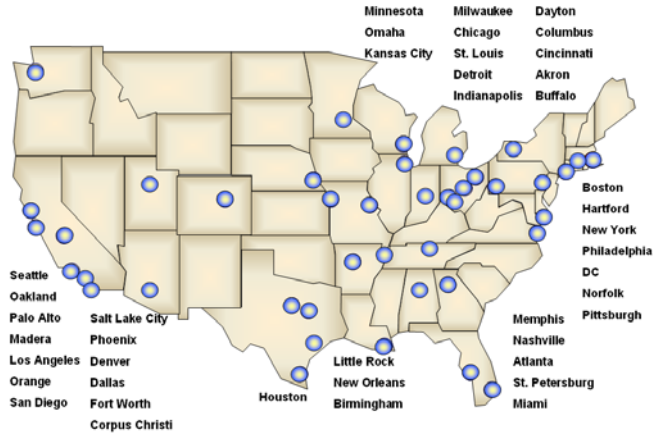


PHIS *Pediatric Health Information System*

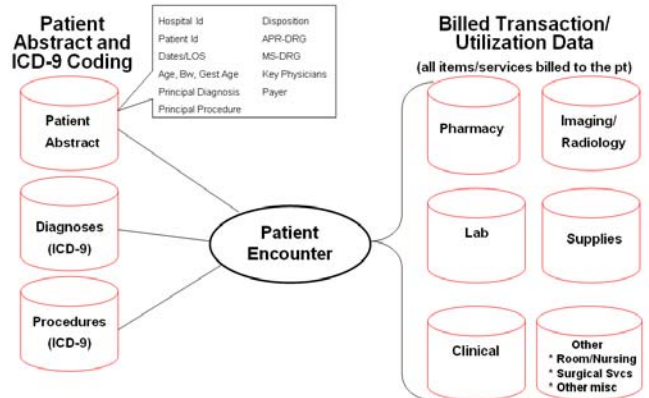
The **Pediatric Health Information System (PHIS)** is used by 42 leading children's hospitals to learn from each other and to provide value throughout the hospital.

- Executive Insight
- Clinical Quality Improvement
- Physician Analysis
- Resource Management
- Hospital Committees
- Regulatory/ External
- Strategic Planning/ Marketing
- Finance/Contracting
- Health Information Management
- Research



Integrated

Each quarter, PHIS brings together over 125 data elements for each **inpatient, observation, emergency department and ambulatory surgery** encounter from the hospital's medical record system and the hospital's detailed billing system into a single integrated data warehouse.



Accessible

Hospitals use the PHIS **web-based** reporting system to run standard reports or to develop custom, ad hoc reports tailored to hospital-specific requirements.

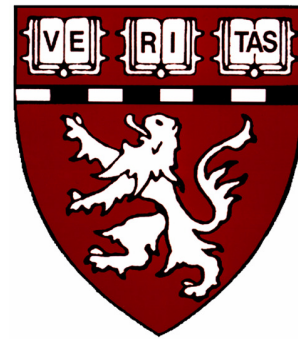
Comparable

PHIS hospital identifiers are **unblinded** so you can select only those hospitals you want to include in your analysis. PHIS patient population data can be **risk adjusted** by either using the 3M APR-DRGs or by using user-defined risk adjustment techniques. Resource utilization data are **standardized** using Thomson Reuters' proprietary CTC classification system designed specifically to make charge description master data comparable. An extensive **data quality** program includes error thresholds for each data submission, hospital-specific data quality improvement plans, and data quality report cards that identify known issues.

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Children's Hospital Boston Inpatient Experience Survey For Parents/Guardians



WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK!

This survey is for the parent or guardian of the child who recently received inpatient care at Children's Hospital Boston.

Your family was randomly selected to receive this survey so that you can tell us how we did caring for your child.

In order to get accurate results, it is extremely important to us that all selected families tell us their opinions.

Your answers are strictly confidential and will be grouped with those of other families so that we know how to improve our care. Please answer every question, unless you are asked to skip questions that do not apply to you.

If you have any questions, please contact: 617-355-7742

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND HELP!

All of the questions in this survey ask about your experiences during your child's MOST RECENT hospital stay.

CARE FROM YOUR CHILD'S NURSES

1. During this hospital stay, how often were the **nurses** courteous and respectful towards you and your child? (Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

2. How often did **nurses** listen carefully to what you had to say about your child's condition and your suggestions for care? (Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

3. How often did **nurses** explain things in a way that you could understand? (Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

4. How often did you feel confidence and trust in the knowledge and skill of the **nurses** caring for your child? (Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

5. How easy or hard was it to let **nurses** know about any concerns you may have had about your child's care? (Check ONE box)

- Extremely Hard
- Very Hard
- Somewhat Hard
- Neither Hard nor Easy
- Somewhat Easy
- Very Easy
- Extremely Easy
- Had no concerns

6. How often were any concerns or complaints you had addressed promptly by **nurses**? (Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always
- Did not have concerns or complaints

7. How often did **nurses** give you enough help with your child's daily care like feeding and bathing? (Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

8. How often did there seem to be good communication among your child's **nurses** about your child's condition and treatment? (Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

CARE FROM YOUR CHILD'S DOCTORS

9. Thinking about all **doctors** who cared for your child in the hospital, how often were they courteous and respectful towards you and your child? (Check *ONE* box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

10. How often did your child's **doctors** listen carefully to what you had to say about your child's condition and treatment? (Check *ONE* box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

11. How often did your child's **doctors** explain things in a way that you could understand? (Check *ONE* box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

12. How often did you feel confidence and trust in the knowledge and skill of your child's **doctors**? (Check *ONE* box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

13. During your child's stay, there was always a **MAIN doctor** who was in charge of your child's hospital care. How often was it clear to you who the **MAIN doctor** was in charge of your child's care? (Check *ONE* box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

14. How easy or hard was it to let **doctors** know about any concerns you may have had about your child's care? (Check *ONE* box)

- Extremely Hard
- Very Hard
- Somewhat Hard
- Neither Hard nor Easy
- Somewhat Easy
- Very Easy
- Extremely Easy
- Had no concerns

15. How often did there seem to be good communication among your child's **doctors** about your child's condition and treatment? (Check *ONE* box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

16. If different **doctors** talked to you about your child's condition or treatment, how often did they make you confused by telling you different things? (Check *ONE* box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always
- Does not apply, had only one doctor

WORKING TOGETHER

17. In your opinion, how well or poorly did the doctors and nurses work together during this hospital stay? (Check *ONE* box)

- Very Poorly
- Poorly
- Average
- Well
- Very Well

18. Overall, how well or poorly were you kept informed about your child's condition, test results, and treatment? (Check *ONE* box)

- Very Poorly
- Poorly
- Average
- Well
- Very Well

19. How often were you included in planning and making decisions about your child's hospital care? (Check *ONE* box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

YOUR AND YOUR CHILD'S EXPERIENCES IN THIS HOSPITAL

20. Which of the following apply to your child's MOST RECENT hospital stay?

- a) Was seen in Emergency Department No Yes
- b) Had surgery or procedure in the Operating Room No Yes
- c) Had procedure done but not in the Operating Room No Yes
- d) Stayed in an Intensive Care Unit No Yes

21. During this hospital stay, how often did the hospital staff do everything they could to control your child's pain? (Check *ONE* box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always
- Does not apply to my child

22. Overall, how would you rate how attentive staff were to your child's **comfort** during tests and procedures? (Check *ONE* box)

- Poor
- Fair
- Average
- Good
- Excellent

THE HOSPITAL ENVIRONMENT

23. How would you rate the **overall quality of the meals** your child was served? (Check *ONE* box)

- Poor
- Fair
- Average
- Good
- Excellent
- Does not apply

24. How often was it **quiet enough** in your child's room at night? (Check *ONE* box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

25. How often were your child's **room** and **bathroom** clean?
(Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

26. How often was your child's **bed** clean? (Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always
- Does not apply to my child

YOUR CHILD'S MEDICATIONS

27. During this hospital stay, did your child get any **new medicines** while in the hospital? (Check ONE box)

- No → SKIP to Q. 30
- Yes → CONTINUE to NEXT Q. 28

28. BEFORE giving your child any **new medicines** in the hospital, how often did doctors, nurses, or other staff tell you what the medicines were for? (Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

29. BEFORE giving your child any **new medicines** in the hospital, how often did staff tell you about the **side effects** of the medicines? (Check ONE box)

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

ARRIVING AT AND LEAVING THE HOSPITAL

30. Was this hospital stay a planned admission? By planned admission we mean a hospital stay that was scheduled at least one day before your child was admitted to the hospital. (Check ONE box)

- No
- Yes
- Not sure

31. Children's Hospital has an information (welcome) packet for all families being admitted. Did your family receive this packet? (Check ONE box)

- No
- Yes
- Not sure

32. How well or poorly organized was the admission process? (Check ONE box)

- Very Poorly
- Poorly
- Average
- Well
- Very Well

33. If there were any delays in admitting or seeing your child, how often did staff inform you of the reason for the delay? (Check ONE box)

- Had no delays
- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

34. When your child was **discharged** from the hospital, how well or poorly prepared were you and your child to leave? (Check ONE box)

- Very Poorly
- Poorly
- Average
- Well
- Very Well

35. After your child left this hospital, where did your child go?
(Check ONE box)

- Home → CONTINUE to NEXT Q. 36
 Another health facility → SKIP to Q. 41
 Other → SKIP to Q. 41
What other place? _____

36. In your opinion, how well or poorly did the staff prepare you to care for your child at home? (Check ONE box)

- Very Poorly
 Poorly
 Average
 Well
 Very Well

37. When you left the hospital, how well did you understand what problems you should watch out for that required a call to your child's doctor right away? (Check ONE box)

- Not At All
 A Little
 Somewhat
 Well
 Very Well

38. When you left the hospital, how well did you understand **whom** to call if you had questions or concerns about your child at home? (Check ONE box)

- Not At All
 A Little
 Somewhat
 Well
 Very Well

39. In your opinion, how well or poorly did the staff prepare you to deal with any **pain** your child might have at home? (Check ONE box)

- Very Poorly
 Poorly
 Average
 Well
 Very Well
 Does not apply to my child

40. In your opinion, how well or poorly did the staff prepare you to **give your child his or her new medicines** at home, if any? (Check ONE box)

- Very Poorly
 Poorly
 Average
 Well
 Very Well
 Does not apply to my child

OVERALL RATINGS

41. During this hospital stay, how often did you feel confidence and trust that your child was receiving safe medical care? (Check ONE box)

- Never
 Rarely
 Sometimes
 Usually
 Always

42. During this hospital stay, how well did this hospital meet your expectations for the care you thought your child should receive? (Check ONE box)

- Fell far below my expectations
 Fell somewhat below my expectations
 Mostly met my expectations
 Completely met my expectations
 Exceeded my expectations

43. How would you rate the **OVERALL** quality of care that your child received during this hospital stay? (Check ONE box)

- Poor
 Fair
 Average
 Good
 Excellent
 Exceptional

44. How likely or unlikely are you to **recommend** this hospital to your family and friends? (Check ONE box)

- Very Unlikely
- Unlikely
- Neither Unlikely nor Likely
- Likely
- Very Likely

45. During this hospital stay, was there anything that made you feel concerned or upset about your child's care? (Check ONE box)

- No → SKIP to Q.47 below
- Yes → ANSWER Q. 46

46. IF YES, What made you upset or concerned? (Write below)

Please tell us how much you agree or disagree with each of the following statement.

47. This hospital delivers on its promises. (Check ONE box)

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Neither Disagree nor Agree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree

48. This hospital has a reputation that can be trusted. (Check ONE box)

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Neither Disagree nor Agree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree

49. The staff at this hospital treat my child and me the way we want to be treated. (Check ONE box)

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Neither Disagree nor Agree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree

50. The staff at this hospital have a positive attitude towards their work. (Check ONE box)

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Neither Disagree nor Agree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree

ABOUT YOU AND YOUR CHILD

51. Please indicate today's date:

___ / ___ / ___
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52. What is your relationship to the child who received care at Children's Hospital Boston? (Check ONE box)

- Mother/ Female Guardian
- Father/ Male Guardian
- Other adult relative
- Other-Specify: _____

53. What is the highest grade or level of school that YOU completed? (Check ONE box)

- 8th grade or less
- Some high school but did not graduate
- High school graduate or GED
- Some college or 2-year degree
- 4-year college graduate
- More than 4-year college degree

54. What is the age group of your child? (Check ONE box)

- Infant (Less than 1 year old)
- 1 to 4 years old
- 5 to 12 years old
- 13 years or older

55. What gender is your child? (Check ONE box)

- Male
- Female

56. What health insurance, if any, covers most or all of your child's medical care? (Check ONE box)

- Medicare
- Medicaid
- Something else
- My child has no health insurance
- Not sure

57. Does your child have a chronic or long-term medical condition lasting more than 3 months? (Check ONE box)

- No
- Yes
- Not sure

58. In general, how would you describe your child's health? (Check ONE box)

- Poor
- Fair
- Average
- Good
- Excellent

59. Including this hospital stay, how many times in the PAST 6 MONTHS has your child been in a hospital overnight or longer? (Check ONE box)

- Only this time
- This time and one other time
- Three or more times

60. During your child's LIFETIME, how many times has your child stayed at Children's Hospital Boston overnight or longer? (Check ONE box)

- Only this time
- This time and one other time
- Three to five times
- Six or more times

61. Which of the following describes your child's racial or ethnic background? (Check ALL that apply)

- White or Caucasian
- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
- Middle Eastern
- Native American/Alaskan Native
 - Federally recognized tribe
 - State recognized tribe
- Black or African-American
 - African American
 - Cape Verdean
 - Caribbean: _____
 - African: _____
- Asian
 - Asian Indian
 - Chinese
 - Korean
 - Japanese
 - Vietnamese
 - Other Asian
- Hispanic or Latino
 - Brazilian
 - Colombian
 - Dominican
 - Puerto Rican
 - Mexican
 - Salvadorian
 - Other Hispanic
- Other: _____

62. Is there anything else that you would like to tell us?

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR HELP!

Please return the completed survey in the envelope provided.

Data Dictionary

Children's Hospital Boston Inpatient Experience Survey

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Surgical patient

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1 Nurses courteous

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	3	2	Rarely
	4	3	Sometimes
	62	4	Usually
	332	5	Always
	1	.d	
	77	.w	

n1_listenp
1 Nurses listen to parent

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	1	1	Never
	4	2	Rarely
	14	3	Sometimes
	98	4	Usually
	283	5	Always
	2	.d	
	77	.w	

n1_explainp

1 Nurses explain to parent

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unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 79/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Never
	17	3	Sometimes
	75	4	Usually
	306	5	Always
	2	.d	
	77	.w	

n1_tellconcerns

1 Tell nurses concerns

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label: hardeasy

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tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	3	1	Very Hard
	7	2	Somewhat Hard
	15	3	Neither Hard Nor Easy
	82	4	Somewhat Easy
	267	5	Very Easy
	4	.d	
	77	.w	
	24	.x	

s1_concerns

1 Staff addressed concerns promptly

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

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9	2	Rarely
20	3	Sometimes
97	4	Usually
189	5	Always
3	.d	
77	.w	
84	.x	

s1_enoughhelp

1 Staff gave enough help

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

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unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 219/479

tabulation:

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15	1	Never
9	2	Rarely
32	3	Sometimes
47	4	Usually
157	5	Always
2	.d	
77	.w	
140	.x	

nl_communicate
1 Good communication among nurses

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

range: [1,5] units: 1
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tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Never
	2	2	Rarely
	31	3	Sometimes
	132	4	Usually
	228	5	Always
	7	.d	
	77	.w	

a1_courteous
1 Attendings courteous

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

range: [2,5] units: 1
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unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 96/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1	2	Rarely
	8	3	Sometimes
	37	4	Usually
	337	5	Always
	5	.d	
	14	.n	
	77	.w	

al_listenp
1 Attendings listen to parent

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways
range: [1,5] units: 1
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unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 95/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1	1	Never
	3	2	Rarely
	14	3	Sometimes
	66	4	Usually
	300	5	Always
	5	.d	
	13	.n	
	77	.w	

al_explainp
1 Attendings explain to parent

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range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 94/479

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	3	2	Rarely
	11	3	Sometimes
	68	4	Usually
	301	5	Always
	6	.d	
	11	.n	
	77	.w	

al_trustin

1 Trust in knowledge of attendings

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

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unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 96/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Never
	4	2	Rarely
	14	3	Sometimes
	61	4	Usually
	302	5	Always
	7	.d	
	12	.n	
	77	.w	

p1_maindoc

1 Know main attending doctor

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 86/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	30	1	Never
	25	2	Rarely
	62	3	Sometimes
	82	4	Usually
	194	5	Always
	9	.d	
	77	.w	

dl_tellconcerns

1 Report concerns to doctors

type: numeric (byte)
label: hardeasy

range: [1,5] units: 1
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tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	5	1	Very Hard
	20	2	Somewhat Hard
	29	3	Neither Hard Nor Easy
	108	4	Somewhat Easy
	208	5	Very Easy
	6	.d	
	77	.w	
	26	.x	

dl_communicate

1 Good communication among doctors

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 83/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Never
	7	2	Rarely
	54	3	Sometimes
	112	4	Usually
	221	5	Always
	6	.d	
	77	.w	

dl_confused

1 Doctors make parents confused

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 120/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	156	1	Never
	72	2	Rarely
	88	3	Sometimes
	30	4	Usually
	13	5	Always
	6	.d	
	77	.w	
	37	.x	

dn1_work

1 Doctors work well with nurses

type: numeric (byte)
label: poorwell

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 82/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Very Poorly
	5	2	Poorly
	38	3	Average
	121	4	Well
	231	5	Very Well
	5	.d	
	77	.w	

p1_informed

1 Parents were kept informed

type: numeric (byte)
label: poorwell

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 79/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	4	1	Very Poorly
	11	2	Poorly
	46	3	Average
	105	4	Well
	234	5	Very Well
	2	.d	
	77	.w	

p1_included

1 Parents were included in decisions

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 84/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	9	1	Never
	16	2	Rarely
	39	3	Sometimes
	107	4	Usually
	224	5	Always
	7	.d	
	77	.w	

c1_seenined

1 Child was seen in ED

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 96/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	194	0	No
	189	1	Yes
	19	.d	
	77	.w	

c1_hadsurgeryor

1 Child had surgery in OR

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 96/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	160	0	No
	223	1	Yes
	19	.d	
	77	.w	

c1_hadsurgeryamb

1 Child had procedure but not in OR

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno
range: [0,1] units: 1
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	253	0	No
	109	1	Yes
	40	.d	
	77	.w	

cl_wasinicu
1 Child was in ICU

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 108/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	276	0	No
	95	1	Yes
	31	.d	
	77	.w	

sl_controlpain
1 Staff did everything to control childs pain

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 133/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	5	1	Never
	2	2	Rarely
	11	3	Sometimes
	62	4	Usually
	266	5	Always
	2	.d	
	77	.w	
	54	.x	

sl_comfort
1 Attentiveness of staff to comfort

type: numeric (byte)
label: poorexcellent
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 96/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1	1	Poor
	10	2	Fair
	16	3	Average
	82	4	Good
	274	5	Excellent
	6	.d	
	77	.w	
	13	.x	

h1_mealquality
1 Quality of meals

type: numeric (byte)
label: poorexcellent
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 174/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	6	1	Poor
	24	2	Fair
	56	3	Average
	141	4	Good
	78	5	Excellent
	4	.d	
	77	.w	
	93	.x	

hl_quietroom
1 Room was quiet enough

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 80/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	12	1	Never
	30	2	Rarely
	71	3	Sometimes
	142	4	Usually
	144	5	Always
	3	.d	
	77	.w	

s1_cleanroom
1 Room was clean enough

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 82/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	4	1	Never
	9	2	Rarely
	38	3	Sometimes
	106	4	Usually
	240	5	Always
	5	.d	
	77	.w	

s1_cleanbath
1 Bathrooms were kept clean

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 87/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	15	1	Never
	11	2	Rarely


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          43          3 Sometimes
        103          4 Usually
        220          5 Always
          10          .d
          77          .w

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s1_cleanbed
1 Bed was kept clean

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          type: numeric (byte)
          label: neveralways

          range: [1,5]
unique values: 5
unique mv codes: 2

                                units: 1
                                missing .: 0/479
                                missing .*: 93/479

tabulation:  Freq.   Numeric  Label
              22      1  Never
              21      2  Rarely
              42      3  Sometimes
             106      4  Usually
             195      5  Always
              16      .d
              77      .w

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c1_newmeds
1 Child got new medicines

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          type: numeric (byte)
          label: yesno

          range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
unique mv codes: 2

                                units: 1
                                missing .: 0/479
                                missing .*: 87/479

tabulation:  Freq.   Numeric  Label
              95      0  No
             297      1  Yes
              10      .d
              77      .w

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dl_sideeffects

1 Doctors explained side effects of new meds

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 184/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	55	1	Never
	27	2	Rarely
	47	3	Sometimes
	48	4	Usually
	118	5	Always
	8	.d	
	99	.s	
	77	.w	

c1_admission

1 Type of admission as inpatient

type: numeric (byte)
label: admission

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 81/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	147	1	Planned admission
	152	2	From ED
	36	3	From surgery in OR
	52	4	From other facility
	11	5	Other
	4	.d	
	77	.w	

pl_welcomepackage
1 Parents received welcome package

type: numeric (byte)
label: welcome

range: [0,2] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 125/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	89	0	Never
	97	1	Yes, before arrival
	168	2	Yes, after arrival
	6	.d	
	42	.n	
	77	.w	

h1_admissionorg
1 Organization of the admission process

type: numeric (byte)
label: poorwell

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 91/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Very Poorly
	7	2	Poorly
	55	3	Average
	104	4	Well
	220	5	Very Well
	14	.d	
	77	.w	

s1_delayreason

1 Staff informed parents of reason for delay

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 256/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	21	1	Never
	20	2	Rarely
	46	3	Sometimes
	61	4	Usually
	75	5	Always
	13	.d	
	77	.w	
	166	.x	

p1_dischargeprep

1 Parents were well prepared for discharge

type: numeric (byte)
label: poorwell
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 82/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	9	1	Very Poorly
	16	2	Poorly
	36	3	Average
	82	4	Well
	254	5	Very Well
	5	.d	
	77	.w	

c1_afterhospital

1 Place child went after hospital

type: numeric (byte)
label: afterstay
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 83/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	379	1	Home
	4	2	Other facility
	13	3	Other
	6	.d	
	77	.w	

s1_preparehome

1 Preparation of staff for home

type: numeric (byte)
label: poorwell
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 105/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	4	1	Very Poorly
	11	2	Poorly
	39	3	Average
	103	4	Well
	217	5	Very Well
	10	.d	
	18	.s	
	77	.w	

p1_watchproblems
1 Parents know for what problems to watch out

type: numeric (byte)
label: notatallwell
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 100/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	4	1	Not At All
	3	2	A Little
	22	3	Somewhat
	89	4	Well
	261	5	Very Well
	5	.d	
	18	.s	
	77	.w	

p1_whomcall
1 Parents know whom to call

type: numeric (byte)
label: notatallwell
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 99/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	4	1	Not At All
	7	2	A Little
	22	3	Somewhat
	76	4	Well
	271	5	Very Well
	4	.d	
	18	.s	
	77	.w	

s1_painhome

1 Staff prepared to deal with pain

type: numeric (byte)
label: poorwell
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 4 missing .*: 171/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	3	1	Very Poorly
	5	2	Poorly
	35	3	Average
	68	4	Well
	197	5	Very Well
	4	.d	
	18	.s	
	77	.w	
	72	.x	

s1_medshome

1 Staff prepared parents to give new meds at home

type: numeric (byte)
label: poorwell
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 4 missing .*: 178/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	4	1	Very Poorly
	6	2	Poorly
	22	3	Average
	59	4	Well
	210	5	Very Well
	6	.d	
	18	.s	
	77	.w	
	77	.x	

cl_safecare

1 Confidence that child was receiving safe medical care

type: numeric (byte)
label: neveralways
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 83/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	3	1	Never
	4	2	Rarely
	11	3	Sometimes
	87	4	Usually
	291	5	Always
	6	.d	
	77	.w	

h1_expectations

1 Hospital met expectations for care

type: numeric (byte)
label: expectations
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 82/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	8	1	Fell far below my expectations
	12	2	Fell somewhat below my expectations
	73	3	Mostly met my expectations
	182	4	Completely met my expectations
	122	5	Exceeded my expectations
	5	.d	
	77	.w	

hl_carequality
1 Overall quality of care

type: numeric (byte)
label: poorexceptional

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 82/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Poor
	9	2	Fair
	9	3	Average
	42	4	Good
	196	5	Excellent
	139	6	Exceptional
	5	.d	
	77	.w	

pl_recommend
1 Likelihood to recommend hospital

type: numeric (byte)
label: unlikelylikely

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 85/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	3	1	Very Unlikely
	1	2	Unlikely
	7	3	Neither Unlikely Nor Likely
	58	4	Likely
	325	5	Very Likely
	8	.d	
	77	.w	

pl_everupset
1 Anything that made parents concerned or upset

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 84/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	248	0	No
	147	1	Yes
	7	.d	
	77	.w	

hl_delivers
1 Hospital delivers on its promises

type: numeric (byte)
label: disagreeagree
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 84/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Strongly Disagree
	2	2	Disagree
	30	3	Neither Disagree Nor Agree
	151	4	Agree
	210	5	Strongly Agree
	7	.d	
	77	.w	

hl_reputation

1 Hospital reputation can be trusted

type: numeric (byte)
label: disagreeagree

range: [2,5] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 82/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	4	2	Disagree
	13	3	Neither Disagree Nor Agree
	93	4	Agree
	287	5	Strongly Agree
	5	.d	
	77	.w	

s1_treated

1 Hospital treated the way we wanted

type: numeric (byte)
label: disagreeagree

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 81/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Strongly Disagree
	10	2	Disagree
	17	3	Neither Disagree Nor Agree
	115	4	Agree
	254	5	Strongly Agree
	4	.d	
	77	.w	

sl_attitude

1 Staff has a positive attitude towards work

type: numeric (byte)
label: disagreeagree
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 81/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Strongly Disagree
	4	2	Disagree
	15	3	Neither Disagree Nor Agree
	126	4	Agree
	251	5	Strongly Agree
	4	.d	
	77	.w	

pl_reltochild

1 Relationship to child

type: numeric (byte)
label: reltochild
range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 80/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	329	1	Mother/Female Guardian
	69	2	Father/Male Guardian
	1	4	Other
	3	.d	
	77	.w	

cl_age
1 Childs age

type: numeric (byte)
label: age
range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 80/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	60	1	<1 year
	98	2	1 to 4
	135	3	5 to 12
	106	4	13+
	3	.d	
	77	.w	

cl_chronic
1 Child has chronic condition

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 111/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	141	0	No
	227	1	Yes
	19	.d	
	15	.n	
	77	.w	

c1_health
1 Childs health

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       type:  numeric (byte)
       label:  poorexcellent

       range:  [1,5]
unique values: 5
unique mv codes: 2
                        units: 1
                        missing .: 0/479
                        missing .*: 85/479
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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              18      1      Poor
              60      2      Fair
              44      3      Average
             136      4      Good
             136      5      Excellent
               8      .d
              77      .w
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c1_overnight
Overnight in hospital in past 6 months

```
       type:  numeric (byte)
       label:  stays

       range:  [1,3]
unique values: 3
unique mv codes: 2
                        units: 1
                        missing .: 0/479
                        missing .*: 80/479
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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              242      1      Only this time
              79      2      This + 1 more time
              78      3      3 or more times
               3      .d
              77      .w
```

c1_chbstays
1 Stays at CHB in lifetime

type: numeric (byte)
label: chbstays

range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 81/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	191	1	Only this time
	69	2	This + 1 more time
	69	3	3 to 5 times
	69	4	6 or more times
	4	.d	
	77	.w	

c1_insurance
1 Health insurance

type: numeric (byte)
label: insurance

range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 88/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	19	1	Medicare
	41	2	Medicaid
	330	3	Something else
	1	4	No insurance
	6	.d	
	5	.n	
	77	.w	

pl_education
1 Education

type: numeric (byte)
label: education

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 81/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	3	1	8th grade or less
	15	2	Some HS
	43	3	High School degree or GED
	99	4	Some college or 2-year degree
	124	5	4-year college degree
	114	6	More than 4-year college degree
	4	.d	
	77	.w	

cl_white
1 Child is White or Caucasian

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 87/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	72	0	No
	320	1	Yes
	10	.d	
	77	.w	

cl_hawaiian
1 Child is Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 87/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	391	0	No
	1	1	Yes
	10	.d	
	77	.w	

c1_middleeastern
1 Child is Middle Eastern

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 87/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	391	0	No
	1	1	Yes
	10	.d	
	77	.w	

c1_native
1 Child is Native American or Alaskan Native

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 87/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	385	0	No
	7	1	Yes
	10	.d	
	77	.w	

c1_black
1 Child is Black or African American

type: numeric (byte)
label: yesno

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 86/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	359	0	No
	34	1	Yes
	9	.d	
	77	.w	

cl_asian
1 Child is Asian

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: yesno

      range: [0,1]
      unique values: 2
      unique mv codes: 2

      units: 1
      missing .: 0/479
      missing .*: 87/479

      tabulation:  Freq.   Numeric  Label
                   368      0      No
                   24      1      Yes
                   10      .d
                   77      .w
```

cl_hispanic
1 Child is Hispanic or Latino

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: yesno

      range: [0,1]
      unique values: 2
      unique mv codes: 2

      units: 1
      missing .: 0/479
      missing .*: 88/479

      tabulation:  Freq.   Numeric  Label
                   361      0      No
                   30      1      Yes
                   11      .d
                   77      .w
```

cl_raceother
1 Child is of other race

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: yesno

      range: [0,1]
      unique values: 2
      unique mv codes: 2

      units: 1
      missing .: 0/479
      missing .*: 90/479

      tabulation:  Freq.   Numeric  Label
                   379      0      No
                   10      1      Yes
                   13      .d
                   77      .w
```

c1_blacktype
1 Type of Black

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: blacktype

      range: [1,4]
unique values: 4
unique mv codes: 3

                        units: 1
                        missing .: 0/479
                        missing .*: 451/479

      tabulation:  Freq.   Numeric   Label
                   20       1 African American
                   2       2 Cape Verdean
                   4       3 Caribbean
                   2       4 African
                   6       .d
                   368      .s
                   77       .w
```

c1_asiantype
1 Asian type

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: asiantype

      range: [1,6]
unique values: 5
unique mv codes: 3

                        units: 1
                        missing .: 0/479
                        missing .*: 456/479

      tabulation:  Freq.   Numeric   Label
                   5       1 Asian Indian
                   11      2 Chinese
                   1       4 Japanese
                   2       5 Vietnamese
                   4       6 Other Asian
                   1       .d
                   378      .s
                   77       .w
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c1_hispanictype
1 Hispanic type

type: numeric (byte)
label: hispanictype

range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 2 missing .*: 449/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Brazilian
	1	2	Colombian
	3	3	Dominican
	13	4	Puerto Rican
	4	5	Mexican
	7	7	Other Hispanic
	372	.s	
	77	.w	

c1_nativetype
1 Where is tribe recognized

type: numeric (byte)
label: nativetype

range: [1,1] units: 1
unique values: 1 missing .: 0/479
unique mv codes: 3 missing .*: 476/479

