# **Compare Hospital Costs – How to use this site**

To access the Compare Hospital Costs Web site, go to <a href="http://oregon.gov/DAS/OHPPR/comparehospitalcosts.shtml">http://oregon.gov/DAS/OHPPR/comparehospitalcosts.shtml</a>.

To start a search, select a procedure, either from a procedure group or from a drop-down menu. Then, select which hospitals you want data for. You can select certain hospitals, hospitals in a specific county, or all hospitals that perform the procedure.

### Example 1

Below is the chart the site would generate if someone searched for knee joint replacement at all Oregon hospitals. The chart shows data for 636 patients statewide. Among these patients, the average insurance payment in 2005 was \$19,866; the median payment was \$19,778. Lower Umpqua Hospital received the highest average payment at \$38,413, and West Valley Community Hospital had the lowest at \$10,688. Average payment means the average allowed payment. Allowed payments are the highest amount that a health plan will pay a hospital for this service.

The charts break out the severity of an illness. Patients in the Minor/Moderate group are less sick or not as badly injured as patients in the Major/Extreme group.

Median means that half are above and half are below.

"N/A" means that there could be one patient or no patients. This is done to protect privacy.

Procedure/Condition
Knee joint replacement
APR-DRG# 302

	Minor/Moderate Severity			Major/Extreme Severity			
	Number of Patients	Average Payment	Median Payment	Number of Patients	Average Payment	Median Payment	
ST. ELIZABETH HEALTH SERVICES	5	\$26,850	\$27,640	N/A	N/A	N/A	
GOOD SAMARITAN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER (CORVALLIS)	23	\$21,896	\$19,778	N/A	N/A	N/A	
PROVIDENCE MILWAUKIE HOSPITAL	6	\$16,545	\$16,606	N/A	N/A	N/A	
WILLAMETTE FALLS HOSPITAL	11	\$15,649	\$16,990	N/A	N/A	N/A	
BAY AREA HOSPITAL	11	\$22,581	\$18,718	N/A	N/A	N/A	
ST. CHARLES MEDICAL CENTER (BEND)	38	\$25,064	\$22,999	N/A	N/A	N/A	
ST. CHARLES MEDICAL CENTER (REDMOND)	7	\$22,718	\$21,119	N/A	N/A	N/A	
LOWER UMPQUA HOSPITAL	2	\$38,413	\$38,413	N/A	N/A	N/A	
MERCY MEDICAL CENTER	6	\$15,341	\$13,232	N/A	N/A	N/A	

ASHLAND COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	5	\$34,111	\$29,378	N/A	N/A	N/A
ROGUE VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER	15	\$21,217	\$19,897	N/A	N/A	N/A
THREE RIVERS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER	10	\$24,394	\$19,763	N/A	N/A	N/A
MERLE WEST MEDICAL CENTER	2	\$25,426	\$25,426	N/A	N/A	N/A
MCKENZIE-WILLAMETTE MEDICAL CENTER	24	\$18,185	\$18,941	N/A	N/A	N/A
SACRED HEART MEDICAL CENTER	56	\$21,697	\$20,468	N/A	N/A	N/A
SAMARITAN NORTH LINCOLN HOSPITAL	4	\$22,827	\$22,467	N/A	N/A	N/A
SAMARITAN ALBANY GENERAL HOSPITAL	6	\$23,562	\$25,294	N/A	N/A	N/A
HOLY ROSARY MEDICAL CENTER	2	\$21,987	\$21,987	N/A	N/A	N/A
SALEM HOSPITAL	119	\$19,680	\$20,286	4	\$22,610	\$20,059
ADVENTIST MEDICAL CENTER	8	\$19,290	\$16,494	N/A	N/A	N/A
LEGACY EMANUEL HOSPITAL	2	\$17,240	\$17,240	N/A	N/A	N/A
LEGACY GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER	14	\$15,355	\$12,793	N/A	N/A	N/A
LEGACY MT. HOOD MEDICAL CENTER	2	\$21,187	\$21,187	N/A	N/A	N/A
OHSU HOSPITAL	33	\$19,533	\$19,387	N/A	N/A	N/A
PROVIDENCE PORTLAND MEDICAL CENTER	73	\$21,024	\$23,128	N/A	N/A	N/A
WEST VALLEY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	2	\$10,688	\$10,688	N/A	N/A	N/A
TILLAMOOK COUNTY GENERAL HOSPITAL	5	\$21,586	\$21,820	N/A	N/A	N/A
ST. ANTHONY HOSPITAL	3	\$19,450	\$14,908	N/A	N/A	N/A
GRANDE RONDE HOSPITAL	3	\$35,550	\$22,002	N/A	N/A	N/A
MID-COLUMBIA MEDICAL CENTER	2	\$20,612	\$20,612	N/A	N/A	N/A
LEGACY MERIDIAN PARK HOSPITAL	26	\$15,147	\$12,793	N/A	N/A	N/A
PROVIDENCE ST. VINCENT MEDICAL CENTER	76	\$14,502	\$11,267	N/A	N/A	N/A
TUALITY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	19	\$18,228	\$19,511	N/A	N/A	N/A
PROVIDENCE NEWBERG HOSPITAL	5	\$21,034	\$24,613	N/A	N/A	N/A
WILLAMETTE VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER	8	\$18,608	\$19,234	N/A	N/A	N/A
County - n/a (multiple counties se	lected)					1
Statewide	636	\$19,866	\$19,778	9	\$20,045	\$19,897
"N/A" means that there could be 1						

