



The Iowa HCUP State Inpatient Databases (SID) for 2009 (dated June or August 2010) and 2010 (dated September 2011) contain misleading discharge data from four hospitals accounting for about 11 percent of the files. The affected discharge data include incorrect reporting of the principal procedure and incorrect ordering of the additional procedures and secondary diagnoses. This problem also impacted the assignment of surgical DRGs as some surgical events were not factored into the assignment. The numbers of affected records are listed in the table below.

<b>Hospital</b>	<b>2009 IP Discharges</b>	<b>Percent of 2009 IA SID Discharges</b>	<b>2010 IP Discharges</b>	<b>Percent of 2010 IA SID Discharges</b>
Hospital 1	6,569	1.88%	6,424	1.88%
Hospital 2	8,108	2.32%	8,171	2.39%
Hospital 3	12,196	3.49%	11,960	3.50%
Hospital 4	11,081	3.17%	10,487	3.07%

Corrected discharge data for 2009 and 2010 was provided by the HCUP Partner and the IA SID was recreated in December 2011.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause your organization. If you had previously purchased the 2009 and/or 2010 Iowa SID and would like a copy of the updated file, please contact the HCUP Central Distributor (866-556-4287 toll-free or [HCUPDistributor@AHRQ.gov](mailto:HCUPDistributor@AHRQ.gov)).

Sincerely,  
The HCUP Central Distributor Team