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	3	1	Federally recognized tribe
	4	.d	
	395	.s	
	77	.w	

Patient Abstract Classes and Objects

Patient Abstract					
Hospital	Episode of Care	Physician Profile	Clinical Classification (Groupers)		
Hospital Number	Discharge Date	Attending Physician	APR-DRG V25	APR-DRG V24	APR-DRG V20
Hospital City	Discharge Year	Attending Physician Sub-Specialty	PSL General V25	PSL General V24	PSL General V20
Hospital State	Discharge Quarter	Attending Physician Sub-Specialty Title	PSL General Title V25	PSL General Title V24	PSL General Title V20
Hospital Name	Discharge Month	Attending Physician Sub-Specialty Code - Title	PSL General Code - Title V25	PSL General Code - Title V24	PSL General Code - Title V20
Campus ID	Discharge Day	Principal Px Physician	PSL Specific V25	PSL Specific V24	PSL Specific V20
Hospital - Campus	Discharge Fiscal Calendar Year	Principal Px Physician Sub-Specialty	PSL Specific Title V25	PSL Specific Title V24	PSL Specific Title V20
Current Inpatient Data Flag	Admit Date	Principal Px Physician Sub-Specialty Title	PSL Specific Code - Title V25	PSL Specific Code - Title V24	PSL Specific Code - Title V20
Current Outpatient Data Flag	Admit Year	Principal Px Physician Sub-Specialty Code - Title	APR-DRG V25	APR-DRG V24	APR-DRG V20
Observation as Inpatient Flag	Admit Quarter	Dx/Px Profiles	APR-DRG Title V25	APR-DRG Title V24	APR-DRG Title V20
ORYX Participant Flag	Admit Month	Principal Dx (ICD-9)	APR-DRG Abbr Title V25	APR-DRG Abbr Title V24	APR-DRG Abbr Title V20
Patient	Admit Day	Principal Dx Title (ICD-9)	APR-DRG Code - Title V25	APR-DRG Code - Title V24	APR-DRG Code - Title V20
Discharge ID	Admit Hour	Principal Dx Abbr Title (ICD-9)	Severity Level V25	Severity Level V24	Severity Level V20
Medical Record Number	Admit Fiscal Calendar Year	Principal Dx Code - Title (ICD-9)	Severity Level Title V25	Severity Level Title V24	Severity Level Title V20
Billing Number	Length Of Stay	Principal Px (ICD-9)	Risk Of Mortality V25	Risk Of Mortality V24	Risk Of Mortality V20
Patient Type	Disposition	Principal Px Title (ICD-9)	Risk Of Mortality Title V25	Risk Of Mortality Title V24	Risk Of Mortality Title V20
Patient Type Title	Disposition Title	Principal Px Abbr Title (ICD-9)	MDC V25	MDC V24	MDC V20
Admit Age In Days	ECMO Flag	Principal Px Code - Title (ICD-9)	MDC Title V25	MDC Title V24	MDC Title V20
Admit Age In Months	ED Charge Flag	Operative Prin Px Flag (ICD-9)	MDC Partition V25	MDC Partition V24	MDC Partition V20
Admit Age In Years	ICU Flag	Admit Dx (ICD-9)	MDC Partition Title V25	MDC Partition Title V24	MDC Partition Title V20
AAP Age Code	Immunization Flag	Admit Dx Title (ICD-9)	Ped LOS Weight V25	Ped LOS Weight V24	Ped LOS Weight V20
AAP Age Title	Infection Flag	Admit Dx Abbr Title (ICD-9)	Ped Charge Weight V25	Ped Charge Weight V24	Ped Charge Weight V20
Pediatric Age Group	Mechanical Vent Flag	Admit Dx Code - Title (ICD-9)	Ped Mortality Weight V25	Ped Mortality Weight V24	Ped Mortality Weight V20
Pediatric Age Group Title	Medical Complication Flag	Diagnosis Count	Ped LOS Low Trim Point V25	Ped LOS Low Trim Point V24	Ped LOS Low Trim Point V20
Birthweight Grams	NICU Flag	Episode Count	Ped LOS High Trim Point V25	Ped LOS High Trim Point V24	Ped LOS High Trim Point V20
Gestational Age In Weeks	Surgical Complication Flag		Ped Charge Low Trim Point V25	Ped Charge Low Trim Point V24	Ped Charge Low Trim Point V20
DOB	TPN Flag		Ped Charge High Trim Point V25	Ped Charge High Trim Point V24	Ped Charge High Trim Point V20
Gender	Priority Of Admission		Number Of Ped LOS Wgt (V25) Cases	Number Of Ped LOS Wgt (V24) Cases	Number Of Ped LOS Wgt (V20) Cases
Gender Title	Priority Of Admission Title		Number Of Ped Chg Wgt (V25) Cases	Number Of Ped Chg Wgt (V24) Cases	Number Of Ped Chg Wgt (V20) Cases
Race	Source Of Admission		Total Ped Expected LOS V25	Total Ped Expected LOS V24	Total Ped Expected LOS V20
Race Title	Source Of Admission Title		Total Ped Expected Charges V25	Total Ped Expected Charges V24	Total Ped Expected Charges V20
Ethnicity	Pre Operative LOS		Total Ped Expected Mortalities V25	Total Ped Expected Mortalities V24	Total Ped Expected Mortalities V20
Ethnicity Title	Post Operative LOS		Total Ped LOS Weight V25	Total Ped LOS Weight V24	Total Ped LOS Weight V20

Zip Code			Total Ped Charge Weight V25	Total Ped Charge Weight V24	Total Ped Charge Weight V20
CTC Flag			All Patient Weights & Trim Points	All Patient Weights & Trim Points	All Patient Weights & Trim Points
			All Patient LOS Weight V25	All Patient LOS Weight V24	All Patient LOS Weight V20
			All Patient Charge Weight V25	All Patient Charge Weight V24	All Patient Charge Weight V20
			All Patient Mortality Weight V25	All Patient Mortality Weight V24	All Patient Mortality Weight V20
			All Patient LOS Low Trim Point V25	All Patient LOS Low Trim Point V24	All Patient LOS Low Trim Point V20
			All Patient LOS High Trim Point V25	All Patient LOS High Trim Point V24	All Patient LOS High Trim Point V20
			All Patient Charge Low Trim Point V25	All Patient Charge Low Trim Point V24	All Patient Charge Low Trim Point V20
			All Patient Charge High Trim Point V25	All Patient Charge High Trim Point V24	All Patient Charge High Trim Point V20
			Number Of All Patient LOS Wgt (V25) Cases	Number Of All Patient LOS Wgt (V24) Cases	Number Of All Patient LOS Wgt (V20) Cases
			Number Of All Patient Chg Wgt (V25) Cases	Number Of All Patient Chg Wgt (V24) Cases	Number Of All Patient Chg Wgt (V20) Cases
			Total All Patient Expected LOS V25	Total All Patient Expected LOS V24	Total All Patient Expected LOS V20
			Total All Patient Expected Charges V25	Total All Patient Expected Charges V24	Total All Patient Expected Charges V20
			Total All Patient Expected Mortalities V25	Total All Patient Expected Mortalities V24	Total All Patient Expected Mortalities V20
			Total All Patient LOS Weight V25	Total All Patient LOS Weight V24	Total All Patient LOS Weight V20
			Total All Patient Charge Weight V25	Total All Patient Charge Weight V24	Total All Patient Charge Weight V20

Patient Abstract, Dx, Px, and CPT Classes and Objects

Patient Abstract (Cont)			Dx	Px	CPT
Clinical Classification (cont)		Payer Source	Dx Number	Px Operative Episode Number	CPT Number
APR-DRG V15	CMS DRG (Eff. thru 12/31/2007)	Principal Payer	Dx Code (ICD-9)	Px Number	CPT Code
PSL General V15	PSL General (CMS-DRG)	Principal Payer Title	Dx Title (ICD-9)	Px Code (ICD-9)	CPT Title
PSL General Title V15	PSL General Title (CMS-DRG)	BC Secondary Flag	Dx Code - Title (ICD-9)	Px Title (ICD-9)	CPT Abbr Title
PSL General Code - Title V15	PSL General Code - Title (CMS-DRG)	Champus Secondary Flag	Dx Abbr Title (ICD-9)	Px Abbr Title (ICD-9)	CPT Code - Title
PSL Specific V15	PSL Specific (CMS-DRG)	HMO Secondary Flag	Dx Fiscal Year	Px Code - Title (ICD-9)	
PSL Specific Title V15	PSL Specific Title (CMS-DRG)	Ins Comp Secondary Flag		Px Operative Flag	
PSL Specific Code - Title V15	PSL Specific Code - Title (CMS-DRG)	Managed Care Indicator		Px Class	
APR-DRG V15	CMS DRG	Managed Care Title		Px Physician	
APR-DRG Title V15	CMS DRG Title	Medicaid Secondary Flag		Px Physician Sub-Specialty	
APR-DRG Abbr Title V15	CMS DRG Abbr Title	Medicare Secondary Flag		Px Physician Sub-Specialty Title	
APR-DRG Code - Title V15	CMS DRG Code - Title	Other Gov Secondary Flag		Px Physician Sub-Specialty Code - Title	
Severity Level V15	MDC (CMS-DRG)	Other Secondary Flag		Px Fiscal Year	
Severity Level Title V15	MDC Title (CMS-DRG)	Primary Champus Flag		Number Of Procedures	
Risk Of Mortality V15	Fiscal Year (CMS-DRG)	Primary HMO Flag			
Risk Of Mortality Title V15	Med/Surg Indicator (CMS-DRG)	Self Pay Secondary Flag			
MDC V15	Med/Surg Indicator Title (CMS-DRG)	Title V Secondary Flag			
MDC Title V15	Arithmetic Mean LOS (CMS-DRG)	Work Comp Secondary Flag			
MDC Partition V15	Geometric Mean LOS (CMS-DRG)				
MDC Partition Title V15	LOS High Trim (CMS-DRG)				

Neonatal BW Group V15	Relative Weight (CMS-DRG)				
Neonatal BW Group Title V15	Total Relative Weight (CMS-DRG)				
Ped LOS Weight V15					
Ped Charge Weight V15					
Ped Mortality Weight V15					
Ped LOS Low Trim Point V15	MS-DRG (Eff. With 1/1/03)				
Ped LOS High Trim Point V15	PSL General (MS DRG)				
Ped Charge Low Trim Point V15	PSL General Title (MS DRG)				
Ped Charge High Trim Point V15	PSL General Code - Title (MS-DRG)				
Number Of Ped LOS Wgt (V15) Cases	PSL Specific (MS DRG)				
Number Of Ped Chg Wgt (V15) Cases	PSL Specific Title (MS DRG)				
Total Ped Expected LOS V15	PSL Specific Code - Title (MS-DRG)				
Total Ped Expected Charges V15	MS DRG				
Total Ped Expected Mortalities V15	MS DRG Title				
Total Ped LOS Weight V15	MS DRG Abbr Title				
Total Ped Charge Weight V15	MS DRG Code - Title				
All Patient Weights & Trim Points	MDC (MS DRG)				
All Patient LOS Weight V15	MDC Title (MS DRG)				
All Patient Charge Weight V15	Fiscal Year (MS DRG)				
All Patient Mortality Weight V15	Med/Surg Indicator (MS DRG)				
All Patient LOS Low Trim Point V15	Med/Surg Indicator Title (MS DRG)				
All Patient LOS High Trim Point V15	Arithmetic Mean LOS (MS DRG)				
All Patient Charge Low Trim Point V15	Geometric Mean LOS (MS DRG)				
All Patient Charge High Trim Point V15	LOS High Trim (MS DRG)				
Number Of All Patient LOS Wgt (V15) Cases	Relative Weight (MS DRG)				
Number Of All Patient Chg Wgt (V15) Cases	Total Relative Weight (MS DRG)				
Total All Patient Expected LOS V15					
Total All Patient Expected Charges V15					
Total All Patient Expected Mortalities V15					
Total All Patient LOS Weight V15					
Total All Patient Charge Weight V15					

Departmental Service Areas Classes and Objects

Pharmacy	Supply	Lab	Imaging	Clinical	Other
Pharmacy CTC Code	Supply CTC Code	Lab CTC Code	Imaging CTC Code	Clinical CTC Code	Other CTC Code
Drug Class (digits 1-2)	Supply Category (digits 1-2)	Lab Area (digits 1-2)	Imaging Category (digits 1-2)	Clinical Area (digits 1-4)	Other Category (digits 1-3)
Drug Class Title	Supply Category Title	Lab Area Title	Imaging Category Title	Clinical Area Title	Other Category Title
Drug Class Code - Title	Supply Category Code - Title	Lab Area Code - Title	Imaging Category Code - Title	Clinical Area Code - Title	Other Category Code - Title
Therapeutic Category (digits 1-3)	Supply Item (digits 1-6)	Test Category (digits 1-3)	Imaging Procedure (digits 1-4)	Clinical Service (digits 1-6)	Other Service (digits 1-6)

Therapeutic Category Title	Supply Item Title	Test Category Title	Imaging Procedure Title	Clinical Service Title	Other Service Title
Therapeutic Category Code - Title	Supply Item Code - Title	Test Category Code - Title	Imaging Procedure Code - Title	Clinical Service Code - Title	Other Service Code - Title
Generic Drug (digits 1-6)	Delivery Method (digit 7)	Lab Test (digits 1-6)	Imaging Technique (digits 5-6)	Clinical Labor Component (digit 7)	Charge Method (digits 7-8)
Generic Drug Title	Delivery Method Title	Lab Test Title	Imaging Technique Title	Clinical Labor Component Title	Charge Method Title
Generic Drug Code - Title	Delivery Method Code - Title	Lab Test Code - Title	Imaging Technique Code - Title	Clinical Labor Component Code - Title	Charge Method Code - Title
Route Of Administration (digits 7-8)		How Lab Ordered (digit 7)	Imaging Service (digits 1-6)	Clinical Charge Method (digit 8)	Building (digit 9)
Route Of Administration Title		How Lab Ordered Title	Imaging Service Title	Clinical Charge Method Title	Building Title
Route Of Administration Code - Title		How Lab Ordered Code - Title	Imaging Service Code - Title	Clinical Charge Method Code - Title	Building Code - Title
Dosage Form (digits 9-10)		Panel Indicator (digit 8)	How Image Ordered (digit 7)		Floor (digits 10-11)
Dosage Form Title		Panel Indicator Title	How Image Ordered Title		Floor Title
Dosage Form Code - Title		Panel Indicator Code - Title	How Image Ordered Code - Title		Floor Code - Title
Dosage Strength (digits 11-12)		Specimen Source (digits 9-10)	Contrast Media (digit 8)		Direction (digit 12)
Dosage Strength Title		Specimen Source Title	Contrast Media Title		Direction Title
Dosage Strength Code - Title		Specimen Source Code - Title	Contrast Media Code - Title		Direction Code - Title
Unit Of Measure (digit 13)			Route Of Contrast (digit 9)		Room (digit 13)
Unit Of Measure Title			Route Of Contrast Title		Room Title
Unit Of Measure Code - Title			Route Of Contrast Code - Title		Room Code - Title
		Day of Service			
		DI DOS Code			
		Date Of Service			
		Year Of Service			
		Quarter Of Service			
		Month Of Service			
		Day Of Service			
		Days On Service			

Readmission Classes and Objects

Any Condition	Same APR-DRG V24	Same Principal Dx	Same Principal Px
IP To IP Any Condition Discharge ID	IP To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Discharge ID	IP To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Discharge ID	IP To IP Same Prin Px Condition Discharge ID
IP To IP Any Condition Billing Number	IP To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Billing Number	IP To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Billing Number	IP To IP Same Prin Px Condition Billing Number
IP To IP Any Condition Days Between	IP To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Days Between	IP To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Days Between	IP To IP Same Prin Px Condition Days Between
IP To ED Any Condition Discharge ID	IP To ED Same APR-DRG Condition Discharge ID	IP To ED Same Prin Dx Condition Discharge ID	IP To ED Same Prin Px Condition Discharge ID
IP To ED Any Condition Billing Number	IP To ED Same APR-DRG Condition Billing Number	IP To ED Same Prin Dx Condition Billing Number	IP To ED Same Prin Px Condition Billing Number
IP To ED Any Condition Days Between	IP To ED Same APR-DRG Condition Days Between	IP To ED Same Prin Dx Condition Days Between	IP To ED Same Prin Px Condition Days Between
IP To OBS Any Condition Discharge ID	IP To OBS Same APR-DRG Condition Discharge ID	IP To OBS Same Prin Dx Condition Discharge ID	IP To OBS Same Prin Px Condition Discharge ID
IP To OBS Any Condition Billing Number	IP To OBS Same APR-DRG Condition Billing Number	IP To OBS Same Prin Dx Condition Billing Number	IP To OBS Same Prin Px Condition Billing Number
IP To OBS Any Condition Days Between	IP To OBS Same APR-DRG Condition Days Between	IP To OBS Same Prin Dx Condition Days Between	IP To OBS Same Prin Px Condition Days Between
ED To IP Any Condition Discharge ID	ED To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Discharge ID	ED To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Discharge ID	ED To IP Same Prin Px Condition Discharge ID
ED To IP Any Condition Billing Number	ED To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Billing Number	ED To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Billing Number	ED To IP Same Prin Px Condition Billing Number
ED To IP Any Condition Days	ED To IP Same APR-DRG	ED To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Days	ED To IP Same Prin Px

Between	Condition Days Between	Between	Condition Days Between
ED To ED Any Condition Discharge ID	ED To ED Same APR-DRG Condition Discharge ID	ED To ED Same Prin Dx Condition Discharge ID	ED To ED Same Prin Px Condition Discharge ID
ED To ED Any Condition Billing Number	ED To ED Same APR-DRG Condition Billing Number	ED To ED Same Prin Dx Condition Billing Number	ED To ED Same Prin Px Condition Billing Number
ED To ED Any Condition Days Between	ED To ED Same APR-DRG Condition Days Between	ED To ED Same Prin Dx Condition Days Between	ED To ED Same Prin Px Condition Days Between
ED To OBS Any Condition Discharge ID	ED To OBS Same APR-DRG Condition Discharge ID	ED To OBS Same Prin Dx Condition Discharge ID	ED To OBS Same Prin Px Condition Discharge ID
ED To OBS Any Condition Billing Number	ED To OBS Same APR-DRG Condition Billing Number	ED To OBS Same Prin Dx Condition Billing Number	ED To OBS Same Prin Px Condition Billing Number
ED To OBS Any Condition Days Between	ED To OBS Same APR-DRG Condition Days Between	ED To OBS Same Prin Dx Condition Days Between	ED to OBS Same Prin Px Condition Days Between
AMB To IP Any Condition Discharge ID	AMB To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Discharge ID	AMB To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Discharge ID	AMB To IP Same Prin Px Condition Discharge ID
AMB To IP Any Condition Billing Number	AMB To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Billing Number	AMB To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Billing Number	AMB To IP Same Prin Px Condition Billing Number
AMB To IP Any Condition Days Between	AMB To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Days Between	AMB To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Days Between	AMB To IP Same Prin Px Condition Days Between
OBS To IP Any Condition Discharge ID	OBS To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Discharge ID	OBS To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Discharge ID	OBS To IP Same Prin Px Condition Discharge ID
OBS To IP Any Condition Billing Number	OBS To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Billing Number	OBS To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Billing Number	OBS To IP Same Prin Px Condition Billing Number
OBS To IP Any Condition Days Between	OBS To IP Same APR-DRG Condition Days Between	OBS To IP Same Prin Dx Condition Days Between	OBS To IP Same Prin Px Condition Days Between
IP To IP Any Condition No. Of Readmits	IP To IP Same APR-DRG Condition No. Of Readmits	IP To IP Same Prin Dx Condition No. Of Readmits	IP To IP Same Prin Px Condition No. Of Readmits
IP To ED Any Condition No. Of Readmits	IP To ED Same APR-DRG Condition No. Of Readmits	IP To ED Same Prin Dx Condition No. Of Readmits	IP To ED Same Prin Px Condition No. Of Readmits
IP To OBS Any Condition No. Of Readmits	IP To OBS Same APR-DRG Condition No. Of Readmits	IP To OBS Same Prin Dx Condition No. Of Readmits	IP To OBS Same Prin Px Condition No. Of Readmits
ED To IP Any Condition No. Of Readmits	ED To IP Same APR-DRG Condition No. Of Readmits	ED To IP Same Prin Dx Condition No. Of Readmits	ED To IP Same Prin Px Condition No. Of Readmits
ED To ED Any Condition No. Of Readmits	ED To ED Same APR-DRG Condition No. Of Readmits	ED To ED Same Prin Dx Condition No. Of Readmits	ED To ED Same Prin Px Condition No. Of Readmits
ED To OBS Any Condition No. Of Readmits	ED To OBS Same APR-DRG Condition No. Of Readmits	ED To OBS Same Prin Dx Condition No. Of Readmits	ED To OBS Same Prin Px Condition No. Of Readmits
AMB To IP Any Condition No. Of Readmits	AMB To IP Same APR-DRG Condition No. Of Readmits	AMB To IP Same Prin Dx Condition No. Of Readmits	AMB To IP Same Prin Px Condition No. Of Readmits
OBS To IP Any Condition No. Of Readmits	OBS To IP Same APR-DRG Condition No. Of Readmits	OBS To IP Same Prin Dx Condition No. Of Readmits	OBS To IP Same Prin Px Condition No. Of Readmits

Measures and Common Filters and Prompts Classes and Objects

Measures			Common Filters	Common Prompts
Patient Abstract Specific Measures	Patient Abstract and Departmental Measures	Total Cost (RCC Based)	Patient Abstract Specific Filters	Patient Abstract Specific Prompts
Patient Days	Departmental Charges	Number of Cases (RCC Based)	Charges (Abstract) > 0	14. Include/Exclude outliers (V20)
Total Pre Operative LOS	Clinical Charges	Adj Total Costs (RCC Based)	Adj Charges (Abstract) > 0	14. Include/Exclude outliers (V24)
Total Post Operative LOS	Imaging Charges	Total Costs (RCC Based)	Billed Charges > 0	14. Include/Exclude outliers (V25)
Total Days In ICU	Lab Charges		Adj Billed Charges > 0	Universal Prompts
Total Days In NICU	Other Charges		Ped APRDRG LOS Trim (2 Std Dev) V25	1.& 2. Discharge Date
Charges	Pharmacy Charges		Ped APRDRG LOS Trim (2 Std Dev) V24	1.& 2. Discharge Begin and End + Number of Days
Adj Abstract Based Charges	Supply Charges		Ped APRDRG LOS Trim (2 Std Dev) V20	1.& 2. Admit Begin and End + Number of Days
Adj Billed Charges	Departmental Adjusted Charges	Universal Measures	Ped APRDRG LOS Trim (2 Std Dev) V15	3.& 4. Admit Age
Adj Billed Charges > 0	Adj Clinical Charges	Number Of Cases	Ped APRDRG Charge Trim (2 Std Dev) V25	5. Select Hospital(s)
Abstract Based Charges	Adj Imaging Charges	Number Of Patients	Ped APRDRG Charge Trim (2 Std Dev) V24	5.& 6. Select Target and Peer
Billed Charges	Adj Lab Charges	Actual Mortalities	Ped APRDRG Charge Trim (2 Std Dev) V20	7. Patient Type
Billed Charges > 0	Adj Other Charges	ECMO Count	Ped APRDRG Charge Trim (2 Std Dev) V15	8. Specific Service Lines (V24)
Adj Unmapped Charges	Adj Pharmacy Charges	ED Charge Count	Universal Filters	8. Specific Service Lines Code and Title (V24)
Unmapped Charges	Adj Supply Charges	ICU Count	Age <18	8. Specific Service Lines (MS-DRG)
	Departmental Units	Immunization Count	Neonates Only V25	8. Specific Service Lines Code

				and Title (MS-DRG)
	Clinical Units Billed	Infection Count	Neonates Only V24	8. General Service Lines (V24)
	Imaging Units Billed	Medical Complication Count	Neonates Only V20	8. General Service Lines Code and Title (V24)
	Lab Units Billed	Mechanical Vent Count	Neonates Only V15	8. General Service Lines (MS-DRG)
	Other Units Billed	NICU Count	Minor and Moderate Severity V25	8. General Service Lines Code and Title (MS-DRG)
	Pharm Units Billed	Surgical Complication Count	Minor and Moderate Severity V24	9. APR-DRG Codes V25
	Supply Units Billed	TPN Count	Minor and Moderate Severity V20	9. APR-DRG Code and Title V25
			Minor and Moderate Severity V15	9. APR-DRG Codes V24
			Mortalities Excluded	9. APR-DRG Code and Title V24
			Discharged to Home or Home Health	9. APR-DRG Codes V20
			Billing Data Present (CTC Flag = Y)	9. APR-DRG Code and Title V20
				9. APR-DRG Codes V15
				9. APR-DRG Code and Title V15
				9. MS-DRG Codes
				9. MS-DRG Code and Title
				10. Principal Diagnosis
				11. Principal Procedure
				12. Severity Level V24
				15. Include/Exclude normal newborns
				16. Include/Exclude Mortalities
				17. Attending Physician Sub-Specialty
				18. Principal Px Physician Sub-Specialty
				19. CMS-DRG Codes
				99. Select Service Line & APR-DRG (V24)
				Informational Prompts
				5. Target Hospital
				17. Enter Hospital's Encryption Number
				17. Enter Hospital's Encryption Number (Optional)
				18. Enter Physician Name
				19. Enter Physician Number
				19. Enter The Lower Alert Value
				20. Enter The Upper Alert Value
				21. Enter The Report Title
				22. Measure readmissions/returns from
				23. Enter readmissions/returns timeframe
				24. Enter the Number of Standard Deviations

Lookup & Reference Classes and Objects

Hospital			National Averages	Clinical Classifications cont.		
Hospital	Cost to Charge Ratio	Statistics	Ped National Avg Charge	APR-DRG V25	APR-DRG V24	APR-DRG V20
Hospital Number	Ratio Year	Statistical Year	Ped National Average LOS	PSL General V25	PSL General V24	PSL General V20
Hospital City	Cost To Charge Ratio 01	Child/Parent Magazine Ranking	All Patient National Avg Charge	PSL General Title V25	PSL General Title V24	PSL General Title V20
Hospital State	Cost To Charge Ratio 02	US News Ranking	All Patient National Average LOS	PSL Specific V25	PSL Specific V24	PSL Specific V20
Hospital Name	Cost To Charge Ratio 03	US Census Statistics		PSL Specific Title V25	PSL Specific Title V24	PSL Specific Title V20
Hospital Fiscal Start Month	Cost To Charge Ratio 04	Census Division		APR-DRG V25	APR-DRG V24	APR-DRG V20
Hospital Fiscal	Cost To Charge Ratio	Census Region		APR-DRG Title	APR-DRG Title	APR-DRG Title

End Month	05			V25	V24	V20
Current Inpatient Data Flag	Cost To Charge Ratio 06	Population (MSA)		APR-DRG Abbr Title V25	APR-DRG Abbr Title V24	APR-DRG Abbr Title V20
Current Outpatient Data Flag	Cost To Charge Ratio 07	Population (< 18 yrs)		Severity Level V25	Severity Level V24	Severity Level V20
PHIS CHCA Member Flag	Cost To Charge Ratio 08	Population (< 5 yrs)		Severity Level Title V25	Severity Level Title V24	Severity Level Title V20
PHIS Member Flag	Cost To Charge Ratio 09	Population (5-9 yrs)		Risk Of Mortality V25	Risk Of Mortality V24	Risk Of Mortality V20
PHIS Outpatient Data Flag	Cost To Charge Ratio 10	Population (10-14 yrs)		Risk Of Mortality Title V25	Risk Of Mortality Title V24	Risk Of Mortality Title V20
PHIS ORYX Participant Flag	Cost To Charge Ratio 11	Population (15-17 yrs)		MDC V25	MDC V24	MDC V20
PHIS PACT Member Flag	Cost To Charge Ratio 12	AHA Statistics		MDC Title V25	MDC Title V24	MDC Title V20
Charge Description Master	Cost To Charge Ratio 13	Academic Flag		MDC Partition V25	MDC Partition V24	MDC Partition V20
Alternate Code	Cost To Charge Ratio 14	System Affiliation		MDC Partition Title V25	MDC Partition Title V24	MDC Partition Title V20
Alternate Code Type	Cost To Charge Ratio 15	Average Daily Census		Ped LOS Weight V25	Ped LOS Weight V24	Ped LOS Weight V20
Alternate Code Type Title	Cost To Charge Ratio 16	Payroll Expense (000)		Ped Charge Weight V25	Ped Charge Weight V24	Ped Charge Weight V20
CTC Code	Cost To Charge Ratio 17	Personnel		Ped Mortality Weight V25	Ped Mortality Weight V24	Ped Mortality Weight V20
Charge Code	Cost To Charge Ratio 18	Staffed Beds		Ped LOS Low Trim Point V25	Ped LOS Low Trim Point V24	Ped LOS Low Trim Point V20
Charge Code Title	Cost To Charge Ratio 19	Total Expense (000)		Ped LOS High Trim Point V25	Ped LOS High Trim Point V24	Ped LOS High Trim Point V20
Conversion Factor	Cost To Charge Ratio 20	Wage Index		Ped Charge Low Trim Point V25	Ped Charge Low Trim Point V24	Ped Charge Low Trim Point V20
Change Date	Cost To Charge Ratio 21	Wage Index Year		Ped Charge High Trim Point V25	Ped Charge High Trim Point V24	Ped Charge High Trim Point V20
CTC Major Title	Cost To Charge Ratio 22	Wage Index Code		All Patient Weights V25	All Patient Weights V24	All Patient Weights V20
CTC Stratifier Title	Cost To Charge Ratio 23	Weight Factor Code		All Patient LOS Weight V25	All Patient LOS Weight V24	All Patient LOS Weight V20
Hospital Revenue Dept	Cost To Charge Ratio 24			All Patient Charge Weight V25	All Patient Charge Weight V24	All Patient Charge Weight V20
	Cost To Charge Ratio 25			All Patient Mortality Weight V25	All Patient Mortality Weight V24	All Patient Mortality Weight V20
	Cost To Charge Ratio 26			All Patient LOS Low Trim Point V25	All Patient LOS Low Trim Point V24	All Patient LOS Low Trim Point V20
	Cost To Charge Ratio 27			All Patient LOS High Trim Point V25	All Patient LOS High Trim Point V24	All Patient LOS High Trim Point V20
	Cost To Charge Ratio 28			All Patient Charge Low Trim Point V25	All Patient Charge Low Trim Point V24	All Patient Charge Low Trim Point V20
	Cost To Charge Ratio 29			All Patient Charge High Trim Point V25	All Patient Charge High Trim Point V24	All Patient Charge High Trim Point V20
	Cost To Charge Ratio 35					
	Physician Profile					
	Physician					
	Physician Sub-Specialty					
	Physician Sub-Specialty Title					

