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Birth Hospitalization Costs and Days of Care for Mothers and Neonates in California 2009-2011

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Abstract

Objective: To provide population-based estimates of the hospital-related costs of maternal and newborn care, and how these vary by gestational age and birth weight.

Study design: We conducted a retrospective analysis of 2009–2011 California in-hospital deliveries at non-Federal hospitals with the infant and maternal discharge data successfully (96%) linked to birth certificates. Cost-to-charge ratios were used to estimate costs from charges. Physician hospital payments were estimated by mean DRG-specific reimbursement and costs were adjusted for inflation to December 2017 values. After exclusions for incomplete or missing data, the final sample was 1,265,212.

Results: Mean maternal costs for all in-hospital deliveries was \$8,204, increasing to \$13,154 for late preterm (32–36 weeks) and \$22,702 for very preterm (<32 weeks) mothers. The mean cost for all newborns was \$6,389: \$2,433 for term infants, \$22,102 for late preterm, \$223,931 for very

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preterm infants, and \$317,982 for extremely preterm infants (<28 weeks). Preterm infants were 8.1% of cases but incurred 60.9% of costs; for very preterm and extremely preterm infants these shares were 1.0%/36.5% and 0.4%/20.0%, respectively. Overall, mothers incurred 56% of the total costs during the delivery hospitalization.

Conclusions: Both maternal and neonatal costs are skewed, with this being much more pronounced for infants. Preterm birth is much more expensive than term delivery, with the additional costs predominately incurred by the infants. The small share of infants who require extensive stays in neonatal intensive care incur a large share of neonatal costs, and these costs have increased over time.

Keywords

Neonatal costs; gestational age; birth weight

Pregnancy and delivery are the most common reasons for the hospitalization of women of childbearing age, with almost 4 million deliveries annually in the United States.¹ Peripartum and newborn infant care, particularly for the extremely premature infant, make up a substantial proportion of the costs of medical care for these patients, with estimates of the costs of preterm birth accounting for almost 26 billion dollars annually.² Neonatal and maternal care has continued to evolve over time, including rising rates of Cesarean deliveries and more aggressive management and resuscitation of infants born at periviable gestational ages (GA) <24 weeks.^{3–5} However, with reductions in mortality and more aggressive resuscitation come greater use of health care resources. Although preterm rates have been relatively constant^{6,7} the neonatal mortality rate has declined, especially for very preterm infants.^{4,8,9} The reduction in very preterm mortality is especially significant, given the very large cost and length of stay differences between survivors and deaths.¹⁰

There currently are little data to quantify the economic impact of these changes in both maternal and neonatal care. The existing studies using data linking mothers to infants and transfers to accurately measure the total costs of delivery are from 2000 or earlier, and thus fail to capture the effects of more recent changes in costs, technologies, and outcomes.^{2,10–12} More recent data tend to use hospital charges instead of costs, or use unlinked discharge data that cannot measure the economic impact of mothers or infants across the multiple hospitals where they receive care prior to being discharged home. As these women and infants tend to be the sickest, and most expensive cases, such data may underestimate the impact of certain subgroups of patients.¹³ Finally, previous data omit physician costs.

The goal of this project is to provide population-based estimates of the costs and lengths of stay for hospitalizations associated with childbirth, including pregnancy-related maternal hospitalization and infant transfers prior to discharge home or death. We include both hospital costs, as performed in prior work, and updated methods to include an estimate of physician costs. Further, to provide policy makers and researchers with in-depth data useful for additional analyses, we provide data stratified by GA, birth weight (BW), and survival status.

Methods

We used the California Office of Statewide Planning and Development (OSHPD) Vital Statistics-Patient Discharge Data to obtain a population-based study cohort of all in-hospital deliveries in that occurred in California non-Federal hospitals between 2009 and 2011. Maternal and infant hospital discharge records were probabilistically linked with birth, infant death, and fetal death certificates to provide linked information for mother/baby pairs. Approximately 96% of in-hospital birth records were successfully linked to maternal and infant hospital discharge abstract data.¹⁴ Although these linkages are officially probabilistic, the vast majority are unique matches and most of the probabilistic linkages are for uncomplicated term infants for whom the non-exact linkages have minimal effect on the analyses conducted for this study. These data include maternal antepartum records for the nine months prior to delivery. Infant hospital discharge records include the delivery admission and subsequent transfers until the infant was initially discharged to home or died. This study was approved by the Stanford University Institutional Review Board and the California Department of Health Services Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects.

Cases were selected if the birth certificate was successfully linked to both the maternal delivery record and the infant delivery record, or if the fetal death certificate was linked to a maternal hospital record. Maternal prenatal hospitalization records were retained for pregnancyrelated prenatal hospitalizations falling within the gestation period of the current pregnancy based on gestational age at birth (fetal death). Prenatal hospitalizations were considered pregnancy-related if the recorded Major Diagnostic Category value was 14 (Pregnancy, Childbirth, and the Puerperium), or International Classification of Diseases, 9th edition, Clinical Modification (ICD-9) V-Codes of 22.*, 23.*, 24.*, 26.*, 27.*, 28.* were recorded and *no* ICD-9 diagnosis codes 633.*–639.* were recorded.

The BW value from the birth certificate was set to missing in cases where the value was $\geq 6,800\text{g}$ or $<400\text{g}$ for a live birth. Singleton cases with missing values were replaced with the median BW value for infants of the same GA at birth if there was a valid GA (n=74). For GA, we used the best obstetric estimate of GA when it was available; the LMP GA was used for 2,436 cases. The GA value from the birth certificate (or fetal death certificate) was set to missing in cases indicating a live birth <22 weeks or a GA >45 weeks. For survivors, 3,317 infant records with a GA at discharge <34 weeks were removed as probable data errors.

ICD-9 procedure codes were used to identify infants who underwent surgical procedures using a procedure classification system developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project that classifies procedures as “major” or “minor” therapeutic or diagnostic procedures.¹⁷ We performed a further review of major therapeutic surgical procedures to flag procedures likely having major costs associated with them (such as a major heart surgery). Flagging such cases was done to assist in the identification of infant cost outliers – “big” cases with large costs were retained rather than being classified as outliers.

The OSHPD annual hospital financial data for 2009–2011 were utilized to construct costto-charge ratios for each hospital and these were used to convert hospital charges recorded in

the maternal and infant hospital discharge records to estimated costs.¹⁸ Data on the mean professional/physicians fees for each Diagnosis Related Group (DRG) and payer source (Medicaid or Private Insurance) were matched to the DRGs of each hospital discharge to incorporate estimated professional fees, with separate adjustment factors for Medicaid and private insurance.¹⁹ Although these physician data are fees, not “costs” we believe that they represent the best available method for adding an estimate of physician costs to our data. For simplicity, we use the term “costs” even when this refers to estimates derived from other sources. The Bureau of Labor Statistics Producer Price Index was used to adjust costs to December 2017 values.^{20,21}

We excluded cases when the estimated costs were clearly inconsistent with the care that was provided. Maternal costs were flagged as data errors and set to missing if hospital costs-per-day were <\$500 or >\$10,000, or if total hospital costs were <\$1,000. Neonatal costs were examined separately for survivors, non-survivors, and major surgical cases. One surgical case with a total hospital cost-per-day of <\$125 was flagged as a data error and hospital costs were set to missing. For non-surgical cases, for survivors, hospital costs were set to missing if hospital cost-per-day was less than the 1st percentile for GA, as this threshold represented the point at which the costs were clearly in error across all gestations. For survivors with a length of stay (LOS) <=5 days, observations with hospital costs-per-day > \$10,000 were capped at \$10,000. For non-survivors with a LOS of 2–5 days with hospital costs-per-day >\$20,000, hospital costsper-day were capped at \$20,000.

The Figure (available at www.jpeds.com) outlines how the various criteria above affected the study sample. Of the 1,562,901 in-hospital deliveries, 1,499,769 (96 %) were linked to both maternal and infant discharge abstracts. 6,470 cases were excluded due to missing or excluded BW or GA. The main reason cases were excluded was missing hospital charge data, which dropped 203,096 cases (over 85% of the excluded cases). Of these, 98% were excluded because they included one or more stays at a hospital operated by the Kaiser Permanente health system which does not report hospital charges. An additional 24,991 cases were excluded because either the maternal or infant costs were considered to be outliers relative to their disease state, as described above. Cases were retained only if cost and LOS information were available for both the mother and infant (only maternal costs were required for the fetal deaths). The final sample included 1,265,212 retained cases.

In addition to reporting the estimated costs, lengths of stay and mortality for all infants, we report these by GA and BW groups. For GA, we used the following groups: <25 weeks, 25–27 weeks, 28–32 weeks, 32–36 weeks, 37–38 weeks, 39–41 weeks, and >41 weeks. We also provided summary groups for extremely preterm (<28 weeks), very preterm (<32 weeks), and any preterm (<37 weeks). For BW, we report on the following groups: <1000g, <1500g, 1000–1499g, 1500–2499g, <2500g, and >=2500g. For each of the tables reported in the results, there is a corresponding table available online that reports by week of GA and narrower BW intervals.

Results:

Table 1 reports the number of maternal cases, live births, number of the live births that were multiple births, the number of fetal and infant deaths, and the mean maternal and infant length of stay, for all cases, and for each of the GA and BW groups described above (see Table 2 [available at www.jpeds.com] for more detailed data). For length of stay, we also report the standard deviation, median, and inter-quartile range. The final sample includes 1,245,622 deliveries (includes fetal deaths), 1,260,457 live births, and 4,755 fetal deaths. 19,280 of the maternal deliveries and 37,649 of the live births were from a multiple delivery. The deaths are predominately preterm (77.7%), with 60.4% of the deaths being very preterm and half (50.1%) being extremely preterm.

Table 3 reports the newborn costs until hospital discharge; these data are reported for all infants, including multiple births, by GA and BW (see Table 4 [available at www.jpeds.com] for more detailed data). The mean and median costs per case declined dramatically as GA and BW increase, from a mean total cost of \$350,000 for the smallest infants to about \$2,500 for term infants. In aggregate, the 8.1% of the live births that are preterm (<37 weeks) incur 60.9% of all newborn costs. Of these, the 1.0 % who are very preterm (<32 weeks) incur 36.5% of all newborn costs, and the 0.4 % who are extremely preterm (<28 weeks) incur 20.0% of newborn costs. This represents a modest increase in the proportion of costs for each of these groups compared with our data in 2000, when preterm infants, very preterm, and extremely preterm infants incurred 54%, 34%, and 19% of costs, respectively.¹² When the overall cost distribution is considered (not shown) the results are even more skewed; the 1.2% of cases with costs of more than \$100,000 incur 51.0% of all infant costs. Conversely, 87.2% of the infants with costs under \$3,000 incur only 15.8% of all newborn costs. We also provide this for survivors (Table 5; available at www.jpeds.com), deaths (Table 6; available at www.jpeds.com), singletons (Table 7; available at www.jpeds.com), and multiple births (Table 8; available at www.jpeds.com).

Table 9 reports total maternal costs for all live births, which includes the costs of pregnancy-related prenatal hospitalizations (see Table 10 [available at www.jpeds.com] for more detailed data). The mean maternal costs for term deliveries were \$7,600-\$7,900. These costs were slightly higher for late preterm deliveries (\$9,600), and much higher for very preterm deliveries (\$13,200-\$23,300). The maternal costs are much less skewed than the infant costs; 76.5% of them were under \$10,000 and these cases incurred 53.0% of all maternal costs. There were many fewer expensive cases and these cases had a much smaller share of total maternal costs; the 2.1% of the cases that exceeded \$25,000 incurred 11.0% of costs. Table 9 also provides separate information on the frequency and costs of pregnancy-related prenatal hospitalizations. About 5.5 % of the maternal cases had one or more pregnancy-related prenatal hospitalizations and the women who had such admissions averaged 1.2 admissions. These prenatal hospitalizations represent only those cases that were officially classified as a hospital admission, and do not include those cases where a woman was observed on the obstetric ward for a few hours, but not officially admitted to the hospital. Table 11 (available at www.jpeds.com) includes the cases that result in a fetal death. Summary information about the differences in maternal costs by type of delivery are reported in Table 12 (available at www.jpeds.com). As would be expected, maternal costs were markedly higher for

cesarean deliveries; the mean cost was \$11,006 vs. \$6,754 for vaginal deliveries, and these differences were larger for preterm deliveries.

Table 13 provides data on how costs are split between hospitals and physicians by GA and BW (see Table 14 [available at www.jpeds.com] for more detailed data). For each cell, we report the number of cases and mean hospital and physician costs, separately for mothers and infants. Overall, physician costs are 31% of total costs for mothers and 18% of the total costs for newborns. The physician's share of total costs is almost unchanged as GA changes for both mothers and infants; the infant physician share increases to 29% for extremely preterm cases, and the maternal physician share decreases to 29% for these cases.

Table 15 (available at www.jpeds.com) reports the combined maternal and infant costs.

Discussion:

These data provide a population-based update to the birth hospitalization costs and days of care for mothers and neonates. These cost estimates also include physician costs, which have been lacking in most previous studies. Both maternal and especially newborn costs are sensitive to GA and BW, with the highest average costs accruing for infants born with a GA<28 weeks, and for mothers delivering between 28 and 36 weeks gestation. Newborn costs, especially those for the most preterm infants, are also sensitive to changes in survival. Compared with prior work,¹² the increase in survival among premature infants is the driver behind the 7% increase in the share of infant costs incurred by preterm infants.

Our data show how the costs for maternity and neonatal care have increased in the 10 years since we previously reported these population-based costs for California.¹² The mean maternal cost increased from \$3,641 to \$8,204, and the mean infant cost increased from \$3,567 to \$6,389. Our previous estimates did not include estimated physician reimbursement; if physician fees are excluded, the mean maternal cost is \$5660 (55% increase) and the mean newborn cost is \$5,239 (47% increase). Adjusting for inflation, these cost increases are modest; 10.3% for maternal delivery hospitalizations and 4.3% for neonatal hospitalization costs.²⁰ Some of the increase in maternal costs is likely associated with the increased rate of cesarean deliveries (mean difference of \$4,550 (Table 12), which has reversed in more recent years.²² These differences help highlight why it is important to periodically update the estimates of the costs of maternal and infant care to account for changes in survival and clinical practice.

Although the overall newborn costs have been essentially constant, those for the smallest infants have increased; after adjustment for physician fees and inflation, the costs for very preterm infants increased by 92.4%. Some of this can be attributed to the fact the survival roughly doubled for these smallest infants, and the difference is sensitive to GA, at the lowest GA the average cost for a survivor is hundreds of thousands more than for non-survivors (Table 5 and Table 6). But because the mean LOS for these infants only increased by about 10 days, the increased survival does not account for the all, or even most of the 90% increase in costs for these infants. Although our analyses are not designed to identify the causes, this implies that these infants have become significantly more expensive to treat,

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both overall, and in cost/day. Additional analyses are needed to understand why very preterm infants have become so much more expensive to treat.

