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## REQUEST

I am researching average bed occupancy during the winter of 2023/24 at the individual hospital sites of NHS Trusts in England.

1. Can you be most kind and provide the average number of available beds, the average bed occupancy for paediatrics, maternity (pregnancy and childbirth), and adult inpatient care, at each site. The period of interest is the months of November 2023 to March 2024.

Something like – Site A: Adult 500 beds at 87% average occupancy, paediatric 20 beds at 75% occupancy, maternity 0 beds, etc. For each site.

## RESPONSE

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023, as such parts of the response may be provided in two sections relating to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

### St Helens and Knowsley:

Whiston site overnight beds November 23 to March 24:

	<b>Adult Inpatient</b>	<b>Maternity</b>	<b>Paediatrics</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Average beds available</b>	752	37	25	814
<b>Average bed occupancy</b>	98.16%	67.34%	82.17%	96.27%

### Southport and Ormskirk:

<b>Southport &amp; Formby District General Hospital</b>	<b>Total Beds</b>	<b>Maternity</b>	<b>Paediatric</b>	<b>Adult Inpatient (Urgent Care Only)</b>
Average Beds Available	375	0	0	375
Average Bed Occupancy	98.00%	N/A	N/A	98.00%

<b>Ormskirk &amp; District General Hospital</b>	<b>Total Beds</b>	<b>Maternity</b>	<b>Paediatric</b>	<b>Adult Inpatient</b>
Average Beds Available	86	30	13	45
Average Bed Occupancy	84.09%	47.73%	100%	100%

<b>Southport &amp; Ormskirk Sites Combined</b>	<b>Total Beds</b>	<b>Maternity</b>	<b>Paediatric</b>	<b>Adult Inpatient</b>
Average Beds Available	461	30	13	420
Average Bed Occupancy	95.40%	47.73%	100%	98.21%