

# **United States Medicare Data Visualization by Hospital Provider :**

## **Exploring overall health care By Spending Data**

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### **General Introduction :**

According to the definition provided by <https://www.medicare.gov> , Medicare is the federal health insurance program for people who are 65 or older, certain younger people with disabilities and people with End-Stage Renal Disease (permanent kidney failure requiring dialysis or a transplant, sometimes called ESRD). Having a clear visualization of Medicare data is relevant in identifying the available providers and help policy makers in decision making .

I want to show overall Status of Health Care by Hospital provider in a Dashboard. Using this dashboard, we can get overview of total number of medications prescribed in each state, most prescribed medications in each state, average cost of inpatient and outpatient treatment, common inpatient diagnostic conditions in USA hospitals etc.

I'll choose important variables to show in the dashboard to get an overall health care status by period and claim type .

## **Relevance of this Study to Current Health System**

From <https://www.rand.org/health-care/key-topics/health-policy.html> we can see that USA has The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) since 2010. Getting an overview in the healthcare in dashboard will help us to understand how the policy aligns with the current situation of healthcare system and policy makers can take better decision about the old ACA policy and weather any new policy needed or not. We can see Medicaid, essential health benefits etc. from the dashboard which is a key part of the current policy. The convergence of big data, analytics, and transparency will bring a sea change to the world of health care by necessitating new ways to communicate information to end users, such as payers, providers, researchers, and consumers. If health care payers can analyze large amounts of claims data effectively, they can improve service and care delivery for their recipients.

## **Data Source and Description**

Medical information per beneficiary data and data description was obtained from <https://healthdata.gov/dataset/medicare-hospital-spending-claim> The data displayed here shows average spending levels during hospitals' Medicare Spending per Beneficiary (MSPB) episodes. An MSPB episode includes all Medicare Part A and Part B claims paid during the period from 3 days prior to a hospital admission through 30 days after discharge. These average Medicare payment amounts have


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been price-standardized to remove the effect of geographic payment differences and add-on payments for indirect medical education (IME) and disproportionate share hospitals (DSH).

### Dataset Screenshot

**CSV**

 rows.csv?accessType=DOWNLOAD

**Data Preview:** Note that by default the preview only displays up to 100 records. Use the pager to flip through more records or adjust the start and end fields to display the number of records you wish to see.

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Hospital_Name														
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	
1	Hospital_Nam	Provider_IC	State	Period	Claim_Type	Avg_Spend	Avg_Spend	Avg_Spend	Percent_of	Percent_of	Percent_of	Start_Date	End_Date	
2	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	During Ind	Skilled Nur	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
3	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	During Ind	Durable Mx	18	31	24	0.10%	0.16%	0.12%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
4	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	During Ind	Carrier	1062	1480	1540	6.01%	7.71%	7.52%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
5	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	1 through	Home Heal	917	948	816	5.19%	4.94%	3.98%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
6	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	1 through	Hospice	172	154	122	0.97%	0.80%	0.60%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
7	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	1 through	Inpatient	2518	2634	2702	14.25%	13.72%	13.18%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
8	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	1 through	Outpatient	473	596	730	2.68%	3.10%	3.56%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
9	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	1 through	Skilled Nur	3544	2626	3319	20.06%	13.67%	16.19%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
10	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	1 through	Durable Mx	79	126	103	0.45%	0.66%	0.50%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
11	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	1 through	Carrier	970	1046	1110	5.49%	5.45%	5.42%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
12	HELEN KELLER	10019	AL	Complete	E Total	17668	19201	20497	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
13	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 to 3 days	Home Heal	23	16	14	0.13%	0.08%	0.07%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
14	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 to 3 days	Hospice	0	1	1	0.00%	0.01%	0.00%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
15	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 to 3 days	Inpatient	12	6	5	0.07%	0.03%	0.03%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
16	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 to 3 days	Outpatient	22	84	124	0.12%	0.44%	0.61%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
17	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 to 3 days	Skilled Nur	0	2	2	0.00%	0.01%	0.01%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
18	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 to 3 days	Durable Mx	10	10	9	0.06%	0.05%	0.04%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
19	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 to 3 days	Carrier	398	508	552	2.25%	2.65%	2.69%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
20	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	During Ind	Home Heal	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
21	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	During Ind	Hospice	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
22	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	During Ind	Inpatient	7529	8934	9324	42.64%	46.53%	45.49%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
23	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	During Ind	Outpatient	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
24	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	During Ind	Skilled Nur	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
25	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	During Ind	Durable Mx	8	31	24	0.04%	0.16%	0.12%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
26	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	During Ind	Carrier	846	1480	1540	4.79%	7.71%	7.52%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
27	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 through	Home Heal	886	948	816	5.02%	4.94%	3.98%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
28	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 through	Hospice	204	154	122	1.16%	0.80%	0.60%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
29	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 through	Inpatient	2719	2634	2702	15.40%	13.72%	13.18%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
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31	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 through	Skilled Nur	3676	2626	3319	20.82%	13.67%	16.19%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
32	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 through	Durable Mx	50	126	103	0.28%	0.66%	0.50%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
33	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	1 through	Carrier	902	1046	1110	5.11%	5.45%	5.42%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
34	DALE MEDICA	10021	AL	Complete	E Total	17657	19201	20497	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
35	CHEROKEE MI	10022	AL	1 to 3 days	Home Heal	0	16	14	0.00%	0.08%	0.07%	1/1/2015	12/31/2015	
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## Interactive Visualization of the Data through Apps and its Purpose \*