Clinical Classifications cont.		ICD-9 Titles	CTC Titles		
APR-DRG V15	CMS-DRG (Eff. thru 12/31/2007)	ICD-9 Dx Titles	Pharmacy	Laboratory	Clinical
PSL General V15	PSL General (CMS DRG)	Dx Code (ICD-9)	Pharmacy CTC Code	Lab CTC Code	Clinical CTC Code
PSL General Title V15	PSL General Title (CMS DRG)	Dx Title (ICD-9)	Drug Class	Lab Area	Clinical Area
PSL Specific V15	PSL Specific (CMS DRG)	Dx Abbr Title (ICD-9)	Drug Class Title	Lab Area Title	Clinical Area Title
PSL Specific Title V15	PSL Specific Title (CMS DRG)	Dx Fiscal Year	Therapeutic Category	Test Category	Clinical Service
APR-DRG V15	CMS DRG	MDC	Therapeutic Category Title	Test Category Title	Clinical Service Title
APR-DRG Title V15	CMS DRG Title	MDC Title	Generic Drug	Lab Test	Clinical Labor Component
APR-DRG Abbr Title V15	CMS DRG Abbr Title	MDC Abbr Title	Generic Drug Title	Lab Test Title	Clinical Labor Component Title
Severity Level V15	MDC (CMS DRG)	CC Condition Flag	Original Generic Drug	How Lab Ordered	Clinical Charge Method
Severity Level Title V15	MDC Title (CMS DRG)	Comorbidity Flag	Original Generic Drug Title	How Lab Ordered Title	Clinical Charge Method Title
Risk Of Mortality V15	MDC Abbr Title (CMS DRG)	Sex Specific Flag	Route Of Administration	<i>Panel Indicator</i>	Other
Risk Of Mortality Title V15	Fiscal Year (CMS DRG)	Age Specific Flag	Route Of Administration Title	Panel Indicator Title	Other CTC Code
MDC V15	Med/Surg Indicator (CMS DRG)	List A Group	Dosage Form	Specimen Source	Other Category
MDC Title V15	Med/Surg Indicator Title (CMS DRG)	Dx Category	Dosage Form Title	Specimen Source Title	Other Category Title
MDC Partition V15	Arithmetic Mean LOS (CMS DRG)	Dx Category Title	Dosage Strength	Imaging	Other Service
MDC Partition Title V15	Geometric Mean LOS (CMS DRG)	Specific Edit (Medicare)	Dosage Strength Title	Imaging CTC Code	Other Service Title
Ped LOS Weight V15	LOS High Trim (CMS DRG)	ICD-9 Px Titles	Unit Of Measure	Imaging Category	Charge Method
Ped Charge Weight V15	Relative Weight (CMS DRG)	Px Code (ICD-9)	Unit Of Measure Title	Imaging Category Title	Charge Method Title
Ped Mortality Weight V15	MS-DRG (Eff. With 1/1/03)	Px Title (ICD-9)	Supply	Imaging Procedure	Building
Ped LOS Low Trim Point V15	PSL General (MS DRG)	Px Abbr Title (ICD-9)	Supply CTC Code	Imaging Procedure Title	Building Title
Ped LOS High Trim Point V15	PSL General Title (MS DRG)	Operative Px Flag	Supply Category	Imaging Technique	Floor
Ped Charge Low Trim Point V15	PSL Specific (MS DRG)	Px Class (UHDDS)	Supply Category Title	Imaging Technique Title	Floor Title
Ped Charge High Trim Point V15	PSL Specific Title (MS DRG)	Px Fiscal Year	Specific Item	Imaging Service	Direction
Neonatal BW Group V15	MS DRG	List B Group	Supply Item Title	Imaging Service Title	Direction Title
Neonatal BW Group Title V15	MS DRG Title	Px Category	Delivery Method	How Image Ordered	Room
All Patient Weights V20	MS DRG Abbr Title	Px Category Title	Delivery Method Title	How Image Ordered Title	Room Title
All Patient LOS Weight V15	MDC (MS DRG)	Specific Edit (Medicare)		Contrast Media	
All Patient Charge Weight V15	MDC Title (MS DRG)	CPT		Contrast Media Title	
All Patient Mortality Weight V15	MDC Abbr Title (MS DRG)	CPT Code		Route Of Contrast	
All Patient LOS Low Trim Point V15	Fiscal Year (MS DRG)	CPT Title		Route Of Contrast Title	
All Patient LOS High Trim Point V15	Med/Surg Indicator (MS DRG)	CPT Abbr Title			
All Patient Charge Low Trim Point V15	Med/Surg Indicator Title (MS DRG)	ASC Level			
All Patient Charge High Trim Point V15	Arithmetic Mean LOS (MS DRG)	Age Indicator			
	Geometric Mean LOS (MS DRG)	Sex Specific Indicator			
	LOS High Trim (MS DRG)	Age From			
	Relative Weight (MS DRG)	Age To			
		Year			
		Version			

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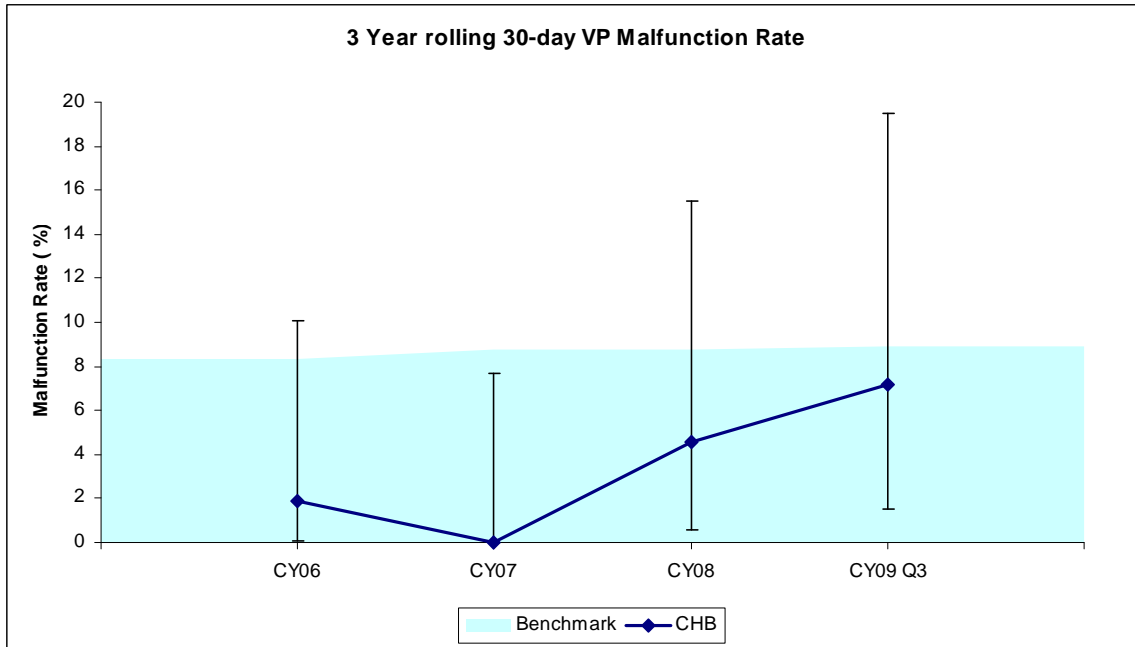
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Table 1: Three year rolling 30-day VP Malfunction Rates, CY08 & CY09Q3

	Procedures (N)	Complications (N)	Malfunction Rate (%)	95% Confidence Interval
CY08				
CHB	44	2	4.6	0.6, 15.5
Benchmark	3351	294	8.8	7.8, 9.8
CY09Q3				
CHB	42	3	7.1	1.5, 19.5
Benchmark	3366	300	8.9	8.0, 9.9

Benchmark: CHB and all PHIS hospitals combined

Figure 1: Three year rolling 30-day VP Malfunction Rates Trends, CHB CY06-CY09Q3



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2006**

These pages provide only an introduction to the KID package.

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**HCUP KIDS' INPATIENT DATABASE (KID)
SUMMARY OF DATA USE LIMITATIONS**

******* REMINDER *******

All users of the KID must take the on-line Data Use Agreement (DUA) training session, sign a Data Use Agreement, and send a copy to AHRQ.[†]

Authorized users of HCUP data agree to the following limitations:[‡]

- Will not use the data for any purpose other than research or aggregate statistical reporting.
- Will not re-release any data to unauthorized users.
- Will not identify or attempt to identify any individual. **Will not report any statistics where the number of observations (i.e., individual discharge records) in any given cell of tabulated data is less than or equal to 10.**
- Will not link HCUP data to data from another source that identifies individuals.
- Will not report information that could identify individual establishments (e.g., hospitals).
- Will not use the data concerning individual establishments for commercial or competitive purposes involving those establishments.
- Will not use the data to determine rights, benefits, or privileges of individual establishments.
- Will not identify or attempt to identify any establishment when its identity has been concealed on the database.
- Will not contact establishments included in the data.
- Will not attribute to data contributors any conclusions drawn from the data.
- Will not use data elements from the proprietary severity adjustment software packages (3M APR-DRGs, HSS APS-DRGs, and Thomson Reuters Disease Staging) for any commercial purpose or to disassemble, decompile, or otherwise reverse engineer the proprietary software.
- Must acknowledge the "Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project, (HCUP)", as described in the Data Use Agreement, in reports.

Any violation of the limitations in the Data Use Agreement is punishable under Federal law by a fine of up to \$10,000 and up to 5 years in prison. Violations may also be subject to penalties under State statutes.

[†] The on-line Data Use Agreement training session and the Data Use Agreement are available on the HCUP User Support (HCUP-US) Website at <http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov>.

[‡] Specific provisions are detailed in the Data Use Agreement for Kids' Inpatient Database.

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WHAT'S NEW IN THE 2006 KIDS' INPATIENT DATABASE (KID)?

- Arkansas and Oklahoma joined the KID in 2006.
- A new companion discharge-level KID file contains data elements from AHRQ software tools designed to facilitate the use of the ICD-9-CM diagnostic and procedure information in the HCUP databases.
- The patient location four-category urban rural data element (PL_UR_CAT4) has been replaced by a six-category data element created by the National Center for Health Statistics (PL_NCHS2006). The six-category data element can be collapsed to four categories that approximate the original data element.
- The version 18 DRG and MDC are replaced with the version 24 DRG and MDC.
- The data element HFIPSSTCO was added to the Hospital Weights file. HFIPSSTCO contains the hospital's FIPS State and county code. For more information, visit the [HCUP-US Web site](#).
- The National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI) teaching status indicator was not available for 2006. Therefore, for all hospitals, teaching status was determined using only information from the American Hospital Association (AHA) Annual Survey Database (Health Forum, LLC © 2007).
- Fourth quarter data from sampled hospitals in Massachusetts were unavailable for inclusion in the 2006 KID; however, we adjusted the data to account for missing cases. For details, see the section on the [Final KID Sample](#) in this document.
- The KID Introduction and the KID Design Report were combined and reorganized for 2006. Data tables, figures, and State-specific restrictions now appear as appendices for the combined document.
- 2006 KID Documentation is available exclusively on the HCUP User Support (HCUP-US) Website (<http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov>) and is no longer included on the KID CD-ROMs. This ensures that documentation for your data will always be the most recent and up-to-date version.
- Users must complete an on-line Data Use Agreement training tool prior to receiving the data.

UNDERSTANDING THE KID

- This document, Introduction to the KID, 2006, summarizes the content of the KID and describes the development of the KID sample and weights.
- Cumulative information for all previous years is included to provide a longitudinal view of the database.
- Important considerations for data analysis are highlighted and references to detailed reports are provided.
- In-depth documentation for the KID is available on the HCUP User Support (HCUP-US) Website (www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov). Please refer to detailed documentation before using the data.

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HCUP Kids' Inpatient Database (KID)

ABSTRACT

The Kids' Inpatient Database (KID) is part of the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP), sponsored by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), formerly the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research.

The KID is the only dataset on hospital use, outcomes, and charges designed to study children's use of hospital services in the United States. The KID is a sample of discharges from all community, non-rehabilitation hospitals in States participating in HCUP. The target universe includes pediatric discharges from community, non-rehabilitation hospitals in the United States. Pediatric discharges are defined as all discharges where the patient was age 20 or less at admission. See [Table 1](#) in [Appendix I](#) for a list of the statewide data organizations participating in the KID. The number of sample hospitals and discharges by State and year are available in [Table 2](#) in [Appendix I](#).

The KID contains charge information on all patients, regardless of payer, including persons covered by private insurance, Medicaid, Medicare, and the uninsured. The KID's large sample size enables analyses of rare conditions, such as congenital anomalies and uncommon treatments, such as organ transplantation. It can be used to study a wide range of topics including the economic burden of pediatric conditions, access to services, quality of care and patient safety, and the impact of health policy changes.

Inpatient stay records in the KID include clinical and resource use information typically available from discharge abstracts. Discharge weights are provided for calculating national estimates. The KID can be linked to hospital-level data from the American Hospital Association's Annual Survey Database (Health Forum, LLC © 2007) and county-level data from the Bureau of Health Professions' Area Resource File, except in those States that do not allow the release of hospital identifiers.

The KID is available every three years beginning with 1997. Periodically, new data elements are added to the KID and some are dropped; see [Appendix III](#) for a summary of data elements and when they are effective.

Access to the KID is open to users who sign Data Use Agreements. Uses are limited to research and aggregate statistical reporting.

For more information on the KID, visit the AHRQ-sponsored HCUP User Support (HCUP-US) Website at <http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov>.

INTRODUCTION TO THE HCUP KIDS' INPATIENT DATABASE (KID)

Overview of KID Data

The Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP) Kids' Inpatient Database (KID) was developed to enable analyses of hospital utilization by children across the United States. The target universe includes pediatric discharges from community, non-rehabilitation hospitals in the United States.¹

The sampling frame is limited to pediatric discharges from community, non-rehabilitation hospitals in the participating HCUP Partner States shown in [Figure 1](#) of [Appendix I](#).

Pediatric discharges are defined as all discharges where a patient was 20 years or less at admission. Discharges with missing, invalid, or inconsistent ages are excluded. Pediatric discharges are identified as one of three types of records:

- Uncomplicated in-hospital births (HOSPBIRTH = 1 and UNCBIRTH = 1)
- Complicated in-hospital births (HOSPBIRTH = 1 and UNCBIRTH = 0)
- All other pediatric cases (HOSPBIRTH = 0).

In-hospital births (HOSPBIRTH = 1) are identified by any principal or secondary diagnosis code in the range of V3000 to V3901 with the last two digits of "00" or "01" and the patient is not transferred from another acute care hospital or health care facility. Uncomplicated births (UNCBIRTH = 1) have a Diagnosis Related Group (DRG) equal to 391 indicating "Normal Newborn."

Unlike the HCUP Nationwide Inpatient Sample (NIS), the KID does not involve a two-stage sampling procedure. Instead, the KID includes a sample of pediatric discharges from all hospitals in the sampling frame – the State Inpatient Databases (SID) that agreed to participate in the KID). For sampling, pediatric discharges are stratified by uncomplicated in-hospital birth, complicated in-hospital birth, and all other pediatric cases. To further ensure an accurate representation of each hospital's pediatric case-mix, the discharges are sorted by State, hospital, DRG, and a random number within each DRG. Systematic random sampling is used to select 10% of uncomplicated in-hospital births and 80% of complicated in-hospital births and other pediatric cases from each frame hospital.

¹ Community hospitals, as defined by the American Hospital Association (AHA), include "all non-Federal, short-term, general, and other specialty hospitals, excluding hospital units of institutions." Included among community hospitals are specialty hospitals such as obstetrics-gynecology, ear-nose-throat, short-term rehabilitation, orthopedic, and pediatric institutions. Also included are public hospitals and academic medical centers. Starting in 2005, the AHA included long term acute care facilities in the definition of community hospitals. These facilities provide acute care services to patients who need long term hospitalization (stays of more than 25 days). Excluded from the KID are short-term rehabilitation hospitals (beginning with 2000 data), long-term non-acute care hospitals, psychiatric hospitals, and alcoholism/chemical dependency treatment facilities.

To obtain national estimates, discharge weights are developed using the AHA universe as the standard. For the weights, hospitals are post-stratified on six characteristics contained in the AHA hospital files. These were the same characteristics used to define the NIS sampling strata (ownership/control, bedsize, teaching status, rural/urban location, and U.S. region), with the addition of a stratum for freestanding children's hospitals. To create weights, if there were fewer than two frame hospitals, 30 uncomplicated births, 30 complicated births, and 30 non-birth pediatric discharges sampled in a stratum, that stratum is combined with an "adjacent" stratum containing hospitals with similar characteristics. Discharge weights are created by stratum in proportion to the number of AHA newborns for newborn discharges and in proportion to the total number of (non-newborn) AHA discharges for non-newborn discharges.

Detailed information on the design of the KID prior to 2006 is available in the year-specific special reports on *Design of the Kids' Inpatient Database* found on the HCUP-US Website (<http://hcup-us.ahrq.gov/db/nation/kid/kidrelatedreports.jsp>). Starting with the 2006 KID, the information on the design of the KID was incorporated into this report, which describes the KID sample and weights, summarizes the contents of the 2006 KID, and discusses data analysis issues. This document highlights cumulative information for all previous KID releases to provide a longitudinal view of the database. We have enhanced the nationwide representation of the sample by incorporating data from additional HCUP State Partners.

KID data sets are currently available for multiple years. See [Table 3](#) of [Appendix I](#) for a summary of KID releases. Each release of the KID includes:

- Data in fixed-width ASCII format on CD-ROM.
- 2 million to 3 million pediatric inpatient records per year.
- 2,500 to 3,500 hospitals per year (all SID hospitals with pediatric discharges).
- Discharge-level weights to calculate national estimates for discharges.
- Hospital File to link the KID to data from the AHA Annual Survey Database.
- KID Documentation and tools – including file specifications, programming source code for loading ASCII data into SAS and SPSS, and value labels. Beginning in 2006, code is also provided for loading the KID ASCII file into Stata.

KID Data Sources, Hospitals, and Inpatient Stays

[Table 2](#) in [Appendix I](#) contains a summary of the data sources, number of hospitals, and number of inpatient stays in each KID database. It also lists the differences in types of hospitals and age inclusion for pediatric cases.

State-Specific Restrictions

Some data sources that contributed data to the KID imposed restrictions on the release of certain data elements or on the number and types of hospitals that could be included in the database. Because of confidentiality laws, some data sources were prohibited from providing HCUP with discharge records that indicated specific medical conditions, such as HIV/AIDS or behavioral health. Detailed information on these State-specific restrictions is available in [Appendix II](#).

Contents of CD-ROM

The KID is contained on one CD-ROM that include fixed-width ASCII formatted data files and a README.TXT file describing how to access related KID documentation on the HCUP-US Website (<http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov>).

The CD-ROM contains:

Inpatient Core File: The Core file contains pediatric discharges sampled from community, non-rehabilitation hospitals in participating HCUP States. The unit of observation is an *inpatient stay record*. The Core file contains data elements for linkage, patient demographics, clinical information, and payment information. Sample weights for the three types of records, uncomplicated in-hospital births, complicated in-hospital births, and all other pediatric cases, are calculated separately by stratum and are added to each discharge in the Core File, as appropriate, so that only one discharge weight variable (DISCWT) is needed. See [Table 1](#) of [Appendix III](#) for a list of data elements in the Inpatient Core File. This file is available in all years of the KID.

Hospital File: The hospital-level file contains one observation for each hospital included in the KID and contains variance estimation data elements, linkage data elements, and data elements that describe basic characteristics about hospitals. The unit of observation is the *hospital*. The HCUP hospital identifier (HOSPID) provides the linkage between the KID Inpatient Core file and the Hospital file. See [Table 2](#) of [Appendix III](#) for a list of data elements in the Hospital File. This file is available in all years of the KID.

Disease Severity Measures File: This discharge-level file contains information from four different sets of disease severity measures. Information from the severity file is to be used in conjunction with the inpatient Core file. The unit of observation is an *inpatient stay record*. The HCUP unique record identifier (RECNUM) provides the linkage between the Core file and the Disease Severity Measures files. See [Appendix III](#), [Table 3](#) for a list of data elements in the Severity Measures Files. This file is available beginning with the 2003 KID.

Diagnosis and Procedure Groups Files: These discharge-level files contain data elements from AHRQ software tools designed to facilitate the use of the ICD-9-CM diagnostic and procedure information in the HCUP databases. The unit of observation is an *inpatient stay record*. The HCUP unique record identifier (KEY) provides the linkage between the Core files and the Diagnosis and Procedure Groups files. [Table 4](#) in [Appendix III](#) contains a list of data elements in the Diagnosis and Procedure Groups files. These files are available beginning with the 2006 KID.

On the HCUP-US Website (<http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov>), KID purchasers can access complete file documentation, including variable notes, file layouts, summary statistics, and related technical reports. Similarly, purchasers can also download SAS, SPSS, and Stata load programs. Available online documentation and supporting files are detailed in [Appendix I](#), [Table 4](#).

KID Data Elements

The KID contains two types of data: inpatient stay core records and hospital information. [Appendix III](#) identifies the data elements in each KID file:

- [Table 1](#) for the Inpatient Core files (record = inpatient stay)
- [Table 2](#) for the Hospital Weights files (record = hospital)
- [Table 3](#) for the Disease Severity Measures files (record = inpatient stay). This file was added beginning with the 2003 KID.
- [Table 4](#) for the Diagnosis and Procedure Groups files (record = inpatient stay). This file was added beginning with the 2006 KID.

Not all data elements in the KID are uniformly coded or available across all States. The tables in [Appendix III](#) are not complete documentation for the data. Please refer to the KID documentation located on the HCUP-US Website (<http://hcup-us.ahrq.gov>) for comprehensive information about data elements and the files

Getting Started

The KID data files are provided on one CD-ROM. Comprehensive documentation for the KID files is available on the HCUP-US Website (<http://hcup-us.ahrq.gov>).

KID Data Files

In order to load KID data onto your PC, you will need about five gigabytes of space available. Because of the size of the files, the data are distributed as self-extracting PKZIP compressed files. To decompress the data, you should follow these steps:

1. Create a directory for the KID on your hard drive.
2. Copy the self-extracting data files from the KID Data Files CD-ROM into the new directory.
3. Unzip each file by running the corresponding *.exe file.
 - Type the file name within DOS or click on the name within Windows Explorer.
 - Edit the name of the "Unzip To Folder" in the WinZip Self-Extractor dialog to select the desired destination directory for the extracted file.
 - Click on the "Unzip" button.

The ASCII data files will then be uncompressed into this directory. After the files are uncompressed, the *.exe files can be deleted.

KID Documentation

KID documentation files on the HCUP-US Website (<http://hcup-us.ahrq.gov/>) provide important resources for the user. Refer to these resources to understand the structure and content of the KID and to aid in using the database.

- To locate the KID documentation on HCUP-US, choose "Databases" from the home page (<http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov>). The section labeled "KIDS' Inpatient Database (KID)" is specific to the KID.

Table 4 in [Appendix I](#) details both the KID related reports and the comprehensive KID documentation available on HCUP-US.

HOW TO USE THE KID FOR DATA ANALYSIS

This section provides a brief synopsis of special considerations when using the KID. For more details, refer to the comprehensive documentation on the HCUP-US Website (<http://hcup-us.ahrq.gov/>).

- If anyone other than the original purchaser uses the KID data, be sure to have them read and sign a Data Use Agreement, after viewing the on-line Data Use Agreement Training Tool available on the HCUP-US Website (<http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov>). A copy of the signed Data Use Agreements must be sent to AHRQ. See page 2 for the mailing address.
- The KID contains discharge-level records, not patient-level records. This means that individual patients who are hospitalized multiple times in one year may be present in the KID multiple times. There is no uniform patient identifier available that allows a patient-level analysis with the KID. This will be especially important to remember for certain conditions for which patients may be hospitalized multiple times in a single year.

Calculating National Estimates

- To produce national estimates, use one of the following discharge weights to weight discharges in the KID Core files to pediatric discharges from all U.S. community, non-rehabilitation hospitals. The name of the discharge weight data element depends on the year of data and the type of analysis. **In order to produce national estimates, you MUST use discharge weights.**

KID Data Year	Name of Discharge Weight on the Core File to Use for Creating Nationwide Estimates
2003 forward	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DISCWT for all analyses
2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DISCWT to create nationwide estimates for all analyses <u>except</u> those that involve total charges. • DISCWTCHARGE to create nationwide estimates of total charges.
1997	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DISCWT_U for all analyses

- Similar to the NIS, proper statistical techniques must be used to calculate standard errors and confidence intervals when using the KID. For detailed instructions, refer to the special report [Calculating Nationwide Inpatient Sample Variances](#) on the HCUP-US Website (www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov). A report specific to the KID, [Calculating Kids' Inpatient Database \(KID\) Variances](#), is also available on www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov.
- The KID Comparison Reports (available on www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov) assess the accuracy of KID estimates. No comparison report was created for the 2000 KID. The updated report for

the current KID will be posted on the HCUP-US Website (www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov) as soon as it is completed.

- When creating national estimates, it is a good idea to check your estimates against other data sources, if available. For example, the National Hospital Discharge Survey (<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/products/pubs/pubd/series/ser.htm#sr13>) can provide benchmarks against which to check your national estimates for hospitalizations with more than 5,000 discharges.
- To ensure that you are using the weights appropriately and calculating estimates and variances accurately, you can also use HCUPnet, the free online query system (<http://www.hcupnet.ahrq.gov>). HCUPnet is a Web-based query tool for identifying, tracking, analyzing, and comparing statistics on hospitals at the national, regional, and State level. HCUPnet offers easy access to national statistics and trends and selected State statistics about hospital stays. This tool provides step-by-step guidance, helping researchers to quickly obtain the statistics they need. HCUPnet generates statistics using the NIS, KID, and SID for those States that have agreed to participate. In addition, HCUPnet provides Quick Statistics – ready-to-use tables on commonly requested information – as well as national statistics based on the AHRQ Quality Indicators.

Studying Trends

- When studying trends over time using the KID, be aware that the sampling frame for the KID changes over time (i.e., more States have been added). Estimates from earlier years of the KID may be subject to more sampling bias than later years of the KID. In order to facilitate analysis of trends using multiple years of KID data, an alternate set of KID discharge and hospital weights for the 1997 HCUP KID were developed. These alternative weights were calculated in the same way as the weights for the 2000 and later years of the KID. The report, *Using the Kids' Inpatient Database (KID) to Estimate Trends*, includes details regarding the alternate weights and other recommendations for trends analysis. Both the KID trends report and the alternate weights are available on the HCUP-US Website under Methods Series (<http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov/reports/methods.jsp>).
- Short-term rehabilitation hospitals are included in the 1997 KID, but are excluded from later years of the KID. Patients treated in short-term rehabilitation hospitals tend to have lower mortality rates and longer lengths of stay than patients in other community hospitals. The elimination of rehabilitation hospitals may affect trends but the effect is likely small since only about 3% of community hospitals are short-term rehabilitation hospitals and not all State data sources included short term rehabilitation hospitals. The KID-Trends weights account for this change in KID sampling.

Choosing Data Elements for Analysis

- For all data elements you plan to use in your analysis, first perform descriptive statistics and examine the range of values, including number of missing cases. Summary statistics for the entire KID are provided on the Summary Statistics page of the HCUP-US Website (<http://hcup-us.ahrq.gov/db/nation/kid/kidsummarystats.jsp>). When you detect anomalies (such as large numbers of missing cases), perform descriptive statistics by State for that variable to detect if there are State-specific differences. Sometimes performing descriptive statistics by hospital can be helpful in detecting hospital-specific data anomalies.

- Not all data elements in the KID are provided by each State data source. These data elements are provided on the KID because they can be valuable for research purposes but they should be used cautiously. For example, RACE is missing for a number of States; thus, national estimates using RACE should be interpreted and reported with caveats. Check the documentation and run frequencies by State to identify if a data element is not available in one or more States.
- Differences exist across the State data sources in the collection of information that could not be accounted for during HCUP processing to make the data uniform. Be sure to read State-specific notes for each data element that you use in your analysis – this information can be found on the Description of Data Elements page on the HCUP-US Website (<http://hcup-us.ahrq.gov/db/nation/kid/kiddde.jsp>).
- Data elements with "_X" suffixes contain State-specific coding (i.e., these data elements are provided by the data sources and have not been altered in any way). For some data elements (e.g., LOS_X and TOTCHG_X) this means that no edit checks have been applied. For other data elements (e.g., PAY1_X), the coding is specific to each State and may not be comparable to any other State.

