
BROWARD COUNTY HEALTH PLAN

Chapter IV: Healthcare Utilization



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The Broward County Health Plan is a living document, regularly updated to provide the most current and relevant information. It encompasses a wide range of topics—from labor force statistics to immunization rates—capturing the range of factors that influence public health. The Plan also emphasizes the critical connection between socioeconomic conditions and community health outcomes. To reflect the complexity of Broward County’s healthcare landscape, the Health Plan is organized into six chapters, each addressing a key aspect of the local health system:

Chapter I: Regional Profile provides demographic and socioeconomic indicators that shape health status and impact the distribution of health resources—factors that contribute to service utilization and the availability of healthcare financing.

Chapter II: Health Status outlines community health status through six health categories: Maternal and Child Health, Behavioral Health, Environmental and Community Health, Access to Care, Oral Health, and Morbidity and Mortality.

Chapter III: Health Resources provides an overview of the health resources currently available in Broward County, emphasizing the range and accessibility of services that support the community’s healthcare needs.

Chapter IV: Healthcare Utilization reviews data on healthcare utilization throughout Broward County’s hospital systems. Broward County’s seasonal fluctuations and yearly totals are analyzed.

Chapter V: Benchmarks sets annual community health priorities, identifies community interventions, and measures progress in attaining health improvements.

Chapter VI: Health Data Warehouse analyzes key Health Indicator modules from the Health Data Warehouse, including: (1) Prevention Quality Indicators and avoidable hospital admissions, (2) inpatient chronic conditions categorized by ICD-9 codes, (3) incidence of suicide, (4) emergency department acuity stratification based on CPT codes, and (5) the NYU Algorithm for identifying preventable or avoidable emergency department admissions.

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Introduction

The Broward Regional Profile, Chapter IV, presents a detailed overview of the utilization of the healthcare system throughout Broward County. This Chapter provides a wealth of information on the usage of the County's hospital system from overall usage data based on admissions, ED visits, and the number of services and procedures offered.

Total Hospital Utilization

This section provides an overview of hospital utilization data. The data in this section comes from the Broward Regional Health Planning Council's Data Warehouse, which receives data on a regularly from local healthcare providers, including major hospitals throughout the County. Throughout this section of the Chapter, total admissions and admissions by level of care are reviewed and analyzed.

Table 1 provides an overview of hospital utilization in Broward County, including the number of licensed admission beds at each hospital and their use throughout 2024. The review covers 20 hospitals: 16 wide-range service hospitals, 2 behavioral health hospitals, and 2 rehabilitation hospitals. The 16 wide-range service hospitals provide comprehensive medical services, while the four specialized hospitals (behavioral health and rehabilitation) are generally smaller and have fewer beds available.

The behavioral health hospitals—Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center and Larkin Community Hospital Behavioral Health Services—offer psychiatric services for adults and children/adolescents, with Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center also providing adult substance abuse treatment. The rehabilitation hospitals include St. Anthony's Rehab Hospital and Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sunrise, and these locations offer rehabilitation-focused services only.

In 2024, Broward County hospitals averaged 3,510 occupied beds out of 5,958 available, reflecting a countywide occupancy rate of 58.9%. Across the 20 hospitals reviewed, there were 233,355 admissions, resulting in more than 1.2 million patient admission days. Memorial Regional Hospital had the largest capacity, with 797 licensed beds, followed by Broward Health Medical Center with 723. Among the 16 general service hospitals, Cleveland Clinic reported the highest occupancy rate, with 94.1% of its 214 available beds regularly occupied. Specialized facilities also experienced high utilization. Larkin Community Behavioral Health Center maintained an 82% occupancy rate, despite having only 50 beds. Rehabilitation and

behavioral health hospitals in general showed higher average lengths of stay compared to general service hospitals (Table 1).

Table 1: Total Hospital Utilization Overview, Broward County Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Beds Licensed	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Broward Health Coral Springs	250	137.2	54.9%	10,999	50,225	4.6
Broward Health Imperial Point	204	81.6	40.0%	6,976	29,880	4.3
Broward Health Medical Center	723	422.9	58.5%	25,000	154,796	6.2
Broward Health North	409	193.8	47.4%	11,932	70,944	5.9
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	214	201.3	94.1%	14,237	73,674	5.2
*Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sunrise	126	85.6	68.0%	2,500	31,345	12.5
*Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center	182	132.5	72.8%	8,213	48,503	5.9
HCA Florida University Hospital	165	71.9	43.6%	6,938	26,322	3.8
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	271	150.5	55.5%	11,297	55,089	4.9
Holy Cross Health	557	223.3	40.1%	16,380	81,710	5
*Larkin Community Hospital Behavioral Health Services	50	41	82.0%	1,900	15,008	7.9
Memorial Hospital Miramar	178	114.8	64.5%	10,225	42,013	4.1
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	301	107.8	35.8%	7,099	39,470	5.6
Memorial Hospital West	486	390.3	80.3%	24,723	142,866	5.8
Memorial Regional Hospital	797	640.7	80.4%	34,921	234,501	6.7
Memorial Regional Hospital South	216	79.5	36.8%	3,308	29,088	8.8
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	264	66	25.0%	4,752	24,173	5.1
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	289	164.6	57.0%	15,772	60,261	3.8
*St. Anthony's Rehab Hospital	26	11.2	43.2%	286	4,113	14.4
Westside Regional Medical Center	250	193.9	77.6%	15,897	70,969	4.5
Total	5,958	3,510.8	58.9%	233,355	1,284,950	5.5

*Indicates a specialized hospital for rehabilitative or behavioral health services

Table 2 displays the county-wide 10-year monthly average for total hospital utilization data. Viewing this data gives insight into the fluctuations in hospital use by month of the year. Over the past 10 years, January, compared to any other month, on average had the highest average number of admissions, patient admission days

and occupancy rate. February and March closely followed January in occupancy rate (Table 2). By contrast, April through June, and October through November show lower utilization, with average occupancy rates around 54% and fewer admissions and fewer patient days. Despite these seasonal fluctuations, the average length of stay remains relatively stable year-round at about 5.4 to 5.5 days (Table 2).

Table 2: Total Hospital Utilization Overview, 10-year Monthly Averages, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024

Month	Average Occupancy Rate	Average Number of Admissions	Average Patient Days	Average Length of Stay	Average Daily Census
January	58.5%	20,012	109,785	5.5	3,541.4
February	58.5%	18,420	100,333	5.47	3,544.9
March	56.3%	19,560	105,796	5.42	3,412.8
April	54.8%	18,240	99,575	5.48	3,319.2
May	54.4%	18,743	102,289	5.49	3,299.6
June	54.4%	18,396	98,971	5.37	3,299.0
July	55.8%	19,034	105,050	5.52	3,388.7
August	55.6%	18,958	104,704	5.54	3,377.5
September	55.4%	18,273	101,019	5.54	3,367.3
October	54.8%	18,908	103,244	5.46	3,330.4
November	54.4%	18,289	99,138	5.43	3,304.6
December	55.0%	19,146	103,059	5.4	3,324.5

There are two long-term care hospitals in Broward County. Long-term care hospitals are facilities that offer care to patients who are critically ill or to those who have complex medical conditions. On average, long-term care hospitals have an average length stay greater than 25 days (CMS, *Long-Term Care Hospitals*, 2019).

Table 3 provides an overview of long-term care hospitals utilization in Broward. There are only two long-term care hospitals in the County, both operated under the same organization, Kindred. Among these locations, there are 185 beds available for admission, and in 2024, an average of 39% of beds were occupied daily (Table 3).

Table 3: Total Long-Term Care Hospital Utilization Overview, Broward 2024

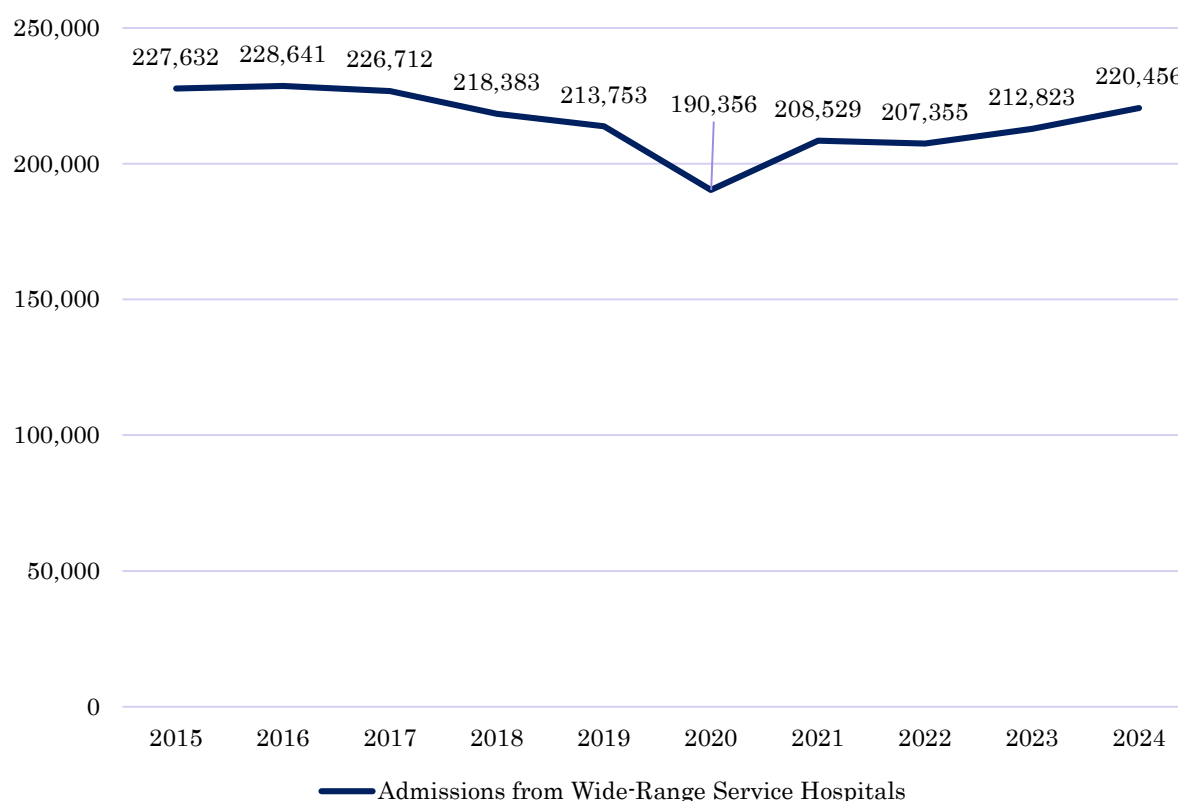
Long-Term Care Hospital	Beds Licensed	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Kindred Hospital – Ft. Lauderdale	68	39.1	57.5%	661	14,313	21.7
Kindred Hospital – Hollywood	116	33.5	28.9%	395	12,256	31
Total	185	72.6	39.2%	1,056	26,569	25.2

Total Admissions

An admission occurs when a patient is admitted to a hospital for inpatient medical care. This usually means that patients will stay at least one night in the hospital. This section reviews total admissions, and further data presents statistics on the different kinds of admissions.

Total admissions, among all 16 general service hospitals throughout the County over the past 10 years, are reviewed in Figure 1. This data shows that 10 years ago there were higher admissions at these facilities than there are now. During this period, admissions reached a low point in 2020. In the most recent 3 years, from 2022 to 2024, there have been increases in the number of these admissions per year (Figure 1).

Figure 1: Total Admissions to General Service Hospitals, Broward 2015-2024



The data in Figure 2 shows the 10-year average monthly number of admissions for all 16 general service hospitals in Broward. The Figure highlights that admissions peak in January, March and December on average. January is the only month with more than 19,000 admissions on average (Figure 2).

Figure 2: 10-Year Average Monthly Number of Total Hospital Admissions, Broward General Service Hospitals 2015-2024

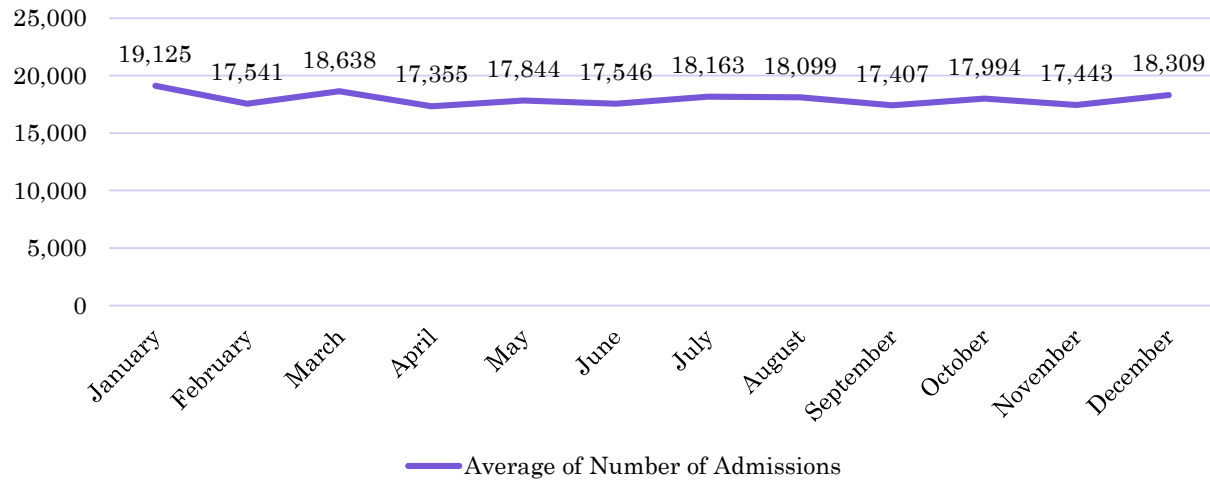
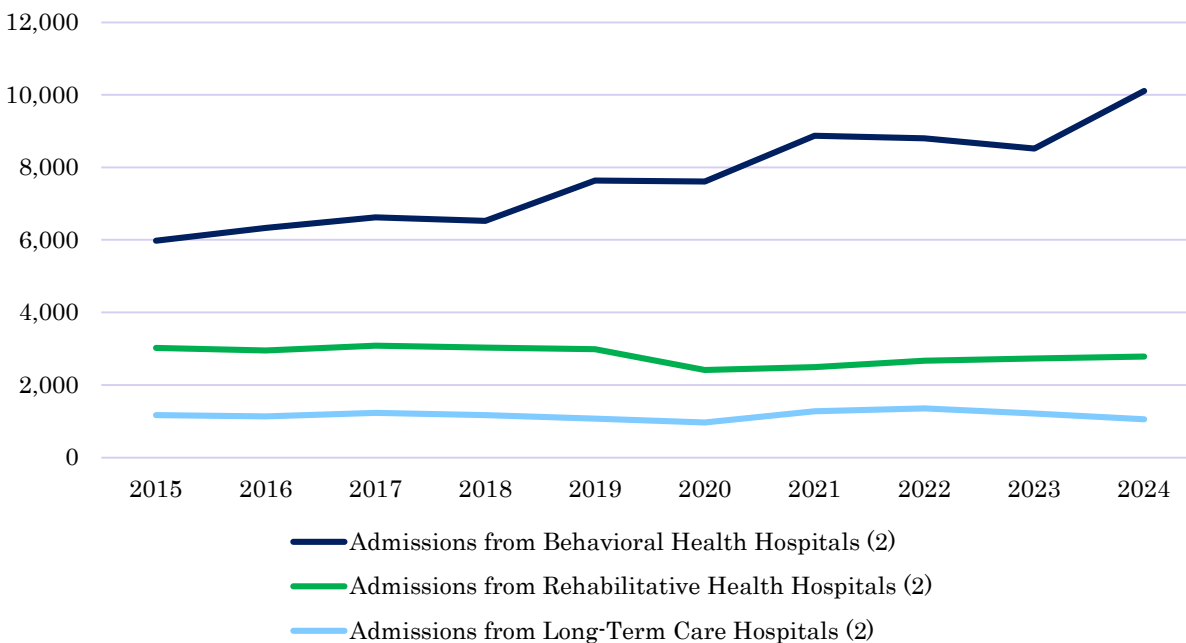


Figure 3 shows total admissions for specialized hospitals over the last 10 years. In Broward there are two behavioral health hospitals, two rehabilitation hospitals, and two long-term care hospitals. Behavioral health hospitals had the highest number of admissions every year, when compared to rehabilitative health or long-term care specialized hospitals. Behavioral health hospitals experienced an increase in admissions over the 10-year period (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Total Admissions to Specialized Service Hospitals by Type, Broward County 2015-2024



Although there are specialized behavioral health and rehabilitative health hospitals, rehabilitation and behavioral health services admissions are also provided at some of the general service hospital locations. Later data in this chapter reviews the admissions to both specialized and comprehensive care hospitals for these specific services.

65 and Older Utilization

Utilization data for individuals 65 and older contains information on hospital use throughout Broward for the primary group that is eligible for Medicare. Certain younger individuals with disabilities or those with End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) are also eligible for Medicare (CMS, 2025). This data provides insight into the total hospital utilization by this specific group and is useful for health planning.

Table 4 displays total admissions among individuals 65 and older, at Broward County hospitals in 2024. Included is data on the percentage of total admissions at each location of those who fall into this group. Countywide, over 40% of admissions were among those who are eligible for Medicare based on age alone. Holy Cross Health had the highest percentage of admissions from those who are 65 and older (64.8%) (Table 4).

