CY 2027 Home Health PPS Proposed Rule

Companion Reference Appendices

Supporting Tables, Technical References, and Supplemental Analyses

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The following reference appendices provide supporting tables, technical references, and supplemental analyses that complement the discussion presented in the **CY 2027 Home Health PPS Proposed Rule Executive Briefing**.

They are intended to provide supporting documentation and convenient access to key reference materials for readers who wish to explore specific topics in greater depth.

This document is intended to accompany the **CY 2027 Home Health PPS Proposed Rule Executive Briefing** and may also be used independently as a technical reference.

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National Standardized 30-Day Payment Amount

Purpose

This appendix reproduces the CY 2027 National Standardized 30-Day Payment Amount published by CMS. It is intended to supplement the discussion presented in the Executive Briefing by providing a complete reference of the proposed National Standardized 30-Day Payment Amount for readers seeking additional detail..

TABLE 26: PROPOSED CY 2027 NATIONAL, STANDARDIZED 30-DAY PERIOD PAYMENT AMOUNT

CY 2026 National Standardized 30-Day Period Payment Without Temporary Adjustment	CY 2027 Case-Mix Weights Recalibration Neutrality Factor	CY 2027 Wage Index Budget Neutrality Factor	CY 2027 Proposed HH Payment Update Factor	CY 2027 National, Standardized 30-Day Period Payment (Without Temporary Adjustment)	Temporary Adjustment Factor	CY 2027 Proposed National, Standardized 30-Day Period Payment (With Temporary Adjustment)
$2,101.26	1.0045	1.0009	1.021	$2,156.98	0.9700	$2,092.27

Note: This table is reproduced in this appendix as a convenient reference. It also appears within the discussion of Standardized Payment Amounts in the Executive Briefing.

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REFERENCE APPENDIX B

National Standardized Payment Amounts, no Quality Data

Purpose

This appendix reproduces the CY 2027 National Standardized 30-Day Payment Amount applicable to home health agencies **not submitting the required quality data**. It is intended to supplement the discussion presented in the Executive Briefing by providing a complete reference of the proposed National Standardized 30-Day Payment Amount for Agencies Not Submitting the Required Quality Data for readers seeking additional detail.

TABLE 27: PROPOSED CY 2027 NATIONAL, STANDARDIZED 30-DAY PERIOD PAYMENT AMOUNT FOR HHAS THAT DO NOT SUBMIT THE QUALITY DATA

CY 2026 National Standardized 30-Day Period Payment Without Temporary Adjustment	CY 2027 Case-Mix Weights Recalibration Neutrality Factor	CY 2027 Wage Index Budget Neutrality Factor	CY 2027 HH Payment Update Factor Minus 2 Percentage Points	CY 2027 National, Standardized 30-Day Period Payment (Without Temporary Adjustment)	Temporary Adjustment Factor	CY 2027 National, Standardized 30-Day Period Payment (With Temporary Adjustment)
$2,101.26	1.0045	1.0009	1.001	$2,114.73	0.970	$2,051.29

Note: This table is reproduced in this appendix as a convenient reference. It also appears within the discussion of Standardized Payment Amounts in the Executive Briefing.

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REFERENCE APPENDIX C

Change in Case-Mix Weights

Purpose

This appendix summarizes the proposed CY 2027 Case-Mix Weight changes by HIPPS code. It is intended to supplement the discussion presented in the Executive Briefing by providing a complete reference of the proposed Change in the Case-Mix Weights for readers seeking additional detail.

Note: This table is reproduced in this appendix as a convenient reference. An excerpt of these data also appears within the discussion of Case-Mix Weights in the Executive Briefing.

HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	Comorbidity Adjustment (0 = none, 1 = single comorbidity, 2 = interaction)	*(per 2027 - P Rule)* CY 2027 Weight	*(per 2026 - F Rule)* CY 2026 Weight	Δ	% Δ
1AA11	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Community	0	0.9153	0.9148	0.0005	0.1%
1AA21	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Community	1	0.9734	0.9715	0.0019	0.2%
1AA31	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Community	2	1.1271	1.1137	0.0134	1.2%
1AB11	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Community	0	0.9931	1.0031	-0.0100	-1.0%
1AB21	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.0512	1.0599	-0.0087	-0.8%
1AB31	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.2048	1.2021	0.0027	0.2%
1AC11	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Community	0	1.0907	1.1021	-0.0114	-1.0%
1AC21	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Community	1	1.1488	1.1589	-0.0101	-0.9%
1AC31	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Community	2	1.3025	1.3011	0.0014	0.1%
1BA11	Neuro - Low	Early - Community	0	1.0251	1.0310	-0.0059	-0.6%
1BA21	Neuro - Low	Early - Community	1	1.0832	1.0878	-0.0046	-0.4%
1BA31	Neuro - Low	Early - Community	2	1.2368	1.2300	0.0068	0.6%
1BB11	Neuro - Medium	Early - Community	0	1.1220	1.1318	-0.0098	-0.9%
1BB21	Neuro - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.1801	1.1886	-0.0085	-0.7%
1BB31	Neuro - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.3338	1.3308	0.0030	0.2%
1BC11	Neuro - High	Early - Community	0	1.2661	1.2766	-0.0105	-0.8%
1BC21	Neuro - High	Early - Community	1	1.3242	1.3333	-0.0091	-0.7%
1BC31	Neuro - High	Early - Community	2	1.4778	1.4756	0.0022	0.1%
1CA11	Wound - Low	Early - Community	0	1.2811	1.3373	-0.0562	-4.2%
1CA21	Wound - Low	Early - Community	1	1.3392	1.3941	-0.0549	-3.9%
1CA31	Wound - Low	Early - Community	2	1.4929	1.5363	-0.0434	-2.8%
1CB11	Wound - Medium	Early - Community	0	1.3748	1.4173	-0.0425	-3.0%
1CB21	Wound - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.4330	1.4741	-0.0411	-2.8%
1CB31	Wound - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.5866	1.6163	-0.0297	-1.8%
1CC11	Wound - High	Early - Community	0	1.5018	1.5526	-0.0508	-3.3%
1CC21	Wound - High	Early - Community	1	1.5600	1.6093	-0.0493	-3.1%
1CC31	Wound - High	Early - Community	2	1.7136	1.7516	-0.0380	-2.2%
1DA11	Complex - Low	Early - Community	0	0.8998	0.8949	0.0049	0.5%
1DA21	Complex - Low	Early - Community	1	0.9580	0.9516	0.0064	0.7%
1DA31	Complex - Low	Early - Community	2	1.1116	1.0938	0.0178	1.6%
1DB11	Complex - Medium	Early - Community	0	1.0108	1.0374	-0.0266	-2.6%
1DB21	Complex - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.0690	1.0941	-0.0251	-2.3%
1DB31	Complex - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.2226	1.2363	-0.0137	-1.1%
1DC11	Complex - High	Early - Community	0	0.9874	1.0043	-0.0169	-1.7%
1DC21	Complex - High	Early - Community	1	1.0455	1.0611	-0.0156	-1.5%
1DC31	Complex - High	Early - Community	2	1.1991	1.2033	-0.0042	-0.3%
1EA11	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Community	0	0.9468	0.9406	0.0062	0.7%
1EA21	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Community	1	1.0049	0.9973	0.0076	0.8%
1EA31	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Community	2	1.1586	1.1396	0.0190	1.7%
1EB11	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Community	0	1.0262	1.0265	-0.0003	0.0%
1EB21	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.0843	1.0833	0.0010	0.1%
1EB31	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.2380	1.2255	0.0125	1.0%
1EC11	MS Rehab - High	Early - Community	0	1.1575	1.1600	-0.0025	-0.2%
1EC21	MS Rehab - High	Early - Community	1	1.2156	1.2167	-0.0011	-0.1%
1EC31	MS Rehab - High	Early - Community	2	1.3693	1.3590	0.0103	0.8%
1FA11	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Community	0	0.8600	0.8689	-0.0089	-1.0%
1FA21	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Community	1	0.9182	0.9257	-0.0075	-0.8%
1FA31	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Community	2	1.0718	1.0679	0.0039	0.4%
1FB11	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Community	0	0.9875	1.0012	-0.0137	-1.4%
1FB21	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.0456	1.0580	-0.0124	-1.2%
1FB31	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.1993	1.2002	-0.0009	-0.1%
1FC11	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Community	0	1.0625	1.0804	-0.0179	-1.7%
1FC21	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Community	1	1.1207	1.1372	-0.0165	-1.5%

