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Purpose Of This Report

The Alaska Health Facilities Data Reporting (HFDR) Program 2023 Annual Report contains information about the program and summary information about health conditions and billed charges from inpatient stays, emergency department visits, outpatient surgery procedures, and other outpatient visits. This report provides the public with descriptive statistics about health facility usage in the state of Alaska.

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Executive Summary

Discharge Summary

This section provides a high-level summary of key statistics from the 2023Health Facilities Data Reporting Program Annual Report. Detailed information about each type of discharge can be found in its respective chapter.

Table 1. Discharges by Characteristic (2023)¹

Characteristic	Inpatient	Outpatient Emergency	Outpatient Surgery	Outpatient Other	Outpatient Lab or Radiology
Sex: Male	27,675	133,620	41,440	211,219	157,920
Sex: Female	33,000	151,306	47,962	311,299	259,987
Race: White	31,158	123,226	50,776	178,141	258,624
Race: AI/AN	17,047	103,630	13,468	293,991	94,959
Race: Asian/PI	3,625	17,577	3,913	10,865	20,881
Race: Black	1,980	12,555	2,511	6,225	10,530
Ethnicity: Hispanic	2,002	11,737	2,903	11,064	11,952
Age Group: <15	10,130	42,620	6,147	68,085	29,072
Age Group: 15-24	4,355	36,979	4,280	45,427	29,821
Age Group: 25-34	8,272	46,635	6,630	64,392	45,779
Age Group: 35-44	6,306	43,010	10,526	61,438	52,454
Age Group: 45-54	5,212	32,327	15,136	56,595	53,244
Age Group: 55-64	7,823	34,093	19,052	76,508	71,467
Age Group: 65-74	9,492	28,680	18,840	90,447	83,625
Age Group: 75+	9,089	20,613	8,977	59,692	52,514
Payer: Medicare	18,584	50,257	24,474	145,685	127,444
Payer: Medicaid	19,054	112,505	15,214	144,559	78,430
Payer: Commercial	14,153	67,216	33,329	142,269	161,680
Payer: Self Pay	4,014	26,629	3,810	59,808	22,580
Payer: Other	4,876	28,525	12,760	30,446	27,931
Region: Anchorage	23,824	115,857	39,235	200,604	128,012
Region: Gulf Coast	6,897	25,564	12,560	94,587	74,815
Region: Interior	6,630	29,415	7,014	43,037	80,298
Region: Mat-Su	8,840	32,339	17,086	22,457	37,827
Region: Northern	3,628	19,755	2,238	53,837	20,279
Region: Southeast	4,873	22,071	7,497	33,262	48,818
Region: Southwest	4,610	29,902	3,465	71,916	24,274
Region: Out of State	1,313	9,468	474	2,778	3,504
Alaska 2023	60,684	285,134	89,596	522,774	418,066
Alaska 2022	58,506	275,568	85,252	475,483	521,311
Alaska 2021	57,723	244,319	84,565	529,750	651,751

¹A discharge (episode of service) is only counted once during the event year even if more than one billing record exists for that same visit or stay.

Table 2. Total Billed Charges by Characteristic (2023)¹

Characteristic	Inpatient	Outpatient Emergency	Outpatient Surgery	Outpatient Other	Outpatient Lab or Radiology
Sex: Male	\$3,040,575,465	\$728,768,111	\$1,008,204,259	\$689,030,132	\$196,513,501
Sex: Female	\$2,739,936,107	\$859,855,239	\$1,089,602,172	\$880,518,453	\$292,383,718
Race: White	\$3,269,686,792	\$805,916,948	\$1,323,433,861	\$895,826,362	\$297,103,824
Race: AI/AN	\$1,324,378,009	\$461,551,068	\$241,103,374	\$477,856,046	\$121,170,436
Race: Asian/PI	\$375,894,563	\$104,552,589	\$73,123,786	\$67,548,650	\$21,146,494
Race: Black	\$226,764,651	\$75,257,871	\$45,860,806	\$38,213,307	\$10,187,272
Ethnicity: Hispanic	\$169,088,315	\$68,825,658	\$60,239,748	\$46,799,566	\$13,666,869
Age Group: <15	\$529,361,314	\$120,635,130	\$116,945,680	\$83,838,295	\$19,127,749
Age Group: 15-24	\$258,692,998	\$175,768,242	\$99,047,544	\$92,135,302	\$28,606,118
Age Group: 25-34	\$485,192,974	\$247,332,353	\$154,768,640	\$136,981,172	\$48,559,650
Age Group: 35-44	\$542,273,037	\$246,767,758	\$251,984,657	\$157,880,131	\$59,830,498
Age Group: 45-54	\$629,460,429	\$202,495,148	\$305,576,458	\$184,725,369	\$67,487,333
Age Group: 55-64	\$1,036,153,304	\$227,718,625	\$444,148,802	\$299,725,740	\$95,696,522
Age Group: 65-74	\$1,262,606,738	\$204,462,473	\$491,473,080	\$372,017,370	\$107,496,857
Age Group: 75+	\$1,037,257,357	\$163,477,201	\$235,450,942	\$242,362,402	\$62,153,761
Payer: Medicare	\$2,307,216,971	\$365,669,875	\$635,827,083	\$612,387,573	\$156,545,076
Payer: Medicaid	\$1,647,495,299	\$549,456,282	\$324,258,930	\$289,260,481	\$80,123,552
Payer: Commercial	\$1,149,186,260	\$386,875,760	\$698,942,782	\$471,088,407	\$186,335,992
Payer: Self Pay	\$213,985,238	\$136,342,851	\$83,625,194	\$82,751,431	\$29,552,565
Payer: Other	\$463,195,268	\$151,023,545	\$356,881,252	\$114,354,386	\$36,550,646
Region: Anchorage	\$2,725,447,775	\$724,218,848	\$884,670,224	\$533,100,957	\$145,548,732
Region: Gulf Coast	\$574,536,931	\$162,076,108	\$269,536,820	\$336,907,236	\$96,350,633
Region: Interior	\$485,954,184	\$133,928,429	\$163,473,756	\$158,343,681	\$75,329,165
Region: Mat-Su	\$979,765,713	\$232,878,284	\$574,494,273	\$212,206,783	\$63,686,928
Region: Northern	\$219,549,022	\$75,692,256	\$41,128,475	\$79,363,863	\$27,629,149
Region: Southeast	\$322,205,553	\$105,987,793	\$91,074,479	\$132,653,045	\$56,292,155
Region: Southwest	\$326,998,199	\$95,390,292	\$61,769,956	\$99,823,866	\$20,977,290
Region: Out of State	\$140,776,235	\$55,260,987	\$12,887,355	\$16,774,473	\$3,004,212
Alaska 2023	\$5,781,209,742	\$1,589,375,022	\$2,099,572,539	\$1,569,865,511	\$489,108,769
Alaska 2022	\$5,307,497,165	\$1,382,657,293	\$1,917,846,586	\$1,401,218,900	\$465,165,242
Alaska 2021	\$4,941,882,656	\$1,177,455,647	\$1,787,950,034	\$1,356,335,062	\$484,784,816

¹Billed Charges sum the amounts charged to the primary payer on all billing records, and include covered and non-covered charges.

Figure 1. Inpatient Discharges by Month (2021-2023)

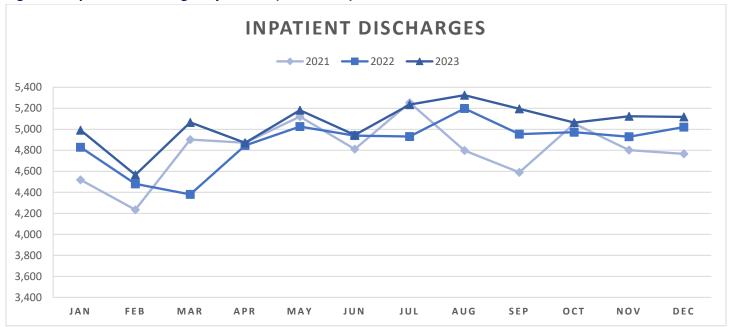


Table 3 Inpatient Discharges by Month (2021-2023)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2021	4,519	4,234	4,902	4,872	5,121	4,811	5,254	4,798	4,590	5,054	4,802	4,766
2022	4,829	4,480	4,380	4,846	5 <i>,</i> 026	4,940	4,931	5,198	4,954	4,972	4,929	5,021
2023	4,992	4,566	5,066	4,871	5,182	4,946	5,235	5,325	5,195	5,064	5,124	5,118

Figure 2. Outpatient Emergency Department Discharges by Month (2021-2023)

OUTPATIENT EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT DISCHARGES → 2021 **→** 2022 **→** 2023 28,000 26,000 24,000 22,000 20,000 18,000 16,000 14,000 12,000 JAN FEB MAR APR ΜΑΥ JUN JUL AUG SEP ост ΝΟν DEC

Table 4. Outpatient Emergency Department Discharges by Month (2021-2023)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2021	17,851	15,832	18,937	19,771	21,197	21,353	24,073	23,055	21,080	20,616	19,796	20,758
2022	22,740	18,239	18,621	21,762	24,823	24,213	24,941	24,312	23,551	23,709	24,960	23,697
2023	22,928	20,678	22,825	22,660	24,093	23,597	25,993	25,732	24,349	24,793	23,543	23,943

Figure 3. Outpatient All Other Discharges by Month (2021-2023)

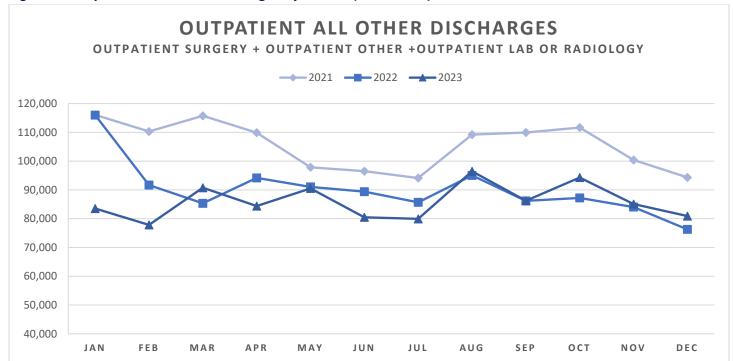


Table 5. Outpatient All Other Visits by Month (2021-2023)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2021	116,069	110,294	115,738	109,896	97,858	96,512	94,126	109,213	109,951	111,674	100,400	94,335
2022	115,993	91,688	85,330	94,171	91,039	89,393	85,679	95,033	86,188	87,206	84,043	76,283
2023	83,527	77,841	90,757	84,390	90,516	80,481	79,938	96,467	86,216	94,302	85,085	80,916

Introduction

The Data

The Health Facilities Data Reporting (HFDR) program is responsible for the collection of quarterly health facility billing (discharge) data submissions required by Alaska Administrative Code Title 7, Chapter 27, Section 660 (7 AAC 27.660). This report provides information on the program's management and administration, and summary statistics for discharges occurring during calendar year 2023.

The HFDR program collects inpatient and outpatient discharge data (including emergency department) from private, municipal, state, and federal hospitals (with the exception of two military hospitals: Bassett Army Community Hospital and Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Hospital), hospitals operated by Alaska Native organizations, psychiatric hospitals, residential psychiatric treatment centers, intermediate care facilities, and ambulatory surgical facilities. These facilities are listed in Appendix A. The combined data comprise the Alaska HFDR inpatient and outpatient data sets.

Health facilities are required to submit discharge data quarterly to the Alaska Department of Health (DOH) via a contracted third-party data clearinghouse, the Hospital Industry Data Instutute (HIDI), where data are edited for accuracy and quality before being delivered to the HFDR program.

Data reported are from billing records for each hospital discharge and include: coded clinical information such as principal and secondary diagnoses and procedure codes, length of stay, financial information such as billed charges and expected payment source, and patient demographic information, such as age, race, and gender. In an effort to reduce the reporting burden on facilities, the industry-standard Uniform Billing data format (UB-04) developed by the National Uniform Billing Commitee (NUBC) and electronic transmission are used for data collection and submission.

Program History

The HFDR program, for which reporting is mandatory, is based on its predecessor program, the Hospital Discharge Data System (HDDS), which was established in 2001, and for which reporting was voluntary. HDDS was managed by The Alaska Hospital and Healthcare Association (AHHA) with grant funds from the DOH under formal agreement on data security, confidentiality, and data use. Inpatient data were collected from 2001-2012 and outpatient data were collected from 2008-2012.

The strengths of the HDDS program and the processes, policies, and procedures developed over the years, led to a robust HFDR framework. The drawback to HDDS was that participation was limited, varying over the years from a low of 11 to a high of 17 out of 25 hospitals submitting data. This precluded whole-state analysis. Additionally, the 32% of hospitals that never reported were mostly rural and small Tribal hospitals.

Regulatory Reporting Requirements

Increasing public and policy-maker interest in health status, healthcare costs, and healthcare quality provided impetus for a more robust data program. Regulations to require reporting under 7 AAC 27.660 became effective in December 2014 for discharges occurring in 2015. Under 7 AAC 27.660, discharge data reporting is required for facilities that provide Medicaid services subject to 7 AAC 105 –160 or are subject to licensure under Alaska Statute 47.32 and 7 AAC 12. Facilities which are required to report but do not may be referred to the Alaska Division of Health Care Services to determine whether sanctions may be appropriate under Medicaid or Facilities Licensing and Certification Regulations.

Data Collection and Flow

DOH has contracted with HIDI to collect, validate, encrypt, and clean facility data. Facilities upload their data quarterly within 60 days of quarter-end via a secure online portal. HIDI runs edit scripts to validate the data, and facilities are notified of any corrections that are necessary. HIDI's edit process identifies invalid or missing data as well as noting uncommon values and exceptions to logical tests. Facilities have 30 days following the initial submission due date to review the error validation reports and, if necessary, provide corrections to HIDI.

After HIDI processes the reported data and the facilities have made their corrections, datasets are forwarded to the DOH. Program staff import the files into statistical analysis software, calculate new fields to facilitate data analysis, and look for other possible errors or inconsistencies in the data. If issues are identified, staff will work directly with facilities to address the issue, which may include submitting a replacement dataset to HIDI. After this process is complete, datasets are made available for distribution.

Data Purposes

HFDR data are used for public health planning, injury and disease surveillance, health services research, quality assessment and performance improvement activities, community health status assessments, and informing policy deliberations. As a longitudinal dataset, trends can be monitored over time; standardization enables comparison to national benchmarks.

Facilities and AHHA use discharge reporting data for monitoring quantity and quality assessment, market share, re-admissions, and other quality improvement and planning activities.

Participating facilities may request to purchase a copy of the dataset to work with directly and may also request customized analyses from HealthAnalytics@alaska.gov.

DOH has used HFDR data in analyses covering a broad range of public health topics in response to inquiries, such as legislative requests, media requests, grant reporting requirements, and data analysis requests, as well as publishing bulletins and briefs on topics of interest.

Because the datasets contain individual discharge records with billed charges, there is an interest in what these data say about healthcare costs in Alaska. However, it is important to note that billed charges may not reflect what is ultimately paid by patients, commercial insurance companies, Medicaid, Medicare, and other primary payers who ultimately settle bills with the facility.

Data Release

Limited datasets may be released for certain approved purposes under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), provided that a data use agreement is in place between the user and the DOH. Minimum necessary data may be used only for approved public health practice, research, and healthcare operations purposes. Alaska facilities that participate in the HFDR program may request a statewide dataset for healthcare operations purposes if they comply with their required data reporting obligations. The healthcare operations datasets include diagnosis, procedure, patient demographic information, total billed charges, and facility identification numbers, but do not include the charges for each itemized revenue code.

All limited dataset requests must include a signed data use agreement, an explanation of the research or other purpose of the request, and a justification for each variable requested. Data are transmitted via a secure data transfer service.

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP) receives inpatient and outpatient datasets to include in the National Inpatient Sample, a multi-state dataset used for national health services research and policy analysis, and to include in the Nationwide Emergency Department Sample and the Nationwide Ambulatory Surgery Sample.

Quality Improvement

All Alaska ambulatory surgical centers and non-military hospitals are required to submit discharge data. Most facilities reported data by the quarterly due date, allowing datasets to be extracted within 2-4 weeks following the previous quarter's end.

An important program goal is to balance stakeholder need for timely access to data with data quality. Facilities now largely submit data by the due dates, so the focus has shifted to improving data quality. Responding to HIDI's edit reports will assist facilities towards the goal of less than 5% of records with missing or invalid required fields.

Funding/Program Sustainability

The HFDR program is managed by Alaska Health Analytics and Vital Records Section (HAVRS), which charges fees for special requests for data analysis and datasets to ensure sustainability of the resources required to operate the program. The fees help offset the program costs, which include staff time, computer resources, and the cost of contracted data management

Data Notes

- The unit of analysis for inpatient and emergency department records is the stay or visit. A patient could have multiple inpatient discharges or emergency department visits in a single year, and each of these would count as a separate visit or stay.
- Some visits or stays generate more than one billing record. To summarize discharge counts in this report, only the first bill is counted regardless of the number of billing records for each stay or visit. However, the total billed charges shown in this report are a sum of all the billed amounts for that stay or visit.
- Length of stay is calculated as the sum of all days from date of admission to discharge.
- Primary payer is the first expected payer at the time of the hospital stay or visit.

- The diagnoses codes used are the International Classification of Disease, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification, (ICD-10-CM).
- Four race categories are reported: Caucasian (White); American Indian or Alaska Native (AI/AN); Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (Asian/PI); and Black or African American (Black). Individuals can currently only be identified as a single race category. Hispanic/Latino ethnicity is displayed separately and is independent of race (includes peoples of any race).
- Regional reports are summarized by the patient's place of residence and use Alaska Public Health Regions (Appendix B).
- Discharges are grouped based on the principal diagnoses into categories by the US Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project's (HCUP) Clinical Classification Software Refined (CCSR) categories, unless otherwise noted.
- Outpatient visits include emergency department, outpatient surgery, outpatient observation, radiology, labs, therapies, and other services billed by the facilities.
- Inpatient and outpatient data records contain one principal diagnosis and up to 29 secondary diagnoses; however, the diagnosis tables in this report reflect the principal diagnoses only.
- Outpatient *procedures* are reported in a separate file in which the unit of analysis is the procedure. A single patient visit may have one or more procedures.

Limitations

- The UB-04 form, from which much of the HFDR data are derived, was originally developed for facilities to submit billing claims data to Medicare, Medicaid, and other third-party payers to charge for services rendered. Because the primary purpose of the information collected on these forms was intended for administrative billing claims purposes, public health surveillance (i.e., estimating incidence of disease and injury) is a secondary use of these data. Conditions may be underestimated by discharge data because this only includes individuals treated and discharged at health facilities.
- Billed charges used in this report may differ significantly from what is ultimately paid and settled by insurance companies and other payers. It may also not reflect additional charges made by individual clinicians or healthcare service providers (e.g., billed using a CMS 1500 form instead of a UB-04 form).

 Patient race and ethnicity are not collected directly on the UB-04 form and are instead reported by facilities using other patient records (e.g., admission or new patient forms). Data collection methods and completeness for race-ethnicity items may vary by facility and may not always be self-reported by the patient. For example, Samuel Simmonds Memorial Hospital did not report race or ethnicity data for 2020-2021 and data for 2022 were incomplete. Data by race and ethnicity should be interpreted with caution.

Data Source

Alaska Department of Health, Division of Public Health, Health Analytics and Vital Records Section, Health Facilities Data Reporting Program, 2023v2, 2022v2, 2021v2 datasets.

Inpatient Discharges

Methodology

Diagnoses Aggregation

The medical diagnoses assigned to each hospital discharge are a key criterion in the analysis of health facilities data. Diagnoses are determined by health care facilities as part of their treatment and billing process and are based on codes defined in the *International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (*ICD-10-CM) manual. While the ICD-10-CM contains codes for thousands of individual diagnoses, these are commonly aggregated into more statistically meaningful categories to facilitate public health analysis.

In this chapter, the AHRQ Clinical Classification Software Refined (CCSR) program is used to aggregate the principal diagnosis ICD-10-CM code into approximately 530 CCSR categories for tabulation of the leading causes of discharge. Examples of the individual ICD-10-CM principal diagnosis codes includes in the ranked CSSR categories are provided. Each CCSR category also falls within a major CCSR domain (group) representing one of 21 body systems. This provides a higher-level overview of diagnoses when further aggregation is needed (major CSSR categories are used during analysis of discharges by revenue code in this chapter). The principal diagnosis code is defined in the NUBC billing data specifications manual as "the condition after study to be chiefly responsible for occasioning the admission of the patient for care." The CCSR does not consider any of the secondary diagnoses in the billing when grouping the principal diagnosis.¹

Procedure Aggregation

Another way to tabulate discharge data is based on the principal procedure. If an ICD-10 Procedure Coding System (ICD-10-PCS) code is assigned to an inpatient record, it can be grouped using the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP) CCSR program into over 320 clinical procedure categories across 31 major domains (groups). Major groups are used for ranking the leading procedures.

Revenue Code Aggregation

Discharges can also be tabulated based on the hospital resources that were utilized and billed. On the itemized portion of the hospital billing record, revenue codes are used on each listing. Revenue codes that begin with the digits 45 used Emergency Room (ER) resources, those that begin with 36 used Operating Room (OR) resources, and those that begin with 20 or 21 used Intensive Care Unit (ICU) resources. A single discharge may have used resources in all three of these categories; therefore, counts by revenue code group are not mutually exclusive.

Data Highlights

- In 2023, there were 60,684 inpatient hospital discharges in Alaska, generating ~\$5.8 billion in billed charges.
- The median billed charge for a hospitalization was \$49,085, with a median stay lasting three days.
- Medicaid was the most common primary payer at 31.4% of hospitalizations, followed by Medicare at 30.6%.
- The top three leading causes of hospitalization by CCSR category were:
 - 1. *Liveborn infants* (6,949 discharges), with a median charge of \$6,621 and stay of two days.
 - 2. *Septicemia* (4,601 discharges), with a median charge of \$83,071 and stay of five days.
 - *3.* Complications specified during childbirth (1,605 discharges), with a median charge of \$22,712 and stay of two days.
- The most common procedure by major PCS CCSR group was *pregnancy-related procedures* (6,931 discharges). This was the leading procedure for patients ages 15-44 years.
- Diseases of the circulatory system was the most common major diagnosis CCSR category for discharges that utilized ER and ICU revenue code resources (16.2% of ER discharges and 25.3% of ICU discharges).

¹ Discharges can also be categorized using alternative diagnoses aggregation methods such as "Diagnosis-Related Groups" (DRG). Statewide and Alaska Public Health Regions top 10 DRG categories are provided in Appendix C for reference.

- There were 1,467 COVID-19 hospitalizations in 2023, down from 3,100 in 2022.
- The average billed charge for an COVID-19 hospitalization in 2023 was \$123,236, or \$187,260 if admitted to the ICU.
- The average length of stay for an COVID-19 hospitalization in 2023 was 9.7 days, or 12.8 if admitted to the ICU.

