

About the Data: Staffing

The staffing data is retrieved from the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) [Nursing Home Compare](#). Generally, the downloadable databases are refreshed within 24 hours after the data are refreshed on [Medicare.gov](#).

A Caution about the Data

These staffing numbers are based on information reported by the nursing home. They represent staffing levels for a two-week period prior to the time of the state inspection. Currently, there is no system to fully verify the accuracy of the staffing data that nursing homes report. Because of this limitation and because staffing levels may have changes since the last inspection, caution is needed when interpreting the data. The staffing data is also not risk adjusted.

The CMS “About the Nursing Home Staff” table consists of one table containing the following fields:

1. **ProvNum:** varchar(10) - Lists the nursing homes by their provider identification number.
2. **Nursing Home Name:** varchar(50) - Lists the name of the nursing home.
3. **NumberOfResidents:** int - Lists the total number of residents in the nursing home.
4. **Number RN Hours Per Res Per Day:** int - This was computed in two steps: (1) CMS computed the average total number of hours worked by registered nurses in the nursing home each day during the 2-CMSek period prior to the inspection; and, (2) divided the resulting number of RN hours by the number of residents.
5. **Number LPNLVN Hours Per Res Per Day:** int - This was computed in two steps: (1) CMS computed the average total number of hours worked by licensed practical or vocational nurses in the nursing home each day during the 2-CMSek period prior to the inspection; and (2) divided the resulting number of LPN/LVN hours by the number of residents.
6. **Tot Num Licensed Staff Hours Per Res Per Day:** int - This is the average total number of hours worked by the licensed nursing staff each day at the nursing home per resident. This was computed by adding the total number of licensed nursing staff hours.
7. **Number CNA Hours Per Res Per Day:** int - This was computed in two steps: (1) CMS computed the average total number of hours worked by certified nursing assistants in the nursing home each day during the 2-CMSek period prior to the inspection; and (2) divided the resulting number of CNA hours by the number of residents.