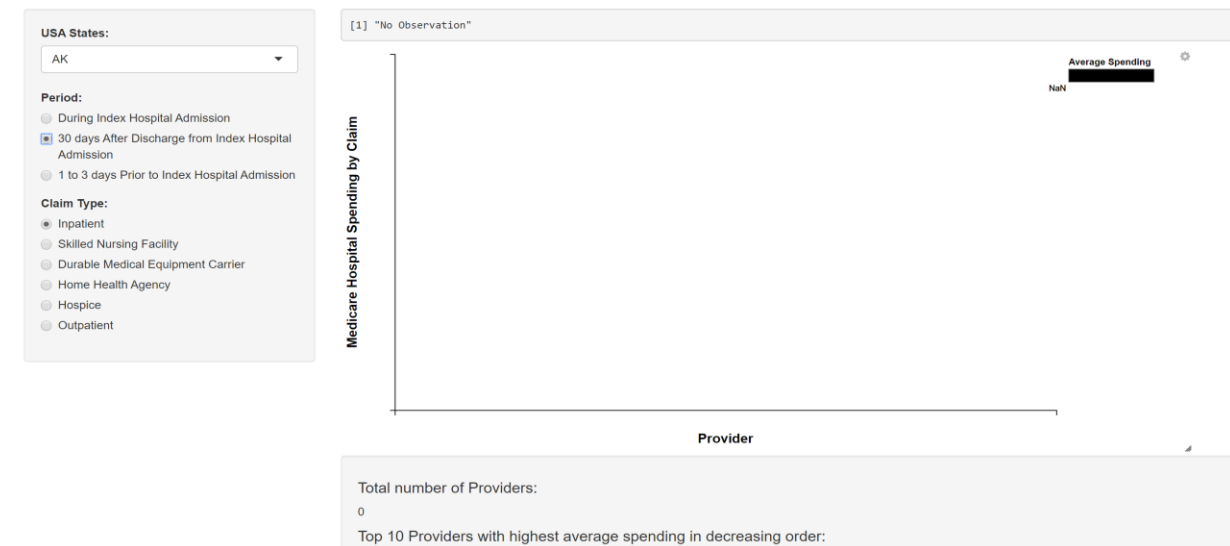
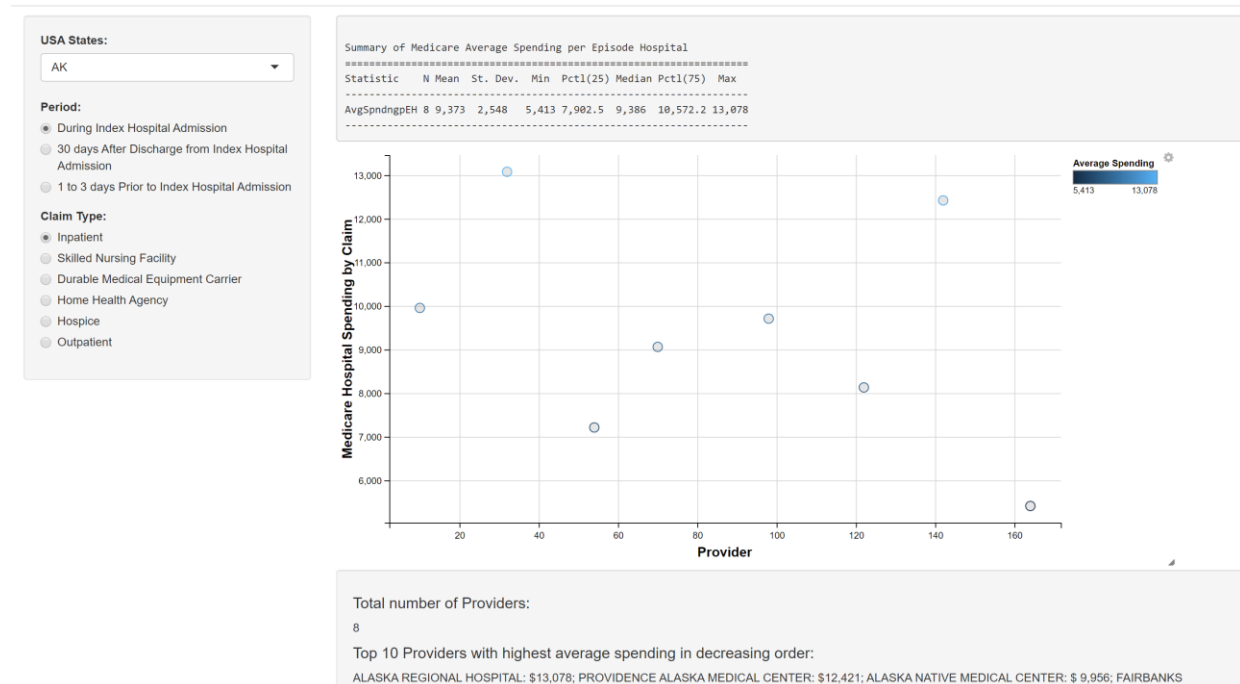
The aim of this dashboard is to explore the differences on average spending across providers by period and claim type within states. The average spending was compared across states in the following scatter plot helps to visualize Medicare average spending per episode among different providers. You can explore average spending within each state for a given period and type of claim by selecting the state from the drop-down box, and period and claim type from the radio buttons.