Hospitalizations by Characteristic

Table 6. All Hospitalizations (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges	Median Days	Total Days
Sex: Male	27,675	45.6%	\$58 <i>,</i> 390	\$3,040,575,465	3	184,722
Sex: Female	33,000	54.4%	\$42 <i>,</i> 659	\$2,739,936,107	3	173,952
Race: White	31,158	51.3%	\$60,029	\$3,269,686,792	3	184,639
Race: AI/AN	17,047	28.1%	\$37,666	\$1,324,378,009	3	100,995
Race: Asian/PI	3,625	6.0%	\$54,291	\$375,894,563	3	20,973
Race: Black	1,980	3.3%	\$62,534	\$226,764,651	3	13,882
Ethnicity: Hispanic	2,002	3.3%	\$44 <i>,</i> 592	\$169,088,315	3	10,600
Age Group: <15	10,130	16.7%	\$9 <i>,</i> 898	\$529,361,314	2	46,481
Age Group: 15-24	4,355	7.2%	\$31,646	\$258,692,998	3	20,958
Age Group: 25-34	8,272	13.6%	\$33,225	\$485,192,974	2	33,263
Age Group: 35-44	6,306	10.4%	\$46,421	\$542,273,037	3	33,079
Age Group: 45-54	5,212	8.6%	\$68,881	\$629,460,429	3	33,319
Age Group: 55-64	7,823	12.9%	\$76 <i>,</i> 865	\$1,036,153,304	4	53,108
Age Group: 65-74	9,492	15.6%	\$80,543	\$1,262,606,738	4	68,525
Age Group: 75+	9,089	15.0%	\$73,236	\$1,037,257,357	4	69,956
Payer: Medicare	18,584	30.6%	\$76,842	\$2,307,216,971	4	138,188
Payer: Medicaid	19,054	31.4%	\$40,854	\$1,647,495,299	3	115,373
Payer: Commercial	14,153	23.3%	\$38,590	\$1,149,186,260	2	63,190
Payer: Self Pay	4,014	6.6%	\$22,903	\$213,985,238	2	15,553
Payer: Other	4,876	8.0%	\$44,588	\$463,195,268	3	26,386
Region: Anchorage	23,824	39.3%	\$61,931	\$2,725,447,775	3	158,900
Region: Gulf Coast	6,897	11.4%	\$44,940	\$574,536,931	3	40,147
Region: Interior	6,630	10.9%	\$38,044	\$485,954,184	3	32,937
Region: Mat-Su	8,840	14.6%	\$67,426	\$979,765,713	3	46,119
Region: Northern	3,628	6.0%	\$28,047	\$219,549,022	2	16,878
Region: Southeast	4,873	8.0%	\$29,149	\$322,205,553	3	28,779
Region: Southwest	4,610	7.6%	\$23,129	\$326,998,199	3	26,530
Region: Out of State	1,313	2.2%	\$63,242	\$140,776,235	3	8,027
Alaska 2023	60,684	100.0%	\$49,085	\$5,781,209,742	3	358,759
Alaska 2022	58,506	-	\$46,194	\$5,307,497,165	3	348,565
Alaska 2021	57,723	-	\$43,573	\$4,941,882,656	3	342,433

Leading Causes of Hospitalization by Characteristic (CCSR Diagnosis Categories)

Table 7. #1: Liveborn Infant (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges	Median Days	Total Days
Sex: Male	3,660	52.7%	\$7,325	\$147,591,124	2	13,816
Sex: Female	3,289	47.3%	\$5,942	\$121,087,341	2	11,809
Race: White	1,928	27.7%	\$5,791	\$27,782,119	2	4,388
Race: AI/AN	1,914	27.5%	\$9,239	\$38,264,160	2	5,751
Race: Asian/PI	263	3.8%	\$5,982	\$20,965,651	2	1,375
Race: Black	83	1.2%	\$7,751	\$3,644,397	2	329
Ethnicity: Hispanic	245	3.5%	\$5,973	\$4,694,804	2	593
Age Group: <15	6,949	100.0%	\$6,621	\$268,678,465	2	25,625
Payer: Medicaid	2,062	29.7%	\$7,550	\$132,853,796	2	10,640
Payer: Commercial	2,501	36.0%	\$5,725	\$76,656,526	2	8,019
Payer: Self Pay	1,565	22.5%	\$9,131	\$28,227,255	2	3,965
Payer: Other	821	11.8%	\$4,912	\$30,940,889	2	3,001
Region: Anchorage	2,632	37.9%	\$7,000	\$138,240,531	2	11,564
Region: Gulf Coast	717	10.3%	\$5,331	\$17,677,387	2	1,980
Region: Interior	988	14.2%	\$6,350	\$27,664,474	2	3,407
Region: Mat-Su	977	14.1%	\$6,882	\$28,154,467	1	2,709
Region: Northern	359	5.2%	\$10,313	\$13,965,795	2	1,361
Region: Southeast	541	7.8%	\$6,053	\$14,541,331	2	1,649
Region: Southwest	717	10.3%	\$6,459	\$27,599,434	2	2,887
Region: Out of State	16	0.2%	\$5,951	\$816,924	2	65
Alaska 2023	6,949	100.0%	\$6,621	\$268,678,465	2	25,625
Alaska 2022	6,889	-	\$6,341	\$299,624,703	2	26,880
Alaska 2021	7,014	-	\$5,784	\$294,619,821	2	27,719

Table 8. #2: Septicemia (2023)

		Percent of	Median		Median	
Characteristic	Discharges	Category	Charge	Total Charges	Days	Total Days
Sex: Male	2,434	52.9%	\$87,755	\$375,701,587	5	21,754
Sex: Female	2,166	47.1%	\$78,157	\$301,617,012	5	17,134
Race: White	2,588	56.2%	\$85,829	\$379,841,721	5	22,088
Race: AI/AN	1,159	25.2%	\$75,987	\$171,764,894	5	10,101
Race: Asian/PI	374	8.1%	\$83 <i>,</i> 458	\$51,236,649	5	2,708
Race: Black	157	3.4%	\$104,208	\$30,547,106	6	1,755
Ethnicity: Hispanic	145	3.2%	\$77,110	\$17,323,036	4	1,007
Age Group: <15	68	1.5%	\$49,507	\$7,029,820	4	394
Age Group: 15-24	106	2.3%	\$62,764	\$14,259,344	3	749
Age Group: 25-34	365	7.9%	\$68,916	\$47,821,696	4	2,421
Age Group: 35-44	510	11.1%	\$73 <i>,</i> 471	\$81,224,821	4	4,483
Age Group: 45-54	579	12.6%	\$85,239	\$100,248,085	5	5,298
Age Group: 55-64	859	18.7%	\$91,203	\$141,214,496	5	7,502
Age Group: 65-74	1,055	22.9%	\$89,248	\$155,247,694	5	9,146
Age Group: 75+	1,058	23.0%	\$83,265	\$130,272,642	5	8,895
Payer: Medicare	2,191	47.6%	\$86,860	\$312,470,897	5	19,624
Payer: Medicaid	1,332	29.0%	\$82,190	\$213,457,574	5	11,579
Payer: Commercial	633	13.8%	\$74,297	\$93,809,456	4	4,508
Payer: Self Pay	186	4.0%	\$63 <i>,</i> 589	\$22,165,461	3	1,122
Payer: Other	259	5.6%	\$88,116	\$35,433,703	5	2,056
Region: Anchorage	2,228	48.4%	\$90,898	\$363,860,622	5	21,093
Region: Gulf Coast	460	10.0%	\$61,821	\$51,282,523	4	3,540
Region: Interior	284	6.2%	\$73 <i>,</i> 759	\$36,444,719	4	2,123
Region: Mat-Su	740	16.1%	\$99,130	\$114,112,686	5	5,248
Region: Northern	131	2.8%	\$72,612	\$18,239,399	5	1,061
Region: Southeast	353	7.7%	\$43,161	\$35,785,951	4	2,592
Region: Southwest	242	5.3%	\$67,171	\$34,488,428	5	2,093
Region: Out of State	154	3.3%	\$71,213	\$22,471,414	5	1,094
Alaska 2023	4,601	100.0%	\$83,071	\$677,337,091	5	38,889
Alaska 2022	4,257	-	\$80,505	\$631,735,709	5	38,952
Alaska 2021	3,892	-	\$79 <i>,</i> 708	\$595,362,460	5	36,177

Table 9. #3: Complications Specified During Childbirth (2023)

		Percent of	Median		Median	
Characteristic	Discharges	Category	Charge	Total Charges	Days	Total Days
Sex: Female	1,605	100.0%	\$22,712	\$42,567,654	2	3,407
Race: White	723	45.0%	\$26,217	\$21,236,657	2	1,529
Race: AI/AN	578	36.0%	\$15,803	\$11,574,562	2	1,193
Race: Asian/PI	134	8.3%	\$24,096	\$4,009,819	2	286
Race: Black	35	2.2%	\$28,616	\$1,223,885	2	94
Ethnicity: Hispanic	95	5.9%	\$26,666	\$2,911,402	2	208
Age Group: <15	1	0.1%	\$18,119	\$18,119	1	1
Age Group: 15-24	476	29.7%	\$21,632	\$12,372,304	2	1,047
Age Group: 25-34	863	53.8%	\$22,937	\$22,446,485	2	1,774
Age Group: 35-44	261	16.3%	\$23,859	\$7,601,580	2	579
Age Group: 45-54	4	0.2%	\$30,313	\$129,166	2	6
Payer: Medicare	6	0.4%	\$23,363	\$177,880	2	11
Payer: Medicaid	801	49.9%	\$20,846	\$19,685,839	2	1,657
Payer: Commercial	580	36.1%	\$24,544	\$16,795,351	2	1,262
Payer: Self Pay	103	6.4%	\$21,039	\$2,685,255	2	210
Payer: Other	115	7.2%	\$25,172	\$3,223,328	2	267
Region: Anchorage	549	34.2%	\$25,942	\$17,144,677	2	1,241
Region: Gulf Coast	184	11.5%	\$22,203	\$4,569,972	2	357
Region: Interior	179	11.2%	\$19,096	\$4,577,404	2	439
Region: Mat-Su	225	14.0%	\$33,221	\$7,867,515	2	399
Region: Northern	114	7.1%	\$18,181	\$2,229,227	2	207
Region: Southeast	123	7.7%	\$15,690	\$2,335,852	2	285
Region: Southwest	225	14.0%	\$9,000	\$3,724,765	2	467
Region: Out of State	6	0.4%	\$18,688	\$118,241	2	12
Alaska 2023	1,605	100.0%	\$22,712	\$42,567,654	2	3,407
Alaska 2022	1,714	-	\$20,527	\$41,532,981	2	3,496
Alaska 2021	1,774	-	\$18,927	\$41,174,098	2	3,638

Table 10. #4: Heart Failure (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges	Median Days	Total Days
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Sex: Male	909	64.5%	\$63,487	\$82,869,843	4	4,972
Sex: Female	635	45.0%	\$61,216	\$57,806,859	4	3,815
Race: White	869	61.6%	\$65 <i>,</i> 695	\$85,348,622	4	4,973
Race: AI/AN	365	25.9%	\$49 <i>,</i> 986	\$26,621,466	4	2,073
Race: Asian/PI	142	10.1%	\$73 <i>,</i> 498	\$13,546,531	4	822
Race: Black	104	7.4%	\$70,595	\$10,212,042	4	541
Ethnicity: Hispanic	30	2.1%	\$66,600	\$2,811,103	4	132
Age Group: <15	7	0.5%	\$38 <i>,</i> 856	\$253,057	2	27
Age Group: 15-24	5	0.4%	\$65,017	\$455,810	5	24
Age Group: 25-34	45	3.2%	\$80,111	\$4,689,122	5	338
Age Group: 35-44	99	7.0%	\$62,763	\$9,893,349	4	596
Age Group: 45-54	166	11.8%	\$65 <i>,</i> 448	\$15,567,708	4	841
Age Group: 55-64	275	19.5%	\$66 <i>,</i> 075	\$24,220,094	4	1,447
Age Group: 65-74	404	28.7%	\$61,613	\$36,867,067	4	2,159
Age Group: 75+	543	38.5%	\$59,919	\$48,730,494	4	3,355
Payer: Medicare	928	65.8%	\$61,546	\$84,721,248	4	5,425
Payer: Medicaid	357	25.3%	\$62 <i>,</i> 763	\$30,607,230	4	1,980
Payer: Commercial	127	9.0%	\$64,866	\$12,707,869	3	577
Payer: Self Pay	34	2.4%	\$70 <i>,</i> 302	\$3,609,043	4	226
Payer: Other	98	7.0%	\$62,507	\$9,031,312	4	579
Region: Anchorage	652	46.2%	\$74,199	\$69,109,203	4	4,232
Region: Gulf Coast	180	12.8%	\$45 <i>,</i> 082	\$11,022,033	4	871
Region: Interior	134	9.5%	\$51,203	\$9,518,934	3	613
Region: Mat-Su	242	17.2%	\$87,962	\$29,096,419	4	1,216
Region: Northern	90	6.4%	\$39,633	\$5,021,857	3	370
Region: Southeast	125	8.9%	\$34,761	\$7,611,767	4	820
Region: Southwest	73	5.2%	\$32,786	\$5,385,630	5	463
Region: Out of State	47	3.3%	\$60,053	\$3,697,498	3	191
Alaska 2023	1,544	109.5%	\$62,398	\$140,676,702	4	8,787
Alaska 2022	1,410	-	\$59,850	\$122,725,629	4	8,468
Alaska 2021	1,317	-	\$58,142	\$112,107,394	4	8,325

Table 11. #5: Alcohol-Related Disorders (2023)

		Percent of	Median		Median	
Characteristic	Discharges	Category	Charge	Total Charges	Days	Total Days
Sex: Male	866	59.4%	\$37,275	\$45,483,592	3	5,029
Sex: Female	592	40.6%	\$36,350	\$29,062,582	3	3,009
Race: White	538	36.9%	\$43,071	\$30,243,275	3	3,718
Race: AI/AN	751	51.5%	\$33,915	\$36,616,190	3	3,146
Race: Asian/PI	9	0.6%	\$46 <i>,</i> 363	\$375,399	3	37
Race: Black	22	1.5%	\$41,270	\$1,184,933	4	165
Ethnicity: Hispanic	44	3.0%	\$28 <i>,</i> 354	\$1,508,365	2	173
Age Group: 15-24	71	4.9%	\$24,800	\$2,285,423	2	396
Age Group: 25-34	316	21.7%	\$34,261	\$14,895,179	3	1,697
Age Group: 35-44	463	31.8%	\$35,341	\$22,066,841	3	2,421
Age Group: 45-54	273	18.7%	\$35 <i>,</i> 892	\$14,639,343	3	1,353
Age Group: 55-64	212	14.5%	\$41,929	\$11,741,459	3	1,291
Age Group: 65-74	111	7.6%	\$52 <i>,</i> 426	\$8,150,209	4	800
Age Group: 75+	12	0.8%	\$46,740	\$767,720	5	80
Payer: Medicare	148	10.2%	\$53,228	\$10,334,799	4	980
Payer: Medicaid	893	61.2%	\$35,344	\$44,500,313	3	4,535
Payer: Commercial	198	13.6%	\$37,519	\$9,610,162	3	1,256
Payer: Self Pay	130	8.9%	\$28,102	\$4,545,015	2	355
Payer: Other	89	6.1%	\$47,247	\$5,555,885	4	912
Region: Anchorage	612	42.0%	\$46 <i>,</i> 808	\$36,814,343	4	3,925
Region: Gulf Coast	107	7.3%	\$34,100	\$5,269,442	3	541
Region: Interior	99	6.8%	\$38,307	\$4,954,299	3	507
Region: Mat-Su	143	9.8%	\$53 <i>,</i> 815	\$9,179,417	4	982
Region: Northern	177	12.1%	\$27 <i>,</i> 035	\$7,239,441	2	614
Region: Southeast	219	15.0%	\$21,261	\$6,529,244	3	807
Region: Southwest	69	4.7%	\$20,351	\$2,705,109	3	352
Region: Out of State	30	2.1%	\$36,947	\$1,807,835	3	302
Alaska 2023	1,458	100.0%	\$37,200	\$74,546,173	3	8,038
Alaska 2022	1,397	-	\$36,318	\$73,265,487	3	7,974
Alaska 2021	1,286	-	\$33 <i>,</i> 808	\$63,297,433	3	6,931

Table 12. #6: Depressive Disorders (2023)

		Percent of	Median		Median	
Characteristic	Discharges	Category	Charge	Total Charges	Days	Total Days
Sex: Male	492	38.4%	\$42,798	\$29,922,175	6	4,122
Sex: Female	789	61.6%	\$46,500	\$52,162,660	7	7,380
Race: White	594	46.4%	\$55,592	\$43,654,725	7	5,825
Race: AI/AN	528	41.2%	\$33,614	\$28,924,870	5	4,059
Race: Asian/PI	28	2.2%	\$38,906	\$1,762,081	5	261
Race: Black	32	2.5%	\$41,165	\$1,703,753	8	292
Ethnicity: Hispanic	49	3.8%	\$64,309	\$3,711,259	5	395
Age Group: <15	217	16.9%	\$46,500	\$14,253,895	14	3,271
Age Group: 15-24	455	35.5%	\$39,515	\$27,168,810	6	4,002
Age Group: 25-34	235	18.3%	\$46,039	\$15,701,832	4	1,591
Age Group: 35-44	142	11.1%	\$38,988	\$8,273,067	5	874
Age Group: 45-54	110	8.6%	\$57,926	\$8,014,005	6	842
Age Group: 55-64	84	6.6%	\$45,447	\$5,635,479	4	563
Age Group: 65-74	30	2.3%	\$53,470	\$2,566,185	6	281
Age Group: 75+	8	0.6%	\$59,912	\$471,563	5	78
Payer: Medicare	62	4.8%	\$51,620	\$5,232,572	4	532
Payer: Medicaid	711	55.5%	\$42,627	\$43,577,247	6	6,118
Payer: Commercial	346	27.0%	\$55,145	\$24,381,024	7	3,569
Payer: Self Pay	48	3.7%	\$26,379	\$1,976,591	5	255
Payer: Other	113	8.8%	\$38,864	\$6,911,201	5	1,026
Region: Anchorage	316	24.7%	\$65,127	\$26,737,540	10	3,792
Region: Gulf Coast	103	8.0%	\$51,116	\$6,786,876	8	1,021
Region: Interior	346	27.0%	\$34,136	\$17,172,088	4	2,466
Region: Mat-Su	159	12.4%	\$81,234	\$15,201,560	7	1,651
Region: Northern	107	8.4%	\$39,780	\$5,626,300	5	769
Region: Southeast	91	7.1%	\$27,318	\$3,939,951	5	664
Region: Southwest	146	11.4%	\$20,361	\$6,131,385	6	1,065
Region: Out of State	12	0.9%	\$25,987	\$387,019	5	66
Alaska 2023	1,281	100.0%	\$44,029	\$82,084,836	6	11,502
Alaska 2022	1,347	-	\$43,746	\$80,112,165	6	11,684
Alaska 2021	1,325	-	\$46,004	\$79,808,530	6	13,587

Table 13. #7: Hypertension and Hypertensive-Related Conditions Complicating Pregnancy, Childbirth, andthe Puerperium (2023)

		Percent of	Median		Median	
Characteristic	Discharges	Category	Charge	Total Charges	Days	Total Days
Sex: Female	1,241	100.0%	\$32,066	\$50,786,409	3	4,258
Race: White	533	42.9%	\$32,294	\$20,755,479	3	1,703
Race: AI/AN	468	37.7%	\$26,631	\$16,784,655	3	1,502
Race: Asian/PI	101	8.1%	\$42,062	\$5,722,403	3	452
Race: Black	34	2.7%	\$33,146	\$1,670,271	3	143
Ethnicity: Hispanic	56	4.5%	\$40,158	\$2,947,744	3	204
Age Group: <15	2	0.2%	\$33,341	\$66,682	3	6
Age Group: 15-24	319	25.7%	\$30,901	\$12,230,109	3	1,091
Age Group: 25-34	658	53.0%	\$32,166	\$26,960,522	3	2,250
Age Group: 35-44	260	21.0%	\$32,247	\$11,461,671	3	904
Age Group: 45-54	2	0.2%	\$33,712	\$67,424	4	7
Payer: Medicare	1	0.1%	\$31,382	\$31,382	2	2
Payer: Medicaid	542	43.7%	\$30,029	\$21,852,844	3	1,866
Payer: Commercial	528	42.5%	\$32,945	\$21,539,783	3	1,741
Payer: Self Pay	74	6.0%	\$34,806	\$3,152,206	3	251
Payer: Other	96	7.7%	\$32,393	\$4,210,194	3	398
Region: Anchorage	405	32.6%	\$40,240	\$20,262,741	3	1,616
Region: Gulf Coast	126	10.2%	\$25,612	\$4,045,542	2	357
Region: Interior	181	14.6%	\$25,369	\$5,951,295	3	582
Region: Mat-Su	188	15.1%	\$39,970	\$8,565,521	2	558
Region: Northern	79	6.4%	\$24,589	\$2,773,795	2	244
Region: Southeast	95	7.7%	\$20,496	\$3,153,528	3	348
Region: Southwest	165	13.3%	\$26,050	\$5,971,558	3	546
Region: Out of State	2	0.2%	\$31,215	\$62,429	4	7
Alaska 2023	1,241	100.0%	\$32,066	\$50,786,409	3	4,258
Alaska 2022	1,189	-	\$28,803	\$47,056,209	3	4,137
Alaska 2021	1,115	-	\$29,221	\$43,681,504	3	3,920

Table 14. #8: Spondylopathies/Spondyloarthropathy Including Infective (2023)

		Percent of	Median		Median	
Characteristic	Discharges	Category	Charge	Total Charges	Days	Total Days
Sex: Male	611	51.0%	\$225,057	\$190,104,152	3	3,047
Sex: Female	587	49.0%	\$230,231	\$177,948,739	3	2,584
Race: White	914	76.3%	\$234,836	\$285,531,385	3	4,011
Race: AI/AN	107	8.9%	\$136,807	\$24,971,590	3	725
Race: Asian/PI	46	3.8%	\$271,080	\$15,721,716	4	281
Race: Black	47	3.9%	\$248,968	\$14,447,241	4	250
Ethnicity: Hispanic	39	3.3%	\$221,346	\$12,366,262	4	192
Age Group: 15-24	6	0.5%	\$138,154	\$1,108,231	2	13
Age Group: 25-34	43	3.6%	\$217,950	\$10,145,172	3	147
Age Group: 35-44	94	7.8%	\$187,315	\$22,441,401	2	309
Age Group: 45-54	186	15.5%	\$227,695	\$56,261,364	3	635
Age Group: 55-64	287	24.0%	\$238,059	\$94,778,857	3	1,249
Age Group: 65-74	348	29.0%	\$240,780	\$118,010,790	3	1,865
Age Group: 75+	234	19.5%	\$213,691	\$65,307,076	4	1,413
Payer: Medicare	559	46.7%	\$221,116	\$167,636,836	3	2,952
Payer: Medicaid	155	12.9%	\$187,722	\$41,076,280	3	750
Payer: Commercial	294	24.5%	\$247,806	\$96,054,631	3	1,165
Payer: Self Pay	15	1.3%	\$95,911	\$1,842,237	3	60
Payer: Other	175	14.6%	\$265,861	\$61,442,907	3	704
Region: Anchorage	595	49.7%	\$243,612	\$196,563,782	3	2,989
Region: Gulf Coast	203	16.9%	\$162,778	\$49,521,294	3	932
Region: Interior	86	7.2%	\$186,386	\$23,823,492	3	334
Region: Mat-Su	227	18.9%	\$271,927	\$74,443,833	2	828
Region: Northern	23	1.9%	\$132,631	\$5,408,428	3	111
Region: Southeast	40	3.3%	\$217,699	\$12,027,659	4	243
Region: Southwest	17	1.4%	\$178,206	\$3,642,164	6	167
Region: Out of State	7	0.6%	\$238,946	\$2,622,241	3	27
Alaska 2023	1,198	100.0%	\$225,739	\$368,052,892	3	5,631
Alaska 2022	1,134	-	\$215,019	\$318,962,178	3	5,569
Alaska 2021	1,001	-	\$183,935	\$242,156,042	3	3,840

Table 15. #9: Schizophrenia Spectrum and Other Psychotic Disorders (2023)

		Percent of	Median		Median	
Characteristic	Discharges	Category	Charge	Total Charges	Days	Total Days
Sex: Male	630	62.9%	\$51,726	\$63,811,021	5	6,000
Sex: Female	371	37.1%	\$52,075	\$30,992,548	6	3,699
Race: White	363	36.3%	\$63 <i>,</i> 895	\$40,915,319	6	3,902
Race: AI/AN	508	50.7%	\$41,067	\$43,392,304	5	4,573
Race: Asian/PI	22	2.2%	\$60,929	\$1,886,852	6	255
Race: Black	63	6.3%	\$74,118	\$5,031,957	5	495
Ethnicity: Hispanic	33	3.3%	\$73,577	\$3,289,701	7	360
Age Group: <15	2	0.2%	\$114,980	\$229,960	35	70
Age Group: 15-24	194	19.4%	\$48,560	\$20,901,834	5	1,937
Age Group: 25-34	321	32.1%	\$46,601	\$26,129,244	5	2,654
Age Group: 35-44	231	23.1%	\$46,362	\$24,113,591	5	1,980
Age Group: 45-54	118	11.8%	\$55,106	\$9,677,471	6	1,443
Age Group: 55-64	84	8.4%	\$68,587	\$7,206,069	5	664
Age Group: 65-74	46	4.6%	\$68,781	\$5,000,906	7	717
Age Group: 75+	5	0.5%	\$244,695	\$1,544,494	33	234
Payer: Medicare	284	28.4%	\$59,327	\$31,138,915	6	3,351
Payer: Medicaid	546	54.5%	\$46,820	\$44,426,684	5	4,187
Payer: Commercial	48	4.8%	\$42,142	\$3,852,491	4	347
Payer: Self Pay	50	5.0%	\$56,631	\$8,396,801	11	1,297
Payer: Other	73	7.3%	\$53,567	\$6,988,679	5	517
Region: Anchorage	326	32.6%	\$70,616	\$42,717,691	5	3,213
Region: Gulf Coast	68	6.8%	\$53 <i>,</i> 832	\$5,673,546	7	797
Region: Interior	228	22.8%	\$47,699	\$17,771,600	5	1,893
Region: Mat-Su	86	8.6%	\$96,973	\$11,640,357	6	1,078
Region: Northern	77	7.7%	\$53,671	\$5,204,822	6	597
Region: Southeast	74	7.4%	\$29,168	\$4,544,392	5	838
Region: Southwest	122	12.2%	\$25,942	\$5,356,702	6	982
Region: Out of State	18	1.8%	\$64,930	\$1,754,387	9	275
Alaska 2023	1,001	100.0%	\$52,075	\$94,803,569	5	9,699
Alaska 2022	1,026	-	\$42,419	\$73,857,467	5	8,002
Alaska 2021	1,056	-	\$34,520	\$55,515,886	5	7,557