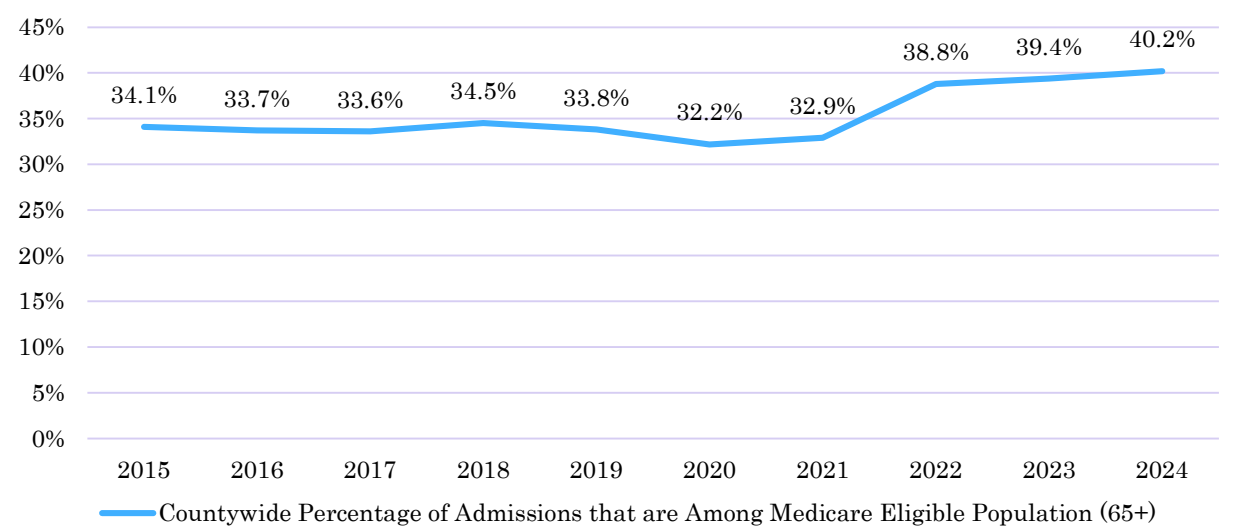
Table 4: Total 65 and Older Admissions Overview, Broward Hospitals, 2024

Hospital	Admissions 65+	Admiss. % Total	Patient Days 65+	Days % Total	65+ Average length of stay
Broward Health Coral Springs	4,054	36.9%	21,517	42.8%	5.3
Broward Health Imperial Point	2,110	30.2%	9,527	31.9%	4.5
Broward Health Medical Center	6,078	24.3%	40,814	26.4%	6.7
Broward Health North	6,019	50.4%	36,813	51.9%	6.1
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	3,482	24.5%	18,352	24.9%	5.3
HCA Florida University Hospital	2,095	30.2%	7,685	29.2%	3.7
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	6,111	54.1%	33,618	61.0%	5.5
Holy Cross Health	10,608	64.8%	60,493	74.0%	5.7
Larkin Community Hospital Behavioral Health Services	21	1.1%	117	0.8%	5.6
Memorial Hospital Miramar	3,444	33.7%	17,464	41.6%	5.1
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	3,891	54.8%	22,486	57.0%	5.8
Memorial Hospital West	13,262	53.6%	82,769	57.9%	6.2
Memorial Regional Hospital	11,610	33.2%	77,242	32.9%	6.7
Memorial Regional Hospital South	2,037	61.6%	17,633	60.6%	8.7

North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	2,350	49.5%	18,023	74.6%	7.7
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	7,493	47.5%	29,954	49.7%	4
St. Anthony's Rehab Hospital	125	43.7%	1,674	40.7%	13.4
Westside Regional Medical Center	9,097	57.2%	38,413	54.1%	4.2
Total	93,887	40.2%	534,594	41.6%	5.7

Figure 4 displays the countywide percentage of total admissions that were Medicare-eligible based on age, from 2015 to 2024. Since 2020 the percentage has increased each year, and in 2024 the percentage of Medicare-eligible admissions surpassed over 40% of total admissions, the highest rate in the last 10 years (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Percentage of Total Admissions among those 65 and Older, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024



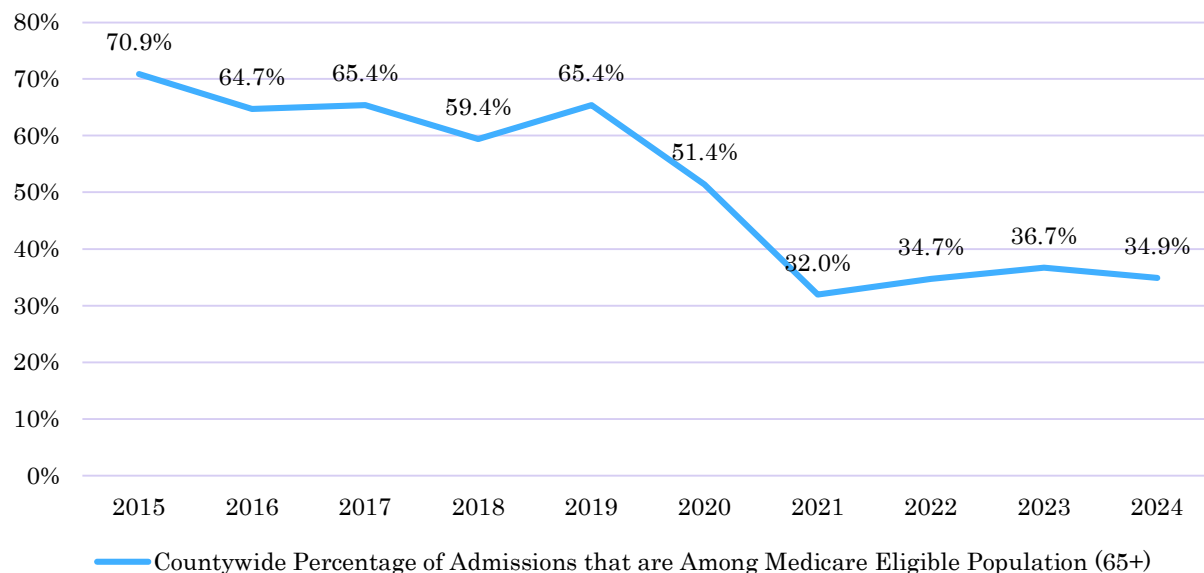
In 2024, 34.9% of long-term care hospital admissions were among patients aged 65 and older (Table 5).

Table 5: Total Long-term Care 65 and Older Admissions Overview, Broward 2024

Long-Term Care Hospital	Admissions 65+	Admissions % Total	Patient Days 65+	Days % Total	65+ Average length of stay
Kindred Hospital – Ft. Lauderdale	100	15.1%	5,750	40.2%	57.5
Kindred Hospital – Hollywood	269	68.1%	0	0	0
Total	369	34.9%	5,750	21.6%	15.6

Figure 5 shows the percentage of 65 and older admissions, relative to total admissions from the long-term care hospitals in Broward. Since 2015, the percentage of 65 and older admissions, has dropped by more than half in Broward. This indicates a shift from most long-term hospital admissions being from the 65+ group in 2015 to a drop by over half, percentage wise, by 2024 (Figure 5).

Figure 5: Percentage Total Long-Term Care Admissions among those 65 and Older, Broward Long-Term Care Hospitals 2015-2024



Acute Care Utilization

This section reviews admissions to acute care hospital units. Patients are admitted to acute care units if they require urgent medical care for serious injury, serious illness, or recovery from surgery. Acute care admissions are usually brief and are intended to stabilize the patient with immediate and active medical treatment. Acute care admissions include admissions to all acute care units, which include the medical-surgical, obstetrical, pediatric, and critical care units. These subsections of acute care admissions are further detailed later in the document.

Table 6 shows the number of acute care admissions throughout all Broward County hospitals that provide acute care services, specifically the 16 general service hospitals. Each location sets aside several of their available admission beds for purposes of acute care. Among the 233,355 admissions in 2024 (Table 1), 203,955 were for acute care admissions (87%) (Table 6). The average length of stay for acute care was shorter (3.5 days) than the average length of stay for all admissions

countywide (5.5 days) (Table 1). Among all locations, the longest length of stay for acute care was at Memorial Regional Hospital, at 5.9 days. On an average day in 2024, over 57% of available acute care beds were occupied (Table 6).

Table 6: Acute Care Totals Overview, Broward County Hospitals, 2024

Hospital	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Admissions & Transfers*	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Broward Health Coral Springs	240	130.3	54.3%	10,802	21,918	47,703	2.2
Broward Health Imperial Point	154	48.8	31.7%	4,461	8,298	17,866	2.2
Broward Health Medical Center	566	347.7	61.4%	21,786	46,992	127,240	2.7
Broward Health North	379	170.1	44.9%	11,263	24,322	62,268	2.6
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	214	201.3	94.1%	14,237	19,273	73,674	3.8
HCA Florida University Hospital	133	56.8	42.7%	6,687	6,687	20,780	3.1
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	186	102.1	54.9%	8,921	19,935	37,368	1.9
Holy Cross Health	500	177.6	35.5%	15,362	15,362	65,008	4.2
Memorial Hospital Miramar	162	104.7	64.7%	9,851	9,851	38,338	3.9
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	301	107.8	35.8%	7,099	20,517	39,470	1.9
Memorial Hospital West	466	379.1	81.3%	24,369	24,614	138,733	5.6
Memorial Regional Hospital	641	510.5	79.6%	31,537	31,537	186,834	5.9
Memorial Regional Hospital South	127	12.6	9.9%	1,398	2,823	4,604	1.6
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	190	66	34.8%	4,752	4,753	24,173	5.1
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	272	153.6	56.5%	15,533	15,533	56,226	3.6
Westside Regional Medical Center	250	193.9	77.6%	15,897	15,877	70,969	4.5
Total	4,781	2,763.0	57.8%	203,955	288,292	1,011,254	3.5

*“Admissions & Transfers” refers to patients admitted in total, plus patients who were admitted into a different unit and transferred into an Acute Care unit

Figure 6 displays acute care admissions and combined admissions plus transfers into acute care over the past 10 years. From 2017 to 2023 there was a decline in the total number of admissions and transfers into acute care. From 2023 to 2024 admissions,

and combined admissions and transfers increased. Throughout this period, transfers into acute care from other units declined (Figure 6).

Figure 6: Acute Care Total Admissions by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024

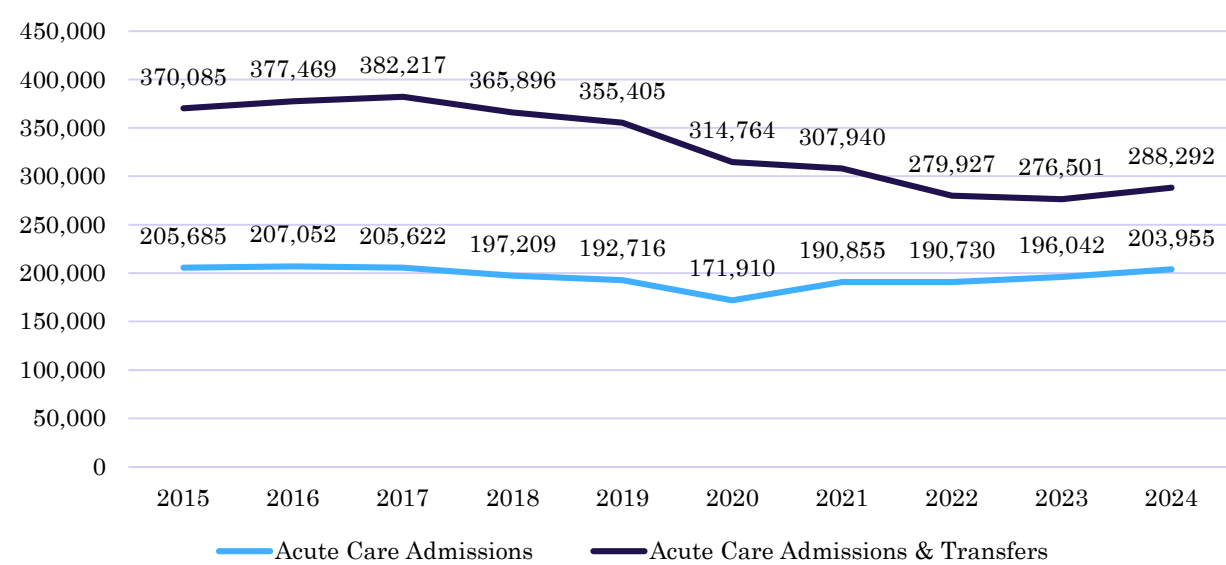


Table 7 reviews acute care totals among long-term care hospitals in Broward. Among the 174 beds available for acute care at these locations, 37.8% were occupied on an average day in 2024. The average length of stay for acute care admission at these locations was slightly longer (27.6 days) than for overall admissions to long-term care hospitals length of stay (25.2 days; Table 2) (Table 7).

Table 7: Acute Care Totals Overview, Broward Long-Term Care Hospitals, 2024

Long-Term Care Hospital						
	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Kindred Hospital – Ft. Lauderdale	57	32.3	56.6%	477	11,818	24.8
Kindred Hospital – Hollywood	116	33.5	28.9%	395	12,256	31
Total	174	65.8	37.8%	872	24,074	27.6

Medical Surgical Utilization

Medical Surgical admissions are those in which a patient is admitted for a specific medical or surgical condition. Medical surgical admissions are also considered acute care admissions. Table 8 reviews medical surgical care totals throughout Broward hospitals in 2024. Of the available medical surgical admission beds, 57.2% of them

were occupied on an average day in 2024. The average length of stay for these admissions was 4.2 days countywide. Medical surgical admissions made up 55.9% of the total acute care admissions throughout Broward in 2024 (Table 6 & 8).

Holy Cross Health, Memorial Health West, and Memorial Regional Hospital are the locations in Broward with the largest medical surgical units, with over 300 available medical surgical licensed beds each. In total, there were over 114,000 admissions to the medical surgical units throughout Broward County hospitals in 2024 (Table 8).

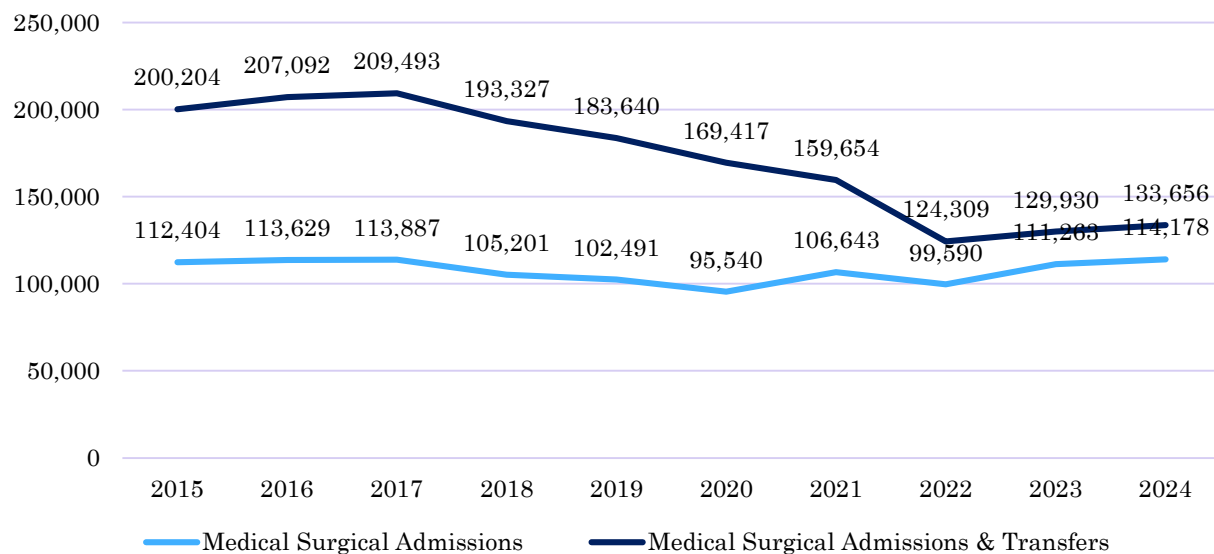
Table 8: Medical Surgical Care Totals Overview, Broward County Hospitals, 2024

Hospital	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Admissions & Transfers*	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Broward Health Coral Springs	121	69.8	57.7%	5,660	10,503	25,545	2.4
Broward Health Imperial Point	95	23.8	25.0%	2,428	4,360	8,695	2
Broward Health Medical Center	196	133.2	68.0%	7,435	14,809	48,766	3.3
Broward Health North	152	53.8	35.4%	4,479	7,768	19,700	2.5
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	126	160.5	127.4%	11,990	15,169	58,746	3.9
HCA Florida University Hospital	80	40.9	51.2%	5,266	5,266	14,984	2.8
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	64	30	46.8%	3,277	6,339	10,973	1.7
Holy Cross Health	356	106	29.8%	8,916	8,916	38,790	4.4
Memorial Hospital Miramar	94	66.1	70.3%	5,905	5,071	24,194	4.8
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	182	30.9	17.0%	447	2,882	11,293	3.9
Memorial Hospital West	396	330.5	83.5%	20,760	18,768	120,962	6.4
Memorial Regional Hospital	361	324.5	89.9%	21,174	15,911	118,769	7.5
Memorial Regional Hospital South	127	12.6	9.9%	1,398	2,823	4,604	1.6
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	154	39.5	25.7%	3,949	3,950	14,470	3.7
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	78	31.9	40.9%	3,743	3,743	11,679	3.1
Westside Regional Medical Center	130	97.3	74.8%	7,351	7,378	35,612	4.8
Total	2,713	1,551.3	57.2%	114,178	133,656	567,782	4.2

*“Admissions & Transfers” refers to patients admitted in total, plus patients who were admitted into a different unit and transferred into a Medical Surgical unit

Figure 7 displays Medical surgical admissions and combined admissions and transfers into medical surgical units per year over the past 10 years in Broward. There have been varying levels of medical surgical admissions over this period, with a decline in total transfers into medical surgical admission units. Although transfers decreased significantly, the number of direct admissions to medical surgical care experienced little variation over time. In the most recent three years there has been an increase in total combined admissions and transfers each year into medical surgical care (Figure 7).

Figure 7: Medical Surgical Total Admissions by Year, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024



Both County’s long-term care hospitals offer medical surgical admissions. Reviewed in Table 9, there are 162 available medical surgical admission beds available at these locations. Among medical surgical admissions at long-term care hospitals, the overall average length of stay was 29.3 days in 2024 (Table 9).

Table 9: Medical Surgical Care Totals, Broward Long-Term Care Hospitals, 2024

Long-Term Care Hospital	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Kindred Hospital – Ft. Lauderdale	53	32.3	60.9%	477	11,818	24.8
Kindred Hospital – Hollywood	109	28.2	25.8%	277	10,309	37.2
Total	162	60.5	37.3%	754	22,127	29.3

Critical Care Utilization

Critical care admissions are also called Intensive Care Unit (ICU) admissions. ICU admissions are considered acute care admission. These admissions are for patients with severe life-threatening illnesses or injuries requiring close attention and potentially organ support (Cleveland Clinic, *ICU*, 2025).

Table 10 reviews data on critical care admission totals throughout Broward County hospitals. Throughout Broward there are 532 ICU beds available for treatment of critical care conditions. In 2024, the average ICU admission was 3.8 days. In 2024, there were 12,388 direct ICU admissions, and 33,278 combined ICU admissions and transfers from another hospital unit in the ICU (Table 10).

Table 10: Critical Care Totals Overview, Broward County Hospitals, 2024

Hospital	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Admissions & Transfers*	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Broward Health Coral Springs	16	12.1	75.8%	289	1,472	4,437	3
Broward Health Imperial Point	10	4.9	49.0%	145	689	1,792	2.6
Broward Health Medical Center	73	43.4	59.4%	897	4,844	15,883	3.3
Broward Health North	32	21.7	67.7%	433	2,562	7,928	3.1
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	88	40.8	46.3%	2,247	4,104	14,928	3.6
HCA Florida University Hospital	10	4.1	40.6%	499	499	1,486	3
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	15	12.4	82.5%	949	2,578	4,528	1.8
Holy Cross Health	54	22.5	41.6%	2,469	2,469	8,230	3.3
Memorial Hospital Miramar	18	9.3	51.7%	54	888	3,407	3.8
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	24	12	50.1%	180	1,263	4,402	3.5
Memorial Hospital West	32	21.9	68.4%	196	2,562	8,015	3.1
Memorial Regional Hospital	62	71.3	115.1%	364	5,627	26,114	4.6
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	36	26.5	73.6%	803	803	9,703	12.1
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	30	17.7	58.9%	1,218	1,218	6,463	5.3
Westside Regional Medical Center	32	26.9	84.2%	1,645	1,700	9,856	5.8
Total	532	347.5	65.3%	12,388	33,278	127,172	3.8

*“Admissions & Transfers” refers to patients admitted in total, plus patients who were admitted into a different unit and then transferred into a Critical Care unit

Figure 8 displays initial critical care admissions and total critical care admissions, including transfers into critical care from another unit, over the past 10 years. There have been more transfers into critical care yearly than initial admissions to the critical care unit. Combined critical care admissions and transfers into critical care have increased over the past 3 years (Figure 8).

Figure 8: Critical Care Total Admissions by Year, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024

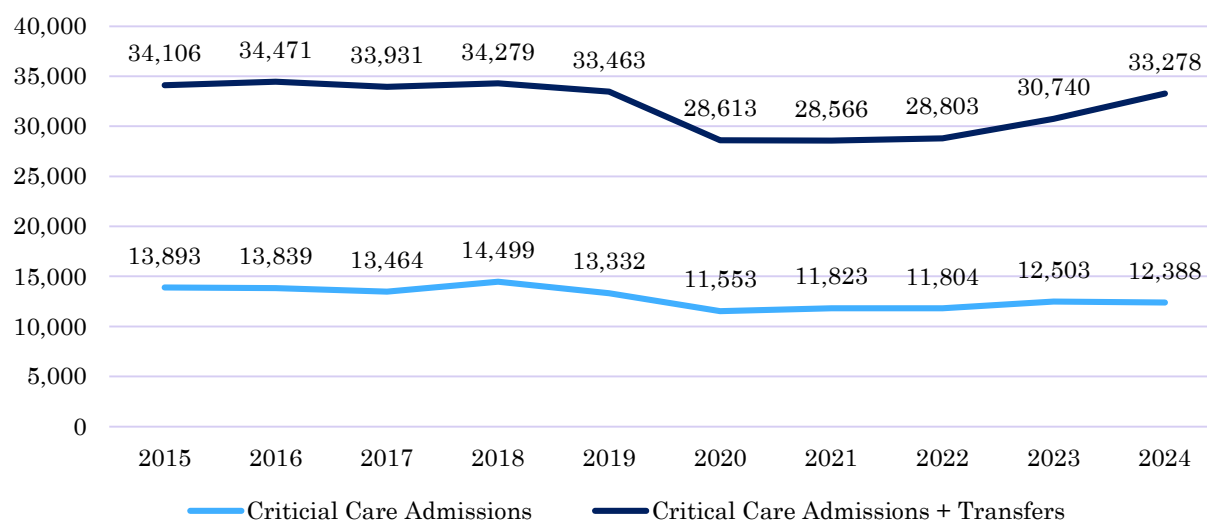


Figure 9 shows the 10-year monthly average for critical care admissions and combined admissions and transfers by month among County hospitals. This data reveals that critical care (ICU) admissions and transfers to this unit were particularly high in January and December on average (Figure 9).

Figure 9: 10-Year Average Monthly Number of Critical Care Admissions, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024

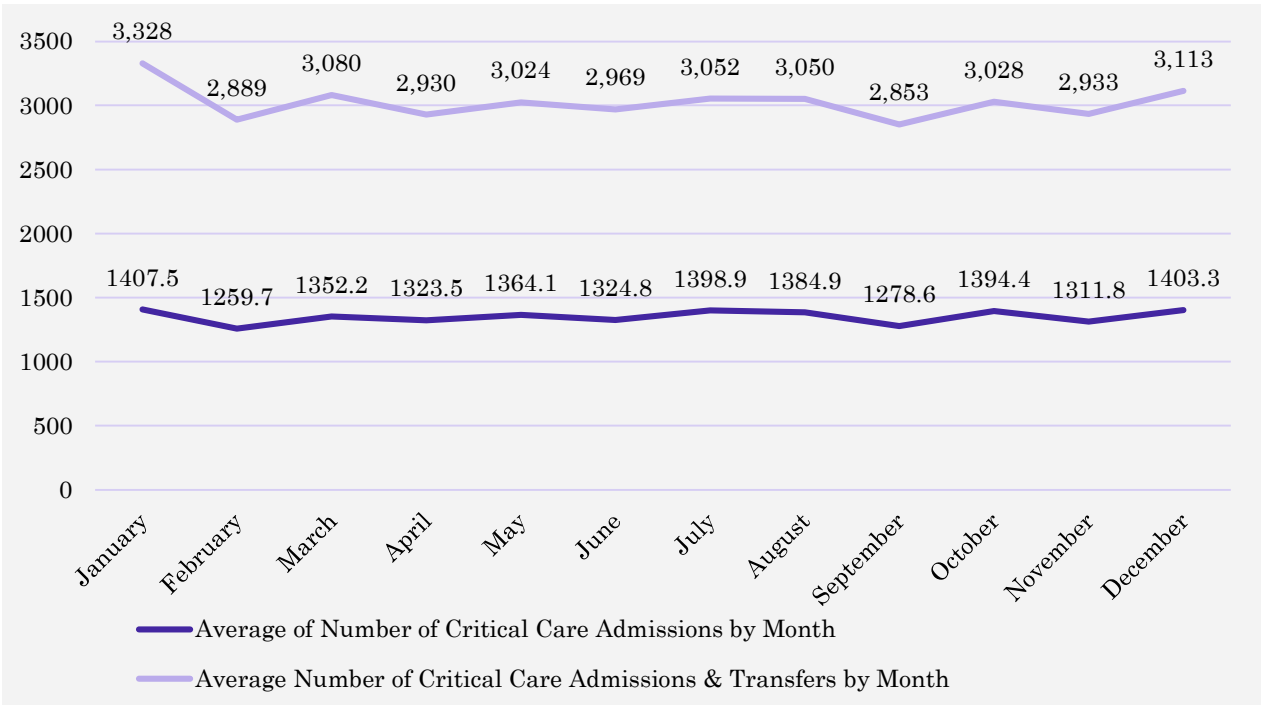


Table 11 reviews critical care admission totals among long-term care hospitals. Only one location provided specific critical care totals for 2024. At this location, on average, 5.3 of the 7 critical care beds were occupied, resulting in a 76% occupancy rate (Table 11).

Table 11: Critical Care Totals, Broward County Long-Term Care Hospitals, 2024

Long-Term Care Hospital						
	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Kindred Hospital – Ft. Lauderdale	4	0	0	0	0	0
Kindred Hospital – Hollywood	7	5.3	76.0%	118	1,947	16.5

Hospital Pediatric Utilization

Pediatric utilization section covers the usage of pediatric service admissions throughout the County. These admissions are considered acute care admission. Pediatric services offered in a hospital admission setting include admissions to pediatric units that treat patients under the age of 18. These admissions occur when a pediatric patient requires more intensive medical treatment and monitoring than an outpatient setting can provide.

Table 12 reviews the number of beds available for pediatric services admissions as well as admissions data from three of the five Broward hospitals which host a pediatric unit. Throughout the County there are 237 available pediatric admission beds. In 2024, there were 11,226 admissions and transfers into pediatric units. Among reporting hospitals, Memorial Regional Hospital hosted the most admissions and had the highest occupancy rate. The average length of stay for pediatric admissions was 3.4 days (Table 12).

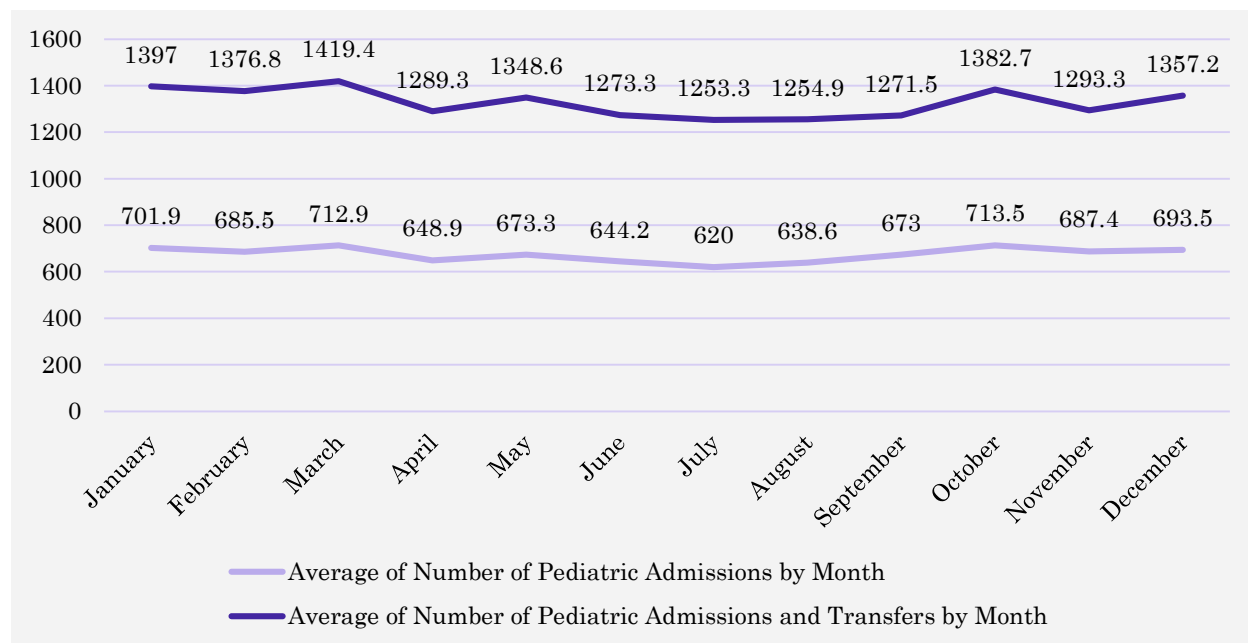
Table 12: Pediatric Services Utilization Overview, Broward County Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Admissions & Transfers*	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Broward Health Coral Springs	25	9	36.1%	1,049	2,061	3,301	1.6
Broward Health Medical Center	74	26.5	35.9%	2,122	4,584	9,713	2.1
HCA Florida University Hospital	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
Memorial Regional Hospital	124	68	54.8%	4,581	4,581	24,874	5.4
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	237	103.5	43.7%	7,752	11,226	37,888	3.4

*“Admissions & Transfers” refers to patients admitted in total, plus patients who were admitted into a different unit and then transferred into a Pediatric unit

Figure 10 shows the 10-year monthly average for the number of pediatric admissions and transfers by month among County hospitals. This data reveals that pediatric admissions and transfers were higher from October through March, and lower from April through September on average; this suggests increased hospitalizations among youth during the school year. On average, July had the lowest number of pediatric admissions and combined admissions and transfers compared to any other month during on average (Figure 10).

Figure 10: 10-Year Average Monthly Number of Pediatric Admissions, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024



Hospital Obstetrical Utilization

Obstetrical units admit pregnant women for admissions related to pregnancy, childbirth, or any other related medical condition requiring inpatient care. These admissions are considered acute care admissions. There are eight hospitals, countywide, which host inpatient obstetrical units. Table 13 reviews basic admission data for obstetrical admissions at these locations. In total, there are 369 available obstetrical beds for admission throughout Broward, and 48% were occupied on average in 2024. Memorial Regional Hospital has the largest obstetrical unit with 90 available obstetrical beds. Countywide, there were 27,945 admissions and transfers into obstetrical units (Table 13).

Table 13: Obstetrical Care Totals Overview, Broward County Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Admissions & Transfers*	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Broward Health Coral Springs	40	13.5	33.8%	1,745	3,894	4,954	1.3
Broward Health Medical Center	70	33.2	47.4%	3,963	8,546	12,155	1.4
HCA Florida University Hospital	33	11.8	35.7%	922	922	4,310	4.7

Holy Cross Health	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
Memorial Hospital Miramar	50	29.3	58.7%	3,892	3,892	10,737	2.8
Memorial Hospital West	38	26.7	70.1%	3,413	3,284	9,756	3
Memorial Regional Hospital	94	46.7	49.6%	5,418	5,418	17,077	3.2
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	22	16.1	73.2%	1,989	1,989	5,892	3
Total	369	177.3	48.0%	21,342	27,945	64,881	2.3

*“Admissions & Transfers” refers to patients admitted in total, plus patients who were admitted into a different unit and then transferred into an obstetrical care unit

Figure 11 reviews the number of obstetric admissions, and combined admissions and transfer totals by year, over the past 10 years. The data shows an increase from 2015 to 2019 in admissions plus transfers, followed by decreases each subsequent year. There was a high point of admissions plus transfers in 2019. The number of transfers decreased from 22,766 in 2019 (the highest level in the past 10 years) to just 6,603 in 2024, the most recent year of data (Figure 11).

Figure 11: Obstetrical Admission Totals by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024

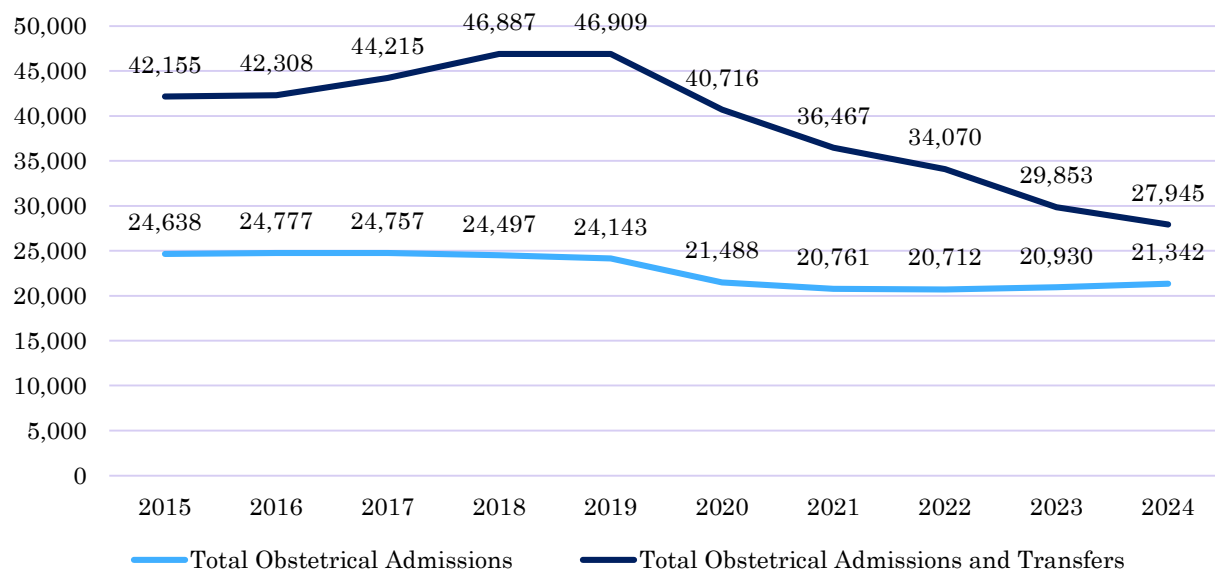
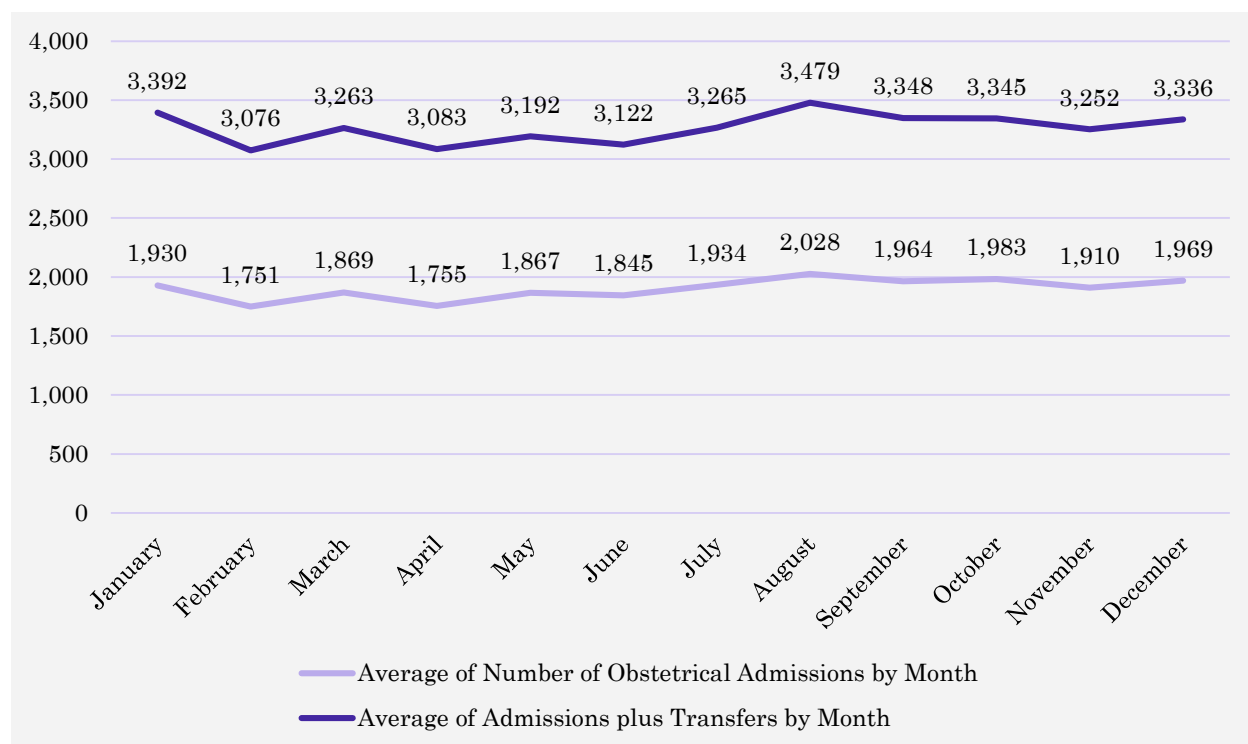


Figure 12 shows the 10-year monthly average for the number of obstetrical admissions, and combined admissions and transfers among County hospitals. This data reveals that obstetrical admissions, and combined admissions plus transfers, were highest in August, and lowest in February and April, on average (Figure 12).

