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Statistical Methods

For each cohort, delay groups were compared using Chi-square tests and two sample t-tests. Due to the skewed nature of the data, quantile (median) regressions were used to analyze delays with adjustment for patient, tumor, and treatment characteristics. The bootstrap method with 500 repetitions was used for standard errors. Adjusted median delays were estimated using mean covariate values estimated in the models. Primary survival employed multivariable Cox proportional hazards models, which estimated hazard ratios associated with increasing delay (measured continuously as months) and OS, controlling for relevant covariates measuring patient (age, race, ethnicity, insurance, education, income, urban/rural location, Charlson score, year of diagnosis), tumor (grade, estrogen receptor status), and treatment (type of surgery, receipt of chemotherapy, receipt of radiotherapy, receipt of endocrine therapy, transfer of care, distance to treatment facility, treating facility volume) factors. In secondary analyses, adjusted survival curves were obtained via inverse probability weighting, where the weights were obtained using generalized propensity scores. Unlike the primary analyses, the propensity score analyses used time until treatment categorized by interval (for ease of computation). Multinomial logistic regression was used to estimate propensity scores with restricted cubic splines for continuous variables, and weighted Kaplan Meier methods were used to estimate 5-year survival rates and to create OS curves. Bootstrap standard errors were used for 95% confidence intervals.

Among all patients, association between delays to surgery and invasion on final pathology was analyzed using the Wilcoxon rank sum test. The Cochran-Armitage trend test was used to analyze trends of invasion by delay group. Predictors of invasion were analyzed using multivariable logistic regression with adjustment for pre-treatment factors. To test whether effect of delay differed by final pathology, interaction terms between delay and invasive pathology were added to the multivariable Cox model.

Statistical significance was set at $p= 0.05$ (two-sided). Analyses were performed using SAS software, version 9.4 (SAS Institute, Cary, NC) and STATA software, release 13 (StataCorp, College Station, TX).

eTable 1: Included ICD-O-3 SEER Site/Histology Codes, Breast

	Site recode	Histology	Histology Description	Histology /Behavior	Histology/Behavior Description
Ductal Subtypes	C500-C506,C508-C509	805	PAPILLARY CARCINOMA, NOS	8050/2	Papillary carcinoma in situ
	C500-C506,C508-C509	805	PAPILLARY CARCINOMA, NOS	8050/3	Papillary carcinoma, NOS
	C500-C506,C508-C509	820	ADENOID CYSTIC & CRIBRIFORM CA.	8201/2	Cribriform carcinoma in situ
	C500-C506,C508-C509	820	ADENOID CYSTIC & CRIBRIFORM CA.	8201/3	Cribriform carcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	821	ADENOCA. IN ADENOMA. POLYP	8211/3	Tubular adenocarcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	823	SOLID CARCINOMA, NOS	8230/2	Duct carcinoma in situ, solid type
	C500-C506,C508-C509	823	SOLID CARCINOMA, NOS	8230/3	Solid carcinoma, NOS
	C500-C506,C508-C509	826	PAPILLARY ADENOCARCINOMA, NOS	8260/3	Papillary adenocarcinoma, NOS
	C500-C506,C508-C509	848	MUCINOUS ADENOCARCINOMA	8480/3	Mucinous adenocarcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	848	MUCINOUS ADENOCARCINOMA	8481/3	Mucin-producing adenocarcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8500/2	Intraductal carcinoma, noninfiltrating, NOS
	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8500/3	Invasive carcinoma of no special type
	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8501/2	Comedocarcinoma, non-infiltrating
	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8501/3	Comedocarcinoma, NOS
	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8502/3	Secretory carcinoma of breast
	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8503/2	Noninfiltrating intraductal papillary adenocarcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8503/3	Intraductal papillary adenocarcinoma with invasion
	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8504/2	Noninfiltrating intracystic carcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8504/3	Intracystic carcinoma, NOS

	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8507/2	Intraductal micropapillary carcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	850	DUCT CARCINOMA	8507/3	Invasive micropapillary carcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	852	LOBULAR AND OTHER DUCTAL CA.	8521/3	Infiltrating ductular carcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	852	LOBULAR AND OTHER DUCTAL CA.	8522/2	Intraductal and lobular in situ carcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	852	LOBULAR AND OTHER DUCTAL CA.	8522/3	Infiltrating duct and lobular carcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	852	LOBULAR AND OTHER DUCTAL CA.	8523/2	Infiltr. duct mixed with other types of carcinoma, in situ
	C500-C506,C508-C509	852	LOBULAR AND OTHER DUCTAL CA.	8523/3	Infiltr. duct mixed with other types of carcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	854	PAGET DISEASE, MAMMARY	8540/3	Paget disease, mammary
	C500-C506,C508-C509	854	PAGET DISEASE, MAMMARY	8541/3	Paget dis. & infil. duct carcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	854	PAGET DISEASE, MAMMARY	8543/3	Paget disease and intraductal ca.
Lobular Subtypes					
Lobular Subtypes	C500-C506,C508-C509	852	LOBULAR AND OTHER DUCTAL CA.	8520/3	Lobular carcinoma, NOS
	C500-C506,C508-C509	852	LOBULAR AND OTHER DUCTAL CA.	8524/3	Infiltrating lobular mixed with other types of carc.
Other Subtypes					
Other Subtypes	C500-C506,C508-C509	800	NEOPLASM	8000/3	Neoplasm, malignant
	C500-C506,C508-C509	801	CARCINOMA, NOS	8010/2	Carcinoma in situ, NOS
	C500-C506,C508-C509	801	CARCINOMA, NOS	8010/3	Carcinoma, NOS
	C500-C506,C508-C509	802	CARCINOMA, UNDIFF., NOS	8022/3	Pleomorphic carcinoma
	C500-C506,C508-C509	814	ADENOCARCINOMA, NOS	8140/2	Adenocarcinoma in situ
	C500-C506,C508-C509	814	ADENOCARCINOMA, NOS	8140/3	Adenocarcinoma, NOS
	C500-C506,C508-C509	825	BRONCHIOLO-ALVEOLAR ADENOCA.	8255/3	Adenocarcinoma with mixed subtypes