Table 16. #10: Cerebral Infarction (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of	Median	Total Charges	Median	Total Dava
Characteristic	Discharges	Category	Charge	Total Charges	Days	Total Days
Sex: Male	553	58.0%	\$82,095	\$84,925,610	4	4,879
Sex: Female	401	42.0%	\$80,274	\$55,658,251	4	3,159
Race: White	550	57.7%	\$82,185	\$78,701,162	4	4,278
Race: AI/AN	203	21.3%	\$67,589	\$24,933,226	4	1,862
Race: Asian/PI	90	9.4%	\$105,000	\$17,368,405	6	963
Race: Black	50	5.2%	\$85,072	\$8,239,112	4	576
Ethnicity: Hispanic	27	2.8%	\$98,553	\$3,984,707	4	195
Age Group: <15	3	0.3%	\$54,319	\$136,059	3	9
Age Group: 15-24	4	0.4%	\$172,498	\$1,448,345	6	23
Age Group: 25-34	8	0.8%	\$52,077	\$897,331	3	29
Age Group: 35-44	41	4.3%	\$88,657	\$6,721,416	3	325
Age Group: 45-54	116	12.2%	\$89,497	\$17,489,088	3	814
Age Group: 55-64	190	19.9%	\$89,545	\$30,384,076	5	1,838
Age Group: 65-74	273	28.6%	\$79,214	\$41,723,817	4	2,496
Age Group: 75+	319	33.4%	\$78 <i>,</i> 599	\$41,783,730	4	2,504
Payer: Medicare	525	55.0%	\$80,527	\$75,054,720	4	4,568
Payer: Medicaid	172	18.0%	\$96,558	\$28,547,963	5	1,669
Payer: Commercial	154	16.1%	\$78 <i>,</i> 808	\$21,192,944	3	904
Payer: Self Pay	35	3.7%	\$67,582	\$4,828,875	2	237
Payer: Other	68	7.1%	\$88,867	\$10,959,359	4	660
Region: Anchorage	427	44.8%	\$95 <i>,</i> 502	\$74,244,648	4	4,473
Region: Gulf Coast	101	10.6%	\$65 <i>,</i> 698	\$10,479,883	3	700
Region: Interior	112	11.7%	\$65,297	\$10,751,350	3	612
Region: Mat-Su	122	12.8%	\$107,038	\$21,667,146	3	781
Region: Northern	30	3.1%	\$41,189	\$3,534,514	3	234
Region: Southeast	78	8.2%	\$61,157	\$8,542,241	6	661
Region: Southwest	45	4.7%	\$66,229	\$5,943,405	5	357
Region: Out of State	37	3.9%	\$98,297	\$4,873,330	4	194
Alaska 2023	954	100.0%	\$81,505	\$140,583,862	4	8,038
Alaska 2022	942	-	\$76,310	\$115,702,507	4	7,307
Alaska 2021	900	-	\$72 <i>,</i> 587	\$105,222,674	4	7,766

Leading Causes of Hospitalization by Principal Diagnoses (CCSR and ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Categories)

Table 17. Top Ten Hospitalization CCSR Categories with Top Three ICD-10-CM Principal Diagnoses (2023)

Rank	CCSR Diagnosis Category	Top Three Principal Diagnoses
1	Liveborn infant 6,949 (11.5%)	Single liveborn infant, delivered vaginally (5,074) Single liveborn infant, delivered by cesarean (1,655) Twin liveborn infant, delivered by cesarean (88)
2	Septicemia 4,601 (7.6%)	Sepsis, unspecified organism (3,135) Sepsis due to Escherichia coli [E. coli] (350) Other specified sepsis (257)
3	Complications specified during childbirth 1,605 (2.6%)	Streptococcus B carrier state complicating childbirth (299) Anemia complicating childbirth (270) Abnormality in fetal heart rate and rhythm complicating labor and delivery (182)
4	Heart failure 1,544 (2.5%)	Hypertensive heart disease with heart failure (675) Hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease with heart failure and stage 1 through stage 4 chronic kidney disease, or unspecified chronic kidney disease (544) Acute on chronic systolic (congestive) heart failure (125)
5	Alcohol-related disorders 1,458 (2.4%)	Alcohol dependence with withdrawal, unspecified (471) Alcohol abuse with withdrawal, unspecified (151) Alcohol dependence with withdrawal delirium (141)
6	Depressive disorders 1,281 (2.1%)	Major depressive disorder, recurrent severe without psychotic features (411) Major depressive disorder, single episode, unspecified (175) Major depressive disorder, single episode, severe without psychotic features (161)
7	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 1,241 (2.0%)	Gestational [pregnancy-induced] hypertension without significant proteinuria, complicating childbirth (314) Severe pre-eclampsia complicating childbirth (213) Mild to moderate pre-eclampsia, complicating childbirth (173)
8	Spondylopathies/spondyloarthropathy (including infective) 1,198 (2.0%)	Spinal stenosis, cervical region (255) Spinal stenosis, lumbar region with neurogenic claudication (210) Spondylolisthesis, lumbar region (104)

Rank	CCSR Diagnosis Category	Top Three Principal Diagnoses
	Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders 1,001 (1.6%)	Schizophrenia, unspecified (215) Schizoaffective disorder, bipolar type (215) Schizoaffective disorder, unspecified (160)
	Cerebral infarction 954 (1.6%)	Cerebral infarction, unspecified (255) Other cerebral infarction (151) Other cerebral infarction due to occlusion or stenosis of small artery (83)

Leading Causes of Hospitalization by Public Health Region (CCSR Diagnosis Categories)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
1	Liveborn infant 2,632 (11.1%)	Liveborn infant 717 (10.4%)	Liveborn infant 988 (14.9%)	Liveborn infant 977 (11.1%)	Liveborn infant 359 (10.2%)	Liveborn infant 541 (11.1%)	Liveborn infant 717 (15.7%)	Liveborn infant 6,949 (11.5%)
2	Septicemia 2,228 (9.4%)	Septicemia 460 (6.7%)	Depressive disorders 346 (5.2%)	Septicemia 740 (8.4%)	Alcohol-related disorders 177 (5.0%)	Septicemia 353 (7.3%)	Septicemia 242 (5.3%)	Septicemia 4,601 (7.6%)
3	Heart failure 652 (2.7%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthropa thy (including infective) 203 (2.9%)	Septicemia 284 (4.3%)	Heart failure 242 (2.7%)	Septicemia 131 (3.7%)	Alcohol-related disorders 219 (4.5%)	Complications specified during childbirth 225 (4.9%)	Complications specified during childbirth 1,605 (2.6%)
4	Alcohol-related disorders 612 (2.6%)	Complications specified during childbirth 184 (2.7%)	Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders 228 (3.4%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthropa thy (including infective) 227 (2.6%)	Complications specified during childbirth 114 (3.2%)	Heart failure 125 (2.6%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 165 (3.6%)	Heart failure 1,544 (2.5%)
5	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthropa thy (including infective) 595 (2.5%)	Heart failure 180 (2.6%)	Bipolar and related disorders 212 (3.2%)	Complications specified during childbirth 225 (2.5%)	Depressive disorders 107 (3.0%)	Complications specified during childbirth 123 (2.5%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 155 (3.4%)	Alcohol-related disorders 1,458 (2.4%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
6	Complications specified during childbirth 549 (2.3%)	Osteoarthritis 140 (2.0%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 181 (2.7%)	Acute myocardial infarction 210 (2.4%)	Heart failure 90 (2.5%)	Osteoarthritis 100 (2.1%)	Depressive disorders 146 (3.2%)	Depressive disorders 1,281 (2.1%)
7	Respiratory failure; insufficiency; arrest 488 (2.0%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 126 (1.8%)	Complications specified during childbirth 179 (2.7%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 188 (2.1%)	Suicidal ideation/attempt /intentional self- harm 82 (2.3%)	Pneumonia (except that caused by tuberculosis) 100 (2.1%)	Pneumonia (except that caused by tuberculosis) 144 (3.2%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 1,241 (2.0%)
8	Diabetes mellitus with complication 431 (1.8%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 112 (1.6%)	Heart failure 134 (2.0%)	Depressive disorders 159 (1.8%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 79 (2.2%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 95 (2.0%)	Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders 122 (2.7%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthropa thy (including infective) 1,198 (2.0%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
9	Cerebral infarction 427 (1.8%)	Diabetes mellitus with complication 110 (1.6%)	Cerebral infarction 112 (1.7%)	Diabetes mellitus with complication 156 (1.8%)	Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders 77 (2.2%)	Acute myocardial infarction 93 (1.9%)	Suicidal ideation/attempt /intentional self- harm 111 (2.4%)	Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders 1,001 (1.7%)
10	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 405 (1.7%)	Urinary tract infections 110 (1.6%)	Malposition, disproportion or other labor complications 112 (1.7%)	Respiratory failure; insufficiency; arrest 155 (1.8%)	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and bronchiectasis 75 (2.1%)	Depressive disorders 91 (1.9%)	Early or threatened labor 90 (2.0%)	Cerebral infarction 954 (1.6%)

Leading Causes of Hospitalization by Age Group (CCSR Diagnosis Categories)

 Table 19. Top Ten Leading Causes of Hospitalization by Age Group (2023)

Rank	Ages 00-04	Ages 05-14	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+	All Ages
1	Liveborn infant 6,949 (78.2%)	Depressive disorders 217 (17.5%)	Complications specified during childbirth 476 (11.0%)	Complications specified during childbirth 863 (10.4%)	Septicemia 510 (8.1%)	Septicemia 579 (11.1%)	Septicemia 859 (11.0%)	Septicemia 2,113 (11.4%)	Liveborn infant 6,949 (11.5%)
2	Acute bronchitis 186 (2.1%)	Appendicitis and other appendiceal conditions 69 (5.6%)	Depressive disorders 455 (10.5%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 658 (8.0%)	Alcohol-related disorders 463 (7.3%)	Alcohol-related disorders 273 (5.2%)	Spondylopathie s/spondyloarth ropathy (including infective) 287 (3.7%)	Heart failure 947 (5.1%)	Septicemia 4,601 (7.6%)
3	Respiratory failure; insufficiency; arrest 142 (1.6%)	Disruptive, impulse- control and conduct disorders 50 (4.0%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 319 (7.3%)	Prolonged pregnancy 470 (5.7%)	Complications specified during childbirth 261 (4.1%)	Spondylopathie s/spondyloarth ropathy (including infective) 186 (3.6%)	Heart failure 275 (3.5%)	Cerebral infarction 592 (3.2%)	Complications specified during childbirth 1,605 (2.6%)

Rank	Ages 00-04	Ages 05-14	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+	All Ages
4	Pneumonia (except that caused by tuberculosis) 122 (1.4%)	Suicidal ideation/attem pt/intentional self-harm 49 (4.0%)	Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders 194 (4.5%)	Previous C- section 397 (4.8%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 260 (4.1%)	Heart failure 166 (3.2%)	Acute myocardial infarction 226 (2.9%)	Spondylopathie s/spondyloarth ropathy (including infective) 582 (3.1%)	Heart failure 1,544 (2.5%)
5	Hemolytic jaundice and perinatal jaundice 96 (1.1%)	Trauma- and stressor- related disorders 43 (3.5%)	Suicidal ideation/attem pt/intentional self-harm 185 (4.3%)	Malposition, disproportion or other labor complications 395 (4.8%)	Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders 231 (3.7%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 143 (2.7%)	Osteoarthritis 223 (2.9%)	Acute myocardial infarction 540 (2.9%)	Alcohol-related disorders 1,458 (2.4%)
6	Other specified and unspecified perinatal conditions 94 (1.1%)	Neurodevelop mental disorders 42 (3.4%)	Prolonged pregnancy 182 (4.2%)	Septicemia 365 (4.4%)	Previous C- section 208 (3.3%)	Diabetes mellitus with complication 136 (2.6%)	Alcohol-related disorders 212 (2.7%)	Cardiac dysrhythmias 454 (2.4%)	Depressive disorders 1,281 (2.1%)
7	Short gestation; low birth weight; and fetal growth retardation 72 (0.8%)	Diabetes mellitus with complication 40 (3.2%)	Uncomplicated pregnancy, delivery or puerperium 175 (4.0%)	Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders 321 (3.9%)	Depressive disorders 142 (2.3%)	Acute myocardial infarction 121 (2.3%)	Diabetes mellitus with complication 209 (2.7%)	Osteoarthritis 449 (2.4%)	Hypertension and hypertensive- related conditions complicating pregnancy; childbirth; and the puerperium 1,241 (2.0%)

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Rank	Ages 00-04	Ages 05-14	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+	All Ages
8	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 62 (0.7%)	Pneumonia (except that caused by tuberculosis) 35 (2.8%)	Early or threatened labor 155 (3.6%)	Early or threatened labor 319 (3.9%)	Malposition, disproportion or other labor complications 140 (2.2%)	Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders 118 (2.3%)	Cerebral infarction 190 (2.4%)	Pneumonia (except that caused by tuberculosis) 446 (2.4%)	Spondylopathie s/spondyloarth ropathy (including infective) 1,198 (2.0%)
9	Respiratory distress syndrome 53 (0.6%)	Asthma 34 (2.7%)	Bipolar and related disorders 128 (2.9%)	Alcohol-related disorders 316 (3.8%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 138 (2.2%)	Cerebral infarction 116 (2.2%)	Respiratory failure; insufficiency; arrest 174 (2.2%)	Fracture of the neck of the femur (hip), initial encounter 439 (2.4%)	Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders 1,001 (1.7%)
10	Perinatal infections 51 (0.6%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 34 (2.7%)	Malposition, disproportion or other labor complications 113 (2.6%)	Uncomplicated pregnancy, delivery or puerperium 315 (3.8%)	Bipolar and related disorders 133 (2.1%)	Depressive disorders 110 (2.1%)	Acute and unspecified renal failure 161 (2.1%)	Acute and unspecified renal failure 426 (2.3%)	Cerebral infarction 954 (1.6%)

Procedures (PCS CCSR Procedure Major Groups and Categories)

Table 20. Top Ten PCS CCSR Major Group Categories with Top Three PCS CCSR Categories (2023)

Rank	PCS CCSR Groups	Top Three Procedures
1	Pregnancy-related procedures 6,931 (20.0%)	Spontaneous vaginal delivery (4,729) Cesarean section (1,838) Assisted vaginal delivery (182)
2	Musculoskeletal, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 5,579 (16.1%)	Spine fusion (1,007) Knee arthroplasty (631) Hip arthroplasty (621)
3	Gastrointestinal system procedures 3,663 (10.6%)	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy (EGD) with biopsy (494) Colectomy (467) GI system endoscopy without biopsy (diagnostic) (403)
4	Administration of therapeutic substances 3,469 (10.0%)	Vaccinations (1,741) Transfusion of blood and blood products (534) Potential COVID-19 therapies (372)
5	Cardiovascular procedures 3,444 (9.9%)	Venous and arterial catheter placement (866) Percutaneous coronary interventions (PCI) (616) Pacemaker and defibrillator procedures (241)
6	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 2,701 (7.8%)	Non-invasive ventilation (1,562) Mechanical ventilation (670) Hemodialysis (280)
7	Respiratory system procedures 1,238 (3.6%)	Airway intubation (389) Chest tube placement and therapeutic thoracentesis (347) Bronchoscopy (diagnostic) (116)
8	Rehabilitation, evaluation, and treatment 785 (2.3%)	Physical, occupational, and respiratory therapy treatment (707) Speech therapy treatment (67) Speech therapy evaluation (11)

Rank	PCS CCSR Groups	Top Three Procedures
9	782 (2.3%)	Lumbar puncture (345) CNS excision procedures (107) Spinal cord decompression (84)
10	782 (2.3%)	Circumcision (672) Prostatectomy (42) Prostate and seminal vesicle procedures (excluding prostatectomy) (30)

Table 21. Top Ten PCS CCSR Procedure Major Group Categories by Public Health Region (2023)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
1	Pregnancy- related procedures 2,833 (19.3%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 754 (19.1%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 1,009 (29.3%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 1,042 (18.6%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 367 (24.5%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 481 (18.2%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 415 (20.4%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 6,931 (20.0%)
2	Musculoskeletal, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 2,366 (16.2%)	Musculoskeletal, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 733 (18.5%)	Musculoskeletal, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 482 (14.0%)	Musculoskeletal, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 894 (15.9%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 263 (17.6%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 473 (17.9%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 357 (17.5%)	Musculoskeletal, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 5,579 (16.1%)
3	Gastrointestinal system procedures 1,532 (10.5%)	Cardiovascular procedures 411 (10.4%)	Cardiovascular procedures 370 (10.7%)	Cardiovascular procedures 667 (11.9%)	Musculoskeletal, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 200 (13.4%)	Musculoskeletal, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 401 (15.2%)	Musculoskeletal, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 329 (16.2%)	Gastrointestinal system procedures 3,663 (10.6%)
4	Cardiovascular procedures 1,499 (10.2%)	Gastrointestinal system procedures 404 (10.2%)	Gastrointestinal system procedures 356 (10.3%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 662 (11.8%)	Gastrointestinal system procedures 173 (11.6%)	Gastrointestinal system procedures 278 (10.5%)	Gastrointestinal system procedures 250 (12.3%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 3,469 (10.0%)
5	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 1,331 (9.1%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 339 (8.6%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 237 (6.9%)	Gastrointestinal system procedures 577 (10.3%)	Cardiovascular procedures 85 (5.7%)	Cardiovascular procedures 206 (7.8%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 147 (7.2%)	Cardiovascular procedures 3,444 (9.9%)
6	Administration of therapeutic substances 1,153 (7.9%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 225 (5.7%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 215 (6.2%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 353 (6.3%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 72 (4.8%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 168 (6.4%)	Cardiovascular procedures 100 (4.9%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 2,701 (7.8%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
7	Respiratory system procedures 528 (3.6%)	Respiratory system procedures 123 (3.1%)	Respiratory system procedures 143 (4.2%)	Respiratory system procedures 211 (3.8%)	Hepatobiliary and pancreas procedures 41 (2.7%)	Respiratory system procedures 93 (3.5%)	Respiratory system procedures 66 (3.2%)	Respiratory system procedures 1,238 (3.6%)
8	Rehabilitation, evaluation, and treatment 470 (3.2%)	Male reproductive system procedures 118 (3.0%)	Central nervous system procedures 87 (2.5%)	Urinary system procedures 147 (2.6%)	Respiratory system procedures 40 (2.7%)	Substance use disorder treatment 78 (3.0%)	Hepatobiliary and pancreas procedures 63 (3.1%)	Rehabilitation, evaluation, and treatment 785 (2.3%)
9	Central nervous system procedures 343 (2.3%)	Urinary system procedures 105 (2.7%)	Male reproductive system procedures 76 (2.2%)	Central nervous system procedures 133 (2.4%)	Male reproductive system procedures 34 (2.3%)	Urinary system procedures 70 (2.7%)	Central nervous system procedures 34 (1.7%)	Central nervous system procedures 782 (2.3%)
10	Male reproductive system procedures 332 (2.3%)	Central nervous system procedures 101 (2.6%)	Measurement and monitoring 70 (2.0%)	Measurement and monitoring 119 (2.1%)	Imaging 28 (1.9%)	Male reproductive system procedures 69 (2.6%)	Ear, nose, and throat procedures 34 (1.7%)	Male reproductive system procedures 782 (2.3%)

Table 22. Top Ten PCS CCSR Procedure Major Group Categories by Age (2023)

Rank	Ages 00-04	Ages 05-14	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+	All Ages
1	Administration of therapeutic substances 1,789 (44.5%)	Musculoskeleta I, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 119 (27.0%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 1,575 (66.5%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 3,904 (68.9%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 1,432 (37.5%)	Musculoskeleta I, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 752 (24.3%)	Musculoskeleta I, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 1,218 (25.9%)	Musculoskeleta I, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 2,419 (23.0%)	Pregnancy- related procedures 6,931 (20.0%)
2	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 698 (17.4%)	Gastrointestina I system procedures 107 (24.3%)	Musculoskeleta I, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 184 (7.8%)	Musculoskeleta I, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 362 (6.4%)	Musculoskeleta I, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 474 (12.4%)	Gastrointestina I system procedures 532 (17.2%)	Gastrointestina I system procedures 714 (15.2%)	Cardiovascular procedures 1,860 (17.7%)	Musculoskeleta I, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 5,579 (16.1%)
3	Male reproductive system procedures 671 (16.7%)	Ear, nose, and throat procedures 39 (8.8%)	Gastrointestina l system procedures 139 (5.9%)	Gastrointestina l system procedures 270 (4.8%)	Gastrointestina l system procedures 431 (11.3%)	Cardiovascular procedures 377 (12.2%)	Cardiovascular procedures 670 (14.2%)	Gastrointestina l system procedures 1,292 (12.3%)	Gastrointestina I system procedures 3,663 (10.6%)
4	Gastrointestina l system procedures 178 (4.4%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 38 (8.6%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 58 (2.4%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 153 (2.7%)	Cardiovascular procedures 240 (6.3%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 246 (7.9%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 434 (9.2%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 878 (8.4%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 3,469 (10.0%)
5	Extracorporeal or systemic therapies 166 (4.1%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 35 (7.9%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 54 (2.3%)	Substance use disorder treatment 150 (2.6%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 227 (5.9%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 172 (5.6%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 254 (5.4%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 877 (8.3%)	Cardiovascular procedures 3,444 (9.9%)
6	Ear, nose, and throat procedures 129 (3.2%)	Cardiovascular procedures 22 (5.0%)	Respiratory system procedures 51 (2.2%)	Cardiovascular procedures 145 (2.6%)	Substance use disorder treatment 186 (4.9%)	Respiratory system procedures 131 (4.2%)	Respiratory system procedures 241 (5.1%)	Respiratory system procedures 526 (5.0%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 2,701 (7.8%)

Rank	Ages 00-04	Ages 05-14	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+	All Ages
7	Cardiovascular procedures 92 (2.3%)	Central nervous system procedures 20 (4.5%)	Central nervous system procedures 43 (1.8%)	Extracorporeal or systemic assistance and performance 122 (2.2%)	Administration of therapeutic substances 134 (3.5%)	Substance use disorder treatment 110 (3.6%)	Hepatobiliary and pancreas procedures 145 (3.1%)	Rehabilitation, evaluation, and treatment 477 (4.5%)	Respiratory system procedures 1,238 (3.6%)
8	Central nervous system procedures 91 (2.3%)	Measurement and monitoring 13 (2.9%)	Substance use disorder treatment 41 (1.7%)	Respiratory system procedures 97 (1.7%)	Respiratory system procedures 117 (3.1%)	Hepatobiliary and pancreas procedures 105 (3.4%)	Rehabilitation, evaluation, and treatment 145 (3.1%)	Urinary system procedures 399 (3.8%)	Rehabilitation, evaluation, and treatment 785 (2.3%)
9	Respiratory system procedures 64 (1.6%)	Respiratory system procedures 10 (2.3%)	Cardiovascular procedures 38 (1.6%)	Hepatobiliary and pancreas procedures 87 (1.5%)	Hepatobiliary and pancreas procedures 88 (2.3%)	Urinary system procedures 96 (3.1%)	Central nervous system procedures 139 (3.0%)	Measurement and monitoring 303 (2.9%)	Central nervous system procedures 782 (2.3%)
10	Musculoskeleta I, subcutaneous tissue, and fascia procedures 51 (1.3%)	-	Hepatobiliary and pancreas procedures 31 (1.3%)	Central nervous system procedures 74 (1.3%)	Central nervous system procedures 76 (2.0%)	Central nervous system procedures 87 (2.8%)	Measurement and monitoring 131 (2.8%)	Hepatobiliary and pancreas procedures 294 (2.8%)	Male reproductive system procedures 782 (2.3%)

Emergency Room (ER), Operating Room (OR), and Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Utilization (Major CCSR Group Diagnosis Categories)

 Table 23. Major CCSR Group Discharges (Column %) by Revenue Code Group (2022-2023)

Major CCSR Group of Principal Diagnosis	ER 2022	ER 2023	OR 2022	OR 2023	ICU 2022	ICU 2023	2022	2023
Pregnancy, Childbirth and the	563	292	2,271	2,434	734	800	8,097	8,083
Puerperium	(1.9%)	(0.9%)	(13.1%)	(13.4%)	(4.6%)	(5.0%)	(13.8%)	(13.3%)
Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period	111	121	434	399	55	33	7,367	7,439
	(0.4%)	(0.4%)	(2.5%)	(2.2%)	(0.3%)	(0.2%)	(12.6%)	(12.3%)
Diseases of the Circulatory	4,760	4,998	1,969	2,086	3,946	4,028	6,469	6,846
System	(16.1%)	(16.2%)	(11.3%)	(11.5%)	(24.7%)	(25.3%)	(11.1%)	(11.3%)
Mental, Behavioral and	2,929	2,961	136	128	1,392	1,193	5,570	5,709
Neurodevelopmental Disorders	(9.9%)	(9.6%)	(0.8%)	(0.7%)	(8.7%)	(7.5%)	(9.5%)	(9.4%)
Certain Infectious and Parasitic	4,924	4,704	1,607	1,655	2,883	2,667	5,627	5 <i>,</i> 368
Diseases	(16.7%)	(15.3%)	(9.2%)	(9.1%)	(18.0%)	(16.7%)	(9.6%)	(8.8%)
Injury, Poisoning and Other Consequences Certain of External Causes	3,466 (11.7%)	3,962 (12.9%)	2,716 (15.6%)	3,032 (16.7%)	1,393 (8.7%)	1,585 (10.0%)	4,632 (7.9%)	5,361 (8.8%)
Diseases of the Digestive System	3,707	3,948	1,922	1,998	1,275	1,321	4,577	4,847
	(12.5%)	(12.8%)	(11.0%)	(11.0%)	(8.0%)	(8.3%)	(7.8%)	(8.0%)
Diseases of the Respiratory	2,517	2,579	393	451	1,361	1,302	3,455	3,433
System	(8.5%)	(8.4%)	(2.3%)	(2.5%)	(8.5%)	(8.2%)	(5.9%)	(5.7%)
Diseases of the Musculoskeletal	828	828	2,513	2,465	219	242	2,980	2,928
System and Connective Tissue	(2.8%)	(2.7%)	(14.4%)	(13.6%)	(1.4%)	(1.5%)	(5.1%)	(4.8%)
Endocrine, Nutritional and	1,222	1,368	714	657	756	745	1,968	2,063
Metabolic Diseases	(4.1%)	(4.4%)	(4.1%)	(3.6%)	(4.7%)	(4.7%)	(3.4%)	(3.4%)
Diseases of the Genitourinary	1,263	1,484	618	676	489	491	1,688	1,937
System	(4.3%)	(4.8%)	(3.6%)	(3.7%)	(3.1%)	(3.1%)	(2.9%)	(3.2%)
Neoplasms	649	791	1,056	1,158	425	442	1,448	1,633
	(2.2%)	(2.6%)	(6.1%)	(6.4%)	(2.7%)	(2.8%)	(2.5%)	(2.7%)
Diseases of the Nervous System	935	989	290	267	513	527	1,473	1,533
	(3.2%)	(3.2%)	(1.7%)	(1.5%)	(3.2%)	(3.3%)	(2.5%)	(2.5%)
Diseases of the Skin and	689	757	310	275	110	104	922	1,045
Subcutaneous Tissue	(2.3%)	(2.5%)	(1.8%)	(1.5%)	(0.7%)	(0.7%)	(1.6%)	(1.7%)
Symptoms, Signs and Abnormal	511	529	75	100	167	203	945	937
Findings, Not Elsewhere Classified	(1.7%)	(1.7%)	(0.4%)	(0.6%)	(1.0%)	(1.3%)	(1.6%)	(1.5%)
Factors Influencing Health Status	61	86	160	172	64	60	469	687
and Contact with Health Services	(0.2%)	(0.3%)	(0.9%)	(0.9%)	(0.4%)	(0.4%)	(0.8%)	(1.1%)
Diseases of the Blood and Disorders Involving the Immune Mechanism	315 (1.1%)	271 (0.9%)	49 (0.3%)	51 (0.3%)	150 (0.9%)	121 (0.8%)	406 (0.7%)	389 (0.6%)

