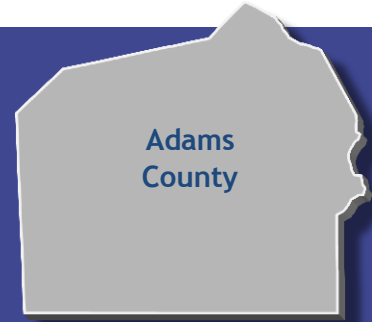


# Adams County

## Hospital Admissions

for Adams County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

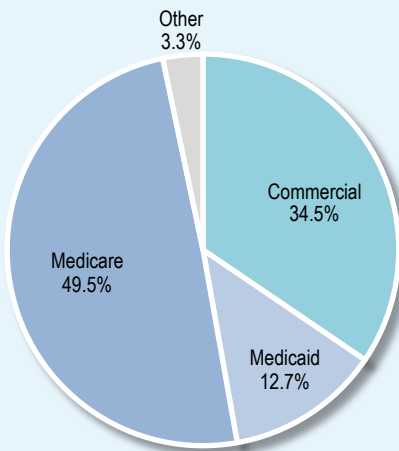
7,535 Adams County residents (7.4%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Adams County residents was 10,807.

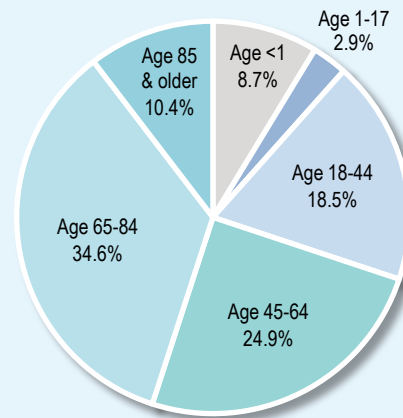
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Gettysburg	4,150	38.4%
York	2,206	20.4%
Hanover	2,090	19.3%
Milton S Hershey	533	4.9%
Pinnacle Health	264	2.4%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	11.5	7th
Heart Failure	40.9	38.2	21st
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	37.2	11th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	16.6	7th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	1.5	13th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 18.3% of Adams County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Adams County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,646
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,903

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Adams County had 18,706 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 12,721 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,071 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Allegheny County

## Hospital Admissions

for Allegheny County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

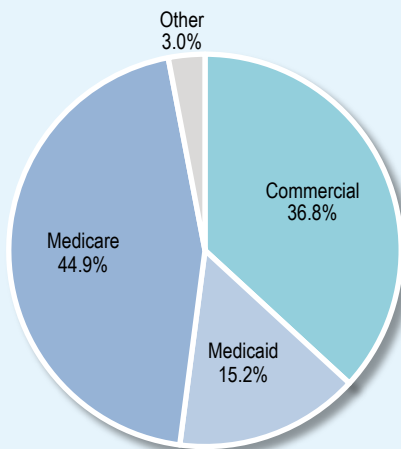
113,898 Allegheny County residents (9.3%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Allegheny County residents was 169,173.

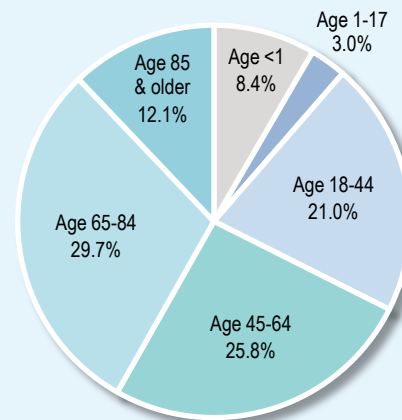
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
UPMC Presby Shadyside	25,795	15.2%
Magee Womens/UPMC	19,360	11.4%
UPMC Mercy	16,673	9.9%
St Clair Memorial	13,947	8.2%
Allegheny General	11,758	7.0%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	21.8	49th
Heart Failure	40.9	48.8	40th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	67.2	48th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	28.9	31st
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	6.3	62nd

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 17.4% of Allegheny County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Allegheny County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$10,323
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,784

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Allegheny County had 233,723 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 76,194 were in the fee-for-service program, and 15,036 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Armstrong County

## Hospital Admissions

for Armstrong County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

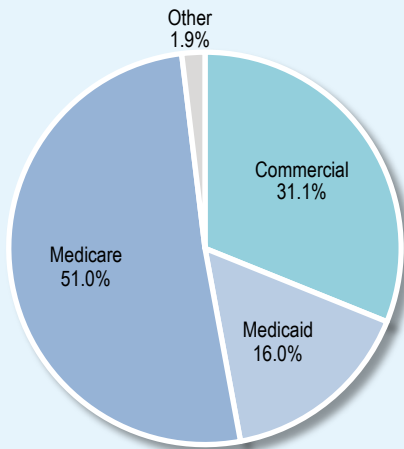
5,919 Armstrong County residents (8.7%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Armstrong County residents was 8,752.

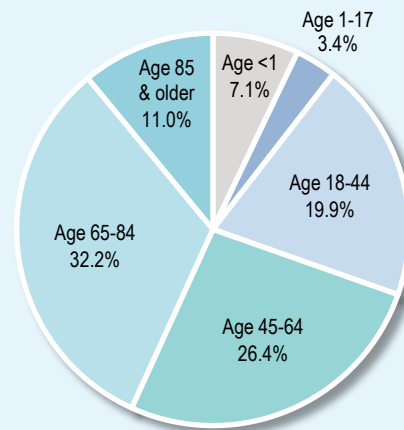
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
ACMH	3,661	41.8%
Allegheny Valley	772	8.8%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	706	8.1%
Butler Memorial	586	6.7%
Allegheny General	528	6.0%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	16.1	18th
Heart Failure	40.9	50.8	47th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	44.5	20th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	38.6	52nd
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.4	24th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 20.1% of Armstrong County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Armstrong County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,258
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,008

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Armstrong County had 17,279 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 5,675 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,023 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Beaver County

## Hospital Admissions

for Beaver County Residents in FY 2015

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### Hospital admissions

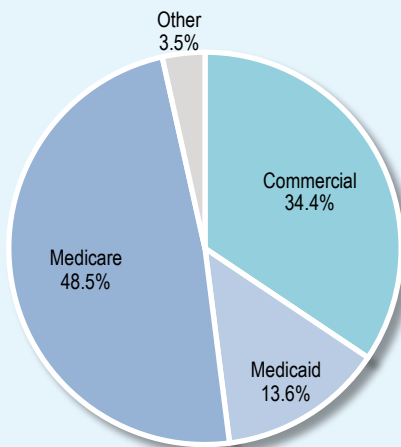
16,403 Beaver County residents (9.7%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Beaver County residents was 23,886.

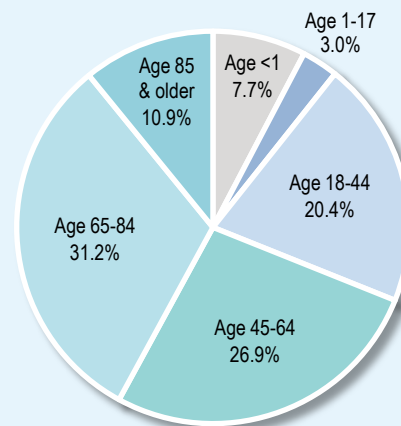
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Heritage Valley Beaver	12,286	51.4%
Heritage Valley Sewickley	4,202	17.6%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	1,397	5.8%
Allegheny General	1,223	5.1%
UPMC Passavant	921	3.9%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	22.2	52nd
Heart Failure	40.9	57.2	58th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	42.6	17th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	29.1	32nd
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	3.0	33rd

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 19.7% of Beaver County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Beaver County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,069
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,132

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Beaver County had 37,895 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 11,997 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,194 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Bedford County

## Hospital Admissions

for Bedford County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

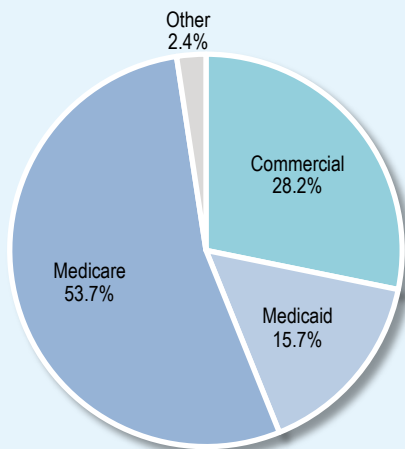
3,795 Bedford County residents (7.8%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Bedford County residents was 5,409.

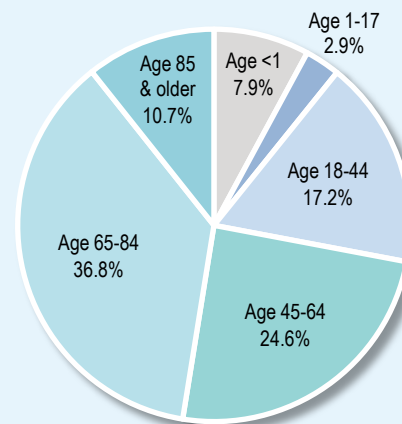
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
UPMC Bedford	1,737	32.1%
UPMC Altoona	1,383	25.6%
Nason	512	9.5%
Memorial MC	437	8.1%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	327	6.0%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	16.1	19th
Heart Failure	40.9	34.5	15th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	36.3	9th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	50.9	64th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	1.1	9th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 20.5% of Bedford County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Bedford County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,696
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,845

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Bedford County had 11,485 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 5,657 were in the fee-for-service program, and 900 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Berks County

## Hospital Admissions

for Berks County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

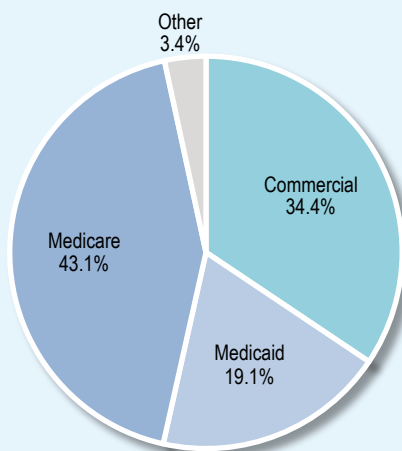
36,646 Berks County residents (8.9%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Berks County residents was 51,878.

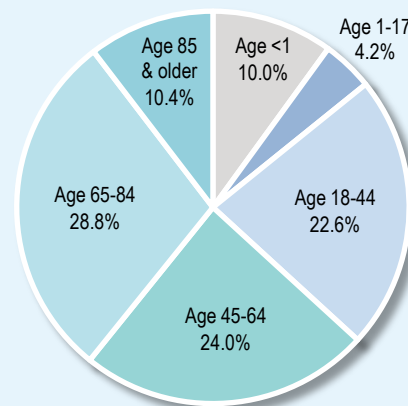
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Reading	28,855	55.6%
St Joseph/Reading	7,684	14.8%
Lehigh Valley	3,770	7.3%
Pottstown Memorial	1,848	3.6%
Milton S Hershey	1,163	2.2%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	18.7	34th
Heart Failure	40.9	45.7	36th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	54.2	32nd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	19.5	14th
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	5.5	54th

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 15.9% of Berks County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Berks County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,667
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,242

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Berks County had 74,096 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 46,747 were in the fee-for-service program, and 8,520 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Blair County

## Hospital Admissions

for Blair County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

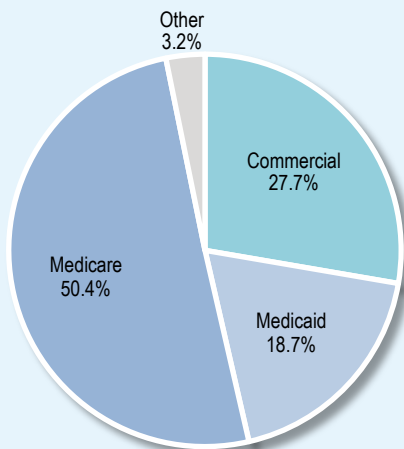
12,383 Blair County residents (9.8%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Blair County residents was 18,332.

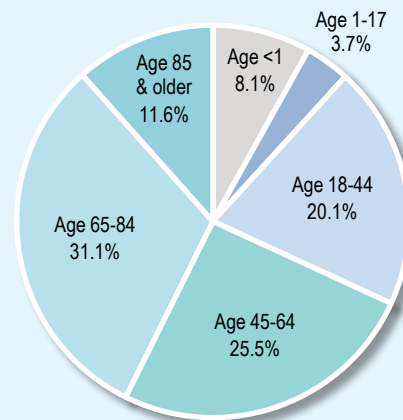
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
UPMC Altoona	12,263	66.9%
Nason	1,533	8.4%
HealthSouth Altoona	1,055	5.8%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	870	4.7%
Tyrone	443	2.4%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	21.4	48th
Heart Failure	40.9	51.3	50th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	56.0	35th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	43.3	57th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	1.9	17th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 19.3% of Blair County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Blair County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,008
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,571

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Blair County had 29,903 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 14,423 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,415 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Bradford County

## Hospital Admissions

for Bradford County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

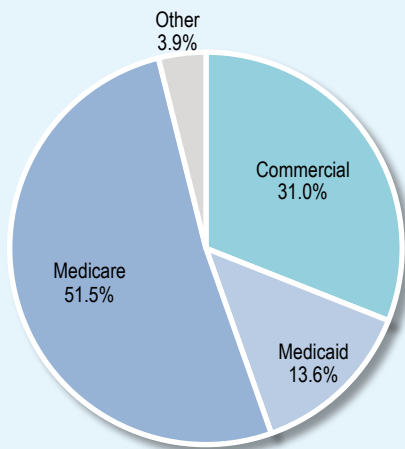
5,592 Bradford County residents (9.1%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Bradford County residents was 8,066.

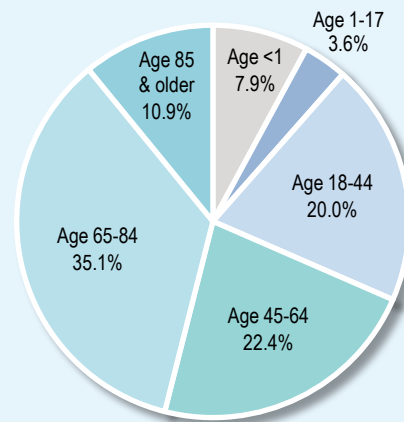
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Robert Packer	6,015	74.6%
Memorial/Towanda	626	7.8%
Troy Community	537	6.7%
Geisinger/Danville	279	3.5%
Williamsport Regional	144	1.8%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	21.3	47th
Heart Failure	40.9	43.1	31st
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	79.6	57th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	52.1	65th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	1.5	12th

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 19.6% of Bradford County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Bradford County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$7,809
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,014

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Bradford County had 13,893 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 10,108 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,913 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Bucks County

## Hospital Admissions

for Bucks County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

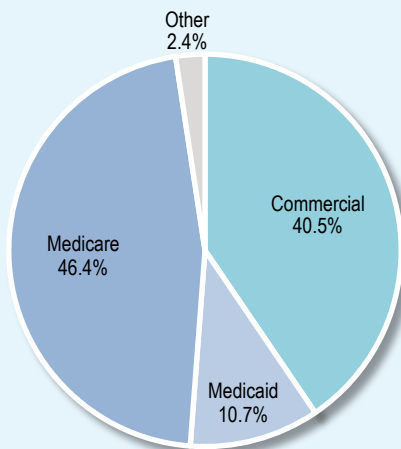
51,465 Bucks County residents (8.2%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Bucks County residents was 73,292.