The maternal data highlight some important public health trends in maternal child health. First, operative mode of delivery increases the costs of childbirth by 63%, with even greater increases seen in women who deliver prematurely. These costs are secondary to both physician fees, which are increased for operative deliveries, and for the longer lengths of stay typically seen in women who deliver via Cesarean delivery. With growing evidence that many of these deliveries may be occurring in low-risk women,^{5,23} the baseline added costs of these deliveries are a concerning trend in maternity care. Second, we found significant economic impact of the women who deliver moderately and late preterm, with similar lengths of stay for women who deliver 32–36 weeks gestation to those who deliver at 24 weeks or less and greater overall costs of care.

Neonatal data differ from maternal data in the importance of the outlier patients: for neonates, the 1.2% of infants whose costs were >\$100,000 made up 51% of the economic impact of newborn care, whereas the 2.1% of women whose costs were >\$25,000 only made up 11% of the maternal costs. These infants are the sickest, smallest infants whose lengths of stay, medical requirements, and transfers of care within the medical system are the greatest, and provide an area of intervention to reduce the economic costs of neonatal care.

There are limitations to our data. They are from California, where hospital costs are higher than the US average. Care patterns and costs could be different in other parts of the country. In 2014, average US hospital costs were 69% of those in California,²⁴ which can be used as the basis of adjusting our results to obtain estimates of the national average costs for delivery care.²⁴ When considering aggregate costs, one also needs to consider that preterm rates in California are lower than the national average. Thus, using these data to project national costs would require adjustments for the differences in the GA distribution.

There are some limitations to the estimated costs in our study as we did not directly observe either physician or hospital costs. First, the hospital and physician costs are not fully equivalent. The hospital costs are estimated by converting hospital charges to estimated costs using hospital-level cost to charge ratios, and physician costs are estimated by the average payments to physicians, measured separately for privately insurance and Medicaid. In addition to not being equivalent, each of these methods of estimating costs has limitations. For hospital costs, it is possible that these ratios do not reflect the actual difference between costs and charges for care provided in neonatal and obstetric units. However, these methods have been used for estimating neonatal and obstetric unit hospital costs in prior work. There is no way to know the extent that this may bias the estimates, but we expect that any bias will be moderate. For physician costs, we are making the assumption that the actual physician revenue is a reasonable proxy for costs.

Our results are also sensitive to the choice of index to adjust for inflation, but there is no “perfect” index to adjust hospital costs for inflation.²¹ It has been demonstrated that the medical component of the consumer price index (MCPI) significantly overstates actual medical care inflation. Because the results of our analysis are the production costs of care

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for mothers and neonates, a producer price index (PPI) is more consistent with our intent. Producer price indices also have limitations as they are based on revenue to producers and there are significant disconnects between revenue and production costs for hospitals, which vary greatly across different types of insurance. Although the Bureau of Labor Statistics recently started reporting separate hospital PPIs for different types of insurance, these don't extend back to 2000, which would preclude the comparisons that we make to our previous work. Table 16 (available at www.jpeds.com) shows how the different measures would affect the inflation adjustments for 2010 to 2017 and 1999 to 2017. In general, with the exception of the MCPI, the effect of the choice of index on the inflation adjustment is small. Of note, there is no consistency over which measure has the higher inflation adjustment; for example the overall PPI has a larger inflation adjustment than the Hospital Services PPI for 1999 to 2017, but a lower adjustment for 2010 to 2017.

The exclusion of all Kaiser cases due to a lack of cost information is also a potential source of bias, as these cases are predominantly patients with private insurance. However, the share of patients with private insurance is still large (48%) and the net effect of this exclusion is modest; if all of the Kaiser cases had been included, privately insured patients would make up 54% of the sample.

Our exclusion of infant readmissions does result in the exclusion of some costs that could be considered related to delivery. Although the highest volume of these cases is probably related to neonatal jaundice, the impact of excluding the jaundice cases should be moderate, given their relatively low cost.²⁵ Conversely, there are cases of readmission incurring much higher costs; such as infants readmitted for major cardiac surgery. Also, the sickest infants born at the youngest gestational ages have the highest risk of a hospital readmission, which adds to the economic burden of these high severity patients.²⁶

In conclusion, our data demonstrate that maternal and infant costs are sensitive to both the timing of delivery; the mode of delivery; and changes in survival especially for the sickest of infants. Even with these increasing costs, neonatal intensive care remains a highly cost-effective intervention when compared with other interventions.^{27–29} Such data highlight the persistent economic impact of childbirth in the United States and areas for further intervention in the face of ongoing changes in survival and technology.

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Abbreviations

BW	birth weight
GA	gestational age
IQR	interquartile range
LBW	low birth weight
LOS	length of stay
Std	Dev standard deviation

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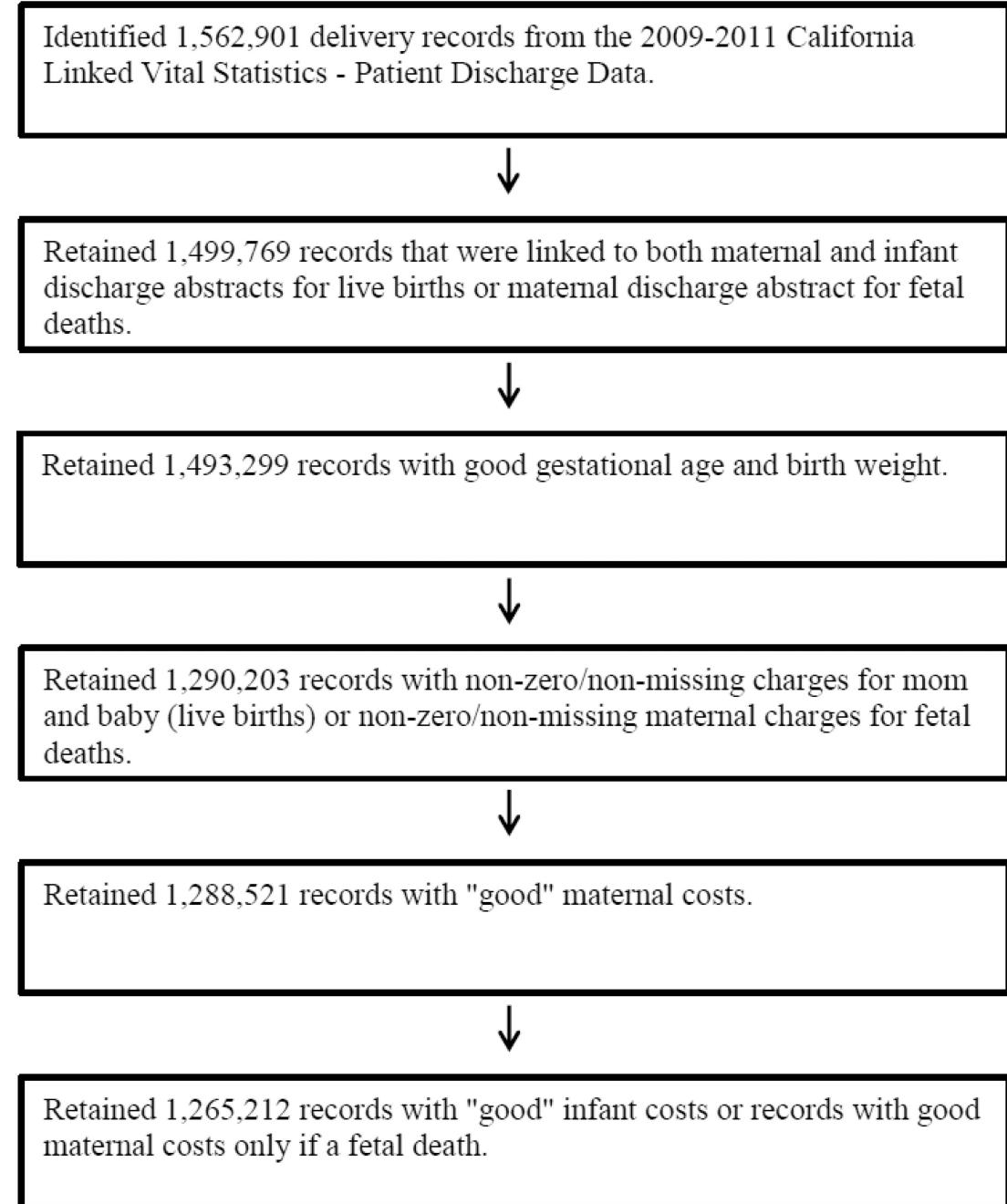


Figure 1:
Derivation of the Study Sample

Deliveries, Mortality, & Maternal/Newborn Length of Stay by Gestational Age and Birth Weight^{a,b}

Table 1.

	Maternal Cases	Live Births	Deliveries of Multiples	Newborn Mortality Group				Total Maternal LOS				Total Newborn LOS						
				Survivors		In-Hospital Death	Fetal Death	N	(%)	N	(%)	Mean	Std Dev	Median	Mean	Std Dev	Median	IQR
	N	(%)																
By Gestational Age																		
≤24	2,695	1,883	258	9.6	754	25.4	1,129	38.1	1,082	36.5	4.6	5.3	3.0	4.0	54.9	64.0	9.0	112.0
25-27	3,366	3,182	379	11.3	2,695	71.5	1,129	38.1	590	15.6	7.6	8.0	5.0	6.0	81.5	40.0	83.0	36.0
28-31	7,510	8,055	1,121	14.9	7,719	87.8	487	12.9	737	8.4	8.5	10.1	5.0	6.0	49.8	24.5	46.0	24.0
32-36	81,012	88,985	8,841	10.9	88,422	98.1	1,129	38.1	1,191	1.3	4.8	6.9	3.0	3.0	8.7	11.9	4.0	10.0
37-38	336,080	342,624	7,308	2.2	342,279	99.7	563	0.6	650	0.2	2.7	2.4	2.0	1.0	2.7	4.1	2.0	1.0
39-41	808,107	808,873	1,360	0.2	808,500	99.9	1,129	38.1	490	0.1	2.5	1.5	2.0	1.0	2.4	2.8	2.0	1.0
≥41	6,852	6,855	13	0.2	6,844	99.6	373	0.1	15	0.2	2.9	1.4	3.0	2.0	2.6	2.9	2.0	1.0
available	6,061	5,065	637	10.5	3,449	51.2	1,616	24.0	1,672	24.8	6.3	7.1	4.0	6.0	71.6	51.9	79.0	95.0
incomplete	13,571	13,120	1,758	13.0	11,168	71.9	1,952	12.6	2,409	15.5	7.5	8.9	5.0	6.0	58.2	39.0	52.0	44.0
All Deliveries	94,583	102,105	10,599	11.2	99,590	94.2	2,515	2.4	3,600	3.4	5.2	7.3	3.0	3.0	15.0	24.4	4.0	15.0
Total	1,245,622	1,260,457	19,280	1.6	1,257,213	99.4	3,244	0.3	4,755	0.4	2.8	2.7	2.0	1.0	3.5	8.3	2.0	1.0
By Birth Weight																		
<1000g	6,588	5,549	834	12.7	3,903	52.0	1,646	21.9	1,964	26.1	6.4	7.3	4.0	6.0	69.7	51.0	76.0	88.0
1000-1499g	13,271	13,017	2,035	15.3	11,037	70.9	1,980	12.7	2,543	16.3	7.5	9.0	5.0	5.0	56.5	40.5	51.0	51.0
1500-2499g	6,683	7,468	1,201	18.0	7,134	88.7	334	4.2	579	7.2	8.5	10.2	5.0	6.0	46.7	26.6	44.0	30.0
≥2500g	75,920	84,983	12,143	16.0	82,408	93.1	2,575	2.9	3,555	4.0	5.4	7.4	3.0	3.0	17.2	26.1	6.0	17.0
Costs	62,649	71,966	10,108	16.1	71,371	97.8	595	0.8	1,012	1.4	4.9	7.0	3.0	3.0	10.1	13.2	4.0	12.0
Producer Price Index Adjusted to December 2017	1,169,702	1,175,474	7,137	0.6	1,174,805	99.8	669	0.1	1,200	0.1	2.6	2.0	1.0	2.5	3.3	2.0	1.0	

Abbreviations: LOS, length of stay; Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

^aData Source: 2009–2011 California Linked Vital Statistics – Patient Discharge Data^bCosts Producer Price Index Adjusted to December 2017

Deliveries, Mortality, and Maternal/Infant Length of Stay^a**Table 2.**

Gestation at Complete Weeks	Maternal Cases	Live Births			Deliveries of Multiples			Mortality Group			Total Maternal LOS			Total Newborn LOS		
		N		N (%)	N (%)		N (%)	In-Hospital Death (%)	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
		N	N	N (%)	N	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
22	317	351	32	10.1	26	7.4	325	92.6	3.7	4.2	2.0	3.0	15.0	46.2	1.0	0.0
23	586	649	68	11.6	208	32.1	441	68.0	5.2	6.0	3.0	4.0	46.0	62.7	2.0	108.0
24	798	883	89	11.2	520	58.9	363	41.1	6.7	6.2	5.0	6.0	77.2	61.7	94.0	116.0
25	855	962	105	12.3	745	77.4	217	22.6	7.8	7.4	5.0	7.0	87.8	48.2	95.0	41.0
26	928	1,038	108	11.6	881	84.9	157	15.1	8.6	7.9	6.0	9.0	82.7	38.4	85.0	32.0
27	1,036	1,182	141	13.6	1,069	90.4	113	9.6	9.0	8.9	6.0	7.0	75.2	32.5	74.0	27.0
28	1,213	1,435	186	15.3	1,338	93.2	97	6.8	9.4	10.4	6.0	7.0	66.6	28.4	64.0	25.0
29	1,440	1,681	225	15.6	1,599	95.1	82	4.9	9.4	9.9	6.0	7.0	56.6	23.7	53.0	20.0
30	1,825	2,149	282	15.5	2,071	96.4	78	3.6	9.3	11.2	6.0	6.0	48.0	21.2	45.0	17.0
31	2,327	2,790	405	17.4	2,711	97.2	79	2.8	8.5	10.1	5.0	6.0	38.6	18.2	35.0	16.0
32	3,692	4,388	635	17.2	4,295	97.9	93	2.1	8.3	10.2	5.0	6.0	29.5	15.1	27.0	13.5
33	5,589	6,601	949	17.0	6,508	98.6	93	1.4	7.4	9.5	5.0	4.0	20.8	14.1	18.0	11.0
34	11,522	13,266	1,621	14.1	13,150	99.1	116	0.9	6.4	8.6	4.0	3.0	12.8	12.2	11.0	11.0
35	19,111	21,401	2,255	11.8	21,296	99.5	105	0.5	4.6	6.4	3.0	2.0	7.1	9.8	4.0	7.0
36	39,957	43,329	3,351	8.4	43,173	99.6	156	0.4	3.8	4.9	3.0	2.0	4.2	7.4	3.0	2.0
37	96,127	100,075	3,957	4.1	99,911	99.8	164	0.2	3.0	3.1	2.0	1.0	3.0	5.2	2.0	1.0
38	239,322	242,549	3,339	1.4	242,368	99.9	181	0.1	2.6	1.9	2.0	1.0	2.5	3.5	2.0	1.0
39	428,873	429,703	977	0.2	429,495	100.0	208	0.1	2.5	1.5	2.0	1.0	2.4	3.0	2.0	1.0
40	296,857	297,185	313	0.1	297,065	100.0	120	0.0	2.5	1.4	2.0	1.0	2.3	2.7	2.0	1.0
41	81,887	81,985	70	0.1	81,940	100.0	45	0.1	2.8	1.7	3.0	1.0	2.4	2.8	2.0	1.0
42	6,169	6,183	9	0.2	6,175	99.9	8	0.1	2.9	1.4	3.0	2.0	2.5	2.9	2.0	1.0
43	473	476	3	0.6	474	99.6	2	0.4	2.7	1.8	2.0	1.0	2.7	3.1	2.0	2.0

