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454 *hospitals*



1,120,000
jobs supported



 480,000
EMPLOYEES

 \$135 BILLION
PURCHASES FROM OTHER BUSINESSES

*TOTAL
STATE
ECONOMIC
ACTIVITY*

\$297 billion



18.9%

of California's
population
received
care from a
hospital



Medi-Cal and Medicare
recipients visited hospitals

34 million times



Hospitals served

3.3 million seniors
and **2.6 million children**



California hospitals treated **112,000 cancer patients**
and **63,000 heart attacks**



394,000 babies were delivered
in California hospitals

Hospitals on the frontlines of COVID-19



- During the pandemic, California hospitals have cared for an average of almost **5,800** COVID patients daily, including more than **1,500** in ICUs.



- Since December, that average jumped to over **16,900** COVID patients a day with over **3,600** requiring ICU care.
- During the first week of January, California hospitals cared for an average of over **21,000** COVID patients a day, while the average number of hospital deaths from COVID was **485**.

- Over **90%** of COVID positive patients who get treatment at a CA hospital make a recovery.

Hospital volume dropped significantly during the COVID crisis

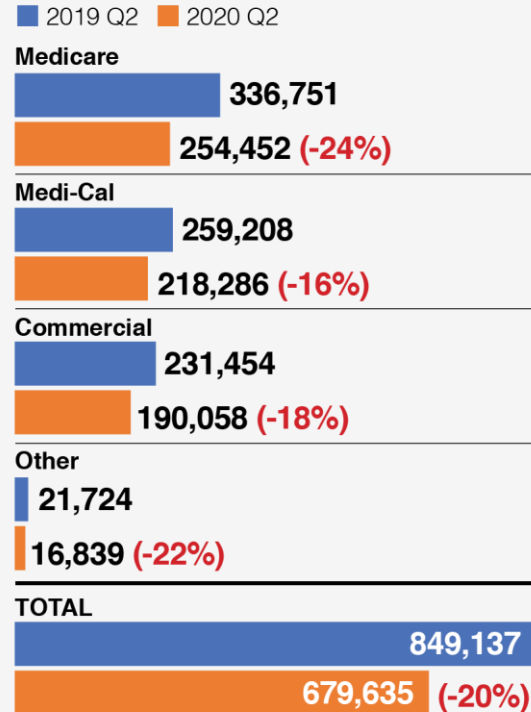
The pandemic response came at a price – for hospitals and for patients.

California’s hospital volume decreased dramatically, as many patients delayed care and potentially exacerbated their future health care needs.

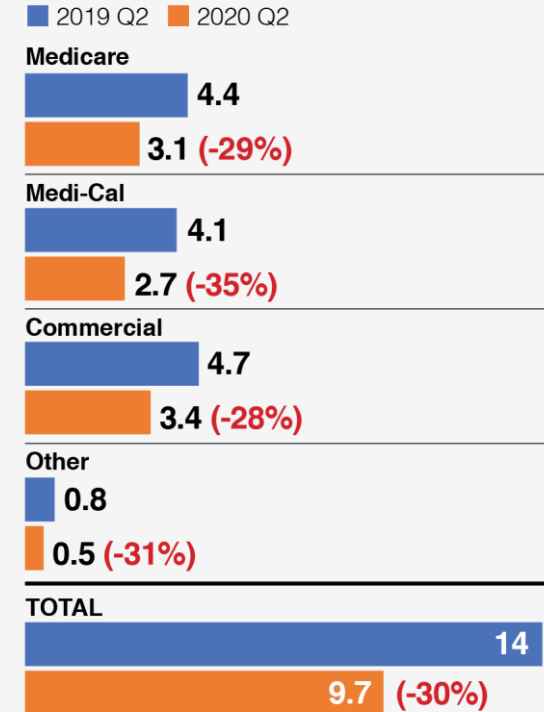
This year alone, hospitals are projected to lose a net **\$14.6 billion** through the end of 2020.