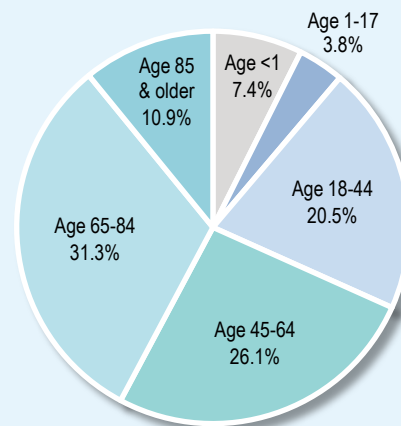
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
St Mary	20,427	27.9%
Doylestown	10,939	14.9%
Abington Memorial	6,154	8.4%
Aria Health	5,931	8.1%
Lower Bucks	4,898	6.7%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	17.3	25th
Heart Failure	40.9	37.2	20th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	43.9	18th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	24.1	22nd
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	3.4	36th

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 16.7% of Bucks County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Bucks County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,932
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,073

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Bucks County had 109,314 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 70,512 were in the fee-for-service program, and 12,347 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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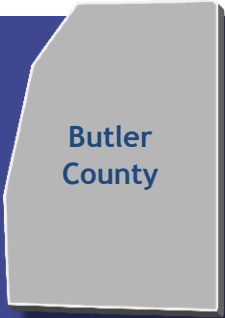
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# Butler County

## Hospital Admissions

for Butler County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

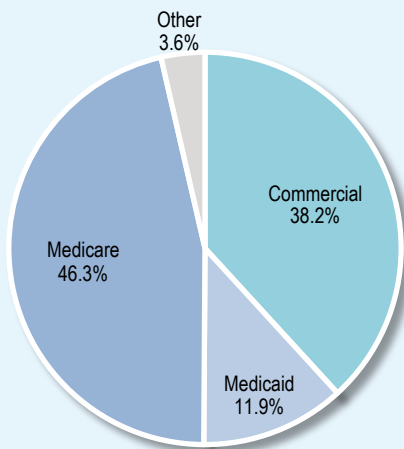
16,066 Butler County residents (8.6%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Butler County residents was 22,406.

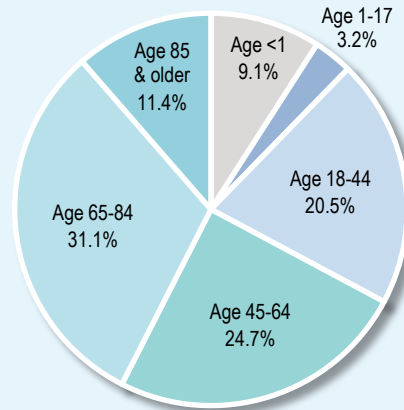
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Butler Memorial	9,246	41.3%
UPMC Passavant	3,729	16.6%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	1,374	6.1%
Magee Womens/UPMC	1,284	5.7%
Allegheny General	1,089	4.9%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	18.5	33rd
Heart Failure	40.9	31.8	8th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	59.0	41st
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	30.7	37th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.2	22nd

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Butler County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,391
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,509

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Butler County had 36,171 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 14,469 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,507 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Cambria County

## Hospital Admissions

for Cambria County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

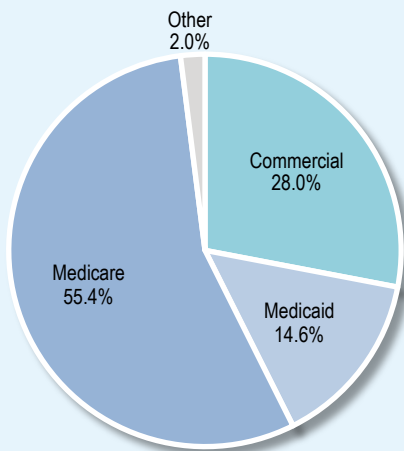
13,887 Cambria County residents (10.1%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Cambria County residents was 21,092.

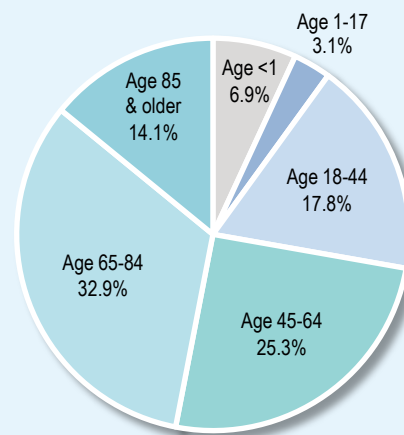
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Memorial MC	14,337	68.0%
UPMC Altoona	2,104	10.0%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	1,004	4.8%
Windber	441	2.1%
Crichton Rehab Center	425	2.0%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	22.7	55th
Heart Failure	40.9	64.7	64th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	55.4	34th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	37.4	49th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.6	28th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 20.4% of Cambria County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Cambria County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,867
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,632

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Cambria County had 34,368 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 12,439 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,373 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Cameron County

## Hospital Admissions

for Cameron County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

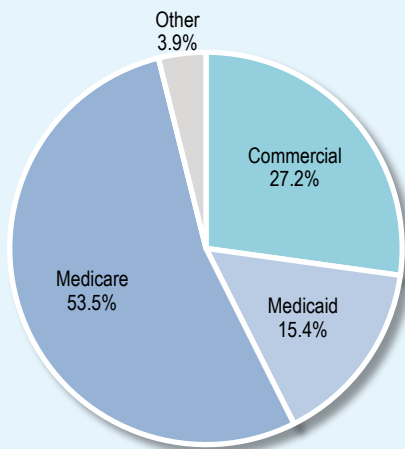
541 Cameron County residents (11.3%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Cameron County residents was 766.

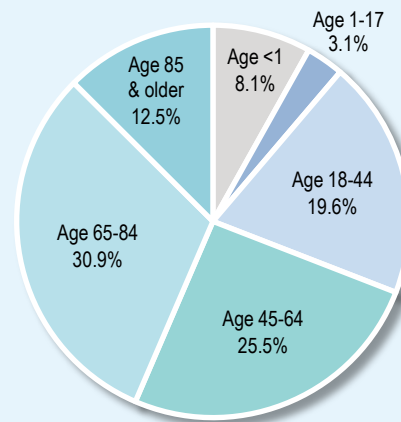
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Penn Highlands/Elk	358	46.7%
Penn Highlands/DuBois	151	19.7%
Charles Cole Memorial	58	7.6%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	50	6.5%
Mount Nittany	22	2.9%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	20.4	43rd
Heart Failure	40.9	94.4	67th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	83.7	60th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	45.9	62nd
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	0.0	1st

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 23.8% of Cameron County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Cameron County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,312
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,026

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Cameron County had 1,366 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 1,019 were in the fee-for-service program, and 189 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Carbon County

## Hospital Admissions

for Carbon County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

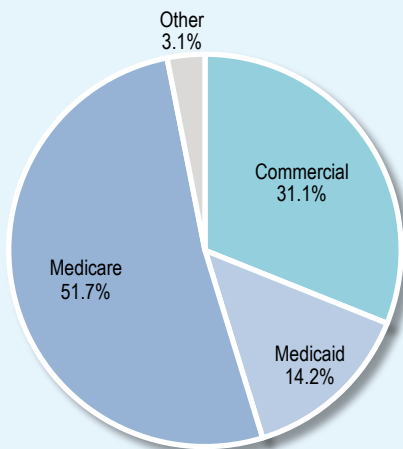
6,464 Carbon County residents (10.0%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Carbon County residents was 9,922.

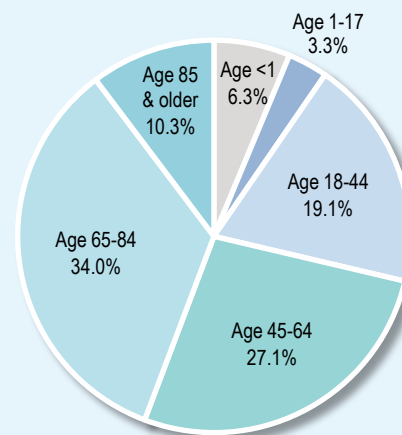
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Lehigh Valley	2,453	24.7%
Gnaden Huetten Memorial	2,193	22.1%
St Luke's/Bethlehem	1,135	11.4%
Palmerton	982	9.9%
Lehigh Valley/Hazleton	772	7.8%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	26.1	65th
Heart Failure	40.9	46.1	37th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	72.3	52nd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	31.5	39th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	5.1	51st

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 19.7% of Carbon County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Carbon County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,506
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,151

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Carbon County had 14,506 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 11,578 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,171 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Centre County

## Hospital Admissions

for Centre County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

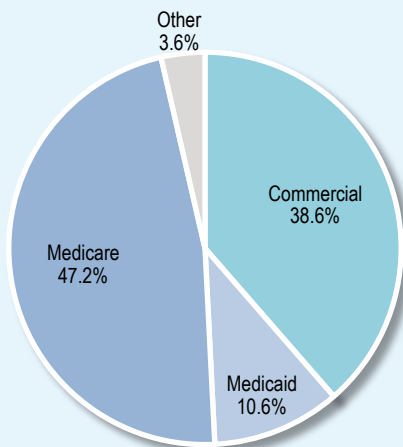
9,515 Centre County residents (6.0%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Centre County residents was 13,641.

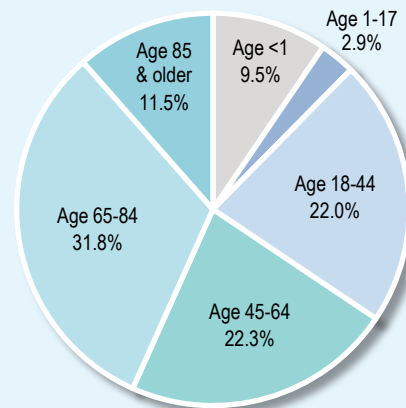
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Mount Nittany	9,812	71.9%
Geisinger/Danville	920	6.7%
HealthSouth Nittany	788	5.8%
Milton S Hershey	517	3.8%
Meadows Psych Center	312	2.3%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	8.2	3rd
Heart Failure	40.9	23.0	1st
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	36.7	10th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	15.0	5th
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	5.2	52nd

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 12.4% of Centre County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Centre County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,961
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,741

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Centre County had 20,708 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 10,430 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,824 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Chester County

## Hospital Admissions

for Chester County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

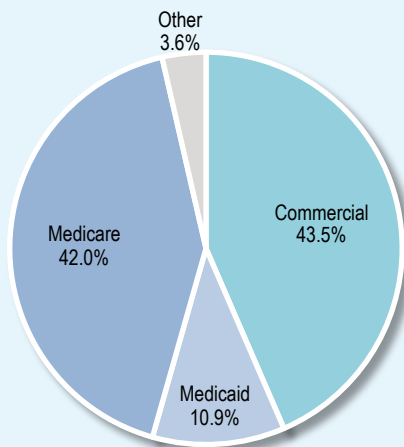
37,037 Chester County residents (7.2%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Chester County residents was 50,590.

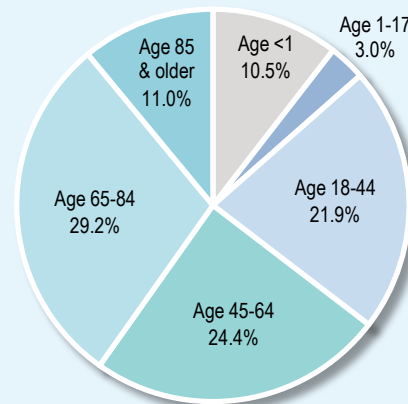
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Chester County	14,106	27.9%
Main Line Paoli	10,403	20.6%
Brandywine	5,374	10.6%
Phoenixville	3,221	6.4%
Jennersville Regional	2,885	5.7%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	12.4	8th
Heart Failure	40.9	33.7	13th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	34.5	7th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	17.3	8th
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	2.8	29th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 14.5% of Chester County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Chester County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,683
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,958

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Chester County had 72,966 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 54,219 were in the fee-for-service program, and 9,271 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Clarion County

## Hospital Admissions

for Clarion County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

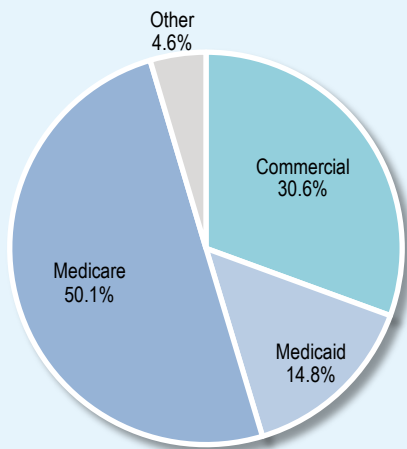
3,285 Clarion County residents (8.5%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Clarion County residents was 4,671.

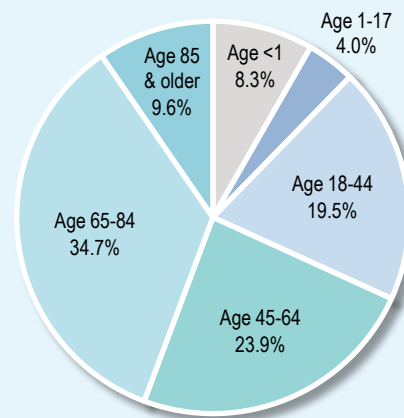
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Clarion	1,414	30.3%
UPMC Northwest	840	18.0%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	390	8.3%
ACMH	316	6.8%
Butler Memorial	278	6.0%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	18.9	36th
Heart Failure	40.9	31.7	7th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	57.3	37th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	39.0	53rd
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	0.8	7th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 18.0% of Clarion County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Clarion County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,416
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,049

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Clarion County had 8,087 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 5,321 were in the fee-for-service program, and 955 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Clearfield County

## Hospital Admissions

for Clearfield County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

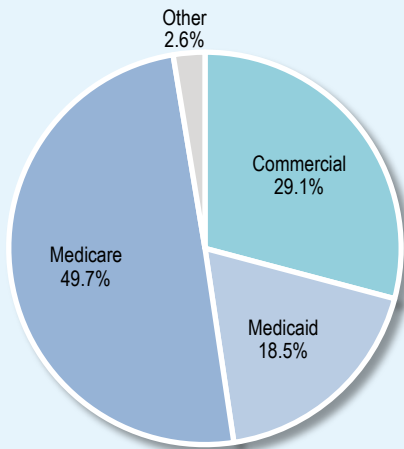
7,248 Clearfield County residents (8.9%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Clearfield County residents was 10,384.

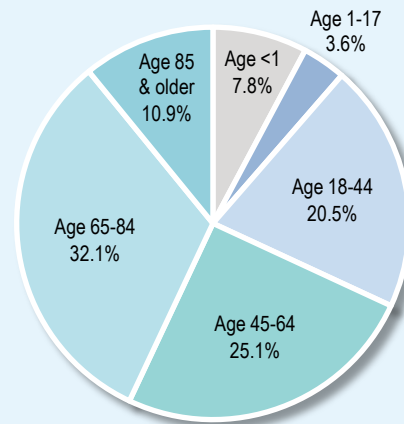
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Penn Highlands/DuBois	4,459	42.9%
Penn Highlands/Clearfield	1,615	15.6%
Mount Nittany	1,221	11.8%
UPMC Altoona	905	8.7%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	538	5.2%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	16.6	20th
Heart Failure	40.9	52.8	53rd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	52.9	30th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	27.6	28th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.4	23rd

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Clearfield County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,954
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,761

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Clearfield County had 18,242 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 11,073 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,988 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Clinton County

## Hospital Admissions

for Clinton County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

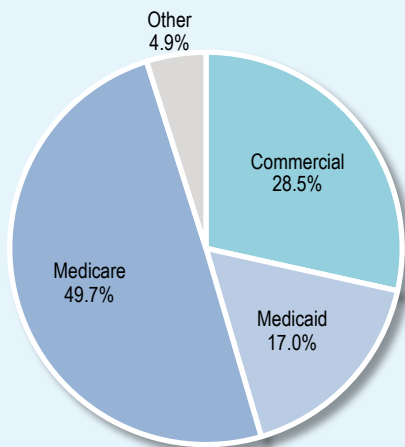
3,111 Clinton County residents (7.8%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Clinton County residents was 4,417.