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eTable 2: Multivariable Adjusted Associations between Patient Characteristics and Overall Survival

Characteristic	N (%)	HR (95%CI)	P
Delay from Diagnosis to Surgery (30-Day Interval) §	140,615 (100)	1.074 (1.049, 1.099)	< 0.0001
Age §	140,615 (100)	1.075 (1.071, 1.079)	< 0.0001
Race			
White	115,163 (81.9)	Ref	< 0.0001
Black	17,042 (12.1)	1.088 (1.001, 1.183)	
Asian	5,769 (4.1)	0.578 (0.481, 0.695)	
Other/Unknown	2,641 (1.9)	0.767 (0.597, 0.984)	
Ethnicity			
Non-Hispanic	126,904 (90.2)	Ref	< 0.0001
Hispanic	7,016 (5.0)	0.644 (0.549, 0.755)	
Unknown	6,695 (4.8)	1.049 (0.933, 1.180)	
Insurance			
Private	87,763 (62.4)	Ref	< 0.0001
Medicaid	6,245 (4.4)	2.025 (1.764, 2.325)	
Medicare	41,365 (29.4)	1.435 (1.333, 1.546)	
Uninsured	2,127 (1.5)	1.737 (1.338, 2.256)	
Government	1,499 (1.1)	1.542 (1.195, 1.990)	
Unknown	1,616 (1.1)	1.457 (1.153, 1.840)	
Education*			
>21%	17,870 (12.7)	Ref	0.0010
13-20.9%	31,550 (22.4)	0.962 (0.884, 1.048)	
7-12.9%	46,629 (33.2)	0.911 (0.830, 1.000)	
<7%	43,912 (31.2)	0.819 (0.736, 0.911)	
Missing	654 (0.5)	3.790 (0.594, 24.164)	
Annual Income			
<\$38,000	18,831 (13.4)	Ref	0.0358
\$38,000 - \$47,999	27,816 (19.8)	0.912 (0.840, 0.991)	
\$48,000 - \$62,999	36,940 (26.3)	0.907 (0.831, 0.991)	
≥\$63,000	56,337 (40.1)	0.852 (0.769, 0.944)	
Missing	691 (0.5)	0.483 (0.088, 2.660)	
Setting			
Large Metropolitan	79,489 (56.5)	Ref	0.1744
Small Metropolitan	40,922 (29.1)	1.039 (0.971, 1.111)	
Suburban	10,438 (7.4)	1.056 (0.946, 1.179)	
Rural	5,869 (4.2)	0.920 (0.807, 1.049)	
Unknown	3,897 (2.8)	0.917 (0.754, 1.115)	
Distance to Treatment Facility (miles)			
≤10	78,606 (55.9)	Ref	0.1346
11-20	33,342 (23.7)	0.963 (0.903, 1.028)	
21-40	16,577 (11.8)	0.929 (0.850, 1.015)	
>40	11,360 (8.1)	0.884 (0.793, 0.986)	
Unknown	730 (0.5)	1.563 (0.631, 3.872)	
Transfer of Care			
No	86,170 (61.3)	Ref	0.0367
Yes	39,602 (28.2)	0.918 (0.859, 0.980)	
Unknown	14,843 (10.6)	0.990 (0.907, 1.082)	
Treatment Facility Annual Volume			
0-17 patients (1 st Quartile)	8,131 (5.8)	Ref	< 0.0001
18-34 patients (2 nd Quartile)	18,054 (12.8)	0.917 (0.816, 1.031)	
35-67 patients (3 rd Quartile)	35,074 (24.9)	0.906 (0.813, 1.008)	
>67 patients (4 th Quartile)	79,356 (56.4)	0.796 (0.717, 0.883)	
Year of Diagnosis §	140,615 (100)	0.992 (0.980, 1.005)	0.2302
Charlson Comorbidity Score			
0	120,676 (85.8)	Ref	< 0.0001
1	16,780 (11.9)	1.634 (1.533, 1.742)	
2	2,659 (1.9)	2.813 (2.524, 3.135)	
≥3	500 (0.4)	4.777 (3.859, 5.914)	

Grade			
Well Differentiated	17,357 (12.3)	Ref	0.1646
Moderately Differentiated	47,300 (33.6)	1.011 (0.938, 1.090)	
Poorly Differentiated	47,039 (33.5)	1.059 (0.981, 1.143)	
Undifferentiated/Anaplastic	3,684 (2.6)	0.970 (0.837, 1.124)	
Unknown	25,235 (17.9)	0.975 (0.895, 1.062)	
Surgery Type			
Breast Conservation	95,326 (67.8)	Ref	< 0.0001
Mastectomy	25,615 (18.2)	0.947 (0.883, 1.015)	
Mastectomy & Reconstruction	27,496 (19.6)	0.623 (0.550, 0.706)	
Receipt of Chemotherapy			
No	136,310 (96.9)	Ref	< 0.0001
Yes	4,305 (3.1)	1.902 (1.628, 2.224)	
Receipt of Radiotherapy			
No	70,546 (50.2)	Ref	< 0.0001
Yes	70,069 (49.8)	0.700 (0.654, 0.749)	
Receipt of Endocrine Therapy			
No	85,881 (61.1)	Ref	< 0.0001
Yes	54,734 (38.9)	0.853 (0.803, 0.906)	
Estrogen Receptor Status			
Negative	19,836 (14.1)	Ref	0.0622
Positive	107,305 (76.3)	0.921 (0.859, 0.988)	
Unknown	13,474 (9.6)	0.918 (0.838, 1.004)	

CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; Ref, reference group; *, percent of adults without a high school diploma by zip code; §, continuous variable.

eTable 3: Sensitivity Analysis Examining Association between Patient Characteristics and Overall Survival in Patients with One Surgery Date Recorded (N=101,251)

Characteristic	HR (95%CI)	P
Delay from Diagnosis to Surgery (30-Day Interval) §	1.122 (1.087, 1.158)	< 0.0001
Age §	1.075 (1.071, 1.080)	< 0.0001
Race		
White	Ref	
Black	1.046 (0.945, 1.157)	0.3872
Asian	0.538 (0.441, 0.656)	< 0.0001
Other/Unknown	0.771 (0.594, 1.001)	0.0509
Ethnicity		
Non-Hispanic	Ref	
Hispanic	0.649 (0.545, 0.774)	< 0.0001
Unknown	1.068 (0.935, 1.219)	0.3352
Insurance		
Private	Ref	
Medicaid	2.212 (1.887, 2.592)	< 0.0001
Medicare	1.430 (1.305, 1.567)	< 0.0001
Uninsured	1.585 (1.160, 2.165)	0.0038
Government	1.463 (1.088, 1.968)	0.0118
Unknown	1.363 (1.010, 1.839)	0.0431
Education*		
>21%	Ref	
13-20.9%	0.966 (0.876, 1.066)	0.4907
7-12.9%	0.901 (0.810, 1.003)	0.0559
<7%	0.812 (0.718, 0.917)	0.0008
Missing	2.655 (0.361, 19.509)	0.3372
Annual Income		
<\$38,000	Ref	
\$38,000 - \$47,999	0.911 (0.826, 1.006)	0.0654
\$48,000 - \$62,999	0.936 (0.844, 1.038)	0.2103
≥\$63,000	0.853 (0.756, 0.964)	0.0107
Missing	0.708 (0.115, 4.343)	0.7088
Setting		
Large Metropolitan	Ref	
Small Metropolitan	1.049 (0.969, 1.135)	0.2382
Suburban	1.043 (0.917, 1.185)	0.5224
Rural	0.932 (0.805, 1.080)	0.3519
Unknown	0.930 (0.744, 1.163)	0.5260
Distance to Treatment Facility (miles)		
≤10	Ref	
11-20	0.963 (0.891, 1.041)	0.3441
21-40	0.963 (0.867, 1.071)	0.4912
>40	0.916 (0.808, 1.040)	0.1760
Unknown	1.538 (0.554, 4.268)	0.4087
Transfer of Care		
No	Ref	
Yes	0.921 (0.854, 0.993)	0.0321
Unknown	0.957 (0.859, 1.066)	0.4221

Treatment Facility Annual Volume		
0-17 patients (1 st Quartile)	Ref	
18-34 patients (2 nd Quartile)	0.914 (0.795, 1.051)	0.2084
35-67 patients (3 rd Quartile)	0.914 (0.804, 1.038)	0.1665
>67 patients (4 th Quartile)	0.820 (0.724, 0.930)	0.0019
Year of Diagnosis §	0.998 (0.984, 1.013)	0.8168
Charlson Comorbidity Score		
0	Ref	
1	1.655 (1.535, 1.785)	< 0.0001
2	2.761 (2.429, 3.139)	< 0.0001
≥3	4.898 (3.851, 6.229)	< 0.0001
Grade		
Well Differentiated	Ref	
Moderately Differentiated	1.004 (0.919, 1.098)	0.9281
Poorly Differentiated	1.042 (0.952, 1.140)	0.3711
Undifferentiated/Anaplastic	0.908 (0.752, 1.096)	0.3153
Unknown	0.970 (0.877, 1.073)	0.5571
Surgery Type		
Breast Conservation	Ref	
Mastectomy	0.933 (0.859, 1.013)	0.1005
Mastectomy & Reconstruction	0.637 (0.548, 0.740)	< 0.0001
Receipt of Chemotherapy		
No	Ref	
Yes	1.946 (1.608, 2.355)	< 0.0001
Receipt of Radiotherapy		
No	Ref	
Yes	0.687 (0.635, 0.743)	< 0.0001
Receipt of Endocrine Therapy		
No	Ref	
Yes	0.846 (0.788, 0.909)	< 0.0001
Estrogen Receptor Status		
Negative	Ref	
Positive	0.899 (0.828, 0.975)	0.0105
Unknown	0.896 (0.803, 0.999)	0.0479

CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; Ref, reference group; *, percent of adults without a high school diploma by zip code; §, continuous variable.

eTable 4: Adjusted Associations between Characteristics and OS among Postoperative Patients with Non-Invasive Disease

