

Table	Field	Description
Reports	Release Period (PK)	Unique identifier for each HCAHPS report and the date (month_year) in which the data was released (these reports are publicly reported four times each year, based on four consecutive quarters of patient surveys)
	Start Date	Survey results from patients discharged between the "Start Date" and "End Date" are included in each report that's released.
	End Date	Survey results from patients discharged between the "Start Date" and "End Date" are included in each report that's released.
States	State (PK)	State abbreviation for the 50 US States (plus DC - District of Columbia)
	State Name	Full state name
	Region	Groups of states as defined by the United States Census Bureau
Measures	Measure ID (PK)	Unique identifier for each HCAHPS measure (measures are created from specific questions on the HCAHPS survey)
	Measure	The measure description
	Type	"Composite measures" are made up of more than 1 survey question, while "Individual Items" and "Global Items" are tied to a single question
Questions	Question Num	Question number as it appears on the HCAHPS patient survey
	Measure ID (FK)	The measure each question relates to
	Question	The question as it appears on the survey
	Bottom-box Answer	The answer(s) to the question considered least positive
	Middle-box Answer	The answer(s) to the question considered intermediate
	Top-box Answer	The answer(s) to the question considered most positive
National Results	Release Period (FK)	The HCAHPS report each row relates to
	Measure ID (FK)	The measure each row relates to
	Bottom-box Percentage	The percentage of respondents at a national level who gave a bottom-box response to the measure in the given report (bottom-box, middle-box, and top-box percentages add up to 100 for each row)
	Middle-box Percentage	The percentage of respondents at a national level who gave a middle-box response to the measure in the given report (bottom-box, middle-box, and top-box percentages add up to 100)

National Results	Top-box Percentage	for each row) The percentage of respondents at a national level who gave a top-box response to the measure in the given report (bottom-box, middle-box, and top-box percentages add up to 100 for each row)
State Results	Release Period (FK)	The HCAHPS report each row relates to
State Results	State (FK)	The state each row relates to
	Measure ID (FK)	The measure each row relates to
	Bottom-box Percentage	The percentage of respondents at the state level who gave a bottom-box response to the measure in the given report (bottom-box, middle-box, and top-box percentages add up to 100 for each row)
	Middle-box Percentage	The percentage of respondents at the state level who gave a middle-box response to the measure in the given report (bottom-box, middle-box, and top-box percentages add up to 100 for each row)
	Top-box Percentage	The percentage of respondents at the state level who gave a top-box response to the measure in the given report (bottom-box, middle-box, and top-box percentages add up to 100 for each row)
Responses	Release Period (FK)	The HCAHPS report each row relates to
	State (FK)	The state each row relates to
	Facility ID	Unique identifier for each hospital that participated in the HCAHPS patient survey
	Completed Surveys	Completed surveys from patients discharges from the facility in the given report
	Response Rate (%)	Response rate from surveys submitted to patients (as a percentage - 26 = 26%)
	(PK) = Primary Key (FK) = Foreign Key	