



What is HCUPnet?

HCUPnet is a free, online query system based on data from the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP). The system provides health care statistics and information for hospital inpatient, emergency department, and ambulatory settings, as well as population-based health care data on counties, regions, States and the nation.

Advance Your Research

Investigate numerous aspects of hospital-based care, including:

- Primary and secondary diagnoses and procedures
- Patient demographic characteristics
- Hospital characteristics
- Expected payer
- Total charges
- Discharge status
- Length of stay

Address Critical Topics

HCUPnet can be used to quickly and easily study a variety of research topics, including:



- In-hospital mortality for diagnoses and procedures
- Trends in inpatient and outpatient access, charges, and outcomes
- Utilization by special populations
- Most common conditions and procedures
- Variations in medical practice
- Charges for specific conditions
- Quality of care and patient safety
- Differences in outcomes between hospital type

A Comprehensive, User-Friendly Resource

HCUPnet's simple, step-by-step query system provides users with precalculated tables and graphs of inpatient and outpatient health care encounters at community hospitals. A variety of data pathways enables specialized queries of national, regional, and State-level hospital encounters. HCUPnet also provides detailed, ready-to-use national benchmarks for health care Quality Indicators.

Expand Your Analyses



Use HCUP Tools. HCUPnet incorporates several AHRQ products into its analyses, including the Clinical Classification Software, Cost-to-Charge Ratios, and the Quality Indicators.



Make the Most of Your Research. HCUPnet also includes an online z-test calculator to test statistical significance of differences between two weighted counts, means, or percentages.

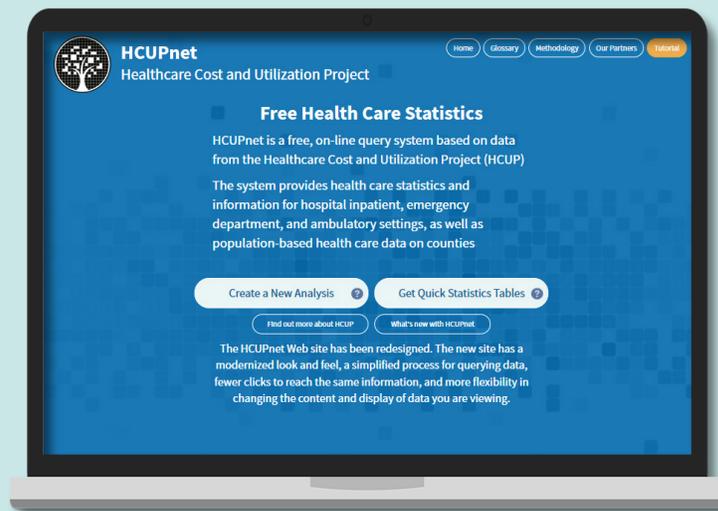


Explore HCUPnet Data. Tables and graphs from HCUPnet can be saved easily in Microsoft® Excel for further analysis. Queries can be rerun with one click in another HCUPnet pathway.

Easy to Access

Simply explore the HCUPnet Web site to get the information you want. The easy-to-follow screens guide users through the query process, which can be accessed here: www.hcupnet.ahrq.gov/#setup.

The HCUPnet Web site has been redesigned. The new site has a modernized look and feel, a simplified process for querying data, fewer clicks to reach the same information, and more flexibility in changing the content and display of data you are viewing.



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The Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP, pronounced “H-Cup”) is a family of powerful health care databases, software tools, and products for advancing research. Sponsored by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), HCUP includes the largest all-payer, encounter-level collection of longitudinal health care data (inpatient, ambulatory surgery, and emergency department) in the United States, beginning in 1988.

HCUP is a Federal-State-Industry Partnership that brings together the data collection efforts of many organizations – such as State data organizations, hospital associations, private data organizations, and the Federal Government – to create a national information resource. HCUP would not be possible without the contributions of data collection Partners from across the nation.

For more information about HCUP, please visit www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov.