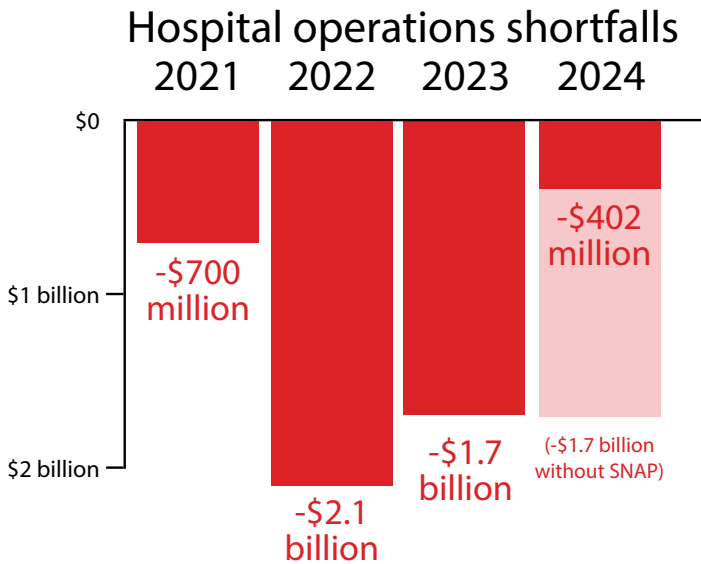
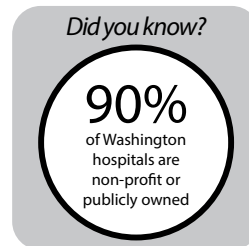


Hospital Finances: Losses from 2021-2024



Growth in expenses: 2021-2024

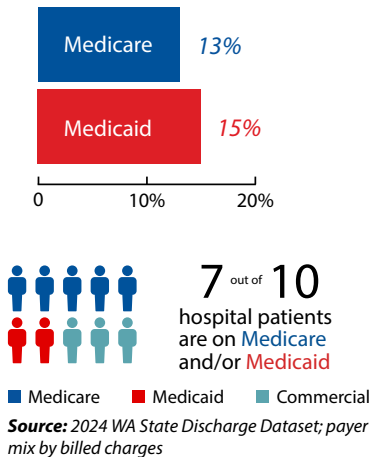


Hospitals provided
\$473 million
in charity care in 2023

Source: WSHA Hospital/Health System Financial Surveys, 2021-2024, representing 97% of licensed beds.

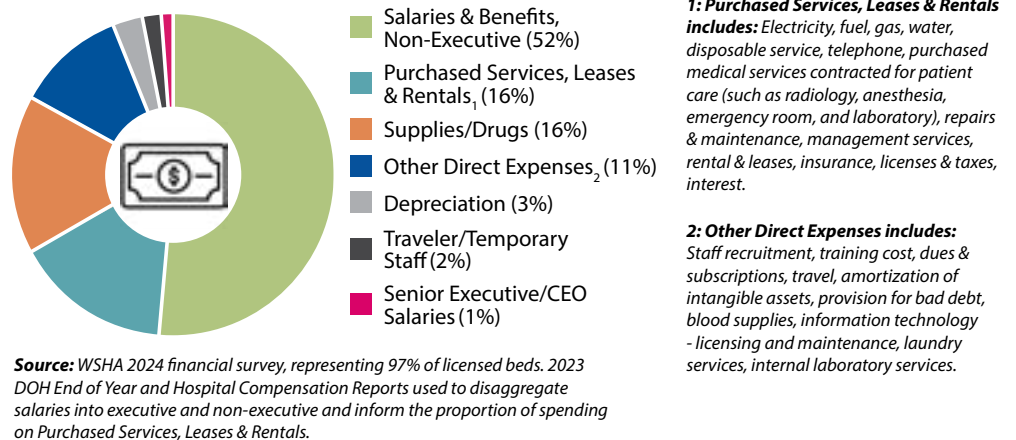
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Charity care source: 2023 Medicare Cost Reports and DOH Year End Reports for children's hospitals.

Losses/costs not covered



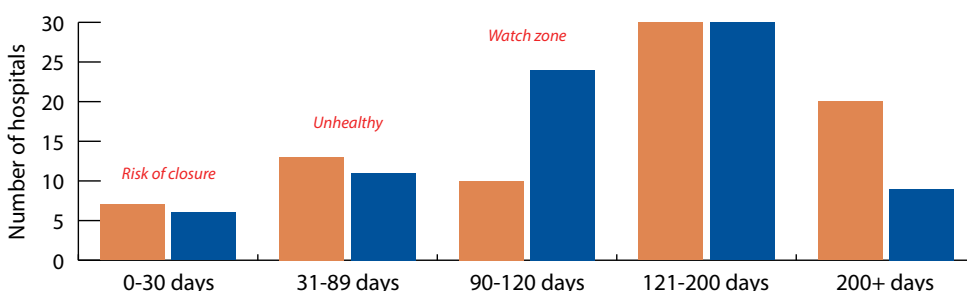
What are Washington hospital expenses?

Washington hospitals employ 130,000 workers



Washington hospitals'/health systems' days cash on hand decreasing₁

For a healthy bond rating, hospitals should have at least 200 days cash on hand



Source: WSHA financial survey, Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2019; Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2024. Hospital financial information represents 96% of total licensed beds.

1: Days cash on hand is important, as it measures a hospital's ability to operate in an emergency or economic downturn. Hospitals, just like individuals, need at least 3-6 months of reserves to help ensure operations continue 24/7/365. Lenders require a minimum number of days cash (typically 60) in debt covenants and may require repayment of debt if cash falls below minimums, which can lead to bankruptcy.