	Maternal Cases	Live Births	Deliveries of Multiples	Mortality Group				Total Maternal LOS				Total Newborn LOS				
				Survivors		In-Hospital Death (%)		Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	
				N	(%)	N	(%)									
44	147	148	1	0.7	147	99.3	1	0.7	2.4	1.0	2.0	1.0	2.9	4.3	2.0	1.0
45	48	48	0	0.0	48	100.0	.	.	2.3	0.9	2.0	1.0	2.3	1.5	2.0	0.5
All	1,241,099	1,260,457	19,121	1.5	1,257,213	99,7	3,244	0.3	2.8	2.7	2.0	1.0	3.5	8.3	2.0	1.0
Birth Weight Group	353	397	46	13.0	82	20,7	315	79.4	5.5	4.0	5.0	32.5	58.1	1.0	21.0	
	<500g															
500g-599g	748	831	83	11.1	323	38.9	508	61.1	5.9	6.1	4.0	5.0	52.6	63.6	8.0	108.0
600g-699g	829	939	94	11.3	573	61.0	366	39.0	7.2	6.9	5.0	6.0	75.0	58.6	91.0	112.0
700g-799g	878	978	103	11.7	775	79.2	203	20.8	7.8	7.2	6.0	6.0	85.1	47.4	91.0	48.0
800g-899g	843	966	136	16.1	826	85.5	140	14.5	8.5	7.8	6.0	7.0	81.8	39.7	85.0	37.0
900g-999g	991	1,116	114	11.5	1,020	91.4	96	8.6	9.3	9.7	6.0	7.0	72.8	32.6	72.0	31.0
1000g-1099g	955	1,105	132	13.8	1,022	92.5	83	7.5	8.8	8.8	6.0	6.0	62.6	29.5	62.0	28.0
1100g-1199g	1,067	1,262	186	17.4	1,183	93.7	79	6.3	9.7	11.4	6.0	6.0	56.8	28.0	54.0	30.0
1200g-1299g	1,076	1,282	174	16.2	1,216	94.9	66	5.2	9.2	10.4	6.0	6.0	50.7	23.4	50.0	25.0
1300g-1399g	1,417	1,663	223	15.7	1,602	96.3	61	3.7	8.7	10.3	5.0	6.0	43.1	25.1	41.0	25.0
1400g-1499g	1,386	1,672	232	16.7	1,613	96.5	59	3.5	8.9	10.9	5.0	5.0	37.7	21.6	35.0	23.0
1500g-1599g	1,800	2,167	247	19.3	2,119	97.8	48	2.2	8.1	10.3	5.0	5.0	33.4	20.6	31.0	21.0
1600g-1699g	1,839	2,219	360	19.6	2,163	97.5	56	2.5	7.8	9.8	5.0	5.0	28.2	16.4	25.0	20.0
1700g-1799g	2,462	3,007	466	18.9	2,957	98.3	50	1.7	7.5	9.7	5.0	4.0	24.0	15.2	21.0	17.0
1800g-1899g	3,263	3,903	675	20.7	3,846	98.5	57	1.5	6.6	8.6	4.0	3.0	19.2	15.3	16.0	16.0
1900g-1999g	3,548	4,287	715	20.2	4,233	98.7	54	1.3	6.5	8.9	4.0	3.0	16.4	14.7	14.0	15.0
2000g-2249g	14,836	17,343	2,456	16.6	17,179	99.1	164	1.0	5.3	7.4	4.0	3.0	10.3	11.7	7.0	11.0
2250g-2499g	35,680	35,397	10,5	35.511	99.5	169	0.5	3.9	5.2	3.0	2.0	5.6	8.9	3.0	3.0	3.0
2500g-2749g	67,400	70,948	3,426	5.1	70,806	99.8	142	0.2	3.1	3.8	3.0	1.0	3.4	5.6	2.0	1.0
2750g-2999g	150,074	152,824	2,930	2.0	152,684	99.9	140	0.1	2.7	2.6	2.0	1.0	2.6	3.9	2.0	1.0
3000g-3249g	239,748	241,354	1,606	0.7	241,220	99.9	134	0.1	2.6	1.8	2.0	1.0	2.4	3.3	2.0	1.0
3250g-3499g	266,796	267,527	721	0.3	267,424	100.0	103	0.0	2.5	1.6	2.0	1.0	2.4	3.0	2.0	1.0

	Maternal Cases	Live Births	Deliveries of Multiples	Mortality Group				Total Maternal LOS				Total Newborn LOS				
				Survivors		In-Hospital Death		Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	
				N	(%)	N	(%)									
3500g-3749g	216,315	216,594	313	0.1	216,521	100.0	73	0.0	2.6	1.6	2.0	1.0	2.4	2.6	2.0	1.0
3750g-3999g	130,749	130,853	114	0.1	130,821	100.0	32	0.0	2.6	1.5	2.0	1.0	2.4	2.7	2.0	1.0
>=4000g	99,476	99,540	72	0.1	99,494	100.0	46	0.1	2.7	1.5	3.0	1.0	2.7	3.3	2.0	1.0

Abbreviations: LOS, length of stay; Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

^a2009-2011 California Linked Data, Matched Good Cost/Length of Stay Cases Only, By Gestational Age and Birth Weight (Live Births Only)

Newborn Costs by Gestational Age and Birth Weight^{a,b}**Table 3.**

	Live Births		Total Newborn Costs				Newborn Costs/Day		
	N	Total	Mean	Std Dev	Median	IQR	Mean	Median	
Gestational Age Group									
<=24 Weeks	1,883	\$494,855,663	\$262,802	\$339,862	\$71,329	\$464,280	\$4,488	\$3,897	
25–27 Weeks	3,182	\$1,115,722,584	\$350,636	\$269,126	\$296,191	\$270,226	\$4,680	\$3,825	
28–31 Weeks	8,055	\$1,327,398,922	\$164,792	\$149,503	\$123,595	\$114,818	\$3,275	\$2,698	
32–36 Weeks	88,985	\$1,966,778,897	\$221,102	\$54,961	\$3,208	\$25,088	\$1,615	\$1,031	
37–38 Weeks	342,624	\$1,156,140,160	\$3,374	\$21,571	\$1,135	\$955	\$760	\$546	
39–41 Weeks	808,873	\$1,968,261,172	\$2,433	\$13,366	\$1,097	\$894	\$729	\$554	
>41 Weeks	6,855	\$23,926,547	\$3,490	\$14,688	\$1,260	\$1,205	\$875	\$619	
< 28 Weeks	5,065	\$1,610,578,247	\$317,982	\$300,489	\$269,974	\$376,964	\$4,609	\$3,837	
<32 Weeks	13,120	\$2,937,977,169	\$223,931	\$232,676	\$150,136	\$210,179	\$3,790	\$3,045	
<37 Weeks	102,105	\$4,904,756,065	\$48,036	\$118,955	\$6,936	\$39,639	\$1,894	\$1,379	
All Deliveries	1,260,457	\$8,053,084,144	\$6,389	\$39,263	\$1,153	\$1,042	\$833	\$565	
Birth Weight Group									
Extremely LBW, <1000g	5,549	\$1,711,096,197	\$308,361	\$300,869	\$250,711	\$366,233	\$4,521	\$3,769	
Very LBW <1500g	13,017	\$2,859,433,962	\$219,669	\$237,120	\$145,768	\$223,414	\$3,756	\$3,024	
BW 1000–1499g	7,468	\$1,148,337,765	\$153,768	\$143,393	\$117,195	\$123,514	\$3,188	\$2,653	
All LBW <2500g	84,983	\$4,728,079,717	\$55,636	\$127,807	\$11,818	\$49,178	\$1,987	\$1,551	
BW 1500–2499g	71,966	\$1,868,645,755	\$25,966	\$38,075	\$4,428	\$29,872	\$1,667	\$1,169	
BW >=2500g	1,175,474	\$3,325,004,427	\$2,829	\$16,856	\$1,113	\$925	\$749	\$554	

Abbreviations: Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range; LBW, low birth weight; BW, birth weight.

^aData Source: 2009–2011 California Linked Vital Statistics – Patient Discharge Data^bCosts Producer Price Index Adjusted to December 2017

Table 4.

Gestational Age in Completed Weeks	Live Births			Total Newborn Costs			Newborn Costs/Day		
	N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean	Median	
22	351	\$24,652,306	\$70,234	\$237,359	\$559	\$1,287	\$1,745	\$557	
23	649	\$142,556,390	\$219,655	\$314,534	\$22,696	\$440,917	\$4,520	\$3,961	
24	883	\$327,646,967	\$371,061	\$351,515	\$337,975	\$509,178	\$5,555	\$4,571	
25	962	\$393,271,216	\$408,806	\$307,788	\$366,184	\$323,941	\$5,201	\$4,326	
26	1,088	\$322,412,367	\$358,779	\$262,885	\$312,110	\$249,395	\$4,844	\$3,873	
27	1,182	\$350,039,000	\$296,141	\$227,641	\$242,737	\$197,894	\$4,112	\$3,426	
28	1,435	\$351,133,715	\$244,692	\$188,261	\$196,463	\$167,739	\$3,759	\$3,119	
29	1,681	\$325,837,182	\$193,835	\$143,121	\$156,289	\$121,957	\$3,479	\$2,934	
30	2,149	\$325,229,989	\$151,340	\$140,769	\$116,046	\$88,504	\$3,165	\$2,591	
31	2,790	\$325,198,036	\$116,558	\$111,631	\$88,868	\$72,754	\$2,989	\$2,450	
32	4,388	\$381,320,365	\$86,601	\$92,958	\$64,468	\$55,777	\$2,875	\$2,379	
33	6,601	\$389,116,565	\$58,948	\$72,843	\$41,735	\$37,938	\$2,754	\$2,301	
34	13,266	\$459,120,137	\$34,609	\$61,194	\$24,018	\$20,252	\$2,314	\$2,036	
35	21,401	\$376,826,027	\$17,608	\$47,664	\$3,613	\$18,746	\$1,615	\$1,059	
36	43,329	\$360,395,802	\$8,318	\$36,887	\$1,546	\$2,494	\$1,099	\$639	
37	100,075	\$465,418,087	\$54,651	\$27,693	\$1,220	\$1,144	\$846	\$568	
38	242,549	\$690,722,073	\$2,848	\$18,455	\$1,105	\$886	\$725	\$538	
39	429,703	\$1,045,697,345	\$2,434	\$14,413	\$1,103	\$873	\$704	\$539	
40	297,185	\$690,522,574	\$2,324	\$11,690	\$1,065	\$884	\$740	\$565	
41	81,985	\$232,041,453	\$2,830	\$13,967	\$1,190	\$1,074	\$823	\$602	
42	6,183	\$20,973,517	\$3,392	\$14,210	\$1,251	\$1,190	\$868	\$617	
43	476	\$1,882,972	\$3,956	\$12,464	\$1,269	\$1,297	\$911	\$609	
44	148	\$640,707	\$6,356	\$32,293	\$1,333	\$1,335	\$1,022	\$685	
45	48	\$129,351	\$2,695	\$6,584	\$1,348	\$1,292	\$897	\$764	

	Live Births	Total Newborn Costs			Newborn Costs/Day		
		N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
All	1,260,457	\$8,053,084,144	\$6,389	\$39,263	\$1,153	\$1,042	\$833
Birth Weight Group							
<500g	397	\$66,281,751	\$166,657	\$335,084	\$1,608	\$124,975	\$3,375
500g-599g	831	\$207,867,322	\$250,141	\$337,161	\$63,772	\$450,110	\$4,522
600g-699g	939	\$334,348,552	\$356,069	\$334,340	\$326,416	\$500,326	\$5,228
700g-799g	978	\$378,904,094	\$387,428	\$303,918	\$341,603	\$327,263	\$4,953
800g-899g	966	\$553,997,382	\$566,457	\$279,308	\$316,643	\$271,971	\$4,791
900g-999g	1,116	\$369,005,181	\$276,886	\$219,191	\$224,128	\$201,403	\$3,999
1000g-1099g	1,105	\$248,588,311	\$224,967	\$181,474	\$182,427	\$170,528	\$3,642
1100g-1199g	1,262	\$248,215,136	\$196,684	\$161,653	\$153,732	\$145,142	\$3,492
1200g-1299g	1,282	\$219,051,194	\$170,867	\$139,705	\$135,772	\$127,617	\$3,377
1300g-1399g	1,663	\$224,088,089	\$134,749	\$132,908	\$103,183	\$100,037	\$2,962
1400g-1499g	1,672	\$196,322,490	\$117,418	\$110,494	\$88,552	\$89,758	\$3,033
1500g-1599g	2,167	\$214,676,945	\$99,066	\$105,407	\$72,780	\$74,826	\$2,816
1600g-1699g	2,219	\$181,948,009	\$81,996	\$86,181	\$60,384	\$66,025	\$2,809
1700g-1799g	3,007	\$199,769,094	\$66,435	\$71,538	\$48,352	\$53,861	\$2,931
1800g-1899g	3,903	\$208,474,159	\$53,407	\$78,460	\$35,478	\$45,892	\$2,488
1900g-1999g	4,287	\$192,286,577	\$44,853	\$65,946	\$29,464	\$40,561	\$2,398
2000g-2249g	17,343	\$463,626,397	\$26,733	\$53,871	\$12,773	\$31,117	\$1,867
2250g-2499g	35,680	\$444,774,029	\$12,466	\$42,382	\$1,756	\$8,516	\$1,267
2500g-2749g	70,948	\$402,403,751	\$5,672	\$27,832	\$1,268	\$1,260	\$904
2750g-2999g	152,824	\$508,407,478	\$3,327	\$19,737	\$1,124	\$942	\$767
3000g-3249g	241,354	\$640,954,598	\$2,656	\$18,008	\$1,081	\$873	\$726
3250g-3499g	267,527	\$647,869,644	\$2,421	\$15,928	\$1,077	\$871	\$719
3500g-3749g	216,594	\$509,279,986	\$2,351	\$12,168	\$1,093	\$893	\$724
3750g-3999g	130,853	\$320,297,202	\$2,448	\$10,994	\$1,129	\$932	\$743
>=4000g	99,540	\$331,732,650	\$3,333	\$17,109	\$1,248	\$1,121	\$824

