



THE DARTMOUTH ATLAS OF HEALTH CARE

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS PER 1,000 DECEDENTS DURING THE LAST SIX MONTHS OF LIFE, BY GENDER AND LEVEL OF CARE INTENSITY

DENOMINATOR DEFINITION:

100% of Medicare enrollees age 65–99 who died during the measurement year with full Part A entitlement and no HMO enrollment during the measurement period. Age, gender, race, and eligibility are determined using the Denominator file.

NUMERATOR DEFINITION:

Any admission within six months of the death date in the MedPAR file. ICU admission is determined by the presence of an ICU day indicator in the MedPAR claim: ICARECNT (intensive care day count), CRNRYDAY (coronary care day count).

ADJUSTMENTS:

Rates are adjusted for age, sex and race using the indirect method, using the U.S. Medicare decedent population as the standard. Gender-specific rates are age and race adjusted; race-specific rates are age and sex adjusted.

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