

# VIOLENT CRIMES IN HOSPITALS

INCREASED 47% IN 2021

According to the 2022 IAHS Crime Survey, violent crime rates hit an all-time high in 2021 after a record increase the year before, with the assault rate increasing 47% from 2020.

## THE IAHS CRIME SURVEY

further showed:



### Violent crimes and assault are on the rise

Violent crimes are up 47% compared to 2020, while the assault rate has increased nearly 25% compared to 2020.

Incidents per 100 beds:

**2021**  
**2.5**  
Violent Crime Rate  
**17.7**  
Simple Assault Rate

**2020**  
**1.7**  
Violent Crime rate  
**14.2**  
Simple Assault Rate

### Workplace violence directed at employees continues to dominate other types of incidents.

**73%** of all aggravated assaults and 81% of all simple assaults were directed at employees by patients and visitors – accounting for more than four out of every five aggravated and simple assaults.

### Violent crime is higher in hospitals without threat management teams.

**57%** of hospitals surveyed reported having a threat management team in place.

The violent crime rate in hospitals without threat management teams was higher --

**2.8 vs. 2.3**



#### How can the increase in workplace violence be addressed?

Healthcare providers can empower employees with safety tools and training. They should also consider better alternatives for reporting and de-escalating incidents.

#### Providers need to enable situational awareness.

Healthcare leaders need to equip their organizations with the best tools to provide the safest environment for staff, patients, and visitors.

#### More than 400 hospitals and health systems use Omnigo Software to enhance facility safety.

Omnigo Software delivers innovative solutions that enable you to better protect your community, safeguard your brand, and secure your property and assets.



#### Omnigo Workplace Violence Reporting

Staff and visitors can anonymously report incidents or suspicious behavior and location via a simple, two-way chat interface that supports video and photo file attachments.



#### Omnigo Command and Planning

Whether you're managing day-to-day incidents or large-scale, multi-agency responses, Omnigo Command and Planning helps ensure your security team is ready to mobilize and act quickly – when it matters most.



#### Omnigo Report Exec

Report Exec automates and improves your reporting process to save your team valuable time and keep them highly informed throughout an incident.

## ABOUT OMNIGO

For more than 20 years, Omnigo software solutions have been the preferred choice for law enforcement, education, healthcare, gaming, hospitality, and corporate enterprises. Currently, Omnigo's solutions are used by over 2,000 customers in 20 different countries. At Omnigo, we're committed to helping customers secure their organizations' property, control operational costs, and ensure the safety of the general public.

We believe our customers deserve the best support available to protect their people, assets, and brand. We also understand how challenging it can be to protect the community with the proper resources. We're here to arm users with the best tools in the industry. With a team that includes former law enforcement, first responders, and other public safety professionals, we're uniquely qualified to understand exactly what our customers need to protect their community.

Let Omnigo improve your workplace violence prevention efforts by simplifying visitor management and incident reporting for your organization.



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