Figure 12: 10-Year Average Monthly Number of Obstetrical Admissions, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024



Hospital Newborn Services Utilization

Newborn services are services offered to infants after childbirth in a hospital setting. Services range from routine screenings and evaluations to breast feeding support for mother and child, vaccinations, and specialized care. These services are offered post childbirth and are not necessarily considered admissions. The average length of stay for newborns is usually short if the baby is healthy and can go home shortly after birth. If further medical attention is needed, the newborn can be admitted to the NICU, as reviewed in the following set of data.

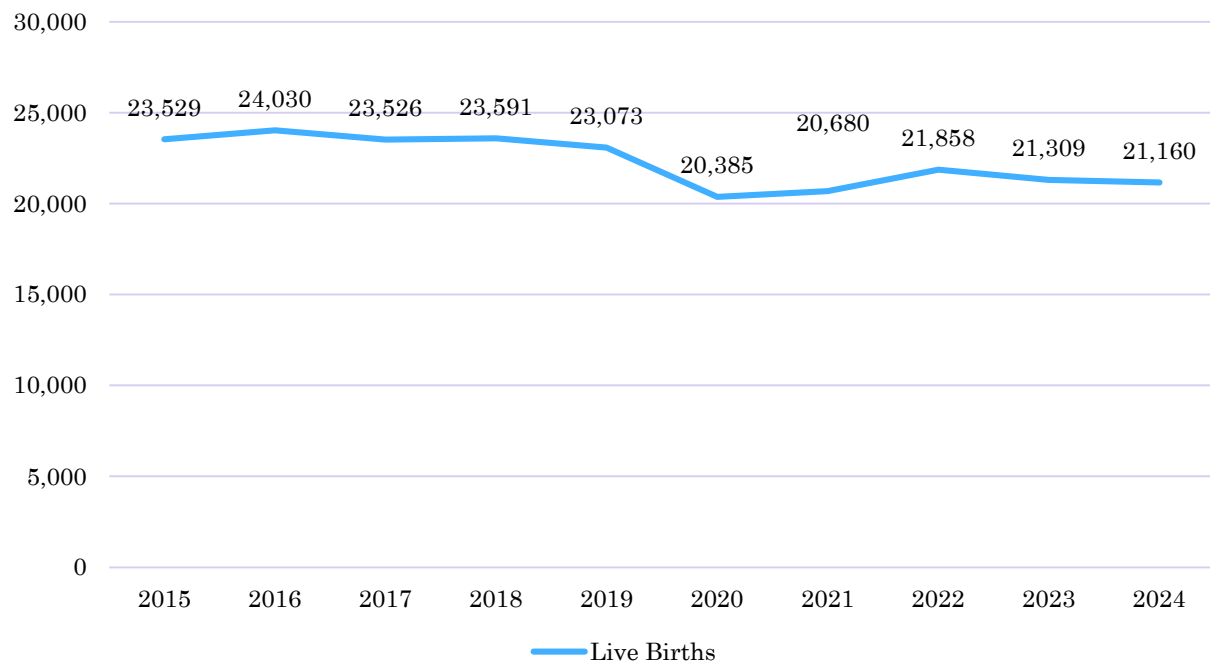
Table 14 reviews newborn care totals offered throughout the County, including number of bassinets available at each hospital and the number of live births. The average length of stay for newborns was relatively short, with a countywide average of 2.0 days. The data also include the number of stillbirths, with 175 reported in County hospitals in 2024 (Table 14).

Table 14: Newborn Care Totals Overview, Broward County Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Basinets Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Live Births	Newborn Days	Avg. Length of Stay	Stillbirths
Broward Health Coral Springs	19	8.6	45.0%	1,591	3,131	2	18
Broward Health Medical Center	39	20.2	51.7%	3,508	7,382	2.1	54
HCA Florida University Hospital	46	13.5	29.4%	1,724	4,944	2.9	8
Holy Cross Health	24	0	0	0	0	0	0
Memorial Hospital Miramar	24	21.5	89.5%	4,044	7,860	1.9	35
Memorial Hospital West	38	18.7	49.1%	3,363	6,826	2	31
Memorial Regional Hospital	60	26.7	44.6%	5,143	9,790	1.9	28
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	14	9.2	65.4%	1,787	3,351	1.9	1
Total	265	118.3	44.6%	21,160	43,284	2	175

Figure 13 reviews the number of live births which have occurred at Broward County hospitals each year for the past 10 years. The data reveals that from 2015 to 2019 there were more live births each of these years compared to the following 5-year period from 2020 to 2024. This shows a decrease in live births in recent years at County hospitals (Figure 13).

Figure 13: Number of Live Births, by Year, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024



Hospital NICU Services Utilization

Neonate Intensive Care Units (NICU) data for Neonate level 2 and level 3 admissions are presented in this section. Level 2 NICUs are equipped to support moderate medical issues for babies born after 32 weeks' gestation, while Level 3 NICUs are equipped to provide intensive medical care, often for infants born prematurely (before 32 weeks' gestation). Level 3 units also care for critically ill newborns who may need surgery or other organ support.

Table 15 reviews Level 2 NICU admission data throughout Broward in 2024. Eight hospitals throughout Broward operate a level 2 NICU, with a total of 117 available bassinets to care for these newborns. Memorial Regional Hospital had the highest average daily census for Level 2 NICU admissions, exceeding the number of allocated bassinets for their Level 2 NICU, with an occupancy rate of 167.2% (Table 15).

Table 15: Level 2 NICU Care Totals Overview, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Bassinets Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Admissions & Transfers*	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Broward Health Coral Springs	10	6.9	68.9%	197	274	2,522	9.2
Broward Health Medical Center	36	21.3	59.2%	202	594	7,795	13.1
HCA Florida University Hospital	14	7.7	55.1%	93	240	2,822	11.8
Holy Cross Health	9	0	0	0	0	0	0
Memorial Hospital Miramar	0	6.9		149	149	2,539	17
Memorial Hospital West	20	11.3	56.5%	354	354	4,133	11.7
Memorial Regional Hospital	22	36.8	167.2%	285	1,034	13,465	13
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	6	4.2	69.8%	39	39	1,533	39.3
Total	117	95.1	81.3%	1,319	2,684	34,809	13

*"Admissions & Transfers" refers to patients admitted in total, plus patients who were admitted into a different unit and then transferred into a neonate level 2 unit

Level 3 NICU, or Advanced NICU, admissions are for babies which require specialized pediatric critical care. Advanced NICU units offer a range of advanced services including round-the-clock care, ventilators, incubators, and surgical specialists.

Table 16 displays care totals for Advanced NICU admissions throughout Broward in 2024. Throughout Broward five hospitals operate a Level 3 NICU with a total of 141 bassinets available for admission. On an average day in 2024, 56.5% of these

bassinets were occupied. Memorial Regional Hospital’s Level 3 NICU had the highest occupancy rate among all locations (Table 16).

Table 16: Level 3 NICU Care Totals Overview, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Bassinets Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Admissions & Transfers*	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Broward Health Medical Center	34	19.9	58.6%	583	1,247	7,297	5.9
HCA Florida University Hospital	18	7.4	41.3%	158	188	2,720	14.5
Memorial Hospital Miramar	16	3.1	19.4%	225	228	1,136	5
Memorial Regional Hospital	62	42.3	68.3%	686	1,519	15,489	10.2
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	11	6.8	62.1%	200	200	2,502	12.5
Total	141	79.6	56.5%	1,852	3,382	29,144	8.6

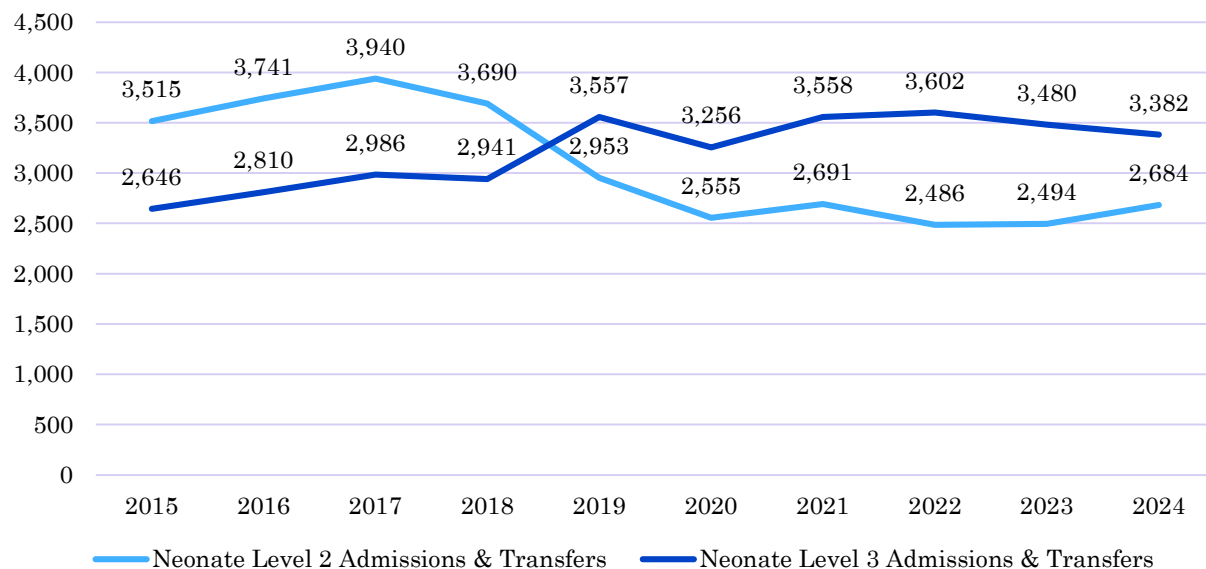
*“Admissions & Transfers” refers to patients admitted in total, plus patients who were admitted into a different unit and then transferred into a neonate level 3 care unit

Level 2 NICU, and Level 3 NICU data can be compared from Table 15 and Table 16. The data shows that the average length of stay at Level 3 NICUs is lower than the average for Level 2 NICUs. Overall, there were more admissions and transfers into the Level 3 NICUs compared to the Level 2 NICUs. Level 2 NICUs had a higher occupancy rate than NICU level 3 (Table 15 & 16).

To note, in 2015 Broward County had only three Advanced Level 3 NICUs. Between 2016 and 2022, this number increased to four, and in 2023, an additional facility (Memorial Hospital Miramar) was added, bringing the total to five Level 3 NICUs across the county. There has consistently been eight Level 2 NICUs in Broward County hospitals over the last 10 years. The number of Level 3 NICU bassinets increased from 95 in 2015 to 141 in 2024. However, for Level 2 NICUs throughout Broward, the number of available bassinets decreased from 132 in 2015 to 117 in 2024.

Figure 14 displays data on the number of Level 2 and Level 3 NICU combined admissions and transfers to these units over the past 10 years throughout Broward County hospitals. Over the period, the data in Figure 15 reveals that prior to 2019 there were more admissions and transfers to Level 2 NICUs, but from 2019 to 2024 the Level 3 NICU admissions exceeded Level 2 NICU admissions and transfers each year (Figure 14).

Figure 14: NICU Level 2 and 3 Admissions & Transfers by Year, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024



Hospital Rehabilitative Services Utilization

Patients are admitted to rehabilitation hospitals when they require intensive, medically supervised therapy following a serious illness, injury, or surgery. These services focus on restoring function, promoting independence, and managing complex medical needs in a structured hospital setting. There are two hospitals in Broward that specialize in rehabilitative care: Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sunrise and St. Anthony's Rehab Hospital. In addition to these two locations, five general service hospitals, and one long-term care hospital in Broward offer rehabilitative service admissions as well, listed in Table 17.

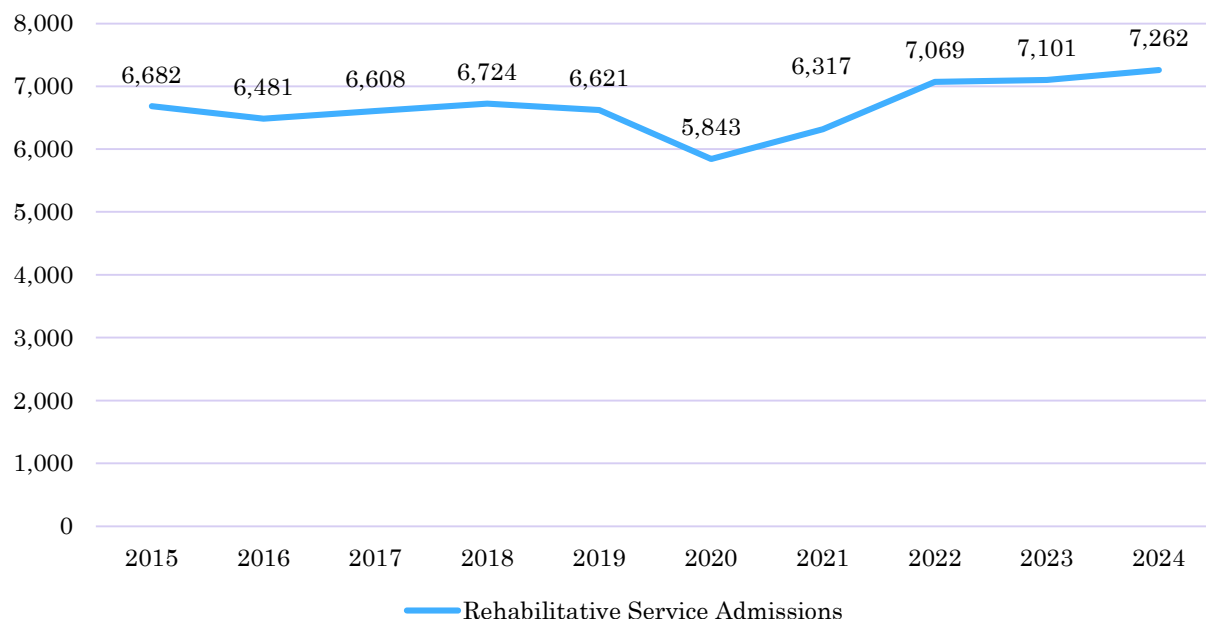
Table 17 shows the number of beds available, and data on admissions for rehabilitative care services throughout hospitals in Broward County. There are 361 rehabilitative service admission beds available countywide. Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sunrise has the largest available admission beds for rehabilitative services, and in 2024, they hosted just under one-third of all rehabilitative service admissions. The average length of stay for rehabilitative services admission was 12.7 days countywide in 2024. Of the 7,262 admissions in 2024, there were 96,804 patient days experienced from patients during their admission (Table 17).

Table 17: Rehabilitative Services Totals Overview, Broward County Hospitals, 2024

Hospital	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Broward Health North	30	23.7	79.0%	669	8,676	12.9
Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sunrise	126	85.6	68.0%	2,500	31,345	12.5
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	25	21.8	87.2%	605	7,982	13.1
Holy Cross Health	48	45.6	95.1%	1,018	16,702	16.4
Kindred Hospital - Ft. Lauderdale	11	6.8	62.0%	184	2,495	14
Memorial Regional Hospital	6	2.8	45.9%	90	1,007	10.1
Memorial Regional Hospital South	89	66.9	75.2%	1,910	24,484	10.9
St. Anthony's Rehab Hospital	26	11.2	43.2%	286	4,113	14.4
Total	361	264.5	73.3%	7,262	96,804	12.7

Figure 15 reviews the number of rehabilitative services admissions at Broward County hospitals each year for the past 10 years. The data reveals that there has been an increasing trend, with a slight dip in 2020, in the number of admissions for rehabilitative care (Figure 15).

Figure 15: Rehabilitative Services Admissions by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-24



Hospital Psychiatric Services Utilization

Patients are admitted to behavioral health units when they need intensive treatment for mental health or substance use disorders that cannot be safely managed in outpatient care. These admissions offer patients 24-hour psychiatric care, therapy, medication management, and support to stabilize patients and promote recovery. There are two hospitals that focus on providing only behavioral health services: Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center and Larkin Community Hospital Behavioral Health Services. Additionally, there are five other hospitals in Broward which offer adult psychiatric service admissions, view Table 18.

Table 18 reviews adult psychiatric admission data throughout Broward in 2024. There were over 20,000 admissions and transfers into adult psychiatric units in 2024. The average length of admission for these units was 4.6 days. On an average day in 2024, 58.3% of beds allocated for behavioral health admissions were occupied (Table 18).

Table 18: Adult Psychiatric Services Overview, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Admissions & Transfers*	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Broward Health Imperial Point	49	32.8	67.0%	2,515	3,272	12,014	3.7
Broward Health Medical Center	87	34.1	39.1%	2,429	4,659	12,464	2.7
Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center	92	93.2	101.3%	6,062	6,062	34,096	5.6
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	47	18.5	39.4%	1,206	1,478	6,786	4.6
Larkin Community Hospital Behavioral Health Services	40	41	102.5%	1,900	1,900	15,008	7.9
Memorial Regional Hospital	54	39.3	72.7%	2,310	3,190	14,375	4.5
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	74	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	444	258.9	58.3%	16,422	20,561	94,743	4.6

*“Admissions & Transfers” refers to patients admitted in total, plus patients who were admitted into a different unit and then transferred into an adult psychiatric unit

Table 19 reviews psychiatric admissions data throughout Broward in 2024. Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center has the largest child and adolescent psychiatric unit, hosting over 56% of the available beds for these admissions in the

County. Memorial Regional Hospital had the highest occupancy rate, 75.8%, among these units, but only has 12 beds (Table 19).

