



# Indian Health Service Year 2013 Profile

*Based on 2000-2013 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 168 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, ranging from community health to comprehensive primary health care services. Approximately 600,000 American Indians and Alaska Natives reside in counties served by urban Indian health programs.
- **Population Served:**
  - Members of 566 federally recognized Tribes
  - 2 million American Indians and Alaska Natives residing on or near reservations
- **Annual Patient Services (Tribal and IHS facilities):**
  - Inpatient Admissions: 48,575
  - Outpatient visits: 12,772,553
  - Dental Services: 3,736,054
- **Appropriations:**
  - FY 2012 IHS budget appropriation: \$4.3 billion
  - FY 2011 IHS budget appropriation: \$4.07 billion
- **IHS Third-Party Collections:** FY 2011 - \$694 million; FY 2012 - \$744 million
- **Per Capita Personal Health Care Expenditures Comparison:**
  - IHS expenditure on user population: \$2741
  - Total U.S. population expenditure : \$7239
- **Human Resources:**
  - Total IHS employees: 15,930 (70% are American Indian/Alaska Native)
  - Includes approximately 2640 nurses, 820 physicians, 670 pharmacists, 640 engineers/sanitarions, 340 physician assistants/nurse practitioners, and 310 dentists.
- **Facilities**

	Hospitals	Health Centers	Alaska Village Clinics	Health Stations
IHS	28	61	N/A	33
Tribal	16	235	164	75

Additional information on the IHS is available at <http://www.ihs.gov> and <http://www.ihs.gov/index.cfm?module=About>