ICD-9-CM Diagnosis and Procedure Codes

- ICD-9-CM diagnosis and procedure codes provide valuable insights into the reasons for hospitalization and what procedures patients receive, but these codes need to be carefully used and interpreted. ICD-9-CM codes change every October as new codes are introduced and some codes are retired. See the Conversion Table at <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/datawh/ftp/ftpicd9/ftpicd9.htm> which shows ICD-9-CM code changes over time. **It is critical to check all ICD-9-CM code used for analysis to ensure the codes are in effect during the time period studied.**
- Although the KID contains up to 15 diagnoses and 15 procedures, the number of diagnoses and procedures varies by State. Some States provide as many as 30 diagnoses and 21 procedures, while other States provide as few as 9 diagnoses and 6 procedures. Because very few cases have more than 15 diagnoses or procedures, the diagnosis and procedure vectors were truncated to save space in the KID data files. Two variables are provided which tell you exactly how many diagnoses and procedures were on the original records (NDX and NPR).
- The collection and reporting of external cause of injury (E codes) varies greatly across States. Some States have laws or mandates for the collection of E codes; others do not. Some States do not require hospitals to report E codes in the range E870-E879 - "misadventures to patients during surgical and medical care" - which means that these occurrences will be underreported. Beginning with the 2003 KID, E codes have been separated from the other diagnoses stored in DX1-DX15 and placed in ECODE1-ECODE4. Be sure to read the State-specific notes on diagnoses for more details; this information can be found on the Description of Data Elements page on the HCUP-US Website (<http://hcup-us.ahrq.gov/db/nation/kid/kiddde.jsp>).

Missing Values

Missing data values can compromise the quality of estimates. If the outcome for discharges with missing values is different from the outcome for discharges with valid values, then sample

estimates for that outcome will be biased and inaccurately represent the discharge population. There are several techniques available to help overcome this bias. One strategy is to use imputation to replace missing values with acceptable values. Another strategy is to use sample weight adjustments to compensate for missing values.¹ Descriptions of such data preparation and adjustment are outside the scope of this report; however, it is recommended that researchers evaluate and adjust for missing data, if necessary.

On the other hand, if the cases with and without missing values are assumed to be similar with respect to their outcomes, no adjustment may be necessary for estimates of means and rates. This is because the non-missing cases would be representative of the missing cases. However, some adjustment may still be necessary for the estimates of totals. Sums of data elements (such as aggregate charges) containing missing values would be incomplete because cases with missing values would be omitted from the calculations.

Variance Calculations

It may be important for researchers to calculate a measure of precision for some estimates based on the KID sample data. Variance estimates must take into account both the sampling design and the form of the statistic. If hospitals inside the frame are similar to hospitals outside the frame, the sample hospitals can be treated as if they were randomly selected from the entire universe of hospitals within each stratum. Discharges were randomly selected from within each hospital. Standard formulas for stratified, two-stage cluster samples without replacement may be used to calculate statistics and their variances in most applications. **To accurately calculate variances from the KID, you must use appropriate statistical software and techniques.** For details, see the special report, [Calculating Kids' Inpatient Database \(KID\) Variances](#). This report is available on the HCUP-US Website at <http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov/db/nation/kid/kidrelatedreports.jsp>.

A multitude of statistics can be estimated from the KID data. Several computer programs that calculate statistics and their variances from sample survey data are listed in the section below. Some of these programs use general methods of variance calculations (e.g., the jackknife and balanced half-sample replications) that take into account the sampling design. However, it may be desirable to calculate variances using formulas specifically developed for some statistics.

These variance calculations are based on finite-sample theory, which is an appropriate method for obtaining cross-sectional, nationwide estimates of outcomes. According to finite-sample theory, the intent of the estimation process is to obtain estimates that are precise representations of the nationwide population at a specific point in time. In the context of the KID, any estimates that attempt to accurately describe characteristics (such as expenditure and utilization patterns or hospital market factors) and interrelationships among characteristics of hospitals and discharges during a specific year should be governed by finite-sample theory.

Alternatively, in the study of hypothetical population outcomes not limited to a specific point in time, the concept of a "superpopulation" may be useful. Analysts may be less interested in specific characteristics from the finite population (and time period) from which the *sample* was drawn than they are in hypothetical characteristics of a conceptual superpopulation from which any particular finite *population* in a given year might have been drawn. According to this superpopulation model, the nationwide population in a given year is only a snapshot in time of the possible interrelationships among hospital, market, and discharge characteristics. In a given year, all possible interactions between such characteristics may not have been observed, but analysts may wish to predict or simulate interrelationships that may occur in the future.

Under the finite-population model, the variances of estimates approach zero as the sampling fraction approaches one. This is the case because the population is defined at that point in time, and because the estimate is for a characteristic as it existed when sampled. This is in contrast to the superpopulation model, which adopts a stochastic viewpoint rather than a deterministic viewpoint. That is, the nationwide population in a particular year is viewed as a random sample of some underlying superpopulation over time. Different methods are used for calculating variances under the two sample theories. The choice of an appropriate method for calculating variances for nationwide estimates depends on the type of measure and the intent of the estimation process.

Computer Software for Variance Calculations

The discharge weights would be used to weight the sample data in estimating population statistics. In most cases, computer programs are readily available to perform these calculations. Several statistical programming packages allow weighted analyses.² For example, nearly all SAS procedures incorporate weights. In addition, several statistical analysis programs have been developed to specifically calculate statistics and their standard errors from survey data. Version eight or later of SAS contains procedures (PROC SURVEYMEANS and PROC SURVEYREG) for calculating statistics based on specific sampling designs. STATA and SUDAAN are two other common statistical software packages that perform calculations for numerous statistics arising from the stratified, single-stage cluster sampling design. Examples of the use of SAS, SUDAAN, and STATA to calculate KID variances are presented in the special report: [Calculating Kids' Inpatient Database \(KID\) Variances](#). This report is available on the HCUP-US Website at <http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov/db/nation/kid/kidrelatedreports.jsp>. For an excellent review of programs to calculate statistics from survey data, visit the following Website: <http://www.hcp.med.harvard.edu/statistics/survey-soft/>.

The KID database includes a Hospital file with variables required to calculate finite population statistics. The file includes hospital identifiers (Primary Sampling Units or PSUs), stratification variables, and stratum-specific totals for the numbers of discharges and hospitals so that finite-population corrections can be applied to variance estimates.

In addition to these subroutines, standard errors can be estimated by validation and cross-validation techniques. Given that a very large number of observations will be available for most analyses, it may be feasible to set aside a part of the data for validation purposes. Standard errors and confidence intervals can then be calculated from the validation data.

If the analytical file is too small to set aside a large validation sample, cross-validation techniques may be used. For example, tenfold cross-validation would split the data into ten equal-sized subsets. The estimation would take place in ten iterations. In each iteration, the outcome of interest is predicted for one-tenth of the observations by an estimate based on a model fit to the other nine-tenths of the observations. Unbiased estimates of error variance are then obtained by comparing the actual values to the predicted values obtained in this manner.

Finally, it should be noted that a large array of hospital-level variables are available for the entire universe of hospitals, including those outside the sampling frame. For instance, the variables from the AHA surveys and from the Medicare Cost Reports are available for nearly all hospitals in the U.S, although hospital identifiers are suppressed in the KID for a number of States. For these States it will not be possible to link to outside hospital-level data sources. To the extent

that hospital-level outcomes correlate with these variables, they may be used to sharpen regional and nationwide estimates.

SAMPLING OF DISCHARGES

Sampling of Discharges Included in the KID

Unlike the HCUP Nationwide Inpatient Sample (NIS), the KID does not involve sampling hospitals. Instead, the KID includes a sample of pediatric discharges from all hospitals in the sampling frame. For the sampling, pediatric discharges in all participating States are stratified by uncomplicated in-hospital birth, complicated in-hospital birth, and all other pediatric cases. To further ensure an accurate representation of each hospital's pediatric case-mix, the discharges are sorted by State, hospital, DRG, and a random number within each DRG. Systematic random sampling is used to select 10% of uncomplicated in-hospital births and 80% of complicated in-hospital births and other pediatric cases from each frame hospital.

To obtain national estimates, discharge weights are developed using the AHA universe as the standard. For the weights, hospitals are post-stratified on six characteristics contained in the AHA hospital files. These were the same characteristics used to define the NIS sampling strata (ownership/control, bedsize, teaching status, rural/urban location, and U.S. region), with the addition of a stratum for freestanding children's hospitals. If there were fewer than two frame hospitals, 30 uncomplicated births, 30 complicated births, and 30 non-birth pediatric discharges sampled in a stratum, that stratum is combined with an "adjacent" stratum containing hospitals with similar characteristics. Discharge weights are created by stratum in proportion to the number of AHA newborns for newborn discharges and in proportion to the total number of (non-newborn) AHA discharges for non-newborn discharges.

The KID Hospital Universe

The hospital universe is defined as all hospitals located in the U.S. that were open during any part of the calendar year and that were designated as community hospitals in the AHA Annual Survey Database. The AHA defines community hospitals as follows: "All non-Federal, short-term, general, and other specialty hospitals, excluding hospital units of institutions." Starting in 2005, the AHA included long term acute care facilities in the definition of community hospitals. These facilities provide acute care services to patients who need long term hospitalization (more than 25 days stays). Consequently, Veterans Hospitals and other Federal facilities (Department of Defense and Indian Health Service) are excluded. Beginning with the 2000 KID, short-term rehabilitation hospitals were excluded from the universe, because the type of care provided and the characteristics of the discharges from these facilities were markedly different from other short-term hospitals. (The 1997 KID includes short-term rehabilitation hospitals.) [Table 2 \(Appendix I\)](#) displays the number of hospitals in the universe for each year, based on the corresponding AHA Annual Survey Database.

For more information on how hospitals in the data set were mapped to hospitals as defined by the AHA, refer to the special report, [HCUP Hospital Identifiers](#). For a list of all data sources, refer to [Table 1](#) in [Appendix I](#). Detailed information on the design of the KID prior to 2006 is available in the year-specific special reports on *Design of the Kids' Inpatient Database* found on the [HCUP-US Website](#). Starting with the 2006 KID, the design information was incorporated into this report.

Hospital Merges, Splits, and Closures

All U.S. hospital entities that were designated community hospitals in the AHA hospital file, except short-term rehabilitation hospitals, were included in the hospital universe. Therefore, when two or more community hospitals merged to create a new community hospital, the original hospitals and the newly-formed hospital were all considered separate hospital entities in the universe during the year they merged. Similarly, if a community hospital split, the original hospital and all newly-created community hospitals were treated as separate entities in the universe during the year this occurred. Finally, community hospitals that closed during a given year were included in the hospital universe, as long as they were in operation during some part of the calendar year.

Stratification Variables

For the purpose of calculating discharge weights, we post-stratified hospitals on six characteristics contained in the AHA hospital files. These were the same characteristics used to define the HCUP Nationwide Inpatient Sample (NIS) sampling strata, with the addition of a stratum for stand-alone children's hospitals. The definitions of some of the NIS strata were revised for 1998 and subsequent data years, and we used the revised strata beginning with the 2000 KID. (A description of the strata used for the 1997 KID can be found in the [Kids' Inpatient Database \(KID\) Design Report, 1997](#). This report is available on the HCUP-US Website at <http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov/db/nation/kid/kidrelatedreports.jsp>.)

Beginning with the 2000 KID, the stratification variables were defined as follows:

1. *Geographic Region – Northeast, Midwest, West, and South*. This is an important stratification variable because practice patterns have been shown to vary substantially by region. For example, lengths of stay tend to be longer in East Coast hospitals than in West Coast hospitals. [Figure 1](#) highlights the KID States by region, and [Table 5](#) lists the States that comprise each region. Both can be found in [Appendix I](#).
2. *Control – government non-Federal (public), private not-for-profit (voluntary), and private investor-owned (proprietary)*. These types of hospitals tend to have different missions and different responses to government regulations and policies. When there were enough hospitals of each type to allow it, hospitals were stratified as public, voluntary, and proprietary. This stratification was used for Southern rural, Southern urban non-teaching, and Western urban non-teaching hospitals. For smaller strata – the Midwestern rural and Western rural hospitals – a collapsed stratification of public versus private was used, with the voluntary and proprietary hospitals combined to form a single “private” category. For all other combinations of region, location, and teaching status, no stratification based on control was advisable, given the number of hospitals in these cells.

3. *Location – urban or rural.* Government payment policies often differ according to this designation. Also, rural hospitals are generally smaller and offer fewer services than urban hospitals. Beginning with the 2006 KID, we changed the classification of urban or rural hospital location for the sampling strata to use the newer Core Based Statistical Area (CBSA) codes rather than the older Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) codes. The CBSA groups are based on 2000 Census data, whereas the MSA groups were based on 1990 Census data. Also, the criteria for classifying the counties differ. For more information on the difference between CBSAs and MSAs, refer to the U.S. Census Bureau Website (<http://www.census.gov/population/www/estimates/metroarea.html>).

Previously, we classified hospitals in an MSA as urban hospitals, while we classified hospitals outside a MSA as rural hospitals. Beginning with the 2006 KID, we categorized hospitals with a CBSA type of *Metropolitan* or *Division* as urban, while we designated hospitals with a CBSA type of *Micropolitan* or *Rural* as rural.

4. *Teaching Status – teaching or non-teaching.* The missions of teaching hospitals differ from non-teaching hospitals. In addition, financial considerations differ between these two hospital groups. Currently, the Medicare DRG payments are uniformly higher to teaching hospitals. Prior to 2006, the teaching status of hospitals identified as children's hospitals by the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI) was based on an indicator provided by NACHRI. The NACHRI teaching status indicator was not available for 2006. Therefore, for all hospitals, teaching status was determined using only information from the AHA Annual Survey Database.

In the 1997 KID, we considered other hospitals to be teaching hospitals if they had any residents or interns and met one of the following two criteria:

- Residency training approval by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)
- Membership in the Council of Teaching Hospitals (COTH).

Beginning with the 2000 KID, we considered other hospitals to be teaching hospitals if they met any one of the following three criteria:

- Residency training approval by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)
- Membership in the Council of Teaching Hospitals (COTH)
- A ratio of full-time equivalent interns and residents to beds of .25 or higher.³

5. *Bed Size – small, medium, and large.* Bed size categories are based on hospital beds and are specific to the hospital's region, location, and teaching status, as illustrated in [Table 6](#) of [Appendix I](#). The bed size cutoff points were chosen so that approximately one-third of the hospitals in a given region, location, and teaching status combination would fall within each bed size category (small, medium, or large). Different cutoff points for rural, urban non-teaching, and urban teaching hospitals were used because hospitals in those categories tend to be small, medium, and large, respectively. For example, a medium-sized teaching hospital would be considered a rather large rural hospital. Further, the size distribution is different among regions for each of the urban/teaching categories. For example, teaching hospitals tend to be smaller in the West than they are in the South. Using differing cutoff points in this manner avoids strata containing small numbers of hospitals.

Rural hospitals were not split according to teaching status, because rural teaching hospitals were rare. For example, rural teaching hospitals generally comprise about 2% or less than the total hospital universe. The bed size categories were defined within location and teaching status because they would otherwise have been redundant. Rural hospitals tend to be small; urban non-teaching hospitals tend to be medium-sized; and urban teaching hospitals tend to be large. Yet it was important to recognize gradations of size within these types of hospitals. For example, in serving rural discharges, the role of "large" rural hospitals (particularly rural referral centers) often differs from the role of "small" rural hospitals.

6. *Hospital Type – freestanding children’s or other hospital.* Children’s hospitals restrict admissions to children, while other hospitals admit both adults and children. There may be significant differences in practice patterns, severity of illness, and available services between children’s hospitals and other hospitals. Data from NACHRI were used to help verify and correct the AHA list of children’s hospitals. Children’s units in general hospitals were not stratified as children’s hospitals.

Hospital Sampling Frame

The *universe* of hospitals was established as all community hospitals located in the U.S. with the exception, beginning in 2000, of short-term rehabilitation hospitals. However, some hospitals do not supply data to HCUP. Therefore, we constructed the KID *sampling frame* from the subset of universe hospitals that released their discharge data to AHRQ for research use. The number of State Partners and hospitals contributing data to the KID has expanded over the years, as shown in [Table 2](#) of [Appendix I](#).

The list of the entire frame of hospitals was composed of all AHA community, non-rehabilitation hospitals in each of the frame States *that could be matched to the discharge data provided to HCUP*. If an AHA hospital could not be matched to the discharge data provided by the data source, it was eliminated from the sampling frame (but not from the target universe).

[Table 7](#) of [Appendix I](#) shows the number of AHA, HCUP SID, and KID hospitals by State. In most cases, the difference between the universe and the frame represents the difference between the number of community, non-rehabilitation hospitals in the 2006 AHA Annual Survey Database and the number of hospitals with children’s discharges that were supplied to HCUP that could be matched to the AHA data.

The largest discrepancy between HCUP data and AHA data is in Texas, as is evident in [Table 7](#) of [Appendix I](#). Certain Texas State-licensed hospitals are exempt from statutory reporting requirements. Exempt hospitals include:

- Hospitals that do not seek insurance payment or government reimbursement
- Rural providers.

The Texas statute that exempts rural providers from the requirement to submit data defines a hospital as a rural provider if it:

- (I) Is located in a county that:
 - (A) Has a population estimated by the United States Bureau of the Census to be not

- more than 35,000 as of July 1 of the most recent year for which county population estimates have been published; or
- (B) Has a population of more than 35,000, but does not have more than 100 licensed hospital beds and is not located in an area that is delineated as an urbanized area by the United States Bureau of the Census; and
- (II) Is not a State-owned hospital or a hospital that is managed or directly or indirectly owned by an individual, association, partnership, corporation, or other legal entity that owns or manages one or more other hospitals.

These exemptions apply primarily to smaller rural public hospitals and, as a result, these facilities are less likely to be included in the sampling frame than other Texas hospitals. While the number of hospitals omitted appears sizable, those available for the KID include more than 90% of inpatient discharges from Texas universe hospitals because excluded hospitals tended to have relatively few discharges.

Beginning with the 2000 KID, pediatric discharges were defined as having an age at admission of 20 or less. This differs from the 1997 KID, which included discharges with an admission age of 18 or less. Discharges with missing, invalid, or inconsistent ages were excluded.

Hospital Sample Design

Design Considerations

The overall design objective was to select a sample of pediatric discharges that accurately represents the target universe of U.S. community, non-rehabilitation hospitals. Moreover, this sample was to be geographically dispersed, yet drawn exclusively from hospitals in States that participate in HCUP and agree to contribute to the KID.

It should be possible, for example, to estimate DRG-specific average lengths of stay across all U.S. hospitals using weighted average lengths of stay, based on averages or regression coefficients calculated from the KID. Ideally, relationships among outcomes and their correlates estimated from the KID should accurately represent all U.S. hospitals. It is advisable to verify your estimates against other data sources, if available, because not all States contribute data to the KID. For example, the National Hospital Discharge Survey (<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/hdasd/nhds.htm>) can provide benchmarks against which to check your national estimates for hospitalizations with more than 5,000 cases.

The *KID Comparison Report* assesses the accuracy of KID estimates by providing a comparison of the KID with other data sources. The most recent report is available on the HCUP-US Website (<http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov/db/nation/kid/kidrelatedreports.jsp>).

In order to sample and project births up to the number of births reported by the AHA, which reports in-hospital births, the KID development team identified all in-hospital births in the KID data. We further separated the in-hospital births in HCUP data into uncomplicated births and complicated births. We sampled uncomplicated births at a lower rate because they have little variation in their outcomes.

To determine the best way to identify in-hospital births, we ran cross-tabulations of different

combinations of variables on all cases that had any of the following possible birth indicators: age of zero days (AGEDAY=0), neonatal diagnosis (NEOMAT>=2), neonatal Major Diagnostic Category (MDC 15), or admission type of birth (ATYPE=4).⁴ Based on reviews of the cross-tabulations, the MDC 15 DRG definitions, and ICD-9-CM birth diagnosis codes, the following screen was devised for births: an in-hospital birth diagnosis code (any diagnosis code in the range V3000 - V3901 with a fourth digit of zero, indicating born in the hospital, and a fifth digit of zero or one, indicating delivered without mention of cesarean delivery, or delivered by cesarean delivery), without an admission source of another hospital or health facility (ASOURCE not equal to 2 or 3).

We classified neonates transferred from other facilities as pediatric non-births because they are not included in births reported by the AHA. An age of zero days was not a reliable in-hospital birth indicator because neonates transferred from another hospital or born before admission to the hospital could also have an age of zero days. There were also some cases with birth diagnoses, but with ages of a few days. Because the HCUP data are already edited for neonatal diagnoses inconsistent with age, we did not include any age criteria in the in-hospital birth screen.

Uncomplicated, in-hospital births are identified as cases that meet the above screen and are in DRG 391, "Normal Newborn." In the KID, a small percentage of the cases in DRG 391 do not meet the in-hospital birth screen. These cases have diagnoses that imply a newborn, but do not specifically indicate an in-hospital birth. It is possible that some of these may have actually been born in the hospital but lacked the proper diagnosis code. Others may be readmissions or may have been born before admission to the hospital. Some of these cases have an admission type of newborn (ATYPE = 4).

Changes to Sampling and Weighting Strategy Beginning with the 2000 KID

We use the NIS community hospital universe and strata definitions for the KID. We revised some of the NIS hospital universe and strata definitions for 1998 and subsequent data years, and we used these revised definitions beginning with the 2000 KID. These changes included:

- Revising definitions of the strata variables
- Excluding rehabilitation hospitals from the hospital universe
- Changing the calculation of hospital universe discharges for the weights.

A full description of the evaluation and revision of the NIS sampling strategy for 1998 and subsequent data years can be found in the special report, [Changes in NIS Sampling and Weighting Strategy for 1998](#). This document is available on the HCUP-US Website at <http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov/db/nation/kid/kidrelatedreports.jsp>.

Sampling Procedure

The KID includes a sample of pediatric discharges from all hospitals in the sampling frame. For the sampling, we stratified the pediatric discharges by uncomplicated in-hospital birth, complicated in-hospital birth, and pediatric non-birth. To further ensure an accurate representation of each hospital's pediatric case-mix, we also sorted the discharges by State, hospital, DRG, and a random number within each DRG. We then used systematic random sampling to select 10% of uncomplicated in-hospital births and 80% of other pediatric cases from each frame hospital.

It should be observed that the NIS includes 100% of the discharges from hospitals in the NIS sample. Consequently, in the NIS outcomes can be estimated without sampling error for individual hospitals that are identified in the sample. However, the KID includes fewer than 100% of the pediatric discharges for each hospital in the database. Therefore, researchers will not be able to calculate hospital-specific outcomes with certainty.

SAMPLE WEIGHTS

To obtain national estimates, we developed discharge weights using the AHA universe as the standard. For the weights, we post-stratified hospitals on six characteristics contained in the AHA hospital files. These were the same characteristics used to define the NIS sampling strata, with the addition of a stratum for freestanding children's hospitals. We also stratified the KID discharges according to whether the discharge was an uncomplicated in-hospital birth, a complicated in-hospital birth, or a non-newborn pediatric discharge. If there were fewer than two frame hospitals, 30 uncomplicated births, 30 complicated births, and 30 non-birth pediatric discharges sampled in a stratum, we merged that stratum with an "adjacent" stratum containing hospitals with similar characteristics.

The discharge weights were created by stratum, in proportion to the number of AHA discharges for newborns and non-newborns. Refer to the report [Design of the HCUP Kids' Inpatient Database \(KID\), 1997](#) for a discussion of the analysis and development of the KID weighting scheme. This report is available on the on the HCUP-US Website at <http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov/db/nation/kid/kidrelatedreports.jsp>.

We used NACHRI data to help verify and correct the AHA list of children's hospitals in the target universe. Many of these children's hospitals are units of larger institutions (AHA hospital type 10). Consequently, we do not have separate reporting for them either in the AHA survey or in the HCUP SID. However, data analysts may find it useful to identify hospitals that contain children's units, which can be accomplished using the NACHTYPE variable in the KID.

Discharge Weights

The discharge weights usually are constant for all discharges of the same type (uncomplicated in-hospital birth, complicated in-hospital birth, and other pediatric discharge) within a stratum. The only exceptions are for strata with sample hospitals that, according to the AHA files, were open for the entire year but contributed less than their full year of data to the KID. For those hospitals, we *adjusted* the number of observed discharges by a factor of $4 \div Q$, where Q was the number of calendar quarters that the hospital contributed discharges to the KID. For example, when a sample hospital contributed only two quarters of discharge data to the KID, the *adjusted* number of discharges was double the observed number.

With that minor adjustment, each discharge weight is essentially equal to the number of AHA universe discharges that each sampled discharge represents in its stratum. This calculation was possible because the numbers of total discharges and births were available for every hospital in the universe from the AHA files.

Discharge weights to the universe were calculated by post-stratification. Hospitals were stratified on geographic region, urban/rural location, teaching status, bed size, control, and hospital type. In some instances, strata were collapsed for sample weight calculations. Within

stratum k , for hospital i , each KID sample discharge's universe weight was calculated as:

$$W_{ik} = [T_k / (R_k * A_k)] * (4 \div Q_i)$$

In the birth strata (both complicated and uncomplicated):

- T_k is the total number of births reported in the AHA survey.
- A_k is the total number of adjusted births in the restricted sampling frame.
- In the uncomplicated birth strata, R_k is the frame sampling rate for uncomplicated in-hospital births calculated as the sum of the adjusted number of uncomplicated births sampled divided by the sum of the adjusted number of uncomplicated births in the restricted frame.
- In the complicated birth strata, R_k is the frame sampling rate for complicated in-hospital births.

In the non-newborn strata:

- T_k is the total number of non-newborns reported in the AHA survey.
- A_k is the total number of adjusted non-newborn discharges in the sampling frame.
- R_k is the frame sampling rate for non-newborns from all non-newborn discharges in the sampling frame.

Q_i is the number of quarters of discharge data contributed by hospital i to the KID (usually $Q_i = 4$).

T_k / A_k estimates the number of discharges in the population that is represented by each discharge in the sampling frame. R_k adjusts for the fact that we are taking a sample of the frame in each stratum.

Uncomplicated in-hospital births were sampled at a lower rate than other discharges because the variation in hospital outcomes for uncomplicated births is considerably less than that for other pediatric cases and because we expect research to focus much more on other pediatric patients. We sampled uncomplicated births at the nominal rate of 10% and sampled other pediatric discharges (complicated newborns and other pediatric cases) at the nominal rate of 80% from the discharges available in the (restricted) frame. To avoid rounding errors in the weights calculation, the actual sampling rate for a discharge type (uncomplicated in-hospital birth, complicated in-hospital birth, or non-birth pediatric discharge) in stratum k , R_k , was calculated as follows:

$$R_k = S_k / H_k$$

- S_k is the number of adjusted discharges sampled for the discharge type in stratum k .
- H_k is the number of adjusted discharges in the sampling frame for the discharge type in stratum k .

The AHA birth counts include both uncomplicated and complicated births. Therefore, the weights in the uncomplicated birth strata implicitly assume that the proportion of births that are

uncomplicated in the frame is representative of the proportion of births that are uncomplicated in the population for each stratum. A similar assumption is made for complicated newborns.

Similarly, the non-birth AHA discharge counts include all non-birth discharges, not just non-birth pediatric discharges. Consequently, the weights in the non-birth strata implicitly assume that the proportion of non-birth discharges that are pediatric across the HCUP SID hospitals is the same as the proportion of non-birth discharges that are pediatric across the universe of AHA hospitals, in the aggregate within each hospital stratum.

Weight Data Elements

To produce nationwide estimates, use the discharge weights to extrapolate sampled discharges in the Core file to the discharges from all U.S. community, non-rehabilitation hospitals. Beginning with the 2003 KID, use DISCWT to calculate nationwide estimates for all analyses. For the 2000 KID, use DISCWT to create nationwide estimates for all analyses except those that involve total charges, and use DISCWTCHARGE to create nationwide estimates of total charges. For the 1997 KID, use DISCWT_U for all analyses.

THE FINAL KID SAMPLE

In [Appendix I](#), we present tables and figures that summarize the final KID sample. [Table 8](#) shows the number of hospitals and discharges for children's hospitals and other hospitals. For each hospital type, the table shows the number of:

- AHA universe hospitals and total discharges, including births
- Non-rehabilitation community hospitals in the SID and associated pediatric discharges
- Hospitals and pediatric discharges included in the KID.

[Table 9](#) displays the unweighted and weighted number of uncomplicated births, complicated births, and pediatric non-births by hospital type in the KID.

[Table 2](#) summarize information across all years of the KID, including the KID States, data sources, sample hospitals, and sample discharges.

[Figure 2](#) displays the KID hospitals by geographic region. For each region, the chart presents:

- The number of hospitals in the AHA universe
- The number of SID community hospitals with pediatric discharges
- The number of hospitals in the KID (and the percentage of AHA universe hospitals).

Although pediatric discharges from hospitals in each region are selected for the KID, the comprehensiveness of the sampling frame varies by region, as shown in [Figure 2](#).

Because the KID sampling frame has a disproportionate representation of the more populous States and contains hospitals with more annual discharges, its comprehensiveness in terms of discharges is higher. [Figure 3](#) summarizes the estimated U.S. population by geographic region on July 1, 2006. For each region, the figure reveals:

- The estimated U.S. population
- The estimated population of States in the KID
- The percentage of estimated U.S. population included in KID States.

And, [Figure 4](#) presents the number of discharges in the KID for each State in the sampling frame for 2006.