Table 19: Child/Adolescent Psychiatric Services Overview, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Admissions & Transfers*	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center	44	21.8	49.5%	1,486	1,486	7,967	5.4
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	12	8.1	67.2%	565	624	2,953	4.7
Larkin Community Hospital Behavioral Health Services	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
Memorial Regional Hospital	12	9.1	75.8%	13	871	3,331	3.8
Total	78	38.9	49.9%	2,064	2,981	14,251	4.8

*“Admissions & Transfers” refers to patients admitted in total, plus patients who were admitted into a different unit and then transferred into a child/adolescent psychiatric unit

Adults Substance Abuse Utilization

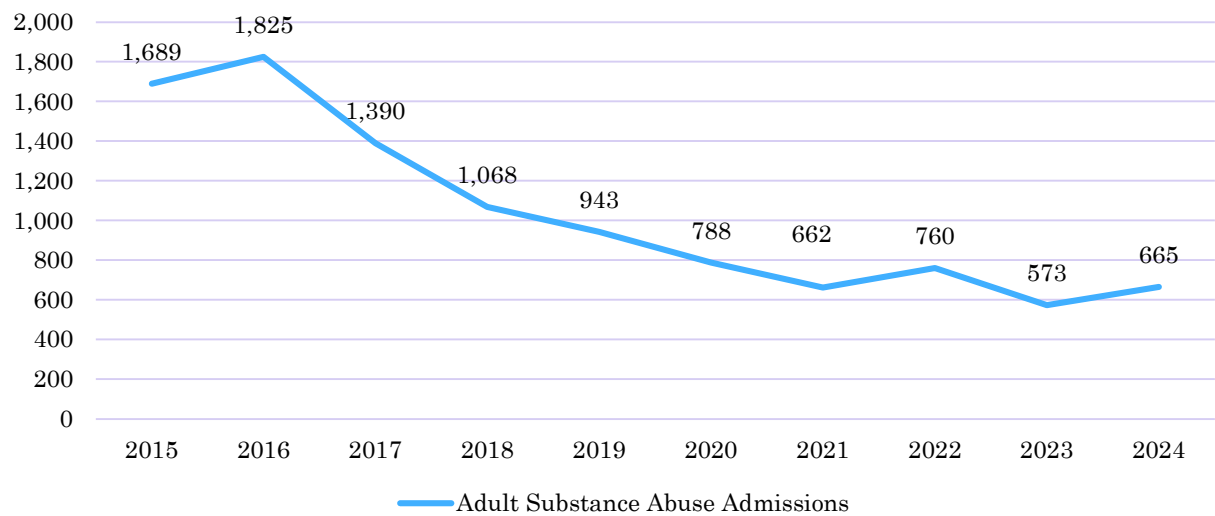
Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center of Sunrise is the only location that offers specific substance abuse hospitalizations. A substance abuse hospitalization provides medical care for individuals experiencing withdrawal, overdose, or complications related to drug or alcohol use. Admissions for substance abuse focus on safe detoxification, stabilization, and treatment initiation for long-term recovery. In 2024, there were 665 admissions for adult substance abuse, with an average length of stay of 9.7 days (Table 20).

Table 20: Adult Substance Abuse Hospital Utilization Overview, Broward 2024

Hospital	Beds Allocated	Avg. Daily Census	Occupancy Rate	Number of admissions	Patient Days	Avg. Length of Stay
Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center	46	17.6	38.3%	665	6,440	9.7

Figure 16 presents the number yearly of adult substance abuse admissions at Broward County hospitals over the past 10 years. Since 2016, admissions have declined significantly, dropping to nearly one-third of their previous level by 2023, reflecting a steady downward trend throughout the period (Figure 16).

Figure 16: Adult Substance Abuse Admissions by Year, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024



Observation Services Utilization

Observation services are hospital outpatient services that a patient receives while a physician decides whether to admit a patient as inpatient or to discharge the patient; this is called an observation admission. Observation admissions are for patients with health issues expected to be managed within 48 hours (CMS, 2025). Observation admissions are not included in the number of total admissions, as they are counted separately as outpatient admissions. These admissions are only offered at the 16 general service hospitals throughout the County.

Table 21 displays observation admissions data overview from Broward hospitals in 2024. Compared to inpatient admissions, observation admissions are much shorter, and total observation hours are used, rather than days, to compare usage. On an average day, there were 412 people admitted for observation throughout County hospitals in 2024. Memorial Regional Hospital had the most observation admissions (18,435) and the highest observation daily census among all County hospitals in 2024 (Table 21).

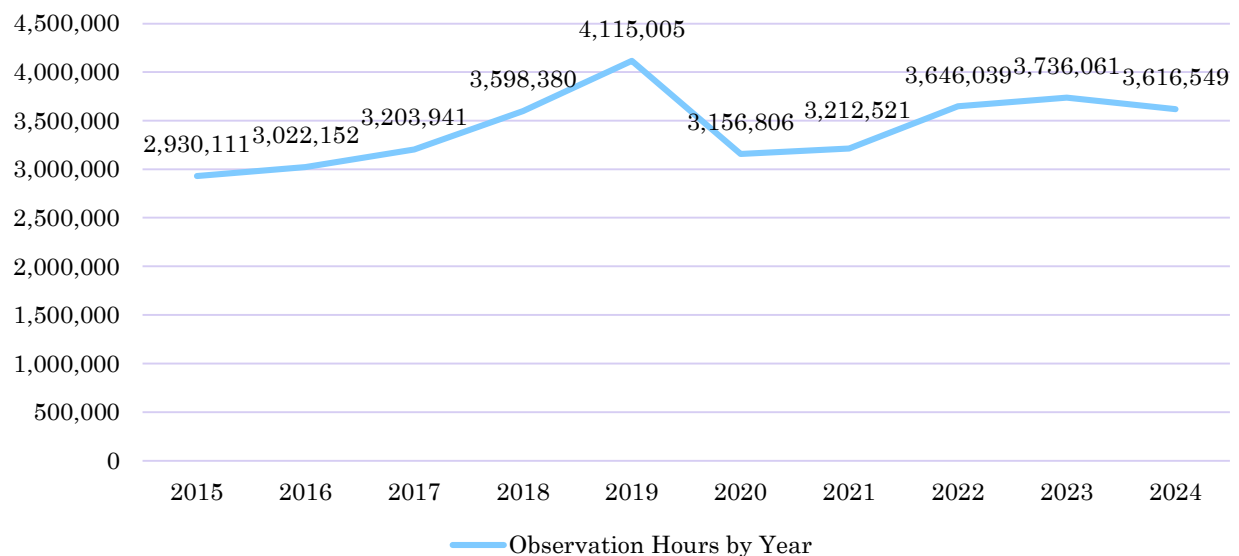
Table 21: Observation Admissions Overview, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Observation Cases	Observation Hours	Avg Daily Census
Broward Health Coral Springs	8,339	283,520	32.3
Broward Health Imperial Point	4,036	123,150	14
Broward Health Medical Center	10,406	418,809	47.7

Broward Health North	8,870	296,384	33.7
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	10,835	265,114	30.2
HCA Florida University Hospital	3,168	55,446	6.3
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	5,234	79,824	9.1
Holy Cross Health	6,076	100,776	11.5
Memorial Hospital Miramar	5,058	186,812	21.3
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	6,338	264,880	30.2
Memorial Hospital West	11,461	394,776	44.9
Memorial Regional Hospital	18,435	696,826	79.3
Memorial Regional Hospital South	1,490	63,729	7.3
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	2,721	89,418	10.2
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	9,145	148,837	16.9
Westside Regional Medical Center	9,051	148,248	16.9
Total	120,663	3,616,549	411.7

Figure 17 displays the observation hours per year, for the past 10 years, in Broward Hospitals. Comparing 2015 to 2024, there were 23% more observations hours (Figure 17), but only a 16.8% increase in observation admissions (Figure 18).

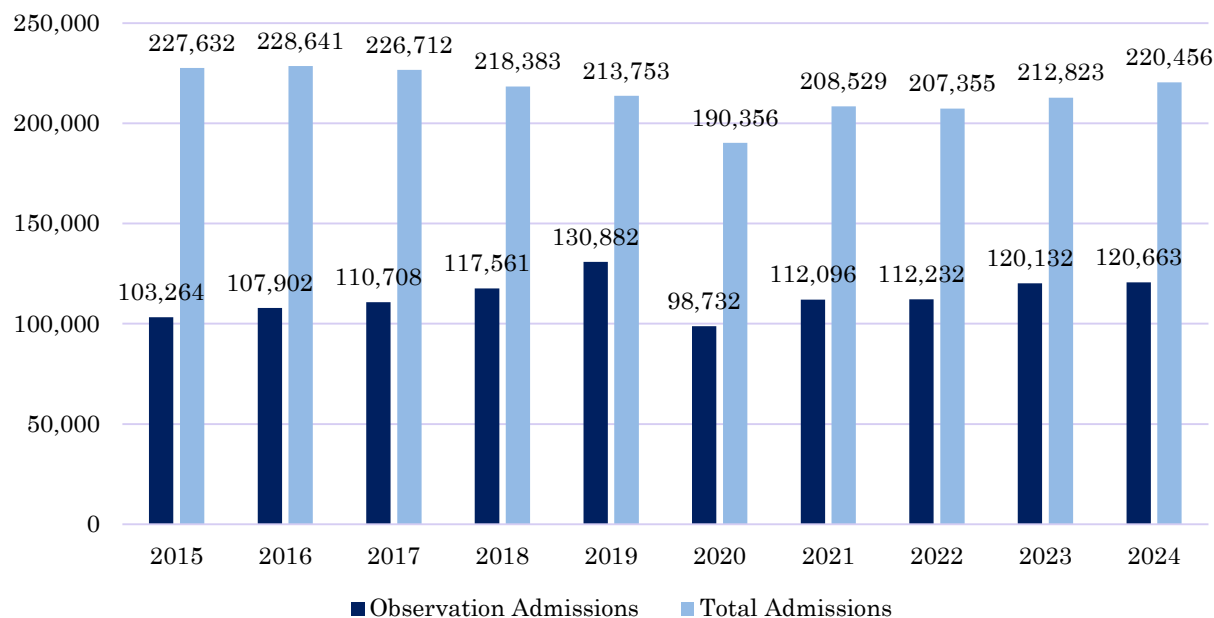
Figure 17: Total Observation Hours by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024



The number of observation admissions compared to total admissions by year is displayed in Figure 18 over the last 10 years. Observation admissions are not counted in the total admissions (which include inpatient only), as they are considered outpatient. Total admissions, displayed in Figure 18, only include the admissions from the 16 general service hospitals in Broward, which are also the only locations offering observation admissions. From 2015 to 2017 total admissions by year were

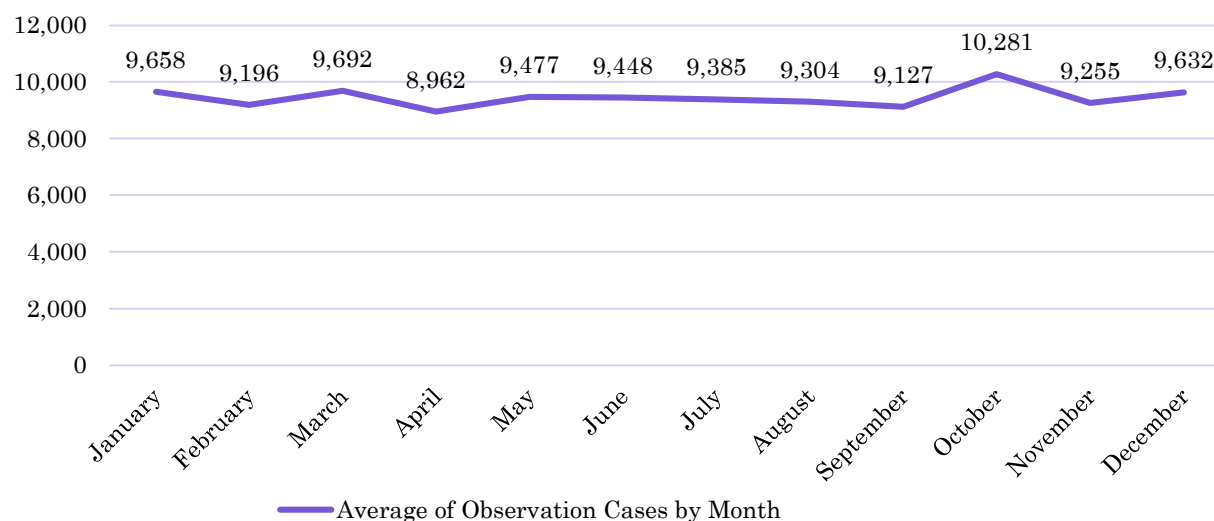
more than double the observation admissions. Observation admissions reached their highest level in 2019. From 2015 to 2019, and again from 2020 to 2024 observation admissions increased each year (Figure 18).

Figure 18: Total Observation Admissions and Total Admissions by Year, Broward 2015-2024



Reviewed in Figure 19 is the 10-year monthly average for observation admissions by month of the year. The data reveals that on average, October has the highest number of observation admissions throughout Broward County hospitals (Figure 19).

Figure 19: 10-Year Average Monthly Number of Observation Admissions, Broward County Hospitals 2015-2024



Emergency Department Utilization

All 16 general service hospitals provide Emergency Department (ED) services, which are a critical component of the healthcare system. The community depends on these departments for immediate care in situations that cannot wait, such as sudden medical emergencies, serious injuries, or mental health and substance use crises. After an emergency department visit, the medical issue is addressed by treatment and discharge or admission to a hospital unit, as reviewed in the data above.

Emergency department utilization is shown in Table 22, including the total number of visits, visits by children and adults, and the number of admissions for each group. Among these locations, there were a total of 1,016,681 ED visits in 2024. From these visits, there were 162,510 admissions in total (16% of total ED visits). For ED visits in 2024, 18.8% of adult visits, and 3.6% of pediatric visits resulted in admissions.

Table 22: Emergency Department Utilization Overview, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Adult Visits	Pediatric Visits	Total Visits	Adult Admit	Pediatric Admit	Total Admit
Broward Health Coral Springs	48,367	21,135	69,502	7,558	1,057	8,615
Broward Health Imperial Point	32,793	2,013	34,806	5,674	0	5,674
Broward Health Medical Center	89,919	24,650	114,569	18,477	1,952	20,429
Broward Health North	54,394	5,168	59,562	10,929	0	10,929
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	49,473	1,389	50,862	9,646	10	9,656
HCA Florida University Hospital	29,724	3,873	33,597	4,611	0	4,611
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	37,082	4,502	41,584	9,971	0	9,971
Holy Cross Health	59,338	199	59,537	13,394	0	13,394
Memorial Hospital Miramar	48,873	17,601	66,474	7,618	22	7,640
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	35,916	1,579	37,495	3,344	0	3,344
Memorial Hospital West	80,489	17,760	98,249	19,085	11	19,096
Memorial Regional Hospital	94,992	70,183	165,175	12,108	3,612	15,720
Memorial Regional Hospital South	23,852	699	24,551	971	0	971
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	26,409	1,713	28,122	4,475	0	4,475
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	50,194	6,417	56,611	13,538	22	13,560
Westside Regional Medical Center	67,308	8,677	75,985	14,425	0	14,425
Total	829,123	187,558	1,016,681	155,824	6,686	162,510

Figure 20 reviews the number of ED visits each year from 2015 to 2024. The year with the highest number of ED visits during this period was 2016, with 1,081,109 Emergency Department visits. In 2020, there was a low point in ED visits, with just 776,552 countywide. The average number of ED visits during the 10-year period was 995,506.3 ED visits per year (Figure 20).

Figure 20: Total Emergency Department Visits by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-24

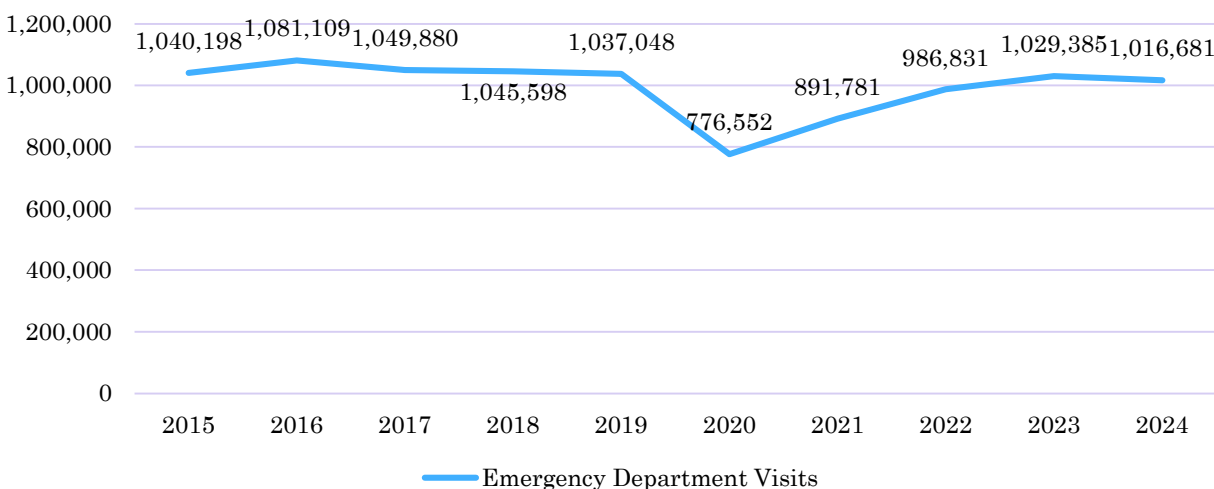
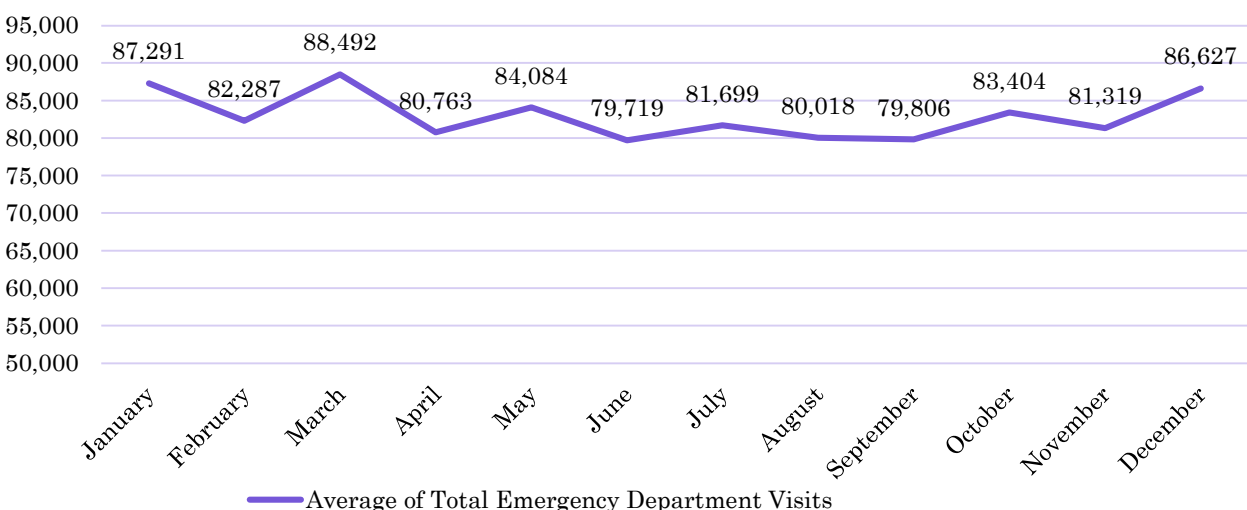


Figure 21 reviews the 10-year monthly average number of Emergency Department (ED) visits, calculated by averaging the number of ED visits each month from 2015-2024. March had the highest average number of ED visits over the period, followed by January and December. June and September had the lowest averages, each with just under 80,000 ED visits during the 10-year period (Figure 21).