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1FC31	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Community	2	1.2743	1.2794	-0.0051	-0.4%
1GA11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Community	0	0.8943	0.9063	-0.0120	-1.3%
1GA21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Community	1	0.9524	0.9630	-0.0106	-1.1%
1GA31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Community	2	1.1061	1.1052	0.0009	0.1%
1GB11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Community	0	0.9985	1.0121	-0.0136	-1.3%
1GB21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.0567	1.0689	-0.0122	-1.1%
1GB31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.2103	1.2111	-0.0008	-0.1%
1GC11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Community	0	1.1226	1.1481	-0.0255	-2.2%
1GC21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Community	1	1.1807	1.2049	-0.0242	-2.0%
1GC31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Community	2	1.3343	1.3471	-0.0128	-1.0%
1HA11	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Community	0	0.9015	0.8972	0.0043	0.5%
1HA21	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Community	1	0.9597	0.9540	0.0057	0.6%
1HA31	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Community	2	1.1133	1.0962	0.0171	1.6%
1HB11	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Community	0	0.9912	0.9949	-0.0037	-0.4%
1HB21	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.0494	1.0517	-0.0023	-0.2%
1HB31	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.2030	1.1939	0.0091	0.8%
1HC11	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Community	0	1.0930	1.1020	-0.0090	-0.8%
1HC21	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Community	1	1.1511	1.1588	-0.0077	-0.7%
1HC31	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Community	2	1.3047	1.3010	0.0037	0.3%
1IA11	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Community	0	1.1890	1.1921	-0.0031	-0.3%
1IA21	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Community	1	1.2471	1.2489	-0.0018	-0.1%
1IA31	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Community	2	1.4008	1.3911	0.0097	0.7%
1IB11	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Community	0	1.2374	1.2361	0.0013	0.1%
1IB21	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.2956	1.2929	0.0027	0.2%
1IB31	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.4492	1.4351	0.0141	1.0%
1IC11	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Community	0	1.3292	1.3161	0.0131	1.0%
1IC21	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Community	1	1.3874	1.3728	0.0146	1.1%
1IC31	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Community	2	1.5410	1.5151	0.0259	1.7%
1JA11	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Community	0	0.8925	0.8912	0.0013	0.1%
1JA21	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Community	1	0.9507	0.9479	0.0028	0.3%
1JA31	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Community	2	1.1043	1.0902	0.0141	1.3%
1JB11	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Community	0	0.9891	0.9957	-0.0066	-0.7%
1JB21	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.0473	1.0524	-0.0051	-0.5%
1JB31	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.2009	1.1947	0.0062	0.5%
1JC11	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Community	0	1.0898	1.1020	-0.0122	-1.1%
1JC21	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Community	1	1.1479	1.1588	-0.0109	-0.9%
1JC31	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Community	2	1.3015	1.3010	0.0005	0.0%
1KA11	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Community	0	0.9111	0.9153	-0.0042	-0.5%
1KA21	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Community	1	0.9692	0.9720	-0.0028	-0.3%
1KA31	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Community	2	1.1228	1.1142	0.0086	0.8%
1KB11	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Community	0	1.0005	1.0053	-0.0048	-0.5%
1KB21	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.0586	1.0620	-0.0034	-0.3%
1KB31	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.2122	1.2042	0.0080	0.7%
1KC11	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Community	0	1.1309	1.1546	-0.0237	-2.1%
1KC21	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Community	1	1.1890	1.2113	-0.0223	-1.8%
1KC31	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Community	2	1.3427	1.3535	-0.0108	-0.8%
1LA11	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Community	0	0.9046	0.9067	-0.0021	-0.2%
1LA21	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Community	1	0.9628	0.9635	-0.0007	-0.1%
1LA31	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Community	2	1.1164	1.1057	0.0107	1.0%
1LB11	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Community	0	1.0020	1.0090	-0.0070	-0.7%
1LB21	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Community	1	1.0601	1.0658	-0.0057	-0.5%
1LB31	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Community	2	1.2137	1.2080	0.0057	0.5%
1LC11	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Community	0	1.0993	1.1134	-0.0141	-1.3%
1LC21	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Community	1	1.1574	1.1701	-0.0127	-1.1%
1LC31	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Community	2	1.3111	1.3124	-0.0013	-0.1%
2AA11	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.1301	1.1190	0.0111	1.0%
2AA21	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.1882	1.1758	0.0124	1.1%
2AA31	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.3418	1.3180	0.0238	1.8%
2AB11	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.2078	1.2074	0.0004	0.0%
2AB21	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.2660	1.2641	0.0019	0.2%
2AB31	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.4196	1.4064	0.0132	0.9%
2AC11	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.3054	1.3064	-0.0010	-0.1%
2AC21	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.3636	1.3631	0.0005	0.0%
2AC31	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.5172	1.5053	0.0119	0.8%
2BA11	Neuro - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.2398	1.2353	0.0045	0.4%
2BA21	Neuro - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.2980	1.2920	0.0060	0.5%

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2BA31	Neuro - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.4516	1.4343	0.0173	1.2%
2BB11	Neuro - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.3368	1.3361	0.0007	0.1%
2BB21	Neuro - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.3949	1.3928	0.0021	0.2%
2BB31	Neuro - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.5485	1.5350	0.0135	0.9%
2BC11	Neuro - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.4808	1.4808	0.0000	0.0%
2BC21	Neuro - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.5390	1.5376	0.0014	0.1%
2BC31	Neuro - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.6926	1.6798	0.0128	0.8%
2CA11	Wound - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.4959	1.5416	-0.0457	-3.0%
2CA21	Wound - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.5540	1.5983	-0.0443	-2.8%
2CA31	Wound - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.7076	1.7405	-0.0329	-1.9%
2CB11	Wound - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.5896	1.6215	-0.0319	-2.0%
2CB21	Wound - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.6477	1.6783	-0.0306	-1.8%
2CB31	Wound - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.8013	1.8205	-0.0192	-1.1%
2CC11	Wound - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.7166	1.7568	-0.0402	-2.3%
2CC21	Wound - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.7747	1.8136	-0.0389	-2.1%
2CC31	Wound - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.9284	1.9558	-0.0274	-1.4%
2DA11	Complex - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.1146	1.0991	0.0155	1.4%
2DA21	Complex - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.1727	1.1559	0.0168	1.5%
2DA31	Complex - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.3264	1.2981	0.0283	2.2%
2DB11	Complex - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.2256	1.2416	-0.0160	-1.3%
2DB21	Complex - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.2837	1.2984	-0.0147	-1.1%
2DB31	Complex - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.4373	1.4406	-0.0033	-0.2%
2DC11	Complex - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.2021	1.2086	-0.0065	-0.5%
2DC21	Complex - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.2603	1.2653	-0.0050	-0.4%
2DC31	Complex - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.4139	1.4076	0.0063	0.4%
2EA11	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.1616	1.1448	0.0168	1.5%
2EA21	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.2197	1.2016	0.0181	1.5%
2EA31	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.3733	1.3438	0.0295	2.2%
2EB11	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.2410	1.2308	0.0102	0.8%
2EB21	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.2991	1.2875	0.0116	0.9%
2EB31	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.4527	1.4297	0.0230	1.6%
2EC11	MS Rehab - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.3722	1.3642	0.0080	0.6%
2EC21	MS Rehab - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.4304	1.4210	0.0094	0.7%
2EC31	MS Rehab - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.5840	1.5632	0.0208	1.3%
2FA11	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.0748	1.0732	0.0016	0.1%
2FA21	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.1329	1.1299	0.0030	0.3%
2FA31	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.2866	1.2721	0.0145	1.1%
2FB11	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.2022	1.2055	-0.0033	-0.3%
2FB21	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.2604	1.2622	-0.0018	-0.1%
2FB31	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.4140	1.4045	0.0095	0.7%
2FC11	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.2773	1.2847	-0.0074	-0.6%
2FC21	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.3354	1.3414	-0.0060	-0.4%
2FC31	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.4891	1.4837	0.0054	0.4%
2GA11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.1090	1.1105	-0.0015	-0.1%
2GA21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.1672	1.1673	-0.0001	0.0%
2GA31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.3208	1.3095	0.0113	0.9%
2GB11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.2133	1.2164	-0.0031	-0.3%
2GB21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.2714	1.2731	-0.0017	-0.1%
2GB31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.4251	1.4154	0.0097	0.7%
2GC11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.3373	1.3524	-0.0151	-1.1%
2GC21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.3955	1.4091	-0.0136	-1.0%
2GC31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.5491	1.5513	-0.0022	-0.1%
2HA11	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.1163	1.1015	0.0148	1.3%
2HA21	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.1744	1.1582	0.0162	1.4%
2HA31	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.3280	1.3004	0.0276	2.1%
2HB11	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.2060	1.1992	0.0068	0.6%
2HB21	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.2641	1.2559	0.0082	0.7%
2HB31	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.4177	1.3982	0.0195	1.4%
2HC11	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.3077	1.3063	0.0014	0.1%
2HC21	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.3659	1.3630	0.0029	0.2%
2HC31	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.5195	1.5053	0.0142	0.9%
2IA11	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.4037	1.3964	0.0073	0.5%
2IA21	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.4619	1.4531	0.0088	0.6%
2IA31	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.6155	1.5954	0.0201	1.3%
2IB11	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.4522	1.4404	0.0118	0.8%
2IB21	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.5103	1.4971	0.0132	0.9%

