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**Ms N R Mashabela (EFF) to ask the Minister of Health:**

What is the hospital bed to population ratio in (a) each province and (b) the eight biggest metropolitan municipalities?

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**REPLY:**

The following tables reflect the details in this regard

(a) Provinces

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| **Organisation unit** | **Total Inpatient beds** | **Total population** | **Population to Total Inpatient bed ratio** | **Beds per 1000 population** |
| Eastern Cape | 13,176 | 7,139,336 | 542 | 1.8 |
| Free State | 4,687 | 2,881,998 | 615 | 1.6 |
| Gauteng | 18,103 | 13,773,639 | 761 | 1.3 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 21,609 | 11,229,961 | 520 | 1.9 |
| Limpopo | 7,814 | 5,877,930 | 752 | 1.3 |
| Mpumalanga | 4,586 | 4,388,269 | 957 | 1.0 |
| Northern Cape | 1,646 | 1,200,703 | 729 | 1.4 |
| North West | 4,343 | 3,847,629 | 886 | 1.1 |
| Western Cape | 9,783 | 6,393,555 | 654 | 1.5 |
| National | 85,747 | 56,733,020 | 662 | 1.5 |

(b) The eight biggest metropolitan municipalities

| **Organisation unit** | **Total Inpatient beds** | **Total population Midyear 2017 DHIS** | **Population to Total Inpatient bed ratio** | **Beds per 1000 population** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality | 2090 | 864,130 | 413 | 2.4 |
| Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality | 2233 | 1,279,035 | 573 | 1.7 |
| Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality | 2388 | 801,716 | 336 | 3.0 |
| City of Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality | 3388 | 3,500,231 | 1033 | 1.0 |
| City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality | 5946 | 5,055,664 | 850 | 1.2 |
| City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality | 5634 | 3,376,566 | 599 | 1.7 |
| eThekwini metropolitan Municipality | 7450 | 3,715,328 | 499 | 2.0 |
| City of Cape Town Metropolitan Municipality | 7103 | 4,070,914 | 573 | 1.7 |

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