Figure 21: 10-Year Average Monthly Number of ED Visits, Broward County Hospitals (2015-2024)



Hospital Surgery and Major Procedures Utilization

This section provides an overview and analysis of the number of surgical and major procedures throughout Broward County hospitals. The data highlights the range of these services available at local hospitals, as well as detailed information on the volume and types of procedures performed. Included are descriptions of these procedures and services. All data in this section comes from the BRHPC data warehouse.

Throughout the data, the number of services and procedures performed is separated by inpatient and outpatient. “Inpatient” refers to services or procedures received while a patient was currently admitted to the hospital. Usually, inpatient procedures are more complex or higher risk. “Outpatient” means the patient receiving the service or procedure was not admitted to the hospital when the service or procedure was performed and the patient was able to return home the same day of the procedure. Usually, outpatient procedures are lower risk (Johns Hopkins, 2025).

Total Surgical Operations

Surgery is a branch of medicine involving the treatment or diagnosis of a disease by structurally altering human tissues. Primarily, surgery is done to correct or improve medical conditions. There are various kinds of surgeries that can be performed based on the needs of the patient (AMA, 2025). Not all surgeries require overnight stay, and there are many ambulatory surgical centers which provide surgical care outside of a hospital setting.

The total number of surgical operations performed throughout Broward County hospitals in 2024 is displayed in Table 23. Hospitals offer a wide range of surgical procedures, with services varying by the specialties and expertise available at each facility. In 2024 there were 119,622 surgeries performed in hospitals countywide, and more than half were outpatient. Memorial Regional Hospital performed the most surgical procedures (17% of total among hospitals) in 2024 (Table 23).

Table 23: Total Surgical Operations, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	1,683	3,041	4,724
Broward Health Imperial Point	1,106	4,242	5,348
Broward Health Medical Center	5,066	4,289	9,355
Broward Health North	2,738	2,470	5,208
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	5,092	10,696	15,788
HCA Florida University Hospital	2,049	2,896	4,945

HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	2,275	2,543	4,818
Holy Cross Health	3,308	4,954	8,262
Kindred Hospital - Ft. Lauderdale	7	0	7
Kindred Hospital - Hollywood	399	0	399
Memorial Hospital Miramar	991	7,194	8,185
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	1,631	2,796	4,427
Memorial Hospital West	3,755	5,669	9,424
Memorial Regional Hospital	7,278	12,348	19,626
Memorial Regional Hospital South	187	3,561	3,748
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	421	366	787
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	4,327	3,691	8,018
Westside Regional Medical Center	4,197	2,356	6,553
Total	46,510	73,112	119,622

Hospital Cardiac Procedures

Open Heart Surgery, Cardiac Catheterizations and Angioplasties are main cardiac services offered at most general service hospital locations throughout Broward. Open heart surgery is a major medical procedure in which the chest is opened to allow surgeons to repair heart defects, replace valves, or perform bypasses. Cardiac catheterizations and angioplasties are less invasive and can be done on an outpatient basis. Cardiac catheterization is a diagnostic procedure used to obtain images of the heart by inserting a flexible tube into an artery and guiding it to the heart. The images are used to identify any issues with structure or function, such as a blockage. An angioplasty is a procedure in which a balloon tipped catheter is navigated through a narrow or blocked artery to open the area and improve blood flow to the heart.

Table 24 reviews these common cardiac procedures and the number performed at each Broward County hospital that offers these services in 2024. Only 1,816 open heart surgeries were performed in 2024. Cardiac catheterizations and angioplasties can be done inpatient or outpatient, but in 2024 both procedures were done more often inpatient. More catheterizations were done, compared to angioplasties (Table 24).

Table 24: Total Adult Cardiac Procedures, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Cardiac Procedure					
	Open Heart Surgery	Catheterization Inpatient	Catheterization Outpatient	Angioplasty Inpatient	Angioplasty Outpatient	Cathet. + Angio. Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	0	337	395	317	220	1,269
Broward Health Imperial Point	0	108	113	135	92	448
Broward Health Medical Center	343	1,211	675	1,358	533	3,777
Broward Health North	0	430	234	422	197	1,283
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	85	841	1,193	0	0	2,034
HCA Florida University Hospital	0	116	105	0	0	221
Holy Cross Health	109	949	842	707	678	3,176
Memorial Hospital West	0	1,387	623	541	92	2,643
Memorial Regional Hospital	973	1,560	1,280	517	554	3,911
Memorial Regional Hospital South	15	0	0	0	0	0
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	0	302	57	58	12	429
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	107	849	639	470	429	2,387
Westside Regional Medical Center	184	1,390	769	433	254	2,846
Total	1,816	9,480	6,925	4,958	3,061	24,424

Figure 22 shows data from the past 10 years of data on the number of these procedures done annually County hospitals. Open heart surgeries have decreased over the last 10 years. From 2021 to 2024 the number of angioplasties increased. The number of catheterizations varied over the period, but in the most recent three years catheterization procedures have increased (Figure 22).

Figure 22: Total Adult Cardiac Procedures by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024

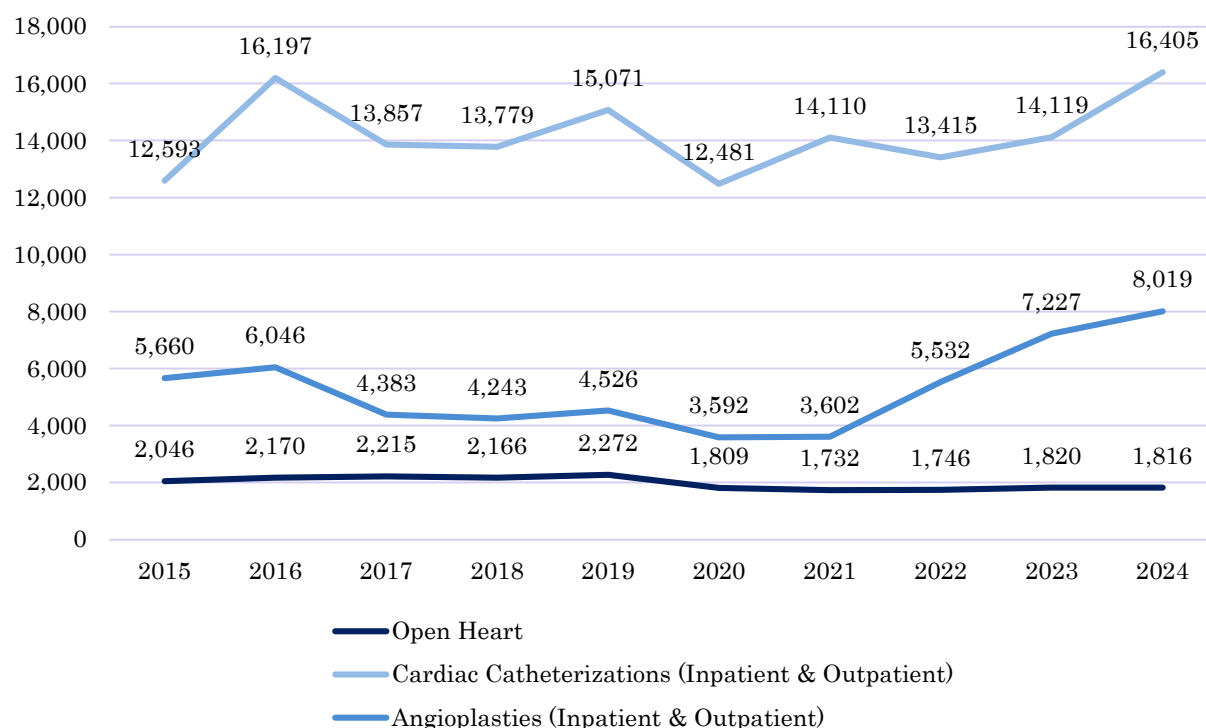


Table 25 reviews these same procedures, but among pediatric patients (under 18 years old). Open heart surgeries are common among pediatric patients, as congenital heart defects—affecting about 1 in 100 live births—often require surgical correction in infancy or childhood, with advances in cardiac care greatly improving survival and long-term outcomes. There were more pediatric open-heart surgeries than pediatric cardiac catheterizations performed in 2024 throughout Broward. Pediatric angioplasties are rare, and none were performed in 2024 (CDC, 2024) (Table 25).

Table 25: Total Pediatric Cardiac Procedures, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Cardiac Procedure					
	Open Heart Surgery	Catheterization Inpatient	Catheterization Outpatient	Angioplasty Inpatient	Angioplasty Outpatient	Cathet. + Angio. Total
Memorial Regional Hospital	163	93	56	0	0	149
Memorial Regional Hospital South	281	0	0	0	0	0
Total	444	93	56	0	0	149

Shock Wave Lithotripsy Procedures

Shock Wave Lithotripsy is a specialized non-invasive procedure used to treat kidney stones. Shock waves are used to break kidney stones into smaller pieces, making them easier to pass from the body (Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Encyclopedia, 2025). These procedures can be performed as inpatient or outpatient, and the number for each, and in total, performed throughout Broward hospitals is shown in Table 26. In 2024, 109 procedures were performed at four different County hospitals which offer this procedure (Table 26).

Table 26: Total Shock Wave Lithotripsy Procedures, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
HCA Florida University Hospital	12	0	12
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	0	3	3
Holy Cross Health	4	29	33
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	46	15	61
Total	62	47	109

Transplant Procedures

Transplants are major surgeries performed to replace organs or tissues that have been severely damaged. These procedures are performed when other medical interventions are not effective. By providing healthy organ or tissue from a donor, transplants restore vital body functions. Successful transplants improve quality of life and, in many cases, significantly extend survival (WHO, 2025).

Table 27 reviews the number of adult transplants that occurred throughout the three County hospitals that provide these procedures, by type of organ transplant, in 2024. The most common transplant was a kidney transplant, making up over 50% of the adult transplant procedures. The next most common transplant was bone marrow, then heart transplants in 2024 (Table 27).

Table 27: Total Adult Transplant Procedures, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Heart	Bone Marrow	Liver	Kidney	Pancreas	Total
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	53	0	79	132	0	264
Memorial Hospital West	0	105	0	0	0	105
Memorial Regional Hospital	43	0	0	197	2	242
Total	96	105	79	329	2	611

Figure 23 reviews the number of adult transplants by type of transplant and total number of transplants. Kidney, heart and bone marrow transplants have all shown an increasing trend over the last 10 years. Kidney transplants have been the most common transplant each year. The overall number of transplants has increased annually, except for 2020 when there was a decline compared to the prior year.

Figure 23: Adult Transplant Procedures by Type Per Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024

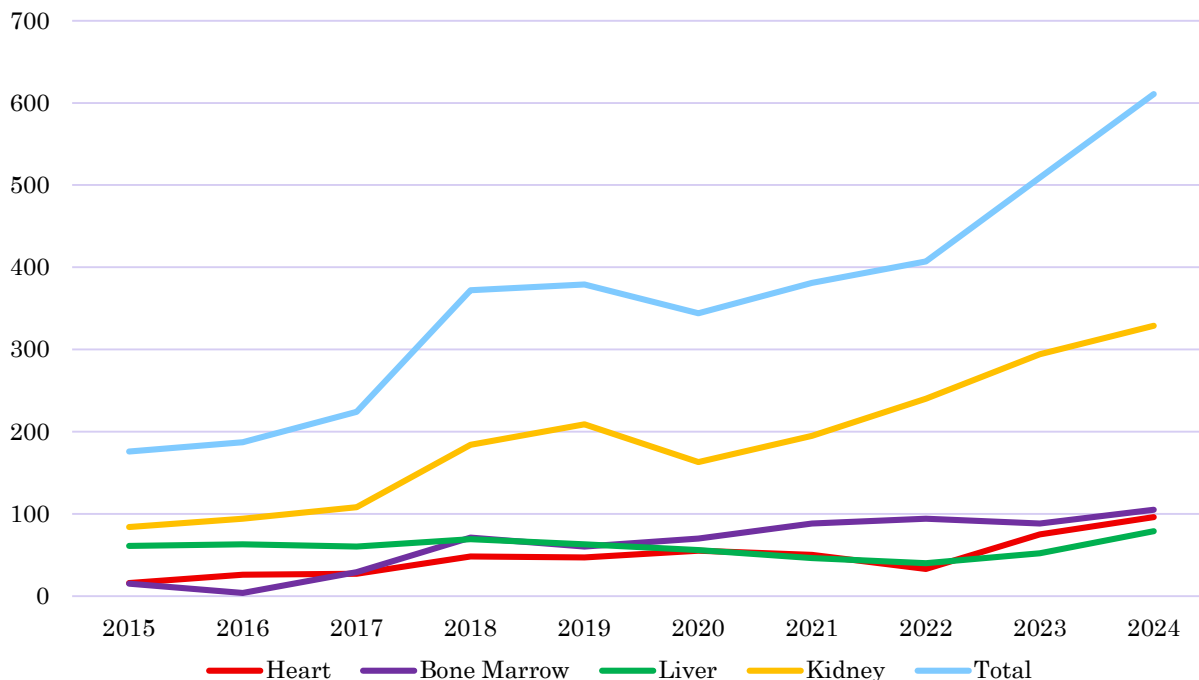


Table 28 reviews the number of pediatric transplants performed at the only hospital which performed them in the County, Memorial Regional Hospital. In total there were 12 pediatric transplants last year, with 9 kidney transplants and 3 heart transplants (Table 28).

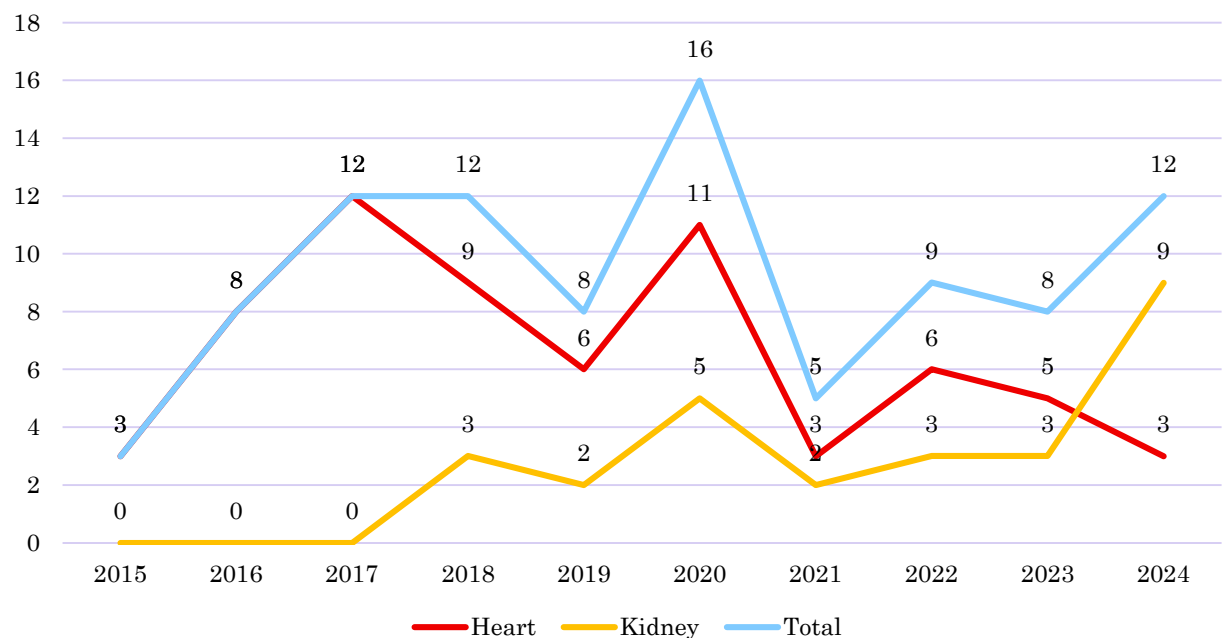
Table 28: Total Pediatric Transplant Procedures, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Heart	Kidney	Total
Memorial Regional Hospital	3	9	12

Figure 24 reviews the number of pediatric transplants by type of transplant and total number of transplants over the past 10 years. Over this period, all pediatric transplants in the county were performed at Memorial Regional Hospital. The only pediatric transplants to be performed over the past 10 years have been kidney or heart transplants. Each year, except for 2024, there were more pediatric heart

transplants than kidney transplants. 2020 was the year with the highest number of pediatric transplants (Figure 24).

Figure 24: Pediatric Transplant Procedures by Type, Memorial Regional Hospital 2015-2024



Hospital Therapy Services

Hospital Therapy Services include a range of specialized treatments that support patients’ recovery and overall well-being. This section reviews data on speech therapy, physical therapy, and occupational therapy services provided across Broward County hospitals. All data in this section is from the BRHPC data warehouse.

This section reviews the number of therapy services both in total, and by inpatient or outpatient status. “Inpatient” refers to services received while a patient was currently admitted to the hospital. “Outpatient” means the patient receiving the service was not admitted to the hospital when the service was performed (Johns Hopkins, 2025).