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2IB31	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.6640	1.6393	0.0247	1.5%
2IC11	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.5440	1.5203	0.0237	1.6%
2IC21	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.6021	1.5771	0.0250	1.6%
2IC31	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.7558	1.7193	0.0365	2.1%
2JA11	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.1073	1.0954	0.0119	1.1%
2JA21	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.1654	1.1522	0.0132	1.1%
2JA31	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.3191	1.2944	0.0247	1.9%
2JB11	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.2039	1.1999	0.0040	0.3%
2JB21	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.2620	1.2567	0.0053	0.4%
2JB31	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.4156	1.3989	0.0167	1.2%
2JC11	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.3045	1.3063	-0.0018	-0.1%
2JC21	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.3627	1.3630	-0.0003	0.0%
2JC31	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.5163	1.5053	0.0110	0.7%
2KA11	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.1258	1.1195	0.0063	0.6%
2KA21	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.1840	1.1763	0.0077	0.7%
2KA31	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.3376	1.3185	0.0191	1.4%
2KB11	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.2152	1.2095	0.0057	0.5%
2KB21	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.2734	1.2663	0.0071	0.6%
2KB31	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.4270	1.4085	0.0185	1.3%
2KC11	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.3457	1.3588	-0.0131	-1.0%
2KC21	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.4038	1.4156	-0.0118	-0.8%
2KC31	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.5574	1.5578	-0.0004	0.0%
2LA11	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Institutional	0	1.1194	1.1110	0.0084	0.8%
2LA21	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Institutional	1	1.1775	1.1677	0.0098	0.8%
2LA31	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Institutional	2	1.3312	1.3099	0.0213	1.6%
2LB11	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Institutional	0	1.2167	1.2133	0.0034	0.3%
2LB21	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Institutional	1	1.2749	1.2700	0.0049	0.4%
2LB31	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Institutional	2	1.4285	1.4123	0.0162	1.1%
2LC11	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Institutional	0	1.3140	1.3176	-0.0036	-0.3%
2LC21	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Institutional	1	1.3722	1.3744	-0.0022	-0.2%
2LC31	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Institutional	2	1.5258	1.5166	0.0092	0.6%
3AA11	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Community	0	0.5901	0.5823	0.0078	1.3%
3AA21	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Community	1	0.6482	0.6390	0.0092	1.4%
3AA31	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Community	2	0.8019	0.7813	0.0206	2.6%
3AB11	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.6678	0.6707	-0.0029	-0.4%
3AB21	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.7260	0.7274	-0.0014	-0.2%
3AB31	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Community	2	0.8796	0.8696	0.0100	1.1%
3AC11	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Community	0	0.7655	0.7696	-0.0041	-0.5%
3AC21	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Community	1	0.8236	0.8264	-0.0028	-0.3%
3AC31	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Community	2	0.9772	0.9686	0.0086	0.9%
3BA11	Neuro - Low	Late - Community	0	0.6999	0.6986	0.0013	0.2%
3BA21	Neuro - Low	Late - Community	1	0.7580	0.7553	0.0027	0.4%
3BA31	Neuro - Low	Late - Community	2	0.9116	0.8975	0.0141	1.6%
3BB11	Neuro - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.7968	0.7993	-0.0025	-0.3%
3BB21	Neuro - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.8549	0.8561	-0.0012	-0.1%
3BB31	Neuro - Medium	Late - Community	2	1.0086	0.9983	0.0103	1.0%
3BC11	Neuro - High	Late - Community	0	0.9409	0.9441	-0.0032	-0.3%
3BC21	Neuro - High	Late - Community	1	0.9990	1.0009	-0.0019	-0.2%
3BC31	Neuro - High	Late - Community	2	1.1526	1.1431	0.0095	0.8%
3CA11	Wound - Low	Late - Community	0	0.9559	1.0048	-0.0489	-4.9%
3CA21	Wound - Low	Late - Community	1	1.0140	1.0616	-0.0476	-4.5%
3CA31	Wound - Low	Late - Community	2	1.1677	1.2038	-0.0361	-3.0%
3CB11	Wound - Medium	Late - Community	0	1.0496	1.0848	-0.0352	-3.2%
3CB21	Wound - Medium	Late - Community	1	1.1077	1.1416	-0.0339	-3.0%
3CB31	Wound - Medium	Late - Community	2	1.2614	1.2838	-0.0224	-1.7%
3CC11	Wound - High	Late - Community	0	1.1766	1.2201	-0.0435	-3.6%
3CC21	Wound - High	Late - Community	1	1.2348	1.2769	-0.0421	-3.3%
3CC31	Wound - High	Late - Community	2	1.3884	1.4191	-0.0307	-2.2%
3DA11	Complex - Low	Late - Community	0	0.5746	0.5624	0.0122	2.2%
3DA21	Complex - Low	Late - Community	1	0.6328	0.6192	0.0136	2.2%
3DA31	Complex - Low	Late - Community	2	0.7864	0.7614	0.0250	3.3%
3DB11	Complex - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.6856	0.7049	-0.0193	-2.7%
3DB21	Complex - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.7437	0.7616	-0.0179	-2.4%
3DB31	Complex - Medium	Late - Community	2	0.8974	0.9039	-0.0065	-0.7%
3DC11	Complex - High	Late - Community	0	0.6621	0.6719	-0.0098	-1.5%
3DC21	Complex - High	Late - Community	1	0.7203	0.7286	-0.0083	-1.1%

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3DC31	Complex - High	Late - Community	2	0.8739	0.8708	0.0031	0.4%
3EA11	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Community	0	0.6216	0.6081	0.0135	2.2%
3EA21	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Community	1	0.6797	0.6649	0.0148	2.2%
3EA31	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Community	2	0.8334	0.8071	0.0263	3.3%
3EB11	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.7010	0.6940	0.0070	1.0%
3EB21	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.7591	0.7508	0.0083	1.1%
3EB31	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Community	2	0.9128	0.8930	0.0198	2.2%
3EC11	MS Rehab - High	Late - Community	0	0.8323	0.8275	0.0048	0.6%
3EC21	MS Rehab - High	Late - Community	1	0.8904	0.8843	0.0061	0.7%
3EC31	MS Rehab - High	Late - Community	2	1.0440	1.0265	0.0175	1.7%
3FA11	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Community	0	0.5348	0.5364	-0.0016	-0.3%
3FA21	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Community	1	0.5930	0.5932	-0.0002	0.0%
3FA31	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Community	2	0.7466	0.7354	0.0112	1.5%
3FB11	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.6623	0.6688	-0.0065	-1.0%
3FB21	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.7204	0.7255	-0.0051	-0.7%
3FB31	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Community	2	0.8740	0.8677	0.0063	0.7%
3FC11	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Community	0	0.7373	0.7480	-0.0107	-1.4%
3FC21	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Community	1	0.7955	0.8047	-0.0092	-1.1%
3FC31	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Community	2	0.9491	0.9469	0.0022	0.2%
3GA11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Community	0	0.5691	0.5738	-0.0047	-0.8%
3GA21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Community	1	0.6272	0.6305	-0.0033	-0.5%
3GA31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Community	2	0.7808	0.7728	0.0080	1.0%
3GB11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.6733	0.6797	-0.0064	-0.9%
3GB21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.7314	0.7364	-0.0050	-0.7%
3GB31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Community	2	0.8851	0.8786	0.0065	0.7%
3GC11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Community	0	0.7974	0.8156	-0.0182	-2.2%
3GC21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Community	1	0.8555	0.8724	-0.0169	-1.9%
3GC31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Community	2	1.0091	1.0146	-0.0055	-0.5%
3HA11	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Community	0	0.5763	0.5647	0.0116	2.1%
3HA21	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Community	1	0.6344	0.6215	0.0129	2.1%
3HA31	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Community	2	0.7881	0.7637	0.0244	3.2%
3HB11	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.6660	0.6625	0.0035	0.5%
3HB21	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.7241	0.7192	0.0049	0.7%
3HB31	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Community	2	0.8778	0.8614	0.0164	1.9%
3HC11	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Community	0	0.7678	0.7696	-0.0018	-0.2%
3HC21	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Community	1	0.8259	0.8263	-0.0004	0.0%
3HC31	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Community	2	0.9795	0.9685	0.0110	1.1%
3IA11	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Community	0	0.8638	0.8597	0.0041	0.5%
3IA21	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Community	1	0.9219	0.9164	0.0055	0.6%
3IA31	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Community	2	1.0755	1.0586	0.0169	1.6%
3IB11	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.9122	0.9036	0.0086	1.0%
3IB21	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.9704	0.9604	0.0100	1.0%
3IB31	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Community	2	1.1240	1.1026	0.0214	1.9%
3IC11	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Community	0	1.0040	0.9836	0.0204	2.1%
3IC21	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Community	1	1.0622	1.0404	0.0218	2.1%
3IC31	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Community	2	1.2158	1.1826	0.0332	2.8%
3JA11	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Community	0	0.5673	0.5587	0.0086	1.5%
3JA21	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Community	1	0.6254	0.6155	0.0099	1.6%
3JA31	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Community	2	0.7791	0.7577	0.0214	2.8%
3JB11	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.6639	0.6632	0.0007	0.1%
3JB21	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.7220	0.7200	0.0020	0.3%
3JB31	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Community	2	0.8757	0.8622	0.0135	1.6%
3JC11	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Community	0	0.7646	0.7696	-0.0050	-0.6%
3JC21	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Community	1	0.8227	0.8263	-0.0036	-0.4%
3JC31	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Community	2	0.9763	0.9685	0.0078	0.8%
3KA11	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Community	0	0.5858	0.5828	0.0030	0.5%
3KA21	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Community	1	0.6440	0.6395	0.0045	0.7%
3KA31	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Community	2	0.7976	0.7818	0.0158	2.0%
3KB11	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.6753	0.6728	0.0025	0.4%
3KB21	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.7334	0.7295	0.0039	0.5%
3KB31	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Community	2	0.8870	0.8718	0.0152	1.7%
3KC11	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Community	0	0.8057	0.8221	-0.0164	-2.0%
3KC21	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Community	1	0.8638	0.8788	-0.0150	-1.7%
3KC31	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Community	2	1.0175	1.0211	-0.0036	-0.4%
3LA11	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Community	0	0.5794	0.5742	0.0052	0.9%
3LA21	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Community	1	0.6376	0.6310	0.0066	1.0%

