

Number of Hospital Beds in the Clusters

District	Cluster	Estimated Population in Mid 2013	Planning Standards (5.5 beds per 1000 persons under HKPSG) (i)	Number of Existing Hospital Beds (ii)	Difference (ii) - (i)	Estimated Population in Mid 2021	Planning Standards (5.5 beds per 1000 persons under HKPSG) (iii)	Number of Existing and Planned Hospital Beds (iv)	Difference (iv) - (iii)
Eastern and Wanchai Districts and outlying Islands (excluding Lantau Island)	Hong Kong East	777,600	4,277	4,484	207	764,700	4,206	5,197	991
Central, Western and Southern Districts	Hong Kong West	534,100	2,938	3,794	856	518,700	2,853	4,294	1,441
Yau Ma Tei, Tsim Sha Tsui and Kowloon City Districts	Kowloon Central	508,800	2,798	5,786	2,988	572,900	3,151	6,314	3,163
Kwun Tong and Sai Kung	Kowloon East	1,088,100	5,985	3,575	(2,410)	1,190,400	6,547	4,312	(2,235)
Mong Kok, Wong Tai Sin, Sham Shui Po, Kwai Tsing, Tsuen Wan and Lantau Island	Kowloon West	1,931,800	10,625	8,612	(2,013)	2,031,600	11,174	9,336	(1,838)
Shatin, Tai Po and North District	New Territories East	1,258,200	6,920	5,364	(1,556)	1,365,300	7,509	5,754	(1,755)
Tuen Mun and Yuen Long Districts	New Territories West	1,088,300	5,986	4,324	(1,662)	1,218,200	6,700	5,052	(1,648)
Total		7,187,500	39,531	35,939	(3,592)	7,662,000	42,141	40,259	(1,882)

Note:

1. The table above includes beds from public and private hospitals as well as other beds registered under Cap. 165. In estimating the number of future hospital beds, the figures for public hospitals include the beds from projects with construction completed but services yet to start, and those from developments/redevelopment/planned expansion with funding approved. The figures for private hospitals include the number of additional beds from new developments and redevelopments under preliminary planning at this stage. The relevant figures only reflect the preliminary plans, the actual numbers and types of hospital beds, etc are subject to change in accordance with future development.

2. The figures of hospital beds are different in each hospital cluster. However, the difference cannot be directly used to compare the service levels of the clusters for the following reasons -

(a) When planning the hospital services and hospital beds, the HA will consider various factors including the healthcare services estimates based on the population growth and demographic change in the district, possible change in the mode of healthcare services delivery, the service arrangement in each cluster and hospital, medical technology development as well as cross-cluster utilisation rate, etc. As the population covered by each cluster is different, the public healthcare service demand as reflected by the demographic structure and social economic status is also different, the service coverage and types of facilities in each cluster are not the same.

(b) Patients can receive treatment in hospitals outside the district he/she lives; and

(c) Some specialist outpatient services are only provided in certain hospitals. Hence, those certain clusters and their respective hospital beds have to serve patients in the entire territory.

3. The calculation of population above involves population estimate of the Census and Statistics Department and the latest population projection of the Planning Department.

4. Due to rounding and the inclusion of marine population, the addition of all figures may not equal to the total number.