National survey data indicates that more than **1/3 of hospitals** have had operating margins drop by more than **100%** from Q2 2019 to Q2 2020. Also, more than **40%** of hospitals have experienced and increase in bad debt and uncompensated care

Inpatient discharges



Outpatient visits (in millions)



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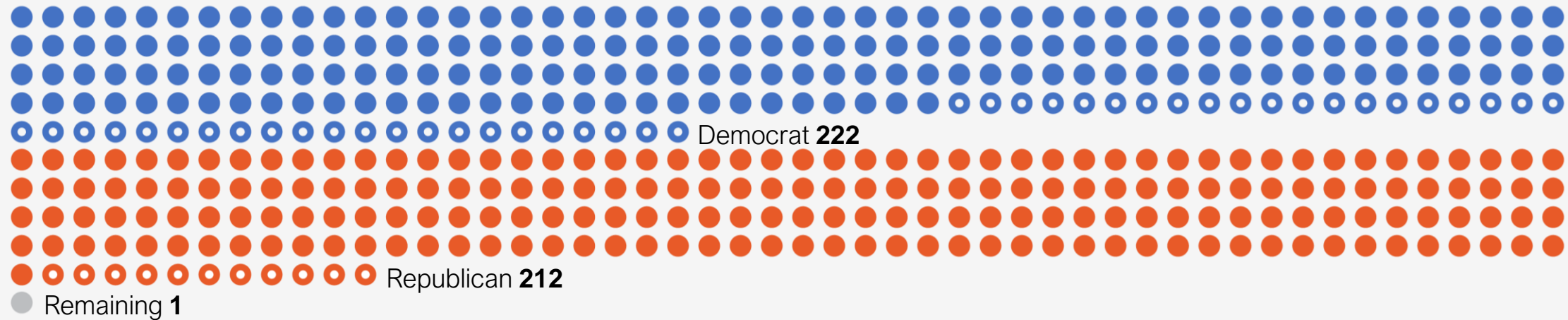
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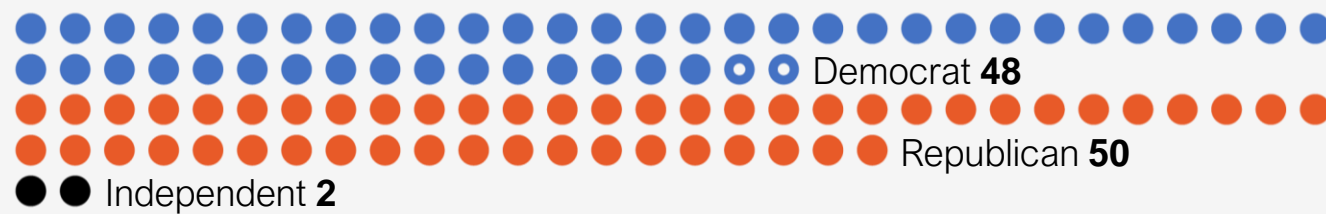
CALIFORNIA DELEGATION (combined House and Senate):

● **DEMOCRAT** 48 / ● **REPUBLICAN** 7

HOUSE



SENATE



California State Legislature



COMBINED ASSEMBLY AND SENATE:
● **DEMOCRAT 89** / ● **REPUBLICAN 28**
● **NPP 1** / ● **VACANT 2**

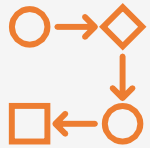
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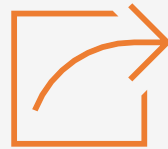


Respond (COVID-19)



- **Coordination**

Advocate for a coordinated COVID-19 response by federal, state, and local governments (including for vaccine distribution)



- **Flexibility**

Ensure regulatory requirements provide hospitals with the flexibility needed to respond to the crisis



- **Supplies and materials**

Ensure hospitals have the resources to protect workers and care for patients

Recover (COVID-19)



- **COVID-19**

Continue to respond and support through regulatory flexibility, resource needs, financial relief, along with rebuilding a stronger resilient health care system, based on COVID-19's lessons



- **Seismic**

Advance a remedy to adjust the timing and scope of the \$100 billion 2030 mandate



- **Insurance practice reform**

Speed funds to hospitals by reducing the time to pay clean claims and stop abuse that delays medical record requests

Reinvent



- **Behavioral Health**

Call for needed investment in this “second tsunami” - the mental health and substance use challenges made even worse by COVID-19 - and secure a leadership position within the Administration to develop and fund a statewide improvement plan



- **Affordability**

Create an independent entity to analyze health care affordability and make recommendations for change to policymakers while opposing efforts to set aggregate spending targets and automatic payment penalties



- **Care Integration**

Educate stakeholders on the value of coordinated care and oppose increased regulation of health care mergers, partnerships and affiliations



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