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3LA31	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Community	2	0.7912	0.7732	0.0180	2.3%
3LB11	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Community	0	0.6768	0.6766	0.0002	0.0%
3LB21	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Community	1	0.7349	0.7333	0.0016	0.2%
3LB31	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Community	2	0.8885	0.8755	0.0130	1.5%
3LC11	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Community	0	0.7741	0.7809	-0.0068	-0.9%
3LC21	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Community	1	0.8322	0.8377	-0.0055	-0.7%
3LC31	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Community	2	0.9858	0.9799	0.0059	0.6%
4AA11	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.0544	1.0505	0.0039	0.4%
4AA21	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.1125	1.1073	0.0052	0.5%
4AA31	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.2661	1.2495	0.0166	1.3%
4AB11	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.1321	1.1389	-0.0068	-0.6%
4AB21	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.1903	1.1957	-0.0054	-0.5%
4AB31	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.3439	1.3379	0.0060	0.4%
4AC11	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.2298	1.2379	-0.0081	-0.7%
4AC21	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.2879	1.2946	-0.0067	-0.5%
4AC31	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.4415	1.4369	0.0046	0.3%
4BA11	Neuro - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.1641	1.1668	-0.0027	-0.2%
4BA21	Neuro - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.2223	1.2236	-0.0013	-0.1%
4BA31	Neuro - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.3759	1.3658	0.0101	0.7%
4BB11	Neuro - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.2611	1.2676	-0.0065	-0.5%
4BB21	Neuro - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.3192	1.3243	-0.0051	-0.4%
4BB31	Neuro - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.4728	1.4665	0.0063	0.4%
4BC11	Neuro - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.4051	1.4124	-0.0073	-0.5%
4BC21	Neuro - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.4633	1.4691	-0.0058	-0.4%
4BC31	Neuro - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.6169	1.6113	0.0056	0.3%
4CA11	Wound - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.4202	1.4731	-0.0529	-3.6%
4CA21	Wound - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.4783	1.5298	-0.0515	-3.4%
4CA31	Wound - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.6319	1.6721	-0.0402	-2.4%
4CB11	Wound - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.5139	1.5531	-0.0392	-2.5%
4CB21	Wound - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.5720	1.6098	-0.0378	-2.3%
4CB31	Wound - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.7257	1.7520	-0.0263	-1.5%
4CC11	Wound - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.6409	1.6884	-0.0475	-2.8%
4CC21	Wound - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.6990	1.7451	-0.0461	-2.6%
4CC31	Wound - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.8527	1.8873	-0.0346	-1.8%
4DA11	Complex - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.0389	1.0306	0.0083	0.8%
4DA21	Complex - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.0970	1.0874	0.0096	0.9%
4DA31	Complex - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.2507	1.2296	0.0211	1.7%
4DB11	Complex - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.1499	1.1731	-0.0232	-2.0%
4DB21	Complex - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.2080	1.2299	-0.0219	-1.8%
4DB31	Complex - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.3616	1.3721	-0.0105	-0.8%
4DC11	Complex - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.1264	1.1401	-0.0137	-1.2%
4DC21	Complex - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.1846	1.1969	-0.0123	-1.0%
4DC31	Complex - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.3382	1.3391	-0.0009	-0.1%
4EA11	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.0859	1.0764	0.0095	0.9%
4EA21	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.1440	1.1331	0.0109	1.0%
4EA31	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.2976	1.2753	0.0223	1.7%
4EB11	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.1653	1.1623	0.0030	0.3%
4EB21	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.2234	1.2190	0.0044	0.4%
4EB31	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.3770	1.3613	0.0157	1.2%
4EC11	MS Rehab - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.2966	1.2958	0.0008	0.1%
4EC21	MS Rehab - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.3547	1.3525	0.0022	0.2%
4EC31	MS Rehab - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.5083	1.4947	0.0136	0.9%
4FA11	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Institutional	0	0.9991	1.0047	-0.0056	-0.6%
4FA21	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.0572	1.0614	-0.0042	-0.4%
4FA31	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.2109	1.2036	0.0073	0.6%
4FB11	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.1265	1.1370	-0.0105	-0.9%
4FB21	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.1847	1.1938	-0.0091	-0.8%
4FB31	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.3383	1.3360	0.0023	0.2%
4FC11	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.2016	1.2162	-0.0146	-1.2%
4FC21	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.2597	1.2730	-0.0133	-1.0%
4FC31	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.4134	1.4152	-0.0018	-0.1%
4GA11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.0333	1.0420	-0.0087	-0.8%
4GA21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.0915	1.0988	-0.0073	-0.7%
4GA31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.2451	1.2410	0.0041	0.3%
4GB11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.1376	1.1479	-0.0103	-0.9%
4GB21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.1957	1.2047	-0.0090	-0.7%

HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	Comorbidity Adjustment (0 = none, 1 = single comorbidity, 2 = interaction)	*(per 2027 - P Rule)* CY 2027 Weight	*(per 2026 - F Rule)* CY 2026 Weight	Δ	% Δ
4GB31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.3494	1.3469	0.0025	0.2%
4GC11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.2616	1.2839	-0.0223	-1.7%
4GC21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.3198	1.3406	-0.0208	-1.6%
4GC31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.4734	1.4828	-0.0094	-0.6%
4HA11	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.0406	1.0330	0.0076	0.7%
4HA21	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.0987	1.0897	0.0090	0.8%
4HA31	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.2523	1.2320	0.0203	1.6%
4HB11	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.1303	1.1307	-0.0004	0.0%
4HB21	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.1884	1.1875	0.0009	0.1%
4HB31	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.3420	1.3297	0.0123	0.9%
4HC11	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.2320	1.2378	-0.0058	-0.5%
4HC21	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.2902	1.2946	-0.0044	-0.3%
4HC31	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.4438	1.4368	0.0070	0.5%
4IA11	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.3280	1.3279	0.0001	0.0%
4IA21	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.3862	1.3847	0.0015	0.1%
4IA31	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.5398	1.5269	0.0129	0.8%
4IB11	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.3765	1.3719	0.0046	0.3%
4IB21	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.4346	1.4286	0.0060	0.4%
4IB31	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.5883	1.5709	0.0174	1.1%
4IC11	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.4683	1.4519	0.0164	1.1%
4IC21	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.5264	1.5086	0.0178	1.2%
4IC31	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.6801	1.6508	0.0293	1.8%
4JA11	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.0316	1.0270	0.0046	0.4%
4JA21	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.0897	1.0837	0.0060	0.6%
4JA31	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.2434	1.2259	0.0175	1.4%
4JB11	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.1282	1.1315	-0.0033	-0.3%
4JB21	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.1863	1.1882	-0.0019	-0.2%
4JB31	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.3399	1.3304	0.0095	0.7%
4JC11	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.2288	1.2378	-0.0090	-0.7%
4JC21	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.2870	1.2946	-0.0076	-0.6%
4JC31	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.4406	1.4368	0.0038	0.3%
4KA11	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.0501	1.0510	-0.0009	-0.1%
4KA21	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.1083	1.1078	0.0005	0.0%
4KA31	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.2619	1.2500	0.0119	1.0%
4KB11	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.1395	1.1410	-0.0015	-0.1%
4KB21	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.1977	1.1978	-0.0001	0.0%
4KB31	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.3513	1.3400	0.0113	0.8%
4KC11	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.2700	1.2903	-0.0203	-1.6%
4KC21	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.3281	1.3471	-0.0190	-1.4%
4KC31	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.4817	1.4893	-0.0076	-0.5%
4LA11	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Institutional	0	1.0437	1.0425	0.0012	0.1%
4LA21	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Institutional	1	1.1018	1.0992	0.0026	0.2%
4LA31	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Institutional	2	1.2555	1.2415	0.0140	1.1%
4LB11	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Institutional	0	1.1410	1.1448	-0.0038	-0.3%
4LB21	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Institutional	1	1.1992	1.2016	-0.0024	-0.2%
4LB31	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Institutional	2	1.3528	1.3438	0.0090	0.7%
4LC11	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Institutional	0	1.2383	1.2492	-0.0109	-0.9%
4LC21	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Institutional	1	1.2965	1.3059	-0.0094	-0.7%
4LC31	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Institutional	2	1.4501	1.4481	0.0020	0.1%

Source: The CMS webpage for CMS-1844-P CY 2027 Proposed HH PDGM Case Mix Weights and LUPA Thresholds download

# CMWs that:	Count
Increased	230
Decreased	201
No Δ	1
Total	432

MAX CMW	1.9284	1.9558	-0.0274	-1.4%
AVG CMW	1.1606	1.1615	-0.0010	-0.1%
MIN CMW	0.5348	0.5364	-0.0016	-0.3%

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Purpose

This appendix provides background information regarding the Medicare Wage Index together with a comprehensive listing of the proposed CY 2027 Wage Indices published by CMS. It is intended to supplement the discussion presented in the Executive Briefing by providing a complete reference of the proposed Medicare Wage Index for readers seeking additional detail.

Part I — Understanding the Medicare Wage Index

The CMS Definition of Wage Index:

The Medicare wage index is a measure that reflects "the relative hospital wage level in the geographic area of the hospital compared to the national average hospital wage level." It is used to adjust Medicare payments to hospitals under the inpatient prospective payment system (IPPS) so that payments reflect geographic differences in the costs of labor.

How It Works:

- The wage index is calculated for each labor market area, typically defined by metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) or statewide rural areas.
- Each hospital's average hourly wage (AHW) is collected from Medicare cost reports and aggregated by labor market area.
- The wage index for an area is the ratio of the area's AHW to the national AHW.
- A wage index greater than 1.0 means the area's average wage is above the national average; less than 1.0 means it is below.
- The wage index is applied to the labor-related portion of Medicare payments to hospitals, ensuring that hospitals in higher-wage areas receive higher payments to account for their higher labor costs.

Example: If a hospital is in an area with a wage index of 1.10, its labor-related Medicare payments are increased by 10% compared to the national average. If the wage index is 0.90, payments are decreased by 10%.

Purpose:
The wage index ensures fairness in Medicare payments by accounting for regional differences in labor costs, which are a major component of hospital expenses.

Additional Notes:

- The wage index system includes adjustments for occupational mix (e.g., the ratio of registered nurses to other staff) and allows for exceptions and reclassifications in certain cases.
- There are ongoing reforms and proposals, such as the Commuting-Based Wage Index (CBWI), to improve the accuracy and fairness of the wage index system.

This definition and explanation are based on the official report to Congress on Medicare wage in dex reform.

Extracted from the CMS "Report to Congress: Plan to Reform the Medicare Wage Index" that was submitted by the Secretary on April 11, 2012 (https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicare-fee-for-service-payment/acuteinpatientpps/downloads/wage-index-reform-report-to-congress-2012.zip)

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Part II — Proposed CY 2027 Wage Indices

Purpose

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Note: The complete proposed CY 2027 Wage Indices are reproduced in this appendix as a convenient reference. Selected excerpts also appear within the discussion of the Wage Index in the Executive Briefing.

