

## Supplemental Online Content

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<b>eTable 1. Sample hospital characteristics (Primary analysis and Secondary analysis)</b>			
	Hospitals Included, Primary Analysis (N=989)	Hospitals Included, Secondary Analysis (N=401)	Hospitals Excluded from Primary Analyses (N=588)
<b>Region</b>			
<b>Northeast</b>	121	74	47
<b>Midwest</b>	301	77	224
<b>South</b>	367	152	215
<b>West</b>	200	98	102
<b>Hospital Control Status</b>			
<b>Government/private (collapsed category)</b>	76	51	25
<b>Government, nonfederal</b>	211	50	161
<b>Private, not-for- profit</b>	465	192	273
<b>Private, investor- owned</b>	162	71	91
<b>Private (collapsed category)</b>	75	37	38
<b>Teaching Status</b>			
<b>Metropolitan non- teaching</b>	270	124	146
<b>Metropolitan teaching</b>	338	245	93
<b>Non-metropolitan hospital</b>	381	32	349
<b>Urban-Rural Designation</b>			
<b>Large metro</b>	330	233	97
<b>Small metro</b>	270	130	140
<b>Micropolitan</b>	146	25	121
<b>Not metro/micropolitan</b>	223	4	219
<b>Collapsed categories</b>	20	9	11
<b>ED Visit Volume</b>			
<b>&lt;20k</b>	451	26	425
<b>20-40k</b>	221	119	102
<b>40-60k</b>	145	102	43
<b>60-80k</b>	82	70	12
<b>80-100k</b>	46	41	5
<b>&gt;100k</b>	44	43	1
<b>Total ED Visits (unweighted), N</b>	33,147,251	23,534,062	9,613,189

**eTable 2.** Discharges Against Medical Advice (DAMA) Rates By Race and Ethnicity for Fifty Most Common Emergency Department (ED) Conditions

Top 50 Most Common CCSR Conditions	Percentage of Total ED Visits*	DAMA Rates**		
		Black	Hispanic	White
Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdomen signs and symptoms	4.45%	4.48% <sup>†††</sup>	3.39% <sup>†††</sup>	2.70%
Other specified upper respiratory infections	3.88%	0.54% <sup>†††</sup>	0.39%	0.40%
Nonspecific chest pain	3.85%	4.70% <sup>†††</sup>	4.13% <sup>†††</sup>	3.99%
Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter	3.47%	0.83% <sup>†††</sup>	0.85% <sup>†††</sup>	0.64%
Sprains and strains, initial encounter	3.09%	0.29% <sup>†††</sup>	0.26% <sup>††</sup>	0.21%
Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain	3.08%	2.70% <sup>†††</sup>	2.82% <sup>†††</sup>	2.13%
Urinary tract infections	2.57%	0.62% <sup>†††</sup>	0.50%	0.46%
Skin and subcutaneous tissue infections	2.19%	1.14% <sup>†††</sup>	1.27% <sup>†††</sup>	1.45%
Headache; including migraine	2.07%	3.03% <sup>†††</sup>	2.52% <sup>†††</sup>	1.93%
Open wounds to limbs, initial encounter	1.94%	1.32% <sup>†††</sup>	0.98% <sup>†††</sup>	0.62%
Respiratory signs and symptoms	1.88%	4.18% <sup>†††</sup>	3.58% <sup>†††</sup>	2.95%
Septicemia	1.54%	0.22%	0.23%	0.22%
Unacceptable PDX (miscellaneous diagnoses)	1.54%	14.08% <sup>†††</sup>	12.30% <sup>†††</sup>	11.18%
Nausea and vomiting	1.50%	2.84% <sup>†††</sup>	2.20% <sup>†††</sup>	1.95%
Other specified complications in pregnancy	1.45%	2.88% <sup>†††</sup>	1.92% <sup>†††</sup>	1.67%
Spondylopathies/spondyloarthropathy (including infective)	1.34%	1.23% <sup>†††</sup>	1.15% <sup>†††</sup>	0.97%
Open wounds of head and neck, initial encounter	1.34%	1.42% <sup>†††</sup>	1.11% <sup>†††</sup>	0.81%
Acute bronchitis	1.33%	0.33%	0.24% <sup>†††</sup>	0.30%
Other unspecified injury	1.30%	2.03% <sup>†††</sup>	1.86% <sup>†††</sup>	1.36%
Fracture of the upper limb, initial encounter	1.21%	0.62% <sup>†††</sup>	0.40% <sup>†††</sup>	0.30%
Influenza	1.17%	0.29%	0.32%	0.29%
Viral infection	1.16%	0.34% <sup>†††</sup>	0.28%	0.26%
Pneumonia (except that caused by tuberculosis)	1.15%	0.82% <sup>†††</sup>	0.50% <sup>†††</sup>	0.69%
Alcohol-related disorders	1.12%	3.55% <sup>††</sup>	4.21% <sup>†††</sup>	3.33%
Low back pain	1.09%	1.70% <sup>†</sup>	1.79% <sup>††</sup>	1.57%