Abbreviations: Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

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^a2009–2011 California Linked Data, Matched Good Cost/Length of Stay Cases Only, By Gestational Age and Birth Weight (Live Births Only), Costs Adjusted to December, 2017

Newborn Costs, Survivors Only^a**Table 5.**

Gestational Age in Completed Weeks	Live Births			Total Newborn Costs			Newborn Costs/Day		
	N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean	Median	
22	26	\$18,552,327	\$713,551	\$278,558	\$706,060	\$308,858	\$4,658	\$4,743	
23	208	\$123,854,006	\$595,452	\$248,527	\$534,252	\$269,631	\$4,607	\$4,389	
24	520	\$290,187,727	\$558,053	\$301,505	\$480,363	\$324,295	\$4,512	\$4,122	
25	745	\$360,888,863	\$848,415	\$266,670	\$431,438	\$274,280	\$4,423	\$4,066	
26	881	\$328,743,191	\$695,846	\$228,087	\$326,104	\$228,857	\$4,117	\$3,667	
27	1,069	\$336,232,339	\$14,530	\$218,934	\$257,120	\$188,841	\$3,714	\$3,307	
28	1,338	\$30,581,455	\$254,545	\$170,495	\$205,866	\$163,097	\$3,518	\$3,052	
29	1,599	\$318,276,739	\$199,047	\$139,444	\$161,337	\$120,848	\$3,265	\$2,896	
30	2,071	\$311,146,889	\$150,240	\$115,667	\$117,426	\$87,695	\$2,968	\$2,566	
31	2,711	\$316,056,474	\$116,583	\$105,465	\$89,821	\$71,993	\$2,864	\$2,424	
32	4,295	\$370,284,131	\$86,213	\$78,838	\$65,057	\$55,127	\$2,777	\$2,569	
33	6,508	\$381,694,131	\$58,650	\$70,087	\$41,832	\$37,707	\$2,681	\$2,292	
34	13,150	\$447,188,586	\$34,007	\$56,180	\$24,021	\$30,044	\$2,268	\$2,031	
35		21,296	\$367,096,490	\$17,238	\$44,018	\$35,92	\$1,849	\$1,586	
36		43,173	\$350,064,172	\$8,108	\$35,568	\$1,544	\$2,460	\$1,076	
37		99,911	\$448,177,401	\$54,486	\$25,388	\$1,1219	\$1,141	\$836	
38		242,368	\$675,921,921	\$27,89	\$16,591	\$1,105	\$885	\$721	
39		429,495	\$1,022,439,555	\$2,381	\$13,297	\$1,102	\$873	\$701	
40		297,065	\$693,906,42	\$2,302	\$11,228	\$1,065	\$883	\$738	
41		81,940	\$228,963,944	\$2,794	\$13,046	\$1,190	\$1,073	\$821	
42		6,175	\$20,938,199	\$3,391	\$14,218	\$1,251	\$1,187	\$866	
43		474	\$1,880,572	\$3,967	\$12,489	\$1,269	\$1,313	\$909	
44		147	\$940,165	\$6,396	\$32,369	\$1,343	\$1,328	\$1,025	
45		48	\$129,351	\$2,695	\$5,584	\$1,348	\$1,292	\$887	

	Live Births	Total Newborn Costs			Newborn Costs/Day		
		N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
All	1,257,213	\$7,764,145,121	\$6,176	\$37,156	\$1,151	\$1,037	\$819
Birth Weight Group							
<500g	82	\$47,348,422	\$577,420	\$308,092	\$550,884	\$294,438	\$4,512
500g-599g	323	\$181,025,844	\$560,452	\$298,451	\$509,316	\$325,139	\$4,482
600g-699g	573	\$298,820,780	\$521,502	\$271,177	\$465,929	\$319,435	\$4,470
700g-799g	775	\$355,606,680	\$658,847	\$280,694	\$393,403	\$285,284	\$4,336
800g-899g	826	\$334,818,993	\$405,350	\$262,205	\$344,024	\$258,080	\$4,224
900g-999g	1,020	\$693,451,858	\$287,698	\$192,408	\$236,649	\$191,787	\$3,564
1000g-1099g	1,022	\$238,306,452	\$233,177	\$168,410	\$192,502	\$169,515	\$3,320
1100g-1199g	1,183	\$240,379,106	\$203,195	\$155,932	\$160,734	\$142,917	\$3,241
1200g-1299g	1,216	\$212,255,333	\$174,552	\$131,409	\$139,658	\$125,027	\$3,165
1300g-1399g	1,602	\$220,618,073	\$137,714	\$131,547	\$106,272	\$99,051	\$2,845
1400g-1499g	1,613	\$192,169,476	\$119,138	\$108,217	\$90,112	\$89,101	\$2,909
1500g-1599g	2,119	\$208,864,124	\$98,567	\$95,368	\$73,664	\$74,619	\$2,749
1600g-1699g	2,163	\$179,764,805	\$83,109	\$86,448	\$61,246	\$65,435	\$2,845
1700g-1799g	2,957	\$195,769,996	\$66,206	\$65,116	\$48,536	\$53,602	\$2,576
1800g-1899g	3,846	\$200,638,408	\$52,168	\$66,561	\$35,500	\$45,503	\$2,392
1900g-1999g	4,233	\$187,557,523	\$44,308	\$62,471	\$29,506	\$40,235	\$2,312
2000g-2249g	17,179	\$454,226,314	\$26,441	\$53,004	\$12,807	\$31,000	\$1,819
2250g-2499g	35,511	\$426,760,025	\$12,018	\$38,453	\$1,750	\$8,307	\$1,239
2500g-2749g	70,806	\$388,950,395	\$5,493	\$25,075	\$1,267	\$1,253	\$894
2750g-2999g	1,52,684	\$492,994,792	\$3,229	\$17,341	\$1,124	\$941	\$762
3000g-3249g	241,220	\$627,702,158	\$2,602	\$15,906	\$1,080	\$872	\$722
3250g-3499g	267,424	\$639,308,656	\$2,391	\$15,480	\$1,077	\$871	\$717
3500g-3749g	216,521	\$504,756,719	\$2,331	\$11,942	\$1,092	\$893	\$722
3750g-3999g	130,821	\$316,781,571	\$2,421	\$10,435	\$1,129	\$931	\$741
>=4000g	99,494	\$325,268,616	\$3,269	\$15,718	\$1,248	\$1,120	\$821
							\$584

Abbreviations: Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

Table 6.Newborn Costs, In-Hospital Deaths^a

Gestational Age in Completed Weeks	Live Births			Total Newborn Costs			Newborn Costs/Day		
	N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean	Median	
22	325	\$6,099,979	\$18,769	\$137,860	\$525	\$823	\$1,512	\$516	
23	41	\$18,702,384	\$424,069	\$135,625	\$24,659	\$26,507	\$4,479	\$2,425	
24	363	\$17,459,240	\$103,164	\$220,334	\$25,112	\$88,696	\$7,050	\$6,957	
25	217	\$32,382,353	\$146,227	\$298,415	\$36,169	\$148,069	\$7,871	\$7,437	
26	157	\$23,669,176	\$150,759	\$388,255	\$1,059,7	\$139,758	\$8,926	\$7,735	
27	113	\$13,806,662	\$122,183	\$25,802	\$47,622	\$123,706	\$7,880	\$6,587	
28	97	\$10,552,260	\$108,786	\$323,364	\$18,589	\$72,896	\$7,071	\$6,166	
29	82	\$7,560,442	\$92,201	\$173,911	\$31,012	\$99,620	\$7,640	\$6,647	
30	78	\$14,083,100	\$180,553	\$438,436	\$25,343	\$62,273	\$8,379	\$7,655	
31	79	\$9,144,562	\$115,716	\$243,163	\$25,076	\$105,361	\$7,256	\$6,286	
32	93	\$11,036,234	\$118,669	\$347,722	\$12,361	\$91,220	\$7,417	\$5,936	
33	93	\$7,422,234	\$79,811	\$181,031	\$25,922	\$66,499	\$7,888	\$6,385	
34	116	\$11,931,551	\$102,858	\$265,658	\$21,415	\$71,149	\$7,504	\$6,011	
35	105	\$9,729,537	\$92,662	\$255,011	\$15,670	\$44,849	\$7,492	\$5,716	
36	156	\$10,331,630	\$66,228	\$196,891	\$6,957	\$46,026	\$7,398	\$5,037	
37	164	\$17,240,896	\$105,129	\$288,993	\$19,528	\$71,906	\$6,868	\$5,366	
38	181	\$14,800,152	\$81,769	\$286,419	\$10,843	\$63,434	\$6,515	\$4,585	
39	208	\$23,257,91	\$111,816	\$228,805	\$20,948	\$75,008	\$6,990	\$5,681	
40	120	\$6,616,82	\$55,134	\$110,344	\$8,472	\$40,050	\$5,678	\$2,905	
41	45	\$3,077,569	\$68,389	\$205,295	\$5,436	\$34,184	\$5,175	\$3,369	
42	8	\$35,318	\$4,415	\$4,567	\$3,205	\$3,647	\$3,052	\$2,305	
43	2	\$2,400	\$1,200	\$1,021	\$1,200	\$1,444	\$1,200	\$1,200	
44	1	\$542	\$542	·	\$542	\$0	\$542	\$542	
All	3,244	\$288,936,023	\$89,069	\$238,988	\$11,299	\$68,404	\$6,319	\$5,298	

Birth Weight Group	Live Births N	Total Newborn Costs				Newborn Costs/Day	
		Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean
<500g	315	\$18,933,329	\$60,106	\$248,325	\$910	\$3,684	\$3,079
500g-599g	508	\$26,814,778	\$52,838	\$170,811	\$2,337	\$32,245	\$4,547
600g-699g	366	\$35,527,872	\$97,071	\$248,591	\$18,800	\$80,244	\$6,416
700g-799g	203	\$23,297,413	\$114,766	\$224,853	\$29,469	\$116,190	\$7,307
800g-899g	140	\$19,178,889	\$126,992	\$267,442	\$39,561	\$143,532	\$8,134
900g-999g	96	\$15,553,324	\$167,014	\$390,135	\$40,229	\$112,423	\$8,622
1000g-1099g	83	\$10,282,079	\$123,880	\$281,179	\$21,552	\$82,864	\$7,598
1100g-1199g	79	\$7,836,033	\$99,190	\$206,114	\$25,159	\$96,410	\$7,257
1200g-1299g	66	\$6,195,861	\$102,968	\$238,589	\$30,513	\$90,572	\$7,294
1300g-1399g	61	\$3,470,016	\$56,886	\$145,483	\$7,367	\$52,702	\$6,035
1400g-1499g	59	\$4,153,014	\$70,390	\$154,699	\$18,419	\$50,554	\$6,413
1500g-1599g	48	\$5,812,821	\$121,100	\$318,855	\$11,230	\$59,517	\$5,743
1600g-1699g	56	\$2,183,203	\$38,986	\$61,789	\$10,966	\$47,563	\$6,035
1700g-1799g	50	\$3,999,098	\$79,982	\$240,774	\$15,813	\$67,226	\$5,881
1800g-1899g	57	\$7,809,052	\$137,001	\$342,824	\$15,709	\$90,369	\$7,649
1900g-1999g	54	\$4,729,054	\$87,575	\$195,404	\$21,267	\$66,882	\$9,151
2000g-2249g	164	\$9,400,083	\$57,318	\$108,353	\$9,556	\$70,327	\$6,890
2250g-2499g	169	\$18,014,004	\$106,592	\$244,921	\$15,489	\$80,344	\$7,114
2500g-2749g	142	\$13,453,356	\$94,742	\$256,948	\$6,976	\$40,801	\$5,977
2750g-2999g	140	\$15,412,686	\$110,091	\$294,037	\$16,435	\$89,035	\$6,925
3000g-3249g	134	\$13,252,440	\$98,899	\$346,795	\$15,179	\$53,781	\$7,181
3250g-3499g	103	\$8,500,987	\$82,534	\$175,313	\$20,547	\$61,945	\$8,213
3500g-3749g	73	\$4,523,267	\$61,963	\$113,687	\$18,284	\$55,845	\$7,851
3750g-3999g	32	\$3,515,631	\$109,863	\$197,001	\$20,894	\$114,987	\$8,642
>=4000g	46	\$6,464,034	\$140,522	\$286,352	\$13,234	\$91,921	\$7,485
							\$7,268

Abbreviations: Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

^a2009–2011 California Linked Data, Matched Good Cost/Length of Stay Cases Only, By Gestational Age and Birth Weight (Live Births Only), Costs Adjusted to December, 2017