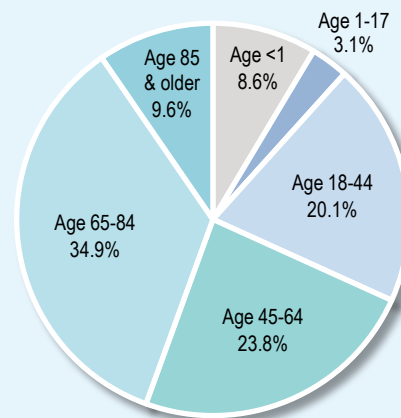
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Williamsport Regional	1,150	26.0%
Lock Haven	1,110	25.1%
Geisinger/Danville	830	18.8%
Jersey Shore	370	8.4%
Mount Nittany	368	8.3%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	16.7	22nd
Heart Failure	40.9	49.6	43rd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	63.9	47th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	29.7	36th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	1.8	16th

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 17.2% of Clinton County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Clinton County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,712
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,041

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Clinton County had 7,413 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 4,201 were in the fee-for-service program, and 761 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Columbia County

## Hospital Admissions

for Columbia County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

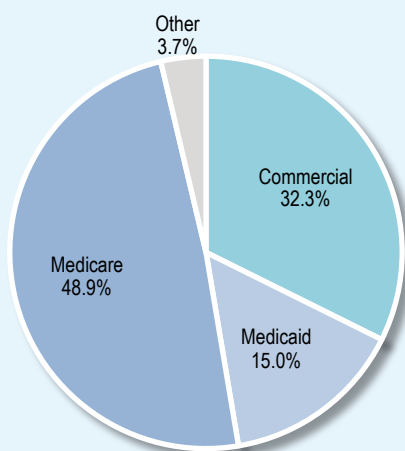
5,882 Columbia County residents (8.8%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Columbia County residents was 8,651.

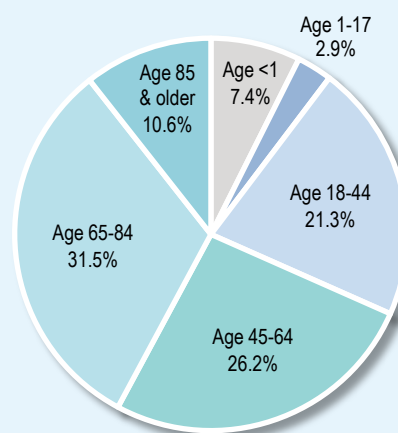
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Geisinger/Danville	4,727	54.6%
Geisinger-Bloomsburg	1,820	21.0%
Berwick	1,160	13.4%
Geisinger HealthSouth	228	2.6%
Geisinger Wyoming Valley	98	1.1%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	15.3	14th
Heart Failure	40.9	49.4	41st
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	44.5	19th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	21.7	18th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	4.2	48th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 17.2% of Columbia County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Columbia County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,042
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,371

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Columbia County had 14,173 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 8,169 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,460 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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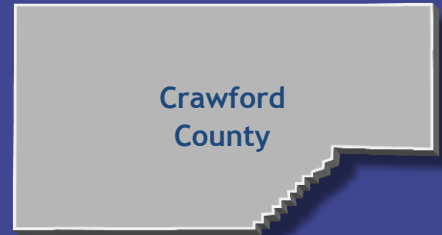
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# Crawford County

## Hospital Admissions

for Crawford County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

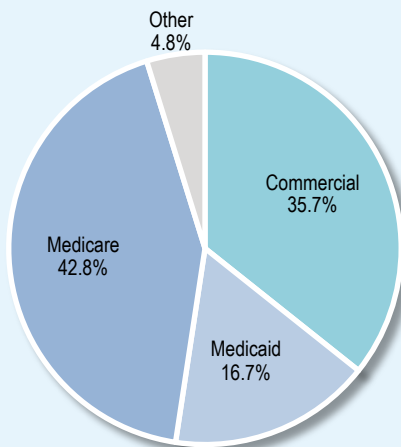
7,971 Crawford County residents (9.1%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Crawford County residents was 11,229.

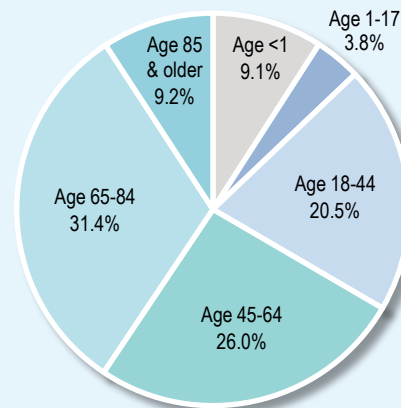
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Meadville	5,787	51.5%
UPMC Hamot	1,501	13.4%
Saint Vincent	1,212	10.8%
Titusville Area	538	4.8%
UPMC Horizon	386	3.4%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	14.7	12th
Heart Failure	40.9	34.0	14th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	63.6	46th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	33.7	40th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.6	25th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

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<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 18.3% of Crawford County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Crawford County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,415
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,875

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Crawford County had 19,525 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 13,208 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,331 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Cumberland County

## Hospital Admissions

for Cumberland County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

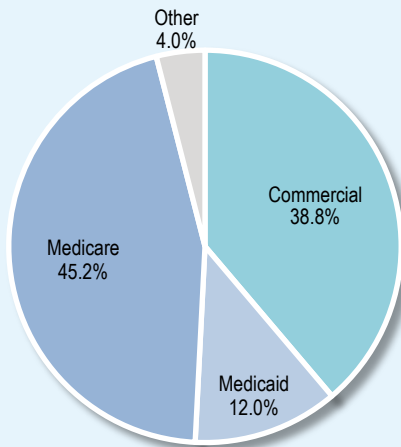
20,009 Cumberland County residents (8.2%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Cumberland County residents was 28,194.

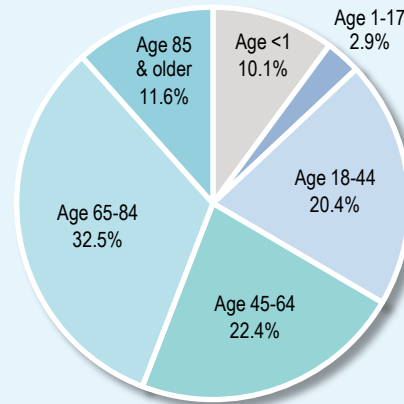
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Pinnacle Health	9,728	34.5%
Holy Spirit	6,794	24.1%
Carlisle Regional	3,747	13.3%
Milton S Hershey	2,678	9.5%
Chambersburg	2,092	7.4%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	17.6	27th
Heart Failure	40.9	35.2	16th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	37.3	13th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	21.6	17th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.9	31st

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 17.0% of Cumberland County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Cumberland County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,967
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,680

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Cumberland County had 47,629 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 28,095 were in the fee-for-service program, and 4,676 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Dauphin County

## Hospital Admissions

for Dauphin County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

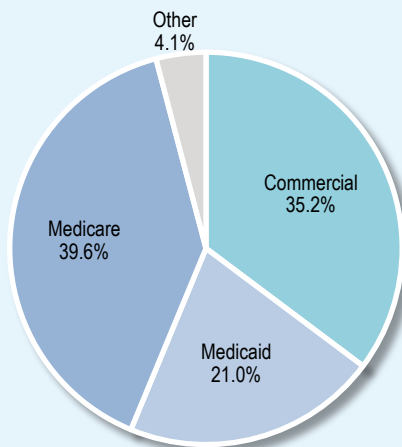
23,709 Dauphin County residents (8.7%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Dauphin County residents was 33,730.

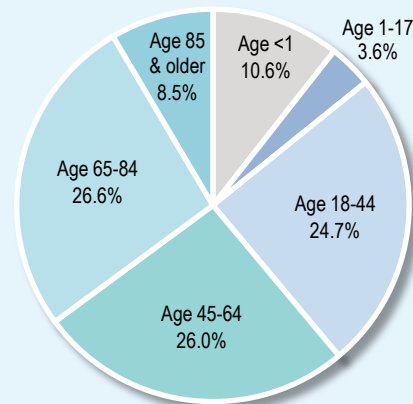
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Pinnacle Health	19,734	58.5%
Milton S Hershey	8,160	24.2%
Holy Spirit	1,683	5.0%
PA Psych Institute	539	1.6%
Roxbury Treatment	449	1.3%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	24.5	61st
Heart Failure	40.9	42.0	28th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	48.0	23rd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	19.9	15th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	6.1	61st

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 15.3% of Dauphin County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Dauphin County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$10,020
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,649

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Dauphin County had 47,464 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 23,348 were in the fee-for-service program, and 4,304 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Delaware County

## Hospital Admissions

for Delaware County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

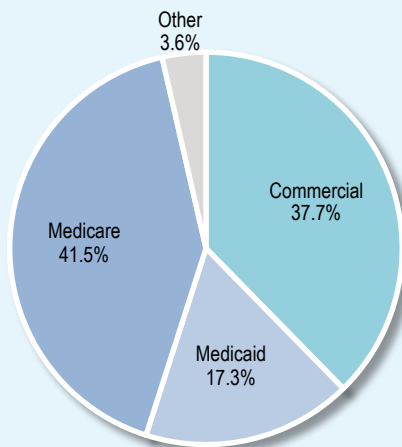
52,816 Delaware County residents (9.4%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Delaware County residents was 74,757.

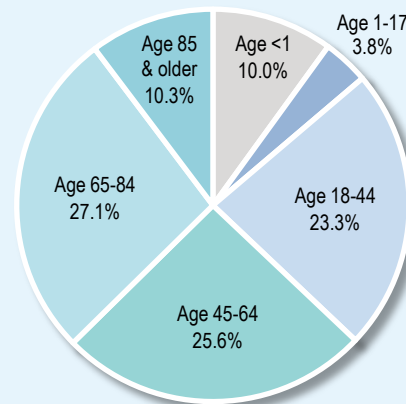
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Crozer Chester	12,037	16.1%
Riddle Memorial	9,223	12.3%
Main Line Bryn Mawr	8,482	11.3%
Delaware County Memorial	7,576	10.1%
Main Line Lankenau	5,902	7.9%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	22.9	58th
Heart Failure	40.9	41.4	26th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	58.1	38th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	18.6	11th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	9.4	66th

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Delaware County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$10,900
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,533

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Delaware County had 92,518 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 63,755 were in the fee-for-service program, and 11,430 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Elk County

## Hospital Admissions

for Elk County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

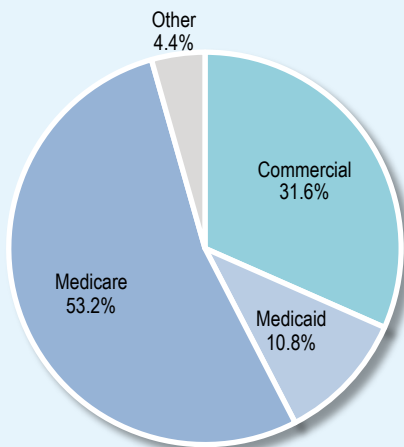
3,111 Elk County residents (10.0%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Elk County residents was 4,570.

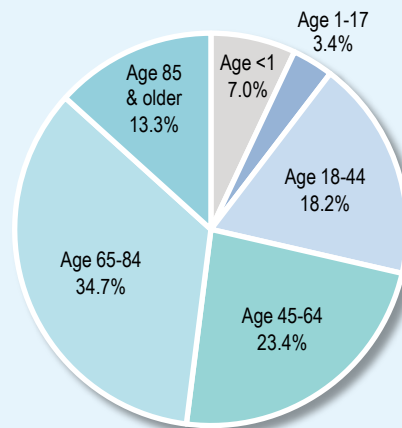
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Penn Highlands/Elk	2,007	43.9%
Penn Highlands/DuBois	1,272	27.8%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	347	7.6%
Mount Nittany	156	3.4%
Kane Community	113	2.5%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	24.9	62nd
Heart Failure	40.9	62.3	62nd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	98.3	65th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	43.8	58th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	5.0	50th

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Elk County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,293
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,907

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Elk County had 7,346 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 5,949 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,113 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Erie County

## Hospital Admissions

for Erie County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

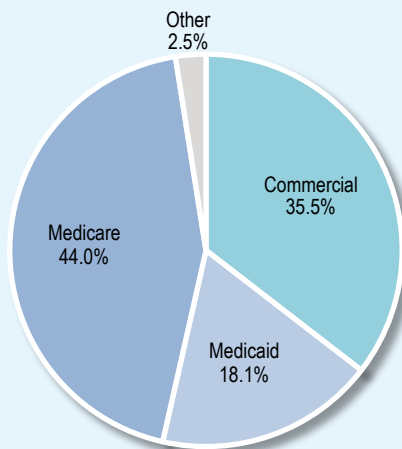
24,990 Erie County residents (9.0%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Erie County residents was 35,485.

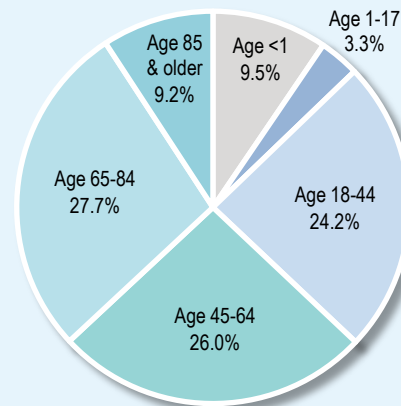
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
UPMC Hamot	15,379	43.3%
Saint Vincent	12,264	34.6%
Millcreek Community	4,034	11.4%
HealthSouth Erie	964	2.7%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	609	1.7%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	19.7	41st
Heart Failure	40.9	42.9	29th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	58.2	39th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	21.9	19th
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	4.0	45th

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Erie County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,712
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,917

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Erie County had 53,380 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 28,053 were in the fee-for-service program, and 5,109 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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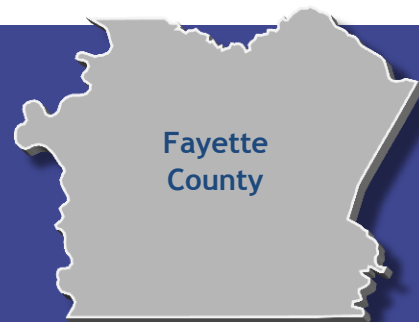
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# Fayette County

## Hospital Admissions

for Fayette County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

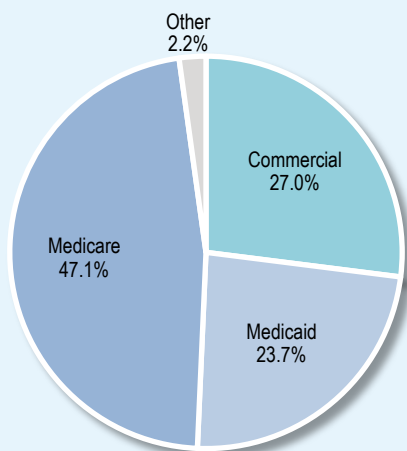
14,574 Fayette County residents (10.9%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Fayette County residents was 21,690.

