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Thank you for your request which was received by the Ministry of Health on 10 October and later transferred to Capital & Coast (CCDHB) and Hutt Valley (HVDHB) District Health Boards on 19 October 2020. You requested:

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

Capital & Coast District Health Board response

Question 1

What is the maximum bed occupancy in ICU (intensive care units) across all hospitals in New Zealand, in

Response

Wellington Regional Hospital Intensive Care Unit (ICU) has a current total of 21 resourced beds.

Question 2

What has been the bed occupancy rate (% of beds occupied in ICUs) by week / month (which ever time period data is available) across the same hospitals in question 1 above, for the period 15 March 2020 to 1 October 2020.

Response

The table below summarises the average number of patients located in the Intensive Care Unit at Wellington Regional Hospital at midnight by week between 15th March 2020 and 1st October 2020.





Week Commencing	Average Occupancy	Resourced Beds	Percentage Occupancy
09/03/2020	15	21	71.4%
16/03/2020	12	21	58.5%
23/03/2020	11	21	52.4%
30/03/2020	12	21	57.1%
06/04/2020	11	21	51.0%
13/04/2020	11	21	51.0%
20/04/2020	11	21	52.4%
27/04/2020	10	21	49.7%
04/05/2020	14	21	66.0%
11/05/2020	14	21	66.7%
18/05/2020	18	21	83.7%
25/05/2020	17	21	81.0%
01/06/2020	14	21	68.0%
08/06/2020	15	21	72.8%
15/06/2020	15	21	72.1%
22/06/2020	17	21	82.3%
29/06/2020	15	21	69.4%
06/07/2020	15	21	72.8%
13/07/2020	16	21	76.2%
20/07/2020	16	21	77.6%
27/07/2020	16	21	78.2%
03/08/2020	18	21	84.4%
10/08/2020	16	21	77.6%
17/08/2020	17	21	81.6%
24/08/2020	17	21	81.6%





31/08/2020	14	21	68.7%
07/09/2020	16	21	76.9%
14/09/2020	16	21	76.9%
21/09/2020	19	21	88.4%
28/09/2020	17	21	82.1%

Hutt Valley District Health Board response

Question 1

What is the maximum bed occupancy in ICU (intensive care units) across all hospitals in New Zealand, in total.

Response

Hutt Hospital Intensive Care Unit (ICU) has a current total of 4 resourced beds.

Question 2

What has been the bed occupancy rate (% of beds occupied in ICUs) by week / month (which ever time period data is available) across the same hospitals in question 1 above, for the period 15 March 2020 to 1 October 2020.

Response

The table below summarises by week the following for the period 15 March 2020 to 1 October 2020 broken down by week:

Week commencing	Average Occupancy	Resourced Beds	Percentage Occupancy
09/03/20	2	4	39%
16/03/20	2	4	57%
23/03/20	2	4	44%
30/03/20	1	4	29%
06/04/20	1	4	36%
13/04/20	1	4	32%
20/04/20	2	4	38%
27/04/20	2	4	58%





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04/05/20	1	4	33%	
11/05/20	2	4	47%	
18/05/20	2	4	57%	
25/05/20	2	4	56%	
01/06/20	2	4	49%	
08/06/20	2	4	46%	
15/06/20	2	4	43%	
22/06/20	2	4	41%	
29/06/20	2	4	59%	
06/07/20	2	4	44%	
13/07/20	2	4	62%	
20/07/20	2	4	53%	
27/07/20	2	4	58%	
03/08/20	2	4	48%	
10/08/20	2	4	54%	
17/08/20	3	4	72%	
24/08/20	2	4	53%	
31/08/20	2	4	48%	
07/09/20	2	4	52%	
14/09/20	2	4	61%	
21/09/20	2	4	43%	
28/09/20	1	4	30%	





I trust this information fulfils your request. You have the right, under section 28 of the OIA, to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or you can free phone 0800 802 602.

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Capital & Coast and Hutt Valley District Health Boards