

# CHIA Standard Statistics: Most Frequent Inpatient Discharges by Diagnostic Related Group (DRG)



Time Period/Data Year(s): October 1<sup>st</sup> – September 30<sup>th</sup> for all hospitals  
Governing Legislation: M.G.L. c. 12C, section 8; Regulation 957 CMR 8.00

<b>Description</b>	This measure reflects the most common reasons for inpatient admissions to Massachusetts hospitals.
<b>Frequency</b>	CHIA reports on this measure annually as part of its Hospital Profiles publication.
<b>Statutory Definition</b>	CHIA is directed to collect hospital discharge data and “designate standard systems for determining, reporting and auditing volume, case-mix, [and] proportion of low-income patients...and to prepare reports comparing acute and non-acute care hospitals by cost, utilization and outcome.”
<b>Data Submitters</b>	All Massachusetts acute hospitals
<b>Data Included</b>	The statewide top 5 DRGs are derived from CHIA’s Hospital Inpatient Discharge Database (HIDD).
<b>Quality Assurance Process</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIDD data is verified at intake through the HIDD intake verification process</li> <li>• Each hospital’s top DRGs are again verified with hospitals during the publication preparation process</li> <li>• All publication materials are reviewed by CHIA analysts, managers, and team director</li> </ul>
<b>Reports</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Massachusetts Hospital Profiles</a> (data for FY2012 and FY2016)</li> </ul>

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<b>Data Notes</b>	None
<b>How to Obtain Data</b>	The statewide top 5 DRGs are available in the <a href="#">Hospital Profiles</a> section of CHIA's <a href="#">website</a> , specifically within the chartbook portion of the publication.
<b>Related CHIA Measures</b>	None
<b>Questions?</b>	Questions may be directed to Mary Byrnes at <a href="mailto:mary.byrnes@state.ma.us">mary.byrnes@state.ma.us</a> .