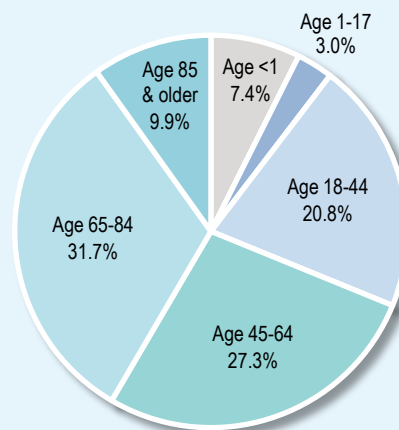
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Uniontown	8,875	40.9%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	2,187	10.1%
Monongahela Valley	2,002	9.2%
Highlands	1,997	9.2%
Jefferson	1,324	6.1%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	29.4	66th
Heart Failure	40.9	66.9	65th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	92.4	62nd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	44.5	59th
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	7.5	64th

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Fayette County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,002
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,867

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Fayette County had 31,591 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 12,706 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,217 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Forest County

## Hospital Admissions

for Forest County Residents in FY 2015

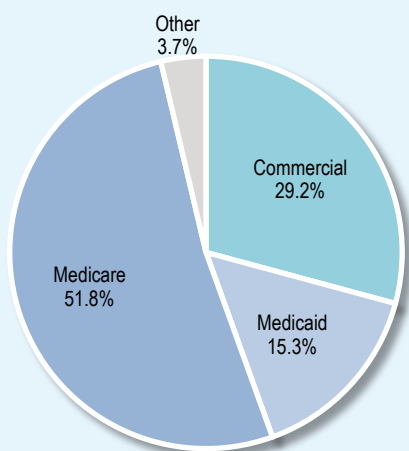


### Hospital admissions

612 Forest County residents (8.1%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Forest County residents was 890.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

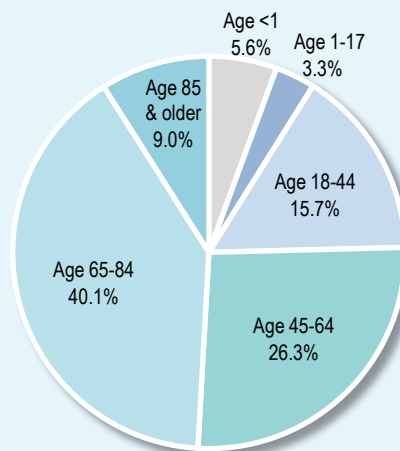
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
UPMC Northwest	201	22.6%
Clarion	114	12.8%
Penn Highlands/DuBois	87	9.8%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	73	8.2%
Titusville Area	70	7.9%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	13.3	11th
Heart Failure	40.9	25.1	3rd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	82.6	59th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	45.8	61st
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	0.0	1st

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 21.3% of Forest County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Forest County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,642
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,101

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Forest County had 1,635 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 1,070 were in the fee-for-service program, and 200 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Franklin County

## Hospital Admissions

for Franklin County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

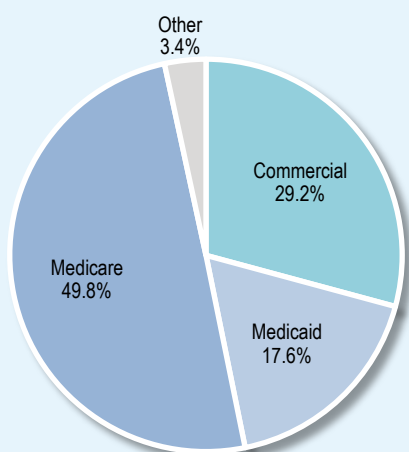
11,655 Franklin County residents (7.6%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Franklin County residents was 16,529.

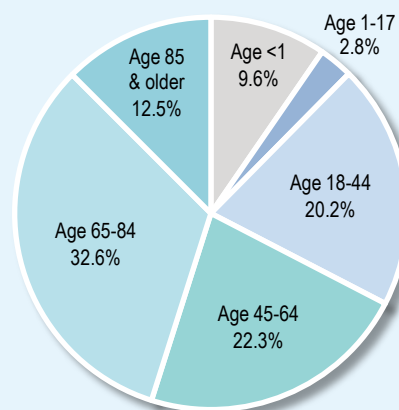
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Chambersburg	10,769	65.2%
Waynesboro	2,634	15.9%
Milton S Hershey	1,206	7.3%
Pinnacle Health	581	3.5%
York	257	1.6%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	17.9	28th
Heart Failure	40.9	52.0	51st
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	31.3	5th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	22.2	20th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	3.0	32nd

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Franklin County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,640
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,081

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Franklin County had 30,378 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 22,930 were in the fee-for-service program, and 4,034 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Fulton County

## Hospital Admissions

for Fulton County Residents in FY 2015

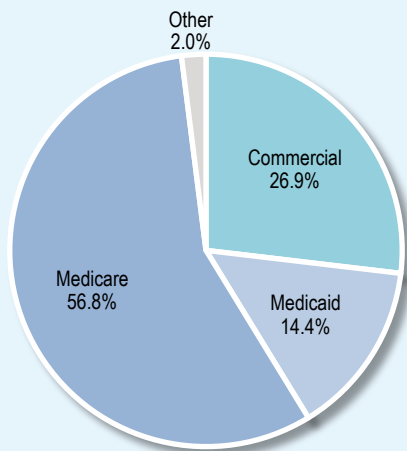


### Hospital admissions

1,090 Fulton County residents (7.4%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Fulton County residents was 1,594.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

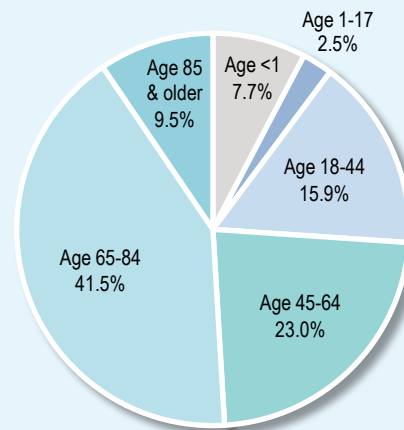
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Fulton County	461	28.9%
Chambersburg	377	23.7%
Pinnacle Health	291	18.3%
Milton S Hershey	119	7.5%
UPMC Bedford	89	5.6%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	21.1	46th
Heart Failure	40.9	50.2	46th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	52.0	28th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	36.1	48th
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	0.0	1st

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Fulton County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,179
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,368

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Fulton County had 3,336 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 2,581 were in the fee-for-service program, and 506 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Greene County

## Hospital Admissions

for Greene County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

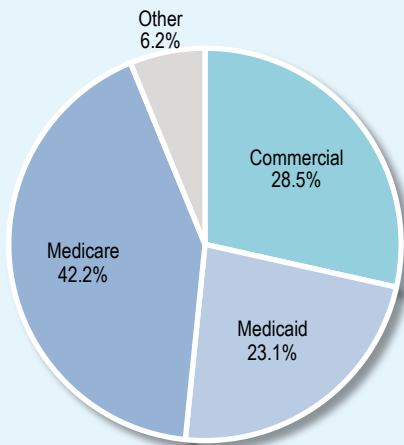
2,888 Greene County residents (7.6%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Greene County residents was 4,167.

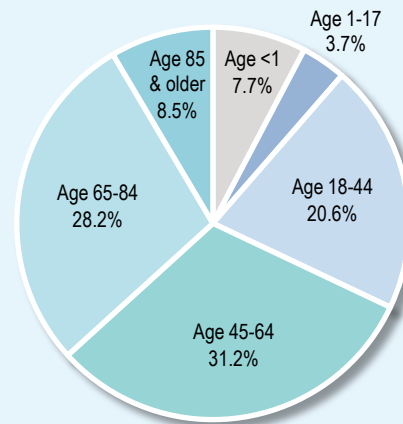
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Washington	1,366	32.8%
Southwest Regional MC	1,338	32.1%
Uniontown	367	8.8%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	315	7.6%
Allegheny General	155	3.7%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	21.0	45th
Heart Failure	40.9	58.0	59th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	89.5	61st
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	35.7	47th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	7.2	63rd

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Greene County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,494
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,457

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Greene County had 7,740 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 3,764 were in the fee-for-service program, and 654 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Huntingdon County

## Hospital Admissions

for Huntingdon County Residents in FY 2015

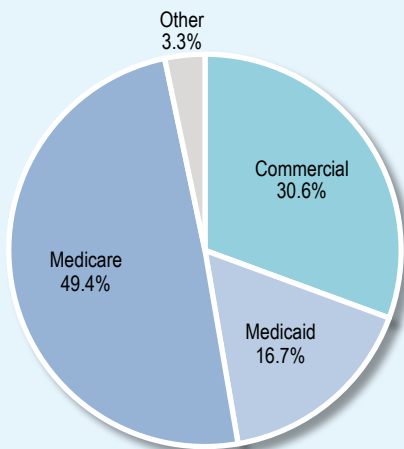


### Hospital admissions

3,916 Huntingdon County residents (8.6%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Huntingdon County residents was 5,618.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

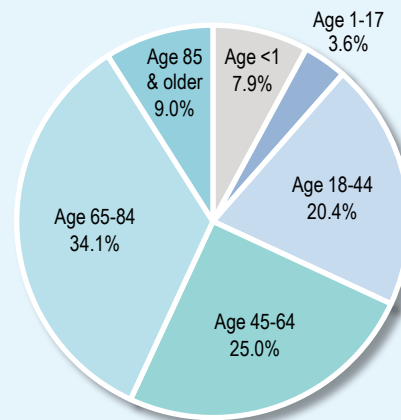
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
J C Blair Memorial	1,957	34.8%
UPMC Altoona	1,003	17.9%
Mount Nittany	674	12.0%
Geisinger-Lewistown	290	5.2%
Milton S Hershey	222	4.0%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	17.1	24th
Heart Failure	40.9	35.7	17th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	57.3	36th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	29.5	35th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	0.0	1st

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Huntingdon County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,857
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,751

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Huntingdon County had 9,774 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 6,035 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,038 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Indiana County

## Hospital Admissions

for Indiana County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

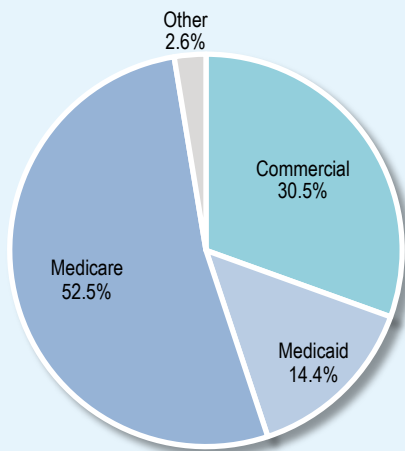
8,056 Indiana County residents (9.2%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Indiana County residents was 12,418.

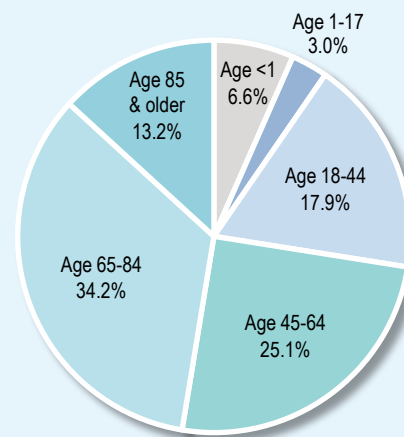
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Indiana Regional	6,802	54.8%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	1,090	8.8%
Memorial MC	744	6.0%
Latrobe Area	733	5.9%
Allegheny General	486	3.9%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	16.7	21st
Heart Failure	40.9	44.2	34th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	79.2	56th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	24.0	21st
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	5.6	57th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 17.1% of Indiana County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Indiana County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,749
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,109

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Indiana County had 17,683 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 6,457 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,243 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Jefferson County

## Hospital Admissions

for Jefferson County Residents in FY 2015

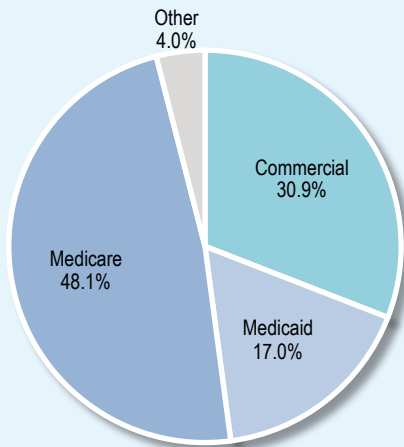


### Hospital admissions

4,520 Jefferson County residents (10.1%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Jefferson County residents was 6,510.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

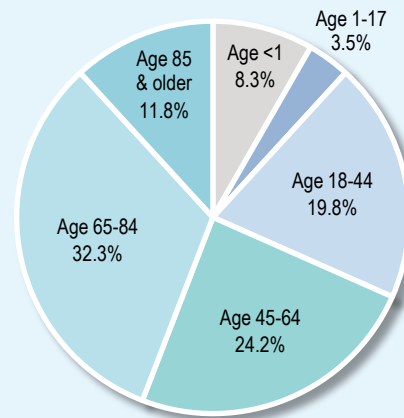
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Penn Highlands/DuBois	2,908	44.7%
Punxsutawney Area	1,105	17.0%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	602	9.2%
Penn Highlands/Brookville	474	7.3%
Allegheny General	216	3.3%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	18.8	35th
Heart Failure	40.9	48.0	39th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	54.7	33rd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	63.1	67th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	1.4	11th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 19.4% of Jefferson County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Jefferson County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,133
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,874

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Jefferson County had 10,483 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 6,638 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,260 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Juniata County

## Hospital Admissions

for Juniata County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

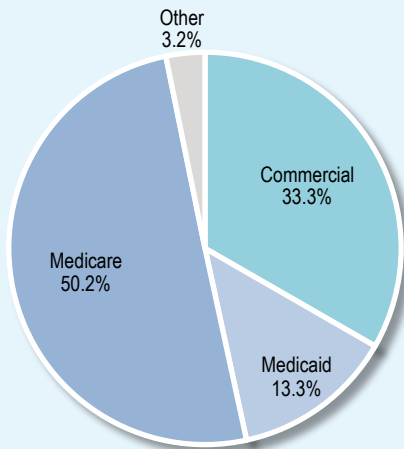
1,869 Juniata County residents (7.5%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Juniata County residents was 2,664.