Change in the Wage Indices per the CY 2027 HH PPS Proposed Rule:

CBSA Code	Name of CBSA/Rural Service Area:	CY 2027P HH PPS Wage Index With 5% Cap		Change in WI: Δ	Change in WI: % Δ		CY 2026 HH PPS Wage Index With 5% Cap
10180	Abilene, TX	0.9789	ok	0.0502	5.405%	ok	0.9287
10380	Aguadilla, PR	0.2985	ok	0.0076	2.613%	ok	0.2909
10420	Akron, OH	0.8213	ok	-0.0041	-0.497%	ok	0.8254
10500	Albany, GA	0.9029	ok	-0.0475	-4.998%	ok	0.9504
10540	Albany, OR	1.0476	ok	0.0027	0.258%	ok	1.0449
10580	Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY	0.8453	ok	-0.0098	-1.146%	ok	0.8551
10740	Albuquerque, NM	0.9188	ok	-0.0118	-1.268%	ok	0.9306
10780	Alexandria, LA	0.8811	ok	-0.0005	-0.057%	ok	0.8816
10900	Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, PA-NJ	0.9951	ok	-0.0027	-0.271%	ok	0.9978
11020	Altoona, PA	0.8369	ok	-0.0272	-3.148%	ok	0.8641
11100	Amarillo, TX	0.8012	ok	-0.0422	-5.004%	ok	0.8434
11180	Ames, IA	0.8335	ok	-0.0330	-3.808%	ok	0.8665
11200	Amherst Town-Northampton, MA	1.0061	ok	0.0247	2.517%	ok	0.9814
11244	Anaheim-Santa Ana-Irvine, CA	1.2636	ok	0.0191	1.535%	ok	1.2445
11260	Anchorage, AK	1.0953	ok	-0.0375	-3.310%	ok	1.1328
11460	Ann Arbor, MI	0.9886	ok	0.0017	0.172%	ok	0.9869
11500	Anniston-Oxford, AL	0.7627	ok	0.0669	9.615%	ok	0.6958
11540	Appleton, WI	0.9653	ok	0.0155	1.632%	ok	0.9498
11640	Arecibo, PR	0.3265	ok	0.0131	4.180%	ok	0.3134
11694	Arlington-Alexandria-Reston, VA-WV	1.0416	ok	-0.0033	-0.316%	ok	1.0449
11700	Asheville, NC	0.9076	ok	0.0229	2.588%	ok	0.8847
12020	Athens-Clarke County, GA	0.8684	ok	0.0032	0.370%	ok	0.8652
12054	Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA	1.0233	ok	0.0247	2.473%	ok	0.9986
12100	Atlantic City-Hammonton, NJ	1.0662	ok	0.0793	8.035%	ok	0.9869
12220	Auburn-Opelika, AL	0.7267	ok	0.0470	6.915%	ok	0.6797
12260	Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC	0.8288	ok	0.0372	4.699%	ok	0.7916
12420	Austin-Round Rock-San Marcos, TX	0.9512	ok	-0.0148	-1.532%	ok	0.9660
12540	Bakersfield-Delano, CA	1.2106	ok	0.0266	2.247%	ok	1.1840
12580	Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD	0.9215	ok	-0.0293	-3.082%	ok	0.9508
12620	Bangor, ME	0.9676	ok	0.0574	6.306%	ok	0.9102
12700	Barnstable Town, MA	1.2286	ok	-0.0268	-2.135%	ok	1.2554
12940	Baton Rouge, LA	0.7943	ok	-0.0103	-1.280%	ok	0.8046
12980	Battle Creek, MI	0.8595	ok	-0.0284	-3.199%	ok	0.8879
13020	Bay City, MI	0.8823	ok	0.0156	1.800%	ok	0.8667
13140	Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX	0.8353	ok	-0.0440	-5.004%	ok	0.8793
13220	Beckley, WV	0.8240	ok	-0.0434	-5.003%	ok	0.8674
13380	Bellingham, WA	1.1505	ok	-0.0606	-5.004%	ok	1.2111
13460	Bend, OR	1.2320	ok	0.0395	3.312%	ok	1.1925
13740	Billings, MT	0.9584	ok	0.0610	6.797%	ok	0.8974
13780	Binghamton, NY	0.8862	ok	0.0549	6.604%	ok	0.8313
13820	Birmingham, AL	0.8208	ok	-0.0388	-4.514%	ok	0.8596
13900	Bismarck, ND	0.8690	ok	-0.0229	-2.568%	ok	0.8919
13980	Blacksburg-Christiansburg-Radford, VA	0.8130	ok	-0.0358	-4.218%	ok	0.8488
14010	Bloomington, IL	0.8719	ok	-0.0226	-2.527%	ok	0.8945
14020	Bloomington, IN	0.9446	ok	-0.0497	-4.998%	ok	0.9943

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14260	Boise City, ID	0.9441	ok	-0.0248	-2.560%	ok	0.9689
14454	Boston, MA	1.1339	ok	-0.0180	-1.563%	ok	1.1519
14500	Boulder, CO	1.1938	ok	0.0723	6.447%	ok	1.1215
14540	Bowling Green, KY	0.8224	ok	-0.0433	-5.002%	ok	0.8657
14580	Bozeman, MT	0.9497	ok	-0.0158	-1.636%	ok	0.9655
14740	Bremerton-Silverdale-Port Orchard, WA	1.1918	ok	-0.0467	-3.771%	ok	1.2385
14860	Bridgeport-Stamford-Danbury, CT	1.1378	ok	-0.0126	-1.095%	ok	1.1504
15180	Brownsville-Harlingen, TX	0.7975	ok	0.0130	1.657%	ok	0.7845
15260	Brunswick-St. Simons, GA	0.9057	ok	-0.0477	-5.003%	ok	0.9534
15380	Buffalo-Cheektowaga, NY	1.0413	ok	-0.0233	-2.189%	ok	1.0646
15500	Burlington, NC	0.9261	ok	0.0542	6.216%	ok	0.8719
15540	Burlington-South Burlington, VT	1.1508	ok	0.1669	16.963%	ok	0.9839
15764	Cambridge-Newton-Framingham, MA	1.1060	ok	0.0387	3.626%	ok	1.0673
15804	Camden, NJ	1.0977	ok	0.0052	0.476%	ok	1.0925
15940	Canton-Massillon, OH	0.8154	ok	0.0133	1.658%	ok	0.8021
15980	Cape Coral-Fort Myers, FL	0.8804	ok	-0.0385	-4.190%	ok	0.9189
16020	Cape Girardeau, MO-IL	0.7960	ok	0.0166	2.130%	ok	0.7794
16180	Carson City, NV	0.9263	ok	-0.0304	-3.178%	ok	0.9567
16220	Casper, WY	0.9200	ok	-0.0270	-2.851%	ok	0.9470
16300	Cedar Rapids, IA	0.8400	ok	-0.0295	-3.393%	ok	0.8695
16540	Chambersburg, PA	0.9646	ok	-0.0508	-5.003%	ok	1.0154
16580	Champaign-Urbana, IL	0.9268	ok	0.0549	6.297%	ok	0.8719
16620	Charleston, WV	0.8405	ok	0.0829	10.942%	ok	0.7576
16700	Charleston-North Charleston, SC	0.9157	ok	0.0410	4.687%	ok	0.8747
16740	Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC	0.9479	ok	0.0075	0.798%	ok	0.9404
16820	Charlottesville, VA	0.9400	ok	-0.0210	-2.185%	ok	0.9610
16860	Chattanooga, TN-GA	0.8543	ok	0.0012	0.141%	ok	0.8531
16940	Cheyenne, WY	0.9268	ok	-0.0236	-2.483%	ok	0.9504
16984	Chicago-Naperville-Schaumburg, IL	1.0107	ok	-0.0121	-1.183%	ok	1.0228
17020	Chico, CA	1.0187	ok	-0.0015	-0.147%	ok	1.0202
17140	Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN	0.9088	ok	-0.0435	-4.568%	ok	0.9523
17300	Clarksville, TN-KY	0.7902	ok	-0.0415	-4.990%	ok	0.8317
17410	Cleveland, OH	0.8976	ok	0.0200	2.279%	ok	0.8776
17420	Cleveland, TN	0.7807	ok	-0.0312	-3.843%	ok	0.8119
17660	Coeur d'Alene, ID	0.9630	ok	-0.0275	-2.776%	ok	0.9905
17780	College Station-Bryan, TX	0.8959	ok	0.0233	2.670%	ok	0.8726
17820	Colorado Springs, CO	0.9307	ok	-0.0261	-2.728%	ok	0.9568
17860	Columbia, MO	0.9033	ok	0.0485	5.674%	ok	0.8548
17900	Columbia, SC	0.9434	ok	0.0226	2.454%	ok	0.9208
17980	Columbus, GA-AL	0.7534	ok	-0.0262	-3.361%	ok	0.7796
18020	Columbus, IN	1.0719	ok	-0.0552	-4.898%	ok	1.1271
18140	Columbus, OH	0.9548	ok	0.0190	2.030%	ok	0.9358
18580	Corpus Christi, TX	0.9054	ok	-0.0233	-2.509%	ok	0.9287
18700	Corvallis, OR	1.1006	ok	0.0043	0.392%	ok	1.0963
18880	Crestview-Fort Walton Beach-Destin, FL	0.8643	ok	-0.0080	-0.917%	ok	0.8723
19124	Dallas-Plano-Irving, TX	0.9642	ok	0.0003	0.031%	ok	0.9639
19140	Dalton, GA	0.8979	ok	0.0094	1.058%	ok	0.8885
19300	Daphne-Fairhope-Foley, AL	0.8048	ok	-0.0039	-0.482%	ok	0.8087
19340	Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL	0.7776	ok	-0.0052	-0.664%	ok	0.7828
19430	Dayton-Kettering-Beavercreek, OH	0.9321	ok	-0.0325	-3.369%	ok	0.9646
19460	Decatur, AL	0.7252	ok	0.0099	1.384%	ok	0.7153
19500	Decatur, IL	0.9636	ok	0.1222	14.523%	ok	0.8414
19660	Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach, FL	0.8796	ok	0.0024	0.274%	ok	0.8772
19740	Denver-Aurora-Centennial, CO	1.0078	ok	-0.0001	-0.010%	ok	1.0079
19780	Des Moines-West Des Moines, IA	0.8977	ok	-0.0179	-1.955%	ok	0.9156
19804	Detroit-Dearborn-Livonia, MI	0.8831	ok	0.0026	0.295%	ok	0.8805
20020	Dothan, AL	0.6975	ok	-0.0124	-1.747%	ok	0.7099
20100	Dover, DE	1.1089	ok	-0.0584	-5.003%	ok	1.1673
20220	Dubuque, IA	0.8493	ok	-0.0039	-0.457%	ok	0.8532