Special consideration was needed to handle the Massachusetts data in the 2006 KID. Fourth quarter data from sampled hospitals in Massachusetts were unavailable for inclusion in the 2006 KID. To account for the missing quarter of data, we sampled one fourth of the Massachusetts KID discharges from the first three quarters and modified the records to represent the fourth quarter. To ensure a representative sample, we sorted the Massachusetts KID discharges by hospital, discharge quarter, Clinical Classifications Software (CCS) diagnosis group for the principal diagnosis, gender, age, and a random number before selecting every fourth record. The following describes the adjustments made to the selected Massachusetts KID records:

1. We relabeled the discharge quarter (DQTR) to four and saved the original discharge quarter in a new data element (DQTR_X).
2. We adjusted the admission month (AMONTH) by the number of months corresponding to the change in the discharge quarter.
3. We adjusted the total charges (TOTCHG and TOTCHG_X) using quarter-specific adjustment factors calculated as the mean total charges in the fourth quarter for all Northeastern KID States (excluding Massachusetts) divided by the mean total charges in the first, second, or third quarter for all Northeastern KID States (excluding Massachusetts).

We then adjusted the discharge weights for the Massachusetts records to appropriately account for the shifting of quarter one through three discharges to quarter four.

Appendix I: Tables and Figures

Table 1. Data Sources

State	Data Organization
AR	Arkansas Department of Health & Human Services
AZ	Arizona Department of Health Services
CA	Office of Statewide Health Planning & Development
CO	Colorado Hospital Association
CT	Chime, Inc.
FL	Florida Agency for Health Care Administration
GA	Georgia Hospital Association
HI	Hawaii Health Information Corporation
IA	Iowa Hospital Association
IL	Illinois Department of Public Health
IN	Indiana Hospital Association
KS	Kansas Hospital Association
KY	Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
MA	Division of Health Care Finance and Policy
MD	Health Services Cost Review Commission
MI	Michigan Health & Hospital Association
MN	Minnesota Hospital Association
MO	Hospital Industry Data Institute
NC	North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
NE	Nebraska Hospital Association
NH	New Hampshire Department of Health & Human Services
NJ	New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services
NV	Nevada Department of Health and Human Services

State	Data Organization
NY	New York State Department of Health
OH	Ohio Hospital Association
OK	Oklahoma State Department of Health
OR	Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems
RI	Rhode Island Department of Health
SC	South Carolina State Budget & Control Board
SD	South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations
TN	Tennessee Hospital Association
TX	Texas Department of State Health Services
UT	Utah Department of Health
VA	Virginia Health Information
VT	Vermont Association of Hospitals and Health Systems
WA	Washington State Department of Health
WI	Wisconsin Department of Health & Family Services
WV	West Virginia Health Care Authority

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Table 2. Summary of KID Data Sources, Hospitals, and Inpatient Stays, 1997, 2000, 2003, and 2006

	2006	2003	2000	1997
Number of States	38	36	27	22
Data Sources	AR AZ CA CO CT FL GA HI IA IL IN KS KY MA MD MI MN MO NC NE NH NJ NV NY OH OK OR RI SC SD TN TX UT VA VT WA WI WV (Added AR and OK. ME and PA are not included)	AZ CA CO CT FL GA HI IA IL IN KS KY MD MA MI MN MO NC NE NH NJ NV NY OH OR RI SC SD TN TX UT VA VT WA WI WV (Added IL, IN, MI, MN, NE, NH, NV, OH, RI, SD, VT. ME and PA are not included)	AZ CA CO CT FL GA HI IA KS KY MD MA ME MO NC NJ NY OR PA SC TN TX UT VA WA WI WV (Added KY, ME, NC, TX, VA, WV. IL is not included)	AZ CA CO CT FL GA HI IL IA KS MD MA MO NJ NY OR PA SC TN UT WA WI
Hospitals	Community, non- rehabilitation hospitals	Community, non- rehabilitation hospitals	Community, non- rehabilitation hospitals	Community hospitals, including rehabilitation hospitals
Hospital Universe⁵	5,124	4,836	4,839	5,113
Number of KID Hospitals	3,739	3,438	2,784	2,521
Hospital identifiers	Available for 24 out of 38 States	Available for 23 out of 36 States	Available for 19 out of 27 States	None – only general descriptors of hospital types
Definition of pediatric discharges	Age at admission of 20 years or less	Age at admission of 20 years or less	Age at admission of 20 years or less	Age at admission of 18 years or less
Number of pediatric discharges (unweighted)	3,131,324	2,984,129	2,516,833	1,905,797
Number of pediatric discharges (weighted)	7,558,812	7,409,162	7,291,032	6,657,326

Figure 1. KID States, by Region

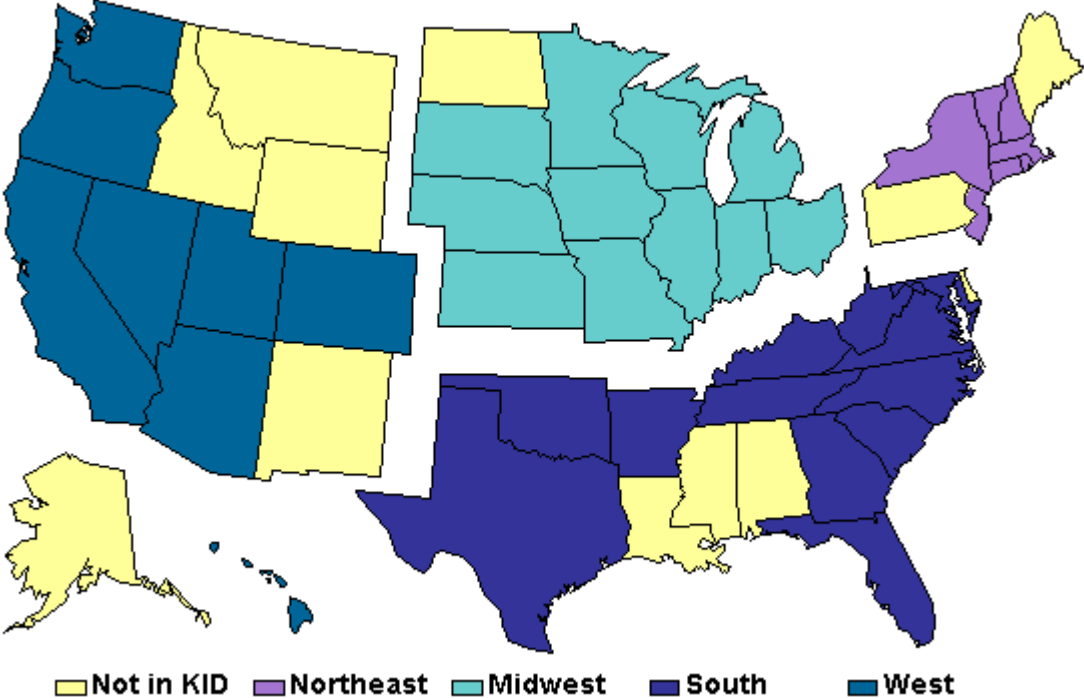


Table 3. Summary of KID Releases

Data from	Media/format options	Structure of Releases
▪ 1997 ▪ 22 States	On CD-ROM, in ASCII format	1 year of data on one CD, compressed files
▪ 2000 ▪ 27 States		Beginning in 2003, a companion file with four different sets of severity measures
▪ 2003 ▪ 36 States		
▪ 2006 ▪ 38 States		Beginning in 2006, a companion file with diagnosis and procedure groups

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Table 4. KID Related Reports and Database Documentation Available on HCUP-US

<p>Restrictions on the Use of the KID</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Use Agreement for the KID 	<p>Corrections to the KID</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information on corrections to the KID data sets • Link to KID Trends Weights Files
<p>Description of the KID Files</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the KID, 2006 – <i>this document</i> • HCUP Quality Control Procedures – describes procedures used to assess data quality • File Specifications – details data file names, number of records, record length, and record layout • Sources of KID Data and State-Specific Restrictions (<i>included in this document beginning 2006</i>) – identifies the KID data sources and restrictions on sampling and the release of data elements 	<p>Load Programs Programs to load the ASCII data files into statistical software:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAS • SPSS • Stata
<p>Availability of Data Elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Availability of KID data elements from 1988-2006 	<p>HCUP Tools: Labels and Formats</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of Clinical Classifications Software (CCS), a categorization scheme that groups ICD-9-CM diagnosis and procedure codes into mutually exclusive categories • Label file for CCS categories • Label file for multiple versions of Diagnosis Related Groups (DRGs) and Major Diagnostic Categories (MDC) • KID SAS format library program to create value labels
<p>Description of Data Elements in the KID</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Description of Data Elements – details uniform coding and State-specific idiosyncrasies • Summary Statistics – lists means and frequencies on nearly all data elements • KID Severity Measures – provides detailed documentation on the different types of measures • HCUP Coding Practices – describes how HCUP data elements are coded • HCUP Hospital Identifiers – explains data elements that characterize individual hospitals 	<p>KID Related Reports Links to HCUP-US page with various KID related reports such as the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design of the Kids' Inpatient Databases for 1997, 2000 and 2003 (<i>included in this document beginning 2006</i>) • Changes in NIS Sampling and Weighting Strategy for 1998 • Calculating KID Variances • File Composition by State • KID Trends Report • KID Comparison Reports • HCUP E-Code Evaluation Report <p>HCUP Supplemental Files</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost-to-Charge Ratio files • Hospital Market Structure files

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Table 5. States, by Region

Region	States
1: Northeast	Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont.
2: Midwest	Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin.
3: South	Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia.
4: West	Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming.

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Table 6. Bed Size Categories, by Region

Location and Teaching Status	Hospital Bed Size		
	Small	Medium	Large
NORTHEAST			
Rural	1-49	50-99	100+
Urban, non-teaching	1-124	125-199	200+
Urban, teaching	1-249	250-424	425+
MIDWEST			
Rural	1-29	30-49	50+
Urban, non-teaching	1-74	75-174	175+
Urban, teaching	1-249	250-374	375+
SOUTH			
Rural	1-39	40-74	75+
Urban, non-teaching	1-99	100-199	200+
Urban, teaching	1-249	250-449	450+
WEST			
Rural	1-24	25-44	45+
Urban, non-teaching	1-99	100-174	175+
Urban, teaching	1-199	200-324	325+

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Table 7. Number of AHA, HCUP SID, and KID Hospitals, by State, 2006⁶

State	AHA Universe Hospitals	SID Community, Non- Rehabilitation Hospitals	SID Community, Non-Rehabilitation Hospitals with Pediatric Discharges	KID Sampling- Frame Hospitals	KID Sample Hospitals
Non-Frame	840	0	05	0	0
Arizona	70	68	66	66	66
Arkansas	85	85	79	79	79
California	360	353	349	349	349
Colorado	75	70	69	69	69
Connecticut	34	29	29	28	28
Florida	203	200	195	195	194
Georgia	152	148	144	96	96
Hawaii	23	21	19	13	13
Iowa	118	117	116	116	116
Illinois	187	186	185	185	185
Indiana	122	109	108	108	108
Kansas	144	126	123	123	123
Kentucky	105	101	100	100	100
Massachusetts	78	67	65	65	65
Maryland	47	47	47	47	47
Michigan	149	140	134	100	99
Minnesota	132	124	124	124	124
Missouri	123	119	117	117	117
North Carolina	118	114	111	111	110
Nebraska	87	85	85	79	79
New Hampshire	26	26	26	26	26
New Jersey	78	77	73	73	73
Nevada	35	31	31	31	31
New York	200	200	198	198	197
Ohio	187	157	155	155	155
Oklahoma	132	127	118	116	116
Oregon	58	57	57	57	57
Rhode Island	11	11	11	11	11
South Carolina	61	57	57	53	53
South Dakota	57	47	44	42	41
Tennessee	131	111	110	110	109
Texas	476	388	340	340	339
Utah	46	42	42	42	42
Virginia	83	81	81	46	45
Vermont	14	14	13	13	13
Washington	89	88	85	85	85
Wisconsin	132	130	128	128	128

Table 7. Number of AHA, HCUP SID, and KID Hospitals, by State, 2006⁶

State	AHA Universe Hospitals	SID Community, Non- Rehabilitation Hospitals	SID Community, Non-Rehabilitation Hospitals with Pediatric Discharges	KID Sampling- Frame Hospitals	KID Sample Hospitals
West Virginia	56	56	52	52	51
Total	5,124	4,009	3,886	3,748	3,739

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Table 8. Number of Hospitals and Discharges in the AHA Universe, SID, and KID, by Hospital Type, 2006

Hospital Type	AHA Universe		SID		KID	
	Hospitals	Discharges (Including Births)	Hospitals with Pediatric Discharges	Pediatric Discharges	Hospitals	Pediatric Discharges
Not a Children's Hospital	5,045	38,881,991	3,836	6,027,890	3,694	2,841,194
Children's Hospital	79	568,225	50	414,510	45	290,130
Total	5,124	39,450,216	3,886	6,442,400	3,739	3,131,324

Table 9. 2006 KID Discharges, by Hospital Type

Hospital Type	Uncomplicated Births	Complicated Births	Pediatric Non-Births	Total Pediatric Discharges
Unweighted:				
Not a Children's Hospital	255,908	740,183	1,845,103	2,841,194
Children's Hospital	707	3,405	286,018	290,130
Total	256,615	743,588	2,131,121	3,131,324
Weighted:				
Not a Children's Hospital	3,002,918	1,093,112	2,919,177	7,015,207
Children's Hospital	6,525	3,932	533,148	543,605
Total	3,009,443	1,097,044	3,452,325	7,558,812

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Figure 2. Number of Hospitals in the 2006 AHA Universe, SID, and KID, by Region

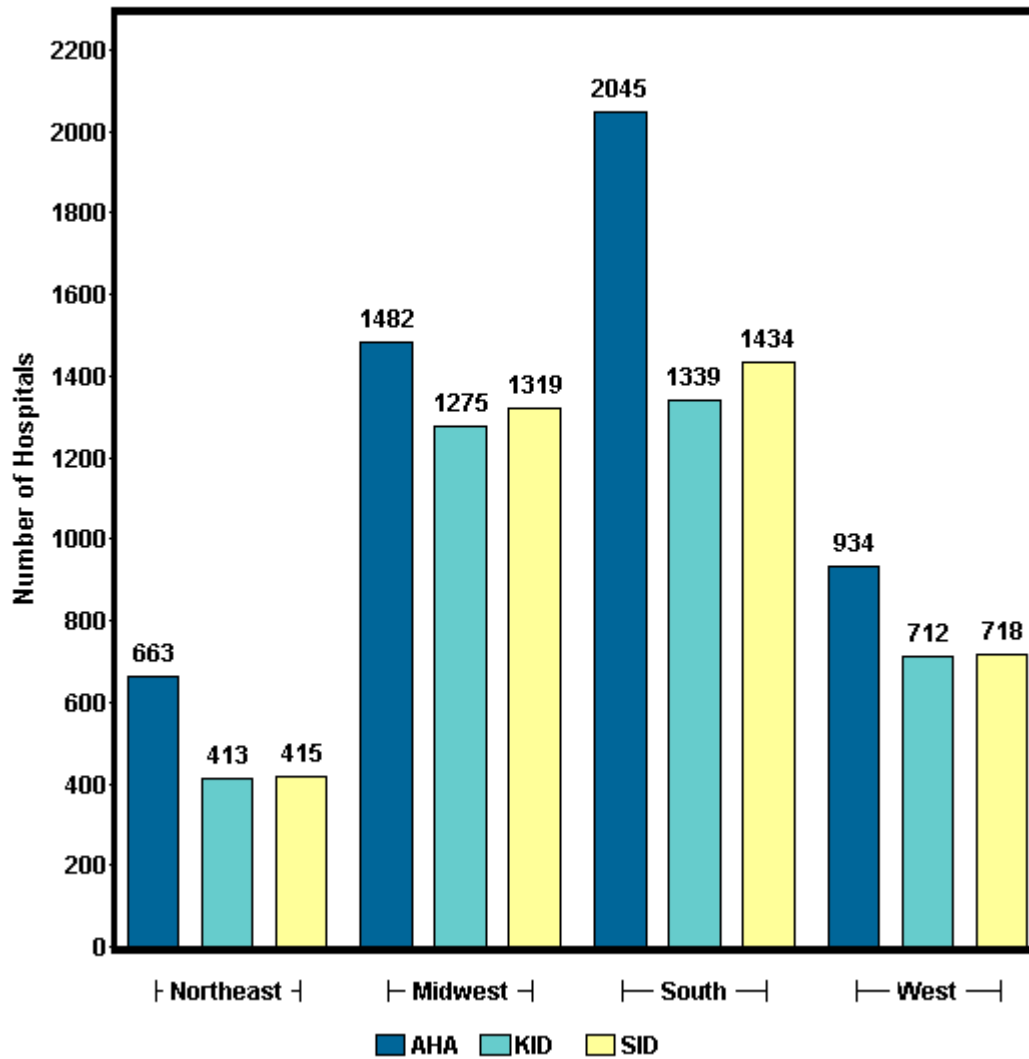


Figure 3. Percentage of U.S. Population in 2006 KID States, by Region
Calculated using the estimated U.S. population on July 1, 2006.⁷

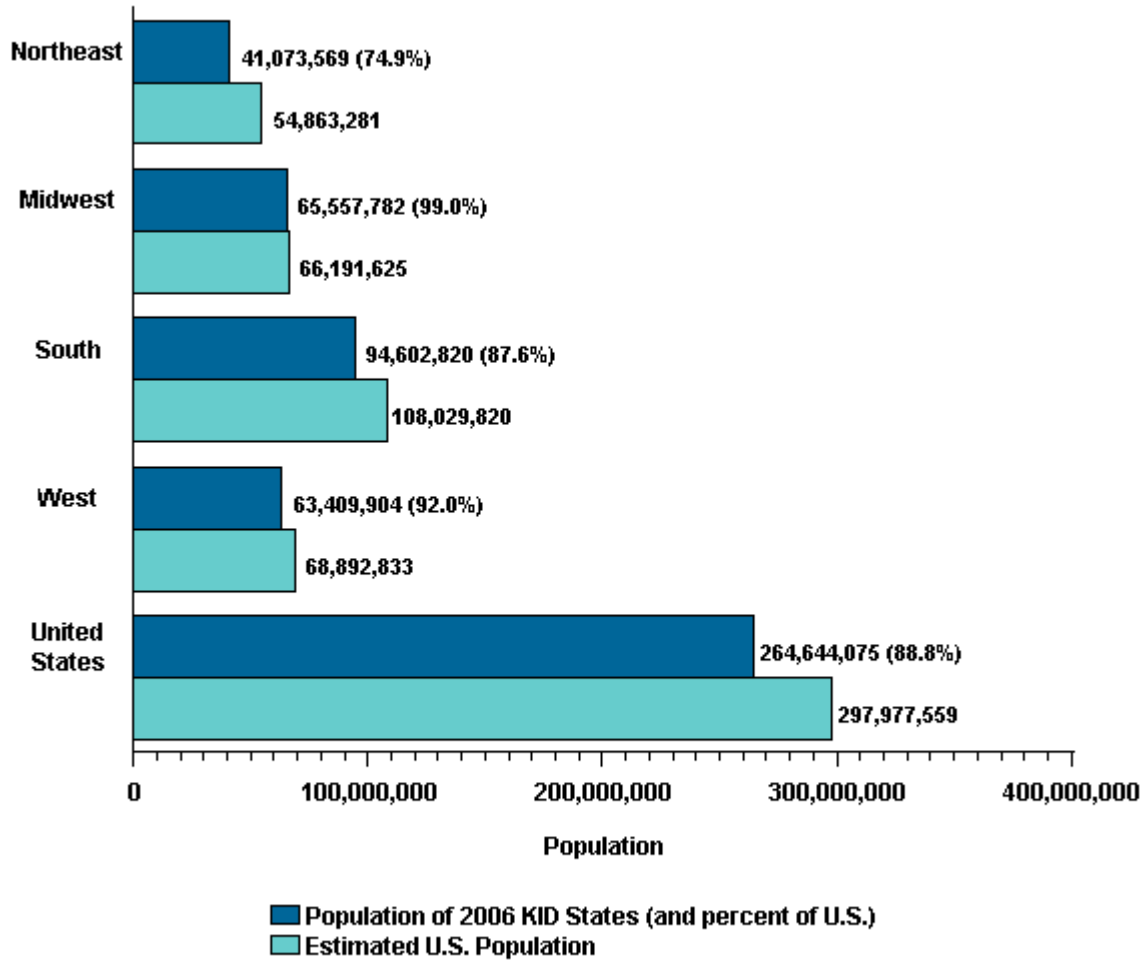
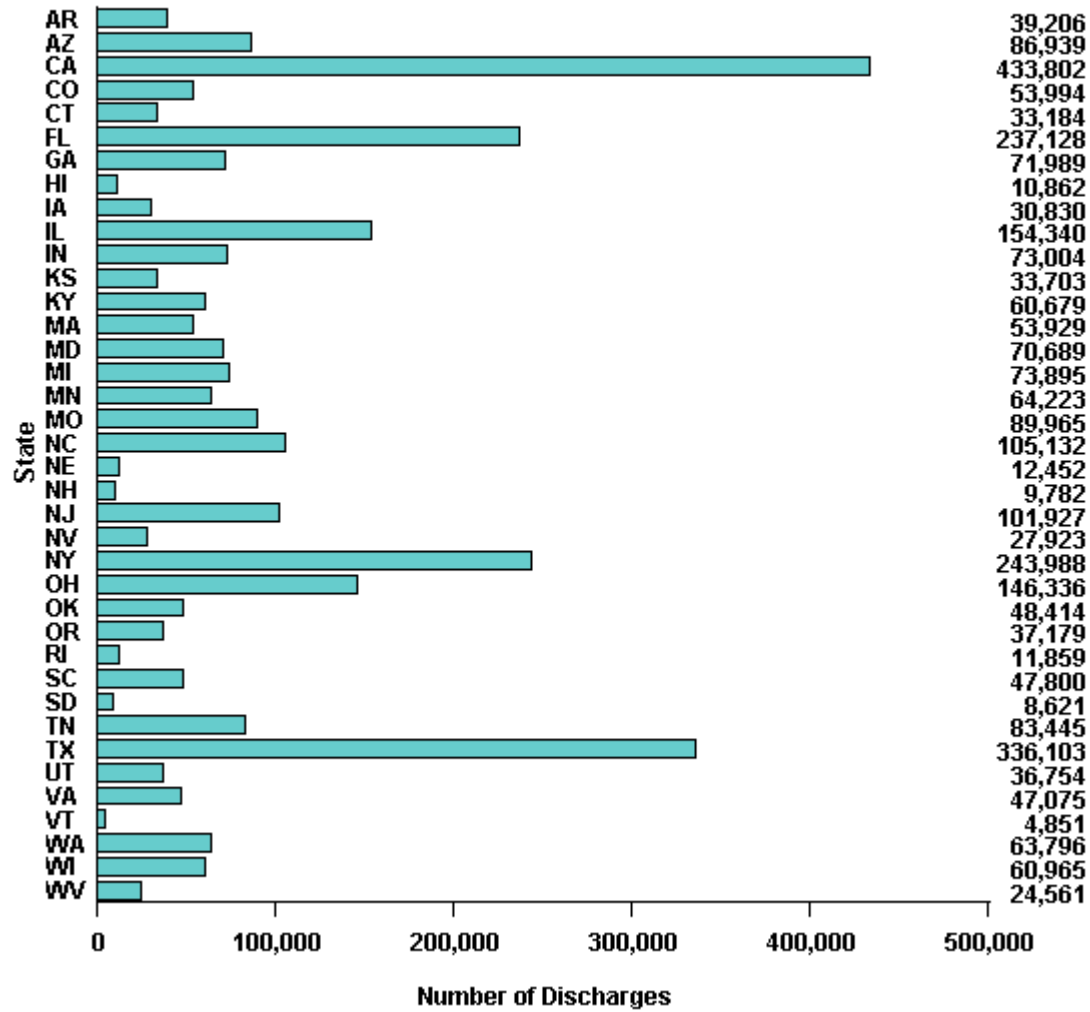


Figure 4. Number of Discharges in the 2006 KID, by State



Appendix II: State-Specific Restrictions

The table below enumerates the types of restrictions applied to the KIDS' Inpatient Database. Restrictions include the following types:

- Confidentiality of hospitals
 - [Restricted identification of hospitals](#)
 - [Limitation on sampling](#)
 - [Restricted release of stratifiers](#)
- Confidentiality of records
 - [Restricted release of age in years, age in months, or age in days](#)
 - [Other restrictions](#)
- [Confidentiality of physicians](#)
- [Missing discharges.](#)

For each restriction type the data sources are listed alphabetically by State. Only data sources that have restrictions are included. Data sources that do not have restrictions are not included.

Confidentiality of Hospitals - Restricted Identification of Hospitals

The following data sources required that hospitals not be identified in the KID:

- AR: Arkansas Department of Health & Human Services
- CT: Chime, Inc.
- GA: GHA: An Association of Hospitals & Health Systems
- HI: Hawaii Health Information Corporation
- IN: Indiana Hospital & Health Association
- KS: Kansas Hospital Association
- MI: Michigan Health & Hospital Association
- MO: Hospital Industry Data Institute
- NE: Nebraska Hospital Association
- OH: Ohio Hospital Association
- OK: Oklahoma State Department of Health
- SC: South Carolina State Budget & Control Board
- SD: South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations
- TN: Tennessee Hospital Association
- TX: Texas Department of State Health Services

In these States the following data elements are set to missing for all hospitals:

- DSHOSPID, data source hospital identifier
- HOSPSTCO, unmodified hospital State, county FIPS code
- HFIPSSCO, modified hospital State, county FIPS code.
- IDNUMBER, AHA hospital identifier without leading 6
- AHAIID, AHA hospital identifier with leading 6
- HOSPNAME, hospital name
- HOSPCITY, hospital city
- HOSPADDR, hospital address
- HOSPZIP, hospital ZIP Code

The following additional data elements are set to missing for all Georgia hospitals:

- PEDS_PCT, percent of hospital discharges, 20 years old or younger.
- PEDS_DISC, number of hospital discharges; 20 years or younger.
- TOTAL_DISC, total number of discharges.

Confidentiality of Hospitals - Limitation on Sampling

Limitations on sampling were needed for the following data sources:

- CT: Chime, Inc.
 - Chime requested that one hospital be excluded from the sampling frame.
- GA: GHA: An Association of Hospitals & Health Systems
 - GHA requested that no more than 60% of Georgia hospitals be included in the KID.
 - Ninety-six out of 161 Georgia hospitals (60%) were included in the 2006 KID.
- IL: Illinois Department of Public Health
 - Illinois Department of Public Health requested that no more than 40% of Illinois discharges appear in any discharge quarter of KID data.
 - 2006 KID – About 9% of the discharges in Illinois were sampled. No hospitals were dropped from the sampling frame.
- MI: Michigan Health & Hospital Association
 - Reporting of total charge is limited in the Michigan data. Thirty-three out of 134 hospitals were dropped from the sampling frame because they did not report total charges. These hospitals were fairly evenly distributed by hospital type. There were no sampling strata in the State containing only hospitals without total charges.
- NE: Nebraska Hospital Association
 - Nebraska Hospital Association requested that the two stand-alone children's hospitals be excluded from the sampling frame.
- OH: Ohio Hospital Association
 - Ohio masked the identities of three hospitals in the data provided to HCUP. These three hospitals were not included in the sampling frame because we were unable to match them to the AHA data.
- SC: South Carolina State Budget & Control Board
 - South Carolina requested that two hospitals be excluded from the sampling frame.
- VA: Virginia Health Information
 - The KID may not include more than 50% of the hospitals in Virginia.
 - Forty-six of 93 hospitals (49%) of the hospitals in Virginia were included in the 2006 KID.

Some States limit the hospitals that can be included in the KID. The following data sources requested that hospitals be dropped from the sampling frame whenever there were fewer than two hospitals in a sampling stratum. For more details about the number of hospitals included in the AHA Universe, Frame, and KID for each KID State, refer to [Table 7](#) in [Appendix I](#).

- GA: GHA: An Association of Hospitals & Health Systems
- HI: Hawaii Health Information Corporation
- IN: Indiana Hospital & Health Association
- MI: Michigan Health & Hospital Association
- NE: Nebraska Hospital Association
- OH: Ohio Hospital Association
- OK: Oklahoma State Department of Health
- SC: South Carolina State Budget & Control Board
- SD: South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations
- TN: Tennessee Hospital Association

Confidentiality of Hospitals - Restricted Release of Stratifiers

Stratifier data elements were restricted for the following data sources to further ensure hospital confidentiality in the KID:

- GA: GHA: An Association of Hospitals & Health Systems
- HI: Hawaii Health Information Corporation
- IN: Indiana Hospital & Health Association
- MI: Michigan Health & Hospital Association
- NE: Nebraska Hospital Association
- OK: Oklahoma State Department of Health
- OH: Ohio Hospital Association
- SC: South Carolina State Budget & Control Board
- SD: South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations
- TN: Tennessee Hospital Association

For the above States, stratifier data elements were set to missing if the cell, as defined by the data elements below, had fewer than two hospitals in the universe of the State's hospitals:

- HOSP_CONTROL, control/ownership of hospital
- HOSP_LOCATION, location (urban/rural) of hospital
- HOSP_TEACH, teaching status of hospital
- HOSP_BEDSIZE, bed size of hospital
- HOSP_LOCTEACH, location/teaching status of hospital
- NACHTYPE, National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI) hospital type

Confidentiality of Records - Restricted Release of Age in Years, Age in Months, or Age in Days

The following data sources restrict or limit the release of age:

- CT: Chime, Inc.
 - Age in days at admission (AGEDAY) is set to missing on all records.
 - Age in months at admission (AGEMONTH) is set to missing on all records.
- FL: Florida Agency for Health Care Administration
 - Age in days (AGEDAY) is set to missing on all records.
 - Age in months at admission (AGEMONTH) is set to missing on all records.
- MA: Division of Health Care Finance and Policy
 - Age in days (AGEDAY) is set to missing on all records.
- NH: New Hampshire Department of Health & Human Services
 - Age in days (AGEDAY) is set to missing on all records.
- SC: South Carolina State Budget & Control Board
 - Age in days (AGEDAY) is set to missing on all records.
 - Age in months at admission (AGEMONTH) is set to missing on all records.
- TX: Texas Department of State Health Services
 - Age in days (AGEDAY) is set to missing on all records.
 - Age in months at admission (AGEMONTH) is set to missing on all records.
 - Age in years (AGE) is set to the midpoints of age ranges defined by the data source. There were 6 age groups for the general patient population.

