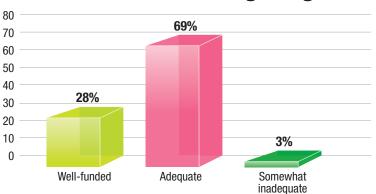
to be at least adequate.



Drug budget increases were common this year and this trend is projected to continue over the next few years. The increases in generic drug spending support the current confidence in the budgeting process as most facilities deem their current generic budget

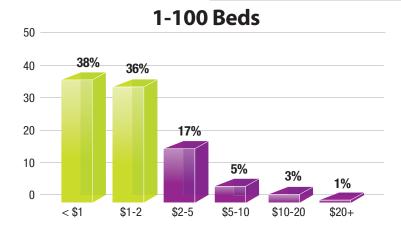
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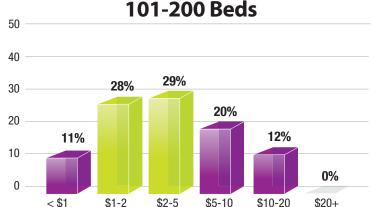
Status of Generic Drug Budget



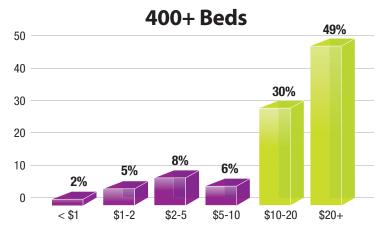
Current Drug Budget by Facility Size

(in millions)





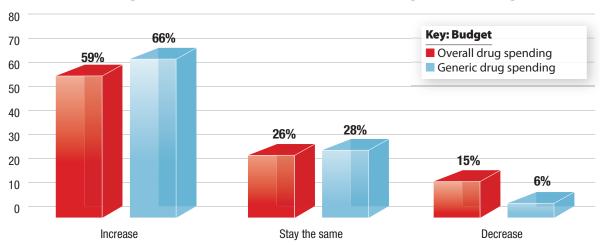




▲ Drug spending varies widely depending on facility size; the smallest facilities tend to spend \$2 million or less, while the largest facilities spend well over \$10 million.

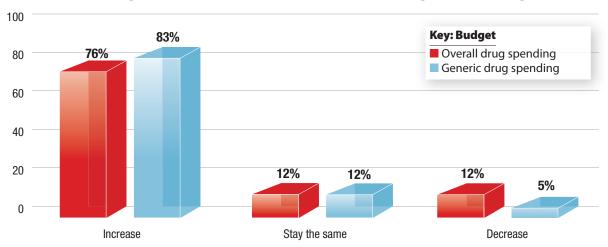


Changes in the Current Year's Drug Spending



▲ While most budgets benefitted from increases this year, generic spending experienced even further expansion.

Changes in the Next 3-5 Years' Drug Spending



▲ Projected growth in both overall drug budgets and generic spending will benefit the vast majority of hospital pharmacies.