### Example 2

Below is the chart the site would generate if someone searched for vaginal delivery at hospitals in Multnomah County. The chart displays average and median payments for each hospital as well as statewide and countywide figures.

### **Procedure/Condition**

Vaginal delivery
APR-DRG# 560

	Minor/Moderate Severity				Major/Extreme Severity			
	Number of Patients	Average Payment	Median Payment		Number of Patients	Average Payment	Median Payment	
ADVENTIST MEDICAL CENTER	98	\$4,206	\$3,413		2	\$4,455	\$4,455	
LEGACY EMANUEL HOSPITAL	98	\$4,020	\$3,150		7	\$4,336	\$4,438	
LEGACY GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER	255	\$3,767	\$2,649		3	\$3,882	\$2,649	
LEGACY MT. HOOD MEDICAL CENTER	95	\$3,516	\$2,649		2	\$2,427	\$2,427	
OHSU HOSPITAL	141	\$3,965	\$3,104		13	\$9,120	\$5,206	
PROVIDENCE PORTLAND MEDICAL CENTER	294	\$3,960	\$3,666		8	\$4,815	\$4,835	
County	981	\$3,898	\$3,448		35	\$6,081	\$4,710	
Statewide	4412	\$3,805	\$3,448		171	\$6,146	\$4,960	
"N/A" means that there could be 1 patient or no patients. This is done to protect privacy, so no information is shown.								

### Example 3

Here is the chart generated when searching for procedures to open the skull, at all hospitals statewide. The chart displays data for only 10 hospitals that perform this complex procedure.

## **Procedure/Condition**

Procedures to open the skull APR-DRG# 21

	Minor/Moderate Severity			Major/Extreme Severity			
	Number of Patients	Average Payment	Median Payment	Number of Patients	Average Payment	Median Payment	
GOOD SAMARITAN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER (CORVALLIS)	4	\$20,156	\$20,817	N/A	N/A	N/A	
ST. CHARLES MEDICAL CENTER (BEND)	4	\$30,191	\$31,385	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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ROGUE VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER	4	\$33,657	\$24,449		N/A	N/A	N/A
SACRED HEART MEDICAL CENTER	6	\$31,146	\$27,623		N/A	N/A	N/A
SALEM HOSPITAL	3	\$22,618	\$21,964		2	\$60,419	\$60,419
LEGACY EMANUEL HOSPITAL	7	\$23,289	\$21,806		5	\$95,049	\$70,319
OHSU HOSPITAL	38	\$23,601	\$22,165		3	\$81,558	\$105,702
PROVIDENCE PORTLAND MEDICAL CENTER	6	\$21,226	\$25,369		N/A	N/A	N/A
PROVIDENCE ST. VINCENT MEDICAL CENTER	27	\$22,524	\$22,794		4	\$31,540	\$31,269
TUALITY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	2	\$7,997	\$7,997		N/A	N/A	N/A
County - n/a (multiple counties so	elected)						
Statewide	105	\$23,470	\$22,409		18	\$58,685	\$38,698
"N/A" means that there could be 1 patient or no patients. This is done to protect privacy, so no information is shown.							