Characteristic	HR (95%CI)	P
Delay from Diagnosis to Surgery (30-Day Interval) §	1.073 (1.047, 1.101)	< 0.0001
Age §	1.078 (1.074, 1.081)	< 0.0001
Race		
White	Ref	
Black	1.075 (0.985, 1.174)	0.1053
Asian	0.616 (0.505, 0.751)	< 0.0001
Other/Unknown	0.739 (0.566, 0.965)	0.0263
Ethnicity		
Non-Hispanic	Ref	
Hispanic	0.655 (0.551, 0.778)	< 0.0001
Unknown	1.064 (0.942, 1.202)	0.3181
Insurance		
Private	Ref	
Medicaid	1.935 (1.653, 2.266)	< 0.0001
Medicare	1.405 (1.302, 1.517)	< 0.0001
Uninsured	1.842 (1.386, 2.447)	< 0.0001
Government	1.533 (1.166, 2.017)	0.0022
Unknown	1.456 (1.141, 1.860)	0.0026
Education*		
>21%	Ref	
13-20.9%	0.981 (0.896, 1.075)	0.6840
7-12.9%	0.932 (0.843, 1.029)	0.1641
<7%	0.829 (0.739, 0.930)	0.0014
Missing	2.616 (0.363, 18.856)	0.3401
Annual Income		
<\$38,000	Ref	
\$38,000 - \$47,999	0.901 (0.825, 0.985)	0.0223
\$48,000 - \$62,999	0.904 (0.822, 0.994)	0.0380
≥\$63,000	0.838 (0.751, 0.936)	0.0017
Missing	0.720 (0.116, 4.475)	0.7246
Setting		
Large Metropolitan	Ref	
Small Metropolitan	1.025 (0.956, 1.099)	0.4939
Suburban	1.026 (0.911, 1.155)	0.6769
Rural	0.920 (0.799, 1.058)	0.2413
Unknown	0.938 (0.760, 1.156)	0.5465
Distance to Treatment Facility (miles)		
≤10	Ref	
11-20	0.976 (0.910, 1.046)	0.4917
21-40	0.936 (0.852, 1.029)	0.1730
>40	0.863 (0.768, 0.970)	0.0138
Unknown	1.576 (0.635, 3.911)	0.3271
Transfer of Care		
No	Ref	
Yes	0.910 (0.848, 0.976)	0.0088
Unknown	0.967 (0.879, 1.064)	0.4960

Treatment Facility Annual Volume		
0-17 patients (1 st Quartile)	Ref	
18-34 patients (2 nd Quartile)	0.929 (0.822, 1.051)	0.2441
35-67 patients (3 rd Quartile)	0.915 (0.817, 1.025)	0.1247
>67 patients (4 th Quartile)	0.805 (0.721, 0.898)	0.0001
Year of Diagnosis §	0.994 (0.980, 1.007)	0.3638
Charlson Comorbidity Score		
0	Ref	
1	1.635 (1.529, 1.748)	< 0.0001
2	2.930 (2.605, 3.295)	< 0.0001
≥3	4.781 (3.837, 5.957)	< 0.0001
Grade		
Well Differentiated	Ref	
Moderately Differentiated	1.049 (0.965, 1.141)	0.2595
Poorly Differentiated	1.094 (1.003, 1.192)	0.0415
Undifferentiated/Anaplastic	0.993 (0.852, 1.158)	0.9301
Unknown	1.024 (0.932, 1.126)	0.6164
Surgery Type		
Breast Conservation	Ref	
Mastectomy	0.932 (0.866, 1.002)	0.0569
Mastectomy & Reconstruction	0.576 (0.498, 0.666)	< 0.0001
Receipt of Chemotherapy		
No	Ref	
Yes	1.819 (1.347, 2.455)	< 0.0001
Receipt of Radiotherapy		
No	Ref	
Yes	0.707 (0.660, 0.759)	< 0.0001
Receipt of Endocrine Therapy		
No	Ref	
Yes	0.857 (0.803, 0.914)	< 0.0001
Estrogen Receptor Status		
Negative	Ref	
Positive	0.970 (0.897, 1.048)	0.4385
Unknown	0.981 (0.890, 1.082)	0.7075

CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; Ref, reference group; *, percent of adults without a high school diploma by zip code; §, continuous variable.

eTable 5: Adjusted Associations between Characteristics and OS among Postoperative Patients with Invasive Disease

Characteristic	HR (95%CI)	P
Delay from Diagnosis to Surgery (30-Day Interval) §	1.068 (1.006, 1.134)	0.0306
Age §	1.057 (1.047, 1.068)	< 0.0001
Race		
White	Ref	
Black	1.150 (0.940, 1.407)	0.1741
Asian	0.358 (0.205, 0.623)	0.0003
Other/Unknown	1.013 (0.571, 1.795)	0.9657
Ethnicity		
Non-Hispanic	Ref	
Hispanic	0.554 (0.366, 0.840)	0.0054
Unknown	0.954 (0.689, 1.321)	0.7754
Insurance		
Private	Ref	
Medicaid	2.492 (1.840, 3.377)	< 0.0001
Medicare	1.661 (1.336, 2.065)	< 0.0001
Uninsured	1.254 (0.613, 2.565)	0.5357
Government	1.558 (0.786, 3.087)	0.2038
Unknown	1.535 (0.733, 3.215)	0.2559
Education*		
>21%	Ref	
13-20.9%	0.831 (0.673, 1.025)	0.0836
7-12.9%	0.760 (0.602, 0.959)	0.0207
<7%	0.742 (0.561, 0.981)	0.0360
Missing	8796.560 (1754.674, 44099.050)	< 0.0001
Annual Income		
<\$38,000	Ref	
\$38,000 - \$47,999	0.961 (0.773, 1.194)	0.7185
\$48,000 - \$62,999	0.915 (0.727, 1.151)	0.4460
≥\$63,000	0.940 (0.716, 1.234)	0.6545
Missing	0 0 0	< 0.0001
Setting		
Large Metropolitan	Ref	
Small Metropolitan	1.144 (0.956, 1.369)	0.1418
Suburban	1.227 (0.942, 1.600)	0.1299
Rural	0.893 (0.619, 1.289)	0.5457
Unknown	0.706 (0.421, 1.183)	0.1865
Distance to Treatment Facility (miles)		
≤10	Ref	
11-20	0.888 (0.743, 1.061)	0.1917
21-40	0.909 (0.716, 1.154)	0.4331
>40	0.988 (0.757, 1.292)	0.9323
Unknown	2.776 (1.003, 7.681)	0.0493
Transfer of Care		
No	Ref	
Yes	0.926 (0.781, 1.098)	0.3754
Unknown	1.146 (0.891, 1.475)	0.2871