Physical Therapy Services

Physical therapy, sometimes referred to as physical medicine or physical rehabilitation, is a specialized service designed to help people regain body functions that have been lost due to a medical injury. This specialized field can be used to

restore many functions, such as chewing and swallowing, bladder and bowel control, and movement or mobility (Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Encyclopedia, 2025).

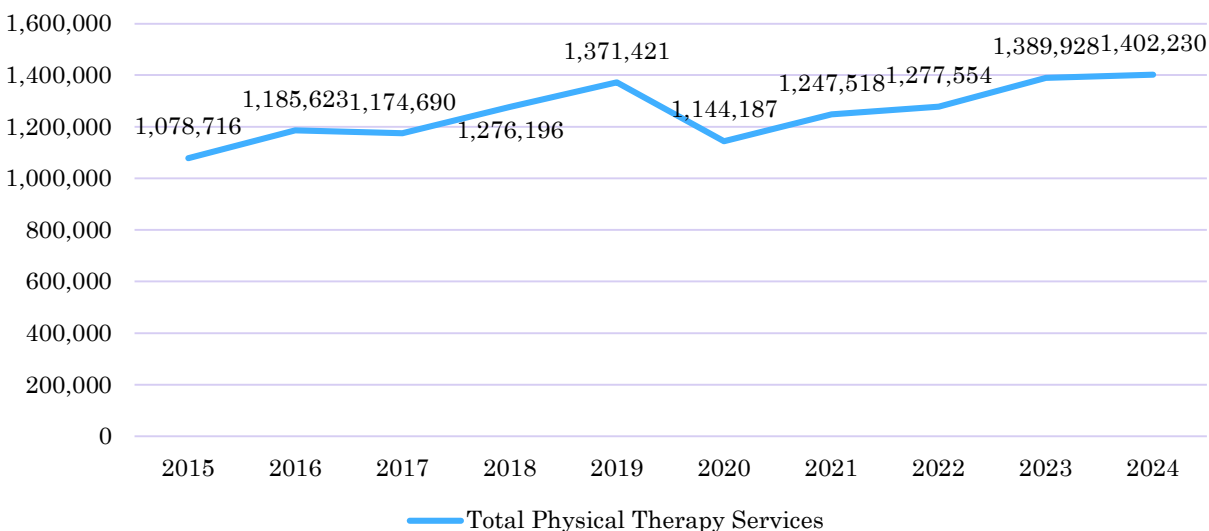
Table 29 reviews the number of physical therapy services performed throughout Broward County hospitals in 2024. In 2024 over 1.4 million physical therapy services were received by patients throughout Broward hospitals with a majority being outpatient. Holy Cross Health offered the most physical therapy services in 2024 (Table 29).

Table 29: Total Physical Therapy Services, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	22,181	40,911	63,092
Broward Health Imperial Point	6,159	38,079	44,238
Broward Health Medical Center	38,699	29,704	68,403
Broward Health North	33,277	25,391	58,668
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	38,365	5,752	44,117
HCA Florida University Hospital	22,288	30,873	53,161
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	55,226	2,712	57,938
Holy Cross Health	133,249	203,584	336,833
Kindred Hospital - Ft. Lauderdale	17,160	0	17,160
Memorial Hospital Miramar	7,242	70,776	78,018
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	11,451	2,517	13,968
Memorial Hospital West	45,421	145,484	190,905
Memorial Regional Hospital	45,838	12,954	58,792
Memorial Regional Hospital South	95,520	101,914	197,434
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	8,492	3,980	12,472
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	31,059	10,762	41,821
Westside Regional Medical Center	59,245	5,965	65,210
Total	670,872	731,358	1,402,230

Figure 25 reviews the number of physical therapy services provided each year at Broward County hospitals over the last 10 years. In the most recent five years, the number of physical therapy services provided have risen annually (Figure 25).

Figure 25: Total Physical Therapy Services by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024



Occupational Therapy Services

Occupational therapy is a field in which medical professionals help individuals participate in daily activities despite physical, developmental or emotional challenges, aiming improve their functioning, independence and well-being through tailored interventions and strategies (Johns Hopkins Medicine, *Occupational Therapy*, 2025).

Occupational Therapy Services are offered at most hospitals throughout Broward. Table 30 reviews the number of occupational therapy services provided throughout the County hospitals in 2024. Holy Cross Health and Memorial Regional South offered the highest number of occupational therapy services, compared to other locations. Most occupational therapy services offered in 2024 were provided inpatient (Table 30).

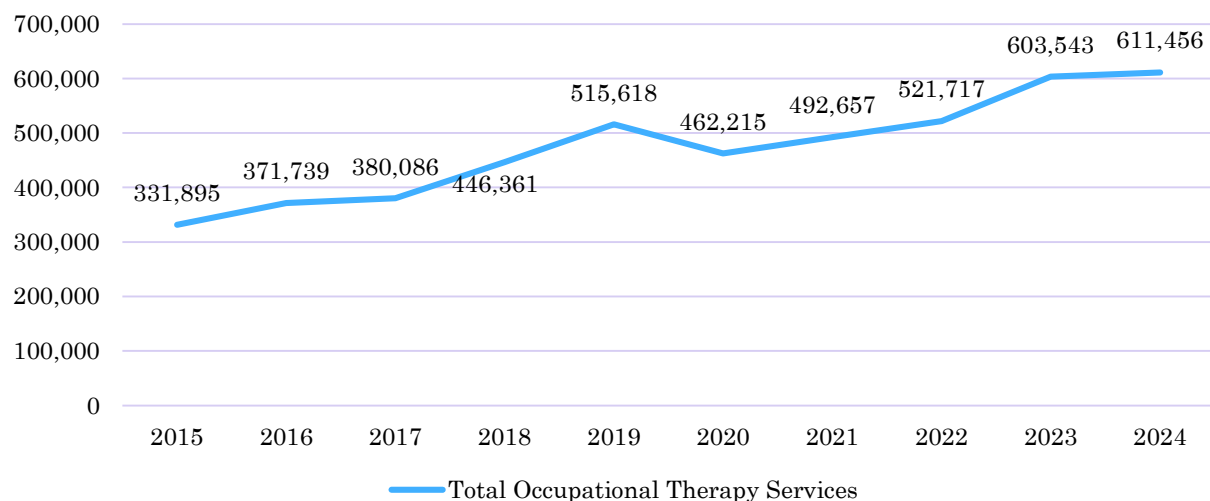
Table 30: Total Occupational Therapy Services, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	5,755	26,366	32,121
Broward Health Medical Center	26,384	17,832	44,216
Broward Health North	6,465	7,414	13,879
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	22,676	1,564	24,240
HCA Florida University Hospital	11,166	9,686	20,852
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	46,394	680	47,074
Holy Cross Health	109,082	32,176	141,258
Kindred Hospital - Ft. Lauderdale	12,903	0	12,903

Memorial Hospital Miramar	3,281	12,988	16,269
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	4,059	785	4,844
Memorial Hospital West	17,715	29,798	47,513
Memorial Regional Hospital	30,288	11,647	41,935
Memorial Regional Hospital South	101,661	13,206	114,867
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	2,940	973	3,913
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	19,818	3,537	23,355
Westside Regional Medical Center	20,644	1,573	22,217
Total	441,231	170,225	611,456

Figure 26 reviews the number of occupational therapy services offered each year at Broward County Hospitals over the last 10 years. Occupational therapy services have shown an increasing trend and nearly doubled during the period (Figure 26).

Figure 26: Total Occupational Therapy Services by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024



Speech Therapy Services

Speech therapy helps patients who have speech and language disorders such as aphasia, dysarthria or voice disturbances, which are sometimes caused by another health condition that affects the language centers of the brain (Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Encyclopedia, 2025). Speech Therapy services are offered at all 16 general service hospitals and at long term care hospital, Kindred Ft. Lauderdale.

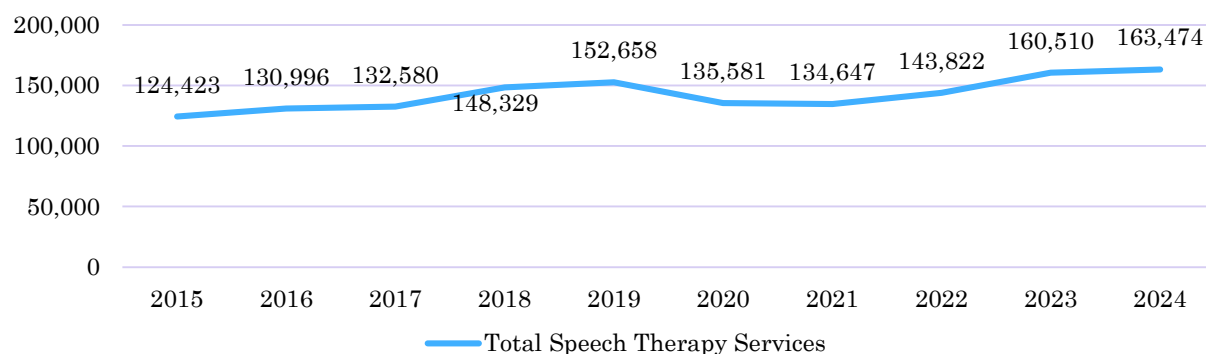
Table 31 reviews the number of speech therapy services offered throughout Broward County hospitals in 2024. Westside Regional Medical Center offered the most speech therapy services, with more than 20,000 in 2024. Most of these services were provided inpatient throughout Broward County hospitals (Table 31).

Table 31: Total Speech Therapy Services, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	3,129	6,089	9,218
Broward Health Imperial Point	495	291	786
Broward Health Medical Center	7,395	2,924	10,319
Broward Health North	5,877	1,514	7,391
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	3,986	5,988	9,974
HCA Florida University Hospital	8,045	1,798	9,843
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	5,591	51	5,642
Holy Cross Health	10,275	2,076	12,351
Kindred Hospital - Ft. Lauderdale	4,563	0	4,563
Memorial Hospital Miramar	1,641	3,703	5,344
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	1,832	519	2,351
Memorial Hospital West	9,587	9,882	19,469
Memorial Regional Hospital	8,294	9,276	17,570
Memorial Regional Hospital South	8,303	2,598	10,901
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	2,966	437	3,403
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	11,615	827	12,442
Westside Regional Medical Center	20,047	1,860	21,907
Total	113,641	49,833	163,474

Figure 27 reviews the number of speech therapy services offered each year at Broward County hospitals over the last 10 years. Each year during the period, except between 2020 to 2021, the number of speech therapy services increased compared to the prior year. From 2015 to 2024, there was an increase of nearly 40,000 speech therapy services provided annually (Figure 27).

Figure 27: Total Speech Therapy Services by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024



Hospital Diagnostic & Imaging Procedures

Hospital diagnostic and imaging procedures play a vital role in identifying and monitoring medical conditions. This section reviews data on the range and frequency of imaging services provided within Broward County hospitals. All data in this section is from the BRHPC data warehouse.

This section reviews the number of diagnostic and imaging procedures both in total, and by inpatient or outpatient status. “Inpatient” refers to procedures received while a patient is currently admitted to the hospital. “Outpatient” means the patient receiving the procedure was not admitted to the hospital when the service was performed (Johns Hopkins, 2025).

Laboratory Services

Laboratory services are performed to help guide diagnosis and monitor health conditions. There are many different lab tests that can be performed, and the total number of laboratory services offered in Broward hospitals in 2024 is shown in Table 32. Over 13 million laboratory services were provided in County hospitals in 2024. The number of laboratory services offered varies by the number of admissions and patients seen. Over 2 million laboratory services were offered at Memorial Regional Hospital in 2024, the most offered at any location in 2024 (Table 32).

Table 32: Total Laboratory Services, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	376,666	360,098	736,764
Broward Health Imperial Point	163,486	179,623	343,109
Broward Health Medical Center	1,005,800	587,925	1,593,725
Broward Health North	524,033	347,925	871,958
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	686,611	584,123	1,270,734
HCA Florida University Hospital	115,560	130,585	246,145
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	286,494	155,480	441,974
Holy Cross Health	542,189	897,429	1,439,618
Kindred Hospital - Ft. Lauderdale	21,011	0	21,011
Memorial Hospital Miramar	299,180	346,600	645,780
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	220,327	301,891	522,218
Memorial Hospital West	896,161	543,094	1,439,255
Memorial Regional Hospital	1,190,412	871,102	2,061,514
Memorial Regional Hospital South	88,294	139,426	227,720
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	155,615	58,656	214,271
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	376,049	195,613	571,662
Westside Regional Medical Center	449,973	209,235	659,208
Total	7,397,861	5,908,805	13,306,666

Computed Tomography Scans (CT/CAT Scans)

Computed Tomography scans, also known as CT or CAT scans, are imaging procedures used in various medical settings to provide a more detailed view than an x-ray. These images are produced by using x-rays to create cross-sectional pictures of the body (Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Encyclopedia, 2025).

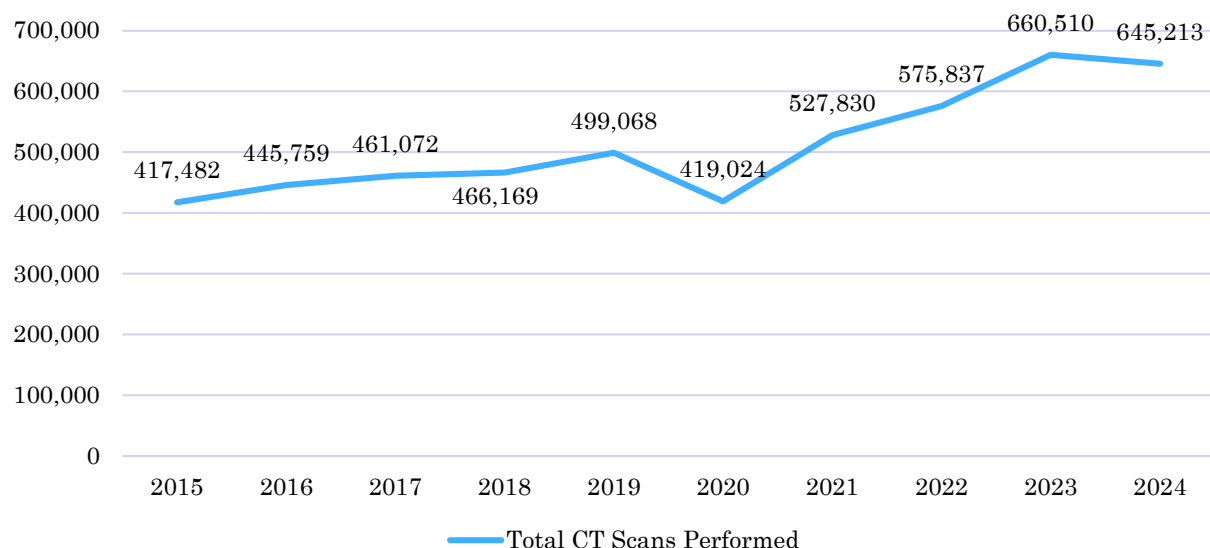
CT scans are a useful diagnostic tool and are provided at all 16 general service hospitals throughout Broward County. Table 33 summarizes the total number of CT scans performed in 2024, and how many were done inpatient and outpatient. More than 645,000 CT scans were performed in 2024, most of them outpatient. Memorial Regional Hospital performed the most CT scans, with over 71,000 in 2024 (Table 33).

Table 33: Total CT Scans, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	11,106	28,326	39,432
Broward Health Imperial Point	4,413	12,328	16,741
Broward Health Medical Center	31,449	46,953	78,402
Broward Health North	25,114	32,218	57,332
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	19,315	45,120	64,435
HCA Florida University Hospital	4,882	10,768	15,650
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	11,921	16,530	28,451
Holy Cross Health	19,093	28,789	47,882
Kindred Hospital - Ft. Lauderdale	266	0	266
Kindred Hospital - Hollywood	302	0	302
Memorial Hospital Miramar	6,202	26,248	32,450
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	5,467	18,209	23,676
Memorial Hospital West	23,554	28,014	51,568
Memorial Regional Hospital	33,070	38,889	71,959
Memorial Regional Hospital South	2,525	17,710	20,235
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	2,670	10,286	12,956
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	17,466	18,418	35,884
Westside Regional Medical Center	25,115	22,477	47,592
Total	243,930	401,283	645,213

Figure 28 reviews the number of CT scans performed offered each year at Broward County hospitals over the last 10 years. From 2015 to 2024 there was an increase of over 200,000 CT scans done annually (Figure 28).

Figure 28: Total CT Scans Performed by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024



Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRIs)

A magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scan uses powerful magnets and radio waves to create detailed pictures of the body. MRIs are widely used as a more detailed diagnostic tool for various structures of the body, and these scans are recognized as more detailed than an x-ray or CT scan (Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Encyclopedia, 2025).

Table 34 reviews the number of MRIs performed throughout Broward County hospitals in 2024. Over 126,000 MRIs were performed in Broward County Hospitals in 2024 (Table 34).

