

THE HEALTH



OF HOSPITALS



**5.9% OF
TOTAL EXPENSES**

Estimated value of federal, state and local tax exemptions for a non-profit hospital

Source: Johns Hopkins



62%

Percentage of non-profit hospitals providing less than 5.9% in charity care as percentage of net patient revenue.

Source: NASHP

\$8,663,875,659

Fund balance for all South Carolina hospitals (2019)



Source: NASHP

\$2,725,460,000

Cash, cash equivalents, and investments on hand South Carolina's largest non-profit health system (June 30, 2021)



Source: NASHP



109

SC non-profit hospital executive salaries reported on IRS Form 990s

Source: IRS



46 SC non-profit hospital executive salaries in excess of **\$500,000**, but less than \$1 million

Source: IRS



18 SC non-profit hospital executive salaries in excess of **\$1,000,000**

Source: IRS

Share of SC population with **medical debt** in collections



**ALL:
1 IN 4**

**COMMUNITIES
OF COLOR:
1 IN 3**



Source: Urban Institute, KFF

WHICH STATE'S HOSPITALS HAVE THE HIGHEST PRICES?

(WEST VIRGINIA, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND ALASKA.)

Nationwide Evaluation of Health Care Prices Paid by Private Health Plans Findings from Round 3 of an Employer-Led Transparency Initiative

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TABLE 2. STATE-LEVEL AVERAGE PRICES PAID BY PRIVATE EMPLOYER-SPONSORED HEALTH PLANS, 2018

STATE	RELATIVE PRICE	STATE	RELATIVE PRICE, INPATIENT	STATE	RELATIVE PRICE, OUTPATIENT	STATE	PRIVATE STANDARDIZED PRICE, INPATIENT (\$)
WV	351.8%	NY	318.0%	AK	414.9%	MA	\$36,942
SC	341.0%	SC	317.3%	WV	398.6%	NY	\$35,887
AK	329.7%	GA	301.1%	SC	372.0%	MN	\$31,761
FL	315.8%	WV	300.1%	WY	351.9%	AK	\$30,926
IN	303.5%	FL	299.3%	NC	340.1%	NH	\$29,727
NY	301.9%	VA	296.3%	FL	337.7%	CA	\$28,226
MN	295.6%	IN	288.0%	WI	324.6%	GA	\$26,564
WI	290.4%	AK	281.1%	MN	323.9%	VA	\$26,317
GA	287.7%	MN	276.6%	IL	320.0%	WV	\$25,863
VA	285.3%	NH	269.7%	IN	315.1%	ME	\$25,320
						SC	\$24,926

Table 2 reports hospital prices in 2018 by state for the 46 states in the study. For each state, we report total spending by private health plans in the analysis, standardized prices separately for inpatient services and outpatient services, and relative prices for inpatient services, outpatient services, and inpatient and outpatient services combined. NOTE: Prices are calculated based on allowed amounts, including amounts paid by the health plan and the patient.

Relative prices represent the allowed amount paid by the private plan as a percentage of what Medicare would have paid to the same hospital for the same services.

Standardized prices represent the allowed amount paid by the private health plan per service, standardized using Medicare's case mix grouping and relative weights.

For the full research report, visit www.rand.org/t/RR4394. For a description of the data sources, methods, and results, see the full report (https://www.rand.org/pubs/research_reports/RR4394.html).

Reported prices only reflect claims data included in the analysis, and are not necessarily representative of prices paid by all private employer-sponsored health plans. Differences in prices among hospitals have not been tested for statistical significance.