According to latest figures from US-based consultancy Aon Hewitt, the healthcare sector in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) is expected to grow at a compound annual growth (CAGR) rate of 12.3% by 2020. Supported by the healthcare goals outlined in the government’s Vision 2030 and the National Transformation Program (NTP), the Ministry of Health (MoH) is expected to spend close to US$71 billion in the five-years ending in 2020.

Research from Knight Frank indicates that to keep pace with population growth, KSA would require an additional 5,000 beds by 2020 and 20,000 beds by 2035, based on the current density of beds. Based on the global average of bed density, KSA faced a gap of 14,000 beds in 2016, and this gap is expected to widen to 40,000 beds by 2035.

With the government plans to increase private sector contribution in total healthcare spending to up to 35% by 2020, Public-Private Participation (PPP) models for healthcare in KSA are emerging as a vital solution to increase efficiencies and to reduce the burden of cost related to the rise in Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) and an ageing population that requires more care.

Currently, the public sector dominates the supply of healthcare services in KSA and represents approximately 79% of bed capacity; however, the public sector’s role is gradually transitioning to becoming more of a regulator rather than as a provider of healthcare facilities. The Kingdom eventually plans to privatise 290 hospitals and 2300 primary health centres by 2030.

**Estimated demand 2020-2035**

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Source: Knight Frank Research

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King Fahad Medical City Expansion, Riyadh
City: Riyadh
Project Cost: US$14 billion
Size: 1.2 million square foot
Beds: 600
Owner: Ministry of Health
Project Stakeholders: TPE Consulting Engineers and Rider Levett Bucknall
Project Completion: TBC
According to information on the website ProTenders, King Fahad Medical City (KFMC) is located in the heart of Riyadh and is considered the largest and most advanced medical complex in the Middle East.

The project involves expansion of a 1,395 bed medical campus by addition of a 231 bed, state of the art cancer and proton beam therapy center in an area of 473,000 square foot, a 316 bed neuroscience institute in an area of 368,000 square foot, a 120,000 square foot, a 6-storey laboratory and office building in an area of 243,400 square foot and a central energy plant in an area of 60,000 square foot.

Saudi German Hospital, Damman
City: Damman
Project Cost: US$90 million
Size: 39,000 sqm
Beds: 300
Owner: Middle East Healthcare Company
Project Participants: International Hospital Construction Co (IHCC)
Project Completion: Q2 2019
Once complete, the state-of-the-art hospital will cover an area of 39,000 square meters, with eight operating rooms and a potential capacity of up to 300 beds and 100 clinics.
International Hospital Construction Co (IHCC) was awarded deals to build Saudi German Hospital’s facilities in Dammam, as well as Makkah. Construction on the healthcare facility started on 7 December 2016, and its completion is due by 6 June 2019.

King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz Medical Complexes
City: Riyadh & Jeddah
Project Cost: US$6.8 billion
Size: 1.1 million sqm each
Beds: 1,500+ each
Owner: Ministry of Interior
Main Contractors: ABV Rock Group (Riyadh), Saudi Binladin Group (Jeddah)
Project Completion: TBC
The King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz 1.300 km2 megaproject for the development of Security Forces Medical Complexes is Saudi Arabia’s largest healthcare project, and also the largest medical project in the GCC. Two separate medical cities for security forces are being developed in Riyadh and Jeddah on behalf of the Kingdom’s Interior Ministry.

According to information published on the website Construction Week, as of 13 February 2019, construction work is underway on Jeddah Security Forces Medical City, for which ABV Rock Group is working as the main contractor. The company is also working in a similar role on Riyadh Security Forces Medical City.

The Riyadh Security Forces Medical City includes three hospital buildings, an academic and clinical centre, research areas, a specialist hospital for mental health, and a gynaecology and obstetrics hospital. The website places progress on the 1,700-bed facility at 87%.
Meanwhile, Jeddah Security Forces Medical City will feature 1,864 beds and includes similar health facilities as its Riyadh counterpart. Tahpi and Hyundai Elevator are named among the list of participants for the project, which according to ProTenders was 74% complete as of 13 February 2019.
King Khalid Medical City, Dammam
City: Dammam
Project Cost: US$1.27 billion
Size: 700,000 sqm
Beds: 1,500
Owner: Ministry of Health, King Khaled Mega Project Management Office (PMO)
Main Contractor: Vanir Construction Management
Consultant: AECOM
Project Completion: Est. 2020
The 1,500-bed hospital project, managed by the King Khaled Mega Project Management Office (PMO) on behalf of the Ministry of Health (MoH) will include a research centre, staff accommodation, conference centre, mosque, administrative building, car parking structures and community centre.

The hospital includes centres of excellence in cardiovascular, neurosciences, rehabilitation, multi-neurosciences, rehabilitation, multi-organ transplant, genetic organ transplant, genetic & metabolics, ophthalmology, and oncology.

King Faisal Medical City, Asir
City: Asir
Project Cost: US$1.06 billion
Size: 2.2 million sqm
Beds: 1,350 beds in 2 phases
Owner: Ministry of Health
Main Contractor: Al-Fouzan Trading & General Construction (Phase 1)
Consultant: Zuhair Fayez Partnership (Phase 1) HDR
Project Completion: 2021
The 1,350-bed King Faisal Medical City in Abha will be fully operational by 2021, according to an official statement published in Saudi Gazette newspaper.

The project will be implemented in phases. Construction works on the first phase of the project involves the construction of the main hospital building, which is currently underway. The main hospital at King Faisal Medical City in Asir will comprise 500 beds with other 850 beds distributed across five specialty hospitals: cardiology, oncology, ophthalmology, neurology and rehabilitation.

According to ProTenders, the scope of work for Phase 2 includes 100-bed Ophthalmology Center, 200-bed Cardiology Center, 150-bed Neurology Center, 200-bed Oncology Center, 200-bed Rehabilitation Center, 200-bed Outpatient clinic, Administrative Building, accommodation building and facilities centre. Scope of work also includes underground parking, convention centre, hotel, utilities, road and related infrastructure works.

Medical City for Rehabilitation and Treatment, Riyadh
City: Riyadh
Project Cost: US$346.6 million
Size: 1.2 million sqm
Beds: 1,100
Owner: Ministry of Health, Private Hospitals Association (PHA) in Jordan
Main Contractor: TBC
Project Completion: TBC
According to Arab News, KSA and Jordan will co-build the medical city for rehabilitation and treatment in Riyadh. The complex will comprise a 600-bed hospital specialised in the treatment and therapy of physical disabilities, a 250-bed public health hospital, and a 250-bed hospital for health care and convalescing patients.

It will also include a hotel with 120 beds and 12 suites, 223 tourist villas, 152 hotel villas, 448 furnished apartments distributed among 56 buildings, a commercial mall, recreation and gym centers, gardens and mosques. A medical faculty specialised in rehabilitation therapy will also be established in the compound, in addition to water-treatment and electricity-generation stations.

The project is expected to generate more than 3,000 jobs and serve more than 170,000 patients a year.
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