Treatment Facility Annual Volume		
0-17 patients (1 st Quartile)	Ref	
18-34 patients (2 nd Quartile)	0.753 (0.544, 1.044)	0.0891
35-67 patients (3 rd Quartile)	0.775 (0.575, 1.045)	0.0951
>67 patients (4 th Quartile)	0.646 (0.484, 0.862)	0.0030
Year of Diagnosis §	0.979 (0.943, 1.016)	0.2601
Charlson Comorbidity Score		
0	Ref	
1	1.638 (1.379, 1.945)	< 0.0001
2	2.104 (1.550, 2.856)	< 0.0001
≥3	4.781 (2.526, 9.050)	< 0.0001
Grade		
Well Differentiated	Ref	
Moderately Differentiated	0.875 (0.734, 1.043)	0.1363
Poorly Differentiated	1.098 (0.911, 1.324)	0.3256
Undifferentiated/Anaplastic	1.606 (0.956, 2.696)	0.0733
Unknown	0.794 (0.629, 1.003)	0.0527
Surgery Type		
Breast Conservation	Ref	
Mastectomy	0.951 (0.748, 1.208)	0.6792
Mastectomy & Reconstruction	0.727 (0.549, 0.964)	0.0266
Receipt of Chemotherapy		
No	Ref	
Yes	1.315 (1.078, 1.604)	0.0068
Receipt of Radiotherapy		
No	Ref	
Yes	0.623 (0.486, 0.799)	0.0002
Receipt of Endocrine Therapy		
No	Ref	
Yes	0.747 (0.633, 0.881)	0.0005
Estrogen Receptor Status		
Negative	Ref	
Positive	0.842 (0.698, 1.016)	0.0720
Unknown	0.688 (0.477, 0.991)	0.0446

CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; Ref, reference group; *, percent of adults without a high school diploma by zip code, §, continuous variable.

eTable 6: Multivariable Adjusted Associations between Patient Characteristics and Surgical Delay Grouping

Time to Surgery	≤30 Days (n=52,816) N (%)	31-60 Days (n=54,680) N (%)	61-90 Days (n=20,600) N (%)	91-120 Days (n=7,326) N (%)	121-180 Days (n=3,899) N (%)	180-240 Days (n=880) N (%)	241-365 Days (n=414) N (%)	Total (n=140,615)	P
Age									
<50	10844 (20.5)	14132 (25.8)	6460 (31.4)	2403 (32.8)	1364 (35.0)	309 (35.1)	150 (36.2)	35662 (25.4)	<0.001
50-59	14791 (28.0)	15948 (29.2)	6003 (29.1)	2211 (30.2)	1163 (29.8)	263 (29.9)	111 (26.8)	40490 (28.8)	
60-69	15042 (28.5)	14231 (26.0)	4973 (24.1)	1684 (23.0)	870 (22.3)	189 (21.5)	92 (22.2)	37081 (26.4)	
≥70	12139 (23.0)	10369 (19.0)	3164 (15.4)	1028 (14.0)	502 (12.9)	119 (13.5)	61 (14.7)	27382 (19.5)	
Race									
White	45274 (85.7)	44851 (82.0)	16034 (77.8)	5421 (74.0)	2738 (70.2)	586 (66.6)	259 (62.6)	115163 (81.9)	<0.001
Black	4885 (9.2)	6556 (12.0)	3106 (15.1)	1339 (18.3)	839 (21.5)	202 (23.0)	115 (27.8)	17042 (12.1)	
Asian	1804 (3.4)	2233 (4.1)	1027 (5.0)	389 (5.3)	222 (5.7)	♂	♂	5769 (4.1)	
Other/Unknown	853 (1.6)	1040 (1.9)	433 (2.1)	177 (2.4)	100 (2.6)	♂	♂	2641 (1.9)	
Ethnicity									
Non-Hispanic	48083 (91.0)	49456 (90.4)	18380 (89.2)	6517 (89.0)	3355 (86.0)	759 (86.3)	354 (85.5)	126904 (90.2)	<0.001
Hispanic	1954 (3.7)	2673 (4.9)	1358 (6.6)	527 (7.2)	376 (9.6)	89 (10.1)	39 (9.4)	7016 (5.0)	
Unknown	2779 (5.3)	2551 (4.7)	862 (4.2)	282 (3.8)	168 (4.3)	32 (3.6)	21 (5.1)	6695 (4.8)	
Insurance									
Medicaid	1633 (3.1)	2344 (4.3)	1232 (6.0)	549 (7.5)	362 (9.3)	85 (9.7)	40 (9.7)	6245 (4.4)	<0.001
Medicare	17801 (33.7)	15613 (28.6)	5045 (24.5)	1732 (23.6)	851 (21.8)	217 (24.7)	106 (25.6)	41365 (29.4)	
Uninsured	609 (1.2)	774 (1.4)	407 (2.0)	161 (2.2)	129 (3.3)	23 (2.6)	24 (5.8)	2127 (1.5)	
Government	491 (0.9)	596 (1.1)	215 (1.0)	115 (1.6)	57 (1.5)	♂	♂	1499 (1.1)	
Private	31716 (60.0)	34776 (63.6)	13416 (65.1)	4670 (63.7)	2434 (62.4)	523 (59.4)	228 (55.1)	87763 (62.4)	
Unknown	566 (1.1)	577 (1.1)	285 (1.4)	99 (1.4)	66 (1.7)	♂	♂	1616 (1.1)	
Education*									
>21%	6263 (11.9)	6732 (12.3)	2826 (13.7)	1107 (15.1)	710 (18.2)	♂	♂	17870 (12.7)	<0.001
13-20.9%	12019 (22.8)	12104 (22.1)	4571 (22.2)	1694 (23.1)	829 (21.3)	228 (25.9)	105 (25.4)	31550 (22.4)	
7-12.9%	17849 (33.8)	18150 (33.2)	6726 (32.7)	2313 (31.6)	1212 (31.1)	258 (29.3)	121 (29.2)	46629 (33.2)	
<7%	16403 (31.1)	17461 (31.9)	6401 (31.1)	2179 (29.7)	1129 (29.0)	237 (26.9)	102 (24.6)	43912 (31.2)	
Missing	282 (0.5)	233 (0.4)	76 (0.4)	33 (0.5)	19 (0.5)	♂	♂	654 (0.5)	
Annual Income									
<\$38,000	7088 (13.4)	7071 (12.9)	2743 (13.3)	1090 (14.9)	617 (15.8)	♂	♂	18831 (13.4)	<0.001
\$38,000 - \$47,999	11208 (21.2)	10509 (19.2)	3811 (18.5)	1357 (18.5)	683 (17.5)	168 (19.1)	80 (19.3)	27816 (19.8)	
\$48,000 - \$62,999	14303 (27.1)	14280 (26.1)	5326 (25.9)	1769 (24.1)	939 (24.1)	211 (24.0)	112 (27.1)	36940 (26.3)	