Table 7.Newborn Costs - Singletons^a

	Live Births N	Total Newborn Costs			Newborn Costs/Day		
		Total Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean	Median
Gestational age in completed weeks based on OB estimate of GA from BC							
22	288	\$21,098.140	\$73,257	\$244,093	\$559	\$1,263	\$1,652
23	520	\$107,982.349	\$207,658	\$300,552	\$16,423	\$431,851	\$4,125
24	711	\$256,973.677	\$361,426	\$333,003	\$337,807	\$503,489	\$5,383
25	754	\$303,065.552	\$401,944	\$290,428	\$364,938	\$311,666	\$4,695
26	824	\$286,921.524	\$348,206	\$263,668	\$299,776	\$235,878	\$4,693
27	899	\$267,313.419	\$297,345	\$231,968	\$242,853	\$198,286	\$3,946
28	1,032	\$247,064.744	\$259,404	\$187,981	\$193,313	\$166,346	\$3,685
29	1,230	\$234,958.512	\$191,023	\$147,076	\$152,031	\$119,313	\$3,475
30	1,551	\$227,339.105	\$146,576	\$141,290	\$113,521	\$81,492	\$3,116
31	1,938	\$218,658.859	\$112,827	\$113,041	\$85,531	\$66,790	\$2,964
32	3,075	\$267,660.678	\$87,044	\$101,104	\$62,347	\$55,277	\$2,898
33	4,665	\$273,458.653	\$58,619	\$80,983	\$40,204	\$36,795	\$2,785
34	9,954	\$330,562.367	\$33,209	\$66,478	\$21,405	\$30,095	\$2,273
35	16,889	\$291,288.701	\$17,247	\$49,361	\$2,851	\$17,237	\$1,597
36	36,658	\$301,471.878	\$8,224	\$38,656	\$1,452	\$2,250	\$1,100
37	62,247	\$482,744.356	\$4,643	\$28,196	\$1,181	\$1,697	\$847
38	236,088	\$667,135,409	\$2,826	\$18,520	\$1,095	\$870	\$725
39	428,050	\$1,036,678,986	\$2,422	\$14,362	\$1,101	\$872	\$703
40	296,712	\$686,848,581	\$2,315	\$11,456	\$1,065	\$883	\$739
41	81,891	\$231,384,121	\$2,826	\$13,966	\$1,189	\$1,073	\$823
42	6,168	\$20,862,136	\$3,382	\$14,206	\$1,250	\$1,186	\$868
43	470	\$1,871,184	\$3,981	\$12,540	\$1,269	\$1,278	\$911
44	146	\$935,170	\$6,405	\$32,512	\$1,320	\$1,338	\$1,023
45	48	\$129,351	\$2,695	\$6,584	\$1,348	\$1,292	\$897
							\$764

	Live Births	Total Newborn Costs			Newborn Costs/Day		
		N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
All	1,222,808	\$6,709,937,448	\$5,487	\$35,502	\$1,133	\$993	\$810
Birth Weight Group							
<500g	312	\$57,630,320	\$184,713	\$355,960	\$1,569	\$263,803	\$3,332
500g-599g	667	\$1,55,093,973	\$322,525	\$311,599	\$47,140	\$422,508	\$4,188
600g-699g	738	\$32,511,101	\$342,156	\$327,716	\$316,212	\$481,634	\$4,931
700g-799g	777	\$301,183,233	\$387,623	\$307,310	\$342,164	\$325,229	\$4,796
800g-899g	710	\$250,802,116	\$353,242	\$259,890	\$307,927	\$256,426	\$4,675
900g-999g	881	\$243,848,622	\$276,786	\$228,122	\$223,010	\$197,211	\$3,880
1,000g-1,099g	825	\$182,011,980	\$220,621	\$176,545	\$181,018	\$165,513	\$3,475
1,100g-1,199g	889	\$172,437,556	\$193,968	\$162,474	\$153,008	\$142,479	\$3,464
1,200g-1,299g	913	\$155,42,379	\$170,255	\$150,279	\$131,038	\$125,158	\$3,398
1,300g-1,399g	1,203	\$157,555,575	\$130,969	\$130,579	\$100,827	\$98,679	\$2,904
1,400g-1,499g	1,159	\$134,400,530	\$115,962	\$109,714	\$85,510	\$88,674	\$3,046
1,500g-1,599g	1,462	\$147,795,472	\$101,091	\$116,201	\$71,347	\$75,956	\$2,787
1,600g-1,699g	1,490	\$119,762,773	\$80,378	\$92,137	\$57,038	\$64,554	\$2,821
1,700g-1,799g	2,010	\$134,472,535	\$66,902	\$77,846	\$48,208	\$53,591	\$2,650
1,800g-1,899g	2,602	\$141,198,382	\$54,265	\$82,874	\$34,726	\$48,392	\$2,486
1,900g-1,999g	2,840	\$131,950,734	\$46,462	\$72,275	\$29,516	\$41,150	\$2,455
2,000g-2,249g	12,411	\$343,785,391	\$27,700	\$59,777	\$12,232	\$30,803	\$1,904
2,250g-2,499g	28,905	\$361,013,329	\$12,490	\$45,283	\$1,621	\$7,639	\$1,266
2,500g-2,749g	64,027	\$354,650,177	\$5,539	\$28,413	\$1,215	\$1,172	\$896
2,750g-2,999g	147,232	\$483,647,448	\$3,285	\$19,702	\$1,106	\$916	\$766
3,000g-3,249g	238,278	\$628,425,556	\$2,637	\$17,888	\$1,074	\$864	\$725
3,250g-3,499g	266,229	\$643,409,834	\$2,417	\$15,955	\$1,074	\$868	\$719
3,500g-3,749g	216,098	\$507,311,228	\$2,348	\$12,167	\$1,091	\$891	\$724
3,750g-3,999g	130,695	\$319,264,361	\$2,443	\$10,971	\$1,129	\$931	\$743
>=4000g	99,455	\$330,332,657	\$3,321	\$17,009	\$1,248	\$1,121	\$823
							\$584

Abbreviations: OB, Obstetrician; GA, gestational age; BC, birth certificate; Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

Table 8.

	Live Births N	Total Newborn Costs			Newborn Costs/Day		
		Total Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean	Median
Gestational age in completed weeks based on OB estimate of GA from BC							
22	63	\$3,554,166	\$56,415	\$204,945	\$577	\$1,594	\$2,170
23	129	\$34,574,041	\$268,016	\$362,815	\$55,472	\$502,503	\$6,112
24	172	\$70,673,290	\$410,891	\$418,232	\$338,048	\$532,251	\$6,266
25	208	\$90,205,664	\$433,681	\$363,561	\$40,911,6	\$398,995	\$5,947
26	214	\$85,490,844	\$399,490	\$256,404	\$348,097	\$287,313	\$5,426
27	283	\$82,725,581	\$292,317	\$213,663	\$240,248	\$203,482	\$4,639
28	403	\$104,068,970	\$258,236	\$188,534	\$208,565	\$185,915	\$3,947
29	451	\$90,878,670	\$201,505	\$131,584	\$168,389	\$128,321	\$3,489
30	598	\$97,890,884	\$163,697	\$138,766	\$125,708	\$105,386	\$3,292
31	852	\$106,539,177	\$125,046	\$107,941	\$98,806	\$79,381	\$3,046
32	1,313	\$113,659,688	\$86,565	\$70,312	\$68,609	\$56,823	\$2,824
33	1,936	\$115,657,912	\$59,741	\$47,852	\$45,760	\$40,656	\$2,681
34	3,312	\$128,557,770	\$38,816	\$42,917	\$30,302	\$29,815	\$2,439
35	4,512	\$85,537,327	\$18,958	\$40,666	\$8,316	\$23,391	\$1,683
36	6,671	\$58,923,924	\$8,833	\$25,031	\$2,097	\$3,976	\$1,097
37	7,828	\$37,143,731	\$47,745	\$20,151	\$1,755	\$1,527	\$829
38	6,461	\$23,586,664	\$3,651	\$15,870	\$1,636	\$1,290	\$746
39	1,653	\$9,018,360	\$5,456	\$24,028	\$1,555	\$1,350	\$803
40	473	\$3,673,994	\$7,767	\$24,449	\$1,578	\$1,849	\$990
41	94	\$667,332	\$6,993	\$14,468	\$1,631	\$2,552	\$1,116
42	15	\$111,381	\$7,425	\$15,725	\$2,042	\$2,411	\$946
43	6	\$11,788	\$1,965	\$1,637	\$1,517	\$1,691	\$860
44	2	\$5,537	\$2,768	\$2	\$2,768	\$3	\$923
All	37,649	\$1,343,146,696	\$35,675	\$98,959	\$2,767	\$27,841	\$1,555
							\$826

Birth Weight Group	Live Births		Total Newborn Costs			Newborn Costs/Day		
	N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Mean	Median
<500g	85	\$8,651,431	\$101,782	\$233,957	\$1,698	\$28,927	\$3,533	\$1,698
500g-599g	164	\$52,773,350	\$321,789	\$419,162	\$119,114	\$510,214	\$5,879	\$4,988
600g-699g	201	\$81,837,552	\$407,152	\$353,786	\$354,812	\$567,651	\$6,317	\$5,121
700g-799g	201	\$77,720,670	\$386,670	\$291,172	\$337,975	\$346,546	\$5,559	\$4,358
800g-899g	256	\$103,195,766	\$403,108	\$324,953	\$342,513	\$321,759	\$5,112	\$4,311
900g-999g	235	\$65,156,559	\$277,262	\$182,281	\$232,340	\$201,269	\$4,442	\$3,423
1000g-1099g	280	\$66,576,551	\$237,773	\$195,043	\$193,443	\$187,140	\$4,131	\$3,216
1100g-1199g	373	\$75,777,583	\$203,157	\$159,708	\$155,877	\$146,259	\$3,558	\$2,385
1200g-1299g	369	\$63,608,815	\$172,382	\$109,397	\$142,517	\$127,483	\$3,324	\$2,765
1300g-1399g	460	\$66,532,515	\$144,636	\$138,472	\$113,538	\$103,703	\$3,113	\$2,596
1400g-1499g	513	\$61,921,960	\$120,706	\$112,277	\$92,589	\$91,062	\$3,003	\$2,570
1500g-1599g	705	\$66,881,473	\$94,867	\$78,334	\$74,481	\$73,835	\$2,875	\$2,485
1600g-1699g	729	\$62,185,236	\$85,302	\$72,447	\$65,952	\$67,578	\$2,785	\$2,409
1700g-1799g	997	\$65,296,559	\$65,493	\$56,750	\$49,079	\$52,240	\$2,594	\$2,298
1800g-1899g	1,301	\$67,249,078	\$51,690	\$68,786	\$36,516	\$40,351	\$2,468	\$2,162
1900g-1999g	1,447	\$60,335,843	\$41,697	\$51,180	\$29,323	\$38,962	\$2,285	\$2,031
2000g-2249g	4,932	\$119,841,006	\$24,299	\$34,716	\$13,776	\$31,800	\$1,775	\$1,582
2250g-2499g	6,775	\$83,760,699	\$12,363	\$26,671	\$2,344	\$11,644	\$1,270	\$699
2500g-2749g	6,921	\$47,753,574	\$6,900	\$21,697	\$1,847	\$2,178	\$973	\$583
2750g-2999g	5,592	\$24,760,030	\$4,428	\$20,598	\$1,707	\$1,473	\$809	\$547
3000g-3249g	3,076	\$12,529,042	\$4,073	\$25,628	\$1,656	\$1,336	\$785	\$539
3250g-3499g	1,298	\$4,399,810	\$3,390	\$8,853	\$1,653	\$1,409	\$793	\$547
3500g-3749g	496	\$1,968,758	\$3,969	\$12,690	\$1,700	\$1,395	\$818	\$555
3750g-3999g	158	\$1,032,841	\$6,537	\$23,004	\$1,487	\$1,068	\$847	\$574
>=4000g	85	\$1,399,994	\$16,471	\$64,580	\$1,765	\$4,469	\$1,271	\$771

Abbreviations: OB, Obstetrician; GA, gestational age; BC, birth certificate; Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

^a2009-2011 CA Linked Data, Matched Good Cost/Length of Stay Cases Only, By Obstetrician Estimate of Gestational Age and Birth Weight (Live Births Only), Costs Adjusted to December, 2017

Maternal Costs by Gestational Age and Birth Weight^{a,b}**Table 9.**

	Maternal Cases	Live Births	Visits			Maternal Prenatal Hospitalization Costs (\$)			Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery) (\$)							
			N	N	N	Any Prenatal			Total Prenatal			Total	Mean	Std Dev	Median	IQR
						Total	Mean	Std Dev	Median	IQR						
By Gestation Age																
<=24	1,701	1,883	345	397	\$2,074,150	\$7,031	\$8,253	\$4,463	\$5,788	\$27,262,370	\$15,832	\$15,493	\$10,828	\$13,034		
25-27	2,819	3,182	689	864	\$4,315,907	\$7,241	\$7,935	\$4,224	\$7,012	\$66,530,509	\$23,311	\$22,832	\$16,287	\$18,997		
28-31	6,805	8,055	1,883	2,414	\$14,007,466	\$9,096	\$13,348	\$4,958	\$7,540	\$166,938,852	\$24,163	\$27,157	\$15,840	\$18,173		
32-36	79,871	88,985	14,070	18,518	\$112,533	\$9,361	\$15,680	\$4,834	\$6,941	\$1,055,492,860	\$13,154	\$17,660	\$8,837	\$8,238		
37-38	335,449	342,624	21,59	26,44	\$142,585	\$6,860	\$11,694	\$3,809	\$5,031	\$2,658,457,157	\$7,920	\$6,688	\$6,534	\$4,846		
39-41	807,617	808,873	29,66	34,12	\$172,204	\$5,829	\$8,835	\$3,516	\$4,533	\$6,150,045,721	\$7,611	\$5,180	\$6,456	\$4,737		
>41; available in manuscript; available in manuscript	6,837	6,855	375	423	\$1,735,356	\$4,628	\$5,473	\$3,027	\$3,850	\$65,972,605	\$9,638	\$6,595	\$7,868	\$6,629		
<28	4,520	5,065	1,034	1,261	\$6,390,057	\$7,172	\$8,037	\$4,347	\$6,722	\$93,792,879	\$20,497	\$20,700	\$14,106	\$16,845		
28-31	11,325	13,120	2,917	3,675	\$20,397,523	\$8,391	\$11,720	\$4,760	\$7,101	\$260,731,731	\$22,702	\$24,851	\$15,163	\$17,627		
32-35	91,196	102,105	16,98	22,19	\$132,930	\$8,919	\$15,091	\$4,820	\$6,978	\$1,316,224,591	\$14,350	\$18,977	\$9,311	\$9,394		
All Deliveries January 01	1,241,099	1,260,457	68,62	83,18	\$49,456	\$6,898	\$11,464	\$3,843	\$5,172	\$10,190,700	\$8,204	\$7,708	\$6,626	\$5,023		
By Birth Weight																
<1000g	4,787	5,549	1,170	1,437	\$6,991,174	\$7,336	\$8,340	\$4,461	\$6,755	\$102,658,251	\$21,401	\$22,121	\$14,813	\$17,139		
<1500g	10,921	13,017	2,902	3,682	\$20,267,240	\$8,703	\$13,842	\$4,863	\$7,442	\$253,999,876	\$23,036	\$25,648	\$15,437	\$17,460		
1000-1499g	6,134	7,468	1,732	2,245	\$13,276,066	\$9,820	\$16,590	\$5,147	\$7,969	\$151,341,628	\$24,296	\$28,001	\$15,758	\$17,801		
<2500g	72,590	84,983	13,83	18,13	\$106,264	\$9,548	\$15,747	\$4,922	\$7,214	\$1,097,404,268	\$15,031	\$19,530	\$9,719	\$9,910		
1500-2499g	61,669	71,966	10,93	14,45	\$85,997,007	\$9,746	\$16,203	\$4,944	\$7,156	\$843,404,389	\$13,607	\$17,856	\$9,131	\$8,557		
>=2500g	1,168,509	1,175,474	54,78	65,04	\$343,192	\$6,352	\$10,280	\$3,681	\$4,813	\$9,093,295,806	\$7,777	\$6,018	\$6,504	\$4,812		

