

Hospices in California: fact sheet

In California, 1,318 hospices cared for people with Medicare in 2024, up from 240 in 2014, according to a HospiceCompare analysis of CMS data. Together they served 179,276 Medicare patients in 2024. Of the 1,136 hospices with an office in California in the latest CMS enrollment file, 92% are for-profit and 965 have no CMS family survey star rating.

Hospices with an office

1,136

Latest CMS enrollment file

Billed Medicare in 2024

1,318

+449% since 2014

Medicare patients in 2024

179,276

+89% since 2014

Average CMS star rating

3.2 of 5*

National 3.7 of 5*

Would definitely recommend

82%

National 85%

No CMS star rating

965

85% of hospices

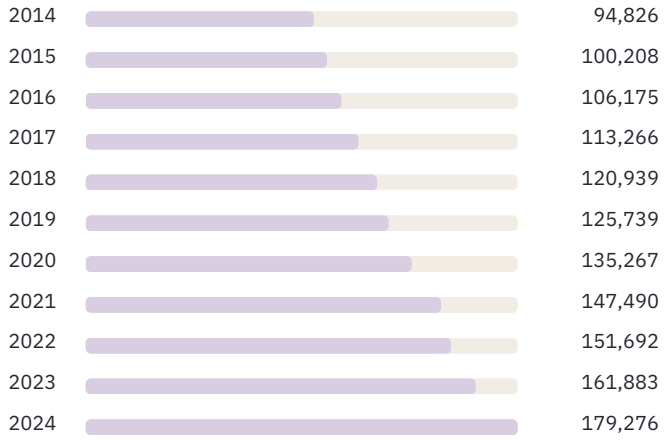
Ownership today

Ownership	Hospices	Share
For-profit	1,050	92%
Nonprofit	54	5%
Government	2	0%
Other	30	3%

Largest by Medicare patients

Hospice	Patients
Suncrest Hospice	3,243
Vitas Healthcare Corporation of...	2,583
Sutter Care at Home	2,482
By the Bay Health	1,772

Medicare patients per year



Counties with the most hospice offices

County	Offices
Los Angeles County	547
San Bernardino County	96
Orange County	95
Riverside County	54

Sources and notes. Source: HospiceCompare analysis of CMS data (Medicare Post-Acute Care and Hospice utilization by provider, 2014 to 2024, loaded October 20, 2026). Source: HospiceCompare analysis of CMS data (Care Compare hospice data released August 2026; Hospice Enrollments loaded October 20, 2026). Billed Medicare: in the CMS utilization file that year. Ownership is CMS's current value. * Computed by HospiceCompare; CMS publishes no average star rating. More, with a CSV: <https://www.hospicecompare.org/press/california>. Press: info@funeralus.com. Generated October 21, 2026.