Summary statistics of average spending for a given selection is provided on the top of the application, followed by scatter plot of average spending. Provider with highest average spending are listed under the scatter plot. You can see the name of provider and the average spending by hovering the cursor on each observation.

Some Glimpse of the Interactive visualization is provided as follows :

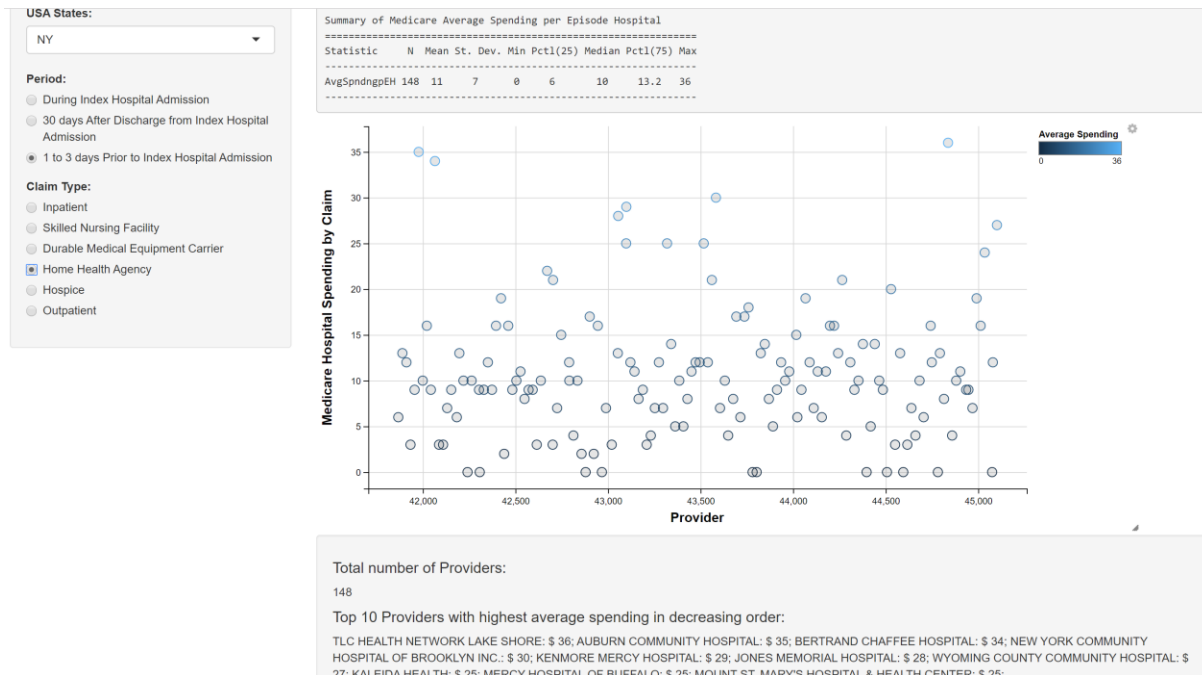
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In summary the top ten highest average spending was for inpatient claims during index hospital admission in the state of Texas (3 providers), Ohio, Nebraska, Indiana, Kansas (each 1 provider) and Oklahoma (2 provider).

NB: The Interactive data visualization published on shiny app can be found on :

<https://yohannesdeboch.shinyapps.io/data608finalprojectbyyohannesd/>

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