

**Table 172. Hospital Discharges and Days of Care: 2002 and 2006**

[(33,727 represents 33,727,000). See headnote, Table 170. For composition of regions, see map, inside front cover]

Age, race, and region	Discharges				Days of care per 1,000 persons <sup>1</sup>		Average stay (days)	
	Number (1,000)		Per 1,000 persons <sup>1</sup>					
	2002	2006	2002	2006	2002	2006	2002	2006
<b>Total<sup>2</sup></b> . . . . .	<b>33,727</b>	<b>34,854</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>4.8</b>
Age:								
Under 1 year old . . . . .	810	751	201	182	1,134	1,162	5.6	6.4
1 to 4 years old . . . . .	713	682	46	42	159	141	3.5	3.4
5 to 14 years old . . . . .	1,016	865	25	21	109	97	4.4	4.5
15 to 24 years old . . . . .	3,083	3,132	77	75	266	264	3.5	3.5
25 to 34 years old . . . . .	3,897	4,045	99	101	328	346	3.3	3.4
35 to 44 years old . . . . .	3,757	3,623	84	84	368	358	4.4	4.3
45 to 64 years old . . . . .	7,723	8,686	116	116	575	579	5.0	5.0
65 to 74 years old . . . . .	4,642	4,793	254	253	1,412	1,317	5.6	5.2
75 years old and over . . . .	8,085	8,278	467	451	2,795	2,541	6.0	5.6
Race:								
White . . . . .	20,806	20,907	90	88	436	414	4.9	4.7
Black . . . . .	3,995	4,241	109	111	584	621	5.3	5.6
Asian/Pacific Islander . . . .	538	619	45	45	243	244	5.4	5.4
American Indian/Eskimo/ Aleut . . . . .	173	103	63	36	330	151	5.2	4.2
Region:								
Northeast . . . . .	6,990	7,277	129	133	727	703	5.6	5.3
Midwest . . . . .	7,503	7,951	115	120	512	508	4.4	4.2
South . . . . .	12,994	13,140	127	121	618	595	4.9	4.9
West . . . . .	6,239	6,486	96	94	430	432	4.5	4.6

<sup>1</sup> Rates were calculated using U.S. Census Bureau 2000-based postcensal estimates of the civilian population as of July 1.<sup>2</sup> Includes other races not shown separately.Source: U.S. National Center for Health Statistics, *Vital and Health Statistics*, Series 13 and unpublished data; <<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/products/series.htm>>.