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20260	Duluth, MN-WI	0.9577	ok	0.0195	2.078%	ok	0.9382
20500	Durham-Chapel Hill, NC	0.9650	ok	-0.0108	-1.107%	ok	0.9758
20580	Eagle Pass, TX	0.7751	ok	-0.0327	-4.048%	ok	0.8078
20740	Eau Claire, WI	1.0555	ok	0.0664	6.713%	ok	0.9891
20940	El Centro, CA	0.8181	ok	-0.0431	-5.005%	ok	0.8612
20994	Elgin, IL	0.9952	ok	0.0119	1.210%	ok	0.9833
21060	Elizabethtown, KY	0.8804	ok	0.0253	2.959%	ok	0.8551
21140	Elkhart-Goshen, IN	0.9525	ok	-0.0501	-4.997%	ok	1.0026
21300	Elmira, NY	0.9173	ok	0.0711	8.402%	ok	0.8462
21340	El Paso, TX	0.8057	ok	-0.0253	-3.045%	ok	0.8310
21420	Enid, OK	0.8386	ok	-0.0039	-0.463%	ok	0.8425
21500	Erie, PA	0.8028	ok	-0.0422	-4.994%	ok	0.8450
21660	Eugene-Springfield, OR	1.1678	ok	-0.0321	-2.675%	ok	1.1999
21780	Evansville, IN	0.9557	ok	-0.0170	-1.748%	ok	0.9727
21794	Everett, WA	1.2013	ok	0.0350	3.001%	ok	1.1663
21820	Fairbanks-College, AK	0.9951	ok	0.0151	1.541%	ok	0.9800
22020	Fargo, ND-MN	0.8465	ok	-0.0446	-5.005%	ok	0.8911
22140	Farmington, NM	0.8375	ok	-0.0441	-5.002%	ok	0.8816
22180	Fayetteville, NC	0.8992	ok	-0.0473	-4.997%	ok	0.9465
22220	Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR	0.8362	ok	-0.0440	-4.999%	ok	0.8802
22380	Flagstaff, AZ	1.0203	ok	-0.0537	-5.000%	ok	1.0740
22420	Flint, MI	0.9482	ok	-0.0376	-3.814%	ok	0.9858
22500	Florence, SC	0.8436	ok	0.0125	1.504%	ok	0.8311
22520	Florence-Muscle Shoals, AL	0.6638	ok	-0.0178	-2.612%	ok	0.6816
22540	Fond du Lac, WI	0.9317	ok	0.0550	6.274%	ok	0.8767
22660	Fort Collins-Loveland, CO	0.9596	ok	0.0073	0.767%	ok	0.9523
22744	Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Sunrise, FL	0.9783	ok	0.0090	0.929%	ok	0.9693
22900	Fort Smith, AR-OK	0.8753	ok	-0.0461	-5.003%	ok	0.9214
23060	Fort Wayne, IN	1.0301	ok	-0.0025	-0.242%	ok	1.0326
23104	Fort Worth-Arlington-Grapevine, TX	0.9487	ok	-0.0204	-2.105%	ok	0.9691
23224	Frederick-Gaithersburg-Bethesda, MD	0.9346	ok	-0.0390	-4.006%	ok	0.9736
23420	Fresno, CA	1.0964	ok	-0.0577	-5.000%	ok	1.1541
23460	Gadsden, AL	0.7082	ok	-0.0161	-2.223%	ok	0.7243
23540	Gainesville, FL	0.8541	ok	-0.0450	-5.005%	ok	0.8991
23580	Gainesville, GA	1.0027	ok	0.0659	7.035%	ok	0.9368
23900	Gettysburg, PA	0.9567	ok	-0.0504	-5.004%	ok	1.0071
24020	Glens Falls, NY	0.9835	ok	0.0536	5.764%	ok	0.9299
24140	Goldsboro, NC	0.8926	ok	-0.0194	-2.127%	ok	0.9120
24220	Grand Forks, ND-MN	0.8040	ok	0.0600	8.065%	ok	0.7440
24260	Grand Island, NE	0.9842	ok	0.0073	0.747%	ok	0.9769
24300	Grand Junction, CO	1.0741	ok	0.0111	1.044%	ok	1.0630
24340	Grand Rapids-Wyoming-Kentwood, MI	0.8252	ok	-0.0039	-0.470%	ok	0.8291
24420	Grants Pass, OR	1.2259	ok	-0.0645	-4.998%	ok	1.2904
24500	Great Falls, MT	0.8950	ok	0.0252	2.897%	ok	0.8698
24540	Greeley, CO	0.9523	ok	-0.0336	-3.408%	ok	0.9859
24580	Green Bay, WI	0.9458	ok	0.0528	5.913%	ok	0.8930
24660	Greensboro-High Point, NC	0.9161	ok	-0.0007	-0.076%	ok	0.9168
24780	Greenville, NC	0.9458	ok	0.1216	14.754%	ok	0.8242
24860	Greenville-Anderson-Greer, SC	0.8945	ok	-0.0192	-2.101%	ok	0.9137
25020	Guayama, PR	0.3941	ok	0.0122	3.195%	ok	0.3819
25060	Gulfport-Biloxi, MS	0.7333	ok	-0.0334	-4.356%	ok	0.7667
25180	Hagerstown-Martinsburg, MD-WV	0.9276	ok	0.0167	1.833%	ok	0.9109
25220	Hammond, LA	0.7551	ok	0.0205	2.791%	ok	0.7346
25260	Hanford-Corcoran, CA	1.1121	ok	-0.0585	-4.997%	ok	1.1706
25420	Harrisburg-Carlisle, PA	0.9791	ok	-0.0264	-2.626%	ok	1.0055
25500	Harrisonburg, VA	1.0292	ok	0.0478	4.871%	ok	0.9814
25540	Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford, CT	1.0627	ok	0.0080	0.759%	ok	1.0547
25620	Hattiesburg, MS	0.7022	ok	0.0030	0.429%	ok	0.6992
25740	Helena, MT	0.8385	ok	0.0680	8.825%	ok	0.7705

