Private hospitals are generally small and focused on birthing and minor emergency work. About 85 percent of them have fewer than 36 beds. The larger private hospitals offer more services and provide specialized attention. The principal private hospitals are located in Mexico City. There are also important facilities in other major cities including Monterrey and Guadalajara (see box).

Hospitals in the private system operate independently of each other, and few have branch facilities. The two largest hospitals in Mexico City are the notable exceptions. The 180-bed *Hospital Angeles del Pedregal* has recently undertaken the construction of a sister hospital, to be called *Hospital Angeles Interlomas*. The 202-bed *Hospital American British Cowdray* is expected to follow suit with an affiliated hospital in the western part of the city.

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Mexico City	No. of beds	Guadalajara	No. of beds
Hospital American British Cowdray (ABC)	202	Hospital del Carmen S.A. de C.V.	100
Hospital Angeles del Pedregal	180	Sanatario de México S.A. de C.V	296
Hospital Infantil Privado S.A. de C.V.	126	Monterrey	No. of
Hospital de México	140		beds
Hospital Mocel	150	Clínica y Maternidad Conchita A.C.	250
Beneficencia Española	284	Hospital José A. Muguerza S.A.	134
Hospital Escandón	110	Hospital San José de Monterrey	1 <i>7</i> 0
Hospital Metropolitano	80	Hospital y Clínica Oca S.A.	100
Clínica Londres	120		
Hospital Santa Fe S.A. de C.V.	110		
Hospital Santelena S.A. de C.V.	100		
Sanatario Durango S.A.	140		

Source: Embassy of Canada, México, D.F.

Many of the medical doctors within the private system are also active in the National Health Care System. The volume is greater in the public system, but the pay is higher in the private system.