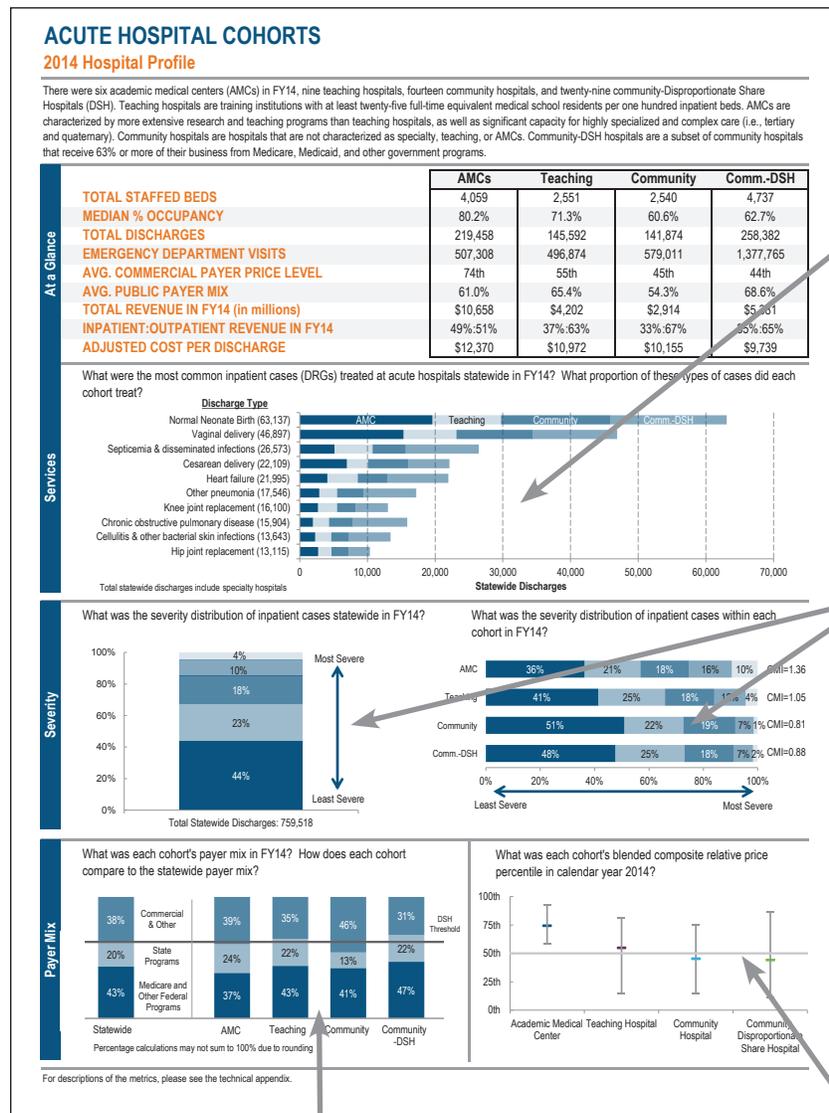


# HOW TO READ ACUTE HOSPITAL COHORT PROFILE – FISCAL YEAR 2014

This sheet provides a brief introduction to the metrics on the hospital cohorts. Definitions and notes on all metrics are available in the technical appendix.



## Types of inpatient cases

The state's top ten most frequent inpatient cases are listed, with the number of discharges from each cohort indicated by the colored bands within each bar.

## Inpatient severity distribution

The severity distribution of all inpatient cases treated at acute hospitals is shown on the left. The bars on the right display the severity distribution of cases within each cohort.

## Relative Price

The colored dashes represent the average blended composite relative price level of all hospitals in each cohort, expressed as percentiles, for all Massachusetts commercial payers in 2014. The range for each cohort is also displayed.

The grey line shows the median blended composite relative price percentile (50th percentile).