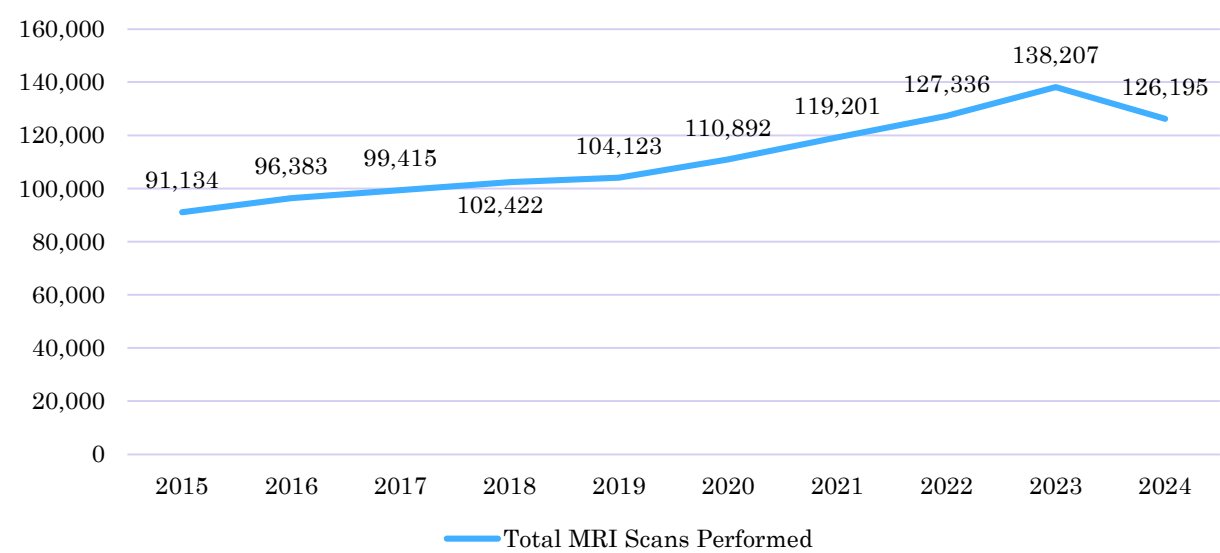
Table 34: Total MRI Scans, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	1,996	3,415	5,411
Broward Health Imperial Point	672	1,341	2,013
Broward Health Medical Center	4,271	3,087	7,358
Broward Health North	3,199	2,637	5,836
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	2,395	20,818	23,213
HCA Florida University Hospital	1,046	751	1,797
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	2,013	338	2,351
Holy Cross Health	3,229	7,558	10,787
Memorial Hospital Miramar	1,587	10,053	11,640
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	1,736	4,997	6,733
Memorial Hospital West	6,362	6,506	12,868
Memorial Regional Hospital	7,691	11,632	19,323

Memorial Regional Hospital South	580	6,186	6,766
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	878	592	1,470
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	2,684	819	3,503
Westside Regional Medical Center	4,022	1,104	5,126
Total	44,361	81,834	126,195

Figure 29 reviews the number of MRI scans performed each year at Broward County hospitals over the last 10 years. Every year during the period, the number of MRI scans increased except in the most recent year, which saw a decrease from 2023 to 2024 (Figure 29).

Figure 29: Total MRI Scans Performed by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024



Ultrasound Procedures

Ultrasonounds are procedures that use high-frequency sound waves to create images of structures and organs in the body. These procedures are typically used for diagnostic purposes or for pregnancy monitoring (Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Encyclopedia, 2025).

Table 35 shows the number of ultrasound procedures performed throughout Broward County hospitals in 2024. Over 430,000 ultrasounds were performed in 2024, and the majority were done in an outpatient setting (Table 35).

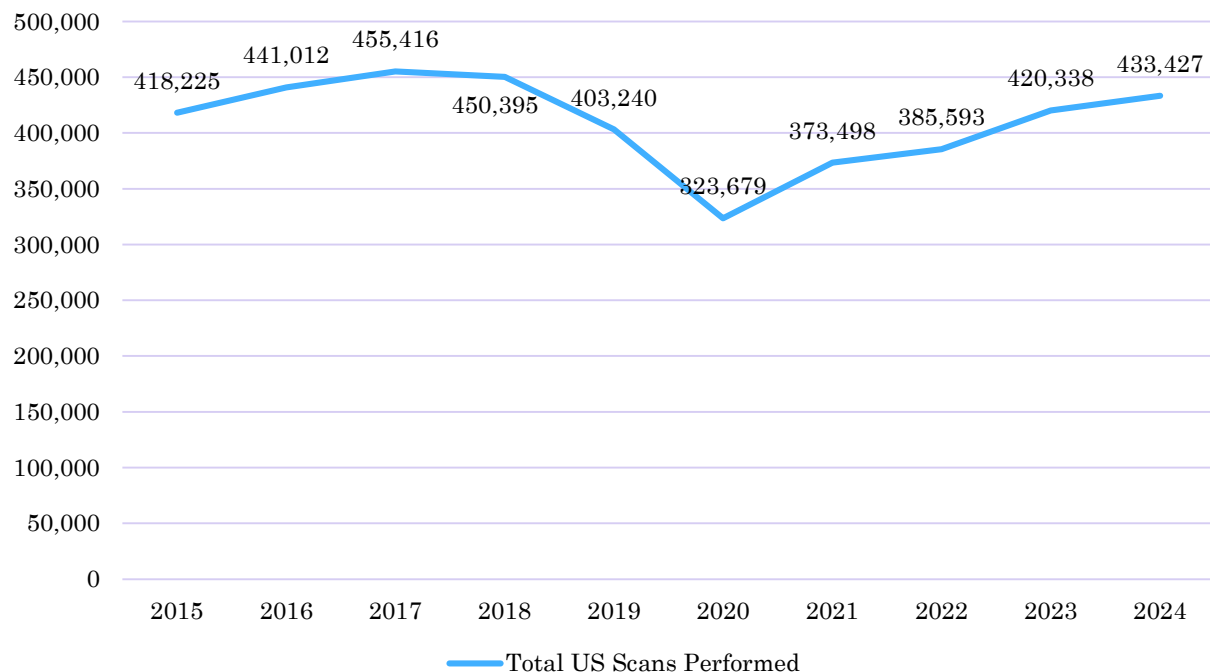
Table 35: Total Ultrasound Scans, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	6,514	22,078	28,592

Broward Health Imperial Point	2,241	7,186	9,427
Broward Health Medical Center	16,405	23,506	39,911
Broward Health North	6,856	8,649	15,505
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	9,544	33,446	42,990
HCA Florida University Hospital	4,650	8,214	12,864
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	6,803	3,263	10,066
Holy Cross Health	8,177	27,001	35,178
Kindred Hospital - Ft. Lauderdale	423	0	423
Kindred Hospital - Hollywood	501	0	501
Memorial Hospital Miramar	8,118	25,118	33,236
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	3,714	9,622	13,336
Memorial Hospital West	24,830	36,046	60,876
Memorial Regional Hospital	22,087	37,436	59,523
Memorial Regional Hospital South	1,879	11,898	13,777
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	2,042	3,115	5,157
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	16,127	15,469	31,596
Westside Regional Medical Center	10,904	9,565	20,469
Total	151,815	281,612	433,427

Figure 30 reviews the number of ultrasound scans performed each year at Broward County hospitals over the last 10 years. While annual volumes fluctuated over the period, the overall trend remained relatively stable, with only a modest net increase of about 20,000 scans between 2015 and 2024 (Figure 30).

Figure 30: Total US Scans Performed by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024



Nuclear Medicine

There are various kinds of Nuclear Medicine procedures, used for either research, diagnostic, or treatment purposes. Nuclear imaging procedures include the use of a contrast agent, called a radionuclide, which is absorbed by an organ or tissue to highlight the area(s) during an x-ray. Nuclear imaging provides more detailed information on how well an organ is functioning than a standard x-ray. After the imaging is complete, a radiation detector, typically a gamma camera, detects and absorbs the radiation. Primarily, nuclear medicine is used as a diagnostic tool. These nuclear imaging tests are commonly ordered to check the structure or function of the kidneys, thyroid, bones, heart, brain or breasts. These scans can be used to diagnose inflammatory disease, tumors, and abscesses (Johns Hopkins Medicine, *Nuclear Medicine*, 2025).

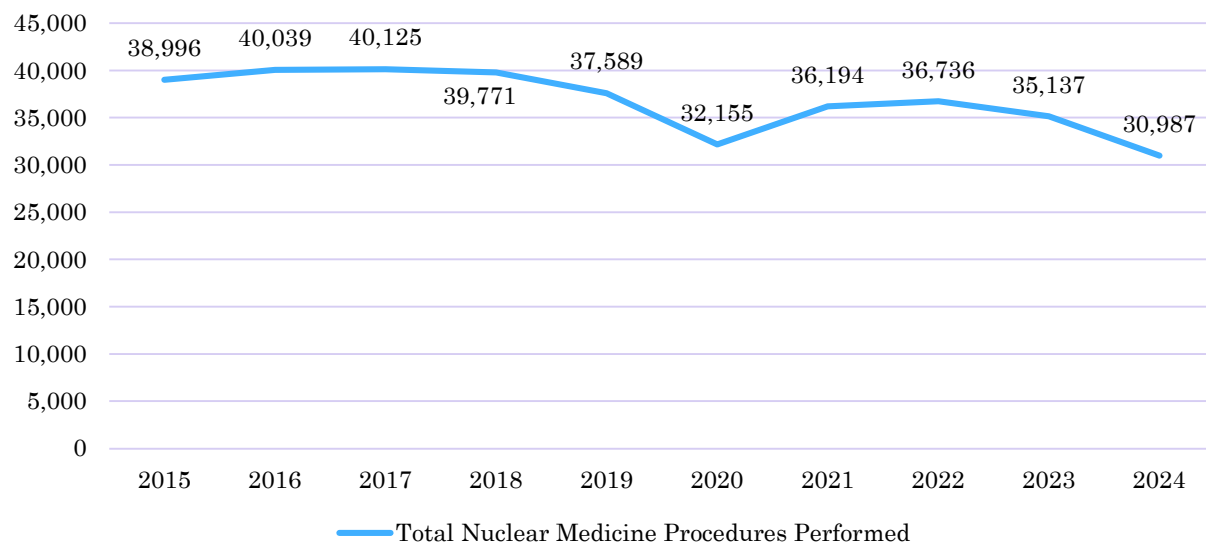
Table 36 reviews the number of nuclear medicine procedures performed throughout Broward County hospitals in 2024. Nuclear imaging is used less often for diagnostic testing than other imaging types in Broward. Last year, over 30,000 nuclear medicine procedures were performed (Table 36).

Table 36: Total Nuclear Medicine Procedures, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	653	713	1,366
Broward Health Imperial Point	258	854	1,112
Broward Health Medical Center	1,119	1,464	2,583
Broward Health North	654	794	1,448
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	416	6,325	6,741
HCA Florida University Hospital	454	388	842
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	995	88	1,083
Holy Cross Health	775	1,406	2,181
Kindred Hospital - Hollywood	501	0	501
Memorial Hospital Miramar	268	812	1,080
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	282	351	633
Memorial Hospital West	1,177	1,177	2,354
Memorial Regional Hospital	962	1,617	2,579
Memorial Regional Hospital South	59	446	505
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	393	218	611
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	1,715	662	2,377
Westside Regional Medical Center	1,786	1,205	2,991
Total	12,467	18,520	30,987

Figure 31 reviews the number of nuclear medicine procedures performed each year at Broward County hospitals over the last 10 years. Over the period there has been a general decreasing trend, with some variation (Figure 31).

Figure 31: Total Nuclear Medicine Procedures Performed by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024



All Other Radiological Procedures

Table 37 reviews the number of all other radiological procedures performed throughout Broward County hospitals in 2024. Primarily, this number includes the number of x-ray procedures performed, except for specific x-ray procedures like mammography which are counted separately (reviewed next). X-rays are procedures that use x-ray waves to create images of the internal body. These procedures are used in a variety of settings, primarily for diagnostic purposes (Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Encyclopedia, 2025). In 2024, over 1 million “other” radiological procedures were performed throughout Broward (Table 37).

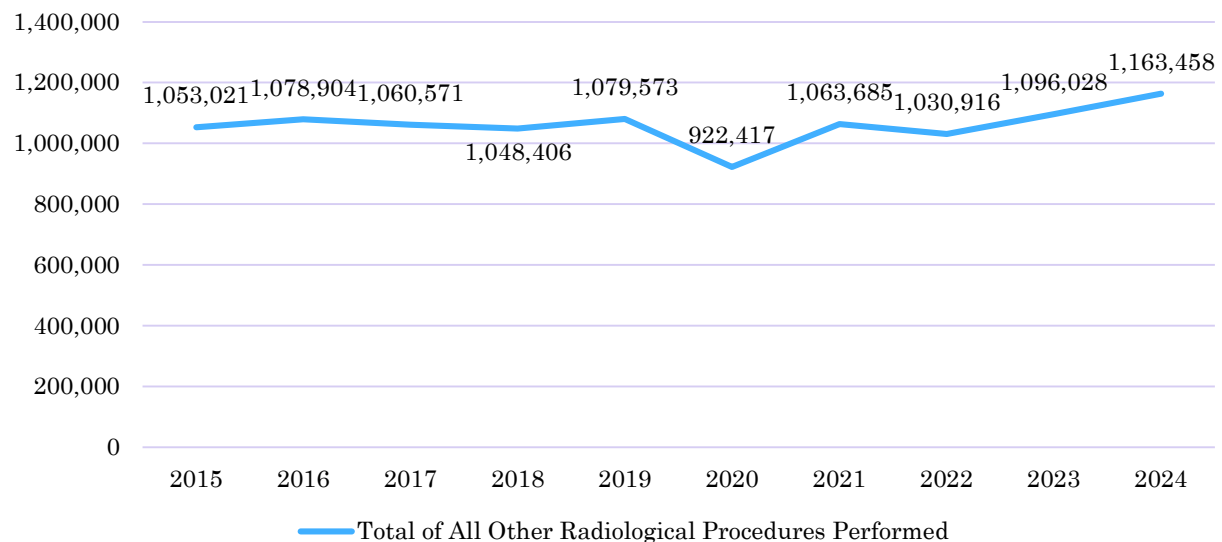
Table 37: Total of All Other Radiological Procedures, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	21,630	44,689	66,319
Broward Health Imperial Point	8,667	19,888	28,555
Broward Health Medical Center	72,345	71,063	143,408
Broward Health North	38,387	40,060	78,447
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	41,349	59,863	101,212
HCA Florida University Hospital	8,669	14,399	23,068

HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	16,932	21,229	38,161
Holy Cross Health	43,865	52,265	96,130
Kindred Hospital - Ft. Lauderdale	3,239	0	3,239
Kindred Hospital - Hollywood	4,426	0	4,426
Memorial Hospital Miramar	11,830	35,832	47,662
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	11,861	39,848	51,709
Memorial Hospital West	41,343	47,929	89,272
Memorial Regional Hospital	101,199	97,984	199,183
Memorial Regional Hospital South	6,227	36,951	43,178
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	5,771	16,867	22,638
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	25,020	24,553	49,573
Westside Regional Medical Center	45,350	31,928	77,278
Total	508,110	655,348	1,163,458

Figure 32 reviews the number of these radiological procedures performed each year at Broward County hospitals over the last 10 years. In the last three years the number of these procedures has increased annually (Figure 32).

Figure 32: Total of All Other Radiological Procedures Performed by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024



Mammography

A mammography is a procedure in which the breasts are imaged using x-rays. This diagnostic procedure is used to evaluate the breasts and detect abnormalities. Mammography is a primary screening measure for breast cancer, but it is also ordered to evaluate breast symptoms. Usually, a mammography is recommended for

women to do every one to two years after age 40 or 50 (Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Encyclopedia, 2025).

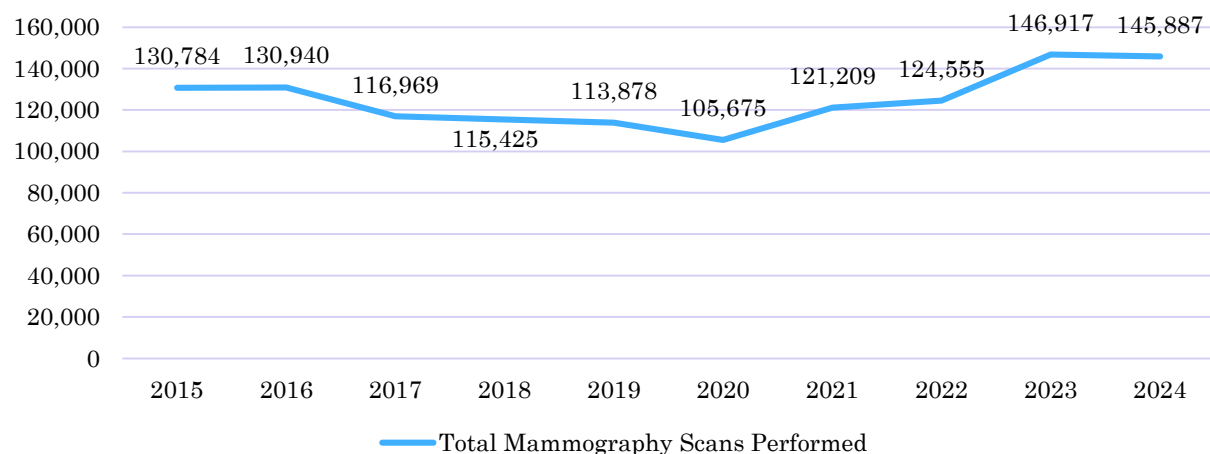
Table 38 reviews the number of Mammography procedures performed throughout Broward County hospitals in 2024. Most of these procedures were performed outpatient, and in 2024 there were over 145,000 mammograms done in Broward County hospitals (Table 38).

Table 38: Total Mammography Procedures, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Coral Springs	0	6,139	6,139
Broward Health Imperial Point	0	2,474	2,474
Broward Health Medical Center	1	6,307	6,308
Broward Health North	0	1,472	1,472
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	22	16,536	16,558
HCA Florida University Hospital	7	1,051	1,058
Holy Cross Health	908	27,020	27,928
Memorial Hospital Miramar	218	29,365	29,583
Memorial Hospital West	0	14,576	14,576
Memorial Regional Hospital	30	3,061	3,091
Memorial Regional Hospital South	13	32,030	32,043
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	1	2,203	2,204
Westside Regional Medical Center	2	2,451	2,453
Total	1,202	144,685	145,887

Figure 33 reviews the number of mammography scans performed each year at Broward County hospitals over the last 10 years.

Figure 33: Total Mammography Scans Performed by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024



Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Scans

A Positron Emission Tomography (PET) scan is a nuclear imaging test. A radioactive tracer, injected into the patient, is used to create 3D images of the body’s internal structures and tissues. The results of these images allow medical professionals to understand how well organs and tissues are functioning, rather than just their overall structure. PET scans can be used to detect cancer, neurological disorders, and infections, and to assess cardiac function, among other uses (Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Encyclopedia, 2025).

Table 39 shows the number of PET scan procedures performed among the four County hospitals which provide PET scans. In 2024, there were 5,159 PET scans performed with a majority conducted on an outpatient basis (Table 39).

Table 39: Total PET Scan Procedures, Broward Hospitals 2024

Hospital	Inpatient	Outpatient	Total
Broward Health Medical Center	0	87	87
Broward Health North	0	514	514
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	27	2,497	2,524
Holy Cross Health	14	2,020	2,034
Total	41	5,118	5,159

Figure 34 reviews the number of PET scans performed offered each year at Broward County Hospitals over the last 10 years. Over the period there has been an increasing trend in the number of PET scans performed. From 2023 to 2024, there was a slight drop in the number performed (Figure 34).

Figure 34: Total PET Scans Performed by Year, Broward Hospitals 2015-2024

