

DATA FACTSHEET: Assaults Treated in Hospitals, LA County Residents, 2016-2020

Overall

- Over 13,000 Los Angeles County residents were hospitalized for assaults between 2016 and 2020.
- On average, this is over 7 hospitalizations for assaults every day, and more than 50 hospitalizations per week.

Race/ Ethnicity

- Assault hospitalization rates were highest among Blacks (81.6 per 100,000).
- Rates among Blacks were more than 3 times higher than for Latino/Latinx individuals and more than 7 times higher than for Whites.

Sex

• 86% of patients hospitalized for assaults were male.

Age Group

- Over half (56%) of patients hospitalized for assaults were under the age of 35 (n=7,507).
- Assault hospitalization rates were highest for 25-29 year olds (56.7 per 100,000) and 20-24 year olds (54.5 per 100,000).

Service Planning Area (SPA)

• Assault hospitalization rates were highest in SPA 6 (69.6 per 100,000) and lowest in SPA 5 (11.4 per 100,000)

Weapon

- One out of every 3 assault hospitalizations were from being struck by fists or a weapon.
- One out of every 4 assaults hospitalizations were from firearm injuries.

Data sources:

Health Care Access and Information, Hospitalization Data for 2016-2020. Population estimates from County of Los Angeles, Internal Services Department, Information Technology Service, Urban Research-GIS Section.

^{*} We recognize that Asians and Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders are separate races. However, until 2019 these populations were reported as a single group by the data provider. In future updates of this table we will be able to report information separately for these populations.