0	45482 (86.1)	46939 (85.8)	17621 (85.5)	6233 (85.1)	3299 (84.6)	756 (85.9)	346 (83.6)	120676 (85.8)	0.001
1	6250 (11.8)	6501 (11.9)	2470 (12.0)	901 (12.3)	503 (12.9)	104 (11.8)	51 (12.3)	16780 (11.9)	
2	928 (1.8)	1043 (1.9)	416 (2.0)	158 (2.2)	84 (2.2)	♂	♂	2659 (1.9)	
≥3	156 (0.3)	197 (0.4)	93 (0.5)	34 (0.5)	13 (0.3)	♂	♂	500 (0.4)	
Grade									
Well Differentiated	6800 (12.9)	6649 (12.2)	2367 (11.5)	895 (12.2)	469 (12.0)	♂	♂	17357 (12.3)	<0.001
Moderately Differentiated	17226 (32.6)	18453 (33.7)	7192 (34.9)	2554 (34.9)	1410 (36.2)	311 (35.3)	154 (37.2)	47300 (33.6)	
Poorly Differentiated	17543 (33.2)	18542 (33.9)	6921 (33.6)	2396 (32.7)	1258 (32.3)	265 (30.1)	114 (27.5)	47039 (33.5)	
Undifferentiated/Anaplastic	1426 (2.7)	1376 (2.5)	547 (2.7)	200 (2.7)	103 (2.6)	♂	♂	3684 (2.6)	
Unknown	9821 (18.6)	9660 (17.7)	3573 (17.3)	1281 (17.5)	659 (16.9)	162 (18.4)	79 (19.1)	25235 (17.9)	
Surgery Type									
Breast Conservation	40934 (77.5)	33857 (61.9)	9735 (47.3)	2925 (39.9)	1292 (33.1)	260 (29.5)	153 (37.0)	89156 (63.4)	<0.001
Mastectomy	7865 (14.9)	9576 (17.5)	4262 (20.7)	1736 (23.7)	1070 (27.4)	268 (30.5)	128 (30.9)	24905 (17.7)	
Mastectomy & Reconstruction	4017 (7.6)	11247 (20.6)	6603 (32.1)	2665 (36.4)	1537 (39.4)	352 (40.0)	133 (32.1)	26554 (18.9)	
Receipt of Chemotherapy									
Yes	1309 (2.5)	1827 (3.3)	767 (3.7)	254 (3.5)	121 (3.1)	♂	♂	4305 (3.1)	<0.001
No	51507 (97.5)	52853 (96.7)	19833 (96.3)	7072 (96.5)	3778 (96.9)	♂	♂	136310 (96.9)	
Receipt of Radiotherapy									
Yes	32175 (60.9)	26970 (49.3)	7619 (37.0)	2168 (29.6)	888 (22.8)	160 (18.2)	89 (21.5)	70069 (49.8)	<0.001
No	20641 (39.1)	27710 (50.7)	12981 (63.0)	5158 (70.4)	3011 (77.2)	720 (81.8)	325 (78.5)	70546 (50.2)	
Receipt of Endocrine Therapy									
Yes	22734 (43.0)	21242 (38.8)	7131 (34.6)	2314 (31.6)	1030 (26.4)	199 (22.6)	84 (20.3)	54734 (38.9)	<0.001
No	30082 (57.0)	33438 (61.2)	13469 (65.4)	5012 (68.4)	2869 (73.6)	681 (77.4)	330 (79.7)	85881 (61.1)	
Tumor Size#									
<10mm	2895 (60.3)	4135 (60.6)	1896 (61.4)	696 (61.4)	397 (62.4)	76 (61.8)	28 (47.5)	10123 (60.7)	0.003
10-19mm	740 (15.4)	1083 (15.9)	475 (15.4)	194 (17.1)	84 (13.2)	♂	♂	2609 (15.7)	
≥20mm	373 (7.8)	482 (7.1)	213 (6.9)	61 (5.4)	63 (9.9)	♂	♂	1207 (7.2)	
Unknown	792 (16.5)	1127 (16.5)	505 (16.3)	183 (16.1)	92 (14.5)	♂	♂	2729 (16.4)	
Pathologic Stage									
0	48016 (90.9)	47853 (87.5)	17511 (85.0)	6192 (84.5)	3263 (83.7)	757 (86.0)	355 (85.7)	123947 (88.1)	<0.001
1	4183 (7.9)	5952 (10.9)	2670 (13.0)	997 (13.6)	552 (14.2)	107 (12.2)	46 (11.1)	14507 (10.3)	
2	521 (1.0)	733 (1.3)	365 (1.8)	108 (1.5)	67 (1.7)	♂	♂	1818 (1.3)	
3	♂	♂	♂	♂	♂	♂	♂	326 (0.2)	
4	♂	♂	♂	♂	♂	♂	♂	17 (0.0)	
Estrogen Receptor Status									
Negative	7353 (13.9)	7777 (14.2)	2974 (14.4)	1006 (13.7)	560 (14.4)	110 (12.5)	56 (13.5)	19836 (14.1)	<0.001
Positive	39872 (75.5)	42061 (76.9)	15811 (76.8)	5633 (76.9)	2953 (75.7)	672 (76.4)	303 (73.2)	107305 (76.3)	