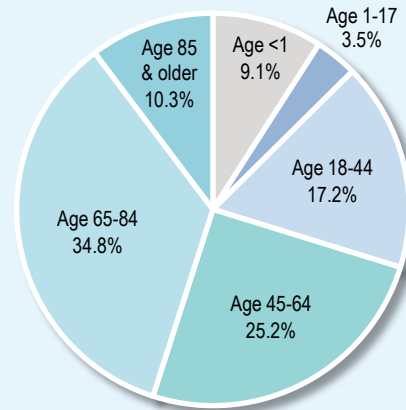
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Geisinger-Lewistown	1,269	47.6%
Geisinger/Danville	409	15.4%
Pinnacle Health	273	10.2%
Milton S Hershey	176	6.6%
Holy Spirit	146	5.5%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	13.1	10th
Heart Failure	40.9	43.0	30th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	39.8	14th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	27.8	29th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	1.3	10th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 19.8% of Juniata County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Juniata County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,090
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,941

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Juniata County had 4,754 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 2,551 were in the fee-for-service program, and 433 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Lackawanna County

## Hospital Admissions

for Lackawanna County Residents in FY 2015

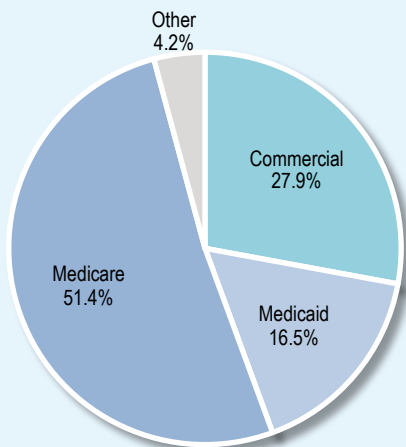


### Hospital admissions

20,178 Lackawanna County residents (9.5%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Lackawanna County residents was 29,524.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

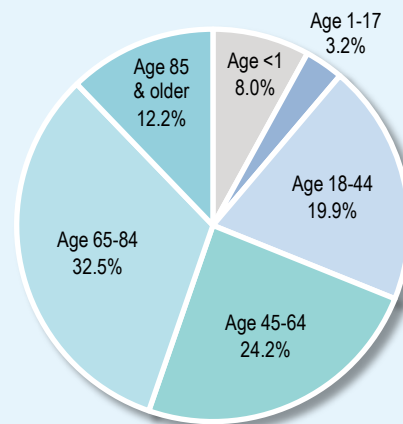
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Moses Taylor	8,665	29.3%
Geisinger-Community	8,566	29.0%
Regional Scranton	6,309	21.4%
Allied Services	1,437	4.9%
Geisinger Wyoming Valley	886	3.0%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	22.3	53rd
Heart Failure	40.9	56.9	57th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	58.4	40th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	42.3	56th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	4.2	47th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 18.8% of Lackawanna County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Lackawanna County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,079
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,797

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Lackawanna County had 46,026 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 32,725 were in the fee-for-service program, and 6,232 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Lancaster County

## Hospital Admissions

for Lancaster County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

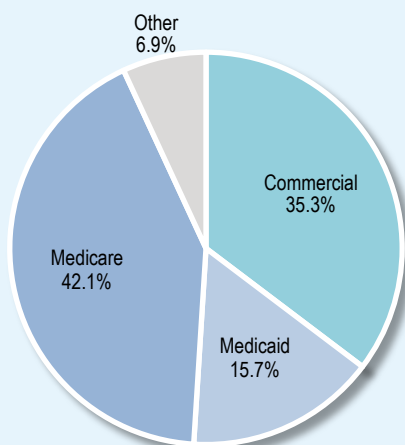
41,791 Lancaster County residents (7.8%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Lancaster County residents was 56,281.

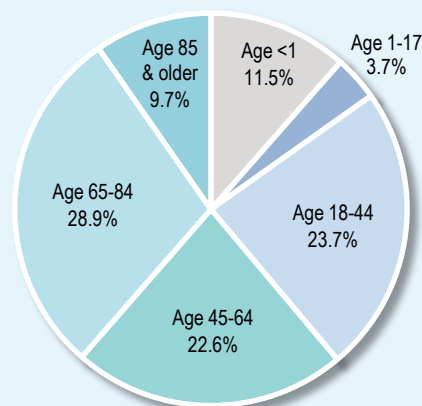
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Lancaster General	32,416	57.6%
Ephrata Community	6,058	10.8%
Lancaster Regional	3,806	6.8%
Heart of Lancaster	3,305	5.9%
Milton S Hershey	3,258	5.8%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	17.5	26th
Heart Failure	40.9	38.3	22nd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	35.6	8th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	17.8	9th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	4.0	46th

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 16.4% of Lancaster County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Lancaster County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,250
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,607

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Lancaster County had 96,072 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 59,597 were in the fee-for-service program, and 9,935 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Lawrence County

## Hospital Admissions

for Lawrence County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

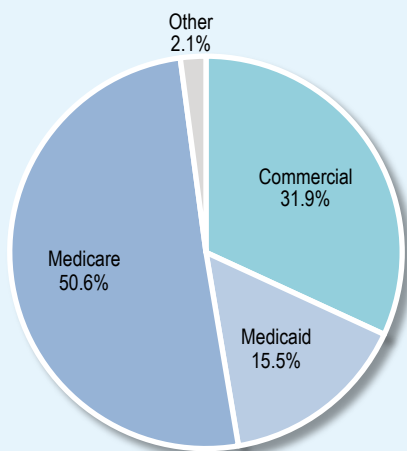
9,498 Lawrence County residents (10.7%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Lawrence County residents was 14,306.

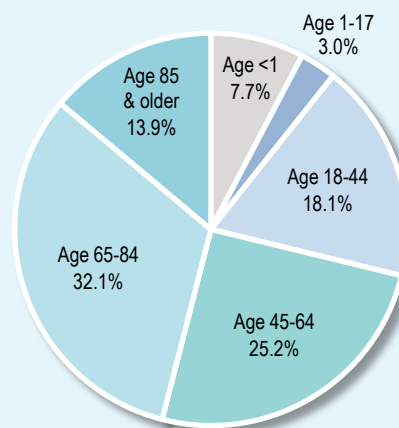
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Jameson Memorial	6,680	46.7%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	1,135	7.9%
UPMC Horizon	1,026	7.2%
Ellwood City	983	6.9%
Heritage Valley Beaver	889	6.2%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	18.3	31st
Heart Failure	40.9	67.2	66th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	105.0	67th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	52.8	66th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	5.9	60th

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Lawrence County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,946
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,352

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Lawrence County had 22,279 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 8,735 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,746 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Lebanon County

## Hospital Admissions

for Lebanon County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

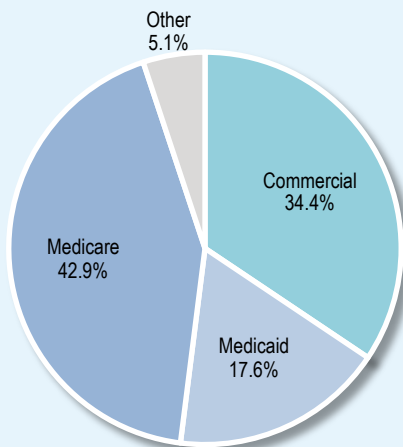
11,453 Lebanon County residents (8.4%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Lebanon County residents was 15,707.

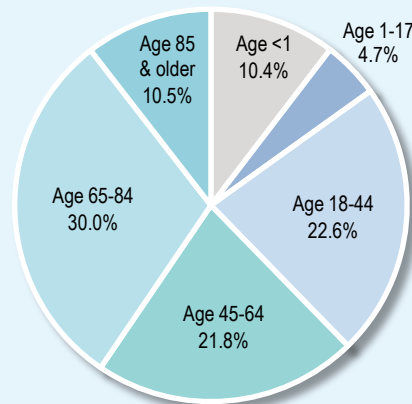
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Good Samaritan/Lebanon	7,219	46.0%
Milton S Hershey	4,878	31.1%
Philhaven	659	4.2%
Pinnacle Health	469	3.0%
Lancaster General	434	2.8%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	15.5	16th
Heart Failure	40.9	32.6	9th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	40.0	15th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	24.6	23rd
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	5.9	59th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 18.4% of Lebanon County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Lebanon County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,127
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,640

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Lebanon County had 27,565 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 16,486 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,590 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Lehigh County

## Hospital Admissions

for Lehigh County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

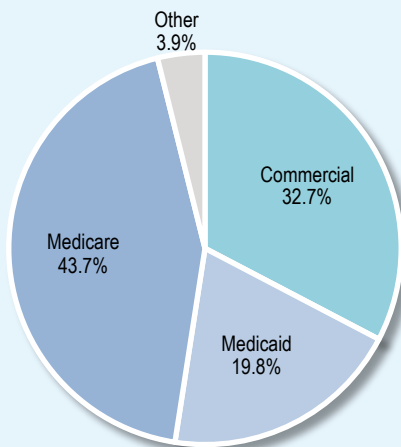
31,529 Lehigh County residents (8.8%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Lehigh County residents was 44,870.

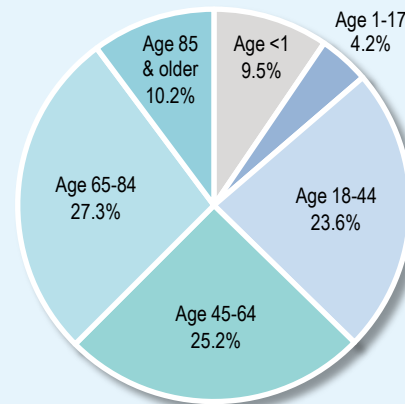
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Lehigh Valley	23,799	53.0%
St Luke's/Bethlehem	9,979	22.2%
Sacred Heart/Allentown	3,677	8.2%
Lehigh Valley/Muhlenberg	2,225	5.0%
Good Shepherd Rehab	655	1.5%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	19.0	38th
Heart Failure	40.9	41.7	27th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	52.7	29th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	19.0	12th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	8.8	65th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 16.0% of Lehigh County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Lehigh County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,390
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,379

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Lehigh County had 66,298 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 43,901 were in the fee-for-service program, and 8,698 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Luzerne County

## Hospital Admissions

for Luzerne County Residents in FY 2015

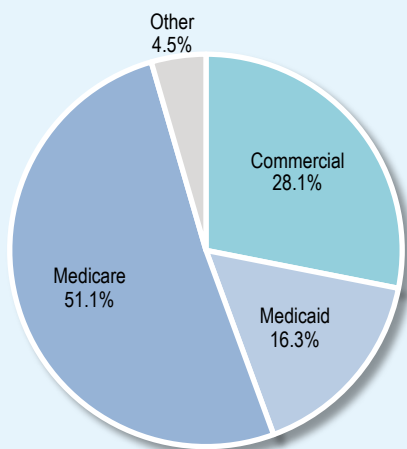


### Hospital admissions

29,939 Luzerne County residents (9.4%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Luzerne County residents was 44,714.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

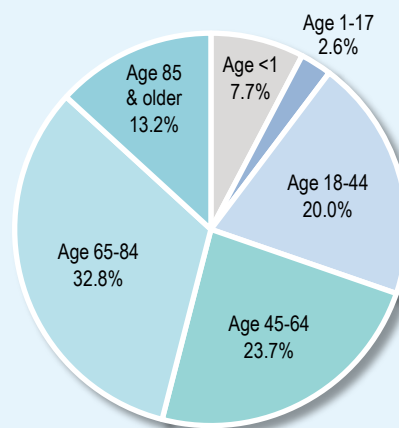
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Wilkes-Barre General	14,463	32.3%
Geisinger Wyoming Valley	12,664	28.3%
Lehigh Valley/Hazleton	5,871	13.1%
First Wyoming Valley	2,482	5.6%
Geisinger/Danville	1,707	3.8%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	20.0	42nd
Heart Failure	40.9	49.6	42nd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	63.6	45th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	33.9	41st
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	4.6	49th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Luzerne County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,435
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,868

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Luzerne County had 68,625 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 50,925 were in the fee-for-service program, and 9,759 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Lycoming County

## Hospital Admissions

for Lycoming County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

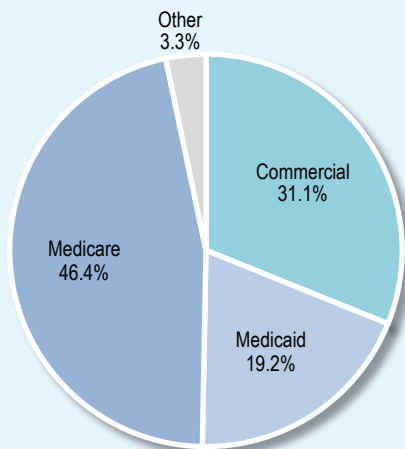
10,195 Lycoming County residents (8.8%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Lycoming County residents was 14,237.

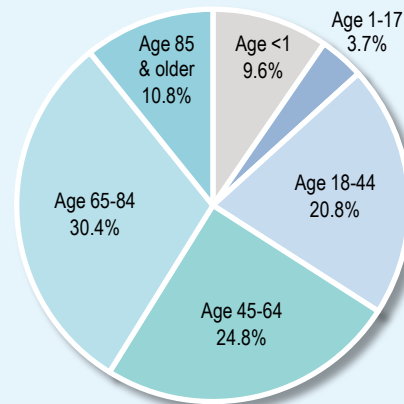
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Williamsport Regional	9,165	64.4%
Geisinger/Danville	2,074	14.6%
Muncy Valley	489	3.4%
Divine Providence	465	3.3%
Jersey Shore	449	3.2%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	14.9	13th
Heart Failure	40.9	32.7	10th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	49.4	25th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	26.8	26th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.0	18th

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 17.5% of Lycoming County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Lycoming County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,147
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,861

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Lycoming County had 24,558 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 16,219 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,955 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# McKean County

## Hospital Admissions

for McKean County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

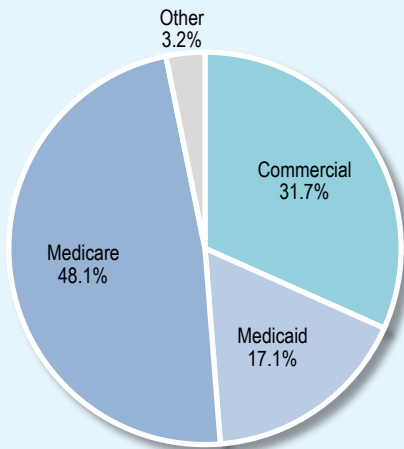
3,417 McKean County residents (8.0%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for McKean County residents was 4,693.

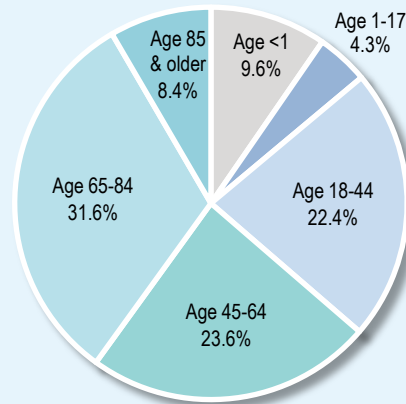
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Bradford Regional	2,106	44.9%
UPMC Hamot	600	12.8%
Charles Cole Memorial	499	10.6%
Kane Community	428	9.1%
Saint Vincent	166	3.5%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	12.5	9th
Heart Failure	40.9	30.2	6th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	101.0	66th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	40.9	55th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	3.6	39th

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 18.2% of McKean County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	McKean County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$7,908
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,458

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, McKean County had 9,349 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 7,274 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,225 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Mercer County

## Hospital Admissions

for Mercer County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

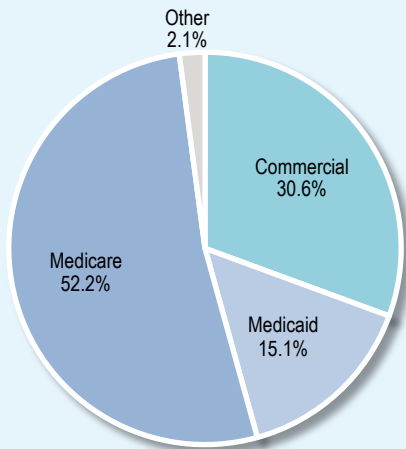
11,565 Mercer County residents (10.1%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Mercer County residents was 17,331.