Major CCSR Group of Principal Diagnosis	ER 2022	ER 2023	OR 2022	OR 2023	ICU 2022	ICU 2023	2022	2023
Invalid Diagnosis	17	17	9	12	21	10	163	185
	(0.1%)	(0.1%)	(0.1%)	(0.1%)	(0.1%)	(0.1%)	(0.3%)	(0.3%)
Congenital Malformations, Deformations and Chromosomal Abnormalities	35 (0.1%)	25 (0.1%)	131 (0.8%)	131 (0.7%)	37 (0.2%)	42 (0.3%)	155 (0.3%)	157 (0.3%)
Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa or the Ear and Mastoid Process	66	69	26	27	17	13	95	104
	(0.2%)	(0.2%)	(0.1%)	(0.1%)	(0.1%)	(0.1%)	(0.2%)	(0.2%)
Inpatient Total	29,568	30,779	17,399	18,174	16,007	15,929	58,506	60,684
	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)

COVID-19 Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Utilization

Table 24. ICU and Non-ICU Discharges by COVID and Non-COVID Diagnosis (2021-2023)

	2021	2021	2022	2022	2023	2023
ICU Use	COVID	Non-COVID	COVID	Non-COVID	COVID	Non-COVID
ICU	2,167	12,895	1,351	14,656	589	15,340
Non-ICU	2,017	40,644	1,749	40,750	878	43,877
Total	4,184	53,539	3,100	55,406	1,467	59,217

Table 25. ICU and Non-ICU Average Length of Stay (Days) by COVID and Non-COVID Diagnosis (2021-2023)

ICU Use	2021 COVID	2021 Non-COVID	2022 COVID	2022 Non-COVID	2023 COVID	2023 Non-COVID
ICU	12.2	7.4	11.0	7.9	12.8	7.7
Non-ICU	6.1	5.1	7.5	5.0	7.6	5.2
Total	9.2	5.7	9.0	5.8	9.7	5.8

Table 26. ICU and Non-ICU Average Billed Charges by COVID and Non-COVID Diagnosis (2021-2023)

	2021	2021	2022	2022	2023	2023
ICU Use	COVID	Non-COVID	COVID	Non-COVID	COVID	Non-COVID
ICU	\$222,389	\$142,317	\$182,987	\$153,629	\$187,260	\$165,789
Non-ICU	\$55,829	\$61,809	\$75,069	\$65,703	\$80,285	\$69,677
Total	\$142,095	\$81,200	\$122,100	\$88,961	\$123,236	\$94,575

Table 27. ICU and Non-ICU Total Billed Charges by COVID and Non-COVID Diagnosis (2021-2023)

	2021	2021	2022	2022	2023	2023
ICU Use	COVID	Non-COVID	COVID	Non-COVID	COVID	Non-COVID
ICU	\$481,916,141	\$1,835,174,938	\$247,214,813	\$2,251,580,151	\$110,296,371	\$2,543,204,496
Non-ICU	\$112,607,353	\$2,512,184,225	\$131,295,268	\$2,677,406,933	\$70,490,334	\$3,057,218,541
Total	\$594,523,493	\$4,347,359,163	\$378,510,081	\$4,928,987,084	\$180,786,705	\$5,600,423,037

Outpatient Emergency Department Discharges

Methodology

In this section, outpatient Emergency Department (ED) discharges are grouped by principal diagnoses using the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Clinical Classification Software Refined (CCSR) categories which aggregates the principal diagnosis ICD-10-CM code into 540 categories.

Data Highlights

- In 2023, there were 285,134 ED visits in Alaska, generating ~\$1.6 billion in billed charges.
- The median billed charge for an ED visit was \$3,576.
- Medicaid was the most common primary payer at 39.5% of ED visits, followed by commercial insurance at 23.6%.
- The top three leading causes of ED visitation by CCSR category were:
 - 1. Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdomen signs and symptoms (13,788 discharges), with a median charge of \$7,228.
 - 2. Other specified upper respiratory infections (11,767 discharges), with a median charge of \$1,967.
 - 3. Alcohol-related disorders (10,404 discharges), with a median charge of \$4,865.

Emergency Department Visits by Characteristic

Table 28. All Emergency Department Visits (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges
Sex: Male	133,620	46.9%	\$3,330	\$728,768,111
Sex: Female	151,306	53.1%	\$3,810	\$859,855,239
Race: White	123,226	43.2%	\$4,723	\$805,916,948
Race: AI/AN	103,630	36.3%	\$2,680	\$461,551,068
Race: Asian/PI	17,577	6.2%	\$4,033	\$104,552,589
Race: Black	12,555	4.4%	\$4,196	\$75,257,871
Ethnicity: Hispanic	11,737	4.1%	\$3,828	\$68,825,658
Age Group: <15	42,620	14.9%	\$1,945	\$120,635,130
Age Group: 15-24	36,979	13.0%	\$3,079	\$175,768,242
Age Group: 25-34	46,635	16.4%	\$3,577	\$247,332,353
Age Group: 35-44	43,010	15.1%	\$3,878	\$246,767,758
Age Group: 45-54	32,327	11.3%	\$4,410	\$202,495,148
Age Group: 55-64	34,093	12.0%	\$4,769	\$227,718,625
Age Group: 65-74	28,680	10.1%	\$5 <i>,</i> 384	\$204,462,473
Age Group: 75+	20,613	7.2%	\$6,378	\$163,477,201
Payer: Medicare	50,257	17.6%	\$5,649	\$365,669,875
Payer: Medicaid	112,505	39.5%	\$3,002	\$549,456,282
Payer: Commercial	67,216	23.6%	\$3,860	\$386,875,760
Payer: Self Pay	26,629	9.3%	\$3,136	\$136,342,851
Payer: Other	28,525	10.0%	\$3,184	\$151,023,545
Region: Anchorage	115,857	40.6%	\$4,249	\$724,218,848
Region: Gulf Coast	25,564	9.0%	\$4,434	\$162,076,108
Region: Interior	29,415	10.3%	\$3,775	\$133,928,429
Region: Mat-Su	32,339	11.3%	\$5,383	\$232,878,284
Region: Northern	19,755	6.9%	\$2,310	\$75,692,256
Region: Southeast	22,071	7.7%	\$2,575	\$105,987,793
Region: Southwest	29,902	10.5%	\$1,893	\$95,390,292
Region: Out of State	9,468	3.3%	\$3,903	\$55,260,987
Alaska 2023	285,134	100.0%	\$3,576	\$1,589,375,022
Alaska 2022	275,568	-	\$3,091	\$1,382,657,293
Alaska 2021	244,319	-	\$3,122	\$1,177,455,647

Leading Causes of Emergency Department Visits by Characteristic (CCSR Diagnosis Categories) Table 29. #1: Abdominal Pain and Other Digestive/Abdomen Signs and Symptoms (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges
Sex: Male	5,091	36.9%	\$6,802	\$39,304,253
Sex: Female	8,694	63.1%	\$7,441	\$71,764,558
Race: White	6,612	48.0%	\$8,100	\$57,955,796
Race: AI/AN	4,566	33.1%	\$5,360	\$31,148,864
Race: Asian/PI	808	5.9%	\$7,996	\$7,008,940
Race: Black	634	4.6%	\$8,291	\$5,942,037
Ethnicity: Hispanic	686	5.0%	\$7,391	\$5,820,926
Age Group: <15	1,597	11.6%	\$3,130	\$7,066,852
Age Group: 15-24	2,126	15.4%	\$5,966	\$15,243,268
Age Group: 25-34	2,538	18.4%	\$7,189	\$20,591,674
Age Group: 35-44	2,338	17.0%	\$7,810	\$20,105,018
Age Group: 45-54	1,736	12.6%	\$8,400	\$15,581,199
Age Group: 55-64	1,596	11.6%	\$8,733	\$14,825,654
Age Group: 65-74	1,125	8.2%	\$8,990	\$10,734,138
Age Group: 75+	731	5.3%	\$8,960	\$6,946,039
Payer: Medicare	2,118	15.4%	\$8,868	\$19,832,079
Payer: Medicaid	5,339	38.7%	\$6,261	\$39,639,919
Payer: Commercial	4,047	29.4%	\$7,709	\$33,862,972
Payer: Self Pay	1,125	8.2%	\$6,456	\$8,780,294
Payer: Other	1,159	8.4%	\$7,180	\$8,979,250
Region: Anchorage	5,611	40.7%	\$8,564	\$53,195,033
Region: Gulf Coast	1,202	8.7%	\$7,739	\$9,766,405
Region: Interior	1,750	12.7%	\$6,836	\$11,626,005
Region: Mat-Su	1,814	13.2%	\$9,162	\$16,748,731
Region: Northern	673	4.9%	\$4,802	\$4,100,525
Region: Southeast	1,153	8.4%	\$5,791	\$7,089,602
Region: Southwest	1,208	8.8%	\$3,475	\$5,521,716
Region: Out of State	339	2.5%	\$7,466	\$2,757,841
Alaska 2023	13,788	100.0%	\$7,228	\$111,094,514
Alaska 2022	12,036	-	\$6,303	\$87,069,494
Alaska 2021	11,815	-	\$5,895	\$80,630,313

Table 30. #2: Other Specified Upper Respiratory Infections (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges	
Sex: Male	5,371	45.6%	\$1,946	\$14,251,232	
Sex: Female	6,394	54.3%	\$1,970	\$17,851,956	
Race: White	3,172	27.0%	\$2,362	\$10,411,587	
Race: AI/AN	5,461	46.4%	\$1,701	\$12,159,953	
Race: Asian/PI	1,160	9.9%	\$2,320	\$3,860,070	
Race: Black	598	5.1%	\$2,240	\$1,838,923	
Ethnicity: Hispanic	549	4.7%	\$2,151	\$1,665,859	
Age Group: <15	5,277	44.8%	\$1,854	\$12,138,941	
Age Group: 15-24	1,713	14.6%	\$1,973	\$4,550,238	
Age Group: 25-34	1,739	14.8%	\$2,056	\$5,032,919	
Age Group: 35-44	1,181	10.0%	\$2,127	\$3,693,620	
Age Group: 45-54	676	5.7%	\$2,212	\$2,220,887	
Age Group: 55-64	520	4.4%	\$2,609	\$1,936,763	
Age Group: 65-74	464	3.9%	\$2,281	\$1,671,842	
Age Group: 75+	197	1.7%	\$3 <i>,</i> 406	\$861,131	
Payer: Medicare	688	5.8%	\$2,828	\$2,689,462	
Payer: Medicaid	5,960	50.7%	\$1,930	\$15,716,201	
Payer: Commercial	2,705	23.0%	\$1,992	\$7,394,635	
Payer: Self Pay	1,394	11.8%	\$1,921	\$3,736,780	
Payer: Other	1,020	8.7%	\$1,910	\$2,569,263	
Region: Anchorage	5,479	46.6%	\$2,005	\$16,898,227	
Region: Gulf Coast	678	5.8%	\$2,346	\$2,138,338	
Region: Interior	866	7.4%	\$2,537	\$2,446,380	
Region: Mat-Su	937	8.0%	\$2,318	\$3,190,412	
Region: Northern	736	6.3%	\$1,992	\$1,638,471	
Region: Southeast	621	5.3%	\$1,420	\$1,182,901	
Region: Southwest	2,185	18.6%	\$1,544	\$3,822,877	
Region: Out of State	248	2.1%	\$2,190	\$750 <i>,</i> 364	
Alaska 2023	11,767	100.0%	\$1,967	\$32,106,342	
Alaska 2022	12,159	-	\$1,810	\$29,573,269	
Alaska 2021	7,832	-	\$1,807	\$18,992,772	

Table 31. #3: Alcohol-Related Disorders (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges	
Sex: Male	5,728	55.1%	\$4,400	\$31,209,791	
Sex: Female	4,675	44.9%	\$5,395	\$29,182,670	
Race: White	1,930	18.6%	\$5,958	\$13,458,360	
Race: AI/AN	7,385	71.0%	\$4,521	\$40,143,559	
Race: Asian/PI	58	0.6%	\$5,949	\$354,422	
Race: Black	109	1.0%	\$6,696	\$772,045	
Ethnicity: Hispanic	198	1.9%	\$6,089	\$1,402,585	
Age Group: <15	32	0.3%	\$2,948	\$134,393	
Age Group: 15-24	849	8.2%	\$4,306	\$4,365,954	
Age Group: 25-34	2,381	22.9%	\$5,348	\$14,636,769	
Age Group: 35-44	3,139	30.2%	\$5,054	\$18,350,671	
Age Group: 45-54	1,916	18.4%	\$4,983	\$11,441,950	
Age Group: 55-64	1,497	14.4%	\$3,821	\$8,071,346	
Age Group: 65-74	531	5.1%	\$3,882	\$2,972,008	
Age Group: 75+	58	0.6%	\$6,431	\$443,495	
Payer: Medicare	723	6.9%	\$4,805	\$4,344,675	
Payer: Medicaid	6,713	64.5%	\$4,553	\$37,478,139	
Payer: Commercial	934	9.0%	\$5,633	\$6,068,462	
Payer: Self Pay	1,226	11.8%	\$6,219	\$8,231,628	
Payer: Other	808	7.8%	\$4,460	\$4,294,152	
Region: Anchorage	3,605	34.7%	\$7,443	\$29,053,946	
Region: Gulf Coast	564	5.4%	\$5,790	\$3,836,665	
Region: Interior	1,487	14.3%	\$3,447	\$5,684,486	
Region: Mat-Su	639	6.1%	\$6,790	\$5,470,611	
Region: Northern	1,465	14.1%	\$2,908	\$6,402,857	
Region: Southeast	977	9.4%	\$2,281	\$3,494,651	
Region: Southwest	1,532	14.7%	\$2,083	\$5,763,294	
Region: Out of State	120	1.2%	\$5,234	\$671,158	
Alaska 2023	10,404	100.0%	\$4,895	\$60,417,056	
Alaska 2022	9,376		\$4,493	\$49,901,701	
Alaska 2021	9,359	-	\$4,237	\$47,165,571	

Table 32. #4: Nonspecific Chest Pain (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges
Sex: Male	4,969	47.8%	\$7,394	\$39,157,216
Sex: Female	5,423	52.2%	\$7,536	\$43,852,956
Race: White	5,361	51.6%	\$7,524	\$44,734,198
Race: AI/AN	3,028	29.1%	\$6,910	\$22,024,205
Race: Asian/PI	666	6.4%	\$7,863	\$5,592,248
Race: Black	603	5.8%	\$7,788	\$5,117,234
Ethnicity: Hispanic	466	4.5%	\$7,617	\$3,857,479
Age Group: <15	215	2.1%	\$3,601	\$889,571
Age Group: 15-24	928	8.9%	\$5,984	\$5,832,125
Age Group: 25-34	1,490	14.3%	\$7,160	\$10,941,059
Age Group: 35-44	1,701	16.4%	\$7,575	\$13,590,090
Age Group: 45-54	1,703	16.4%	\$7,599	\$13,846,261
Age Group: 55-64	1,932	18.6%	\$7,775	\$16,900,604
Age Group: 65-74	1,419	13.7%	\$7,738	\$12,377,237
Age Group: 75+	1,004	9.7%	\$7,673	\$8,633,226
Payer: Medicare	2,516	24.2%	\$7,749	\$21,884,558
Payer: Medicaid	3,064	29.5%	\$7,242	\$23,486,640
Payer: Commercial	3,006	28.9%	\$7,391	\$23,336,430
Payer: Self Pay	805	7.7%	\$7,637	\$6,487,223
Payer: Other	1,003	9.6%	\$7,200	\$7,820,291
Region: Anchorage	4,550	43.8%	\$8,201	\$40,619,914
Region: Gulf Coast	916	8.8%	\$6,641	\$7,379,797
Region: Interior	1,218	11.7%	\$5,702	\$7,383,736
Region: Mat-Su	1,566	15.1%	\$7,639	\$14,955,007
Region: Northern	352	3.4%	\$5,023	\$2,157,804
Region: Southeast	903	8.7%	\$4,488	\$5,313,526
Region: Southwest	606	5.8%	\$4,066	\$2,993,010
Region: Out of State	274	2.6%	\$7,470	\$2,152,457
Alaska 2023	10,394	100.0%	\$7,462	\$83,015,142
Alaska 2022	9,536	-	\$6,868	\$70,540,470
Alaska 2021	9,645	-	\$6,573	\$67,936,584

Table 33. #5: Superficial Injury, Contusion, Initial Encounter (2023)

		Percent of		
Characteristic	Discharges	Category	Median Charge	Total Charges
Sex: Male	4,874	51.1%	\$2,393	\$21,914,936
Sex: Female	4,653	48.8%	\$2,413	\$20,696,875
Race: White	4,440	46.5%	\$2,656	\$22,053,834
Race: AI/AN	3,169	33.2%	\$2,144	\$12,030,868
Race: Asian/PI	519	5.4%	\$2,569	\$2,344,360
Race: Black	373	3.9%	\$2,577	\$2,014,354
Ethnicity: Hispanic	434	4.5%	\$2,405	\$1,994,298
Age Group: <15	1,798	18.8%	\$1,650	\$4,047,501
Age Group: 15-24	1,424	14.9%	\$2,249	\$5,527,845
Age Group: 25-34	1,430	15.0%	\$2,363	\$6,189,617
Age Group: 35-44	1,306	13.7%	\$2,466	\$5,750,649
Age Group: 45-54	930	9.7%	\$2,966	\$4,821,947
Age Group: 55-64	1,041	10.9%	\$2,881	\$5,163,735
Age Group: 65-74	824	8.6%	\$4,112	\$5,193,883
Age Group: 75+	776	8.1%	\$6,252	\$5,920,353
Payer: Medicare	1,584	16.6%	\$4,671	\$10,817,378
Payer: Medicaid	3,601	37.7%	\$2,215	\$13,985,894
Payer: Commercial	2,154	22.6%	\$2,319	\$8,622,298
Payer: Self Pay	943	9.9%	\$2,304	\$4,242,896
Payer: Other	1,261	13.2%	\$2,295	\$4,965,548
Region: Anchorage	3,923	41.1%	\$2,825	\$20,085,797
Region: Gulf Coast	993	10.4%	\$2,846	\$4,991,343
Region: Interior	1,041	10.9%	\$1,965	\$3,556,905
Region: Mat-Su	992	10.4%	\$2,634	\$5,309,809
Region: Northern	692	7.3%	\$1,780	\$2,117,526
Region: Southeast	777	8.1%	\$1,535	\$2,585,079
Region: Southwest	682	7.1%	\$1,701	\$1,990,418
Region: Out of State	412	4.3%	\$2,603	\$1,938,662
Alaska 2023	9,543	100.0%	\$2,403	\$42,634,015
Alaska 2022	8,979	-	\$2,162	\$35,074,576
Alaska 2021	8,648	-	\$2,082	\$32,174,949

Table 34. #6: Musculoskeletal Pain, Not Low Back Pain (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	rges Category Med		Total Charges	
Sex: Male	4,295	46.3%	\$2,552	\$16,767,909	
Sex: Female	4,970	53.6%	\$2,759	\$20,603,139	
Race: White	4,004	43.1%	\$3,262	\$18,465,065	
Race: AI/AN	3,605	38.8%	\$2,199	\$11,823,181	
Race: Asian/PI	481	5.2%	\$3,624	\$2,281,182	
Race: Black	452	4.9%	\$3,290	\$1,988,336	
Ethnicity: Hispanic	342	3.7%	\$3,144	\$1,477,981	
Age Group: <15	755	8.1%	\$2,187	\$1,995,700	
Age Group: 15-24	1,001	10.8%	\$2,358	\$3,441,315	
Age Group: 25-34	1,298	14.0%	\$2,489	\$4,941,550	
Age Group: 35-44	1,499	16.2%	\$2,621	\$5,796,232	
Age Group: 45-54	1,328	14.3%	\$2,831	\$5,611,210	
Age Group: 55-64	1,490	16.1%	\$2,764	\$6,167,731	
Age Group: 65-74	1,129	12.2%	\$3,197	\$5,254,556	
Age Group: 75+	765	8.2%	\$4,101	\$4,162,718	
Payer: Medicare	1,969	21.2%	\$3,377	\$9,408,853	
Payer: Medicaid	3,442	37.1%	\$2,404	\$12,453,913	
Payer: Commercial	2,009	21.6%	\$2,821	\$8,383,389	
Payer: Self Pay	855	9.2%	\$2,468	\$3,076,216	
Payer: Other	1,005	10.8%	\$2,572	\$4,084,265	
Region: Anchorage	3,737	40.3%	\$3,109	\$17,270,339	
Region: Gulf Coast	893	9.6%	\$3,054	\$4,027,474	
Region: Interior	721	7.8%	\$2,214	\$2,465,058	
Region: Mat-Su	1,396	15.0%	\$3,110	\$6,734,320	
Region: Northern	571	6.2%	\$1,863	\$1,542,558	
Region: Southeast	674	7.3%	\$1,773	\$1,775,818	
Region: Southwest	1,012	10.9%	\$1,839	\$2,526,277	
Region: Out of State	248	2.7%	\$2,924	\$986,754	
Alaska 2023	9,280	100.0%	\$2,643	\$37,406,635	
Alaska 2022	8,265	-	\$2,437	\$30,407,410	
Alaska 2021	7,609	-	\$2,364	\$26,890,633	

Table 35. #7: Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue Infections (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges
Sex: Male	5,082	57.3%	\$2,208	\$19,310,545
Sex: Female	3,775	42.6%	\$2,105	\$13,682,659
Race: White	3,583	40.4%	\$2,751	\$15,651,697
Race: AI/AN	3,746	42.3%	\$1,772	\$11,297,804
Race: Asian/PI	413	4.7%	\$2,953	\$2,011,430
Race: Black	304	3.4%	\$2,636	\$1,216,358
Ethnicity: Hispanic	297	3.4%	\$2,477	\$1,326,053
Age Group: <15	1,207	13.6%	\$1,538	\$2,583,376
Age Group: 15-24	969	10.9%	\$1,973	\$2,905,575
Age Group: 25-34	1,605	18.1%	\$2,097	\$5,624,368
Age Group: 35-44	1,706	19.2%	\$2,435	\$6,983,331
Age Group: 45-54	1,289	14.5%	\$2,499	\$5,360,634
Age Group: 55-64	1,040	11.7%	\$2,933	\$4,736,671
Age Group: 65-74	672	7.6%	\$2,829	\$3,044,844
Age Group: 75+	370	4.2%	\$3,086	\$1,766,349
Payer: Medicare	1,171	13.2%	\$3,145	\$5,537,290
Payer: Medicaid	4,419	49.8%	\$2,088	\$15,561,949
Payer: Commercial	1,633	18.4%	\$2,121	\$6,210,068
Payer: Self Pay	926	10.4%	\$2,156	\$3,354,896
Payer: Other	716	8.1%	\$1,979	\$2,358,189
Region: Anchorage	3,514	39.6%	\$2,823	\$15,921,190
Region: Gulf Coast	705	8.0%	\$2,580	\$2,962,124
Region: Interior	772	8.7%	\$2,078	\$2,416,478
Region: Mat-Su	1,009	11.4%	\$2,992	\$4,572,724
Region: Northern	595	6.7%	\$1,618	\$1,374,341
Region: Southeast	537	6.1%	\$1,466	\$1,318,210
Region: Southwest	1,452	16.4%	\$1,531	\$3,442,893
Region: Out of State	263	3.0%	\$2,397	\$964,601
Alaska 2023	8,865	100.0%	\$2,161	\$33,022,392
Alaska 2022	8,179	-	\$2,088	\$28,142,537
Alaska 2021	7,385	-	\$1,944	\$22,753,892