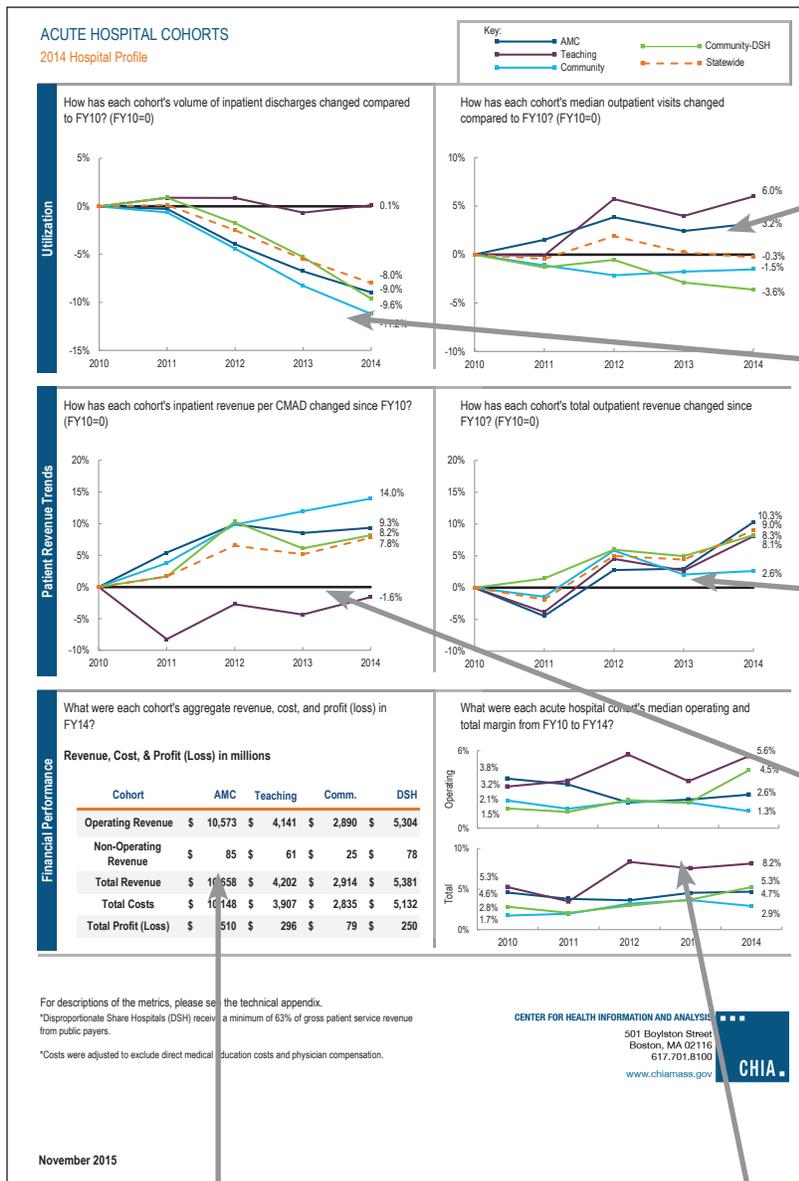
## Payer mix

Each cohort's average share of business from federal and state programs and commercial payers is displayed, in addition to the overall payer mix statewide.

The grey line indicates whether the average hospital in each cohort receives 63% or more of its business from government programs (the bottom two sections of each column). This is the "DSH Threshold."

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These graphs compare trends among the cohorts. All trends in the first four graphs are anchored at 0 to emphasize recent changes. The labeled points are cumulative over the time period.



**Change in volume of outpatient visits**

**Change in volume of inpatient discharges**

**Change in total outpatient revenue**  
(note: **not** per unit. This metric is influenced both by unit price and by volume changes.)

**Change in inpatient severity-adjusted revenue per case**  
(i.e., per capita)

**FY14 financial information for each cohort**

**Total and operating margin history**