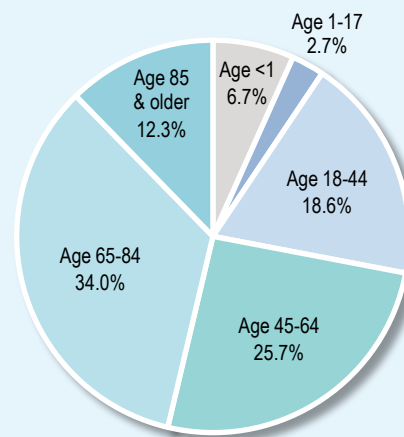
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Sharon Regional	6,465	37.3%
UPMC Horizon	5,159	29.8%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	1,229	7.1%
Grove City	1,016	5.9%
Allegheny General	583	3.4%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	23.9	60th
Heart Failure	40.9	52.8	54th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	76.9	55th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	37.7	50th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	5.5	55th

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Mercer County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,360
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,354

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Mercer County had 26,954 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 14,171 were in the fee-for-service program, and 3,004 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Mifflin County

## Hospital Admissions

for Mifflin County Residents in FY 2015

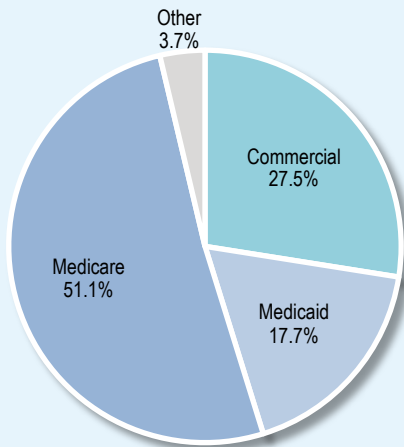


### Hospital admissions

4,375 Mifflin County residents (9.4%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Mifflin County residents was 6,403.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

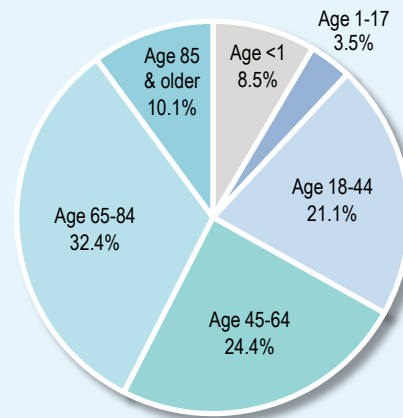
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Geisinger-Lewistown	3,757	58.7%
Geisinger/Danville	877	13.7%
Mount Nittany	690	10.8%
HealthSouth Nittany	236	3.7%
Milton S Hershey	223	3.5%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	22.0	50th
Heart Failure	40.9	52.1	52nd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	69.0	50th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	34.5	43rd
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	3.4	37th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 20.3% of Mifflin County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Mifflin County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,350
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,021

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Mifflin County had 10,476 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 5,791 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,075 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Monroe County

## Hospital Admissions

for Monroe County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

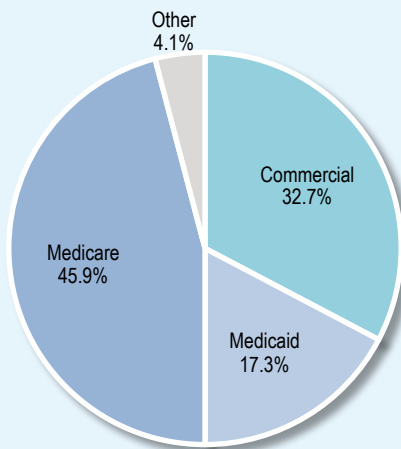
12,193 Monroe County residents (7.3%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Monroe County residents was 17,185.

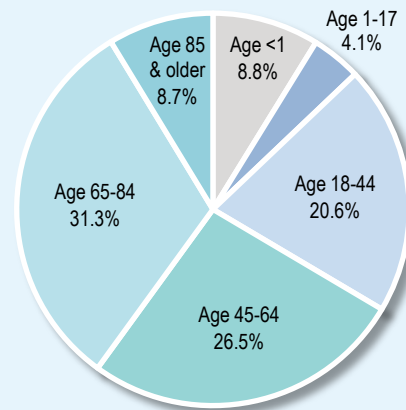
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Pocono	9,642	56.1%
Lehigh Valley	1,527	8.9%
St Luke's/Bethlehem	1,224	7.1%
Geisinger Wyoming Valley	831	4.8%
St Luke's/Anderson	512	3.0%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	19.0	39th
Heart Failure	40.9	44.1	33rd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	50.0	26th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	24.8	24th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	4.0	44th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 15.1% of Monroe County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Monroe County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,173
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,127

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Monroe County had 28,423 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 22,860 were in the fee-for-service program, and 3,760 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Montgomery County

## Hospital Admissions

for Montgomery County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

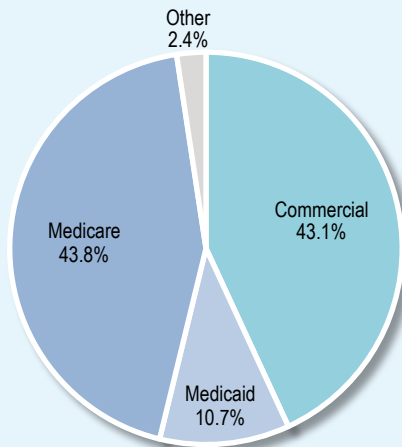
67,054 Montgomery County residents (8.2%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Montgomery County residents was 93,308.

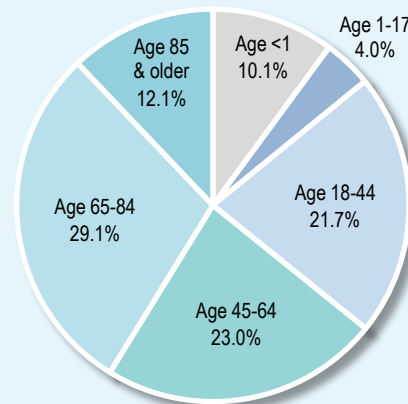
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Abington Memorial	17,357	18.6%
Einstein Montgomery	9,667	10.4%
Pottstown Memorial	5,730	6.1%
Grand View	5,365	5.7%
Lansdale	4,924	5.3%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	16.9	23rd
Heart Failure	40.9	36.4	18th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	37.3	12th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	19.4	13th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	3.9	43rd

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 16.4% of Montgomery County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Montgomery County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$10,192
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,207

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Montgomery County had 142,230 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 98,446 were in the fee-for-service program, and 17,177 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Montour County

## Hospital Admissions

for Montour County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

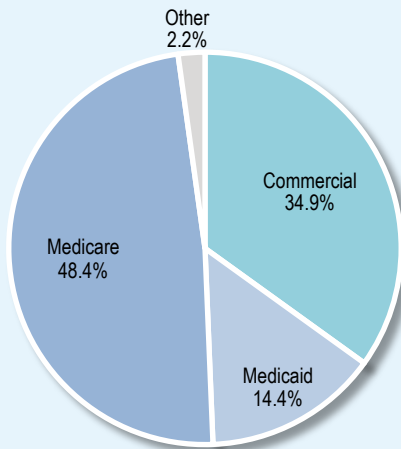
1,899 Montour County residents (10.2%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Montour County residents was 2,733.

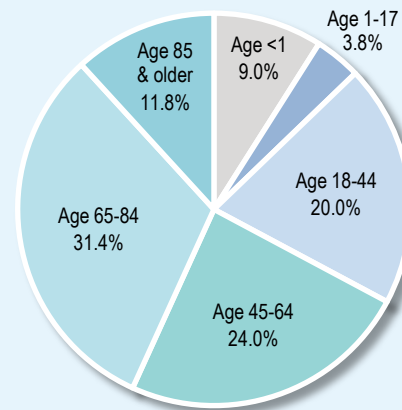
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Geisinger/Danville	2,401	87.9%
Geisinger HealthSouth	85	3.1%
Evangelical Community	70	2.6%
Geisinger-Bloomsburg	64	2.3%
Williamsport Regional	10	0.4%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	18.9	37th
Heart Failure	40.9	49.9	44th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	33.7	6th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	10.8	2nd
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	3.2	34th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Montour County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$10,017
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$4,101

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Montour County had 3,961 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 1,943 were in the fee-for-service program, and 356 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Northampton County

## Hospital Admissions

for Northampton County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

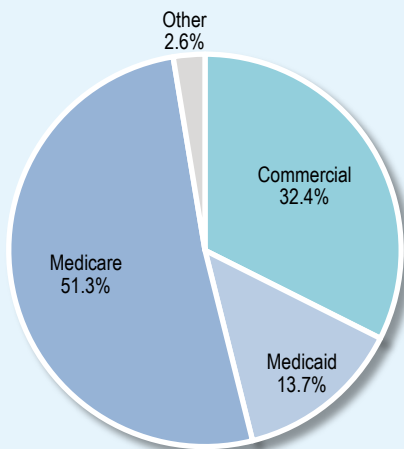
29,639 Northampton County residents (9.9%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Northampton County residents was 43,701.

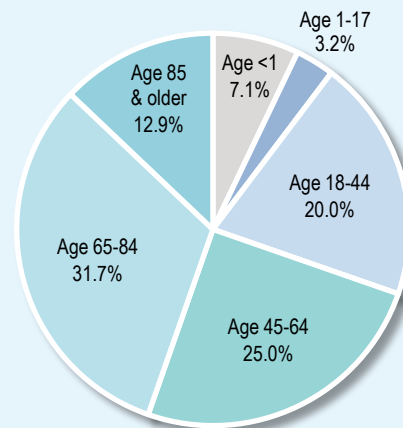
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
St Luke's/Bethlehem	14,042	32.1%
Lehigh Valley/Muhlenberg	6,561	15.0%
Lehigh Valley	6,293	14.4%
Easton	6,231	14.3%
St Luke's/Anderson	4,998	11.4%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	25.8	64th
Heart Failure	40.9	58.1	60th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	59.2	42nd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	21.5	16th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	3.6	40th

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Northampton County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$10,065
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,472

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Northampton County had 58,823 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 42,193 were in the fee-for-service program, and 8,589 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Northumberland County

## Hospital Admissions

for Northumberland County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

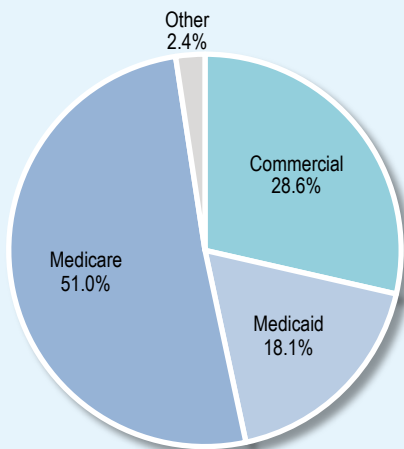
8,781 Northumberland County residents (9.3%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Northumberland County residents was 12,894.

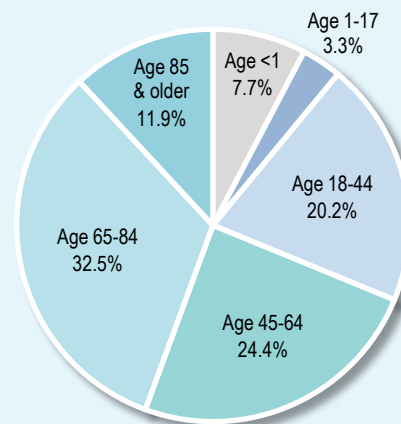
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Geisinger/Danville	8,644	67.0%
Evangelical Community	2,046	15.9%
Sunbury Community	746	5.8%
Geisinger HealthSouth	265	2.1%
Williamsport Regional	238	1.8%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	25.0	63rd
Heart Failure	40.9	62.9	63rd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	62.0	44th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	29.4	33rd
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	5.5	56th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 19.7% of Northumberland County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Northumberland County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,471
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,642

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Northumberland County had 21,594 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 13,822 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,523 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Perry County

## Hospital Admissions

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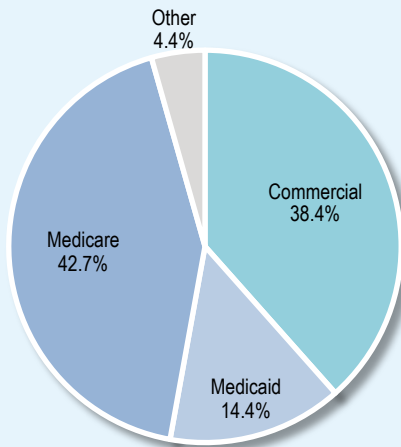


### Hospital admissions

3,960 Perry County residents (8.7%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Perry County residents was 5,548.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

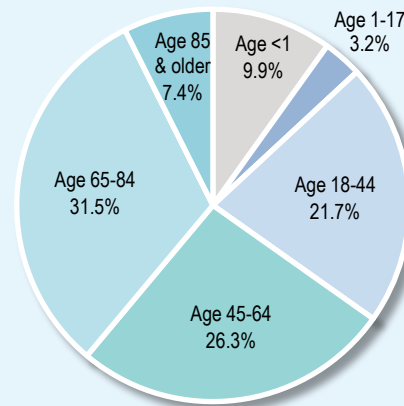
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Pinnacle Health	2,593	46.7%
Holy Spirit	1,393	25.1%
Milton S Hershey	587	10.6%
Carlisle Regional	278	5.0%
HealthSouth Mechanicsburg	114	2.1%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	18.1	30th
Heart Failure	40.9	45.4	35th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	47.8	22nd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	26.9	27th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.2	21st

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 15.9% of Perry County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Perry County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,981
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,707

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Perry County had 8,759 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 4,552 were in the fee-for-service program, and 792 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Philadelphia County

## Hospital Admissions

for Philadelphia County Residents in FY 2015

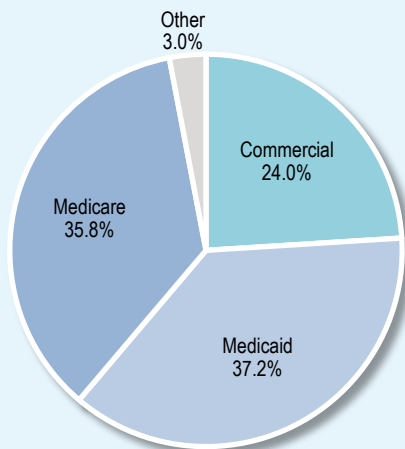


### Hospital admissions

167,651 Philadelphia County residents (10.7%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Philadelphia County residents was 245,644.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

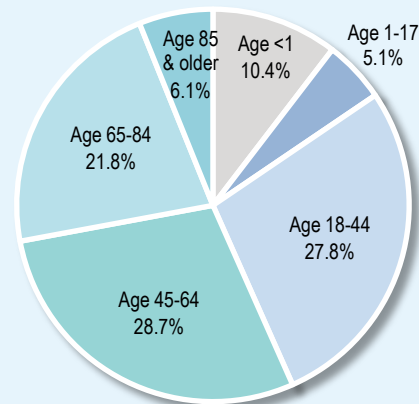
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Temple University	26,450	10.8%
Albert Einstein	22,408	9.1%
Thomas Jefferson Univ	19,014	7.7%
Hospital University PA	17,148	7.0%
Pennsylvania	16,981	6.9%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	38.4	67th
Heart Failure	40.9	61.6	61st
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	96.8	64th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	18.5	10th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	23.9	67th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 12.5% of Philadelphia County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Philadelphia County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$12,852
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$5,278

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Philadelphia County had 229,723 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 120,450 were in the fee-for-service program, and 23,940 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Pike County

## Hospital Admissions

for Pike County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

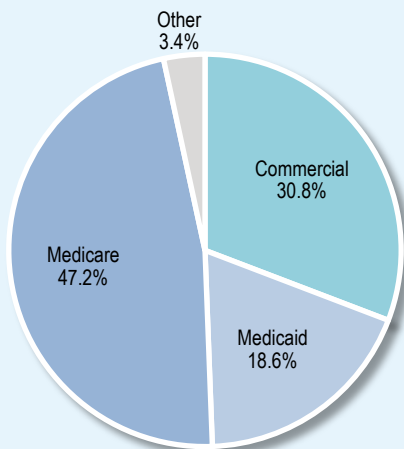
2,583 Pike County residents (4.6%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Pike County residents was 3,564.