Texas Restriction on AGE for General Patient Population other than HIV or Drug/Alcohol Use Patients	
Age Range	New value of AGE
0	0
1-4	2
5-9	7
10-14	12
15-17	16
18-20	19

- Texas also requested that age in years (AGE) be set missing for HIV or alcohol/drug use patients. The HIV or drug/alcohol use patients are identified by any principal or secondary diagnosis code on the record having the first four characters equal to one of the values in the following list: '2910', '2911', '2912', '2913', '2914', '2915', '2918', '2919', '2920', '2921', '2922', '2928', '2929', '3030', '3039', '3040', '3041', '3042', '3043', '3044', '3045', '3046', '3047', '3048', '3049', '3050', '3052', '3053', '3054', '3055', '3056', '3057', '3058', '3059', '7903', '042', 'V08'.

Confidentiality of Records – Other Restrictions

The following data sources restrict or limit the release of data elements for patient confidentiality:

- CA: Office of Statewide Health Planning & Development
 - Admission month (AMONTH), age in days, (AGEDAY), age in years (AGE), age in months (AGEMONTH), gender (FEMALE), and race (RACE), are suppressed for some records. In some cases, AGE is set to the midpoint of the age category.
- CT: Chime, Inc.
 - Admission month (AMONTH) is set to missing on all records.
- FL: Florida Agency for Health Care Administration
 - Admission month (AMONTH) is set to missing on all records
- GA: GHA: An Association of Hospitals & Health Systems
 - Patient race (RACE) is set to missing on all records
- NY: New York State Department of Health
 - Birth Weight (BWT) is set to missing on all records
- OK: Oklahoma State Department of Health
 - Days from admission to procedure (PRDAYn) is set to missing on all records.
 - Birth Weight (BWT) is set to missing on all records.

Confidentiality of Physicians

The following data sources restrict the release of physician identifiers:

- CA: Office of Statewide Health Planning & Development
- CT: Chime, Inc.
- GA: GHA: An Association of Hospitals & Health Systems
- IL: Illinois Department of Public Health
- IN: Indiana Hospital & Health Association
- MA: Division of Health Care Finance and Policy
- NC: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
- OH: Ohio Hospital Association
- OK: Oklahoma State Department of Health
- UT: Utah Department of Health
- VT: Vermont Association of Hospitals and Health Systems
- WV: West Virginia Health Care Authority

In these States the following data elements are set to missing for all records:

- MDNUM1_R
- MDNUM2_R

Missing Discharges

The following data sources may be missing discharge records for specific populations of patients:

- IA: Iowa Hospital Association
 - The Iowa Hospital Association prohibits the release of two types of discharges: HIV Infections (defined by MDC of 25) and behavioral health including chemical dependency care or psychiatric care (defined by a service code of BHV). These discharges were not included in the source file provided to HCUP and are therefore not included in the KID.
- NE: Nebraska Hospital Association
 - The Nebraska Hospital Association prohibits the release of discharge records for patients with HIV diagnoses. These discharges were not included in the source file provided to HCUP and are therefore not included in the KID.

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Appendix III: Data Elements

Table 1. Data Elements in the KID Inpatient Core File

Note: Not all data elements in the KID are uniformly coded or available across all States. Each KID release differs in that some data elements were dropped, some were added, and the values of some data elements were changed.

Data elements that are *italicized* are not included in the 2006 KID, but are only available in previous years' files.

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes	Unavailable in 2006 for:
Admission day of week or weekend	AWEEKEND	2000, 2003, 2006	Admission on weekend: (0) admission on Monday-Friday, (1) admission on Saturday-Sunday	
	<i>ADAYWK</i>	<i>1997</i>	<i>Admission day of week: (1) Sunday, (2) Monday, (3) Tuesday, (4) Wednesday, etc.</i>	
Admission month	AMONTH	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Admission month coded from (1) January to (12) December	CT, FL
Admission source	ASOURCE	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Admission source, uniform coding: (1) ER, (2) another hospital, (3) another facility including long-term care, (4) court/law enforcement, (5) routine/birth/other	
	<i>ASOURCE_X</i>	<i>2000, 2003, 2006</i>	<i>Admission source, as received from data source using State-specific coding</i>	
	ASOURCEUB92	2003, 2006	Admission source (UB-92 standard coding). For newborn admissions (ATYPE = 4): (1) normal delivery, (2) premature delivery, (3) sick baby, (4) extramural birth; For non-newborn admissions (ATYPE NE 4): (1) physician referral, (2) clinic referral, (3) HMO referral, (4) transfer from a hospital, (5) transfer from a skilled nursing facility, (6) transfer from a another health care facility, (7) emergency room, (8) court/law enforcement, (A) transfer from a critical access hospital	CA, MD, RI
Admission type	ATYPE	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Admission type, uniform coding: (1) emergency, (2) urgent, (3) elective, (4) newborn, (5) trauma center beginning in 2003 data, (6) other	CA
	<i>ELECTIVE</i>	<i>2003, 2006</i>	<i>Indicates elective admission: (1) elective, (0) non-elective admission</i>	
Age at admission	AGE	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Age in years coded 0-124 years	

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes	Unavailable in 2006 for:
	AGEDAY	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Age in days coded 0-365 only when the age in years is less than 1	CT, FL, MA, NH, SC, TX
	AGEMONTH	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Age in months (when age < 11 years)	CT, FL, SC, TX, VA
Birth weight	BWT	2000, 2003, 2006	Birth weight in grams	CA, FL, IA, IL, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, NH, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, WA, WI, WV
Clinical Classifications Software (CCS) category	DXCCS1 - DXCCS15	2000, 2003, 2006	CCS category for all diagnoses	
	DCCHPR1	1997	CCS category for principal diagnosis in 1997. CCS was formerly called the Clinical Classifications for Health Policy Research (CCHPR)	
	PRCCS1 - PRCCS15	2000, 2003, 2006	CCS category for all procedures	
	PCCHPR1	1997	CCS category for principal procedure in 1997. CCS was formerly called the Clinical Classifications for Health Policy Research (CCHPR)	
Diagnosis information	DX1 - DX15	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Diagnoses, principal and secondary (ICD-9-CM). Beginning in 2003, the diagnosis array does not include any of external cause of injury codes. These codes have been stored in a separate array ECODEn.	
	DXV1 - DXV15	1997	Diagnosis validity flags	
	HOSPBIRTH	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Birth diagnosis, in this hospital	
	NDX	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of diagnoses coded on the original record	
	UNCBIRTH	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Normal, uncomplicated birth in hospital	
Diagnosis Related DRG Group (DRG)	DRG	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	DRG in use on discharge date	
	DRGVER	2000, 2003, 2006	Grouper version in use on discharge date	
	DRG10	1997	DRG Version 10 (effective October 1992 - September 1993)	
	DRG18	2000, 2003	DRG Version 18 (effective October 2000 - September 2001)	
	DRG24	2006	DRG Version 24 (effective October 2006 - September 2007)	
Discharge quarter	DQTR	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Coded: (1) Jan - Mar, (2) Apr - Jun, (3) Jul - Sep, (4) Oct - Dec	

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes	Unavailable in 2006 for:
	DQTR_X	2006	Discharge quarter, as received from data source	
Discharge weights	DISCWT	2000, 2003, 2006	Weight to discharges in AHA universe for national estimates. In 2000, the discharge weight DISCWTcharge should be used for estimates of total charges.	
	<i>DISCWT_U</i>	1997	<i>Weight to discharges in AHA universe for national estimates.</i>	
	<i>DISCWTcharge</i>	2000	<i>Weight to discharges in AHA universe for total charge estimates.</i>	
Discharge year	YEAR	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Calendar year	
Disposition of patient (discharge status)	DIED	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Indicates in-hospital death: (0) did not die during hospitalization, (1) died during hospitalization	
	<i>DISP</i>	1997	<i>Disposition of patient, uniform coding in 1997: (1) routine, (2) short-term hospital, (3) skilled nursing facility, (4) intermediate care facility, (5) another type of facility, (6) home health care, (7) against medical advice, (20) died</i>	
	DISPUB92	2000, 2003, 2006	Disposition of patient (UB-92 standard CA, IN, MD coding)	
	DISPUNIFORM	2000, 2003, 2006	Disposition of patient, uniform coding used beginning in 1998: (1) routine, (2) transfer to short term hospital, (5) other transfers, including skilled nursing facility, intermediate care, and another type of facility, (6) home health care, (7) against medical advice, (20) died in hospital, (99) discharged alive, destination unknown	
External causes of injury and poisoning	ECODE1 – ECODE4	2003, 2006	External cause of injury and poisoning code, primary and secondary (ICD-9-CM). Beginning in 2003, external cause of injury codes are stored in a separate array ECODEn from the diagnosis codes in the array DXn. Prior to 2003, these codes are contained in the diagnosis array (DXn).	
	E_CCS1 - E_CCS4	2003, 2006	CCS category for the external cause of injury and poisoning codes	
	NECODE	2003, 2006	Number of external cause of injury codes on the original record.	
Gender of patient	FEMALE	2000, 2003, 2006	Indicates gender for KID beginning in 1998: (0) male, (1) female	

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes	Unavailable in 2006 for:
	SEX	1997	Indicates gender in 1997 KID: (1) male, (2) female	
Hospital information	DSHOSPID	2000, 2003, 2006	Hospital number as received from the data source	CT, GA, HI, IN, KS, MI, MO, NE, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX
	HOSPID	2000, 2003, 2006	HCUP hospital number (links to Hospital file)	
	HOSPNUM	1997	HCUP hospital number in 1997 (links to Hospital file)	
	HOSPST	2000, 2003, 2006	State postal code for the hospital (e.g., AZ for Arizona)	
	HOSPSTCO	2000	Modified Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) State/county code for the hospital links to Area Resource File (available from the Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration). Beginning in 2003, this data element is available only on the hospital file.	
	KID_STRATUM	2000, 2003, 2006	Hospital stratum used for weights.	
Length of Stay	LOS	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Length of stay, edited	
	LOS_X	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Length of stay, as received from data source	
Location of the patient	PL_UR_CAT4	2003	Urban-rural designation for patient's county of residence: (1) large metropolitan, (2) small metropolitan, (3) micropolitan, (4) non-core	
	PL_NCHS2006	2006	Urban-rural designation for patient's county of residence: (1) "Central" counties of metro areas >= 1 million population, (2) "Fringe" counties of metro areas >= 1 million population, (3) Counties in metro areas of 250,000 - 999,999 population, (4) Counties in metro areas of 50,000 - 249,999 population, (5) micropolitan counties, (6) non-core counties	
Major Diagnosis Category (MDC)	MDC	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	MDC in use on discharge date	
	MDC10	1997	MDC Version 10 (effective October 1992 - September 1993)	
	MDC18	2000, 2003	MDC Version 18 (effective October 2000 - September 2001)	

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes	Unavailable in 2006 for:
	MDC24	2006	MDC Version 24 (effective October 2006 - September 2007)	
Median household income for patient's ZIP Code	ZIPINC_QRTL	2003, 2006	Median household income quartiles for patient's ZIP Code. Because these estimates are updated annually, the value ranges for the ZIPINC_QRTL categories vary by year. Check the HCUP-US Website for details.	
	ZIPINC	2000	Median household income category in files beginning in 1998: (1) \$1-\$24,999, (2) \$25,000-\$34,999, (3) \$35,000-\$44,999, (4) \$45,000 and above	
	ZIPINC4	1997	Median household income category in 1997: (1) \$1-\$25,000, (2) \$25,001-\$30,000, (3) \$30,001-\$35,000, (4) \$35,001 and above	
Neonatal/maternal flag	NEOMAT	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Assigned from diagnoses and procedure codes: (0) not maternal or neonatal, (1) maternal diagnosis or procedure, (2) neonatal diagnosis, (3) maternal and neonatal on same record	
Payer information Payer information (continued)	PAY1	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Expected primary payer, uniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) private including HMO, (4) self-pay, (5) no charge, (6) other	
	PAY1_N	1997	Expected primary payer, nonuniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) Blue Cross, Blue Cross PPO, (4) commercial, PPO, (5) HMO, PHP, etc., (6) self-pay, (7) no charge, (8) Title V, (9) Worker's Compensation, (10) CHAMPUS, CHAMPVA, (11) other government, (12) other	
	PAY1_X	2000, 2003, 2006	Expected primary payer, as received from the data source	
	PAY2	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Expected secondary payer, uniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) private including HMO, (4) self-pay, (5) no charge, (6) other	AZ, CA, CO, FL, HI, IA, NH, OH, OK, RI, SD, VA
	PAY2_N	1997	Expected secondary payer, nonuniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) Blue Cross, Blue Cross PPO, (4) commercial, PPO, (5) HMO, PHP, etc., (6) self-pay, (7) no charge, (8) Title V, (9) Worker's Compensation, (10) CHAMPUS, CHAMPVA, (11) other government, (12) other	

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes	Unavailable in 2006 for:
	PAY2_X	2000, 2003, 2006	Expected secondary payer, as received from the data source	AZ, CA, CO, FL, HI, IA, NH, OH, OK, RI, SD, VA
Physician identifiers, synthetic	MDNUM1_R	2003, 2006	Re-identified attending physician number in files starting in 2003	CA, CT, GA, HI, IL, IN, MA, NC, OH, OK, UT, VT, WI, WV
	<i>MDID_S</i>	<i>1997, 2000</i>	<i>Synthetic attending physician number in 1997 and 2000 KID</i>	
	MDNUM2_R	2003, 2006	Re-identified secondary physician number in files starting in 2003	CA, CT, GA, HI, IL, IN, MA, NC, OH, OK, UT, VT, WI, WV
	<i>SURGID_S</i>	<i>1997, 2000</i>	<i>Synthetic second physician number in 1997 and 2000 KID</i>	
Procedure information	PR1 - PR15	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Procedures, principal and secondary (ICD-9-CM)	
	<i>PRV1 -PRV15</i>	<i>1997</i>	<i>Procedure validity flag</i>	
	NPR	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of procedures coded on the original record	
	PRDAY1	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of days from admission to principal procedure.	IL, OH, OK, UT, WA, WV
	PRDAY2 - PRDAY15	2000, 2003, 2006	Number of days from admission to secondary procedures.	
Race of Patient	RACE	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Race, uniform coding: (1) white, (2) black, (3) Hispanic, (4) Asian or Pacific Islander, (5) Native American, (6) other	NV, OH, OR, WA, WV
Record identifier, synthetic	RECNUM	1997, 2003, 2006	HCUP unique record number	GA, IL, KY, MN, NV, OH, OR, WA, WV
	<i>KEY</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>Unique record number for 2000 KID file</i>	
Total Charges	TOTCHG	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Total charges, edited	
	TOTCHG_X	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Total charges, as received from data source	

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Table 2. Data Elements in the KID Hospital File

Note: Not all data elements in the KID are uniformly coded or available across all States. Each 2000 KID release differs in that some data elements were dropped, some were added, and the values of some data elements were changed.

Data elements that are *italicized* are not included in the 2006 KID, but are only available in previous years' files.

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes	Unavailable in 2006 for:
Universe Counts	N_DISC_U	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of universe discharges in the KID_STRATUM	
	N_BRTH_U	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of universe births in KID_STRATUM	
	N_HOSP_U	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of universe hospitals in KID_STRATUM	
Sample Counts	S_DISC_U	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of sampled discharges in the sampling stratum (KID_STRATUM or STRATUM)	
	S_BRTH_U	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of sample births in KID_STRATUM	
	S_CHLD_U	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of sample pediatric non-births in KID_STRATUM	
	S_CMPB_U	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of sample complicated births in KID_STRATUM	
	S_UNCB_U	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of sample uncomplicated births in KID_STRATUM	
	S_HOSP_U	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Number of sample hospitals in KID_STRATUM	
SID (Frame) Counts	PEDS_DISC	2000, 2003, 2006	Number of discharges, 20 years old or younger, from this hospital in the SID	GA
	PEDS_PCT	2000, 2003, 2006	Percentage of hospital discharges, 20 years old or younger, from this hospital in the SID	GA
	TOTAL_DISC	2000, 2003, 2006	Total number of discharges from this hospital in the SID	GA
	<i>TOTDSCHG</i>	<i>1997</i>	<i>Total number of discharges from this hospital in the SID</i>	
Hospital Identifiers	HOSPID	2000, 2003, 2006	HCUP hospital identification number (links to inpatient Core files)	
	<i>HOSPNUM</i>	<i>1997</i>	<i>HCUP hospital identification number (links to inpatient Core files)</i>	
	AHAID	2000, 2003, 2006	AHA hospital identifier that matches AHA Annual Survey Database	CT, GA, HI, IN, KS, MI, MO, NE, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX
	IDNUMBER	2000, 2003, 2006	AHA hospital identifier without the leading 6	CT, GA, HI, IN, KS, MI, MO, NE, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes	Unavailable in 2006 for:
	HOSPNAME	2000, 2003, 2006	Hospital name from AHA Annual Survey Database	AR, CT, GA, HI, IN, KS, MI, MO, NE, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX
	NACHTYPE	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI) hospital type: (0) not identified as a children's hospital by NACHRI, (1) children's general hospital, (2) children's specialty hospital, (3) children's unit in a general hospital	GA, NE, OK
Hospital Location	HOSPADDR	2000, 2003, 2006	Hospital address from AHA Annual Survey Database	AR, CT, GA, HI, IN, KS, MI, MO, NE, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX
	HOSPCITY	2000, 2003, 2006	Hospital city from AHA Annual Survey Database	AR, CT, GA, HI, IN, KS, MI, MO, NE, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX
	HOSPST	2000, 2003, 2006	Hospital State postal code for hospital (e.g., AZ for Arizona)	
	HOSPSTCO	2003, 2006	Modified Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) State/county code for the hospital links to Area Resource File (available from the Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration)	CT, GA, HI, IN, KS, MI, MO, NE, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX
	HOSPZIP	2000, 2003, 2006	Hospital ZIP Code from AHA Annual Survey Database	AR, CT, GA, HI, IN, KS, MI, MO, NE, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX
	HFIPSSTCO	2006	Unmodified Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) State/county code for the hospital. Links to the Area Resource File (available from the Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration)	CT, GA, HI, IN, KS, MI, MO, NE, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX
Hospital Characteristics	KID_STRATUM	2000, 2003, 2006	Hospital stratum used for weights	
	<i>STRATUM</i>	1997	<i>Hospital stratum used for weights in 1997</i>	
	HOSP_BEDSIZE	2000, 2003, 2006	Bed size of hospital: (1) small, (2) medium, (3) large	
	<i>H_BEDSZ</i>	1997	<i>Bed size of hospital: (1) small, (2) medium, (3) large</i>	
	HOSP_CONTROL	2000, 2003, 2006	Control/ownership of hospital: (0) government or private, collapsed category, (1) government, nonfederal, public, (2) private, non-profit, voluntary, (3) private, invest-own, (4) private, collapsed category	

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes	Unavailable in 2006 for:
	<i>H_CONTRL</i>	1997	<i>Control/ownership of hospital: (1) government, nonfederal (2) private, non-profit (3) private, invest-own</i>	
	<i>HOSP_LOCATION</i>	2000, 2003, 2006	Location: (0) rural, (1) urban	
	<i>H_LOC</i>	1997	<i>Location: (0) rural, (1) urban</i>	
	<i>HOSP_LOCTEACH</i>	2000, 2003, 2006	Location/teaching status of hospital: (1) rural, (2) urban non-teaching, (3) urban teaching	
	<i>H_LOCTCH</i>	1997	<i>Location/teaching status of hospital: (1) rural, (2) urban non-teaching, (3) urban teaching</i>	
	<i>HOSP_REGION</i>	2000, 2003, 2006	Region of hospital: (1) Northeast, (2) Midwest, (3) South, (4) West	
	<i>H_REGION</i>	1997	<i>Region of hospital: (1) Northeast, (2) Midwest, (3) South, (4) West</i>	
	<i>HOSP_TEACH</i>	2000, 2003, 2006	Teaching status of hospital: (0) non-teaching, (1) teaching	
	<i>H_TCH</i>	1997	<i>Teaching status of hospital: (0) non-teaching, (1) teaching</i>	
Discharge Year	YEAR	1997, 2000, 2003, 2006	Calendar year	
Note: Because the following variables are not needed for calculating national estimates, they are not included in the 2006 KID Hospital file.				
Discharge Weights	<i>CHLDWT</i>	2000	<i>Weight to pediatric non-births in universe for national estimates. In 2000, the discharge weight CHLDWTcharge should be used for estimates of total charges.</i>	
	<i>CHLDWT_U</i>	1997	<i>Weight to pediatric cases in universe for national estimates. In the 1997 data, one weight CHLDWT_U is used to create all estimates.</i>	
	<i>CHLDWTCHARGE</i>	2000	<i>Weight to pediatric non-births in universe for total charge estimates</i>	
	<i>CMPBWT</i>	2000	<i>Weight to complicated births in universe for national estimates. In 2000, the discharge weight CMPBWTcharge should be used for estimates of total charges.</i>	
	<i>CMPBWTCHARGE</i>	2000	<i>Weight to complicated births in universe for total charge estimates</i>	
	<i>UNCBWT</i>	2000	<i>Weight to uncomplicated births in universe for national estimates. In 2000, the discharge weight UNCBWTcharge should be used for estimates of total charges.</i>	
	<i>UNCBWTCHARGE</i>	2000	<i>Weight to uncomplicated births in universe for total charge estimates</i>	
Frame Counts	<i>H_BRTH_F</i>	1997, 2000	<i>Number of frame HCUP births in KID_STRATUM</i>	
	<i>H_CHLD_F</i>	1997, 2000	<i>Number of frame HCUP pediatric non-births in KID_STRATUM</i>	

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes	Unavailable in 2006 for:
	<i>H_CMPB_F</i>	1997, 2000	<i>Number of frame HCUP complicated births in KID_STRATUM</i>	
	<i>H_UNCB_F</i>	1997, 2000	<i>Number of frame HCUP uncomplicated births in KID_STRATUM</i>	
	<i>H_DISC_F</i>	1997, 2000	<i>Number of frame HCUP discharges in KID_STRATUM</i>	
	<i>H_HOSP_F</i>	1997, 2000	<i>Number of frame HCUP hospitals in KID_STRATUM</i>	
<i>Sample Counts</i>	<i>S_CHLD</i>	1997, 2000	<i>Pediatric non-births sampled</i>	
	<i>S_CMPB</i>	1997, 2000	<i>Complicated births sampled</i>	
	<i>S_UNCB</i>	1997, 2000	<i>Uncomplicated births sampled</i>	

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Table 3. Data Elements in the KID Disease Severity Measures Files

All data elements listed below are available for all States in the 2006 KID Disease Severity Measures Files.

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes
AHRQ Comorbidity Software (AHRQ)	CM_AIDS	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Acquired immune deficiency syndrome
	CM_ALCOHOL	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Alcohol abuse
	CM_ANEMDEF	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Deficiency anemias
	CM_ARTH	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Rheumatoid arthritis/collagen vascular diseases
	CM_BLDLOSS	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Chronic blood loss anemia
	CM_CHF	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Congestive heart failure
	CM_CHRNLUNG	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Chronic pulmonary disease
	CM_COAG	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Coagulopathy
	CM_DEPRESS	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Depression
	CM_DM	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Diabetes, uncomplicated
	CM_DMCX	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Diabetes with chronic complications
	CM_DRUG	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Drug abuse
	CM_HTN_C	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Hypertension, uncomplicated and complicated
	CM_HYPOTHY	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Hypothyroidism
	CM_LIVER	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Liver disease
	CM_LYMPH	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Lymphoma
	CM_LYTES	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Fluid and electrolyte disorders
	CM_METS	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Metastatic cancer
	CM_NEURO	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Other neurological disorders
	CM_OBESE	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Obesity
	CM_PARA	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Paralysis
	CM_PERIVASC	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Peripheral vascular disorders
	CM_PSYCH	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Psychoses
	CM_PULMCIRC	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Pulmonary circulation disorders
	CM_RENLFAIL	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Renal failure
	CM_TUMOR	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Solid tumor without metastasis
	CM_ULCER	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Peptic ulcer disease excluding bleeding

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes
	CM_VALVE	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Valvular disease
	CM_WGHTLOSS	2003, 2006	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Weight loss
All Patient Refined DRG (3M)	APRDRG	2003, 2006	All Patient Refined DRG
	APRDRG_Risk_Mortality	2003, 2006	All Patient Refined DRG: Risk of Mortality Subclass
	APRDRG_Severity	2003, 2006	All Patient Refined DRG: Severity of Illness Subclass
All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG (HSS, Inc.)	APSDRG	2003, 2006	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG
	APSDRG_Mortality_Weight	2003, 2006	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG: Mortality Weight
	APSDRG_LOS_Weight	2003, 2006	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG: Length of Stay Weight
	APSDRG_Charge_Weight	2003, 2006	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG: Charge Weight
Disease Staging (Medstat)	DS_DX_Category1	2003, 2006	Disease Staging: Principal Disease Category
	DS_Stage1	2003, 2006	Disease Staging: Stage of Principal Disease Category
	DS_LOS_Level	2003, 2006	Disease Staging: Length of Stay Level
	DS_LOS_Scale	2003, 2006	Disease Staging: Length of Stay Scale
	DS_Mrt_Level	2003, 2006	Disease Staging: Mortality Level
	DS_Mrt_Scale	2003, 2006	Disease Staging: Mortality Scale
	DS_RD_Level	2003, 2006	Disease Staging: Resource Demand Level
	DS_RD_Scale	2003, 2006	Disease Staging: Resource Demand Scale
Linkage Variables	HOSPID	2003, 2006	HCUP hospital identification number
	RECNUM	2003, 2006	HCUP record identifier

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Table 4. Data Elements in the KID Diagnosis and Procedure Groups Files

All data elements listed below are available for all States in the 2006 KID Diagnosis and Procedure Groups files.

Type of Data Element	HCUP Variable Name	Years Available	Coding Notes
Clinical Classifications	CCSMGN1 – CCSMGN15	2006	CCS-MHSA general category for all diagnoses
Software category for	CCSMSP1 – CCSMSP15	2006	CCS-MHSA specific category for all diagnoses
Mental Health and Substance Abuse (CCS-MHSA)	ECCSMGN1 – ECCSMGN4	2006	CCS-MHSA general category for all external cause of injury codes
Chronic Condition Indicator	CHRON1 – CHRON15	2006	Chronic condition indicator for all diagnoses: (0) non-chronic condition, (1) chronic condition
	CHRONB1 – CHRONB15	2006	Chronic condition indicator body system for all diagnoses: (1) Infectious and parasitic disease, (2) Neoplasms, (3) Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases and immunity disorders, (4) Diseases of blood and blood-forming organs, (5) Mental disorders, (6) Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs, (7) Diseases of the circulatory system, (8) Diseases of the respiratory system, (9) Diseases of the digestive system, (10) Diseases of the genitourinary system, (11) Complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium, (12) Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue, (13) Diseases of the musculoskeletal system, (14) Congenital anomalies, (15) Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period, (16) Symptoms, signs, and ill-defined conditions, (17) Injury and poisoning, (18) Factors influencing health status and contact with health services
Procedure Class	PCLASS1 – PCLASS15	2006	Procedure Class for all procedures: (1) Minor Diagnostic, (2) Minor Therapeutic, (3) Major Diagnostic, (4) Major Therapeutic
Linkage Variables	HOSPID	2006	HCUP hospital identification number
	RECNUM	2006	HCUP record identifier

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ENDNOTES

- 1 Refer to Chapter 10 in Foreman, E.K., Survey Sampling Principles. New York: Dekker, 1991.
- 2 Carlson BL, Johnson AE, Cohen SB. "An Evaluation of the Use of Personal Computers for Variance Estimation with Complex Survey Data." Journal of Official Statistics, vol. 9, no. 4, 1993: 795-814.
- 3 We used the following American Hospital Association Annual Survey Database (Health Forum, LLC © 2007) data elements to assign the KID Teaching Hospital Indicator:

AHA Data Element Name = Description [HCUP Data Element Name].

BDH = Number of short-term hospital beds [B001H].
BDTOT = Number of total facility beds [B001].
FTRES = Number of full-time employees: interns & residents (medical & dental) [E125].
PTRES = Number of part-time employees: interns & residents (medical & dental) [E225].
MAPP8 = Council of Teaching Hospitals (COTH) indicator [A101].
MAPP3 = Residency training approval by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) [A102].

Prior to the 1998 KID, we used the following SAS code to assign the KID teaching hospital status indicator, H_TCH:

```
/* FIRST ESTABLISH SHORT-TERM BEDS DEFINITION */  
IF BDH NE . THEN BEDTEMP = BDH ; /* SHORT TERM BEDS */  
ELSE IF BDH =. THEN BEDTEMP=BDTOT ; /* TOTAL BEDS PROXY */  
  
/******  
/* NEXT ESTABLISH TEACHING STATUS BASED ON F-T & P-T */  
/* RESIDENT/INTERN STATUS FOR HOSPITALS. */  
/******  
RESINT = (FTRES + .5*PTRES)/BEDTEMP ;  
IF RESINT > 0 & (MAPP3=1 OR MAPP8=1) THEN H_TCH=1; /* 1=TEACHING */  
ELSE H_TCH=0 ; /* 0=NONTEACHING */
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Beginning with the 1998 KID, we used the following SAS code to assign the teaching hospital status indicator, HOSP_TEACH:

```
/******  
/* FIRST ESTABLISH SHORT-TERM BEDS DEFINITION */  
/******  
IF BDH NE . THEN BEDTEMP = BDH ; /* SHORT TERM BEDS */  
ELSE IF BDH =. THEN BEDTEMP = BDTOT ; /* TOTAL BEDS PROXY */  
/******  
/* ESTABLISH IRB NEEDED FOR TEACHING STATUS */  
/* BASED ON F-T P-T RESIDENT INTERN STATUS */  
/******  
IRB = (FTRES + .5*PTRES) / BEDTEMP ;  
/******  
/* CREATE TEACHING STATUS VARIABLE */  
/******  
IF (MAPP8 EQ 1) OR (MAPP3 EQ 1) THEN HOSP_TEACH = 1 ;  
ELSE IF (IRB GE 0.25) THEN HOSP_TEACH = 1 ;  
ELSE HOSP_TEACH = 0 ;
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4 We performed this analysis during the development of the original 1997 KID.

