

## ICU Infection Rates

Here are some numbers to think about:

- 51 percent of ICU patients have some type of infection
- Lung infections are the most common (64%), followed by abdominal and bloodstream infections
- The infection rate for patients in the ICU for more than 7 days is 70%

These numbers come from the *EPIC II Study* and demonstrate that infections remain a common problem in ICU patients. [More..](#)

(<http://www.infectioncontrolday.com/hotnews/icu-patients-considered-infected,p2.html>)