Table 36. #8: Sprains and Strains, Initial Encounter (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges
Sex: Male	3,774	48.3%	\$2,432	\$14,281,257
Sex: Female	4,028	51.5%	\$2,549	\$16,497,454
Race: White	3,696	47.3%	\$2,634	\$15,984,028
Race: AI/AN	2,093	26.8%	\$2,197	\$6,482,815
Race: Asian/PI	627	8.0%	\$2,831	\$2,519,399
Race: Black	551	7.0%	\$2,920	\$2,466,702
Ethnicity: Hispanic	480	6.1%	\$2,886	\$2,065,334
Age Group: <15	851	10.9%	\$2,258	\$2,252,578
Age Group: 15-24	1,507	19.3%	\$2,408	\$4,870,216
Age Group: 25-34	1,463	18.7%	\$2,451	\$5,434,543
Age Group: 35-44	1,328	17.0%	\$2,555	\$5,376,863
Age Group: 45-54	916	11.7%	\$2,822	\$4,258,818
Age Group: 55-64	929	11.9%	\$2,831	\$4,354,331
Age Group: 65-74	549	7.0%	\$2,831	\$2,537,131
Age Group: 75+	262	3.3%	\$4,471	\$1,701,926
Payer: Medicare	829	10.6%	\$3,262	\$4,283,160
Payer: Medicaid	2,626	33.6%	\$2,469	\$9,880,912
Payer: Commercial	2,317	29.6%	\$2,438	\$9,047,162
Payer: Self Pay	764	9.8%	\$2,451	\$2,845,847
Payer: Other	1,285	16.4%	\$2,368	\$4,770,955
Region: Anchorage	3,540	45.3%	\$3,002	\$16,725,392
Region: Gulf Coast	715	9.1%	\$2,853	\$3,034,658
Region: Interior	1,053	13.5%	\$1,919	\$2,806,175
Region: Mat-Su	621	7.9%	\$2,868	\$3,038,329
Region: Northern	479	6.1%	\$1,827	\$1,186,635
Region: Southeast	586	7.5%	\$1,493	\$1,525,431
Region: Southwest	440	5.6%	\$1,884	\$1,032,018
Region: Out of State	355	4.5%	\$2,670	\$1,388,641
Alaska 2023	7,821	100.0%	\$2,473	\$30,828,036
Alaska 2022	7,522	-	\$2,320	\$25,899,224
Alaska 2021	6,980	-	\$2,222	\$22,398,735

Table 37. #9: Open Wounds to Limbs, Initial Encounter (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges
Sex: Male	4,628	61.8%	\$2,237	\$14,577,075
Sex: Female	2,846	38.0%	\$2,213	\$8,566,443
Race: White	3,909	52.2%	\$2,402	\$12,731,709
Race: AI/AN	2,272	30.3%	\$1,777	\$5,943,679
Race: Asian/PI	371	5.0%	\$2,452	\$1,201,928
Race: Black	240	3.2%	\$2,587	\$1,074,506
Ethnicity: Hispanic	340	4.5%	\$2,415	\$1,142,799
Age Group: <15	1,052	14.0%	\$1,848	\$2,490,460
Age Group: 15-24	1,410	18.8%	\$2,236	\$4,573,315
Age Group: 25-34	1,497	20.0%	\$2,236	\$4,787,618
Age Group: 35-44	1,242	16.6%	\$2,259	\$3,840,091
Age Group: 45-54	787	10.5%	\$2,326	\$2,488,258
Age Group: 55-64	686	9.2%	\$2,290	\$2,110,395
Age Group: 65-74	472	6.3%	\$2,380	\$1,512,194
Age Group: 75+	328	4.4%	\$2,552	\$1,327,194
Payer: Medicare	781	10.4%	\$2,436	\$2,847,136
Payer: Medicaid	2,512	33.5%	\$2,189	\$8,068,553
Payer: Commercial	2,045	27.3%	\$2,236	\$5,765,143
Payer: Self Pay	862	11.5%	\$2,246	\$2,834,288
Payer: Other	1,289	17.2%	\$2,236	\$3,656,140
Region: Anchorage	2,889	38.6%	\$2,368	\$10,086,451
Region: Gulf Coast	846	11.3%	\$2,472	\$2,647,325
Region: Interior	679	9.1%	\$2,236	\$1,703,180
Region: Mat-Su	994	13.3%	\$3,344	\$4,026,516
Region: Northern	393	5.2%	\$1,647	\$960,789
Region: Southeast	732	9.8%	\$1,243	\$1,314,695
Region: Southwest	535	7.1%	\$1,567	\$1,269,709
Region: Out of State	390	5.2%	\$2,236	\$1,078,053
Alaska 2023	7,489	100.0%	\$2,236	\$23,171,259
Alaska 2022	6,937	-	\$2,051	\$20,083,016
Alaska 2021	6,909	-	\$1,872	\$17,623,931

Table 38. #10: Respiratory Signs and Symptoms (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges		
Sex: Male	3,312	49.8%	\$3,141	\$15,940,631		
Sex: Female	3,339	50.2%	\$3,507	\$17,119,429		
Race: White	2,680	40.3%	\$4,712	\$16,388,131		
Race: AI/AN	2,730	41.0%	\$2,472	\$10,743,088		
Race: Asian/PI	466	7.0%	\$4,230	\$2,464,520		
Race: Black	262	3.9%	\$3,769	\$1,369,246		
Ethnicity: Hispanic	220	3.3%	\$3,825	\$1,163,722		
Age Group: <15	1,425	21.4%	\$1,935	\$3,579,430		
Age Group: 15-24	620	9.3%	\$2,680	\$2,438,610		
Age Group: 25-34	732	11.0%	\$3,664	\$3,645,589		
Age Group: 35-44	735	11.0%	\$4,061	\$4,015,209		
Age Group: 45-54	670	10.1%	\$4,572	\$3,908,843		
Age Group: 55-64	843	12.7%	\$4,559	\$5,330,007		
Age Group: 65-74	880	13.2%	\$4,817	\$5,307,613		
Age Group: 75+	746	11.2%	\$5,201	\$4,834,759		
Payer: Medicare	1,547	23.3%	\$5,359	\$10,018,101		
Payer: Medicaid	2,537	38.1%	\$2,707	\$10,718,328		
Payer: Commercial	1,395	21.0%	\$3,699	\$7,323,243		
Payer: Self Pay	572	8.6%	\$2,680	\$2,344,317		
Payer: Other	602	9.0%	\$2,833	\$2,661,898		
Region: Anchorage	2,715	40.8%	\$3,937	\$15,028,739		
Region: Gulf Coast	498	7.5%	\$4,148	\$2,867,135		
Region: Interior	668	10.0%	\$3,413	\$2,766,722		
Region: Mat-Su	941	14.1%	\$4,874	\$6,308,332		
Region: Northern	344	5.2%	\$1,992	\$1,136,246		
Region: Southeast	421	6.3%	\$2,722	\$1,654,434		
Region: Southwest	890	13.4%	\$2,197	\$2,505,709		
Region: Out of State	165	2.5%	\$3,097	\$756,007		
Alaska 2023	6,653	100.0%	\$3,357	\$33,065,888		
Alaska 2022	6,839	-	\$2,704	\$28,913,065		
Alaska 2021	5,321	-	\$3,227	\$24,144,922		

Leading Causes of Emergency Department Visits by Principal Diagnoses (CCSR and ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Categories)

Table 39. Top Ten Emergency Department Visit CCSR Categories with Top Three ICD-10-CM Principal Diagnoses (2023)

Rank	CCSR Diagnosis Category	Top Three Principal Diagnoses
1	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdomen signs and symptoms 13,788 (4.8%)	Unspecified abdominal pain (3,370) Epigastric pain (2,033) Right lower quadrant pain (1,644)
2	Other specified upper respiratory infections 11,767 (4.1%)	Acute upper respiratory infection, unspecified (5,491) Acute pharyngitis, unspecified (2,715) Streptococcal pharyngitis (2,314)
3	Alcohol-related disorders 10,404 (3.6%)	Alcohol abuse with intoxication, unspecified (3,710) Alcohol dependence with withdrawal, unspecified (1,228) Alcohol abuse with intoxication, uncomplicated (1,000)
4	Nonspecific chest pain 10,394 (3.6%)	Chest pain, unspecified (5,108) Other chest pain (4,892) Precordial pain (394)
5	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 9,543 (3.3%)	Contusion of other part of head, initial encounter (718) Contusion of scalp, initial encounter (536) Injury of conjunctiva and corneal abrasion without foreign body, left eye, initial encounter (301)
6	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 9,280 (3.3%)	Pain in right knee (784) Pain in left knee (753) Pain in right shoulder (660)
7	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 8,865 (3.1%)	Cellulitis of left lower limb (1,057) Cellulitis of right lower limb (1,007) Impetigo, unspecified (431)
8	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 7,821 (2.7%)	Strain of muscle, fascia and tendon at neck level, initial encounter (993) Strain of muscle, fascia and tendon of lower back, initial encounter (965) Sprain of unspecified ligament of right ankle, initial encounter (715)

Rank	CCSR Diagnosis Category	Top Three Principal Diagnoses
9	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 7,489 (2.6%)	Laceration without foreign body of left index finger without damage to nail, initial encounter (548) Laceration without foreign body of left hand, initial encounter (502) Laceration without foreign body of left thumb without damage to nail, initial encounter (417)
	Respiratory signs and symptoms 6,653 (2.3%)	Cough, unspecified (1,832) Shortness of breath (1,029) Epistaxis (909)

Leading Causes of Emergency Department Visits by Public Health Region (CCSR Diagnosis Categories)

Table 40. Top Ten Leading Causes of Emergency Department Visits by Public Health Region (2023)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
1	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 5,611 (4.8%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 1,202 (4.7%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 1,750 (5.9%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 1,814 (5.6%)	Alcohol-related disorders 1,465 (7.4%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 1,153 (5.2%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 2,185 (7.4%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 13,788 (4.8%)
2	Other specified upper respiratory infections 5,479 (4.7%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 993 (3.9%)	Alcohol-related disorders 1,487 (5.1%)	Nonspecific chest pain 1,566 (4.8%)	Code is unacceptable as a first-listed diagnosis DX1 (only used for the outpatient default CCSR) 898 (4.5%)	Alcohol-related disorders 977 (4.4%)	Alcohol-related disorders 1,532 (5.2%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 11,767 (4.1%)
3	Nonspecific chest pain 4,550 (3.9%)	Nonspecific chest pain 916 (3.6%)	Nonspecific chest pain 1,218 (4.1%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 1,396 (4.3%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 736 (3.7%)	Nonspecific chest pain 903 (4.1%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 1,452 (4.9%)	Alcohol-related disorders 10,404 (3.7%)
4	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 3,923 (3.4%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 893 (3.5%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 1,053 (3.6%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 1,009 (3.1%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 692 (3.5%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 777 (3.5%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 1,208 (4.1%)	Nonspecific chest pain 10,394 (3.6%)
5	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 3,737 (3.2%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 846 (3.3%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 1,041 (3.5%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 994 (3.1%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 673 (3.4%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 732 (3.3%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 1,012 (3.4%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 9,543 (3.4%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
6	Alcohol-related disorders 3,605 (3.1%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 715 (2.8%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 866 (2.9%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 992 (3.1%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 595 (3.0%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 674 (3.1%)	Respiratory signs and symptoms 890 (3.0%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 9,280 (3.3%)
7	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 3,540 (3.1%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 705 (2.8%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 772 (2.6%)	Respiratory signs and symptoms 941 (2.9%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 571 (2.9%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 621 (2.8%)	Urinary tract infections 732 (2.5%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 8,865 (3.1%)
8	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 3,514 (3.0%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 678 (2.7%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 721 (2.5%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 937 (2.9%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 479 (2.4%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 586 (2.7%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 682 (2.3%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 7,821 (2.7%)
9	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 2,889 (2.5%)	Urinary tract infections 635 (2.5%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 679 (2.3%)	Nausea and vomiting 897 (2.8%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 393 (2.0%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 537 (2.4%)	Otitis media 666 (2.2%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 7,489 (2.6%)
10	Urinary tract infections 2,729 (2.4%)	Alcohol-related disorders 564 (2.2%)	Respiratory signs and symptoms 668 (2.3%)	Urinary tract infections 824 (2.5%)	Tobacco-related disorders 353 (1.8%)	Nausea and vomiting 505 (2.3%)	Nonspecific chest pain 606 (2.0%)	Respiratory signs and symptoms 6,653 (2.3%)

Leading Causes of Emergency Department Visits by Age Group (CCSR Diagnosis Categories)

Table 41. Top Ten Leading Causes of Emergency Department Visits by Age Group (2023)

Rank	Ages 00-04	Ages 05-14	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+	All Ages
1	Other specified upper respiratory infections 2,779 (13.3%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 2,498 (11.5%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdo men signs and symptoms 2,126 (5.8%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdo men signs and symptoms 2,538 (5.4%)	Alcohol-related disorders 3,139 (7.3%)	Alcohol-related disorders 1,916 (5.9%)	Nonspecific chest pain 1,932 (5.7%)	Nonspecific chest pain 2,423 (4.9%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdo men signs and symptoms 13,788 (4.8%)
2	Fever 1,163 (5.6%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdo men signs and symptoms 1,175 (5.4%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 1,713 (4.6%)	Alcohol-related disorders 2,381 (5.1%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdo men signs and symptoms 2,338 (5.4%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdo men signs and symptoms 1,736 (5.4%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdo men signs and symptoms 1,596 (4.7%)	Musculoskeleta I pain, not low back pain 1,894 (3.8%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 11,767 (4.1%)
3	Otitis media 1,162 (5.6%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 1,106 (5.1%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 1,507 (4.1%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 1,739 (3.7%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 1,706 (4.0%)	Nonspecific chest pain 1,703 (5.3%)	Alcohol-related disorders 1,497 (4.4%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdo men signs and symptoms 1,856 (3.8%)	Alcohol-related disorders 10,404 (3.7%)
4	Acute bronchitis 972 (4.7%)	Fracture of the upper limb, initial encounter 888 (4.1%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 1,424 (3.9%)	Other specified complications in pregnancy 1,672 (3.6%)	Nonspecific chest pain 1,701 (4.0%)	Musculoskeleta l pain, not low back pain 1,328 (4.1%)	Musculoskeleta l pain, not low back pain 1,490 (4.4%)	Urinary tract infections 1,800 (3.7%)	Nonspecific chest pain 10,394 (3.6%)
5	Viral infection 882 (4.2%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 837 (3.9%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 1,410 (3.8%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 1,605 (3.4%)	Musculoskeleta l pain, not low back pain 1,499 (3.5%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 1,289 (4.0%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 1,041 (3.1%)	Respiratory signs and symptoms 1,626 (3.3%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 9,543 (3.4%)

Rank	Ages 00-04	Ages 05-14	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+	All Ages
6	Respiratory signs and symptoms 875 (4.2%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 794 (3.7%)	Other specified complications in pregnancy 1,275 (3.5%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 1,497 (3.2%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 1,328 (3.1%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 930 (2.9%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 1,040 (3.1%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 1,600 (3.2%)	Musculoskeleta l pain, not low back pain 9,280 (3.3%)
7	Nausea and vomiting 833 (4.0%)	Otitis media 786 (3.6%)	Nausea and vomiting 1,104 (3.0%)	Nonspecific chest pain 1,490 (3.2%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 1,306 (3.0%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 916 (2.8%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 929 (2.7%)	Coronavirus disease – 2019 (COVID-19) 1,472 (3.0%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 8,865 (3.1%)
8	Open wounds of head and neck, initial encounter 763 (3.7%)	Open wounds of head and neck, initial encounter 680 (3.1%)	Musculoskeleta l pain, not low back pain 1,001 (2.7%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 1,463 (3.1%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 1,242 (2.9%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 787 (2.4%)	Respiratory signs and symptoms 843 (2.5%)	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and bronchiectasis 1,131 (2.3%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 7,821 (2.7%)
9	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 692 (3.3%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 647 (3.0%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 969 (2.6%)	Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter 1,430 (3.1%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 1,181 (2.7%)	Urinary tract infections 689 (2.1%)	Urinary tract infections 696 (2.0%)	Cardiac dysrhythmias 1,125 (2.3%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 7,489 (2.6%)
10	Influenza 643 (3.1%)	Influenza 626 (2.9%)	Urinary tract infections 952 (2.6%)	Musculoskeleta l pain, not low back pain 1,298 (2.8%)	Urinary tract infections 926 (2.2%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 676 (2.1%)	Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter 686 (2.0%)	Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections 1,042 (2.1%)	Respiratory signs and symptoms 6,653 (2.3%)

Outpatient Surgical Procedures

Methodology

Outpatient surgery in this section is defined by procedures identified using the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP) Surgery Flag Software. The flagged procedures include major therapeutic procedures, invasive minor therapeutic procedures, and major diagnostic procedures. The surgery procedures are from ambulatory surgery center (ASC) billing records and from *all* outpatient hospital discharge records (including any surgery procedures found in the outpatient emergency department discharges).

The American Medical Association's *Current Procedural Terminology* (CPT) is the industry standard for coding outpatient medical procedures. An outpatient bill might have no surgery CPT codes in its itemized list or many. This section has two tables by geographic region: first region by major CPT defined categories and then region by more specific minor CPT defined categories. For example, one major CPT category is *Surgical Procedures on the Digestive System (CPT range 40490-49999)*, and two of the minor CPT categories within that major category are *Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum (CPT range 45000-45999)*, and *Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus (CPT range 43020-43499)*.

The ten leading cause tables by procedure category are only for the more specific, minor CPT categories. HCUP flagged surgeries are categorized and counted each time they are listed on the billing records. A single visit can have more than one surgical procedure listed, and each flagged procedure is counted. The "Total Charges" column only includes itemized charges for the surgery procedures themselves, which is not necessarily the charge for the entire visit. Due to billing circumstances, some surgery procedure listings do not have an associated billed dollar amount. Therefore, in addition to the "Procedures" count column, a "Total Charges Count" column was added to identify the number of listings for each procedure that had an associated charge included.

Data Highlights

- In 2023, there were 153,606 outpatient surgical procedures in Alaska, generating ~\$1.2 billion in billed charges.
- The median billed charge for a procedure was \$3,822.
- Commercial insurance was the most common primary payer at 37.6% of procedures, followed by Medicare at 28.3%.
- The top three leading causes of surgical procedures by minor CPT category were:
 - 1. Surgical procedures on the colon and rectum (26,620 procedures), with a median charge of \$3,329.
 - 2. Surgical procedures on the esophagus (16,578 procedures), with a median charge of \$2,786.
 - 3. *Surgical repair (closure) procedures on the integumentary system* (10,357 procedures), with a median charge of \$770.

Surgical Procedures by Characteristic

Table 42. All Surgical Procedures (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges Count	Total Charges
Sex: Male	73,153	47.6%	\$3,792	67,250	\$559,528,452
Sex: Female	80,386	52.3%	\$3,912	73,907	\$633,799,033
Race: White	97,676	63.6%	\$3,329	90,858	\$689,497,615
Race: AI/AN	19,967	13.0%	\$3,973	16,357	\$128,365,003
Race: Asian/PI	6,511	4.2%	\$3,570	5,925	\$41,350,455
Race: Black	3,861	2.5%	\$3,570	3,456	\$23,754,392
Ethnicity: Hispanic	5,078	3.3%	\$3,570	4,622	\$33,190,839
Age Group: <15	9,678	6.3%	\$3,792	9,147	\$72,074,659
Age Group: 15-24	8,560	5.6%	\$3,500	7,779	\$63,730,399
Age Group: 25-34	13,010	8.5%	\$4,114	11,721	\$101,009,190
Age Group: 35-44	18,753	12.2%	\$5,172	16,989	\$163,949,063
Age Group: 45-54	23,841	15.5%	\$3,822	21,891	\$184,967,729
Age Group: 55-64	31,276	20.4%	\$3,912	28,671	\$257,732,803
Age Group: 65-74	32,733	21.3%	\$3,570	30,360	\$243,426,785
Age Group: 75+	15,714	10.2%	\$3,463	14,621	\$106,700,717
Payer: Medicare	43,500	28.3%	\$3,500	40,490	\$302,503,635
Payer: Medicaid	25,410	16.5%	\$3,711	22,413	\$174,219,192
Payer: Commercial	57,714	37.6%	\$3,822	53,664	\$450,413,707
Payer: Self Pay	6,749	4.4%	\$5,401	5,759	\$52,801,071
Payer: Other	20,225	13.2%	\$6,396	18,882	\$213,785,658
Region: Anchorage	57,889	37.7%	\$4,700	51,517	\$507,612,570
Region: Gulf Coast	40,481	26.4%	\$1,863	39,802	\$185,185,276
Region: Interior	11,221	7.3%	\$2,827	10,746	\$75,901,597
Region: Mat-Su	24,007	15.6%	\$8,240	21,304	\$312,617,158
Region: Northern	3,818	2.5%	\$3,444	3,288	\$24,677,401
Region: Southeast	8,623	5.6%	\$2,489	8,356	\$43,901,284
Region: Southwest	5,576	3.6%	\$3,973	4,347	\$34,409,865
Region: Out of State	1,867	1.2%	\$1,089	1,741	\$8,976,338
Alaska 2023	153,606	100.0%	\$3,822	141,216	\$1,193,751,231
Alaska 2022	146,838	-	\$3,570	136,489	\$1,080,451,529
Alaska 2021	150,117	-	\$3,463	139,734	\$1,018,750,999

Leading Causes of Surgical Procedures by Characteristic (Minor CPT Categories)

Table 43. #1: Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges Count	Total Charges
Sex: Male	13,658	51.3%	\$3,161	12,572	\$39,759,445
Sex: Female	12,959	48.7%	\$3,496	11,898	\$39,301,433
Race: White	18,339	68.9%	\$2,706	17,282	\$51,827,601
Race: AI/AN	3,170	11.9%	\$3,155	2,347	\$8,731,331
Race: Asian/PI	1,151	4.3%	\$3,570	1,070	\$3,656,689
Race: Black	953	3.6%	\$3,570	900	\$3,262,359
Ethnicity: Hispanic	1,030	3.9%	\$3,570	963	\$3,480,974
Age Group: <15	309	1.2%	\$1,438	309	\$1,007,462
Age Group: 15-24	551	2.1%	\$3,081	516	\$1,764,438
Age Group: 25-34	927	3.5%	\$3,570	830	\$2,966,449
Age Group: 35-44	2,168	8.1%	\$3,570	1,882	\$6,737,019
Age Group: 45-54	6,361	23.9%	\$3,570	5,924	\$19,959,628
Age Group: 55-64	7,180	27.0%	\$3,496	6,560	\$21,606,922
Age Group: 65-74	7,042	26.5%	\$2,706	6,545	\$19,112,984
Age Group: 75+	2,082	7.8%	\$3,069	1,907	\$5,926,680
Payer: Medicare	7,721	29.0%	\$2,705	7,211	\$21,205,499
Payer: Medicaid	3,125	11.7%	\$3,161	2,690	\$9,032,849
Payer: Commercial	12,383	46.5%	\$3,570	11,569	\$38,381,588
Payer: Self Pay	733	2.8%	\$5,401	516	\$2,326,348
Payer: Other	2,653	10.0%	\$3,069	2,482	\$8,115,187
Region: Anchorage	9,877	37.1%	\$3,711	8,756	\$35,750,422
Region: Gulf Coast	7,899	29.7%	\$776	7,772	\$14,903,145
Region: Interior	2,390	9.0%	\$1,853	2,350	\$4,874,777
Region: Mat-Su	3,255	12.2%	\$5,880	2,807	\$15,589,578
Region: Northern	599	2.3%	\$3,234	451	\$1,762,548
Region: Southeast	1,686	6.3%	\$2,034	1,631	\$3,581,067
Region: Southwest	812	3.1%	\$3,570	608	\$2,301,310
Region: Out of State	100	0.4%	\$2,706	96	\$307,193
Alaska 2023	26,620	100.0%	\$3,329	24,473	\$79,081,582
Alaska 2022	25,216	-	\$3,069	24,054	\$71,103,588
Alaska 2021	24,535	-	\$2,665	23,269	\$65,699,070

Table 44. #2 Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of	Median Charge	Total Charges	Total Charges
		Category		Count	•
Sex: Male	7,506	45.3%	\$2,710	6,629	\$20,627,341
Sex: Female	9,069	54.7%	\$2,786	7,981	\$26,144,754
Race: White	11,387	68.7%	\$2,521	10,343	\$30,455,669
Race: AI/AN	2,029	12.2%	\$3,048	1,315	\$5,740,536
Race: Asian/PI	635	3.8%	\$2,786	566	\$1,804,779
Race: Black	557	3.4%	\$2,786	517	\$1,689,255
Ethnicity: Hispanic	661	4.0%	\$2,786	603	\$1,989,120
Age Group: <15	756	4.6%	\$1,784	755	\$2,471,434
Age Group: 15-24	753	4.5%	\$2,786	693	\$2,540,331
Age Group: 25-34	1,262	7.6%	\$3,048	1,088	\$3,753,256
Age Group: 35-44	2,189	13.2%	\$2,786	1,905	\$6,435,573
Age Group: 45-54	2,705	16.3%	\$2,786	2,364	\$7,553,353
Age Group: 55-64	3,695	22.3%	\$2,786	3,158	\$10,524,711
Age Group: 65-74	3,446	20.8%	\$2,542	3,068	\$8,750,286
Age Group: 75+	1,772	10.7%	\$2,368	1,579	\$4,743,151
Payer: Medicare	4,798	28.9%	\$2,521	4,331	\$12,363,447
Payer: Medicaid	2,901	17.5%	\$2,786	2,395	\$8,073,322
Payer: Commercial	6,565	39.6%	\$2,786	5,923	\$19,714,858
Payer: Self Pay	470	2.8%	\$3,056	300	\$1,514,212
Payer: Other	1,842	11.1%	\$2,710	1,659	\$5,100,685
Region: Anchorage	6,018	36.3%	\$3,148	5,162	\$19,259,600
Region: Gulf Coast	4,674	28.2%	\$782	4,579	\$8,541,531
Region: Interior	1,367	8.2%	\$2,059	1,311	\$3,427,958
Region: Mat-Su	2,541	15.3%	\$6,247	1,928	\$10,501,224
Region: Northern	323	1.9%	\$3 <i>,</i> 353	195	\$1,060,947
Region: Southeast	1,093	6.6%	\$2,034	1,047	\$2,601,434
Region: Southwest	446	2.7%	\$3,048	280	\$1,086,846
Region: Out of State	110	0.7%	\$2,357	102	\$282,701
Alaska 2023	16,578	100.0%	\$2,786	14,610	\$46,772,095
Alaska 2022	15,268	-	\$2,710	14,276	\$40,843,533
Alaska 2021	15,616	-	\$2,020	14,552	\$39,390,536

