



Indian Health Service Year 2015 Profile

Based on 2000-2014 data -- Numbers are approximate

- **The Indian Health Care System:**
 - **Indian Health Service (IHS) direct health care services**
IHS services are administered through a system of 12 Area offices and 170 IHS and tribally managed service units.
 - **Tribally operated health care services**
Titles I and V of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (Public Law 93-638, as amended), provide Tribes the option of exercising their right to self-determination by assuming control and management of programs previously administered by the federal government. Since 1992, the IHS has entered into agreements with tribes and tribal organizations to plan, conduct, and administer programs authorized under Section 102 of the Act. Today, over half of the IHS appropriation is administered by Tribes, primarily through self-determination contracts or self-governance compacts.
 - **Urban Indian health care services and resource centers**
There are 33 urban programs that provide services ranging from community health to comprehensive primary health care.
- **Population Served:**
 - Members of 566 federally recognized Tribes
 - 2.2 million American Indians and Alaska Natives
- **Annual Patient Services (Tribal and IHS facilities):**
 - Inpatient Admissions: 44,677
 - Outpatient visits: 13,180,745
- **Appropriations:**
 - FY 2014 IHS budget appropriation: \$4.4 billion
 - FY 2015 IHS budget appropriation: \$4.6 billion
- **IHS Third-Party Collections:** FY 2013 - \$810 million; FY 2014 - \$849 million
- **Per Capita Personal Health Care Expenditures Comparison:**
 - IHS expenditure on user population: \$3099
 - Total U.S. population expenditure : \$8097
- **Human Resources:**
 - Total IHS employees: 15,370 (69% are American Indian/Alaska Native)
 - Includes 2,480 nurses, 750 physicians, 700 pharmacists, 670 engineers/sanitarians, 280 dentists, 116 physician assistants, 193 certified nurse practitioners, 30 certified registered nurse anesthetists, and 40 certified nurse midwives.
- **Facilities**

	Hospitals	Health Centers	Alaska Village Clinics	Health Stations
IHS	28	62	N/A	25
Tribal	18	282	150	80

Additional information on the IHS is available at <http://www.ihs.gov> and <http://www.ihs.gov/aboutihs/>.