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Abbreviations: SD, Std Dev; standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

^aData Source: 2009–2011 California Linked Vital Statistics – Patient Discharge Data

^bCosts Producer Price Index Adjusted to December 2017

Maternal Costs, Does Not Include Fetal Deaths^a**Table 10.**

Gestational Age in Completed Weeks	Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)									
	Maternal Cases			Live Births			Maternal Prenatal Hospitalizations			
	N	N	N	N	N	N	Total	Mean	StdD ev	IQR
22	317	351	63	72	\$288,148	\$5,437	\$5,310	\$3,797	\$5,285	\$11,328
23	586	649	116	135	\$745,446	\$7,530	\$8,926	\$4,760	\$5,421	\$8,749,145
24	798	883	166	190	\$1,035,928	\$7,399	\$8,683	\$4,681	\$6,872	\$14,730,292
25	855	962	196	239	\$1,181,036	\$6,710	\$7,865	\$3,474	\$6,051	\$18,498,784
26	928	1,038	241	304	\$1,482,426	\$7,267	\$7,533	\$4,648	\$7,536	\$23,033,181
27	1,036	1,182	252	321	\$1,652,446	\$7,650	\$8,361	\$4,326	\$7,187	\$24,972,929
28	1,213	1,435	317	416	\$2,339,290	\$8,696	\$12,572	\$4,844	\$7,638	\$30,681,916
29	1,440	1,681	380	499	\$2,942,648	\$9,283	\$12,966	\$5,061	\$7,400	\$37,403,942
30	1,825	2,149	500	630	\$3,947,701	\$9,559	\$13,126	\$5,076	\$8,647	\$45,310,466
31	2,327	2,790	686	869	\$4,777,826	\$8,831	\$14,113	\$4,827	\$6,942	\$53,542,528
32	3,692	4,388	1,002	1,294	\$8,913,266	\$10,843	\$21,307	\$5,193	\$8,213	\$84,208,715
33	5,589	6,601	1,433	1,879	\$11,930,853	\$10,215	\$17,749	\$5,057	\$6,987	\$110,992,860
34	11,522	13,266	2,591	3,420	\$21,299,296	\$10,061	\$16,461	\$5,000	\$7,235	\$194,494,088
35	19,111	21,401	3,424	4,612	\$28,238,707	\$9,638	\$15,041	\$4,918	\$7,697	\$243,313,620

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	Maternal Cases	Live Births	Maternal Cases with 1+ Prenatal Hospitalizations			Maternal Prenatal Hospitalization Costs			Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)						
			N	N	N	Total	Mean	SdD ev	Median	IQR	Total	Mean	SdD ev	Median	IQR
36	39,957	43,329	5,620	7,313	\$42,145, 513	\$8,455.8	\$13.9 91	\$4.5 98	\$6.2 99	\$422,476.3 65	\$10.5 47	\$13.3 58	\$7,773	\$6,452	
37	96,127	100,075	8,826	11,108	\$62,117, 413	\$7,483	\$12.4 12	\$4.0 59	\$5.5 63	\$839,902.0 58	\$8.729	\$8.416	\$6,919	\$5,459	
38	239,322	242,549	12,771	15,336	\$80,467, 926	\$6,446.0	\$11.1 73	\$3.6 74	\$4.6 95	\$1,818,555.099 357	\$7.595	\$5,820	\$6,398	\$4,621	
39	428,873	429,703	16,558	19,248	\$99,767, 357	\$6,055	\$9,10.4	\$3.6 48	\$4.7 15	\$3,209,114,673 84	\$7.480	\$4,988	\$6,419	\$4,522	
40	296,857	297,185	10,097	11,500	\$56,075, 726	\$5,574	\$8,366	\$3.3 22	\$4.3 22	\$2,213,906,848 84	\$7,454	\$4,961	\$6,280	\$4,707	
41	81,887	81,985	3,014	3,374	\$16,361, 590	\$5,441	\$8,828	\$3.2 43	\$4.2 38	\$727,024.2 00	\$8,870	\$6,585	\$7,393	\$5,938	
42	6,169	6,183	334	369	\$1,474.2 00	\$4,414	\$4,496	\$2.8 81	\$3.7 58	\$60,514,569 81	\$9,797	\$6,612	\$8,040	\$6,797	
43	473	476	36	49	\$236,288	\$6,564	\$11.0 98	\$3.8 10	\$3.5 36	\$4,002,822 98	\$8,463	\$6,889	\$6,918	\$5,185	
44	147	148	4	4	\$20,563	\$5,141	\$1,896	\$5.7 90	\$2.7 19	\$1,123,259 90	\$7,641	\$4,521	\$6,693	\$4,356	
45	48	48	1	1	\$4,305	\$4,305	.	\$4.3 05	\$0	\$331,955 05	\$6,916	\$3,258	\$6,650	\$3,235	
All	1,241, 099	1,260, 457	68,628	83,182	\$449,445,898	\$6,899	\$11.4 64	\$3.8 43	\$5.1 72	\$10,190,47 5,353	\$8,203	\$7,708	\$6,626	\$5,023	
Birth Weight Group	353	397	69	80	\$483,424	\$7,797	\$10.4 47	\$4.7 02	\$5.5 18	\$5,940,625 48	\$15.9 49	\$13.8 69	\$12,1 16	\$13,3 39	
<500g	748	831	153	179	\$950,734	\$7,148	\$8,176	\$4.3 47	\$5.5 48	\$12,988,224 24	\$17.2 89	\$16.8 27	\$11.5 15	\$14.2 47	
500g-599g	829	939	201	245	\$1,162.5 77	\$6,568	\$6,425	\$4.4 24	\$6.6 55	\$17,842,091 89	\$20.6 29	\$18.9 27	\$14.7 67	\$17.3 95	
600g-699g	878	978	206	251	\$1,399.9 34	\$7,692	\$8,957	\$4.7 45	\$6.7 55	\$19,534,034 18	\$21.7 91	\$20.5 29	\$16.2 42	\$17.6 89	
700g-799g	843	966	214	264	\$1,434.4 12	\$7,969	\$8,910	\$4.5 18	\$7.4 91	\$20,144,277 55	\$23.7 55	\$23.0 48	\$16.8 14	\$18.4 67	
900g-	991	1,116	236	300	\$1,555.4	\$7.20	\$8,18	\$4.3 18	\$7.4 91	\$25,991,49 48	\$24.8 48	\$29.0 24.8	\$16.3 16	\$18.7 39	

	Maternal Cases	Live Births	Maternal Hospitalization Costs						Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)						
			Maternal Cases with 1+ Prenatal Hospitalizations			Maternal Prenatal Hospitalization Costs			Maternal Hospitalization Costs			Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)			
			N	N	N	Total	Mean	SdD ev	Median	IQR	Total	Mean	SdD ev	Median	IQR
999g						64	1	7	75	00	2	25	14	62	83
1000g-1099g	955	1,105	239	305	\$1,966.1	\$9,980	\$18.5	\$5.3	\$7.8	\$23,094.80	1	\$24.6	\$16.0	\$18.7	88
1100g-1199g	1,067	1,252	313	397	\$2,551.3	\$9,112	\$13.8	\$4.8	\$7.1	\$29,471.76	2	\$26.0	\$29.9	\$6.5	18
1200g-1299g	1,076	1,282	276	362	\$2,216.2	\$9,471	\$13.1	\$4.9	\$8.1	\$28,055.77	5	\$24.7	\$27.6	\$16.1	64
1300g-1399g	1,417	1,663	358	450	\$2,905.6	\$9,283	\$15.4	\$4.7	\$7.8	\$34,502,90	3	\$23.2	\$28.4	\$14.7	81
1400g-1499g	1,386	1,672	387	522	\$3,636.6	\$11.0	\$20.2	\$5.9	\$7.7	\$36,216,38	7	\$24.0	\$28.3	\$15.8	65
1500g-1599g	1,800	2,167	477	628	\$3,918.7	\$10.1	\$18.4	\$4.5	\$7.1	\$40,948.62	1	\$21.9	\$28.5	\$13.9	50
1600g-1699g	1,839	2,219	497	655	\$4,133.8	\$9,681	\$14.2	\$5.4	\$7.5	\$40,778.45	4	\$20.5	\$22.6	\$13.3	48
1700g-1799g	2,462	3,007	645	841	\$5,657.4	\$10.9	\$17.1	\$5.5	\$8.6	\$52,468.35	3	\$19.9	\$24.2	\$12.9	73
1800g-1899g	3,263	3,903	771	1,010	\$6,082.6	\$9,655	\$17.1	\$4.8	\$7.0	\$59,253.11	3	\$17.4	\$21.3	\$11.5	60
1900g-1999g	3,548	4,287	843	1,100	\$7,155.7	\$10.0	\$15.2	\$5.1	\$7.1	\$66,879,77	0	\$17.4	\$22.6	\$11.4	69
2000g-2249g	14,836	17,345	2,946	3,921	\$24,731	\$10.0	\$17.2	\$5.0	\$7.4	\$222,158.5	3	\$14.3	\$18.6	\$9,667	41
2250g-2499g	32,250	35,680	4,296	5,719	\$34,316	\$9,300	\$15.3	\$4.7	\$6.7	\$360,917.5	7	\$10.9	\$13.6	\$7,970	9
2500g-2749g	67,400	70,948	6,161	7,922	\$44,351	\$8,222	\$14.6	\$4.3	\$5.9	\$589,675.6	57	\$8,896	\$10.0	\$6,904	5
2750g-2999g	150,074	152,824	9,245	11,413	\$64,602	\$7,329	\$12.5	\$3.9	\$5.3	\$1,180,447.51	3	\$7.89	\$6,858	\$6,455	4,849
3000g-3249g	239,748	241,354	11,497	13,651	\$71,918	\$6,551	\$9,709	\$3.7	\$4.8	\$1,805,036,354	93	\$7.53	\$5,457	\$6,319	8
3250g-3499g	266,796	267,527	11,206	13,038	\$65,101	\$5,845	\$8,742	\$3.4	\$4.5	\$2,005,367,102	24	\$7.51	\$5,577	\$6,348	630

	Maternal Cases	Live Births	Maternal Cases with 1+ Prenatal Hospitalizations	Maternal Hospitalization Costs						Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)					
				N	N	N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median
3500g-3749g	216,315	216,594	8,212	9,432	\$47,395, 405	\$5,792	\$9,430	\$3,508	\$4,369	\$1,651,581,939	\$7,632	\$5,378	\$6,473	\$4,751	
3750g-3999g	130,749	130,853	5,074	5,798	\$27,628, 973	\$5,448	\$7,445	\$3,310	\$4,436	\$1,028,146,296	\$7,860	\$5,228	\$6,646	\$4,870	
>=4000g	99,476	99,540	4,106	4,699	\$22,187, 674	\$5,413	\$6,900	\$3,433	\$4,372	\$833,033,732	\$8,371	\$5,622	\$7,080	\$5,197	

Abbreviations: Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

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Maternal Costs, Includes Fetal Deaths^a**Table 11.**

Gestational Age in Completed Weeks	Maternal Prenatal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)										
	Maternal Cases		Live Births + Fetal Deaths		Maternal Cases with 1+ Prenatal Hospitalizations		Total Prenatal Hospitalization Costs		Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)		
	N	N	N	N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	StdDev	Median	IQR
22	731	807	117	136	\$650,981	\$6,445	\$6,639	\$4,105	\$5,772	\$8,048,195	\$10,861
23	931	1,023	158	186	\$968,237	\$7,067	\$7,860	\$4,841	\$5,281	\$12,692,675	\$13,474
24	1,033	1,135	192	219	\$1,180,684	\$7,199	\$8,130	\$4,845	\$6,430	\$17,318,804	\$16,573
25	1,028	1,154	212	258	\$1,265,737	\$6,662	\$8,044	\$3,314	\$5,720	\$20,329,300	\$19,417
26	1,123	1,244	262	327	\$1,746,925	\$7,799	\$8,896	\$4,888	\$7,598	\$25,781,856	\$22,616
27	1,215	1,374	268	341	\$1,790,987	\$7,753	\$8,474	\$4,621	\$7,355	\$27,172,465	\$22,073
28	1,419	1,657	336	447	\$2,521,611	\$8,817	\$12,546	\$4,987	\$7,570	\$32,914,763	\$22,637
29	1,612	1,862	397	518	\$3,031,536	\$9,044	\$12,722	\$4,882	\$7,294	\$39,243,876	\$22,088
30	1,983	2,312	513	646	\$4,053,077	\$9,514	\$12,985	\$5,066	\$8,599	\$46,989,960	\$23,343
31	2,496	2,961	699	885	\$4,855,403	\$8,780	\$13,984	\$4,827	\$6,915	\$55,203,199	\$21,811
32	3,913	4,617	1,030	1,329	\$9,123,660	\$10,759	\$21,063	\$5,165	\$8,093	\$86,651,981	\$21,821
33	5,773	6,795	1,454	1,904	\$12,147,818	\$10,217	\$17,669	\$5,046	\$7,002	\$113,402,304	\$19,455
34	11,736	13,488	2,603	3,438	\$21,388,565	\$10,046	\$16,361	\$5,035	\$7,217	\$197,041,144	\$16,652