Unknown	5591 (10.6)	4842 (8.9)	1815 (8.8)	687 (9.4)	386 (9.9)	98 (11.1)	55 (13.3)	13474 (9.6)	
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^{*}, percent of adults without a high school diploma by zip code; ‡, patients with invasive disease only; ^⑥, as per NCDB requirements, cells containing <11 individuals and any cells making them calculable have been censored.

eTable 7: Point Estimates for 5-Year Overall Survival

Cohort	Notes	OS Point Estimates
All Patients	Unadjusted	95.8%
By Invasion		
No Invasion	Model-based, averaged over all covariates, including delay	96.0%
Invasion	Model-based, averaged over all covariates, including delay	94.9%
By Delay		
TTS 0 months	Model-based, averaged over all covariates, including invasion but excluding delay	96.3%
TTS 3 months	Model-based, averaged over all covariates, including invasion but excluding delay	95.4%
TTS 6 months	Model-based, averaged over all covariates, including invasion but excluding delay	94.4%

OS, overall survival; TTS, time to surgery.

eTable 8: Sensitivity Analysis Examining Association between Patient Characteristics and Invasion in Patients with One Surgery Date Recorded (N=101,251)

Characteristic	OR (95%CI)	P
Delay from Diagnosis to Surgery (30-Day Interval) §	1.120 (1.095, 1.146)	< 0.001
Age (years)		
<50	Ref	
50-59	0.752 (0.716, 0.791)	< 0.001
60-69	0.696 (0.655, 0.740)	< 0.001
≥70	0.672 (0.622, 0.727)	< 0.001
Race		
White	Ref	
Black	1.034 (0.960, 1.114)	0.375
Asian	1.023 (0.910, 1.150)	0.699
Other/Unknown	0.804 (0.676, 0.957)	0.014
Ethnicity		
Non-Hispanic	Ref	
Hispanic	1.061 (0.961, 1.171)	0.242
Unknown	0.897 (0.777, 1.035)	0.137
Insurance		
Private	Ref	
Medicaid	1.205 (1.097, 1.323)	< 0.001
Medicare	0.964 (0.902, 1.030)	0.274
Uninsured	1.129 (0.961, 1.328)	0.141
Government	0.979 (0.808, 1.186)	0.830
Unknown	0.738 (0.547, 0.996)	0.047
Education*		
>21%	Ref	
13-20.9%	0.959 (0.879, 1.045)	0.339
7-12.9%	1.023 (0.929, 1.126)	0.648
<7%	1.070 (0.958, 1.196)	0.230
Missing	0.489 (0.148, 1.613)	0.240
Annual Income		
<\$38,000	Ref	
\$38,000 - \$47,999	1.113 (1.019, 1.215)	0.018
\$48,000 - \$62,999	1.121 (1.016, 1.237)	0.023
≥\$63,000	1.083 (0.962, 1.220)	0.186
Missing	2.493 (0.971, 6.399)	0.058
Setting		
Large Metropolitan	Ref	
Small Metropolitan	0.894 (0.817, 0.978)	0.015
Suburban	0.970 (0.858, 1.098)	0.634
Rural	0.888 (0.775, 1.018)	0.089
Unknown	1.120 (0.969, 1.294)	0.125
Distance to Treatment Facility (miles)		
≤10	Ref	
11-20	1.014 (0.962, 1.069)	0.600
21-40	1.143 (1.050, 1.244)	0.002
>40	1.326 (1.195, 1.471)	< 0.001
Unknown	0.638 (0.295, 1.379)	0.253
Transfer of Care		