Table 45. #3: Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges Count	Total Charges
Sex: Male	6,395	61.7%	\$726	5,475	\$10,452,647
Sex: Female	3,939	38.0%	\$770	3,418	\$10,875,599
Race: White	5,908	57.0%	\$770	5,175	\$10,487,875
Race: AI/AN	2,135	20.6%	\$573	1,812	\$2,917,400
Race: Asian/PI	527	5.1%	\$770	415	\$708,040
Race: Black	286	2.8%	\$770	202	\$312,374
Ethnicity: Hispanic	439	4.2%	\$770	353	\$498,496
Age Group: <15	1,585	15.3%	\$586	1,413	\$1,573,717
Age Group: 15-24	1,343	13.0%	\$598	1,134	\$1,379,131
Age Group: 25-34	1,517	14.6%	\$600	1,250	\$2,024,819
Age Group: 35-44	1,415	13.7%	\$756	1,192	\$3,604,574
Age Group: 45-54	1,071	10.3%	\$770	918	\$3,018,746
Age Group: 55-64	1,218	11.8%	\$774	1,049	\$3,695,517
Age Group: 65-74	1,293	12.5%	\$1,006	1,153	\$3,956,830
Age Group: 75+	894	8.6%	\$770	786	\$2,075,860
Payer: Medicare	2,012	19.4%	\$886	1,780	\$5,530,271
Payer: Medicaid	2,426	23.4%	\$586	2,006	\$3,061,612
Payer: Commercial	3,220	31.1%	\$770	2,846	\$5,737,296
Payer: Self Pay	1,176	11.4%	\$770	1,001	\$4,537,279
Payer: Other	1,523	14.7%	\$646	1,283	\$2,474,727
Region: Anchorage	3,873	37.4%	\$872	2,857	\$9,694,330
Region: Gulf Coast	1,816	17.5%	\$636	1,797	\$2,506,552
Region: Interior	1,122	10.8%	\$586	1,050	\$1,279,482
Region: Mat-Su	921	8.9%	\$4,077	820	\$4,919,926
Region: Northern	490	4.7%	\$1,208	475	\$692,234
Region: Southeast	963	9.3%	\$315	955	\$878,644
Region: Southwest	568	5.5%	\$349	408	\$780,127
Region: Out of State	556	5.4%	\$598	509	\$527,408
Alaska 2023	10,357	100.0%	\$770	8,916	\$21,341,185
Alaska 2022	10,027	-	\$698	8,668	\$20,334,329
Alaska 2021	10,272	-	\$635	8,982	\$19,980,230

Table 46. #4: Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges Count	Total Charges
Sex: Male	3,692	43.3%	\$4,304	3,682	\$19,734,053
Sex: Female	4,835	56.7%	\$3,912	4,831	\$24,149,486
Race: White	4,420	51.8%	\$3,912	4,414	\$19,006,572
Race: AI/AN	822	9.6%	\$7,758	815	\$5,950,471
Race: Asian/PI	454	5.3%	\$3,912	453	\$2,295,992
Race: Black	126	1.5%	\$3,912	126	\$679,377
Ethnicity: Hispanic	93	1.1%	\$3,463	93	\$549,480
Age Group: <15	15	0.2%	\$7,066	15	\$97,569
Age Group: 15-24	12	0.1%	\$9 <i>,</i> 859	12	\$112,383
Age Group: 25-34	40	0.5%	\$4,876	39	\$260,442
Age Group: 35-44	145	1.7%	\$5,960	145	\$941,055
Age Group: 45-54	375	4.4%	\$5,875	374	\$2,268,787
Age Group: 55-64	1,701	19.9%	\$5,960	1,697	\$10,127,464
Age Group: 65-74	3,718	43.6%	\$3,912	3,711	\$18,497,559
Age Group: 75+	2,521	29.6%	\$3,912	2,520	\$11,578,280
Payer: Medicare	5,315	62.3%	\$3,912	5,312	\$24,704,829
Payer: Medicaid	464	5.4%	\$7,758	460	\$3,688,933
Payer: Commercial	1,812	21.3%	\$3,912	1,808	\$9,795,965
Payer: Self Pay	173	2.0%	\$7,758	172	\$1,338,349
Payer: Other	763	8.9%	\$5 <i>,</i> 875	761	\$4,355,463
Region: Anchorage	3,721	43.6%	\$3,912	3,716	\$19,077,413
Region: Gulf Coast	1,825	21.4%	\$3,463	1,824	\$6,284,947
Region: Interior	788	9.2%	\$5,875	788	\$5,125,024
Region: Mat-Su	1,269	14.9%	\$7,188	1,269	\$8,248,777
Region: Northern	170	2.0%	\$7,758	169	\$1,253,426
Region: Southeast	460	5.4%	\$3,912	457	\$1,749,235
Region: Southwest	252	3.0%	\$7,758	249	\$1,912,086
Region: Out of State	42	0.5%	\$3,912	41	\$232,632
Alaska 2023	8,527	100.0%	\$3,969	8,513	\$43,883,539
Alaska 2022	8,491	-	\$3,912	8,483	\$40,594,683
Alaska 2021	9,073	-	\$3,912	9,028	\$44,050,529

Table 47. #5: Endoscopy/Arthroscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeletal System (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges Count	Total Charges
Sex: Male	4,012	51.2%	\$16,212	3,662	\$54,222,389
Sex: Female	3,820	48.7%	\$15,520	3,479	\$50,474,756
Race: White	4,715	60.2%	\$11,410	4,312	\$54,365,198
Race: AI/AN	679	8.7%	\$15,204	452	\$8,093,363
Race: Asian/PI	171	2.2%	\$12,955	161	\$2,246,619
Race: Black	100	1.3%	\$14,135	83	\$1,149,473
Ethnicity: Hispanic	198	2.5%	\$12,955	157	\$2,158,869
Age Group: <15	105	1.3%	\$16,048	99	\$1,673,646
Age Group: 15-24	715	9.1%	\$17,563	625	\$11,120,661
Age Group: 25-34	756	9.6%	\$16,600	665	\$11,323,343
Age Group: 35-44	1,283	16.4%	\$16,600	1,182	\$19,280,401
Age Group: 45-54	1,572	20.1%	\$15,520	1,424	\$20,348,110
Age Group: 55-64	1,964	25.1%	\$14,135	1,804	\$24,610,058
Age Group: 65-74	1,185	15.1%	\$11,410	1,104	\$13,990,570
Age Group: 75+	252	3.2%	\$10,272	238	\$2,350,356
Payer: Medicare	1,220	15.6%	\$10,564	1,118	\$13,411,650
Payer: Medicaid	967	12.3%	\$15,090	771	\$11,606,634
Payer: Commercial	2,957	37.7%	\$14,417	2,707	\$38,936,225
Payer: Self Pay	257	3.3%	\$12,722	207	\$3,107,720
Payer: Other	2,437	31.1%	\$16,600	2,342	\$37,690,259
Region: Anchorage	2,634	33.6%	\$16,600	2,427	\$43,049,521
Region: Gulf Coast	2,088	26.6%	\$5,911	2,056	\$15,416,439
Region: Interior	584	7.5%	\$9,275	553	\$7,231,582
Region: Mat-Su	1,781	22.7%	\$18,576	1,471	\$30,986,018
Region: Northern	126	1.6%	\$16,600	81	\$1,529,776
Region: Southeast	437	5.6%	\$6,877	422	\$3,883,772
Region: Southwest	154	2.0%	\$17,686	105	\$2,041,654
Region: Out of State	28	0.4%	\$19,356	26	\$558,383
Alaska 2023	7,838	100.0%	\$16,013	7,145	\$104,752,487
Alaska 2022	8,223	-	\$14,762	7,541	\$102,898,377
Alaska 2021	9,232	-	\$12,955	8,554	\$106,417,440

Table 48. #6: Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges Count	Total Charges
Sex: Male	4,085	58.6%	\$963	3,797	\$8,773,543
Sex: Female	2,879	41.3%	\$1,203	2,621	\$6,868,394
Race: White	4,526	65.0%	\$835	4,262	\$9,034,630
Race: AI/AN	1,395	20.0%	\$961	1,242	\$3,653,109
Race: Asian/PI	227	3.3%	\$1,229	182	\$522,990
Race: Black	122	1.8%	\$892	84	\$165,560
Ethnicity: Hispanic	222	3.2%	\$1,275	191	\$470,493
Age Group: <15	411	5.9%	\$970	371	\$1,164,527
Age Group: 15-24	448	6.4%	\$1,026	389	\$1,059,150
Age Group: 25-34	702	10.1%	\$1,115	599	\$1,510,585
Age Group: 35-44	861	12.4%	\$1,287	761	\$2,564,545
Age Group: 45-54	945	13.6%	\$1,203	870	\$2,293,294
Age Group: 55-64	1,219	17.5%	\$1,203	1,141	\$2,501,662
Age Group: 65-74	1,479	21.2%	\$718	1,413	\$3,162,988
Age Group: 75+	899	12.9%	\$683	874	\$1,385,187
Payer: Medicare	2,487	35.7%	\$718	2,386	\$4,596,665
Payer: Medicaid	1,621	23.3%	\$892	1,441	\$4,012,198
Payer: Commercial	1,782	25.6%	\$1,203	1,636	\$4,364,619
Payer: Self Pay	494	7.1%	\$1,393	447	\$1,226,476
Payer: Other	583	8.4%	\$1,203	511	\$1,448,103
Region: Anchorage	1,607	23.1%	\$1,526	1,308	\$4,339,803
Region: Gulf Coast	2,468	35.4%	\$630	2,464	\$3,054,869
Region: Interior	87	1.2%	\$2,263	78	\$338,047
Region: Mat-Su	1,436	20.6%	\$1,275	1,333	\$5,158,938
Region: Northern	333	4.8%	\$1,274	332	\$1,012,763
Region: Southeast	346	5.0%	\$752	342	\$747,628
Region: Southwest	524	7.5%	\$331	409	\$768,867
Region: Out of State	155	2.2%	\$724	146	\$217,569
Alaska 2023	6,967	100.0%	\$1,026	6,421	\$15,648,062
Alaska 2022	6,747	-	\$1,000	6,243	\$14,557,693
Alaska 2021	6,426	-	\$943	5,889	\$13,644,925

Table 49. #7: Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges Count	Total Charges
Sex: Male	3,935	68.3%	\$4,140	3,672	\$39,335,641
Sex: Female	1,829	31.7%	\$3,808	1,626	\$13,817,893
Race: White	4,393	76.2%	\$3,825	4,062	\$37,996,757
Race: AI/AN	484	8.4%	\$6,852	441	\$5,999,615
Race: Asian/PI	196	3.4%	\$1,865	168	\$916,187
Race: Black	119	2.1%	\$3,550	102	\$949,772
Ethnicity: Hispanic	194	3.4%	\$3,871	176	\$1,752,412
Age Group: <15	228	4.0%	\$8,000	222	\$2,082,671
Age Group: 15-24	129	2.2%	\$10,145	124	\$1,607,463
Age Group: 25-34	399	6.9%	\$6,587	347	\$3,915,812
Age Group: 35-44	743	12.9%	\$3,825	683	\$7,078,761
Age Group: 45-54	892	15.5%	\$4,930	806	\$9,524,399
Age Group: 55-64	1,476	25.6%	\$3,825	1,363	\$12,685,581
Age Group: 65-74	1,327	23.0%	\$3,825	1,220	\$11,615,923
Age Group: 75+	570	9.9%	\$3,825	533	\$4,642,924
Payer: Medicare	1,840	31.9%	\$3,825	1,713	\$13,993,392
Payer: Medicaid	1,081	18.8%	\$3,825	976	\$8,198,708
Payer: Commercial	2,085	36.2%	\$5,012	1,900	\$23,133,507
Payer: Self Pay	193	3.3%	\$6,082	177	\$2,272,424
Payer: Other	566	9.8%	\$5,921	533	\$5,563,525
Region: Anchorage	2,080	36.1%	\$4,277	1,805	\$23,580,260
Region: Gulf Coast	1,776	30.8%	\$3,185	1,760	\$9,558,112
Region: Interior	377	6.5%	\$1,303	357	\$2,092,891
Region: Mat-Su	973	16.9%	\$9,622	852	\$12,994,210
Region: Northern	69	1.2%	\$15,208	57	\$1,068,279
Region: Southeast	298	5.2%	\$4,303	295	\$2,039,026
Region: Southwest	114	2.0%	\$9,622	97	\$1,334,943
Region: Out of State	72	1.2%	\$3,825	70	\$425,654
Alaska 2023	5,765	100.0%	\$3,871	5,299	\$53,161,556
Alaska 2022	5,649	-	\$3,825	5,165	\$49,856,063
Alaska 2021	5,475	-	\$3,360	5,013	\$43,490,921

Table 50. #8: Surgical Procedures on the Bladder (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges Count	Total Charges
Sex: Male	3,083	60.0%	\$3,823	2,995	\$22,297,670
Sex: Female	2,055	40.0%	\$3,033	1,997	\$14,665,594
Race: White	3,973	77.3%	\$2,338	3,874	\$22,607,672
Race: AI/AN	282	5.5%	\$15,204	253	\$3,832,814
Race: Asian/PI	236	4.6%	\$2,192	232	\$1,106,021
Race: Black	61	1.2%	\$2,111	59	\$333,713
Ethnicity: Hispanic	101	2.0%	\$2,250	98	\$477,542
Age Group: <15	66	1.3%	\$1,867	66	\$306,803
Age Group: 15-24	75	1.5%	\$4,909	70	\$549,229
Age Group: 25-34	338	6.6%	\$2,932	324	\$2,444,481
Age Group: 35-44	492	9.6%	\$5,723	477	\$4,134,904
Age Group: 45-54	690	13.4%	\$3,823	677	\$5,164,180
Age Group: 55-64	996	19.4%	\$4,163	963	\$7,829,923
Age Group: 65-74	1,377	26.8%	\$3,823	1,339	\$10,393,941
Age Group: 75+	1,104	21.5%	\$2,283	1,076	\$6,139,803
Payer: Medicare	2,098	40.8%	\$2,935	2,048	\$13,880,809
Payer: Medicaid	720	14.0%	\$4,163	693	\$5,536,696
Payer: Commercial	1,691	32.9%	\$4,163	1,648	\$13,424,329
Payer: Self Pay	137	2.7%	\$5,903	124	\$1,145,051
Payer: Other	492	9.6%	\$2,935	479	\$2,976,379
Region: Anchorage	2,212	43.1%	\$3,823	2,122	\$15,763,000
Region: Gulf Coast	1,749	34.0%	\$2,154	1,741	\$7,711,348
Region: Interior	74	1.4%	\$2,034	67	\$434,109
Region: Mat-Su	609	11.9%	\$19,339	583	\$9,791,390
Region: Northern	35	0.7%	\$11,481	30	\$421,748
Region: Southeast	299	5.8%	\$3,563	298	\$1,710,167
Region: Southwest	63	1.2%	\$10,240	59	\$718,008
Region: Out of State	95	1.8%	\$1,088	90	\$400,971
Alaska 2023	5,138	100.0%	\$3,775	4,992	\$36,963,264
Alaska 2022	4,761	-	\$3,473	4,617	\$31,644,168
Alaska 2021	5,211	-	\$2,668	5,114	\$31,264,772

Table 51. #9: Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges Count	Total Charges
Sex: Female	4,276	99.9%	\$7,128	4,010	\$48,815,148
Race: White	2,834	66.2%	\$7,046	2,694	\$33,365,680
Race: AI/AN	535	12.5%	\$3,782	464	\$5,252,436
Race: Asian/PI	308	7.2%	\$9,843	282	\$3,758,203
Race: Black	201	4.7%	\$1,874	190	\$1,572,010
Ethnicity: Hispanic	245	5.7%	\$7,742	233	\$3,194,593
Age Group: 15-24	85	2.0%	\$6,783	75	\$779,978
Age Group: 25-34	554	12.9%	\$8,259	516	\$6,404,261
Age Group: 35-44	1,374	32.1%	\$8,643	1,299	\$17,850,470
Age Group: 45-54	1,190	27.8%	\$7,600	1,113	\$13,968,396
Age Group: 55-64	472	11.0%	\$6,878	431	\$4,748,665
Age Group: 65-74	477	11.1%	\$2,913	457	\$3,975,000
Age Group: 75+	129	3.0%	\$3,794	124	\$1,131,302
Payer: Medicare	604	14.1%	\$3,111	574	\$5,105,663
Payer: Medicaid	730	17.1%	\$8,339	661	\$8,311,722
Payer: Commercial	2,605	60.9%	\$8,267	2,457	\$31,528,087
Payer: Self Pay	162	3.8%	\$2,621	154	\$1,653,361
Payer: Other	180	4.2%	\$7,170	169	\$2,259,238
Region: Anchorage	2,026	47.3%	\$9,857	1,877	\$25,223,916
Region: Gulf Coast	1,059	24.7%	\$2,394	1,038	\$7,119,226
Region: Interior	94	2.2%	\$5,975	86	\$1,226,267
Region: Mat-Su	640	14.9%	\$18,096	597	\$11,711,854
Region: Northern	99	2.3%	\$1,843	88	\$753,952
Region: Southeast	223	5.2%	\$5,064	218	\$1,503,674
Region: Southwest	121	2.8%	\$2,459	95	\$1,077,274
Region: Out of State	19	0.4%	\$8,670	16	\$241,909
Alaska 2023	4,281	100.0%	\$7,103	4,015	\$48,858,071
Alaska 2022	4,059	-	\$6,452	3,748	\$41,236,914
Alaska 2021	3,760	-	\$4,967	3,450	\$33,340,885

Table 52. #10: Surgical Procedures on the Femur (Thigh Region) and Knee Joint (2023)

Characteristic	Procedures	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges Count	Total Charges
Sex: Male	1,759	49.0%	\$13,370	1,540	\$32,750,851
Sex: Female	1,832	51.0%	\$13,462	1,591	\$37,679,968
Race: White	2,818	78.5%	\$13,145	2,459	\$47,467,485
Race: AI/AN	166	4.6%	\$14,039	139	\$2,171,294
Race: Asian/PI	62	1.7%	\$10,706	46	\$896,497
Race: Black	67	1.9%	\$6,100	47	\$945,362
Ethnicity: Hispanic	97	2.7%	\$13,370	87	\$1,583,699
Age Group: <15	57	1.6%	\$10,240	51	\$625,979
Age Group: 15-24	123	3.4%	\$10,880	102	\$1,468,634
Age Group: 25-34	107	3.0%	\$11,560	101	\$1,369,057
Age Group: 35-44	172	4.8%	\$11,484	157	\$2,939,561
Age Group: 45-54	355	9.9%	\$18,435	316	\$8,624,730
Age Group: 55-64	977	27.2%	\$14,039	898	\$24,300,338
Age Group: 65-74	1,330	37.0%	\$11,983	1,133	\$23,829,808
Age Group: 75+	470	13.1%	\$13,370	373	\$7,272,710
Payer: Medicare	1,532	42.7%	\$11,637	1,270	\$24,232,820
Payer: Medicaid	193	5.4%	\$16,565	134	\$2,583,508
Payer: Commercial	1,153	32.1%	\$13,370	1,066	\$22,459,977
Payer: Self Pay	77	2.1%	\$11,943	68	\$1,155,891
Payer: Other	636	17.7%	\$20,503	593	\$19,998,622
Region: Anchorage	1,149	32.0%	\$21,446	847	\$27,349,626
Region: Gulf Coast	1,382	38.5%	\$2 <i>,</i> 388	1,340	\$13,111,102
Region: Interior	190	5.3%	\$21,919	151	\$3,581,951
Region: Mat-Su	639	17.8%	\$38,241	587	\$22,882,080
Region: Northern	17	0.5%	\$27,956	8	\$215,687
Region: Southeast	155	4.3%	\$12,110	150	\$2,402,747
Region: Southwest	42	1.2%	\$10,240	35	\$647,920
Region: Out of State	17	0.5%	\$15,324	13	\$239,706
Alaska 2023	3,591	100.0%	\$13,370	3,131	\$70,430,819
Alaska 2022	2,866	-	\$13,145	2,396	\$55,320,433
Alaska 2021	2,686	-	\$12,733	2,337	\$52,094,000

Leading Causes of Surgical Procedures by Principal Diagnoses (Minor CPT and ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Categories)

Table 53. Top Ten Surgical Procedure Minor CPT Categories with Top Three ICD-10-CM Principal Diagnoses (2023)

Rank	CPT Category	Top Three Principal Diagnoses
1	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 26,620 (17.3%)	Encounter for screening for malignant neoplasm of colon (13,822) Polyp of colon (2,134) Benign neoplasm of ascending colon (643)
2	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 16,578 (10.8%)	Unspecified chronic gastritis without bleeding (1,823) Encounter for screening for malignant neoplasm of colon (1,492) Esophageal obstruction (1,068)
3	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 10,357 (6.7%)	Laceration without foreign body of other part of head, initial encounter (833) Laceration without foreign body of scalp, initial encounter (773) Laceration without foreign body of left index finger without damage to nail, initial encounter (396)
4	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 8,527 (5.6%)	Combined forms of age-related cataract, left eye (2,362) Combined forms of age-related cataract, right eye (2,349) Age-related nuclear cataract, left eye (563)
5	Endoscopy/Arthroscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeletal System 7,838 (5.1%)	Complex tear of medial meniscus, current injury, right knee, initial encounter (388) Other tear of medial meniscus, current injury, right knee, initial encounter (369) Other tear of medial meniscus, current injury, left knee, initial encounter (362)
6	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 6,967 (4.5%)	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with foot ulcer (788) Cutaneous abscess of buttock (205) Epidermal cyst (190)
7	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 5,765 (3.8%)	Unilateral inguinal hernia, without obstruction or gangrene, not specified as recurrent (1,297) Other ascites (516) Bilateral inguinal hernia, without obstruction or gangrene, not specified as recurrent (464)
8	Surgical Procedures on the Bladder 5,138 (3.3%)	Calculus of ureter (810) Calculus of kidney (762) Calculus of kidney with calculus of ureter (493)

Rank	CPT Category	Top Three Principal Diagnoses
9	Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri 4,281 (2.8%)	Polyp of corpus uteri (600) Abnormal uterine and vaginal bleeding, unspecified (344) Leiomyoma of uterus, unspecified (289)
10	Surgical Procedures on the Femur (Thigh Region) and Knee Joint 3,591 (2.3%)	Unilateral primary osteoarthritis, left knee (1,158) Unilateral primary osteoarthritis, right knee (1,098) Bilateral primary osteoarthritis of knee (298)

Leading Causes of Surgical Procedures by Public Health Region (Major and Minor CPT Categories)