	Maternal Cases	Live Births + Fetal Deaths	N	N	Maternal Cases with 1+ Prenatal Hospitalizations			Maternal Prenatal Hospitalization Costs			Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)			
					Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
					N			N		N			N	
35	19,334	21,636	3,450	4,650	\$284,485, 094	\$9,640 09	\$15,0 44	\$4,9 44	\$7,6 68	\$245,904, 44	\$12,6 62	\$15,9 88	\$8,845 88	\$7,765
36	40,256	43,640	5,655	7,358	\$43,498, 639	\$8,670 87	\$18,1 05	\$4,6 11	\$6,3 05	\$426,855, 49	\$10,5 75	\$14,0 32	\$7,771 32	\$6,454
37	96,440	100,398	8,857	11,151	\$62,393, 596	\$7,488 05	\$12,4 60	\$4,0 65	\$5,5 65	\$843,153, 05	\$8,734 05	\$8,424 4	\$8,424 4	\$6,620 4
38	239,640	242,876	12,784	15,355	\$80,600, 999	\$6,451 75	\$11,1 74	\$3,6 97	\$4,6 48	\$1,821,511, 089	\$7,597 14	\$5,822 47	\$6,398 47	\$4,623
39	429,143	429,973	16,571	19,261	\$99,833, 337	\$6,055 337	\$9,102 48	\$3,6 48	\$4,7 14	\$3,211,491, 203	\$7,481 14	\$4,989 14	\$6,419 14	\$4,523
40	297,028	297,356	10,107	11,520	\$56,180, 148	\$5,579 010	\$8,387 148	\$3,3 84	\$4,3 23	\$2,215,603, 156	\$7,455 58	\$4,065 58	\$6,281 58	\$4,707
41	81,936	82,034	3,016	3,376	\$16,366, 010	\$5,439 010	\$8,825 148	\$3,2 39	\$4,2 38	\$727,551, 58	\$8,872 58	\$6,587 58	\$7,393 58	\$5,940
42	6,183	6,197	335	370	\$14,756, 34	\$4,405 34	\$4,492 68	\$2,8 68	\$3,7 70	\$60,621, 53	\$9,792 53	\$6,609 53	\$8,036 53	\$6,800
43	473	476	36	49	\$236,288	\$6,564 98	\$11,0 98	\$3,8 10	\$3,5 36	\$4,002,822	\$8,463 36	\$6,889 36	\$6,918 36	\$5,185
44	147	148	4	4	\$20,563	\$5,141 1	\$1,896 1	\$5,7 90	\$2,7 19	\$1,123,259	\$7,641 19	\$4,521 19	\$6,693 19	\$4,356
45	46	49	1	1	\$4,305	\$4,305 1	—	\$4,3 05	\$0 05	\$340,036	\$6,940 05	\$3,228 05	\$6,685 05	\$3,219
All	1,245,622	1,265,212	69,057	83,729	\$453,819,834	\$6,923 3	\$11,902	\$3,849 6	\$5,182 8	\$10,240,948,288	\$8,213 8	\$7,785 8	\$6,628 8	\$5,028
Birth Weight Group														
<500g	1,102	1,227	163	191	\$1,159,701	\$7,630 77	\$8,629 77	\$4,8 06	\$5,8 84	\$14,201,897 7	\$12,159 85	\$13,226 46	\$8,109 46	\$9,510
500g-599g	1,057	1,173	205	245	\$1,348,8 77	\$7,578 77	\$8,737 77	\$4,8 06	\$5,8 84	\$16,678,802 77	\$15,5 85	\$16,1 46	\$10,5 24	\$12,6 24
600g-699g	1,065	1,189	231	279	\$1,400,4 42	\$6,831 42	\$7,599 94	\$4,5 99	\$6,4 99	\$21,046,489 95	\$18,9 95	\$21,1 46	\$12,8 77	\$16,2 46
700g-799g	1,078	1,188	228	279	\$1,574,3 71	\$7,718 71	\$8,803 20	\$4,8 20	\$6,8 32	\$22,500,601 1	\$20,3 44	\$24,0 74	\$13,8 01	\$16,4 56

	Maternal Cases	Live Births + Fetal Deaths	N	N	Maternal Cases with 1+ Prenatal Hospitalizations			Maternal Prenatal Hospitalization Costs			Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)			
					Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
800g-899g	985	1,116	226	285	\$1,567.582	\$8,207	\$9,469	\$4.575	\$7.511	\$21,925,794	\$22.080	\$22.513	\$15.084	\$17.490
900g-999g	1,155	1,293	243	308	\$1,576.594	\$7,10	\$8,10	\$4.3	\$7.164	\$27,606,29	\$22.643	\$27.536	\$14.403	\$17.179
1000g-1099g	1,061	1,220	247	315	\$2,020.494	\$9,856	\$182.660	\$5.364	\$7.703	\$24,436,488	\$22.543	\$24.136	\$15.036	\$17.779
1100g-1199g	1,186	1,390	319	403	\$2,571.111	\$9,021	\$137.888	\$4.844	\$6.974	\$30,835,669	\$24.531	\$29.302	\$15.169	\$19.354
1200g-1299g	1,156	1,366	281	367	\$2,245.164	\$9,433	\$13.084	\$4.919	\$8.153	\$28,881,378	\$23.751	\$27.080	\$15.427	\$16.659
1300g-1399g	1,542	1,793	366	458	\$2,944.628	\$9,231	\$15.321	\$4.730	\$7.847	\$35,751,731	\$22.26	\$27.711	\$13.940	\$16.544
1400g-1499g	1,503	1,794	399	535	\$3,707.514	\$10.904	\$19.974	\$5.929	\$7.615	\$37,414,104	\$22.996	\$27.683	\$14.947	\$16.339
1500g-1599g	1,900	2,270	486	639	\$3,984.699	\$10.113	\$18.228	\$4.535	\$7.130	\$41,906,821	\$21.305	\$27.954	\$13.498	\$14.688
1600g-1699g	1,917	2,300	505	665	\$4,308.374	\$9,904	\$14.641	\$5.380	\$7.717	\$41,670,020	\$20.179	\$22.427	\$12.973	\$14.065
1700g-1799g	2,556	3,102	654	852	\$5,754.371	\$10.898	\$17.198	\$5.548	\$8.710	\$53,567,818	\$19.672	\$23.986	\$12.715	\$13.545
1800g-1899g	3,372	4,014	780	1,025	\$6,150.100	\$9,625	\$17.068	\$4.915	\$7.074	\$60,467,513	\$17.242	\$21.167	\$11.354	\$10.560
1900g-1999g	3,640	4,383	848	1,106	\$7,185.261	\$10.061	\$15.263	\$5.144	\$7.120	\$67,781,186	\$17.300	\$22.510	\$11.271	\$11.438
2000g-2249g	15,099	17,612	2,971	3,965	\$25,056.000	\$10.071	\$17.220	\$5.076	\$7.459	\$225,019.915	\$14.300	\$18.593	\$9,618	\$8,921
2250g-2499g	32,494	35,938	4,309	5,734	\$34,363.653	\$9,287	\$15.285	\$4.728	\$6.750	\$363,205.832	\$10.987	\$13.687	\$7,964	\$6,713
2500g-2749g	67,631	71,182	6,179	7,944	\$44,685.552	\$8,257	\$14.932	\$4.331	\$5.919	\$591,983.111	\$8.899	\$10.112	\$6,906	\$5,420
2750g-2999g	150,331	153,082	9,259	11,435	\$65,527.554	\$7,422	\$15.128	\$3.997	\$3.991	\$1,183,746,193	\$7,899	\$7,192	\$6,457	\$4,851

Maternal Cases	Live Births + Fetal Deaths	Maternal Cases with 1+ Prenatal Hospitalizations	Maternal Prenatal Hospitalization Costs						Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)						
			N	N	N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
						Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
3000g- 3249g	239,984	241,591	11,511	13,666	\$71,978, 320	\$6,349	\$9,704	\$3,7 61	\$4.8 92	\$1,807,183,062	\$7,532	\$5,458	\$6,320	\$4,659	
3250g- 3499g	266,946	267,677	11,226	13,066	\$65,333, 476	\$5,855	\$8,754	\$3,4 93	\$4.5 30	\$2,007,008,205	\$7,515	\$5,581	\$6,349	\$4,631	
3500g- 3749g	216,421	216,700	8,223	9,445	\$47,452, 246	\$5,791	\$9,426	\$3,5 07	\$4.3 71	\$1,652,773,720	\$7,634	\$5,381	\$6,474	\$4,752	
3750g- 3999g	130,820	130,925	5,081	5,809	\$27,651, 791	\$5,446	\$7,442	\$3,3 10	\$4.4 36	\$1,028,869,522	\$7,861	\$5,229	\$6,647	\$4,871	
>=4000 g	99,621	99,687	4,117	4,713	\$22,271, 189	\$5,419	\$6,901	\$3,4 38	\$4.3 86	\$834,436, 18	\$8,373	\$5,624	\$7,082	\$5,199	

Abbreviations: Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

^a2009–2011 California Linked Data, Matched Good Cost/Lengt of Stay Cases Only, By Gestational Age and Birth Weight, Costs Adjusted to December, 2017

Maternal Costs by C-Section Status, Does Not Include Fetal Deaths^a

Table 12.

Gestational Age Group and Delivery Method	Maternal Cases		Live Births		Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)			
	N	N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	
<=24 Weeks	Vaginal	904	972	\$10,977,285	\$11,997	\$11,950	\$8,074	\$9,783
	C-section	797	911	\$16,285,085	\$20,180	\$17,747	\$14,899	\$16,237
25-27 Weeks	Vaginal	858	878	\$14,871,903	\$17,273	\$19,194	\$10,423	\$15,819
	C-section	1,961	2,304	\$51,658,606	\$25,920	\$23,770	\$18,809	\$19,676
28-31 Weeks	Vaginal	2,041	2,147	\$37,136,368	\$18,010	\$21,101	\$11,159	\$15,477
	C-section	4,764	5,908	\$129,802,484	\$26,780	\$28,966	\$17,720	\$18,960
32-36 Weeks	Vaginal	42,402	43,803	\$422,864,617	\$9,946	\$12,846	\$6,816	\$6,171
	C-section	37,469	45,182	\$632,628,243	\$16,770	\$21,277	\$11,198	\$9,612
37-38 Weeks	Vaginal	214,419	215,779	\$1,416,586,608	\$6,602	\$5,354	\$5,373	\$3,911
	C-section	121,030	126,845	\$1,241,870,550	\$10,254	\$8,041	\$8,462	\$5,213
>41 Weeks	Vaginal	558,933	559,420	\$3,631,650,864	\$6,494	\$4,332	\$5,491	\$3,885
	C-section	248,684	249,453	\$2,518,394,857	\$10,123	\$5,988	\$8,619	\$5,401
>41 Weeks	Vaginal	4,518	4,522	\$35,629,442	\$7,879	\$5,228	\$6,546	\$5,046
	C-section	2,319	2,333	\$30,343,163	\$13,062	\$7,565	\$11,170	\$7,983
<28 Weeks	Vaginal	1,762	1,850	\$25,849,188	\$14,555	\$16,093	\$9,017	\$12,014
	C-section	2,758	3,215	\$67,943,691	\$24,266	\$22,351	\$17,723	\$18,273
<32 Weeks	Vaginal	3,803	3,997	\$62,985,556	\$16,411	\$19,025	\$10,062	\$13,543
	C-section	7,522	9,123	\$197,746,175	\$25,859	\$26,760	\$17,720	\$18,691
<37 Weeks	Vaginal	46,205	47,800	\$485,850,173	\$10,482	\$13,583	\$6,968	\$6,597
	C-section	44,991	54,305	\$830,374,417	\$18,302	\$22,554	\$11,972	\$11,160
All	Vaginal	824,075	827,521	\$5,569,717,087	\$6,754	\$5,616	\$5,524	\$3,998
	C-section	417,024	432,936	\$4,620,982,987	\$11,066	\$10,106	\$8,817	\$5,833
Gestational Age in Completed Weeks			296	\$2,819,854	\$10,405	\$8,841	\$7,563	\$7,830
22	Vaginal	265						

Gestational Age Group and Delivery Method		Maternal Cases		Live Births		Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)		
		N	N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
23	C-section	52	55	\$878,589	\$16,270	\$15,779	\$9,648	\$6,907
	Vaginal	351	381	\$4,326,517	\$12,187	\$12,911	\$8,043	\$9,640
24	C-section	235	268	\$4,473,113	\$18,954	\$18,224	\$12,993	\$14,635
	Vaginal	288	295	\$3,830,914	\$13,256	\$13,077	\$8,576	\$12,384
25	C-section	510	588	\$10,933,383	\$21,148	\$17,661	\$17,316	\$16,366
	Vaginal	272	280	\$4,085,699	\$14,911	\$14,737	\$10,014	\$14,108
26	C-section	583	682	\$14,438,700	\$24,308	\$21,501	\$17,860	\$18,897
	Vaginal	282	286	\$5,098,301	\$18,015	\$18,755	\$11,408	\$15,640
27	C-section	646	752	\$17,934,881	\$27,215	\$25,962	\$19,585	\$21,523
	Vaginal	304	312	\$5,687,903	\$18,710	\$22,693	\$9,917	\$17,701
28	C-section	732	870	\$19,285,026	\$26,061	\$23,415	\$18,607	\$19,395
	Vaginal	318	333	\$5,785,377	\$18,079	\$22,622	\$11,126	\$15,701
29	C-section	895	1,102	\$24,896,539	\$27,180	\$27,862	\$17,973	\$19,622
	Vaginal	424	444	\$8,813,981	\$20,450	\$25,506	\$11,501	\$16,738
30	C-section	1,016	1,237	\$28,589,961	\$27,757	\$27,540	\$19,267	\$20,762
	Vaginal	565	593	\$9,897,202	\$17,394	\$20,038	\$10,760	\$15,009
31	C-section	1,260	1,556	\$35,413,264	\$27,645	\$30,858	\$17,963	\$19,605
	Vaginal	734	777	\$12,639,808	\$17,035	\$18,115	\$11,101	\$13,995
32	C-section	1,593	2,013	\$40,902,720	\$25,249	\$28,880	\$16,548	\$16,657
	Vaginal	1,257	1,327	\$21,103,677	\$16,670	\$19,013	\$10,161	\$14,447
33	C-section	2,435	3,061	\$63,105,037	\$25,466	\$31,022	\$16,230	\$16,936
	Vaginal	2,197	2,331	\$34,512,965	\$15,539	\$18,907	\$10,023	\$11,080
34	C-section	3,392	4,270	\$76,479,895	\$22,395	\$27,377	\$14,919	\$13,838
	Vaginal	5,564	5,818	\$75,220,228	\$13,454	\$19,251	\$8,246	\$8,918
35	C-section	5,958	7,448	\$119,273,860	\$19,806	\$23,975	\$12,754	\$12,039
	Vaginal	10,148	10,514	\$98,767,283	\$9,715	\$11,336	\$6,978	\$6,089
36	C-section	8,963	10,887	\$144,546,336	\$16,023	\$19,458	\$10,960	\$8,980
	Vaginal	23,236	23,813	\$193,260,464	\$8,305	\$9,563	\$6,214	\$5,072

Gestational Age Group and Delivery Method		Maternal Cases		Live Births		Total Maternal Hospitalization Costs (Prenatal+Delivery)		
		N	N	Total	Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR
37	C-section	16,721	19,516	\$229,223,114	\$13,654	\$16,804	\$9,948	\$7,286
	Vaginal	61,651	62,340	\$443,839,000	\$7,194	\$6,739	\$5,650	\$4,331
38	C-section	34,476	37,735	\$396,063,058	\$11,473	\$10,222	\$9,118	\$6,074
	Vaginal	152,768	153,439	\$972,747,608	\$6,364	\$4,659	\$5,278	\$3,757
39	C-section	86,554	89,110	\$845,807,491	\$9,769	\$6,924	\$8,235	\$4,875
	Vaginal	272,410	272,673	\$1,715,455,407	\$6,295	\$4,172	\$5,326	\$3,697
40	C-section	156,463	157,030	\$1,493,659,266	\$9,544	\$5,583	\$8,190	\$4,838
	Vaginal	227,380	227,546	\$1,471,321,446	\$6,467	\$4,018	\$5,503	\$3,842
41	C-section	69,477	69,639	\$742,585,403	\$10,682	\$6,222	\$9,151	\$5,804
	Vaginal	59,143	59,201	\$444,874,011	\$7,516	\$5,820	\$6,338	\$4,794
42	C-section	22,744	22,784	\$282,150,188	\$12,392	\$7,132	\$10,652	\$7,330
	Vaginal	4,082	4,086	\$32,831,543	\$8,035	\$5,364	\$6,694	\$5,264
43	C-section	2,087	2,097	\$27,683,026	\$13,239	\$7,419	\$11,384	\$8,136
	Vaginal	302	302	\$1,951,385	\$6,462	\$3,442	\$5,730	\$3,610
44	C-section	171	174	\$2,051,436	\$11,997	\$9,546	\$9,438	\$6,661
	Vaginal	97	97	\$617,879	\$6,370	\$3,432	\$5,764	\$2,716
45	C-section	50	51	\$505,581	\$10,108	\$5,331	\$8,552	\$5,186
	Vaginal	37	37	\$228,634	\$6,179	\$2,810	\$5,657	\$3,136
	C-section	11	11	\$103,320	\$9,393	\$3,565	\$8,708	\$4,217

Abbreviations: Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

^a2009–2011 California Linked Data, Matched Good Cost/Length of Stay Cases Only, By Gestational Age, Costs Adjusted to December, 2017

Mean Maternal and Newborn Hospital and Professional Costs^{a,b}

Table 13.