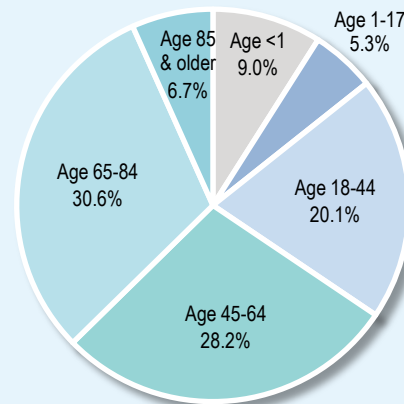
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Wayne Memorial	1,007	28.3%
Pocono	844	23.7%
Geisinger-Community	361	10.1%
Regional Scranton	287	8.1%
Moses Taylor	190	5.3%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	9.5	4th
Heart Failure	40.9	23.6	2nd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	18.8	1st
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	12.5	3rd
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	2.9	30th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 20.3% of Pike County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Pike County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,223
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,268

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Pike County had 9,071 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 7,921 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,276 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Potter County

## Hospital Admissions

for Potter County Residents in FY 2015

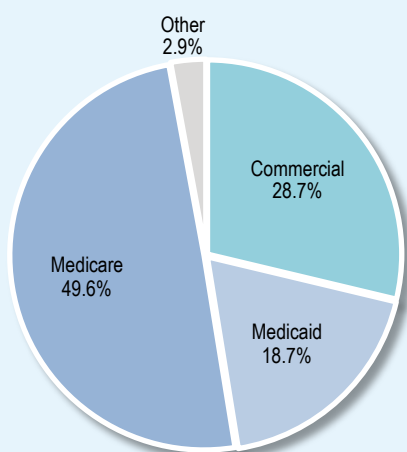
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### Hospital admissions

1,397 Potter County residents (8.1%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Potter County residents was 1,952.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

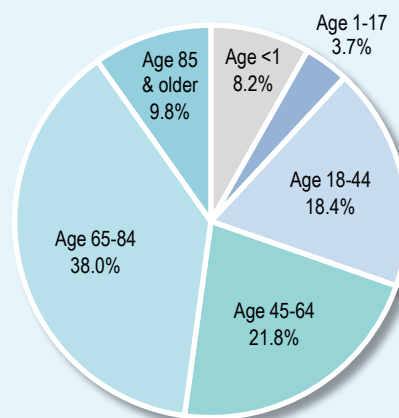
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Charles Cole Memorial	1,076	55.1%
Soldiers & Sailors	128	6.6%
UPMC Hamot	125	6.4%
Geisinger/Danville	112	5.7%
Robert Packer	107	5.5%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	5.2	1st
Heart Failure	40.9	36.6	19th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	80.7	58th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	35.1	45th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	1.7	14th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 21.8% of Potter County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Potter County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,446
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,814

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Potter County had 4,222 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 2,986 were in the fee-for-service program, and 517 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Schuylkill County

## Hospital Admissions

for Schuylkill County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

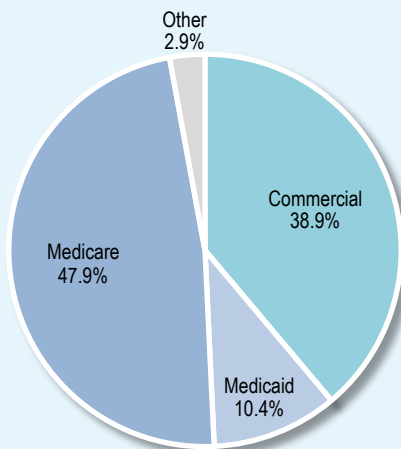
13,646 Schuylkill County residents (9.4%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Schuylkill County residents was 20,412.

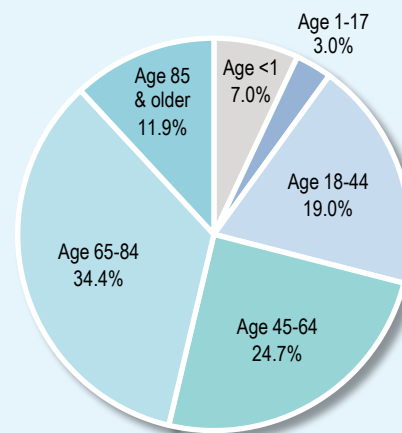
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Schuylkill-South Jackson	5,517	27.0%
Schuylkill-East Norwegian	3,624	17.8%
Geisinger/Danville	2,321	11.4%
Lehigh Valley	2,073	10.2%
St Luke's Miners	1,180	5.8%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	23.6	59th
Heart Failure	40.9	55.0	55th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	61.2	43rd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	35.3	46th
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	3.5	38th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 19.3% of Schuylkill County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Schuylkill County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,120
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,197

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Schuylkill County had 33,221 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 23,162 were in the fee-for-service program, and 4,391 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Snyder County

## Hospital Admissions

for Snyder County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

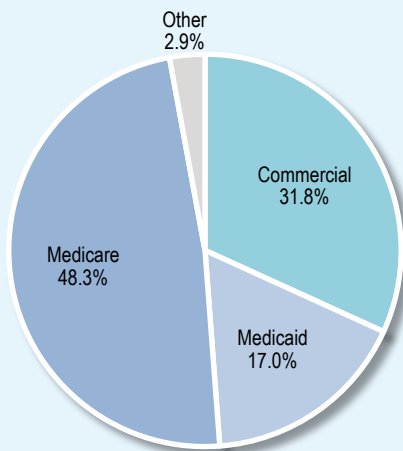
2,582 Snyder County residents (6.4%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Snyder County residents was 3,536.

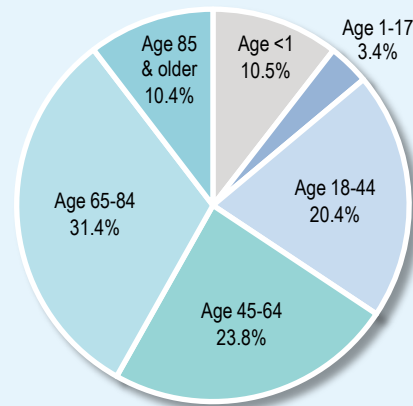
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Geisinger/Danville	1,614	45.6%
Evangelical Community	1,273	36.0%
Sunbury Community	192	5.4%
Williamsport Regional	63	1.8%
Milton S Hershey	59	1.7%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	7.0	2nd
Heart Failure	40.9	26.3	5th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	23.0	3rd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	16.2	6th
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	0.9	8th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 16.6% of Snyder County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Snyder County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,410
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,916

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Snyder County had 7,498 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 4,043 were in the fee-for-service program, and 652 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Somerset County

## Hospital Admissions

for Somerset County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

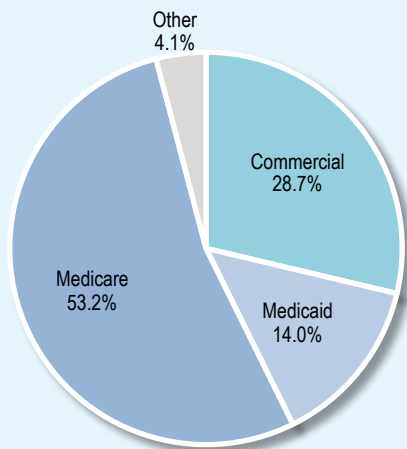
6,647 Somerset County residents (8.7%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Somerset County residents was 9,875.

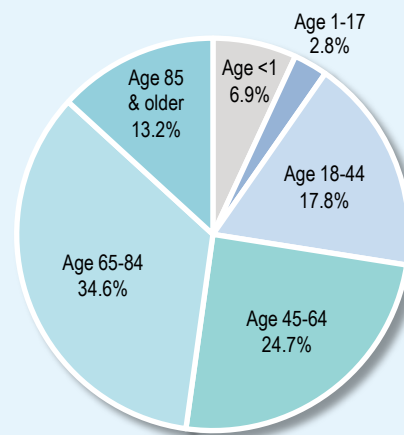
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Memorial MC	3,936	39.9%
Somerset	3,266	33.1%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	611	6.2%
Windber	570	5.8%
Allegheny General	205	2.1%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	18.3	32nd
Heart Failure	40.9	47.3	38th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	49.1	24th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	26.2	25th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	1.7	15th

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 20.4% of Somerset County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Somerset County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,945
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,022

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Somerset County had 17,830 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 6,994 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,191 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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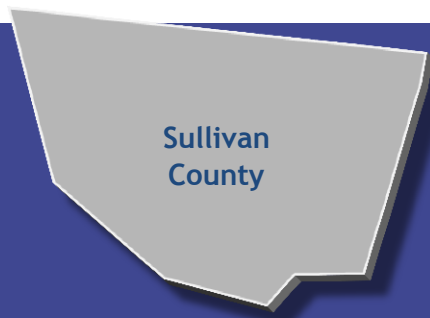




# Sullivan County

## Hospital Admissions

for Sullivan County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

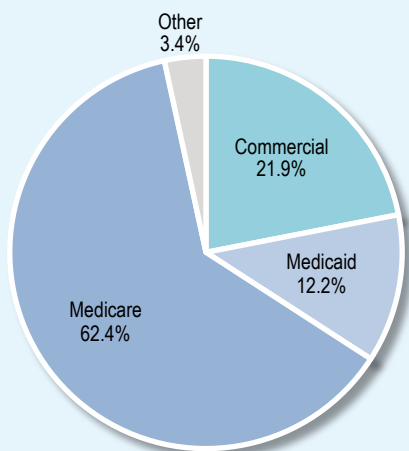
586 Sullivan County residents (9.2%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Sullivan County residents was 900.

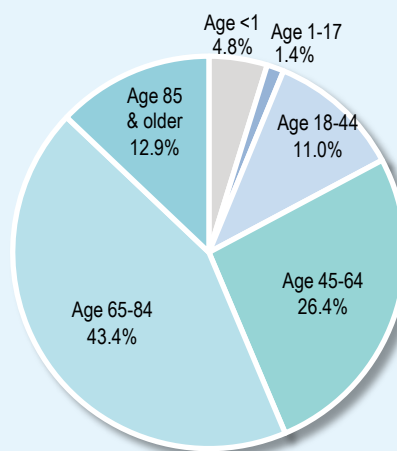
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Robert Packer	337	37.4%
Williamsport Regional	225	25.0%
Geisinger/Danville	124	13.8%
Memorial/Towanda	65	7.2%
Muncy Valley	34	3.8%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	22.0	51st
Heart Failure	40.9	33.0	11th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	24.3	4th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	49.6	63rd
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	0.0	1st

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 26.9% of Sullivan County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Sullivan County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,804
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,305

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Sullivan County had 1,718 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 1,213 were in the fee-for-service program, and 240 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Susquehanna County

## Hospital Admissions

for Susquehanna County Residents in FY 2015

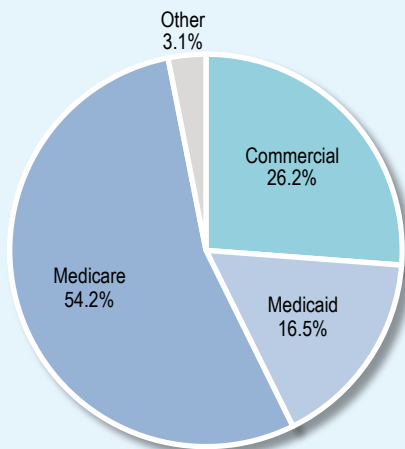
Susquehanna  
County

### Hospital admissions

2,726 Susquehanna County residents (6.5%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Susquehanna County residents was 3,957.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

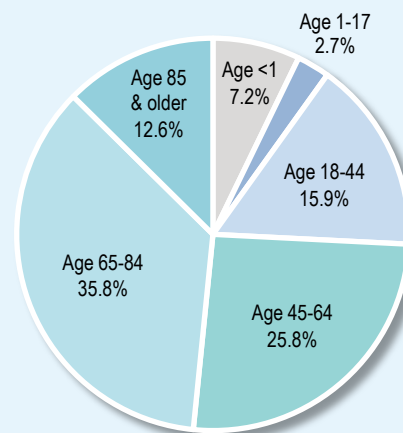
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Endless Mountains	714	18.0%
Geisinger-Community	579	14.6%
Barnes-Kasson County	567	14.3%
Moses Taylor	412	10.4%
Regional Scranton	391	9.9%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	10.8	5th
Heart Failure	40.9	50.8	48th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	71.3	51st
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	37.9	51st
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	3.8	42nd

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 20.0% of Susquehanna County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Susquehanna County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$7,384
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,326

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Susquehanna County had 8,895 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 6,956 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,165 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Tioga County

## Hospital Admissions

for Tioga County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

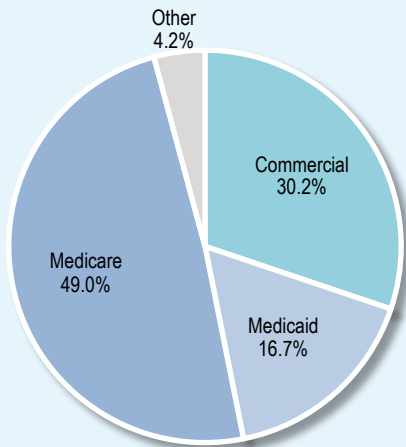
3,144 Tioga County residents (7.4%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Tioga County residents was 4,407.

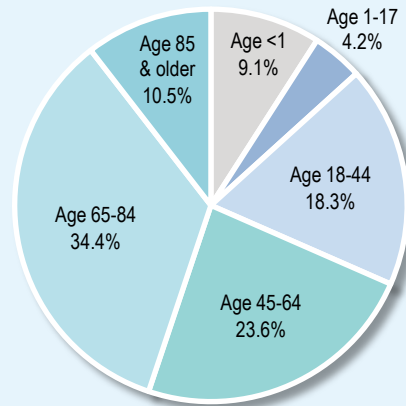
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Soldiers & Sailors	1,946	44.2%
Robert Packer	953	21.6%
Williamsport Regional	615	14.0%
Geisinger/Danville	317	7.2%
Charles Cole Memorial	110	2.5%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

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Statewide, the percentages were:

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1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	15.5	15th
Heart Failure	40.9	33.6	12th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	50.9	27th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	35.1	44th
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	2.1	20th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Tioga County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$7,736
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,976

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Tioga County had 9,621 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 7,199 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,229 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Union County

## Hospital Admissions

for Union County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

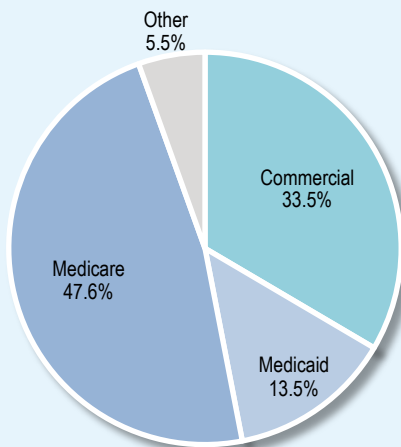
2,963 Union County residents (6.6%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Union County residents was 3,962.