5 Most AHA surveys do not cover a January-to-December calendar year for every hospital. The numbers of hospitals for the KID are based on the AHA Annual Survey files.

6 The columns in Table 7 are defined as follows:

- “AHA Universe Hospitals” lists all community, non-rehabilitation hospitals in the AHA Survey data.
- “SID Community, Non-Rehabilitation Hospitals” lists potential KID sampling-frame hospitals before applying restrictions to the frame and before excluding hospitals without any pediatric discharges.
- “SID Community, Non-Rehabilitation Hospitals with Pediatric Discharges” lists potential KID sampling-frame hospitals with pediatric discharges before applying restrictions to the frame.
- “KID Sampling-Frame Hospitals” lists hospitals with pediatric discharges in the sampling frame after applying state-specific restrictions to the frame.
- “KID Sample Hospitals” lists the hospitals selected for the KID. Some hospitals may not be included in the KID because they had so few pediatric discharges that none were randomly sampled.

7 Table 1: Annual Estimates of the Population for the United States, Regions, States, and Puerto Rico: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2007 (NST-EST2007-01). Source: Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau. Release Date: December 27, 2007.

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The risk adjustment method used incorporates three clinical characteristics:

- i) four procedure risk categories,
- ii) any serious respiratory condition, and
- iii) necrotizing enterocolitis.

1) The four risk categories are based on the surgical procedure performed and are defined below. ICD-9-CM procedure codes are provided. Category 1 has the lowest risk of in-hospital death and category 4 the highest risk. Procedures not appearing on the list below are not eligible for this measure.

Risk Category 1

Nervous

- Replacement of ventricular shunt (02.42)
- Repair of spinal meningocele (03.51)
- Repair of spinal myelomeningocele (03.52)

ENMP

- Excision or destruction of other lesion of external ear (not preauricular sinus) (18.29)
- Lingual frenotomy (25.91)
- Lingual frenectomy (25.92)
- Repair of cleft lip (27.54)

Respiratory

- Closure of other fistula of trachea (tracheoesophageal fistulectomy) (31.73)
- Incision of lung (33.1)

Digestive

- Pyloromyotomy (43.3)
- Other pyloroplasty (revision of pylorus) (44.29)
- Other procedures for creation of esophagogastric sphincteric competence (44.66)
- Other incision of small intestine (not duodenum) (45.02)
- Open biopsy of large intestine (45.26)
- Sigmoidectomy (45.76)
- Other partial excision of large intestine (enterocolectomy NEC) (45.79)
- Small-to-small intestinal anastomosis (45.91)
- Exteriorization of large intestine (46.03)
- Colostomy (46.10, 46.11, 46.13)
- Closure of stoma of small intestine (46.51)
- Other repair of intestine (duodenoplasty) (46.79)
- Intra-abdominal manipulation of small intestine (46.81)
- Other appendectomy (not laparoscopic) (47.09)
- Open biopsy of rectum (48.25)
- Pull-through resection of rectum (48.41, 48.49)
- Other repair of anal sphincter (repair of old obstetric laceration of anus) (49.79)
- Repair of indirect inguinal hernia (53.02)
- Bilateral repair of inguinal hernia, not otherwise specified (53.10)
- Bilateral repair of indirect inguinal hernia (53.12)
- Other umbilical herniorrhaphy (not with prosthesis) (53.49)
- Laparoscopy (peritoneoscopy) (54.21)
- Repair of gastroschisis/abdominal wall (54.71, 54.72)

Male Genital

- Unilateral orchiectomy (62.3)
- Orchiopexy (62.5)
- Other repair of penis (64.49)
- Dorsal or lateral slit of prepuce (64.91)
- Incision of penis (64.92)
- Division of penile adhesions (64.93)

Musculoskeletal

Amputation through hand (84.03)

Risk Category 2

Nervous

Ventricular shunt to abdominal cavity and organs (02.34)

Respiratory

Puncture of lung (33.93)

Digestive

Gastrostomy (43.11, 43.19)

Other partial resection of small intestine (duodenectomy, ileectomy, jejunectomy) (45.62)

Other enterostomy (duodenostomy, feeding enterostomy) (46.39)

Other lysis of peritoneal adhesions (not laparoscopic) (54.59)

Incision of peritoneum (54.95)

Risk Category 3

Nervous

Other repair of cerebral meninges (02.12)

Ventriculostomy (02.2)

Digestive

Exteriorization of small intestine (loop ileostomy)/Ileostomy (46.01, 46.20, 46.21)

Repair of diaphragmatic hernia (53.7, 53.80)

Excision or destruction of lesion or tissue of abdominal wall or umbilicus (debridement of abdominal wall, omphalectomy) (54.3)

Risk Category 4

Digestive

Other incision of pleura (34.09)

Right hemicolectomy (ileocollectomy, right radical colectomy) (45.73)

Exploratory laparotomy (54.11)

Reopening of recent laparotomy site (54.12)

2) Patients are classified as having a serious respiratory condition if any of the following conditions are present. ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes are provided.

Respiratory distress syndrome (769)

Congenital pneumonia (770.0)

Meconium aspiration syndrome (770.1)

Interstitial emphysema (770.2)

Pulmonary hemorrhage (770.3)

Primary and obstructive apnea, cyanotic attack, and respiratory failure (770.8)

3) Necrotizing enterocolitis is defined by ICD-9-CM diagnosis code 777.5.

The three clinical characteristics described above are incorporated as covariates in a multivariable logistic regression model with outcome in-hospital death. Risk categories 2, 3, and 4 are used as binary covariates, with category 1 as the reference group. Any serious respiratory condition and necrotizing enterocolitis are binary covariates.

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The risk adjustment method used incorporates three clinical characteristics:

- i) four procedure risk categories,
- ii) any serious respiratory condition, and
- iii) necrotizing enterocolitis.

1) The four risk categories are based on the surgical procedure performed and are defined below. ICD-9-CM procedure codes are provided. Category 1 has the lowest risk of in-hospital death and category 4 the highest risk. Procedures not appearing on the list below are not eligible for this measure.

Risk Category 1

Nervous

- Replacement of ventricular shunt (02.42)
- Repair of spinal meningocele (03.51)
- Repair of spinal myelomeningocele (03.52)

ENMP

- Excision or destruction of other lesion of external ear (not preauricular sinus) (18.29)
- Lingual frenotomy (25.91)
- Lingual frenectomy (25.92)
- Repair of cleft lip (27.54)

Respiratory

- Closure of other fistula of trachea (tracheoesophageal fistulectomy) (31.73)
- Incision of lung (33.1)

Digestive

- Pyloromyotomy (43.3)
- Other pyloroplasty (revision of pylorus) (44.29)
- Other procedures for creation of esophagogastric sphincteric competence (44.66)
- Other incision of small intestine (not duodenum) (45.02)
- Open biopsy of large intestine (45.26)
- Sigmoidectomy (45.76)
- Other partial excision of large intestine (enterocolectomy NEC) (45.79)
- Small-to-small intestinal anastomosis (45.91)
- Exteriorization of large intestine (46.03)
- Colostomy (46.10, 46.11, 46.13)
- Closure of stoma of small intestine (46.51)
- Other repair of intestine (duodenoplasty) (46.79)
- Intra-abdominal manipulation of small intestine (46.81)
- Other appendectomy (not laparoscopic) (47.09)
- Open biopsy of rectum (48.25)
- Pull-through resection of rectum (48.41, 48.49)
- Other repair of anal sphincter (repair of old obstetric laceration of anus) (49.79)
- Repair of indirect inguinal hernia (53.02)
- Bilateral repair of inguinal hernia, not otherwise specified (53.10)
- Bilateral repair of indirect inguinal hernia (53.12)
- Other umbilical herniorrhaphy (not with prosthesis) (53.49)
- Laparoscopy (peritoneoscopy) (54.21)
- Repair of gastroschisis/abdominal wall (54.71, 54.72)

Male Genital

- Unilateral orchiectomy (62.3)
- Orchiopexy (62.5)
- Other repair of penis (64.49)
- Dorsal or lateral slit of prepuce (64.91)
- Incision of penis (64.92)
- Division of penile adhesions (64.93)

Musculoskeletal

Amputation through hand (84.03)

Risk Category 2

Nervous

Ventricular shunt to abdominal cavity and organs (02.34)

Respiratory

Puncture of lung (33.93)

Digestive

Gastrostomy (43.11, 43.19)

Other partial resection of small intestine (duodenectomy, ileectomy, jejunectomy) (45.62)

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Original Studies

Adverse Event Rates in Congenital Cardiac Catheterization – A Multi-Center Experience

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Objectives: To describe case mix variation among institutions, and report adverse event rates in congenital cardiac catheterization by case type. **Background:** Reported adverse event rates for patients with congenital heart disease undergoing cardiac catheterization vary considerably, due to non-comparable standards of data inclusion, and highly variable case mix. **Methods:** The Congenital Cardiac Catheterization Outcomes Project (C3PO) has been capturing case characteristics and adverse events (AE) for all cardiac catheterizations performed at six pediatric institutions. **Validity and completeness of data were independently audited. Results:** Between 2/1/07 and 4/30/08, 3855 cases (670 biopsy, 1037 diagnostic, and 2148 interventional) were recorded,

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median number of cases per site 480 (308 to 1526). General anesthesia was used in 70% of cases (28 to 99%), and 22% of cases (15 to 26%) were non-electively or emergently performed. Three institutions performed a higher proportion of interventions during a case, 72 to 77% compared to 56 to 58%. The median rate of AE reported per institution was 16%, ranging from 5 to 18%. For interventional cases the median rate of AE reported per institution was 19% (7 to 25%) compared to 10% for diagnostic cases (6 to 16%). The incidence of AE was significantly higher for interventional compared to diagnostic cases (20% vs 10%, $p < 0.001$), as was the incidence of higher severity AE (9% vs 5%, $p < 0.001$). Adverse events in biopsy cases were uncommon. **Conclusions:** In this multi-institutional cohort, the incidence of AE is higher among interventional compared to diagnostic cases, and is very low among biopsy cases. Equitable comparisons among institutions will require the development and application of risk adjustment methods.

Key words: CATH - diagnostic cardiac catheterization; pCOMP - complications pediatric cath/intervention; PEDS - pediatric interventions

INTRODUCTION

Institutions have reported single center experiences and described case mix characteristics in pediatric and congenital cardiac catheterization [1–7]. In addition, collaborative efforts to investigate specific procedure types, such as angioplasty and site specific device placement have been undertaken [8–11]. The participants of the Congenital Cardiac Catheterization Outcomes Project (C3PO) are committed to understanding case mix variation and developing outcome measures, which adjust for these differences in patient populations. In 2006 the C3PO collaborative group was assembled, and in early 2007 data collection began that captured data on all cardiac catheterization cases (exclusive of purely electrophysiology studies) performed at the six institutions using uniform consensus based definitions to categorize case types, procedure types and immediate outcomes, including the occurrence of adverse events. In April 2008 the first phase of the project ended, the purpose of this report is to describe the methods for data collection, validation and review, describe case mix variation among institutions, and report adverse event rates in congenital cardiac catheterization by case type.

METHODS

Participating Institutions and IRB Approval

Children's Hospital Boston is the sponsor institution for the project. Based on funding, resources, and feasibility only five sites were initially invited to participate in the project. We focused our search on practitioners with a clinical role primarily defined by interventional

catheterization and associated with an academic affiliated pediatric hospital. Five institutions representing diverse national locations were invited to participate. The institutions include dedicated pediatric cardiac interventionalists with an interest in evaluating contemporary outcomes in pediatric and congenital cardiac catheterization. The participants actively involved in data collection and contribute expertise and judgement at project meetings, Appendix I. The IRB at the sponsor institution, Children's Hospital Boston, approved the project with a waiver of patient consent.* Of the five other participating institutions, IRB waiver of consent was granted at four.

Practitioner involvement at the institutions was not mandatory, however, all physicians performing procedures at the six institutions agreed to participate. An IRB approved agreement between the practitioners and the principal investigator outlined the responsibilities of the physician to record data on all cases regardless of age, gender, race, or ethnicity, or the occurrence of adverse events among cases performed by the participating catheterization physician. The principal investigator and sponsor outlined plans for preserving the confidentiality of the physician's data. The sponsor obtained a certificate of confidentiality from the NIH in 2007 to further protect the data set from involuntary

*A waiver of patient consent was requested because the project goals include identifying crucial population characteristics for the development of outcome assessment tools. The loss of individual patient data due to failure to obtain consent would have compromised the validity of conclusions regarding the population of patients undergoing cardiac catheterization. Support for this waiver was granted based on the fact that patient identification data, as defined by the Health Information Protection Act, were not stored in the database. No additional testing or studies, not including routine clinical care, were performed on the patients undergoing procedures at the participating institutions.

TABLE I. Definitions for Adverse Event Severity

	Severity level	Definition
Low	1. None	No harm, no change in condition, may have required monitoring to assess for potential change in condition with no intervention indicated.
	2. Minor	Transient change in condition, not life threatening, condition returns to baseline, required monitoring, required minor intervention, such as holding a medication or obtaining lab test.
High	3. Moderate	Transient change in condition may be life threatening if not treated, condition returns to baseline, required monitoring, required intervention such as reversal agent, additional medication, transfer to the intensive care unit for monitoring of a serious condition, or moderate trans-catheter intervention to correct condition.
	4. Major	Change in condition, life threatening if not treated, change in condition may be permanent, may have required an intensive care unit admission or emergent readmit to hospital, may have required invasive monitoring, required interventions, such as electrical cardioversion or unanticipated intubation or required major invasive procedures or trans-catheter interventions to correct condition.
	5. Catastrophic	Any death, and emergent surgery or heart lung bypass support (ECMO) to prevent death with failure to wean from bypass support.

disclosure. In accordance with the investigator agreement, all interventional cardiologists who contributed to the data set presented in this manuscript reviewed and approved the document before peer review submission.

Population

The population includes all patients who underwent cardiac catheterization at the participating institutions between February 1st 2007 and April 30th 2008. For this analysis, we included data regarding only diagnostic, interventional, or biopsy cases, and excluded less common case types recorded in the database, such as hybrid procedures and combined diagnostic/electrophysiology procedures. Data on biopsy cases were not collected at one of the six institutions.

Web-Based Data Application and Security

A web-based application for data entry was created using Microsoft Visual Studio NET programming tools. The application was deployed on a Microsoft Internet Information Server (IIS) with secure Sockets Layer (SSL) encryption to protect all of the web data transactions. Programmed data interface modules accurately transferred data from Oracle tables into SAS (Cary, NC) data sets used for analyses. Role based security controlled by institution affiliation, provider identifiers, and password protected user authentication were built into the database to prevent access to any individual institution's data by any other participating institution.

Database Entry and Content

The principal investigator visited all the sites in December 2007 before the commencement of data collec-

tion. Each site received a project manual, which included all prospective data definitions to minimize misinterpretation or misapplication of data elements. Further, a system for reliable and complete data collection was formulated based on the workflow environment specific to each of the institutions. The principal investigator, programmer, and sponsor institution maintained ongoing on-line support with response to queries in a timely manner.

Data entry occurred at the time of the catheterization procedure, and was completed by the physician performing the procedure and/or designated data entry personnel. The recorded patient and procedural information included: case type, age, weight, gender, diagnosis, comorbidities, defined or suspected genetic syndromes, baseline hemodynamic data, method of airway management, access information, hemodynamic support information, such as transfusion administration and/or ECMO or inotropic support, interventions performed, procedure time (defined as time from first vessel accessed to last sheath removed), and fluoroscopy time.

Adverse events were defined as any anticipated or unanticipated event, for which avoidable injury could have occurred, or did occur, potentially or definitely as a consequence of performing the catheterization. Events were recorded at the time of identification, either at the time case or later if determined to be related to the procedure. Information regarding the adverse event included: event name and attributability, a brief narrative description, time of identification, symptoms, and interventions. We used previously established and tested definitions for adverse event severity ranging from severity level 1–5, Table I [7]. All AE data were entered in windows based pick lists with the exception of the narrative description. The attributability of the event was classified by picking one primary event from

TABLE II. Patient and Procedural Characteristics

Patient characteristics	Diagnostic N = 1037 N (%) or median [IQR]	Interventional N = 2148 N (%) or median [IQR]	Biopsy N = 670 N (%) or median [IQR]
Age			
Less than 1 month	93 (9%)	210 (10%)	1 (<1%)
1–11 months	286 (28%)	453 (21%)	54 (8%)
1–10 years	314 (30%)	900 (42%)	240 (36%)
Greater than 11 years	344 (33%)	585 (27%)	375 (56%)
Weight (kg)	14 [6, 48]	14 [7, 35]	36 [15, 59]
Diagnosis			
No structural heart disease (i.e., myopathy)	103 (10%)	33 (2%)	23 (3%)
Transplanted heart	8 (1%)	33 (2%)	644 (96%)
Pulmonary hypertension	82 (8%)	27 (1%)	–
Isolated defects	130 (13%)	730 (34%)	–
Complex defect with two ventricles	426 (41%)	761 (35%)	–
Complex defect with one ventricle	287 (28%)	562 (26%)	–
Baseline hemodynamic values			
Cardiac index L/min/M2	3.3 [2.7, 4.1]	3.5 [3.0, 4.4]	3.6 [3.0, 4.4]
RV systolic pressure	50 [33, 70]	45 [28, 71]	28 [24, 33]
LV (systemic ventricle) systolic pressure	85 [73, 100]	85 [75, 100]	98 [84, 116]
Ratio RV to LV pressure	0.6 [0.3, 0.9]	0.6 [0.3, 0.9]	0.3 [0.2, 0.3]
Systemic ventricle end diastolic pressure	10 [7, 13]	10 [7, 12]	10 [8, 13]
Main pulmonary artery systolic pressure	30 [21, 45]	27 [20, 40]	25 [21, 31]
Main pulmonary artery mean pressure	19 [15, 28]	17 [14, 24]	18 [14, 22]
Mixed venous saturation	66 [56, 73]	69 [62, 75]	71 [67, 76]
Systemic arterial saturation	93 [83, 97]	95 [86, 97]	98 [96, 99]
Admission source			
Elective discharged same day as case	457 (44%)	361 (17%)	515 (77%)
Elective inpatient for observation	310 (30%)	1282 (60%)	71 (11%)
Nonelective – case added from ICU or ward	254 (24%)	442 (21%)	77 (11%)
Emergent – direct transfer	16 (2%)	62 (3%)	7 (1%)
Transferred on ECMO support	18 (2%)	28 (1%)	4 (1%)
Method of airway management			
Spontaneous respirations	383 (37%)	553 (26%)	442 (66%)
Spontaneous with assisted BMV	5 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	3 (<1%)
Intubated prior to transfer to lab	145 (14%)	283 (13%)	32 (5%)
Elective intubation prior to access	479 (46%)	1262 (59%)	139 (21%)
Intubated during case for intervention	0 (0%)	7 (<1%)	0 (0%)
Intubated for failed sedation	2 (<1%)	10 (<1%)	1 (<1%)
Intubated during the case for complication	1 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	0 (0%)
Laryngeal mask	5 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	46 (7%)
Existing tracheostomy tube	16 (2%)	18 (1%)	7 (1%)
Inotropic support during the case	150 (14%)	319 (15%)	36 (5%)
Case duration (minutes)	71 [51, 96]	103 [72, 147]	30 [19, 51]
Fluoroscopy (minutes)	17 [10, 28]	31 [17, 53]	8 [4, 14]
Contrast dose (cc/kg)	2.8 [1.3, 4.8]	3.7 [2.1, 5.9]	0 [0, 0.5]
Transfusion of PRBC	75 (7%)	294 (14%)	4 (1%)

a list within domains of attributability, such as sedation related, access related, dilation related, coil related, stent related, biopsy related, or general aspects of the catheterization case.

Data Exception Reports, AE review, and Audit

The sponsor provided an exception report to a designated person at each site every month to facilitate review of missing data or data out of range requiring validation. To assure complete data capture and entry all sites received a list of cases entered in the database to

check against institutional records and were required to provide confirmation of complete case capture. One site identified a short period of time, in which one physician did not enter cases; these cases were added to the database. Two sites identified duplicate entries, thus, all sites were sent lists of potential duplicates to validate.

To prevent coding variations in the primary outcome, all adverse events were reviewed for proper application of seriousness and preventability definitions by the principal investigator and designee. Any misapplication of definitions was reported to the participant and disagreements resolved.

After 15 months of data collection an independent audit of a random 10% of cases was performed at each site by the sponsor. The accuracy and completeness of data entry was assessed by comparing information recorded in the database to the medical record, including the post-catheterization period, and the next admit to the hospital when present to screen for events identified after the case. Complete case capture was confirmed for all sites including the one site, which required consent. The independent auditor recognized a misapplication of the admission source variable; 23 hr admits (overnight admissions) had been classified as outpatient, so all the sites were sent a list of outpatient procedures to review and 23 hr admits were reclassified as same day admissions. In some cases biopsy cases were classified as diagnostic, therefore, any case not coded as biopsy with the diagnosis of heart transplant required validation of correct case type. Missing data was rare but occurred in some cases on the documentation of pre case hemoglobin or the use of ultrasound modalities, such as transthoracic or transesophageal echo. All interventions when performed were recorded correctly.

Among the 386 cases audited, 78 adverse events were identified on record review. Eighty six percent of the events were recorded in the database. All seven level 4 events were captured. For severity level 3 events, two events related to sedation and airway management, laryngospasm and hypotension with induction were not recorded, the remaining 16 level 3 events, including four related to sedation were captured in the database. A 92% event capture rate was observed among High severity (level 3, 4, and 5) events. Low severity (level 1 and 2 events) had less reliable reporting with a capture rate of 81%, 43 of 53. These lower severity events included transient hypotension, metabolic acidosis, rebleed, stridor, and pulmonary edema.

Statistical Analysis

The frequency and percent or median and interquartile range were calculated for patient and procedural characteristics and summarized according to case types: (1) biopsy, (2) diagnostic without intervention, or (3) interventional cases. Adverse event rates by case type were calculated based on the occurrence of at least one AE and according to highest severity AE recorded. Chi-square analysis was used to test differences in patient and procedural distributions and AE rates among cases types. To explore variation in practice and outcomes among institutions, the relative frequency of different case types, method of airway management (conscious sedation vs anesthesia), admission source, transfusion rates, and occurrence of adverse

events were calculated and are presented anonymously by participating sites.

RESULTS

Patient and Procedure Characteristics

Between February 1st 2007 and April 30th 2008, 3,855 cases met inclusion criteria and were classified as a biopsy ($n = 670$), diagnostic ($n = 1037$), or interventional case ($n = 2148$). Cases classified as hybrid, combined electrophysiology and interventional, or only line, chest tube, or pericardiocentesis, were excluded ($n = 188$). Table II summarizes patient and procedural characteristics by case type. Among the 2148 interventional cases 31% included at least one angioplasty, and/or stent placement (27%), and/or device (27%) or coil placement (18%), and/or valvotomy (13%).

The majority of patients undergoing biopsy cases (77%) and nearly half of the diagnostic cases (44%) were discharged on the same day as the case. Fifty patients were transferred on ECMO support for catheterization, 2% of the interventional population and 1% of both diagnostic and biopsy cases. Most biopsy cases (66%) were performed while spontaneously breathing, in contrast to only 26% of interventional and 37% of diagnostic cases, $p < 0.001$. Interventional cases were longer, median 103 minutes, compared to both diagnostic (71 minutes) and biopsy cases (30 minutes), $p < 0.001$. The rate of transfusion administration was twice as high in interventional cases compared to diagnostic only (14% vs 7%, $p < 0.001$).

Adverse Events

The highest incidence of any AE was observed in interventional cases, 20% compared to 10% in diagnostic cases and only 4% in biopsy cases, $p < 0.001$. Many of the events were minor or of no clinical consequence to the patient, however, high severity (moderate level 3, major level 4, or catastrophic level 5) events occurred in 9% of interventional cases, 5% of diagnostic cases, and 1% of biopsy cases ($p < 0.001$), Table III. The majority of events occurred during the case (75%), but some occurred before catheters were inserted (6%) or after catheters were removed (7%), and the remaining (12%) were identified after the procedure on the ward or after discharge. Tables IV, V, and VI list all 675 AE recorded in the database by case type, severity, and attributability.

Eleven deaths occurred in the cohort (0.29%). Seven of these patients were newborns within 24 hr of birth including five premature infants (weight between 1.4 and 2.0 Kg). Two infants with cyanotic heart disease were transferred emergently from outside hospitals and

TABLE III. Adverse Event Details by Case Type

Characteristics	Diagnostic (n = 1037)	Interventional (n = 2148)	Biopsy (n = 670)
Any adverse event	109 (10%)	439 (20%)	29 (4%)
Highest severity AE			
1. none	5 (<1%)	31 (1%)	5 (1%)
2. minor	57 (6%)	225 (10%)	16 (2%)
3. moderate	34 (3%)	117 (5%)	7 (1%)
4. major	10 (1%)	58 (3%)	1 (<1%)
5. catastrophic	3 (<1%)	8 (<1%)	0 (0%)
	AE in Diagnostic cases (n = 125)	AE in Interventional cases (n = 519)	AE in Biopsy Cases (n = 31)
Timing of AE Identification			
Prior to catheter insertion	15 (12%)	21 (4%)	4 (13%)
After catheter insertion	68 (54%)	416 (80%)	21 (68%)
After catheters removed before transfer	17 (14%)	28 (5%)	3 (10%)
In recovery room	3 (2%)	10 (2%)	1 (3%)
In ICU or ward	18 (14%)	35 (7%)	1 (3%)
After discharge	4 (3%)	9 (2%)	1 (3%)

TABLE IV. Adverse Events Summarized by Severity – Biopsy Cases

	Number of adverse events by severity level					Total	AE rate (95% CI)
	1	2	3	4	5		
Access related AE							
Systemic arterial thrombosis	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Re-bleed	–	2	–	–	–	2	
Pain post procedure	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Sedation or airway related AE							
Anesthesia problem	–	2	–	–	–	2	
CNS event seizure sedation related	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Hypotension	–	2	–	1	–	3	
Lobar collapse	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Respiratory acidosis PaCO ₂ > 45	–	–	1	–	–	1	
General catheterization related AE							
Atrial arrhythmia	–	4	2	–	–	6	
Bradycardia (sinus)	2	1	1	–	–	4	
Ventricular arrhythmia	1	–	1	–	–	2	
Heart block resolved	1	–	1	–	–	2	
Air embolus/venous	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Imaging equipment problem	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Coronary vasospasm	–	2	–	–	–	2	
Biopsy related AE							
Potential tricuspid valve damage	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Total	6	16	8	1	–	31/670	4.6% (3.2%, 6.5%)

were in low output with an arterial blood gas PH of less than 7.0 on arrival. Following an uncomplicated aortic valvotomy a 6 month infant died from a retroperitoneal bleed. A very ill 10 month old lung transplant patient died while trying to palliate pulmonary vein stenosis causing pulmonary hypertension. A 12 year old patient with severe restrictive cardiomyopathy arrested in the catheterization lab after the sheaths were removed. The oldest patient was a 39 year old with pulmonary hypertension. During attempted Brock-enbrough procedure the sheath was advanced outside the heart and she developed a pericardial effusion with resulting clinical deterioration and cardiac arrest, from which the patient could not be resuscitated.

Case Mix and Event Rate Differences by Institution

The average number of cases performed at each institution in a 3 month period ranged from 62 to 305, median 98. Excluding biopsies, interventional cases comprised between 72 and 77% of the caseload for three sites compared to 56 to 58% at the remaining sites. General anesthesia utilization was observed in a median 70% of cases, varying from 28 to 99% across institutions (Fig. 1). In 22% of cases (range 15–26%) the procedure was not previously scheduled and performed non-electively, as an add-on case from the ward or intensive care unit, or emergently transferred.

TABLE V. Adverse Events Summarized by Severity Level and Attributability – Diagnostic Cases

	Number of Adverse Events by Severity Level					Total	AE rate (95% CI)
	1	2	3	4	5		
Access related AE							
Local hematoma groin	–	7	1	–	–	8	
Pulse loss (requiring intervention)	1	15	1	–	–	17	
Re-bleed	–	2	–	–	–	2	
Bleeding with line removal	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Sheath intended for vein placed in artery	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Intramural femoral vessel stain	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Total access related	1	26	3	–	–	30	30/1037 2.9% (2.0%, 4.1%)
Sedation or airway related AE							
Airway obstruction	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Anesthesia problem	–	2	2	–	–	4	
Apnea	–	1	4	–	–	5	
Hypotension	–	10	1	–	–	11	
Hypoxia	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Laryngospasm	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Post extubation stridor	–	2	1	–	–	3	
Respiratory acidosis PaCO ₂ > 45	–	2	1	–	–	3	
Unplanned extubation resulting in arrest	–	–	–	1	–	1	
Total sedation related	0	19	10	1	–	30	30/1037 2.9% (2.0%, 4.1%)
General catheterization related AE							
Arrhythmia							
Asystole (cardiac arrest)	–	–	–	1	3	4	
Atrial arrhythmia	–	9	8	2	–	19	
Heart block resolved	2	7	1	3	–	13	
ST-T wave changes	–	1	2	–	–	3	
Tachycardia (sinus)	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Ventricular arrhythmia	1	1	1	1	–	4	
Bleeding via ETT	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Blood stream infection	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Broken end hole balloon	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Coronary vasospasm	–	–	2	–	–	2	
Hypercyanotic spell during case	–	–	–	1	–	1	
Hypotension (intervention = ionotropes)	–	1	1	1	–	3	
Hypoxia	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Pleural effusion	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Imaging equipment problem	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Metabolic acidosis	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Renal insufficiency or failure	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Re-catheterization for suspected thrombosis	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Vessel trauma	–	2	1	–	–	3	
Vessel stain with angiography	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Medication error	–	1	1	–	–	2	
Total catheterization related	5	27	21	9	3	65	65/1037 6.3% (4.9%, 7.9%)

The median rate of AE reported by institution was 16%, ranging from 5 to 18%. For interventional cases the median rate of AE reported by institution was 19% (range 7–25%) and 10% for diagnostic cases (range 6–16%).