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25860	Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton, NC	0.8911	ok	0.0380	4.454%	ok	0.8531
25940	Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Port Royal, SC	0.8259	ok	0.0617	8.074%	ok	0.7642
25980	Hinesville, GA	0.8797	ok	0.0018	0.205%	ok	0.8779
26140	Homosassa Springs, FL	0.8306	ok	-0.0263	-3.069%	ok	0.8569
26300	Hot Springs, AR	0.8655	ok	0.0047	0.546%	ok	0.8608
26380	Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux, LA	0.7124	ok	0.0164	2.356%	ok	0.6960
26420	Houston-Pasadena-The Woodlands, TX	0.9820	ok	0.0091	0.935%	ok	0.9729
26580	Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH	0.8614	ok	-0.0367	-4.086%	ok	0.8981
26620	Huntsville, AL	0.8262	ok	0.0156	1.925%	ok	0.8106
26820	Idaho Falls, ID	0.8065	ok	0.0056	0.699%	ok	0.8009
26900	Indianapolis-Carmel-Greenwood, IN	0.9613	ok	-0.0409	-4.081%	ok	1.0022
26980	Iowa City, IA	0.8529	ok	-0.0228	-2.604%	ok	0.8757
27060	Ithaca, NY	1.0051	ok	0.0594	6.281%	ok	0.9457
27100	Jackson, MI	0.8283	ok	-0.0066	-0.791%	ok	0.8349
27140	Jackson, MS	0.8068	ok	-0.0425	-5.004%	ok	0.8493
27180	Jackson, TN	0.6883	ok	-0.0150	-2.133%	ok	0.7033
27260	Jacksonville, FL	0.8619	ok	-0.0134	-1.531%	ok	0.8753
27340	Jacksonville, NC	0.7868	ok	0.0444	5.981%	ok	0.7424
27500	Janesville-Beloit, WI	0.8864	ok	0.0062	0.704%	ok	0.8802
27620	Jefferson City, MO	0.7946	ok	-0.0072	-0.898%	ok	0.8018
27740	Johnson City, TN	0.8011	ok	-0.0069	-0.854%	ok	0.8080
27780	Johnstown, PA	0.8295	ok	0.0374	4.722%	ok	0.7921
27860	Jonesboro, AR	0.7789	ok	-0.0410	-5.001%	ok	0.8199
27900	Joplin, MO-KS	0.7353	ok	-0.0005	-0.068%	ok	0.7358
27980	Kahului-Wailuku, HI	1.1165	ok	0.0888	8.641%	ok	1.0277
28020	Kalamazoo-Portage, MI	0.8498	ok	-0.0185	-2.131%	ok	0.8683
28100	Kankakee, IL	0.8678	ok	-0.0120	-1.364%	ok	0.8798
28140	Kansas City, MO-KS	0.9253	ok	0.0199	2.198%	ok	0.9054
28420	Kennewick-Richland, WA	0.9473	ok	-0.0045	-0.473%	ok	0.9518
28450	Kenosha, WI	0.9166	ok	0.0261	2.931%	ok	0.8905
28660	Killeen-Temple, TX	0.8990	ok	-0.0473	-4.998%	ok	0.9463
28700	Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA	0.7977	ok	-0.0131	-1.616%	ok	0.8108
28740	Kingston, NY	1.2303	ok	0.1771	16.815%	ok	1.0532
28880	Kiryas Joel-Poughkeepsie-Newburgh, NY	1.2011	ok	0.0291	2.483%	ok	1.1720
28940	Knoxville, TN	0.7540	ok	0.0176	2.390%	ok	0.7364
29020	Kokomo, IN	0.9618	ok	-0.0156	-1.596%	ok	0.9774
29100	La Crosse-Onalaska, WI-MN	0.9259	ok	-0.0487	-4.997%	ok	0.9746
29180	Lafayette, LA	0.7745	ok	-0.0408	-5.004%	ok	0.8153
29200	Lafayette-West Lafayette, IN	0.9586	ok	-0.0504	-4.995%	ok	1.0090
29340	Lake Charles, LA	0.8113	ok	-0.0064	-0.783%	ok	0.8177
29404	Lake County, IL	0.9704	ok	-0.0274	-2.746%	ok	0.9978
29414	Lake County-Porter County-Jasper County, IN	0.8818	ok	-0.0115	-1.287%	ok	0.8933
29420	Lake Havasu City-Kingman, AZ	0.9112	ok	0.0068	0.752%	ok	0.9044
29460	Lakeland-Winter Haven, FL	0.8352	ok	-0.0363	-4.165%	ok	0.8715
29484	Lakewood-New Brunswick, NJ	1.1592	ok	0.0318	2.821%	ok	1.1274
29540	Lancaster, PA	0.8402	ok	-0.0242	-2.800%	ok	0.8644
29620	Lansing-East Lansing, MI	0.8677	ok	-0.0325	-3.610%	ok	0.9002
29700	Laredo, TX	0.7705	ok	-0.0406	-5.006%	ok	0.8111
29740	Las Cruces, NM	0.8364	ok	-0.0184	-2.153%	ok	0.8548
29820	Las Vegas-Henderson-North Las Vegas, NV	1.0761	ok	-0.0123	-1.130%	ok	1.0884
29940	Lawrence, KS	0.8638	ok	-0.0147	-1.673%	ok	0.8785
30020	Lawton, OK	0.7221	ok	-0.0380	-4.999%	ok	0.7601
30140	Lebanon, PA	0.9536	ok	-0.0502	-5.001%	ok	1.0038
30300	Lewiston, ID-WA	0.9480	ok	0.0495	5.509%	ok	0.8985
30340	Lewiston-Auburn, ME	0.8898	ok	0.0260	3.010%	ok	0.8638
30460	Lexington-Fayette, KY	0.9266	ok	-0.0183	-1.937%	ok	0.9449
30500	Lexington Park, MD	0.8840	ok	-0.0430	-4.639%	ok	0.9270
30620	Lima, OH	0.8709	ok	-0.0245	-2.736%	ok	0.8954
30700	Lincoln, NE	1.0097	ok	-0.0134	-1.310%	ok	1.0231

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30780	Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway, AR	0.8367	ok	-0.0440	-4.996%	ok	0.8807
30860	Logan, UT-ID	0.9526	ok	0.0056	0.591%	ok	0.9470
30980	Longview, TX	0.8750	ok	-0.0322	-3.549%	ok	0.9072
31020	Longview-Kelso, WA	1.0827	ok	-0.0570	-5.001%	ok	1.1397
31084	Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, CA	1.2738	ok	0.0039	0.307%	ok	1.2699
31140	Louisville/Jefferson County, KY-IN	0.9492	ok	0.0347	3.794%	ok	0.9145
31180	Lubbock, TX	0.8531	ok	-0.0062	-0.722%	ok	0.8593
31340	Lynchburg, VA	0.8521	ok	-0.0448	-4.995%	ok	0.8969
31420	Macon-Bibb County, GA	0.8631	ok	0.0375	4.542%	ok	0.8256
31540	Madison, WI	0.9684	ok	0.0247	2.617%	ok	0.9437
31700	Manchester-Nashua, NH	0.9893	ok	0.0062	0.631%	ok	0.9831
31740	Manhattan, KS	0.8639	ok	0.0445	5.431%	ok	0.8194
31860	Mankato, MN	1.1196	ok	0.0084	0.756%	ok	1.1112
31900	Mansfield, OH	0.9436	ok	-0.0196	-2.035%	ok	0.9632
31924	Marietta, GA	1.0197	ok	0.0043	0.423%	ok	1.0154
32420	Mayagüez, PR	0.3515	ok	0.0107	3.140%	ok	0.3408
32580	McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, TX	0.7342	ok	-0.0319	-4.164%	ok	0.7661
32780	Medford, OR	1.1824	ok	-0.0622	-4.998%	ok	1.2446
32820	Memphis, TN-MS-AR	0.8339	ok	-0.0337	-3.884%	ok	0.8676
32900	Merced, CA	1.3311	ok	0.0445	3.459%	ok	1.2866
33124	Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL	0.9343	ok	-0.0326	-3.372%	ok	0.9669
33140	Michigan City-La Porte, IN	0.9264	ok	-0.0014	-0.151%	ok	0.9278
33220	Midland, MI	0.8771	ok	-0.0462	-5.004%	ok	0.9233
33260	Midland, TX	0.8567	ok	-0.0451	-5.001%	ok	0.9018
33340	Milwaukee-Waukesha, WI	0.9667	ok	-0.0012	-0.124%	ok	0.9679
33460	Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	1.0688	ok	-0.0161	-1.484%	ok	1.0849
33500	Minot, ND	0.7645	ok	-0.0402	-4.996%	ok	0.8047
33540	Missoula, MT	0.9086	ok	-0.0239	-2.563%	ok	0.9325
33660	Mobile, AL	0.8004	ok	-0.0149	-1.828%	ok	0.8153
33700	Modesto, CA	1.2905	ok	0.0429	3.439%	ok	1.2476
33740	Monroe, LA	0.7557	ok	-0.0398	-5.003%	ok	0.7955
33780	Monroe, MI	0.8963	ok	-0.0472	-5.003%	ok	0.9435
33860	Montgomery, AL	0.7899	ok	-0.0152	-1.888%	ok	0.8051
33874	Montgomery County-Bucks County-Chester County, PA	0.9514	ok	-0.0104	-1.081%	ok	0.9618
34060	Morgantown, WV	0.8986	ok	0.0892	11.021%	ok	0.8094
34100	Morristown, TN	0.6771	ok	-0.0151	-2.181%	ok	0.6922
34580	Mount Vernon-Anacortes, WA	1.0311	ok	0.0858	9.076%	ok	0.9453
34620	Muncie, IN	0.9329	ok	-0.0491	-5.000%	ok	0.9820
34740	Muskegon-Norton Shores, MI	0.8935	ok	0.0303	3.510%	ok	0.8632
34820	Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC	0.8155	ok	0.0147	1.836%	ok	0.8008
34900	Napa, CA	1.4289	ok	-0.0390	-2.657%	ok	1.4679
34940	Naples-Marco Island, FL	0.8933	ok	-0.0290	-3.144%	ok	0.9223
34980	Nashville-Davidson--Murfreesboro--Franklin, TN	0.9113	ok	0.0033	0.363%	ok	0.9080
35004	Nassau County-Suffolk County, NY	1.2635	ok	0.0270	2.184%	ok	1.2365
35084	Newark, NJ	1.1277	ok	0.0277	2.518%	ok	1.1000
35300	New Haven, CT	1.0873	ok	-0.0275	-2.467%	ok	1.1148
35380	New Orleans-Metairie, LA	0.8118	ok	-0.0427	-4.997%	ok	0.8545
35614	New York-Jersey City-White Plains, NY-NJ	1.3357	ok	0.0406	3.135%	ok	1.2951
35660	Niles, MI	0.8570	ok	-0.0337	-3.784%	ok	0.8907
35840	North Port-Bradenton-Sarasota, FL	0.9261	ok	-0.0178	-1.886%	ok	0.9439
35980	Norwich-New London-Willimantic, CT	1.0601	ok	0.0038	0.360%	ok	1.0563
36084	Oakland-Fremont-Berkeley, CA	1.7255	ok	-0.0179	-1.027%	ok	1.7434
36100	Ocala, FL	0.8624	ok	-0.0091	-1.044%	ok	0.8715
36220	Odessa, TX	0.8371	ok	-0.0331	-3.804%	ok	0.8702
36260	Ogden, UT	0.9293	ok	0.0023	0.248%	ok	0.9270
36420	Oklahoma City, OK	0.8971	ok	0.0250	2.867%	ok	0.8721
36500	Olympia-Lacey-Tumwater, WA	1.1221	ok	-0.0108	-0.953%	ok	1.1329
36540	Omaha, NE-IA	1.0491	ok	0.0089	0.856%	ok	1.0402
36740	Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL	0.9190	ok	-0.0484	-5.003%	ok	0.9674