Table 54. Top Ten Leading Causes of Surgical Procedures (Minor CPT Categories) by Public Health Region (2023)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
1	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 9,877 (17.1%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 7,899 (19.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 2,390 (21.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 3,255 (13.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 599 (15.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 1,686 (19.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 812 (14.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 26,620 (17.3%)
2	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 6,018 (10.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 4,674 (11.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 1,367 (12.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 2,541 (10.6%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 490 (12.8%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 1,093 (12.7%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 568 (10.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 16,578 (10.8%)
3	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 3,873 (6.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 2,468 (6.1%)	Procedures on	Endoscopy/Arthr oscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeletal System 1,781 (7.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 333 (8.7%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 963 (11.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 524 (9.4%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 10,357 (6.7%)
4	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 3,721 (6.4%)	Endoscopy/Arthro scopy Procedures on the Musculoskeletal System 2,088 (5.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 788 (7.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 1,436 (6.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 323 (8.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 460 (5.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 446 (8.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 8,527 (5.6%)
5	Endoscopy/Art hroscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeleta I System 2,634 (4.6%)	Anterior Segment of the Eye	Endoscopy/Arthr oscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeletal System 584 (5.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 1,269 (5.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nails 180 (4.7%)	Endoscopy/Arthr oscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeletal System 437 (5.1%)	Introduction or Removal Procedures on the Integumentary System 379 (6.8%)	Endoscopy/Arthr oscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeletal System 7,838 (5.1%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
6	Surgical Procedures on the Bladder 2,212 (3.8%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 1,816 (4.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Shoulder 470 (4.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 973 (4.1%)	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 170 (4.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 346 (4.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 252 (4.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 6,967 (4.5%)
7	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 2,080 (3.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 1,776 (4.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 377 (3.4%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 921 (3.8%)	Introduction or Removal Procedures on the Integumentary System 155 (4.1%)	Surgical Procedures on the Bladder 299 (3.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Middle Ear 240 (4.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 5,765 (3.8%)
8	Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri 2,026 (3.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Bladder 1,749 (4.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Middle Ear 338 (3.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nose 698 (2.9%)	Endoscopy/Arthr oscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeletal System 126 (3.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 298 (3.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nails 170 (3.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Bladder 5,138 (3.3%)
9	Surgical Procedures on the Breast 1,851 (3.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Femur (Thigh Region) and Knee Joint 1,382 (3.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Breast 252 (2.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Shoulder 643 (2.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Middle Ear 124 (3.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri 223 (2.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Pharynx, Adenoids, and Tonsils 168 (3.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri 4,281 (2.8%)
10	Surgical Procedures on Arteries and Veins 1,669 (2.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri 1,059 (2.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Hand and Fingers 218 (1.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri 640 (2.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Pharynx, Adenoids, and Tonsils 107 (2.8%)	Surgical Procedures on the Breast 222 (2.6%)	Endoscopy/Arthr oscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeletal System 154 (2.8%)	Surgical Procedures on the Femur (Thigh Region) and Knee Joint 3,591 (2.3%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
1	Surgical							
	Procedures on							
	the Digestive							
	System							
	20,976 (36.2%)	17,107 (42.3%)	4,514 (40.2%)	8,035 (33.5%)	1,234 (32.3%)	3,503 (40.6%)	1,739 (31.2%)	57,585 (37.5%)
2	Surgical							
	Procedures on							
	the							
	Musculoskeletal	Musculoskeletal	Musculoskeletal	Musculoskeletal	Integumentary	Integumentary	Integumentary	Musculoskeletal
	System							
	10,675 (18.4%)	7,913 (19.5%)	2,238 (19.9%)	5,623 (23.4%)	1,215 (31.8%)	1,590 (18.4%)	1,723 (30.9%)	29,526 (19.2%)
3	Surgical							
	Procedures on							
	the							
	Integumentary	Integumentary	Integumentary	Integumentary	Musculoskeletal	Musculoskeletal	Musculoskeletal	Integumentary
	System							
	8,066 (13.9%)	5,347 (13.2%)	1,495 (13.3%)	2,918 (12.2%)	473 (12.4%)	1,540 (17.9%)	719 (12.9%)	23,168 (15.1%)
4	Surgical							
	Procedures on							
	the Eye and	the Female	the Eye and	the Eye and	the Female	the Eye and	the Female	the Eye and
	Ocular Adnexa	Genital System	Ocular Adnexa	Ocular Adnexa	Genital System	Ocular Adnexa	Genital System	Ocular Adnexa
	4,466 (7.7%)	2,077 (5.1%)	941 (8.4%)	1,558 (6.5%)	247 (6.5%)	529 (6.1%)	320 (5.7%)	10,104 (6.6%)
5	Surgical							
	Procedures on							
	the Female	the Eye and	the Respiratory	the Respiratory	the Eye and	the Female	the Eye and	the Female
	Genital System	Ocular Adnexa	System	System	Ocular Adnexa	Genital System	Ocular Adnexa	Genital System
	3,312 (5.7%)	2,016 (5.0%)	484 (4.3%)	1,284 (5.3%)	219 (5.7%)	389 (4.5%)	311 (5.6%)	7,720 (5.0%)
6	Surgical							
	Procedures on							
	the Urinary	the Urinary	the Auditory	the Female	the Auditory	the Urinary	the Auditory	the Urinary
	System	System	System	Genital System	System	System	System	System
	2,381 (4.1%)	1,774 (4.4%)	366 (3.3%)	1,122 (4.7%)	141 (3.7%)	329 (3.8%)	251 (4.5%)	5,434 (3.5%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
7	Surgical Procedures on the Respiratory System 1,996 (3.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Cardiovascular System 998 (2.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nervous System 327 (2.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nervous System 1,049 (4.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Respiratory System 63 (1.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nervous System 168 (1.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Respiratory System 113 (2.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Respiratory System 4,820 (3.1%)
8	Surgical Procedures on the Cardiovascular System 1,985 (3.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nervous System 889 (2.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Cardiovascular System 277 (2.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Urinary System 654 (2.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Cardiovascular System 50 (1.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Cardiovascular System 160 (1.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Cardiovascular System 86 (1.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Cardiovascular System 4,131 (2.7%)
9	Surgical Procedures on the Nervous System 1,316 (2.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Respiratory System 727 (1.8%)	Surgical Procedures on the Female Genital System 194 (1.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Cardiovascular System 558 (2.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Urinary System 36 (0.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Respiratory System 115 (1.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Urinary System 67 (1.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nervous System 3,872 (2.5%)
10	Surgical Procedures on the Auditory System 677 (1.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Auditory System 425 (1.0%)	Cardiovascular Procedures 133 (1.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Auditory System 490 (2.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Male Genital System 35 (0.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Auditory System 84 (1.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nervous System 65 (1.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Auditory System 2,435 (1.6%)

Leading Causes of Surgical Procedures by Age Group (Minor CPT Categories)

Table 56. Top Ten Leading Causes of Surgical Procedures by Age Group (2023)

Rank	Ages 00-04	Ages 05-14	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+	All Ages
1	Surgical Procedures on the Middle Ear 1,067 (27.8%)	Surgical Procedures on the Pharynx, Adenoids, and Tonsils 1,238 (21.2%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 1,343 (15.7%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 1,517 (11.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 2,189 (11.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 6,361 (26.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 7,180 (23.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 9,124 (18.8%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 26,620 (17.3%)
2	Surgical Procedures on the Pharynx, Adenoids, and Tonsils 620 (16.2%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 994 (17.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 753 (8.8%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 1,262 (9.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 2,168 (11.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 2,705 (11.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 3,695 (11.8%)	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 6,239 (12.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 16,578 (10.8%)
3	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 591 (15.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Middle Ear 562 (9.6%)	Endoscopy/Art hroscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeleta I System 715 (8.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 927 (7.1%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 1,415 (7.5%)	Endoscopy/Art hroscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeleta I System 1,572 (6.6%)	Endoscopy/Art hroscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeleta I System 1,964 (6.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 5,218 (10.8%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 10,357 (6.7%)
4	Surgical Procedures on the Penis 413 (10.8%)	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 540 (9.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 551 (6.4%)	Endoscopy/Art hroscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeleta I System 756 (5.8%)	Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri 1,374 (7.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri 1,190 (5.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 1,701 (5.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Bladder 2,481 (5.1%)	Surgical Procedures on the Anterior Segment of the Eye 8,527 (5.6%)

Rank	Ages 00-04	Ages 05-14	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+	All Ages
5	Surgical Procedures on the Esophagus 216 (5.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 308 (5.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 448 (5.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 702 (5.4%)	Endoscopy/Art hroscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeleta I System 1,283 (6.8%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 1,071 (4.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 1,476 (4.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 2,378 (4.9%)	Endoscopy/Art hroscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeleta I System 7,838 (5.1%)
6	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 166 (4.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 228 (3.9%)	Introduction or Removal Procedures on the Integumentary System 431 (5.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri 554 (4.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 861 (4.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 945 (4.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 1,219 (3.9%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 2,187 (4.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 6,967 (4.5%)
7	Surgical Procedures on the Skin, Subcutaneous and Accessory Structures 103 (2.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Appendix 213 (3.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Pharynx, Adenoids, and Tonsils 372 (4.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Oviduct/Ovary 482 (3.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 743 (4.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 892 (3.7%)	Surgical Repair (Closure) Procedures on the Integumentary System 1,218 (3.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 1,897 (3.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 5,765 (3.8%)
8	Surgical Procedures on the Tongue and Floor of Mouth 98 (2.6%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nails 183 (3.1%)	Surgical Procedures on the Appendix 344 (4.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nose 448 (3.4%)	Surgical Procedures on the Breast 618 (3.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Breast 774 (3.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Bladder 996 (3.2%)	Surgical Procedures on the Femur (Thigh Region) and Knee Joint 1,800 (3.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Bladder 5,138 (3.3%)

Rank	Ages 00-04	Ages 05-14	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+	All Ages
9	Surgical Procedures on the Ocular Adnexa 86 (2.2%)	General Surgical Procedures on the Musculoskeleta I System 144 (2.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nose 301 (3.5%)	Surgical Procedures on the Biliary Tract 400 (3.1%)	Surgical Procedures on the Biliary Tract 612 (3.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Bladder 690 (2.9%)	Surgical Procedures on the Femur (Thigh Region) and Knee Joint 977 (3.1%)	Surgical Procedures on Arteries and Veins 1,607 (3.3%)	Surgical Procedures on the Corpus Uteri 4,281 (2.8%)
10	Surgical Procedures on the Colon and Rectum 81 (2.1%)	Surgical Procedures on the Leg (Tibia and Fibula) and Ankle Joint 116 (2.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Hand and Fingers 263 (3.1%)	Surgical Procedures on the Abdomen, Peritoneum, and Omentum 399 (3.1%)	Surgical Procedures on the Nose 504 (2.7%)	Surgical Procedures on the Biliary Tract 485 (2.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Shoulder 846 (2.7%)	Endoscopy/Art hroscopy Procedures on the Musculoskeleta I System 1,437 (3.0%)	Surgical Procedures on the Femur (Thigh Region) and Knee Joint 3,591 (2.3%)

Outpatient Non-Emergency Department Discharges

Methodology

Outpatient non-emergency department discharges include visits for surgery, observation, and therapy, among other reasons. The records in this chapter include visits identified by hospitals as outpatient surgery or other outpatient visits, but do not include the other outpatient visits where laboratory or radiology services were the only services provided. The lab/radiology-only discharges are reported in the next chapter. All visits to an ambulatory surgery center (ASC) are included in this chapter as well as visits that any non-military community hospitals identified as outpatient surgery.

As in both the Inpatient and Emergency Department chapters, the tables in this section group outpatient non-ED/nonlab discharges using CCSR categories that aggregate ICD-10-CM principal diagnoses into 540 categories, and displays the top ten leading causes. The only exception is Table 60, which instead categorizes each visit based on 23 ICD-10-CM groupings using the principal diagnosis code (the Z category was divided into two parts to display examinations separately). These ICD-10-CM groups are broader than the CCSR categories, so this provides a higher-level overview of visits.

Data Highlights

- In 2023, there were 612,370 outpatient non-ED/non-lab discharges in Alaska, generating ~\$3.7 billion in billed charges.
- The median billed charge for a discharge was \$797.
- Commercial insurance was the most common primary payer at 28.7% of discharges, followed by Medicare at 27.8%.
- The top three leading causes of discharge by CCSR category were:
 - 1. Medical examination/evaluations (39,206 discharges).
 - 2. Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain (22,790 discharges).
 - 3. Neoplasm-related encounters (19,000 discharges).

Non-Emergency Department/Non-Lab Visits by Characteristic

Table 57. All Non-ED/Non-Lab Visits (2023)

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges
Sex: Male	252,659	41.3%	\$827	\$1,697,234,391
Sex: Female	359,261	58.7%	\$784	\$1,970,120,625
Race: White	228,917	37.4%	\$1,815	\$2,219,260,223
Race: AI/AN	307,459	50.2%	\$456	\$718,959,420
Race: Asian/PI	14,778	2.4%	\$2,660	\$140,672,436
Race: Black	8,736	1.4%	\$2,732	\$84,074,113
Ethnicity: Hispanic	13,967	2.3%	\$1,139	\$107,039,314
Age Group: <15	74,232	12.1%	\$357	\$200,783,975
Age Group: 15-24	49,707	8.1%	\$580	\$191,182,847
Age Group: 25-34	71,022	11.6%	\$648	\$291,749,812
Age Group: 35-44	71,964	11.8%	\$788	\$409,864,789
Age Group: 45-54	71,731	11.7%	\$1,088	\$490,301,827
Age Group: 55-64	95,560	15.6%	\$1,121	\$743,874,542
Age Group: 65-74	109,287	17.8%	\$1,193	\$863,490,450
Age Group: 75+	68,669	11.2%	\$1,020	\$477,813,344
Payer: Medicare	170,159	27.8%	\$1,105	\$1,248,214,657
Payer: Medicaid	159,773	26.1%	\$557	\$613,519,411
Payer: Commercial	175,598	28.7%	\$936	\$1,170,031,189
Payer: Self Pay	63,618	10.4%	\$409	\$166,376,624
Payer: Other	43,206	7.1%	\$1,800	\$471,235,637
Region: Anchorage	239,839	39.2%	\$677	\$1,417,771,181
Region: Gulf Coast	107,147	17.5%	\$929	\$606,444,057
Region: Interior	50,051	8.2%	\$1,557	\$321,817,437
Region: Mat-Su	39,543	6.5%	\$6,247	\$786,701,056
Region: Northern	56,075	9.2%	\$531	\$120,492,338
Region: Southeast	40,759	6.7%	\$1,512	\$223,727,524
Region: Southwest	75,381	12.3%	\$516	\$161,593,822
Region: Out of State	3,252	0.5%	\$1,046	\$29,661,827
Alaska 2023	612,370	100.0%	\$797	\$3,669,438,051
Alaska 2022	560,735	-	\$804	\$3,319,065,485
Alaska 2021	614,315	-	\$618	\$3,144,285,096

Leading Causes of Non-Emergency Department/Non-Lab Visits by Principal Diagnoses (CCSR and ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Categories)

Table 58. Top Ten Non-Emergency Department/Non-Lab Vis	it CCSR Categories with Top Three ICD-10-	CM Principal Diagnoses (2023)

Rank	CCSR Diagnosis Category	Top Three Principal Diagnoses
1	Medical examination/evaluation 39,206 (6.4%)	Encounter for routine child health examination without abnormal findings (14,558) Encounter for other preprocedural examination (9,340) Encounter for general adult medical examination without abnormal findings (4,668)
2	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 22,790 (3.7%)	Pain in right knee (2,813) Pain in right shoulder (2,660) Pain in left knee (2,475)
3	Neoplasm-related encounters 19,000 (3.1%)	Encounter for screening for malignant neoplasm of colon (15,015) Encounter for screening mammogram for malignant neoplasm of breast (1,653) Encounter for screening for malignant neoplasm of cervix (957)
4	Other aftercare encounter 17,047 (2.8%)	Encounter for other orthopedic aftercare (4,626) Encounter for follow-up examination after completed treatment for conditions other than malignant neoplasm (3,603) Aftercare following joint replacement surgery (1,527)
5	Spondylopathies/spondyloarthropathy (including infective) 14,530 (2.4%)	Cervicalgia (2,829) Radiculopathy, lumbar region (1,274) Spondylosis without myelopathy or radiculopathy, lumbar region (934)
6	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 11,212 (1.8%)	Encounter for immunization (8,430) Encounter for screening for infections with a predominantly sexual mode of transmission (1,230) Encounter for screening for respiratory tuberculosis (494)
7	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdomen signs and symptoms 11,016 (1.8%)	Unspecified abdominal pain (2,690) Diarrhea, unspecified (1,035) Pelvic and perineal pain (996)
8	Osteoarthritis 9,623 (1.6%)	Unilateral primary osteoarthritis, right knee (1,776) Unilateral primary osteoarthritis, left knee (1,766) Bilateral primary osteoarthritis of knee (1,195)

Rank	CCSR Diagnosis Category	Top Three Principal Diagnoses
9	Other specified upper respiratory infections 9,431 (1.5%)	Acute upper respiratory infection, unspecified (3,984) Acute pharyngitis, unspecified (2,860) Streptococcal pharyngitis (1,910)
10	Other specified complications in pregnancy 9,205 (1.5%)	Other specified diseases and conditions complicating pregnancy (1,290) Anemia complicating pregnancy, third trimester (1,208) Other specified pregnancy related conditions, third trimester (1,034)

Leading Causes of Non-Emergency Department/Non-Lab Visits by Public Health Region (CCSR Diagnosis Categories and Major ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Categories)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
1	Medical examination/eval uation 17,882 (7.5%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 5,496 (5.1%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthropa thy (including infective) 2,303 (4.6%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 1,987 (5.0%)	Medical examination/eval uation 4,407 (7.9%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 2,057 (5.1%)	Medical examination/eval uation 9,057 (12.4%)	Medical examination/eval uation 39,206 (6.4%)
2	Other aftercare encounter 8,414 (3.5%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthropa thy (including infective) 4,295 (4.0%)	Nervous system pain and pain syndromes 2,247 (4.5%)	Cataract and other lens disorders 1,163 (2.9%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 2,485 (4.4%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthropa thy (including infective) 1,510 (3.7%)	Other specified complications in pregnancy 3,041 (4.1%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 22,790 (3.7%)
3	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 8,268 (3.4%)	Medical examination/eval uation 4,262 (4.0%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 2,242 (4.5%)	Osteoarthritis 1,157 (2.9%)	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 2,333 (4.2%)	Medical examination/eval uation 1,239 (3.0%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 3,000 (4.1%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 19,000 (3.1%)
4	Biomechanical lesions 7,478 (3.1%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 4,020 (3.8%)	Coronary atherosclerosis and other heart disease 2,116 (4.2%)	Medical examination/eval uation 1,129 (2.9%)	Other aftercare encounter 1,876 (3.3%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 1,230 (3.0%)	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 2,785 (3.8%)	Other aftercare encounter 17,047 (2.8%)
5	Neoplasm- related encounters 7,235 (3.0%)	Osteoarthritis 2,624 (2.5%)	Cardiac dysrhythmias 2,085 (4.2%)	Benign neoplasms 1,066 (2.7%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 1,831 (3.3%)	Other aftercare encounter 1,181 (2.9%)	Other aftercare encounter 2,364 (3.2%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthropa thy (including infective) 14,530 (2.4%)

Table 59. Top Ten Leading Causes of Non-Emergency Department/Non-Lab Visits (CCSR Diagnosis Categories) by Public Health Region (2023)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
6	Other specified upper respiratory infections 5,381 (2.2%)	Sleep wake disorders 2,252 (2.1%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 1,611 (3.2%)	Coronary atherosclerosis and other heart disease 986 (2.5%)	Essential hypertension 1,616 (2.9%)	Osteoarthritis 938 (2.3%)	Essential hypertension 2,018 (2.8%)	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 11,212 (1.8%)
7	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 4,929 (2.1%)	Other specified and unspecified skin disorders 2,069 (1.9%)	Other aftercare encounter 1,172 (2.3%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 981 (2.5%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 1,026 (1.8%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 875 (2.2%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 1,388 (1.9%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 11,016 (1.8%)
8	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 4,073 (1.7%)	Diabetes mellitus with complication 2,048 (1.9%)	Medical examination/eval uation 1,097 (2.2%)	Other aftercare encounter 898 (2.3%)	Other specified complications in pregnancy 926 (1.7%)	Encounter for antineoplastic therapies 704 (1.7%)	Uncomplicated pregnancy, delivery or puerperium 1,186 (1.6%)	Osteoarthritis 9,623 (1.6%)
9	Other specified and unspecified skin disorders 3,933 (1.6%)	Respiratory signs and symptoms 1,852 (1.7%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 1,093 (2.2%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthropa thy (including infective) 892 (2.3%)	Other specified and unspecified skin disorders 912 (1.6%)	Neurodevelopme ntal disorders 665 (1.6%)	Supervision of high-risk pregnancy 1,117 (1.5%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 9,431 (1.5%)
10	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthropa thy (including infective) 3,791 (1.6%)	Encounter for antineoplastic therapies 1,839 (1.7%)	Essential hypertension 1,085 (2.2%)	Sprains and strains, initial encounter 722 (1.8%)	Diabetes mellitus without complication 904 (1.6%)	Respiratory signs and symptoms 625 (1.5%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 1,106 (1.5%)	Other specified complications in pregnancy 9,205 (1.5%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
1	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 31,898 (13.3%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 17,959 (16.8%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 8,157 (16.3%)	Diseases of the digestive system 4,780 (12.1%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 6,698 (11.9%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 5,985 (14.7%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 11,930 (15.8%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 81,198 (13.3%)
2	Persons encountering health services for examinations 29,632 (12.4%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 11,699 (10.9%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 7,078 (14.1%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 4,637 (11.7%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 6,203 (11.1%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 4,673 (11.5%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 8,814 (11.7%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 68,295 (11.2%)
3	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 24,205 (10.1%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 8,894 (8.3%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 5,672 (11.3%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 3,573 (9.0%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 6,104 (10.9%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 3,874 (9.5%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 7,052 (9.4%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 61,275 (10.0%)
4	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 24,130 (10.1%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 7,953 (7.4%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 3,575 (7.1%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 3,463 (8.8%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 4,795 (8.6%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 3,626 (8.9%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 6,364 (8.4%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 57,319 (9.4%)
5	Diseases of the digestive system 12,603 (5.3%)	Diseases of the nervous system 7,263 (6.8%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 3,546 (7.1%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 2,788 (7.1%)	Diseases of the respiratory system 4,054 (7.2%)	Diseases of the digestive system 2,908 (7.1%)	Pregnancy, childbirth, and puerperium 6,290 (8.3%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 36,296 (5.9%)

 Table 60. Top Ten Leading Causes of Non-Emergency Department/Non-Lab Visits (Major ICD-10-CM Categories) by Public Health Region (2023)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
6	Diseases of the respiratory system 12,183 (5.1%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 5,958 (5.6%)	Diseases of the nervous system 3,412 (6.8%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 2,693 (6.8%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 3,510 (6.3%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 2,514 (6.2%)	Mental, Behavioral and Neurodevelopme ntal disorders 5,667 (7.5%)	Diseases of the digestive system 33,832 (5.5%)
7	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 12,088 (5.0%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 5,761 (5.4%)	Diseases of the digestive system 3,362 (6.7%)	Neoplasms 2,610 (6.6%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 3,044 (5.4%)	Neoplasms 2,229 (5.5%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 3,588 (4.8%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 31,575 (5.2%)
8	Mental, Behavioral and Neurodevelopme ntal disorders 10,914 (4.6%)	Mental, Behavioral and Neurodevelopme ntal disorders 5,711 (5.3%)	Neoplasms 3,016 (6.0%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 2,157 (5.5%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 2,815 (5.0%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 2,223 (5.5%)	Diseases of the respiratory system 3,321 (4.4%)	Diseases of the respiratory system 27,152 (4.4%)
9	Diseases of the circulatory system 10,863 (4.5%)	Diseases of the digestive system 5,401 (5.0%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 2,183 (4.4%)	Diseases of the respiratory system 1,902 (4.8%)	Diseases of the digestive system 2,226 (4.0%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 1,748 (4.3%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 3,044 (4.0%)	Mental, Behavioral and Neurodevelopme ntal disorders 26,778 (4.4%)
10	Diseases of the genitourinary system 10,139 (4.2%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 5,392 (5.0%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 1,794 (3.6%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 1,873 (4.7%)	Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue 2,189 (3.9%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 1,627 (4.0%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 2,353 (3.1%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 24,132 (3.9%)

Outpatient Lab or Radiology Discharges

Methodology

Outpatient lab or radiology discharges for this chapter were identified as "other outpatient" by the hospital and only had lab or radiology revenue codes in the billing detail. The specific lab/radiology revenue codes are listed in Appendix D. If a record had both a lab/radiology revenue code and a non-lab/radiology revenue code, then it would be included in the prior Outpatient Non-Emergency Department chapter.

As in both the Inpatient and Emergency Department chapters, the tables in this section group outpatient lab/radiologyonly discharges using CCSR categories that aggregate ICD-10-CM principal diagnoses into 540 categories, and displays the top ten leading causes. The only exception is Table 64, which instead categorizes each visit based on 23 ICD-10-CM groupings using the principal diagnosis code (the Z category was divided into two parts to display examinations separately). These ICD-10-CM groups are broader than the CCSR categories, so this provides a higher-level overview of visits.

Data Highlights

- In 2023, there were 418,066 outpatient lab or radiology discharges in Alaska, generating ~\$489.1 million in billed charges.
- The median billed charge for a discharge was \$665.
- Commercial insurance was the most common primary payer at 38.7% of discharges, followed by Medicare at 30.6%.
- The top three leading causes of discharge by CCSR category were:
 - 1. *Medical examination/evaluations* (24,617 discharges).
 - 2. Neoplasm-related encounters (23,043 discharges).
 - 3. Abnormal findings without diagnosis (13,444 discharges).

