

Outpatient Procedures Report January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 Data

Summary and Highlights

- In this new report, PHC4 shows the volume of surgeries performed at Pennsylvania hospital outpatient departments and ambulatory surgery centers for 10 procedures that are commonly performed in the outpatient setting. The data included is from calendar year 2024 (January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024) and is reported individually for each facility.
- The 10 outpatient procedures included in the report are:

	Volume			
Procedure	Total	Ambulatory Surgery Centers	Hospital Outpatient Departments	
Carpal Tunnel Release	37,460	21,741	15,719	
Cataract Procedures	220,531	180,176	40,355	
Ear Tube Insertion	21,864	12,440	9,424	
Endoscopy – Lower GI Diagnostic	590,176	349,245	240,931	
Endoscopy – Upper GI Diagnostic	295,528	139,758	155,770	
Gallbladder Removal – Laparoscopic	23,011	266	22,745	
Hernia Repair – Abdomen	18,397	1,366	17,031	
Hernia Repair – Groin	23,411	1,981	21,430	
Tonsil and Adenoid Removal	23,193	10,303	12,890	
Urinary Tract Stone Removal	29,503	4,926	24,577	

- This information can be helpful to patients, their families, and others when making decisions about health care in Pennsylvania. Reporting volume data is valuable because it offers clear information about providers' recent experience in performing specific procedures. Other benefits of reporting procedure volume include increased data transparency, benchmark development, and quality improvement by helping providers identify clinical areas that might need intervention.
- Some hospital outpatient departments and ambulatory surgery centers performed only one or two of these procedures in calendar year 2024:

Procedure	Reported Facilities that Performed only One or Two of these Surgeries				
	Ambulatory Surgery Centers		Hospital Outpatient Departments		
	Number of Facilities	Percent of Facilities	Number of Facilities	Percent of Facilities	
Carpal Tunnel Release	2	2.2%	8	5.7%	
Cataract Procedures	1	1.0%	5	6.4%	
Ear Tube Insertion	5	8.8%	7	6.8%	
Endoscopy – Lower GI Diagnostic	5	3.9%	1	0.7%	
Endoscopy – Upper GI Diagnostic	3	2.4%	2	1.4%	
Gallbladder Removal – Laparoscopic	1	7.1%	1	0.7%	
Hernia Repair – Abdomen	11	21.6%	3	2.1%	
Hernia Repair – Groin	5	13.5%	2	1.4%	
Tonsil and Adenoid Removal	1	1.8%	4	3.9%	
Urinary Tract Stone Removal	3	8.6%	2	1.6%	