



## Press release

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**Corrected version: The ratio of cases with COVID-19 diagnosis in the lead refers to all hospital stays, not only to the acute care sector. Its mention in the third line of the lead was deleted.**

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Hospital Statistics 2020

## Decrease in the number of inpatient stays in 2020

In 2020, the number of people receiving inpatient care in Swiss hospitals and birthing centres fell for the first time since 2011, with a decline of 5.8% compared with the previous year. The share of hospital stays with a COVID-19 diagnosis<sup>1</sup> was 2.9%, in terms of the number of days of care this share accounted for 4.2%. In intensive care, COVID-19 was associated with a fatal outcome in one in four cases. These are some of the results available in the latest Hospital Statistics from the Federal Statistical Office (FSO).

You can find the complete text of the press release in German, French or Italian:

For German see: [www.bfs.admin.ch/news/de/2021-0093](http://www.bfs.admin.ch/news/de/2021-0093)

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<sup>1</sup> It should be noted that it is not possible to conclude from the data whether COVID-19 or another disease was the cause of the hospital stay.