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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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