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	Maternal Count N	Total Maternal Hospital Costs Mean	Total Maternal MD Costs Mean	Live Births N	Total Newborn Hospital Costs Mean	Total Newborn MD Costs Mean
Obstetrician Estimate of Gestational Age Group						
<=24 Weeks	2,695	\$9,814	\$4,145	1,883	\$216,834	\$51,332
25–27 Weeks	3,366	\$15,332	\$6,111	3,182	\$286,881	\$67,155
28–31 Weeks	7,510	\$16,341	\$6,498	8,055	\$136,201	\$30,165
32–36 Weeks	8,012	\$9,344	\$3,796	88,985	\$18,635	\$3,704
37–38 Weeks	336,080	\$5,459	\$2,464	342,624	\$2,887	\$566
39–41 Weeks	808,107	\$5,165	\$2,448	808,873	\$2,107	\$397
>41 Weeks	6,852	\$6,584	\$3,049	6,855	\$2,995	\$589
< 28 Weeks	6,061	\$12,877	\$5,236	5,065	\$260,840	\$61,273
<32 Weeks	13,571	\$14,794	\$5,934	13,120	\$184,318	\$42,174
<37 Weeks	94,583	\$10,134	\$4,106	102,105	\$39,924	\$8,647
All	1,245,622	\$5,631	\$2,582	1,260,457	\$5,387	\$1,113
Birth Weight Group						
Extremely LBW, <1000g	6,588	\$13,242	\$5,362	5,549	\$252,851	\$59,667
Very LBW <1500g	13,271	\$14,951	\$5,949	13,017	\$180,644	\$41,387
BW 1000–1499g	6,683	\$16,630	\$6,526	7,468	\$126,992	\$27,805
All LBW, <2500g	75,920	\$10,569	\$4,280	84,983	\$46,230	\$10,058
BW 1500–2499g	62,649	\$9,632	\$3,923	71,966	\$21,917	\$4,392
BW >=2500g	1,169,702	\$5,309	\$2,471	1,175,474	\$2,435	\$466

Abbreviations: LBW, low birth weight; BW, birth weight.

^aData Source: 2009–2011 California Linked Vital Statistics – Patient Discharge Data^bCosts Producer Price Index Adjusted to December 2017

Mean Maternal and Newborn Hospital and Professional Costs^a

Table 14.

	Maternal Count N	Total Maternal Hospital Costs Mean	Total Maternal MD Costs Mean	Live Births N	Total Newborn Hospital Costs Mean	Total Newborn MD Costs Mean
22	731	\$7,467	\$3,395	351	\$58,748	\$13,784
23	931	\$9,361	\$4,113	649	\$181,247	\$43,280
24	1,033	\$11,882	\$4,691	883	\$305,830	\$72,176
25	1,028	\$13,908	\$5,509	962	\$32,811	\$79,837
26	1,123	\$16,168	\$6,448	1,038	\$292,539	\$68,720
27	1,215	\$15,761	\$6,313	1,182	\$244,532	\$55,459
28	1,419	\$16,129	\$6,508	1,435	\$203,292	\$45,820
29	1,612	\$17,142	\$6,846	1,681	\$158,925	\$35,993
30	1,983	\$16,776	\$6,567	2,149	\$125,150	\$27,390
31	2,496	\$15,600	\$6,211	2,790	\$96,513	\$20,739
32	3,913	\$15,684	\$6,137	4,388	\$72,253	\$15,229
33	5,773	\$13,955	\$5,500	6,601	\$49,540	\$9,880
34	11,736	\$11,849	\$4,803	13,266	\$29,139	\$5,768
35	19,334	\$9,035	\$3,630	21,401	\$14,911	\$2,883
36	40,2256	\$7,470	\$3,105	43,329	\$7,120	\$1,370
37	96,440	\$6,084		100,075	\$3,955	\$783
38	239,640	\$5,207	\$2,360	242,546	\$2,447	\$476
39	429,143	\$5,095	\$2,386	429,703	\$2,116	\$3,396
40	297,028	\$5,031	\$2,424	297,185	\$2,004	\$3,380
41	81,936	\$6,011	\$2,861	81,985	\$2,436	\$469
42	6,183	\$6,675		6,183	\$2,883	\$572
43	473	\$5,969		476	\$3,854	\$658
44	147	\$5,309	\$2,332	148	\$5,153	\$1,203

	Maternal Count N	Total Maternal Hospital Costs Mean	Total Maternal MD Costs Mean	Live Births N	Total Newborn Hospital Costs Mean	Total Newborn MD Costs Mean
45	49	\$4,899	\$2,041	48	\$2,359	\$336
Birth Weight Group						
<500g	1,102	\$8,464	\$3,695	397	\$134,405	\$34,863
500g-599g	1,057	\$11,028	\$4,556	831	\$206,411	\$50,078
600g-699g	1,065	\$13,554	\$5,441	939	\$294,631	\$69,027
700g-799g	1,078	\$14,561	\$5,783	978	\$317,414	\$74,946
800g-899g	985	\$15,910	\$6,170	966	\$297,750	\$70,940
900g-999g	1,155	\$16,126	\$6,557	1,116	\$227,682	\$51,326
1000g-1099g	1,061	\$16,271	\$6,272	1,105	\$184,311	\$41,441
1100g-1199g	1,186	\$17,603	\$6,928	1,262	\$163,181	\$35,909
1200g-1299g	1,156	\$17,080	\$6,671	1,282	\$140,672	\$31,032
1300g-1399g	1,542	\$15,881	\$6,325	1,663	\$111,823	\$24,278
1400g-1499g	1,503	\$16,520	\$6,476	1,672	\$96,929	\$20,774
1500g-1599g	1,900	\$15,268	\$6,017	2,167	\$82,277	\$17,409
1600g-1699g	1,917	\$14,525	\$5,654	2,219	\$68,256	\$14,372
1700g-1799g	2,556	\$14,156	\$5,516	3,007	\$55,625	\$11,377
1800g-1899g	3,372	\$12,303	\$4,939	3,903	\$44,636	\$9,211
1900g-1999g	3,640	\$12,376	\$4,924	4,287	\$37,870	\$7,520
2000g-2249g	15,099	\$10,185	\$4,114	17,343	\$22,546	\$4,439
2250g-2499g	32,494	\$7,746	\$3,241	35,680	\$10,728	\$2,077
2500g-2749g	67,631	\$6,186	\$2,713	70,948	\$4,858	\$946
2750g-2999g	150,331	\$5,428	\$2,471	152,824	\$2,896	\$550
3000g-3249g	239,984	\$5,135	\$2,396	241,354	\$2,296	\$435
3250g-3499g	266,946	\$5,105	\$2,410	267,527	\$2,081	\$397
3500g-3749g	216,421	\$5,181	\$2,453	216,594	\$2,022	\$383
3750g-3999g	130,820	\$5,339	\$2,522	130,853	\$2,096	\$404
>=4000g	99,621	\$5,742	\$2,631	99,540	\$2,825	\$558

Abbreviations: OB, Obstetrician; GA, gestational age; BC, birth certificate.

^a2009–2011 CA Linked Data, Matched Good Cost/Length of Stay Cases Only, By Obstetrician Estimate of Gestational Age and Birth Weight, Costs Adjusted to December, 2017

Total Pregnancy Costs (Maternal + Newborn)^a

Table 15.

	Live Births N	Total Costs (Maternal + Newborn)				
		Total Mean	StdDev	Median	IQR	
Gestational Age in Completed Weeks						
22	351	\$28,270,704	\$80,543	\$238,350	\$10,128	\$12,898
23	649	\$151,210,671	\$232,990	\$316,976	\$43,511	\$441,914
24	883	\$342,455,201	\$387,830	\$354,636	\$353,556	\$504,124
25	962	\$411,824,74	\$428,092	\$310,320	\$387,711	\$330,098
26	1,088	\$695,339,464	\$380,867	\$266,779	\$330,467	\$523,300
27	1,182	\$375,136,762	\$317,375	\$231,074	\$266,695	\$206,008
28	1,435	\$381,863,108	\$266,107	\$192,807	\$216,351	\$176,597
29	1,681	\$363,328,476	\$216,138	\$148,320	\$177,472	\$130,816
30	2,149	\$370,625,057	\$172,464	\$146,545	\$136,881	\$99,641
31	2,790	\$378,787,426	\$135,766	\$116,382	\$106,492	\$82,230
32	4,388	\$465,565,715	\$106,100	\$98,854	\$81,481	\$64,639
33	6,601	\$500,238,703	\$75,782	\$77,840	\$56,424	\$46,964
34	13,266	\$653,782,062	\$49,283	\$66,335	\$36,287	\$37,556
35	21,401	\$620,431,558	\$28,961	\$51,019	\$16,193	\$24,732
36	43,329	\$783,044,396	\$18,072	\$39,874	\$9,996	\$11,307
37	100,075	\$130,553,317	\$13,066	\$29,253	\$8,285	\$7,084
38	242,549	\$2,509,251,741	\$10,345	\$19,775	\$7,654	\$5,638
39	429,703	\$4,254,823,885	\$9,902	\$15,653	\$7,715	\$5,526
40	297,185	\$2,604,457,664	\$9,773	\$12,957	\$7,559	\$5,813
41	81,985	\$959,076,669	\$11,698	\$15,966	\$8,907	\$7,374
42	6,183	\$81,492,457	\$13,180	\$16,332	\$9,640	\$8,515
43	476	\$5,888,793	\$12,365	\$14,953	\$8,556	\$7,024
44	148	\$2,063,966	\$13,946	\$22,959	\$8,345	\$5,609
45	48	\$461,306	\$9,611	\$8,627	\$7,937	\$3,977

	Live Births	Total Costs (Maternal + Newborn)				IQR
		N	Total	Mean	StdDev	
All	1,260,457	\$18,245,029,694	\$14,475	\$41,306	\$8,050	\$6,581
Birth Weight Group						
<500g	397	\$71,776,226	\$180,797	\$337,756	\$17,909	\$145,007
500g-599g	831	\$20,747,000	\$265,640	\$341,601	\$81,115	\$452,734
600g-699g	939	\$351,327,906	\$74,151	\$337,766	\$24,734	\$419,315
700g-799g	978	\$307,890,972	\$406,841	\$301,160	\$222,638	\$336,124
800g-899g	966	\$333,912,800	\$84,446	\$298,446	\$248,839	\$335,030
900g-999g	1,116	\$333,096,159	\$66,156	\$295,640	\$20,903	\$277,589
1000g-1099g	1,105	\$221,926,548	\$24,908	\$246,087	\$18,113	\$205,357
1100g-1199g	1,262	\$255,913,566	\$218,632	\$167,688	\$74,707	\$149,311
1200g-1299g	1,282	\$266,188,847	\$192,035	\$145,441	\$54,249	\$155,230
1300g-1399g	1,663	\$257,218,328	\$154,671	\$137,577	\$24,255	\$110,778
1400g-1499g	1,672	\$250,108,926	\$137,625	\$16,592	\$107,186	\$97,424
1500g-1599g	2,167	\$254,345,914	\$117,372	\$110,864	\$90,431	\$82,518
1600g-1699g	2,219	\$220,236,716	\$99,250	\$90,698	\$76,403	\$72,662
1700g-1799g	3,007	\$251,002,784	\$83,473	\$78,488	\$63,111	\$59,784
1800g-1899g	3,903	\$266,708,444	\$68,334	\$82,948	\$48,666	\$54,046
1900g-1999g	4,287	\$254,401,864	\$59,343	\$70,628	\$42,210	\$47,824
2000g-2249g	17,343	\$679,768,621	\$39,196	\$58,506	\$23,711	\$36,530
2250g-2499g	35,680	\$803,355,521	\$22,516	\$45,739	\$10,902	\$16,189
2500g-2749g	70,948	\$1,011,619,403	\$14,259	\$30,325	\$8,471	\$7,684
2750g-2999g	152,824	\$1,696,699,996	\$11,102	\$21,411	\$7,755	\$6,077
3000g-3249g	241,354	\$2,448,615,286	\$10,145	\$19,301	\$7,571	\$5,688
3250g-3499g	267,527	\$2,653,852,767	\$9,920	\$17,313	\$7,618	\$5,661
3500g-3749g	216,594	\$2,160,972,107	\$9,977	\$13,754	\$7,767	\$5,808
3750g-3999g	130,853	\$1,348,446,455	\$10,305	\$12,747	\$7,992	\$5,988
>=4000g	99,540	\$1,164,926,540	\$11,703	\$18,253	\$8,681	\$6,804

Abbreviations: Std Dev, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range.

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	Inflation Index			
	December, 1999	December, 2010	December, 2017	Change 2010 to 2017
Overall Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)	168.3	219.2	246.5	27.3
Medical Component of CPI, or MCPI	254.2	391.9	509.0	117.1
Producer Price Index (PPI)	128.0	189.9	196.4	6.5
Hospital Services PPI	69.1	103	118.5	15.5
PPI for General and Surgical Hospitals - Medicare Patients		160.6	168.4	7.8
PPI for General and Surgical Hospitals - Medicaid Patients		137.0	140.1	3.1
PPI for General and Surgical Hospitals - All Other Patients		202.1	253.1	51.0

Different Measures of Inflation

Table 16.