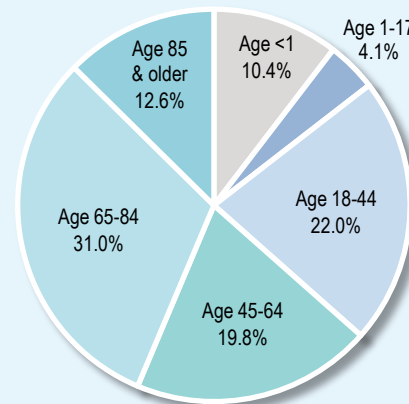
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Evangelical Community	2,047	51.7%
Geisinger/Danville	1,377	34.8%
Williamsport Regional	219	5.5%
Milton S Hershey	39	1.0%
Geisinger HealthSouth	38	1.0%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	10.9	6th
Heart Failure	40.9	25.9	4th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	20.8	2nd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	8.4	1st
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	0.7	6th

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<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Union County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$7,729
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,328

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Union County had 7,550 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 4,695 were in the fee-for-service program, and 691 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Venango County

## Hospital Admissions

for Venango County Residents in FY 2015

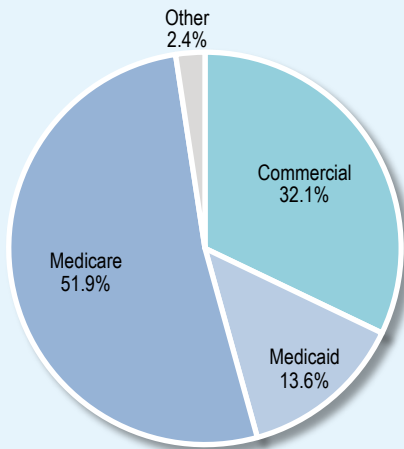


### Hospital admissions

5,292 Venango County residents (9.9%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Venango County residents was 7,869.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

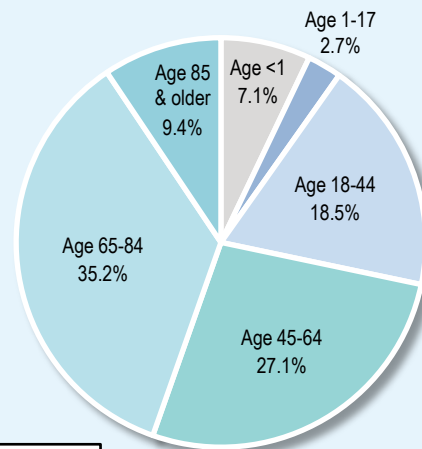
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
UPMC Northwest	4,834	61.4%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	605	7.7%
UPMC Hamot	481	6.1%
Meadville	358	4.5%
Saint Vincent	301	3.8%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	22.7	57th
Heart Failure	40.9	43.8	32nd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	94.6	63rd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	34.3	42nd
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.6	26th

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Venango County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,150
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,150

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Venango County had 12,990 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 8,404 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,812 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Warren County

## Hospital Admissions

for Warren County Residents in FY 2015

Warren  
County

### Hospital admissions

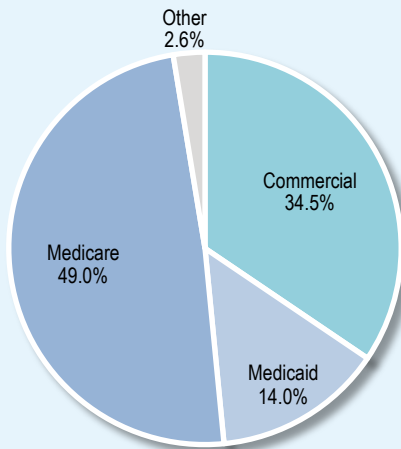
3,601 Warren County residents (8.8%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Warren County residents was 5,125.

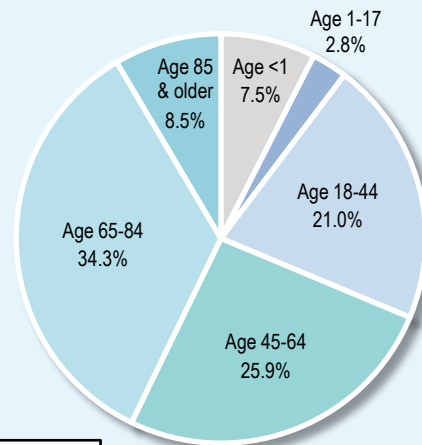
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Warren General	2,742	53.5%
UPMC Hamot	897	17.5%
Saint Vincent	567	11.1%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	209	4.1%
Titusville Area	76	1.5%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	15.7	17th
Heart Failure	40.9	40.4	25th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	53.5	31st
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	28.1	30th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.6	27th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 20.7% of Warren County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Warren County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$7,940
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,914

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Warren County had 9,193 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 7,336 were in the fee-for-service program, and 1,258 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Washington County

## Hospital Admissions

for Washington County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

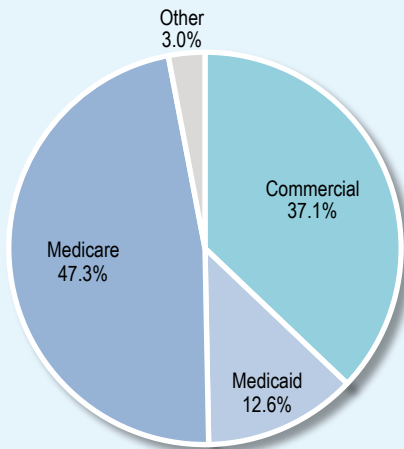
20,245 Washington County residents (9.7%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Washington County residents was 29,698.

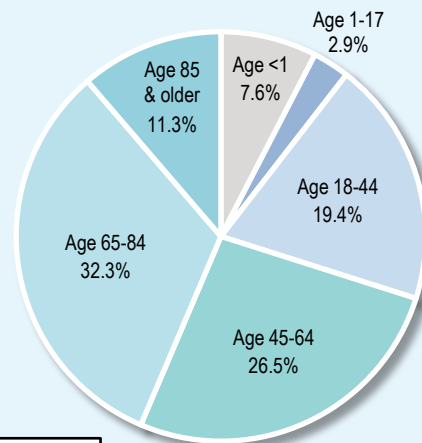
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Washington	10,297	34.7%
Monongahela Valley	3,956	13.3%
St Clair Memorial	2,803	9.4%
Canonsburg	2,308	7.8%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	2,028	6.8%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age <1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	20.4	44th
Heart Failure	40.9	56.6	56th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	74.1	53rd
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	31.2	38th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	3.3	35th

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 18.9% of Washington County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Washington County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,640
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,281

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Washington County had 46,401 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 15,712 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,972 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Wayne County

## Hospital Admissions

for Wayne County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

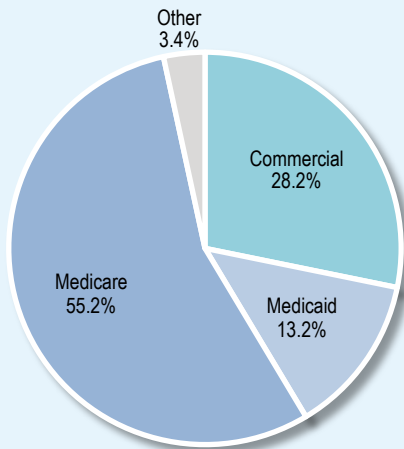
4,264 Wayne County residents (8.3%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Wayne County residents was 6,297.

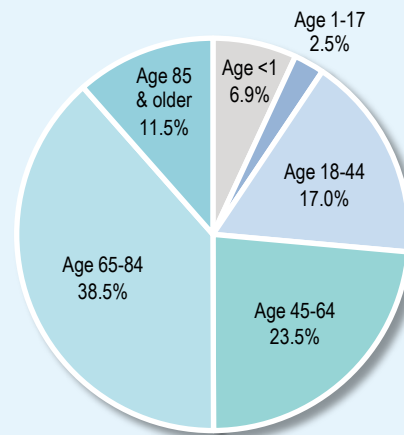
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Wayne Memorial	2,154	34.2%
Geisinger-Community	1,142	18.1%
Regional Scranton	928	14.7%
Moses Taylor	815	12.9%
Geisinger Wyoming Valley	257	4.1%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	19.1	40th
Heart Failure	40.9	49.9	45th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	42.0	16th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	39.4	54th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	5.3	53rd

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Per 10,000 residents.

<sup>3</sup> Rankings are 1-67, where 1 is lowest (best) hospitalization rate. Higher rank might be dependent on population differences among counties (an older population, for example). Rates were not adjusted for population differences so that important effects of these patient characteristics were not masked by such adjustment. Note that 20.7% of Wayne County residents were age 65 or older; statewide the percentage was 16.0%.

<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Wayne County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$8,394
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,691

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Wayne County had 16,251 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 13,574 were in the fee-for-service program, and 2,241 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Westmoreland County

## Hospital Admissions

for Westmoreland County Residents in FY 2015



### Hospital admissions

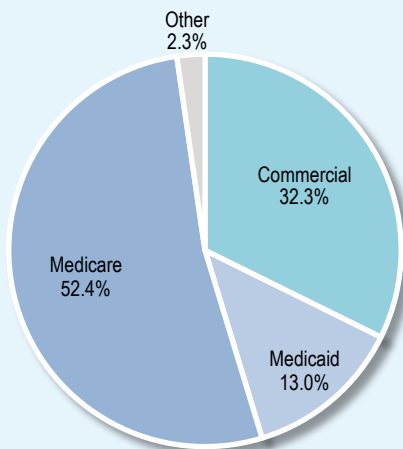
34,759 Westmoreland County residents (9.7%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Westmoreland County residents was 52,759.

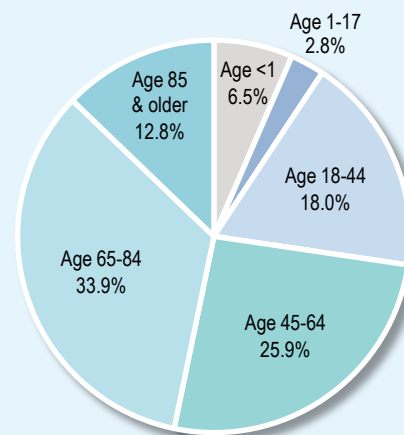
### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Excelsa Hlth Westmoreland	15,515	29.4%
Latrobe Area	5,662	10.7%
Forbes	4,979	9.4%
UPMC Presby Shadyside	4,874	9.2%
UPMC East	2,658	5.0%

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	22.7	56th
Heart Failure	40.9	50.9	49th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma ( <i>ages 40 or older</i> )	50.2	74.5	54th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	29.5	34th
Asthma ( <i>ages 18 to 39</i> )	6.0	3.7	41st

<sup>1</sup> These conditions were defined using the Prevention Quality Indicators developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualityindicators.ahrq.gov)).

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Westmoreland County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,381
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,117

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Westmoreland County had 82,817 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 25,980 were in the fee-for-service program, and 5,009 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# Wyoming County

## Hospital Admissions

for Wyoming County Residents in FY 2015

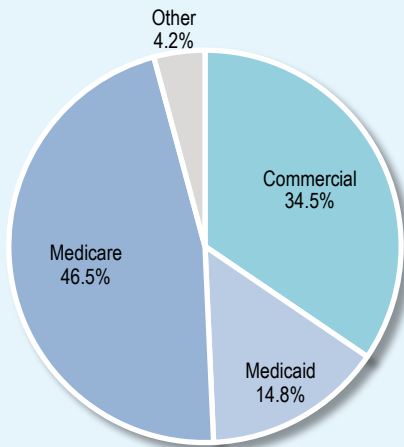


### Hospital admissions

2,752 Wyoming County residents (9.8%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for Wyoming County residents was 3,871.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

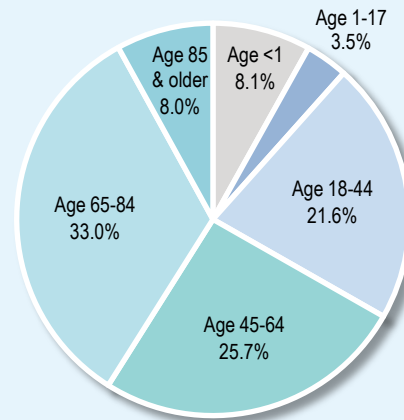
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
Geisinger Wyoming Valley	979	25.3%
Tyler Memorial	512	13.2%
Geisinger-Community	491	12.7%
Moses Taylor	391	10.1%
Wilkes-Barre General	355	9.2%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	22.5	54th
Heart Failure	40.9	40.0	24th
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	67.3	49th
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	45.0	60th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	2.1	19th

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	Wyoming County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$7,898
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$2,538

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, Wyoming County had 6,485 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 4,431 were in the fee-for-service program, and 784 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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# York County

## Hospital Admissions

for York County Residents in FY 2015

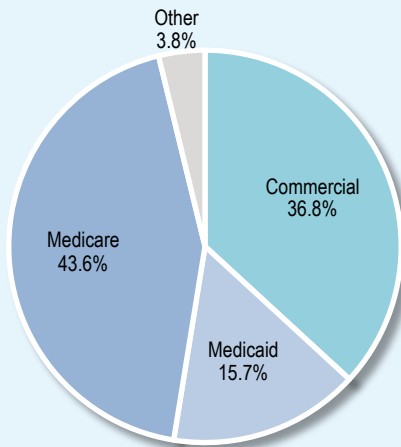


### Hospital admissions

35,472 York County residents (8.0%) were admitted to a PA hospital in FY 2015. Statewide, the percentage was 9.0%.

Some patients were admitted several times during the year, so the total number of hospital admissions for York County residents was 50,811.

### Hospital admissions by anticipated payer



Statewide, the percentages were:

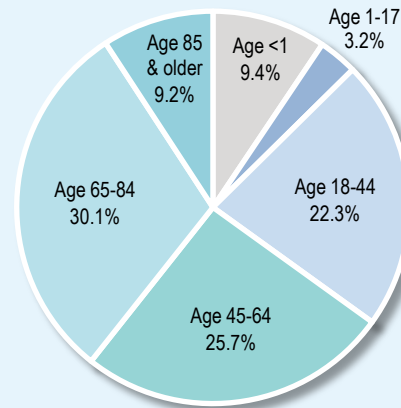
Medicare	44.9%
Medicaid	18.4%
Commercial	33.4%
Other*	3.3%

\* Includes other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

### Where were residents hospitalized? (top 5 by number of admissions)

Hospital Name	Number of Admissions	Percent of Admissions
York	28,960	57.0%
Memorial York	5,015	9.9%
Hanover	3,942	7.8%
Milton S Hershey	1,966	3.9%
Pinnacle Health	1,680	3.3%

### Hospital admissions by age



Statewide, the percentages were:

Age<1	9.0%
1-17	3.6%
18-44	22.0%
45-64	25.5%
65-84	29.4%
85 & older	10.4%

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## Hospitalization rates for chronic conditions and county rankings

Condition <sup>1</sup>	Hospitalization Rate <sup>2</sup>		County Rank <sup>3</sup>
	State	County	
Diabetes	21.5	17.9	29th
Heart Failure	40.9	38.6	23rd
COPD <sup>4</sup> or Asthma (ages 40 or older)	50.2	44.6	21st
Bacterial Pneumonia	24.9	14.9	4th
Asthma (ages 18 to 39)	6.0	5.7	58th

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<sup>4</sup> Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

## Medicare payments

One way to examine health care resource use is to look at Medicare spending. The following table shows the average amount Medicare spent per beneficiary in calendar year 2014.

	All Pennsylvania	York County
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for all services	\$9,692	\$9,132
Average Medicare spending per beneficiary for inpatient services	\$3,304	\$3,146

These figures reflect actual (unadjusted) overall spending by the Medicare program for all Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries regardless of age. "All services" includes hospital admissions, outpatient care, home health, hospice, etc. "Inpatient services" includes hospital admissions to inpatient acute care hospitals paid under the Prospective Payment System, critical access hospitals, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and psychiatric hospitals. In 2014, York County had 79,644 Medicare beneficiaries, of which 50,927 were in the fee-for-service program, and 8,825 of these were admitted to the hospital at least once during 2014.

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