<b>Otitis media</b>	<b>1.06%</b>	<b>0.12%<sup>†</sup></b>	<b>0.12%</b>	<b>0.09%</b>
<b>Asthma</b>	1.06%	1.26% <sup>†††</sup>	1.34% <sup>†††</sup>	0.97%
<b>Disorders of teeth and gingiva</b>	1.03%	0.99% <sup>†</sup>	1.17% <sup>†††</sup>	0.88%
<b>Diabetes mellitus with complication</b>	1.02%	1.94% <sup>†††</sup>	1.62%	1.64%
<b>Heart failure</b>	0.94%	1.05% <sup>†††</sup>	0.82% <sup>†††</sup>	0.62%
<b>Syncope</b>	0.92%	4.21% <sup>†††</sup>	3.60% <sup>†††</sup>	2.86%
<b>Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and bronchiectasis</b>	0.91%	1.63% <sup>†</sup>	1.83% <sup>†††</sup>	1.47%
<b>Noninfectious gastroenteritis</b>	0.89%	0.57% <sup>††</sup>	0.46%	0.48%
<b>General sensation/perception signs and symptoms</b>	0.88%	3.72% <sup>†††</sup>	3.10% <sup>†††</sup>	2.13%
<b>Fluid and electrolyte disorders</b>	0.85%	1.67% <sup>†††</sup>	1.22%	1.20%
<b>Epilepsy; convulsions</b>	0.81%	2.76% <sup>†††</sup>	2.08% <sup>†††</sup>	2.45%
<b>Skin/Subcutaneous signs and symptoms</b>	0.78%	3.27% <sup>†††</sup>	2.80%	2.59%
<b>Other specified and unspecified gastrointestinal disorders</b>	0.78%	0.87% <sup>†††</sup>	0.67%	0.64%
<b>Fracture of the lower limb (except hip), initial encounter</b>	0.74%	0.36%	0.36% <sup>†</sup>	0.28%
<b>Fever</b>	0.74%	3.27% <sup>†††</sup>	2.98% <sup>†††</sup>	2.21%
<b>Cardiac dysrhythmias</b>	0.72%	1.35% <sup>†††</sup>	1.19% <sup>†††</sup>	0.87%
<b>Anxiety and fear-related disorders</b>	0.70%	2.76% <sup>†††</sup>	2.31% <sup>†</sup>	2.06%
<b>Circulatory signs and symptoms</b>	0.64%	3.19% <sup>†††</sup>	2.76% <sup>†††</sup>	1.90%
<b>Essential hypertension</b>	0.64%	2.27% <sup>†††</sup>	1.97% <sup>†††</sup>	1.38%
<b>Cornea and external disease</b>	0.63%	0.32%	0.25%	0.28%
<b>Traumatic brain injury (TBI); concussion, initial encounter</b>	0.57%	0.81% <sup>†††</sup>	0.59%	0.49%
<b>Depressive disorders</b>	0.57%	1.17% <sup>†††</sup>	0.89%	0.76%
<b>Biliary tract disease</b>	0.55%	1.01% <sup>†††</sup>	0.78%	0.70%
<b>Suicidal ideation/attempt/intentional self-harm</b>	0.53%	1.32% <sup>†††</sup>	0.99%	0.92%
<b>Other general signs and symptoms</b>	0.53%	5.55% <sup>†††</sup>	4.01%	4.52%

\* Percentage denominator total weighted sample of emergency department visits (N=143,432,284)

\*\*Percentage of condition-specific ED visits resulting in DAMA per race and ethnicity group

Pairwise comparison for Black versus white and Hispanic versus white, statistically significant <sup>†</sup>for p<0.05, <sup>††</sup>for p<0.01, <sup>†††</sup>for p<0.001,

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<b>eTable 3. Emergency Department (ED) Conditions With Average Discharges Against Medical Advice (DAMA) Rate &gt; 4%</b>				
<b>Top 50 Most Common CCSR Conditions</b>	<b>Percentage of Total ED Visits*</b>	<b>DAMA Rates**</b>		
		<b>Black</b>	<b>Hispanic</b>	<b>White</b>
<b>Miscellaneous mental and behavioral disorders/conditions</b>	0.02%	3.91%	4.33%	4.22%
<b>Nonspecific chest pain</b>	3.87%	4.11%	4.63%	3.93%
<b>Opioid-related disorders</b>	0.14%	4.31%	3.98%	4.14%
<b>Other general signs and symptoms</b>	0.53%	4.11%	5.36%	4.37%
<b>Other specified status</b>	0.04%	9.66%	5.92%	8.68%
<b>Other specified substance-related disorders</b>	0.13%	3.96%	4.83%	4.48%
<b>Poisoning by drugs, initial encounter</b>	0.37%	4.15%	4.09%	5.84%

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