About Death Rate Measures

2023 Hospital Report Card

Dying within 30-days after getting care in the hospital for a heart attack

Hospitals keep track of how many patients die soon after receiving care for a heart attack (death rate). These rates show how many patients die within 30 days of going to the hospital for a heart attack and takes into account how sick patients were before they went to the hospital (it is risk adjusted). A lower score is better.

Ratings include a significance test that makes us more confident the hospital rating is accurate. This measure is endorsed by the National Quality Forum, an independent organization that sets standards for health care quality measurement.

The data codes for this instance are as follows:

Clinical Title: Acute myocardial infarction (AMI) 30-day mortality rate

Measure Code: MORT-30-AMI

Data Source: CMS Hospital Compare - about 30-Day Mortality Rate

Dying within 30-days after getting care in the hospital for heart failure

Hospitals keep track of how many patients die after going to the hospital for heart failure (death rate). These rates show how many patients die within 30 days of going to the hospital for heart failure and takes into account how sick patients were before they went to the hospital (it is risk-adjusted). A lower score is better.

Ratings include a significance test that makes us more confident the hospital rating is accurate.

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The data codes for this instance are as follows:

Clinical Title: Heart failure (HF) 30-day mortality rate

Measure Code: MORT-30-HF

Data Source: CMS Hospital Compare - about 30-Day Mortality Rate

Dying within 30-days after getting care in the hospital for pneumonia

Hospitals keep track of how many patients die soon after getting care for pneumonia (death rate). These rates show how many patients die within 30 days of going to the hospital for pneumonia and takes into account how sick patients were before they went to the hospital (it is risk adjusted). A lower score is better.

Ratings include a significance test that makes us more confident the hospital rating is accurate.

This measure is endorsed by the National Quality Forum, an independent organization that sets standards for health care quality measurement.

The data codes for this instance are as follows:

Clinical Title: Pneumonia (PN) 30-day mortality rate

Measure Code: MORT-30-PN

Data Source: CMS Hospital Compare - about 30-Day Mortality Rate

Quality Ratings Mortality: Percentage of Patients who Die within 30 Days of Receiving Care

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Percentage of Patients Who Die Within 30-Days of Receiving Care for a Heart Attack

(National Rate 12.6%)

| Hospital Name | Risk-Adjusted Rate (%) | Number of Included Patients | Risk-Adjusted Confidence Interval |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| National Result | 12.6 | | |
| Central Vermont Medical Center | 12.2 | 95 | 9.4 - 15.7 |
| Gifford Medical Center | 11.9 | 31 | 8.9 - 15.9 |
| North Country Hospital | 12.4 | 63 | 9.4 - 16.1 |
| Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital | 14.8 | 34 | 10.7 - 20.0 |
| Northwestern Medical Center * | 11.6 | 72 | 8.5 - 15.7 |
| Porter Hospital | 12.0 | 35 | 9.1 - 15.4 |
| Rutland Regional Medical Center | 14.1 | 73 | 10.7 - 18.7 |
| Southwestern Vermont Medical Center | 14.4 | 27 | 10.9 - 18.4 |
| University of Vermont Medical Center | 13.2 | 443 | 10.8 - 15.7 |

- Unless otherwise noted, hospital rates are **no different** than the national rate.
- The number of cases/patients is too few to report for Brattleboro Memorial Hospital, Copley Hospital, Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital, Mt. Ascutney hospital, Springfield Hospital and White River Junction VA Medical Center.
- Northwestern Medical Center results are based on the hospital or facility's data submissions. CMS approved the hospital or facility's Extraordinary Circumstances Exception request suggesting that results may be impacted.

Percentage of Patients Who Die Within 30-Days of Receiving Care Heart Failure

(National Rate 11.8%)

| Hospital Name | Risk-Adjusted Rate (%) | Number of Included Patients | Risk-Adjusted Confidence Interval |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| National Result | 12.6 | | |
| Central Vermont Medical Center | 12.2 | 95 | 9.4 - 15.7 |
| Gifford Medical Center | 11.9 | 31 | 8.9 - 15.9 |
| North Country Hospital | 12.4 | 63 | 9.4 - 16.1 |
| Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital | 14.8 | 34 | 10.7 - 20.0 |
| Northwestern Medical Center * | 11.6 | 72 | 8.5 - 15.7 |
| Porter Hospital | 12.0 | 35 | 9.1 - 15.4 |
| Rutland Regional Medical Center | 14.1 | 73 | 10.7 - 18.7 |
| Southwestern Vermont Medical Center | 14.4 | 27 | 10.9 - 18.4 |
| University of Vermont Medical Center | 13.2 | 443 | 10.8 - 15.7 |

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Percentage of Patients Who Die within 30-Days of Receiving Care for Pneumonia

(National Rate 18.2)

| Hospital Name | Risk-Adjusted Rate (%) | Number of Included Patients | Risk-Adjusted Confidence Interval |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| National Result | 18.2 | | |
| Brattleboro Memorial Hospital | 19.5 | 69 | 14.4 - 26.2 |
| Central Vermont Medical Center | 17.4 | 170 | 13.5 - 22.2 |
| Copley Hospital | 16.6 | 65 | 11.8 - 23.4 |
| Gifford Medical Center | 16.9 | 58 | 11.9 - 23.4 |
| Mt. Ascutney Hospital | 15.8 | 31 | 11.0 - 22.7 |
| North Country Hospital | 25.6 | 125 | 19.4 - 32.8 |
| Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital | 22.1 | 69 | 16.3 - 29.1 |
| Northwestern Medical Center * | 17.5 | 130 | 13.0 - 23.6 |
| Porter Hospital | 15.3 | 62 | 10.4 - 21.7 |
| Rutland Regional Medical Center | 17.0 | 242 | 13.6 - 21.2 |
| Southwestern Vermont Medical Center | 14.9 | 235 | 11.7 - 18.8 |
| Springfield Hospital | 18.7 | 78 | 13.5 - 25.0 |
| University of Vermont Medical Center | 13.5 | 239 | 10.4 - 17.2 |

- Unless otherwise noted, hospital rates are **no different** than the national rate.
- North Country Hospital was rated worse than the national average.
- University of Vermont Medical Center was rated better than the national average.
- The number of cases/patients is **too few to report** for Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital.
- Northwestern Medical Center results are based on the hospital or facility's data submissions. CMS approved the hospital or facility's Extraordinary Circumstances Exception request suggesting that results may be impacted.