DISCUSSION

In data obtained prospectively in this congenital cardiac catheterization cohort, we report the incidence of adverse event rates as a multi-institutional experience rather than a single center experience. We also sought

to understand the characteristics of the populations undergoing different case types, and the associated hazards. Similar to others, we observed higher AE rates among interventional cases as compared to both diagnostic or biopsy cases, with exceedingly low event rates among biopsy cases [1–7,12]. We found an overall event rate among interventional cases of 20% as compared to 10% in diagnostic cases. Further, high severity events were more common in 9% of interventional cases as compared to diagnostic cases (5%). Fortunately, death is uncommon in this series (0.29% overall), consistent with other recent reports, and is

TABLE VI. Adverse Events Summarized by Severity Level and Attributability – Interventional Cases

	Number of adverse events by severity level					Total	AE rate (95% CI)
	1	2	3	4	5		
Access related AE							
Bleeding with line removal	1	1	–	–	–	2	
Blood loss from open stop cock on sheath	–	2	2	–	–	4	
Hemothorax	–	1	3	1	–	5	
Inadvertent sheath removal	–	2	–	–	–	2	
Inadvertent arterial puncture	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Local hematoma groin	1	7	1	–	–	9	
Local hematoma IJV	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Local groin infection	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Pulse loss (requiring intervention)	–	22	–	–	–	22	
Re-bleed	1	6	–	–	–	7	
Retroperitoneal hematoma	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Sheath intended for vein placed in artery	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Systemic venous thrombosis	1	–	1	–	–	2	
Systemic artery intimal dissection	–	2	–	–	–	2	
Total access related	6	45	8	1	–	60	60/2148 2.8% (2.1%, 3.6%)
Sedation or airway related AE							
Airway obstruction	–	4	2	1	–	7	
Anesthesia problem	–	–	2	–	–	2	
Apnea	–	4	1	–	–	5	
Bleeding via ETT	1	2	1	–	–	4	
Esophageal hematoma	–	1	2	–	–	3	
Hypotension	–	14	1	–	–	15	
Hypoxia	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Laryngospasm	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Post extubation stridor	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Respiratory acidosis PaCO ₂ > 45	–	4	2	–	–	6	
Respiratory distress	–	1	1	–	–	2	
Unplanned extubation	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Total sedation or airway related	1	32	14	1	–	48	48/2148 2.2% (1.7%, 3.0%)
General catheterization related AE							
Air embolus other	1	2	–	1	–	4	
Air embolus systemic	1	3	1	1	–	6	
Air embolus venous/PA	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Allergic reaction	–	1	1	–	–	2	
Asystole (cardiac arrest)	–	–	–	2	4	6	
Atrial arrhythmia	–	34	19	2	–	55	
Bradycardia (sinus)	–	4	7	1	–	12	
Heart block resolved	6	20	8	8	–	42	
ST-T wave changes	1	6	3	–	–	10	
Ventricular arrhythmia	1	7	1	5	–	14	
Bleeding via ETT	1	2	–	–	–	3	
Broken guide wire	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Chest pain	–	1	–	–	–	1	
CNS event stroke	–	–	–	1	–	1	
Coronary vasospasm	–	1	–	1	–	2	
Depressed cardiac output	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Fever	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Heart stain with angiography	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Heart perforation	–	2	1	1	3	7	
Hypotension (intervention = ionotropes)	–	20	9	2	–	31	
Hypotension (intervention = volume resuscitation)	–	2	–	–	–	2	
Hypoxia	–	2	–	2	–	4	
Imaging equipment problem	4	–	–	–	–	4	
Infection	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Medication error	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Metabolic acidosis	–	–	–	1	–	1	
Mental status change	–	1	–	–	–	1	

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Table VI. Adverse Events Summarized by Severity Level and Attributability – Interventional Cases (continued)

	Number of adverse events by severity level					Total	AE rate (95% CI)
	1	2	3	4	5		
Peripheral nerve injury	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Pulmonary edema	–	2	2	–	–	4	
Pulmonary hemorrhage	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Pulmonary hypertensive crisis	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Renal insufficiency or failure	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Retroperitoneal hematoma	–	–	–	–	1	1	
Transducer problem	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Thrombosis-vessel or conduit	–	–	1	1	–	2	
Urinary catheter trauma	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Vessel trauma	1	7	3	–	–	11	
Total catheterization related	20	123	59	29	8	239	239/2148 11.1% (9.8%, 12.5%)
Coil related AE							
Coil embolization	–	6	–	–	–	6	
Coil malposition	1	21	3	–	–	25	
Coil trapped in catheter	2	–	–	–	–	2	
Total coil related	3	27	3	–	–	33	33/395 8.4% (5.8%, 11.5%)
Device related AE							
Air emboli	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Atrial arrhythmia	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Device embolization	–	1	4	2	–	7	
Device erosion	–	–	–	2	–	2	
Device malposition	–	1	2	2	–	5	
Device mechanism failure	1	–	1	–	–	2	
Heart block resolved	–	2	–	–	–	2	
Heart block not resolved	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Intracardiac thrombi resolved	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Severe tricuspid valve regurgitation	–	–	–	1	–	1	
Total device related	1	7	8	7	–	23	23/585 3.9% (2.5%, 5.8%)
Angioplasty related AE							
Atrial arrhythmia	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Abdominal pain	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Balloon rupture	4	2	–	–	–	6	
Bleeding via ETT	–	–	–	1	–	1	
Bradycardia (sinus)	1	–	1	–	–	2	
Circumferential balloon rupture	6	2	1	–	–	9	
Confined vascular tear	–	12	5	–	–	17	
Heart block resolved	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Hypotension	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Intravascular tear with flow obstruction	–	–	4	–	–	4	
Intravascular tear without flow obstruction	–	1	–	–	–	1	
ST-T wave changes	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Pulmonary edema	–	5	3	2	–	10	
Pulmonary hemorrhage	–	–	–	1	–	1	
Sheath damaged by balloon	2	2	–	–	–	4	
Unconfined vascular tear	–	–	1	3	–	4	
Vessel aneurysm	–	3	1	1	–	5	
Other	2	7	–	–	–	9	
Total angioplasty related	15	39	16	8	–	78	78/662 11.8% (9.4%, 14.5%)
Valvotomy related AE							
Aortic regurgitation	–	1	1	1	–	3	
Balloon rupture with air embolus	1	–	–	–	–	1	
Confined vascular tear	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Heart block resolved	–	2	–	–	–	2	
Mitral regurgitation	–	–	–	2	–	2	
ST-T wave changes	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Unconfined vascular tear	–	–	–	1	–	1	
Ventricular arrhythmia	–	–	1	3	–	4	
Other	–	1	–	–	–	1	

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Table VI. Adverse Events Summarized by Severity Level and Attributability – Interventional Cases (continued)

	Number of adverse events by severity level						AE rate (95% CI)
	1	2	3	4	5	Total	
Total valvotomy related	1	6	2	7	–	16	16/274 5.8% (3.4%, 9.3%)
Stent related AE							
Asystole (cardiac arrest)	–	–	–	1	–	1	
Balloon rupture	1	1	–	–	–	2	
Heart block resolved	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Hypotension	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Stent compression	–	–	1	–	–	1	
Stent embolization/migration	–	1	5	2	–	8	
Stent fragment embolization	–	1	–	–	–	1	
Stent malposition	–	4	3	1	–	8	
Stent related problem	–	2	4	2	–	8	
Vessel thrombosis	–	–	–	1	–	1	
Total stent related	1	10	14	7	–	32	32/584 5.5% (3.8%, 7.6%)

usually associated with severe illness before starting the case [6,7].

We found that the populations of patients undergoing diagnostic and interventional cases were similar with respect to baseline characteristics such as age, comorbidities, and hemodynamic characteristics. In contrast, patients undergoing biopsy procedures were generally older and had normal hemodynamics. Further, the AE rate among biopsy cases (4%) was much lower than either diagnostic (10%) or interventional (20%) cases and serious adverse consequences were exceedingly unusual (<1%). The future development of outcome assessment

methods will need to account for the much lower expected event rate in biopsy cases.

All of the participating institutions are large cardiac catheterization programs associated with a Children’s Hospital, and considered a referral base for congenital heart surgical intervention. Despite these similarities, variations in patient populations and practices were evident. The data revealed two distinct catheterization lab practices, with three institutions performing a higher frequency of interventions (excluding biopsies) during a case: 72–77% compared to 56–58% at the other institutions. Further, it is unlikely that only differences in case

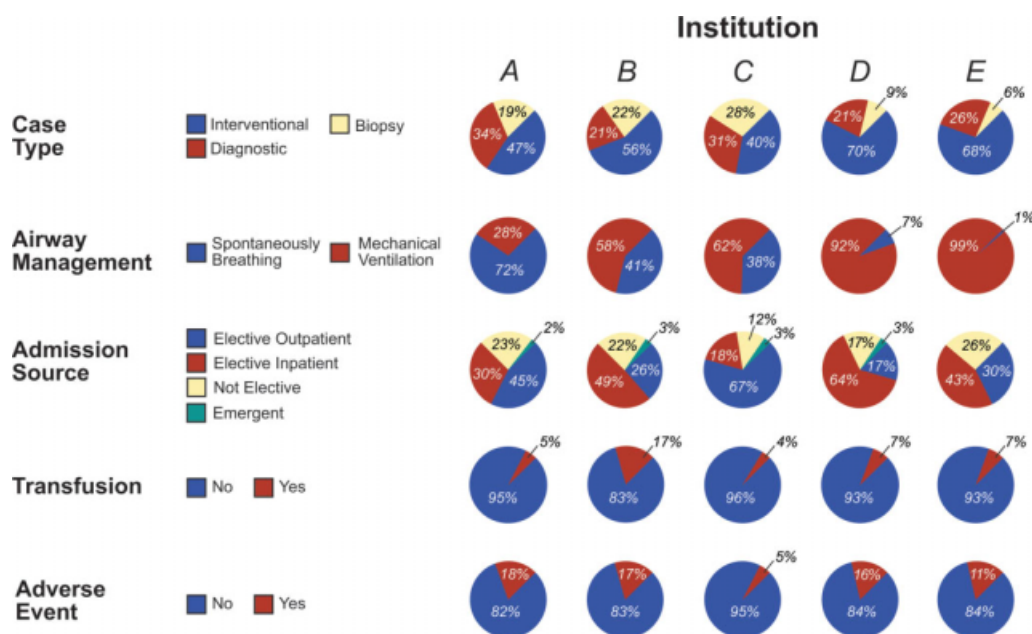


Fig. 1. Case characteristics and adverse events expressed as a percentage of the total cases performed by institution.

mix can account for the wide variation in the use of general anesthesia from 28 to 99% of cases among the sites. Finally, the median rate of AE reported by institution was 16%, ranging from 5 to 18%. It is likely that case mix diversity affects institutional AE rates, and equitable comparisons in the future will undoubtedly require case mix adjustment methods.

Currently, C3PO participants benefit from the ability to use online report generation for internal quality assessment and event review. Participants have also been intrigued by the opportunity to review a blinded comparison of individual and institutional practices and outcomes. Nevertheless, there are weaknesses in our database, such as the requirement for manual data entry at most centers. Future efforts to collect and share data in our specialty should consider cooperation between software vendors, as well as integration and cross talk between applications to limit the burden of data entry. Finally, larger databases will likely benefit from improved programming and faster interfaces.

Participants, for the most part, have found the amount of data being collected to be reasonable and pertinent to our objectives. However, as our understanding of risk predictors and relevant outcomes becomes clearer, we may be able to streamline the collection of data elements for outcome assessment in the field of congenital cardiac catheterization. At the same time, our current methods for data collection will also need to be appropriately expanded to accommodate new procedures, and allow proper assessment of outcomes for novel techniques.

Despite site initiations and manuals of operation with database item definitions, we still experienced non random misclassification of certain data elements. These were identified in the audit and corrected, but highlight one of the difficulties in operating a multi-institutional registry and the importance of precise definitions for data collection elements. Nevertheless, capture of case characteristics and the occurrence of adverse events were strong due to the efforts of physicians and data coordinators dedicating time and a commitment to a complete, transparent, and accurate data set.

This cohort represents the cooperative effort of six institutions, and has involved the recording of patient and procedural characteristics, as well as the occurrence of adverse events using common nomenclature for case characteristics and outcomes. Important differences in institutional practices and the occurrence of adverse events are evident. As part of our commitment to outcomes assessment in congenital cardiac catheteri-

zation, we will continue to share the C3PO experience with the medical community. Currently, we are developing tools and assessing methods for risk stratification, which will allow equitable comparisons of outcomes among institutions and individual practitioners.

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APPENDIX: C3PO PARTICIPATING INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGISTS AND INSTITUTIONS

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Item 2a.15

The risk adjustment method used incorporates two clinical characteristics: three procedure type risk groups, and an indicator of hemodynamic vulnerability.

1) The three procedure type risk groups are based on the intervention performed and are defined below. Group 1 has the lowest risk of an adverse event and group 3 the highest risk. Procedures not appearing in the list below are not eligible for this measure.

Risk Group 1

RV biopsy elective post transplant ≥ 10 kg
Hemodynamic catheterization
Other procedures: bronchoscopy, drains, echo, TEE
Coil occlusion / device / systemic arterial collaterals
Balloon angioplasty / proximal LPA or RPA / dilation < 8 ATM
Device closure / ASD
Device closure / fenestration
Other intended hemodynamic alteration / oxygen-nitric trial or ionotropes
Balloon angioplasty / aorta / dilation < 8 ATM
Coil occlusion / veno-veno collaterals
Stent redilation / proximal LPA or RPA
Coil occlusion / PDA
Balloon angioplasty / RV to PA conduit
Device closure / PFO
Interventional techniques / trans-septal puncture
Valvuloplasty / pulmonary valve ≥ 1 month age
RV biopsy elective post transplant < 10 kg or on ionotropes
Invasive procedure / elective chest tube pericardiocentesis
Stent redilation / RV to PA conduit
Invasive procedure / pericardiocentesis
Device closure / PDA
Atrial septostomy BAS
Stent placement / systemic vein
Diagnostic with EPS
RV biopsy diagnostic ≥ 10 kg
Stent redilation / aorta
Balloon angioplasty / systemic vein / dilation < 8 ATM
Balloon angioplasty / RVOT s/p surgery (no conduit)
Atrial septostomy static balloon dilation
Device closure / venous collateral
Invasive procedure / central line placement
Balloon angioplasty / native RVOT
RV biopsy diagnostic < 10 kg or on ionotropes
Coil occlusion / LSVC
Stent redilation / systemic vein
Interventional techniques / snare foreign body
Stent redilation / intracardiac / atria
Ultrasound / IVUS
Stent redilation / systemic artery not aorta

Risk Group 2

Stent placement / proximal LPA or RPA
Balloon angioplasty / proximal LPA or RPA / dilation ≥ 8 ATM or CB

Balloon angioplasty / lobar segment LPA RPA / dilation < 8 ATM, < 4 vessels
 Valvuloplasty / aorta ≥ 1 month age
 Stent placement / RV to PA conduit
 Stent placement / aorta
 Valvuloplasty pulmonary < 1 month age
 Stent placement / lobar segment LPA or RPA
 Stent placement / intracardiac / atria
 Interventional techniques / atherectomy catheter
 Stent redilation / lobar segment LPA or RPA
 Device closure / baffle leak
 Interventional techniques / recanalization of occluded peripheral vessels
 Interventional techniques / recanalization of jailed vessel in stent
 Balloon angioplasty / systemic artery (not aorta) / dilation < 8 ATM
 Balloon angioplasty / aorta / dilation ≥ 8 ATM or CB
 Coil occlusion / systemic shunt
 Balloon angioplasty / systemic vein / dilation ≥ 8 ATM or CB
 Balloon angioplasty / systemic shunt / dilation < 8 ATM
 Balloon angioplasty / systemic shunt / dilation ≥ 8 ATM or CB
 Balloon angioplasty / systemic artery (not aorta) / dilation ≥ 8 ATM or CB
 Stent placement / systemic artery (not aorta)
 Stent redilation / pulmonary vein
 Stent placement / native RVOT
 Valvuloplasty tricuspid
 Coil / coronary fistula
 Stent placement / RVOT s/p surgery (no conduit)
 Atrial septostomy / dilation and stent / diagnosis not single ventricle

Risk Group 3

Balloon angioplasty / lobar segment LPA RPA / ≥ 8 ATM or CB, < 4 vessels
 Balloon angioplasty or stent / pulmonary vein and < 3 vessels
 Balloon angioplasty / lobar segment LPA or RPA and ≥ 4 vessels
 Any interventional catheterization within 72 hours of surgery
 Valvuloplasty mitral ≥ 1 year age
 Valvuloplasty aorta < 1 month age
 Device closure / VSD / 1 device or ≥ 1 year age
 Atrial septostomy dilation and stent / diagnosis single ventricle < 1 year age
 Device closure / perivalvar leak
 Device closure / VSD / > 1 device or < 1 year age
 Interventional techniques / atretic valve perforation
 Valvuloplasty mitral < 1 year age
 Stent placement / systemic shunt
 Any diagnostic catheterization within 72 hours of surgery / with ECMO
 Balloon angioplasty or stent / pulmonary vein and ≥ 3 vessels
 Stent placement / intracardiac / ventricular
 Any diagnostic catheterization within 72 hours of surgery / no ECMO
 Stent redilation / intracardiac / ventricular
 Atrial septostomy dilation and stent / diagnosis single ventricle ≥ 1 year age

RV = right ventricle, TEE = transesophageal echocardiogram, LPA = left pulmonary artery, RPA = right pulmonary artery, ATM = atmospheres, ASD = atrial septal defect, PDA = patent ductus arteriosus, PA = pulmonary artery, PFO = patent foramen ovale, BAS = balloon atrial septostomy, EPS = electrophysiology study, RVOT = right ventricular outflow tract, LSVC = left superior vena cava, IVUS = intravascular ultrasound, CB = Cutting Balloon™ (Boston Scientific, San Diego CA), VSD = ventricular septal defect, ECMO = heart-lung bypass support.

2) Patients are classified as being hemodynamically vulnerable if any of the following are present:

- (i) main pulmonary artery systolic pressure greater than systemic systolic pressure, or mean pulmonary artery pressure greater than 30 mm Hg,
- (ii) right ventricle systolic pressure greater than systemic,
- (iii) systemic ventricle end diastolic pressure greater than 20 mm Hg,
- (iv) cardiac index less than 2 L/min/M², (v) systemic arterial saturation less than 75%,
- (vi) mixed venous saturation less than 50%, and/or
- (vii) case performed on heart-lung bypass support.

Missing values for any of these variables are assumed to be normal.

The two clinical characteristics described above are incorporated as covariates in a multivariable logistic regression model with outcome any clinically important preventable or possibly preventable adverse event. Risk groups 2 and 3 are used as binary covariates, with group 1 as the reference category. Any indicator of hemodynamic vulnerability is a binary covariate.

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Coil occlusion / PDA
Balloon angioplasty / RV to PA conduit
Device closure / PFO
Interventional techniques / trans-septal puncture
Valvuloplasty / pulmonary valve ≥ 1 month age
RV biopsy elective post transplant < 10 kg or on ionotropes
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Stent redilation / RV to PA conduit
Invasive procedure / pericardiocentesis
Device closure / PDA
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Stent redilation / systemic vein
Interventional techniques / snare foreign body
Stent redilation / intracardiac / atria
Ultrasound / IVUS
Stent redilation / systemic artery not aorta

Risk Group 2

Stent placement / proximal LPA or RPA

Balloon angioplasty / proximal LPA or RPA / dilation \geq 8 ATM or CB
Balloon angioplasty / lobar segment LPA RPA / dilation $<$ 8 ATM, $<$ 4 vessels
Valvuloplasty / aorta \geq 1 month age
Stent placement / RV to PA conduit
Stent placement / aorta
Valvuloplasty pulmonary $<$ 1 month age
Stent placement / lobar segment LPA or RPA
Stent placement / intracardiac / atria
Interventional techniques / atherectomy catheter
Stent redilation / lobar segment LPA or RPA
Device closure / baffle leak
Interventional techniques / recanalization of occluded peripheral vessels
Interventional techniques / recanalization of jailed vessel in stent
Balloon angioplasty / systemic artery (not aorta) / dilation $<$ 8 ATM
Balloon angioplasty / aorta / dilation \geq 8 ATM or CB
Coil occlusion / systemic shunt
Balloon angioplasty / systemic vein / dilation \geq 8 ATM or CB
Balloon angioplasty / systemic shunt / dilation $<$ 8 ATM
Balloon angioplasty / systemic shunt / dilation \geq 8 ATM or CB
Balloon angioplasty / systemic artery (not aorta) / dilation \geq 8 ATM or CB
Stent placement / systemic artery (not aorta)
Stent redilation / pulmonary vein
Stent placement / native RVOT
Valvuloplasty tricuspid
Coil / coronary fistula
Stent placement / RVOT s/p surgery (no conduit)
Atrial septostomy / dilation and stent / diagnosis not single ventricle

Risk Group 3

Balloon angioplasty / lobar segment LPA RPA / \geq 8 ATM or CB, $<$ 4 vessels
Balloon angioplasty or stent / pulmonary vein and $<$ 3 vessels
Balloon angioplasty / lobar segment LPA or RPA and \geq 4 vessels
Any interventional catheterization within 72 hours of surgery
Valvuloplasty mitral \geq 1 year age
Valvuloplasty aorta $<$ 1 month age
Device closure / VSD / 1 device or \geq 1 year age
Atrial septostomy dilation and stent / diagnosis single ventricle $<$ 1 year age
Device closure / perivalvar leak
Device closure / VSD / $>$ 1 device or $<$ 1 year age
Interventional techniques / atretic valve perforation
Valvuloplasty mitral $<$ 1 year age
Stent placement / systemic shunt
Any diagnostic catheterization within 72 hours of surgery / with ECMO
Balloon angioplasty or stent / pulmonary vein and \geq 3 vessels
Stent placement / intracardiac / ventricular
Any diagnostic catheterization within 72 hours of surgery / no ECMO
Stent redilation / intracardiac / ventricular
Atrial septostomy dilation and stent / diagnosis single ventricle \geq 1 year age

RV = right ventricle, TEE = transesophageal echocardiogram, LPA = left pulmonary artery, RPA = right pulmonary artery, ATM = atmospheres, ASD = atrial septal defect, PDA = patent ductus arteriosus, PA = pulmonary artery, PFO = patent foramen ovale, BAS = balloon atrial septostomy, EPS = electrophysiology study, RVOT = right ventricular outflow tract, LSVC = left superior vena cava, IVUS = intravascular

ultrasound, CB = Cutting Balloon™ (Boston Scientific, San Diego CA), VSD = ventricular septal defect, ECMO = heart-lung bypass support.

2) Patients are classified as being hemodynamically vulnerable if any of the following are present:

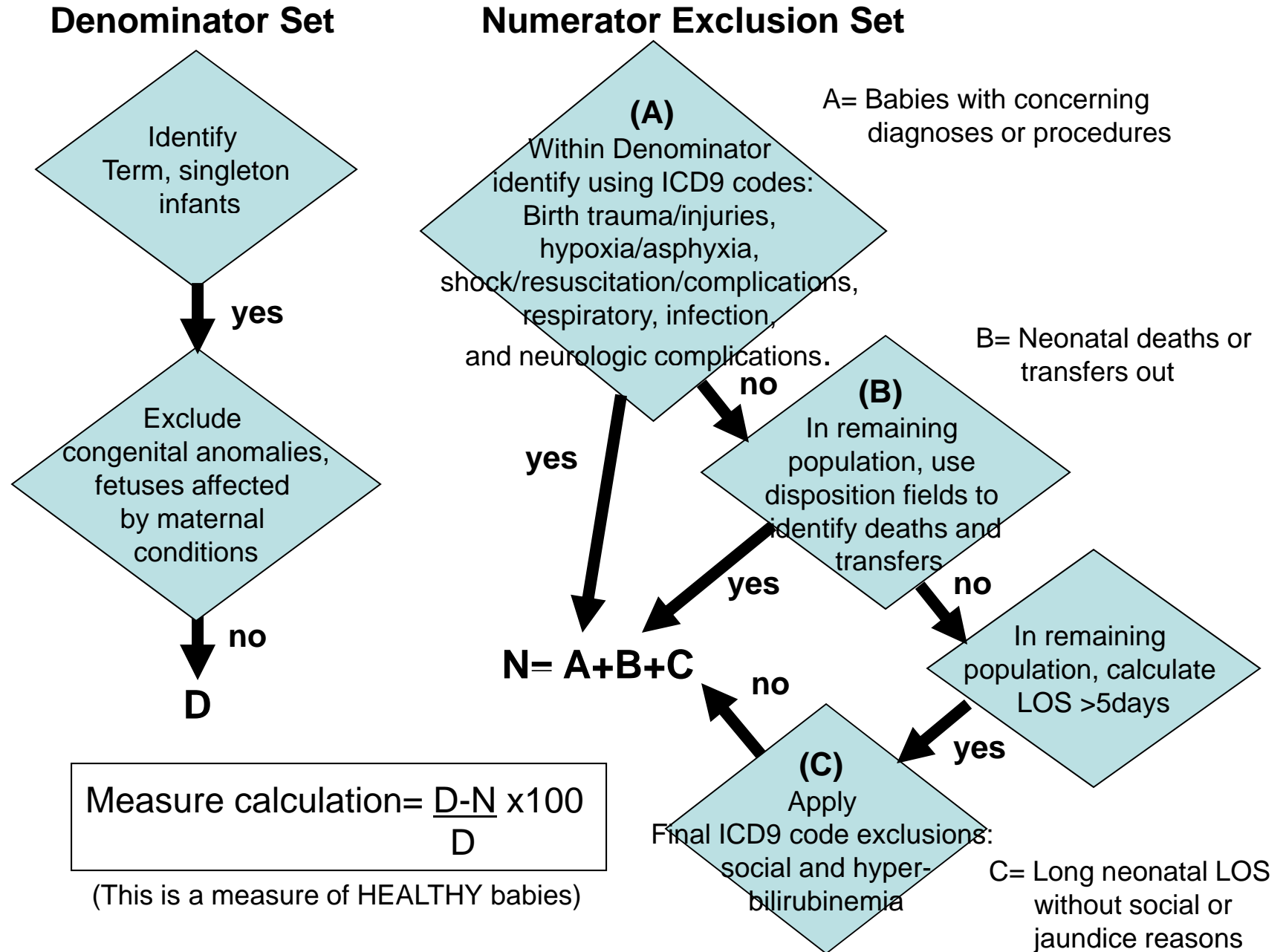
- (i) main pulmonary artery systolic pressure greater than systemic systolic pressure, or mean pulmonary artery pressure greater than 30 mm Hg,
- (ii) right ventricle systolic pressure greater than systemic,
- (iii) systemic ventricle end diastolic pressure greater than 20 mm Hg,
- (iv) cardiac index less than 2 L/min/M², (v) systemic arterial saturation less than 75%,
- (vi) mixed venous saturation less than 50%, and/or
- (vii) case performed on heart-lung bypass support.

Missing values for any of these variables are assumed to be normal.

Reference:

Bergersen L, Gauvreau K, Lock JE, Jenkins KJ. A risk-adjusted method for comparing adverse outcomes among practitioners in pediatric and congenital cardiac catheterization. *Congenital Heart Disease* 2008; 3:230-240.

Healthy Term Newborn Measure



Measure Title: Pediatric gastroenteritis Admission Rate

2a.15. Detailed Risk Model

Covariates are as follows when applying with optional SES risk adjustment

Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	Wald Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
Intercept	1	-8.5084	0.0279	92836.6553	<.0001
FEMALE	1	0.2689	0.0343	61.4348	<.0001
AGECAT1	1	2.7508	0.0261	11108.1159	<.0001
AGECAT2	1	0.9009	0.0288	981.7247	<.0001
AGECAT3	1	0.1045	0.0321	10.6051	0.0011
AGECAT4	0	0	.	.	.
FAGECAT1	1	-0.3890	0.0352	122.2534	<.0001
FAGECAT2	1	-0.3099	0.0392	62.3970	<.0001
FAGECAT3	1	-0.3311	0.0444	55.5053	<.0001
FAGECAT4	0	0	.	.	.
POVCAT1	0	0	.	.	.
POVCAT2	1	0.0139	0.0166	0.7034	0.4016
POVCAT3	1	-0.1848	0.0173	113.6355	<.0001
POVCAT4	1	0.0815	0.0163	25.0409	<.0001
POVCAT5	1	0.0367	0.0166	4.8528	0.0276
POVCAT6	1	0.0630	0.0159	15.6881	<.0001
POVCAT7	1	0.2431	0.0161	226.9026	<.0001
POVCAT8	1	0.1723	0.0154	125.2392	<.0001
POVCAT9	1	0.2072	0.0157	174.4349	<.0001
POVCAT10	1	0.5358	0.0147	1327.0860	<.0001

Measure Title: Asthma admission rate

2a.15. Detailed Risk Model

Attachment to measure submission application

Covariates are as follows when applying with optional SES risk adjustment

Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	Wald Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
Intercept	1	-8.2200	0.0245	112949.442	<.0001
FEMALE	1	0.1352	0.0288	22.0756	<.0001
AGECAT1	1	2.0783	0.0221	8839.6187	<.0001
AGECAT2	1	1.5678	0.0222	5009.8036	<.0001
AGECAT3	1	0.8061	0.0236	1169.8839	<.0001
AGECAT4	0	0	.	.	.
FAGECAT1	1	-0.6215	0.0313	393.8424	<.0001
FAGECAT2	1	-0.6001	0.0314	365.9131	<.0001
FAGECAT3	1	-0.5476	0.0339	261.4514	<.0001
FAGECAT4	0	0	.	.	.
POVCAT1	0	0	.	.	.
POVCAT2	1	0.0187	0.0189	0.9838	0.3213
POVCAT3	1	-0.0908	0.0194	21.9664	<.0001
POVCAT4	1	0.1122	0.0185	36.8686	<.0001
POVCAT5	1	0.1341	0.0186	51.8019	<.0001
POVCAT6	1	0.2777	0.0174	253.6568	<.0001
POVCAT7	1	0.2760	0.0184	226.1465	<.0001
POVCAT8	1	0.4501	0.0168	721.0884	<.0001
POVCAT9	1	0.3578	0.0174	422.1326	<.0001
POVCAT10	1	0.7469	0.0163	2099.8697	<.0001