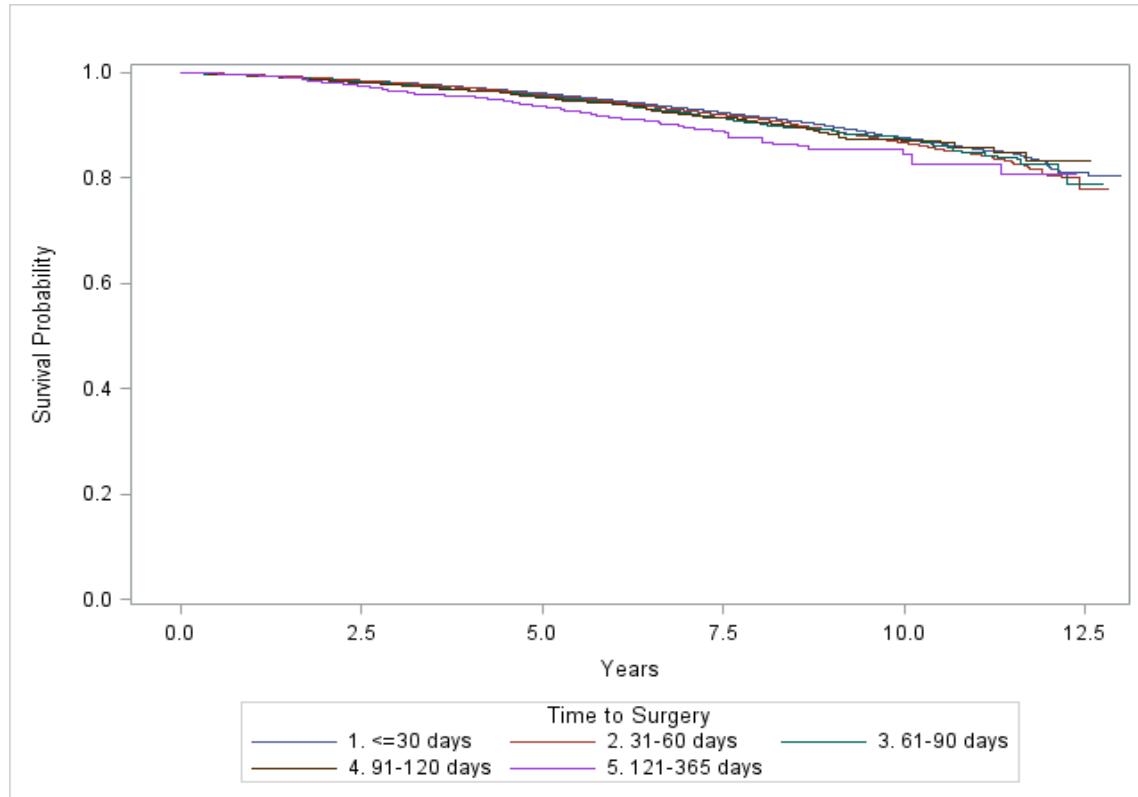
No	Ref	
Yes	1.214 (1.139, 1.295)	< 0.001
Unknown	1.077 (0.984, 1.178)	0.107
Treatment Facility Annual Volume		
0-17 patients (1 st Quartile)	Ref	
18-34 patients (2 nd Quartile)	1.045 (0.903, 1.209)	0.554
35-67 patients (3 rd Quartile)	1.148 (0.993, 1.327)	0.063
>67 patients (4 th Quartile)	1.302 (1.133, 1.496)	< 0.001
Year of Diagnosis §		
	1.041 (1.028, 1.055)	< 0.001
Charlson Comorbidity Score		
0	Ref	
1	1.127 (1.058, 1.201)	< 0.001
2	1.308 (1.138, 1.503)	< 0.001
≥3	1.178 (0.844, 1.644)	0.335
Grade		
Well Differentiated	Ref	
Moderately Differentiated	0.535 (0.500, 0.572)	< 0.001
Poorly Differentiated	0.253 (0.233, 0.274)	< 0.001
Undifferentiated/Anaplastic	0.085 (0.066, 0.111)	< 0.001
Unknown	0.338 (0.290, 0.394)	< 0.001
Estrogen Receptor Status		
Negative	Ref	
Positive	0.375 (0.353, 0.398)	< 0.001
Unknown	0.108 (0.093, 0.126)	< 0.001

CI, confidence interval; OR, odds ratio; Ref, reference group; *, percent of adults without a high school diploma by zip code; §, continuous variable.

eTable 9: Sensitivity Analysis Comparing 5-Year Overall Survival from Time of Diagnosis versus Time of Surgery

Time to Surgery (days)	OS as Time from Surgery	OS as Time from Diagnosis	Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates					
			Time from Surgery Parameter Estimate	Time from Surgery Standard Error	P	Time from Diagnosis Parameter Estimate	Time from Diagnosis Standard Error	P
1-30	0.9610	0.9607						
31-60	0.9576	0.9604	0.03678	0.01723	0.0328	0.02025	0.01722	0.2397
61-90	0.9544	0.9576	0.12031	0.01697	<0.0001	0.08179	0.01697	<0.0001
91-120	0.9540	0.9547	0.27774	0.01655	<0.0001	0.21588	0.01654	<0.0001
121-365	0.9365	0.9437	0.40979	0.01616	<0.0001	0.30257	0.01615	<0.0001

OS, overall survival.



CI: confidence interval; DCIS: ductal carcinoma in situ; OS: overall survival.

Time to Surgery (days)	5-Year OS Probability	95% CI
0-30	0.9610	0.95706, 0.96157
31-60	0.9576	0.95356, 0.95784
61-90	0.9544	0.94719, 0.95542
91-120	0.9540	0.93953, 0.95515
121-365	0.9365	0.90834, 0.93619