Lab/Radiology-Only Visits by Characteristic

Table 61. All Lab/Radiology-Only Visits

Characteristic	Discharges	Percent of Category	Median Charge	Total Charges
Sex: Male	157,920	37.8%	\$646	\$196,513,501
Sex: Female	259,987	62.2%	\$680	\$292,383,718
Race: White	258,624	61.9%	\$630	\$297,103,824
Race: AI/AN	94,959	22.7%	\$850	\$121,170,436
Race: Asian/PI	20,881	5.0%	\$514	\$21,146,494
Race: Black	10,530	2.5%	\$506	\$10,187,272
Ethnicity: Hispanic	11,952	2.9%	\$612	\$13,666,869
Age Group: <15	29,072	7.0%	\$360	\$19,127,749
Age Group: 15-24	29,821	7.1%	\$597	\$28,606,118
Age Group: 25-34	45,779	11.0%	\$639	\$48,559,650
Age Group: 35-44	52,454	12.5%	\$698	\$59,830,498
Age Group: 45-54	53,244	12.7%	\$747	\$67,487,333
Age Group: 55-64	71,467	17.1%	\$733	\$95,696,522
Age Group: 65-74	83,625	20.0%	\$681	\$107,496,857
Age Group: 75+	52,514	12.6%	\$620	\$62,153,761
Payer: Medicare	127,444	30.5%	\$654	\$156,545,076
Payer: Medicaid	78,430	18.8%	\$583	\$80,123,552
Payer: Commercial	161,680	38.7%	\$681	\$186,335,992
Payer: Self Pay	22,580	5.4%	\$866	\$29,552,565
Payer: Other	27,931	6.7%	\$686	\$36,550,646
Region: Anchorage	128,012	30.6%	\$570	\$145,548,732
Region: Gulf Coast	74,815	17.9%	\$793	\$96,350,633
Region: Interior	80,298	19.2%	\$556	\$75,329,165
Region: Mat-Su	37,827	9.0%	\$888	\$63,686,928
Region: Northern	20,279	4.9%	\$810	\$27,629,149
Region: Southeast	48,818	11.7%	\$686	\$56,292,155
Region: Southwest	24,274	5.8%	\$377	\$20,977,290
Region: Out of State	3,504	0.8%	\$434	\$3,004,212
Alaska 2023	418,066	100.0%	\$665	\$489,108,769
Alaska 2022	521,311	-	\$428	\$465,165,242
Alaska 2021	651,751	-	\$253	\$484,784,816

Leading Causes of Lab/Radiology-Only Visits by Principal Diagnoses (CCSR and ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Categories)

Table 62. Top Ten Lab/Radiology Visit CCSR Categories with Top Three ICD-10-CM Principal Diagnoses (2023)

Rank	CCSR Diagnosis Category	Top Three Principal Diagnoses
1	Medical examination/evaluation 24,617 (5.9%)	Encounter for general adult medical examination without abnormal findings (8,238) Encounter for other preprocedural examination (6,161) Encounter for preprocedural laboratory examination (2,954)
2	Neoplasm-related encounters 23,043 (5.5%)	Encounter for screening mammogram for malignant neoplasm of breast (17,390) Encounter for screening for malignant neoplasm of colon (1,921) Encounter for screening for malignant neoplasm of respiratory organs (1,211)
3	Abnormal findings without diagnosis 13,444 (3.2%)	Other specified abnormal findings of blood chemistry (1,692) Other abnormal and inconclusive findings on diagnostic imaging of breast (1,489) Prediabetes (1,479)
4	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 13,317 (3.2%)	Pain in right knee (1,322) Pain in left knee (1,133) Pain in right shoulder (843)
5	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 12,244 (2.9%)	Encounter for screening for infections with a predominantly sexual mode of transmission (3,280) Contact with and (suspected) exposure to COVID-19 (2,754) Encounter for screening for respiratory tuberculosis (2,441)
6	Thyroid disorders 12,122 (2.9%)	Hypothyroidism, unspecified (6,629) Nontoxic single thyroid nodule (897) Thyrotoxicosis, unspecified without thyrotoxic crisis or storm (855)
7	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdomen signs and symptoms 11,346 (2.7%)	Unspecified abdominal pain (3,109) Diarrhea, unspecified (1,870) Right upper quadrant pain (831)
8	Essential hypertension 9,849 (2.4%)	Essential (primary) hypertension (9,849) (.) (.)
9	Other specified upper respiratory infections 9,848 (2.4%)	Acute pharyngitis, unspecified (7,000) Acute upper respiratory infection, unspecified (1,318) Streptococcal pharyngitis (698)
10	Diabetes mellitus without complication 8,866 (2.1%)	Type 2 diabetes mellitus without complications (8,209) Type 1 diabetes mellitus without complications (580) Other specified diabetes mellitus without complications (74)

Leading Causes of Lab/Radiology Visits by Public Health Region (CCSR Diagnosis Categories and Major ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Categories)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
1	Medical examination/eval uation 9,454 (7.4%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 4,726 (6.3%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 4,635 (5.8%)	Medical examination/eval uation 3,243 (8.6%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 1,673 (8.3%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 4,511 (9.3%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 2,832 (11.8%)	Medical examination/eval uation 24,617 (5.9%)
2	Neoplasm- related encounters 6,338 (5.0%)	Medical examination/eval uation 4,491 (6.0%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 4,165 (5.2%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 1,326 (3.5%)	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 1,099 (5.4%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 2,282 (4.7%)	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 2,309 (9.6%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 23,043 (5.5%)
3	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 4,530 (3.5%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthrop athy (including infective) 2,624 (3.5%)	Medical examination/eval uation 3,201 (4.0%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 1,247 (3.3%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 891 (4.4%)	Abnormal findings without diagnosis 2,011 (4.1%)	Encounter for observation and examination for conditions ruled out (excludes infectious disease, neoplasm, mental disorders) 1,424 (6.0%)	Abnormal findings without diagnosis 13,444 (3.2%)
4	Abnormal findings without diagnosis 4,445 (3.5%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 2,548 (3.4%)	Thyroid disorders 2,793 (3.5%)	Abnormal findings without diagnosis 1,169 (3.1%)	Medical examination/eval uation 735 (3.6%)	Medical examination/eval uation 1,910 (3.9%)	Medical examination/eval uation 1,416 (5.9%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 13,317 (3.2%)
5	Thyroid disorders 4,250 (3.3%)	Abnormal findings without diagnosis 2,414 (3.2%)	Respiratory signs and symptoms 2,661 (3.3%)	Urinary tract infections 1,096 (2.9%)	Uncomplicated pregnancy, delivery or puerperium 584 (2.9%)	Essential hypertension 1,603 (3.3%)	Abnormal findings without diagnosis 689 (2.9%)	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 12,244 (2.9%)

Table 63. Top Ten Leading Causes of Lab/Radiology Visits (CCSR Diagnosis Categories) by Public Health Region (2023)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
6	Diabetes mellitus without complication 3,526 (2.8%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 2,190 (2.9%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 2,394 (3.0%)	Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain 967 (2.6%)	Diabetes mellitus without complication 535 (2.6%)	Exposure, encounters, screening or contact with infectious disease 1,421 (2.9%)	Urinary tract infections 652 (2.7%)	Thyroid disorders 12,122 (2.9%)
7	Essential hypertension 3,440 (2.7%)	Thyroid disorders 2,168 (2.9%)	Disorders of lipid metabolism 2,344 (2.9%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 900 (2.4%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 535 (2.6%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 1,416 (2.9%)	Neoplasm- related encounters 614 (2.6%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 11,346 (2.7%)
8	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 2,887 (2.3%)	Osteoarthritis 1,965 (2.6%)	Abnormal findings without diagnosis 2,208 (2.8%)	Thyroid disorders 897 (2.4%)	Nutritional deficiencies 458 (2.3%)	Thyroid disorders 1,377 (2.8%)	Diabetes mellitus without complication 581 (2.4%)	Essential hypertension 9,849 (2.4%)
9	Disorders of lipid metabolism 2,821 (2.2%)	Essential hypertension 1,560 (2.1%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthrop athy (including infective) 1,698 (2.1%)	Genitourinary signs and symptoms 806 (2.1%)	Encounter for administrative purposes 446 (2.2%)	Spondylopathies/ spondyloarthrop athy (including infective) 1,339 (2.7%)	Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdom en signs and symptoms 487 (2.0%)	Other specified upper respiratory infections 9,848 (2.4%)
10	Encounter for observation and examination for conditions ruled out (excludes infectious disease, neoplasm, mental disorders) 2,609 (2.0%)	Encounter for observation and examination for conditions ruled out (excludes infectious disease, neoplasm, mental disorders) 1,355 (1.8%)	Essential hypertension 1,682 (2.1%)	Essential hypertension 794 (2.1%)	Encounter for observation and examination for conditions ruled out (excludes infectious disease, neoplasm, mental disorders) 427 (2.1%)	Diabetes mellitus without complication 1,107 (2.3%)	Genitourinary signs and symptoms 473 (2.0%)	Diabetes mellitus without complication 8,866 (2.1%)

Table 64. Top Ten Leading Causes of Lab/Radiology Visits (Major ICD-10-CM Categories) by Public Health Region (2023)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
1	Persons encountering health services for examinations 22,858 (17.9%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 11,809 (15.8%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 14,664 (18.3%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 6,561 (17.4%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 2,790 (13.8%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 7,815 (16.0%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 5,678 (23.7%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 66,552 (16.0%)
2	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 17,865 (14.0%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 11,370 (15.3%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 9,707 (12.1%)	Persons encountering health services for examinations 5,395 (14.3%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 2,524 (12.5%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 7,447 (15.3%)	Diseases of the respiratory system 3,392 (14.2%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 63,706 (15.3%)
3	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 16,285 (12.8%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 10,324 (13.9%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 9,700 (12.1%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 3,934 (10.4%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 2,412 (11.9%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 6,556 (13.5%)	Symptoms, signs, and abnormal clinical laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 2,671 (11.2%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 45,951 (11.0%)
4	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 11,245 (8.8%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 7,940 (10.7%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 9,462 (11.8%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 3,469 (9.2%)	Diseases of the respiratory system 2,173 (10.7%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 5,104 (10.5%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 1,684 (7.0%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 42,518 (10.2%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
5	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 9,620 (7.5%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 5,192 (7.0%)	Neoplasms 8,662 (10.8%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 2,995 (7.9%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 1,906 (9.4%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 4,055 (8.3%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 1,652 (6.9%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 31,284 (7.5%)
6	Diseases of the genitourinary system 9,082 (7.1%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 5,025 (6.7%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 5,265 (6.6%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 2,490 (6.6%)	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 1,470 (7.3%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 3,527 (7.2%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 1,548 (6.5%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 29,018 (7.0%)
7	Diseases of the circulatory system 8,228 (6.4%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 4,731 (6.3%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 4,836 (6.0%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 2,161 (5.7%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 1,120 (5.5%)	Diseases of the genitourinary system 3,105 (6.4%)	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 1,293 (5.4%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 25,683 (6.2%)
8	Neoplasms 5,998 (4.7%)	Neoplasms 3,536 (4.7%)	Factors influencing health status and contact with health services [except examinations] 3,938 (4.9%)	Neoplasms 2,024 (5.4%)	Pregnancy, childbirth, and puerperium 802 (4.0%)	Neoplasms 1,921 (3.9%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 850 (3.6%)	Neoplasms 23,524 (5.6%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
9	Diseases of the blood and blood- forming organs and certain disorders involving the immune mechanism 3,870 (3.0%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 3,046 (4.1%)	Diseases of the respiratory system 2,557 (3.2%)	Diseases of the respiratory system 1,692 (4.5%)	Diseases of the circulatory system 756 (3.7%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 1,537 (3.2%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 798 (3.3%)	Diseases of the respiratory system 15,577 (3.7%)
10	Diseases of the digestive system 3,798 (3.0%)	Diseases of the digestive system 2,039 (2.7%)	Diseases of the blood and blood- forming organs and certain disorders involving the immune mechanism 1,851 (2.3%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 1,520 (4.0%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 688 (3.4%)	Mental, Behavioral and Neurodevelopmental disorders 1,360 (2.8%)	Neoplasms 743 (3.1%)	Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes 12,671 (3.0%)

Appendices

Appendix A: Health Facilities Submitting Data for 2023

Table 65. HFDR Facilities

Hospitals	Ambulatory Surgery Centers
Alaska Native Medical Center	ASC North
Alaska Psychiatric Institute	Alaska Cardiovascular Surgery Center
Alaska Regional Hospital	Alaska Digestive Center
Bartlett Regional Hospital	Alaska Eye Surgery and Laser Center
Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation/Kanakanak Hospital	Alaska Surgery Center
Central Peninsula Hospital	Alpine Surgery Center
Cordova Community Medical Center	Anchorage Endoscopy Center
Fairbanks Memorial Hospital	Creekside Surgery Center
Maniilaq Health Center	Denali Biomedical
Mat-Su Regional Medical Center	Geneva Woods Surgical Center
Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center	Pacific Cataract and Laser Institute
North Star Hospital	South Anchorage Surgery Center
Norton Sound Regional Hospital	Southeast Alaska Surgery Center
PeaceHealth Ketchikan Medical Center	Surgery Center of Anchorage
Petersburg Medical Center	Surgery Center of Fairbanks
Providence Alaska Medical Center	Surgery Center of Wasilla
Providence Kodiak Island Medical Center	Susitna Surgery Center
Providence Seward Medical and Care Center	
Providence Valdez Medical Center	
Samuel Simmonds Memorial Hospital	
South Peninsula Hospital	
St. Elias Specialty Hospital	
Wrangell Medical Center	
Yukon Kuskokwim Delta Regional Hospital	

Appendix B: Alaska Public Health Regions

Alaska Public Health Regions are based on the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development's six Economic Regions: Anchorage and Mat-Su, Gulf Coast, Interior, Northern, Southeast, and Southwest. For public health purposes, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough is reported separately from the Municipality of Anchorage. The county-equivalent geographic units (Borough/Census Areas) included in each region are summarized below.

Table 66. Alaska Public Health Regions

Public Health Region	Borough/Census Area
Anchorage	Anchorage Municipality
Gulf Coast	Chugach Census Area
	Copper River Census Area
	Kenai Peninsula Borough
	Kodiak Island Borough
Interior	Denali Borough
	Fairbanks North Star Borough
	Southeast Fairbanks Census Area
	Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area
Matanuska-Susitna	Matanuska-Susitna Borough
Northern	Nome Census Area
	North Slope Borough
	Northwest Arctic Borough
Southeast	Haines Borough
	Hoonah-Angoon Census Area
	Juneau City and Borough
	Ketchikan Gateway Borough
	Petersburg Borough
	Prince of Wales-Hyder Census Area
	Sitka City and Borough
	Skagway Municipality
	Wrangell City and Borough
	Yakutat City and Borough
Southwest	Aleutians East Borough
	Aleutians West Census Area
	Bethel Census Area
	Bristol Bay Borough
	Dillingham Census Area
	Kusilvak Census Area
	Lake and Peninsula Borough

Figure 4. Alaska Public Health Regions Map



Appendix C: Leading Causes of Hospitalization by Public Health Region (Diagnosis Related Group Categories)

Table 67. Top Ten Leading Causes of Hospitalization (DRG Categories) by Public Health Region (2023)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
1	Normal Newborn 1,354 (5.7%)	Normal Newborn 371 (5.4%)	Psychoses 632 (9.5%)	Normal Newborn 590 (6.7%)	Psychoses 181 (5.0%)	Normal Newborn 253 (5.2%)	Neonate With Other Significant Problems 315 (6.8%)	Normal Newborn 3,391 (5.6%)
2	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours With Mcc 1,279 (5.4%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c Without Cc/Mcc 364 (5.3%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c Without Cc/Mcc 561 (8.5%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c Without Cc/Mcc 490 (5.5%)	Normal Newborn 161 (4.4%)	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours With Mcc 235 (4.8%)	Psychoses 270 (5.9%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c Without Cc/Mcc 3,180 (5.2%)
3	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c Without Cc/Mcc 1,239 (5.2%)	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours With Mcc 264 (3.8%)	Neonate With Other Significant Problems 424 (6.4%)	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours With Mcc 471 (5.3%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c Without Cc/Mcc 154 (4.2%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c Without Cc/Mcc 229 (4.7%)	Normal Newborn 250 (5.4%)	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours With Mcc 2,759 (4.5%)
4	Neonate With Other Significant Problems 878 (3.7%)	Neonate With Other Significant Problems 248 (3.6%)	Normal Newborn 405 (6.1%)	Psychoses 286 (3.2%)	Neonate With Other Significant Problems 149 (4.1%)	Neonate With Other Significant Problems 212 (4.4%)	Principal Diagnosis Invalid As Discharge Diagnosis 199 (4.3%)	Psychoses 2,512 (4.1%)
5	Psychoses 744 (3.1%)	Psychoses 182 (2.6%)	Depressive Neuroses 189 (2.9%)	Neonate With Other Significant Problems 235 (2.7%)	Alcohol, Drug Abuse Or Dependence Without Rehabilitation Therapy Without Mcc 128 (3.5%)	Alcohol, Drug Abuse Or Dependence Without Rehabilitation Therapy Without Mcc 196 (4.0%)	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours With Mcc 150 (3.3%)	Neonate With Other Significant Problems 2,470 (4.1%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
6	Alcohol, Drug Abuse Or Dependence Without Rehabilitation Therapy Without Mcc 573 (2.4%)	Major Hip And Knee Joint Replacement Or Reattachment Of Lower Extremity Without Mcc 137 (2.0%)	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours With Mcc 177 (2.7%)	Heart Failure And Shock With Mcc 193 (2.2%)	Miscellaneous Disorders Of Nutrition, Metabolism, Fluids And Electrolytes Without Mcc 81 (2.2%)	Psychoses 169 (3.5%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c Without Cc/Mcc 127 (2.8%)	Alcohol, Drug Abuse Or Dependence Without Rehabilitation Therapy Without Mcc 1,288 (2.1%)
7	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours Without Mcc 483 (2.0%)	Heart Failure And Shock With Mcc 118 (1.7%)	Cesarean Section Without Sterilization Without Cc/Mcc 132 (2.0%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c With Cc 155 (1.8%)	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours With Mcc 80 (2.2%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c With Cc 99 (2.0%)	Cellulitis Without Mcc 113 (2.5%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c With Cc 1,111 (1.8%)
8	Heart Failure And Shock With Mcc 475 (2.0%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c With Cc 109 (1.6%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c With Cc 129 (1.9%)	Alcohol, Drug Abuse Or Dependence Without Rehabilitation Therapy Without Mcc 145 (1.6%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c With Cc 73 (2.0%)	Major Hip And Knee Joint Replacement Or Reattachment Of Lower Extremity Without Mcc 92 (1.9%)	Full Term Neonate With Major Problems 77 (1.7%)	Heart Failure And Shock With Mcc 1,057 (1.7%)

Rank	Anchorage	Gulf Coast	Interior	Mat-Su	Northern	Southeast	Southwest	All Alaska
9	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c With Cc 465 (2.0%)	Cesarean Section Without Sterilization Without Cc/Mcc 100 (1.4%)	Heart Failure And Shock With Mcc 91 (1.4%)	Cesarean Section Without Sterilization Without Cc/Mcc 134 (1.5%)	Other Factors Influencing Health Status 70 (1.9%)	Cesarean Section Without Sterilization Without Cc/Mcc 77 (1.6%)	Vaginal Delivery Without Sterilization Or D&c With Cc 76 (1.6%)	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours Without Mcc 945 (1.6%)
10	Pulmonary Edema And Respiratory Failure 374 (1.6%)	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours Without Mcc 97 (1.4%)	Alcohol, Drug Abuse Or Dependence Without Rehabilitation Therapy Without Mcc 72 (1.1%)	Septicemia Or Severe Sepsis Without Mv >96 Hours Without Mcc 132 (1.5%)	Poisoning And Toxic Effects Of Drugs Without Mcc 65 (1.8%)	Heart Failure And Shock With Mcc 73 (1.5%)	Other Antepartum Diagnoses Without O.R. Procedures With Cc 73 (1.6%)	Cesarean Section Without Sterilization Without Cc/Mcc 804 (1.3%)

Appendix D: Outpatient Laboratory and Radiology Revenue Codes

Table 68. Laboratory and Radiology Revenue Codes

Code	Revenue Code Description
300	Laboratory - General Classification
301	Laboratory - Chemistry
302	Laboratory - Immunology
303	Laboratory - Renal Patient (Home)
304	Laboratory - Non-Routine Dialysis
305	Laboratory - Hematology
306	Laboratory - Bacteriology and Microbiology
307	Laboratory - Urology
309	Laboratory - Other Laboratory
310	Laboratory Pathology - General Classification
311	Laboratory Pathology - Cytology
312	Laboratory Pathology - Histology
314	Laboratory Pathology - Biopsy
319	Laboratory Pathology - Other Laboratory Pathology
320	Radiology - Diagnostic - General Classification
321	Radiology - Diagnostic - Angiocardiography
322	Radiology - Diagnostic - Arthrography
323	Radiology - Diagnostic - Arteriography
324	Radiology - Diagnostic - Chest X-Ray
329	Radiology - Diagnostic - Other Radiology - Diagnostic
330	Radiology - Therapeutic and/or Chemotherapy Administration - General Classification
331	Radiology - Therapeutic and/or Chemotherapy Administration - Chemotherapy Admin - Injected
332	Radiology - Therapeutic and/or Chemotherapy Administration - Chemotherapy Admin - Oral
333	Radiology - Therapeutic and/or Chemotherapy Administration - Radiation Therapy
335	Radiology - Therapeutic and/or Chemotherapy Administration - Chemotherapy Admin - IV
339	Radiology - Therapeutic and/or Chemotherapy Administration - Other Radiology - Therapeutic
340	Nuclear Medicine - General Classification
341	Nuclear Medicine - Diagnostic
342	Nuclear Medicine - Therapeutic
343	Nuclear Medicine - Diagnostic Radiopharmaceuticals
344	Nuclear Medicine - Therapeutic Radiopharmaceuticals
349	Nuclear Medicine - Other Nuclear Medicine
350	CT Scan - General Classification
351	CT Scan - CT Head Scan
352	CT Scan - CT Body Scan
359	CT Scan - CT - Other
400	Other Imaging Services - General Classification
401	Other Imaging Services - Diagnostic Mammography
402	Other Imaging Services - Ultrasound
403	Other Imaging Services - Screening Mammography
404	Other Imaging Services - Positron Emission Tomography
409	Other Imaging Services - Other Imaging Services

Code	Revenue Code Description
482	Cardiology - Stress Test
483	Cardiology - Echocardiology
610	Magnetic Resonance Technology (MRT) - General Classification
611	Magnetic Resonance Technology (MRT) - MRI - Brain/Brainstem
612	Magnetic Resonance Technology (MRT) - MRI Spinal Cord/Spine
614	Magnetic Resonance Technology (MRT) - MRI - Other
615	Magnetic Resonance Technology (MRT) - MRA - Head and Neck
616	Magnetic Resonance Technology (MRT) - MRA - Lower Extremities
618	Magnetic Resonance Technology (MRT) - MRA - Other
619	Magnetic Resonance Technology (MRT) - Other MRT
730	EKG/ECG (Electrocardiogram) - General Classification
731	EKG/ECG (Electrocardiogram) - Holter Monitor
732	EKG/ECG (Electrocardiogram) - Telemetry
739	EKG/ECG (Electrocardiogram) - Other EKG/ECG
740	EEG (Electroencephalogram) - General Classification
860	Magnetoencephalography (MEG) - General Classification
861	Magnetoencephalography (MEG) - MEG
920	Other Diagnostic Services - General Classification
921	Other Diagnostic Services - Peripheral Vascular Lab
922	Other Diagnostic Services - Electromyelgram
923	Other Diagnostic Services - Pap smear
924	Other Diagnostic Services - Allergy Test
925	Other Diagnostic Services - Pregnancy Test
929	Other Diagnostic Services - Other Diagnostic Service

Appendix E: Glossary of Terms

Billed Charges: The dollar amount invoiced for the discharge by the medical facility to the primary payer. Any charges related to the discharge, but not billed by the facility, are not included in billed charges. For example, most physicians bill separately. Additionally, the billed charge amount may differ significantly from what is actually paid, for example, medical insurance companies may have negotiated discounted rates.

Clinical Classification Software Refined (CCSR):

Designed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), this diagnosis grouper aggregates inpatient and outpatient discharge ICD-10-CM codes into 540 categories.

Current Procedural Terminology (CPT): CPT is the industry standard for coding outpatient medical procedures. Procedures performed in Ambulatory Surgery Centers and Hospital Outpatient Surgery departments are analyzed using CPT categories. The American Medical Association (AMA) maintains the catalog of procedures.

Diagnosis: The condition, determined after study, which led to the patient's visit or hospitalization. Both the inpatient and outpatient conditions are identified using ICD-10-CM codes. Each discharge can have multiple diagnoses, but only the principal diagnosis, or first-listed diagnosis, is used in this report. Diagnosis code groupers such as CCSR combine diagnosis codes into clinically meaningful categories.

Diagnosis-Related Groups (DRG): A classification system for inpatient discharges. This diagnosis grouper uses DRG 3M software version 36 to aggregate ICD-10-CM codes into approximately 770 categories.

Discharge: The point at which a patient officially leaves a medical facility. The same individual can have multiple discharges throughout one year and each different discharge is counted in the annual report. Note that discharges do not necessarily reflect disease incidence or prevalence, just use of the hospital resource.

Emergency Department (ED) Visits: An outpatient discharge where the place of service is identified by the hospital as the emergency room.

Inpatient Discharges: A patient's discharge record from a medical facility that the facility identified as an inpatient stay, which typically includes a formal admission into a hospital by a licensed practitioner and at least one overnight stay.

International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM): ICD-10-CM is the industry standard for coding medical diagnoses. The ICD-10-CM code set is maintained by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for use in the United States. It is based on ICD-10, which was developed by the World Health Organization (WHO) and is used internationally.

International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Procedure Coding System (ICD-10-PCS): ICD-10-PCS is the industry standard for coding inpatient medical procedures. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) maintains the catalog of procedure codes used for hospital inpatient settings.

Median Charges: The median charge for a diagnosis category is amount on the middle discharge record when all the discharge records for the category are sorted by billed charges.

Median Days: For inpatient discharges, the Median Days is based on the number of days between the billing-from-date (typically the admission date) and the billing-to-date (typically the discharge date). The median days in the hospital for a diagnosis category is the number of days on the middle discharge record when all the discharge records for the category are sorted by number of days.

Outpatient Discharges: A patient's discharge record from a medical facility that the facility identified as an outpatient visits without a hospital admission, and all visits to ambulatory surgery centers.

Outpatient Lab or Radiology Visits: "Other outpatient" place of service hospital visits in which the billing record *only* includes one or more of the sixty-six laboratory and radiology revenue codes listed in Appendix D. If an "other outpatient" place of service discharge record *also* contains a revenue code that is not one of the lab/radiology codes, that record would be categorized as an Outpatient Non-Emergency Department Visit instead of an Outpatient Lab or Radiology Visit.

Outpatient Non-Emergency Department Visits: An outpatient discharge where the place of service is

identified as something other than emergency department (non-ED) except for a discharge that was only for laboratory or radiology services (lab/radiologyonly). The non-ED outpatient place of service categories are outpatient surgery, outpatient observation, invalid/missing, and other outpatient except for lab/radiology-only records.

Outpatient Surgery Procedures: Any line item in the revenue codes portion of an outpatient bill in which the CPT maps to a value of 1 or 2 using the Surgery Flags Software for Services and Procedures tool. The Outpatient Surgery Procedures chapter only analyzes procedures with a surgery flag value of 1 or 2. While both values are combined for analysis in this report, the value 2 represents a narrowly defined surgery that is usually a major *therapeutic* procedure, and the value 1 represents a broadly defined surgery that includes major *diagnostic* and invasive minor *therapeutic* procedures.

Primary Payer: The entity that the facility was expected to bill first. Examples include Medicare, Medicaid, and Commercial Insurance.