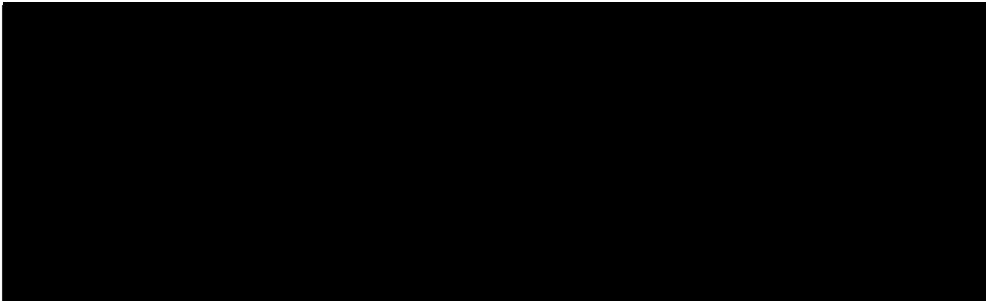


10 November 2020



Re: Official Information Act request – ICU Bed Occupancy

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 10 October 2020 to the MoH and transferred from the MoH to Auckland DHB on 19 October 2020.

I would like to know:

- 1. What is the maximum bed occupancy in ICU (intensive care units) across all hospitals in New Zealand, in total.**
- 2. What has been the bed occupancy rate (% of beds occupied in ICUs) by week/month (which ever time period data is available) across the same hospitals in question 1 above, for the period 15th March 2020 to 1st October 2020**

RESPONSE

1. In response to question one it has been assumed “maximum bed occupancy” is a request for total ICU bed capacity at Auckland DHB. All ICU beds are based at Auckland City Hospital and Starship Children’s Hospital. The table below identifies the physical beds available and resourced beds available in adult, paediatric and neonatal services.

Service	Adult ICU ¹	Paediatric ICU	Neonatal ICU
Physical Beds	50	22	46
Resourced Beds	39	22	40

¹ Adult ICU includes both ICU and high dependency beds in the Cardiothoracic Intensive Care Unit and the Department Critical Care Medicine.

2. In response to question two the table below identifies the actual number of beds occupied at midnight² by service and the percentage occupancy of resourced beds available.

Service	Adult ICU			Paediatric ICU			Neonatal ICU		
	Actual Occupied beds	Resourced Beds	Percentage Occupied	Actual Occupied beds	Resourced beds	Percentage Occupied	Actual Occupied beds	Resourced beds	Percentage Occupied
15 th – 31 st March 2020	370	663	55.8%	210	374	56.2%	604	680	88.8%
April 2020	585	1170	50%	334	660	50.6%	810	1200	67.5%
May 2020	867	1209	71.2%	442	682	64.8%	858	1240	69.2%
June 2020	795	1170	67.9%	301	660	45.6%	1038	1200	86.5%
July 2020	1032	1209	85.4%	361	682	52.9%	1252	1240	100.9%
August 2020	913	1209	75.5%	454	682	66.6%	1155	1240	93.2%
September 2020	913	1170	78%	454	660	68.7%	1084	1200	90.3%

I trust this information answers your questions.

You are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Auckland DHB website.

Yours faithfully



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² The information was sourced from ADHB CMS Hospital Integrated Patient System