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36780	Oshkosh-Neenah, WI	0.9361	ok	-0.0050	-0.531%	ok	0.9411
36980	Owensboro, KY	0.8651	ok	-0.0367	-4.070%	ok	0.9018
37100	Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura, CA	1.3221	ok	0.0673	5.363%	ok	1.2548
37140	Paducah, KY-IL	0.8784	ok	0.0146	1.690%	ok	0.8638
37340	Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville, FL	0.9603	ok	0.0119	1.255%	ok	0.9484
37460	Panama City-Panama City Beach, FL	0.8291	ok	-0.0277	-3.233%	ok	0.8568
37620	Parkersburg-Vienna, WV	0.8106	ok	0.0079	0.984%	ok	0.8027
37860	Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent, FL	0.7819	ok	-0.0246	-3.050%	ok	0.8065
37900	Peoria, IL	0.9190	ok	0.0290	3.258%	ok	0.8900
37964	Philadelphia, PA	1.0443	ok	0.0079	0.762%	ok	1.0364
38060	Phoenix-Mesa-Chandler, AZ	1.0046	ok	-0.0071	-0.702%	ok	1.0117
38240	Pinehurst-Southern Pines, NC	0.8362	ok	0.0140	1.703%	ok	0.8222
38300	Pittsburgh, PA	0.8172	ok	-0.0291	-3.438%	ok	0.8463
38340	Pittsfield, MA	0.9915	ok	-0.0033	-0.332%	ok	0.9948
38540	Pocatello, ID	0.8599	ok	-0.0200	-2.273%	ok	0.8799
38660	Ponce, PR	0.3616	ok	0.0329	10.009%	ok	0.3287
38860	Portland-South Portland, ME	1.0304	ok	0.0321	3.215%	ok	0.9983
38900	Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA	1.1527	ok	-0.0256	-2.173%	ok	1.1783
38940	Port St. Lucie, FL	0.8688	ok	-0.0457	-4.997%	ok	0.9145
39150	Prescott Valley-Prescott, AZ	1.0282	ok	0.0296	2.964%	ok	0.9986
39300	Providence-Warwick, RI-MA	1.0161	ok	0.0121	1.205%	ok	1.0040
39340	Provo-Orem-Lehi, UT	0.9609	ok	-0.0008	-0.083%	ok	0.9617
39380	Pueblo, CO	0.9140	ok	-0.0440	-4.593%	ok	0.9580
39460	Punta Gorda, FL	0.8510	ok	-0.0283	-3.218%	ok	0.8793
39540	Racine-Mount Pleasant, WI	0.9670	ok	-0.0038	-0.391%	ok	0.9708
39580	Raleigh-Cary, NC	0.9958	ok	0.0103	1.045%	ok	0.9855
39660	Rapid City, SD	0.8757	ok	-0.0086	-0.973%	ok	0.8843
39740	Reading, PA	0.9695	ok	-0.0510	-4.998%	ok	1.0205
39820	Redding, CA	1.3961	ok	0.0111	0.801%	ok	1.3850
39900	Reno, NV	0.9929	ok	0.0556	5.932%	ok	0.9373
40060	Richmond, VA	0.9123	ok	0.0128	1.423%	ok	0.8995
40140	Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	1.1621	ok	-0.0119	-1.014%	ok	1.1740
40220	Roanoke, VA	0.8283	ok	-0.0286	-3.338%	ok	0.8569
40340	Rochester, MN	1.1598	ok	0.0294	2.601%	ok	1.1304
40380	Rochester, NY	0.9772	ok	0.0273	2.874%	ok	0.9499
40420	Rockford, IL	0.9095	ok	-0.0107	-1.163%	ok	0.9202
40484	Rockingham County-Strafford County, NH	0.9856	ok	-0.0165	-1.647%	ok	1.0021
40580	Rocky Mount, NC	0.9110	ok	0.0398	4.568%	ok	0.8712
40660	Rome, GA	0.9854	ok	-0.0519	-5.003%	ok	1.0373
40900	Sacramento-Roseville-Folsom, CA	1.5755	ok	0.0125	0.800%	ok	1.5630
40980	Saginaw, MI	0.8434	ok	-0.0145	-1.690%	ok	0.8579
41060	St. Cloud, MN	0.9166	ok	-0.0055	-0.596%	ok	0.9221
41100	St. George, UT	0.9764	ok	-0.0234	-2.340%	ok	0.9998
41140	St. Joseph, MO-KS	0.8208	ok	-0.0039	-0.473%	ok	0.8247
41180	St. Louis, MO-IL	0.9798	ok	0.0064	0.657%	ok	0.9734
41304	St. Petersburg-Clearwater-Largo, FL	0.8629	ok	-0.0176	-1.999%	ok	0.8805
41420	Salem, OR	1.1157	ok	0.0038	0.342%	ok	1.1119
41500	Salinas, CA	1.7206	ok	0.0132	0.773%	ok	1.7074
41540	Salisbury, MD	1.0493	ok	0.2174	26.133%	ok	0.8319
41620	Salt Lake City-Murray, UT	0.9660	ok	0.0062	0.646%	ok	0.9598
41660	San Angelo, TX	0.8680	ok	-0.0094	-1.071%	ok	0.8774
41700	San Antonio-New Braunfels, TX	0.8684	ok	0.0158	1.853%	ok	0.8526
41740	San Diego-Chula Vista-Carlsbad, CA	1.2558	ok	0.0257	2.089%	ok	1.2301
41780	Sandusky, OH	0.7926	ok	-0.0014	-0.176%	ok	0.7940
41884	San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City, CA	1.8220	ok	0.0698	3.984%	ok	1.7522
41940	San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA	1.8425	ok	0.0108	0.590%	ok	1.8317
41980	San Juan-Bayamón-Caguas, PR	0.3718	ok	0.0129	3.594%	ok	0.3589
42020	San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles, CA	1.2816	ok	0.0026	0.203%	ok	1.2790
42034	San Rafael, CA	1.7214	ok	0.0272	1.605%	ok	1.6942

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42100	Santa Cruz-Watsonville, CA	1.7007	ok	-0.0054	-0.317%	ok	1.7061
42140	Santa Fe, NM	1.0212	ok	0.0011	0.108%	ok	1.0201
42200	Santa Maria-Santa Barbara, CA	1.3114	ok	-0.0023	-0.175%	ok	1.3137
42220	Santa Rosa-Petaluma, CA	1.5976	ok	-0.0504	-3.058%	ok	1.6480
42340	Savannah, GA	0.8279	ok	0.0059	0.718%	ok	0.8220
42540	Scranton--Wilkes-Barre, PA	0.8634	ok	-0.0163	-1.853%	ok	0.8797
42644	Seattle-Bellevue-Kent, WA	1.2485	ok	-0.0081	-0.645%	ok	1.2566
42680	Sebastian-Vero Beach-West Vero Corridor, FL	0.9644	ok	-0.0508	-5.004%	ok	1.0152
42700	Sebring, FL	0.8913	ok	-0.0469	-4.999%	ok	0.9382
43100	Sheboygan, WI	0.8994	ok	-0.0388	-4.136%	ok	0.9382
43300	Sherman-Denison, TX	0.8534	ok	0.0276	3.342%	ok	0.8258
43340	Shreveport-Bossier City, LA	0.8262	ok	0.0113	1.387%	ok	0.8149
43420	Sierra Vista-Douglas, AZ	0.8614	ok	0.0320	3.858%	ok	0.8294
43580	Sioux City, IA-NE-SD	0.8420	ok	-0.0237	-2.738%	ok	0.8657
43620	Sioux Falls, SD-MN	0.8123	ok	0.0181	2.279%	ok	0.7942
43640	Slidell-Mandeville-Covington, LA	0.7992	ok	-0.0218	-2.655%	ok	0.8210
43780	South Bend-Mishawaka, IN-MI	0.9417	ok	-0.0253	-2.616%	ok	0.9670
43900	Spartanburg, SC	0.9297	ok	0.0929	11.102%	ok	0.8368
44060	Spokane-Spokane Valley, WA	1.1017	ok	-0.0015	-0.136%	ok	1.1032
44100	Springfield, IL	0.9543	ok	-0.0056	-0.583%	ok	0.9599
44140	Springfield, MA	0.9604	ok	-0.0301	-3.039%	ok	0.9905
44180	Springfield, MO	0.7624	ok	-0.0328	-4.125%	ok	0.7952
44220	Springfield, OH	0.8920	ok	-0.0194	-2.129%	ok	0.9114
44300	State College, PA	1.0848	ok	-0.0435	-3.855%	ok	1.1283
44420	Staunton-Stuarts Draft, VA	0.9008	ok	0.0375	4.344%	ok	0.8633
44700	Stockton-Lodi, CA	1.4507	ok	-0.0605	-4.003%	ok	1.5112
44940	Sumter, SC	0.8852	ok	-0.0069	-0.773%	ok	0.8921
45060	Syracuse, NY	1.0601	ok	0.0415	4.074%	ok	1.0186
45104	Tacoma-Lakewood, WA	1.2466	ok	-0.0255	-2.005%	ok	1.2721
45220	Tallahassee, FL	0.7367	ok	-0.0031	-0.419%	ok	0.7398
45294	Tampa, FL	0.8684	ok	-0.0297	-3.307%	ok	0.8981
45460	Terre Haute, IN	0.8957	ok	-0.0202	-2.205%	ok	0.9159
45500	Texarkana, TX-AR	0.9285	ok	-0.0189	-1.995%	ok	0.9474
45780	Toledo, OH	0.8875	ok	-0.0032	-0.359%	ok	0.8907
45820	Topeka, KS	0.8419	ok	0.0223	2.721%	ok	0.8196
45900	Traverse City, MI	0.8305	ok	-0.0108	-1.284%	ok	0.8413
45940	Trenton-Princeton, NJ	1.0345	ok	0.0038	0.369%	ok	1.0307
46060	Tucson, AZ	0.8806	ok	-0.0080	-0.900%	ok	0.8886
46140	Tulsa, OK	0.8284	ok	-0.0164	-1.941%	ok	0.8448
46220	Tuscaloosa, AL	0.8704	ok	-0.0458	-4.999%	ok	0.9162
46300	Twin Falls, ID	0.9186	ok	-0.0161	-1.722%	ok	0.9347
46340	Tyler, TX	0.8644	ok	-0.0455	-5.001%	ok	0.9099
46520	Urban Honolulu, HI	1.1266	ok	-0.0555	-4.695%	ok	1.1821
46540	Utica-Rome, NY	0.8949	ok	-0.0164	-1.800%	ok	0.9113
46660	Valdosta, GA	0.6919	ok	-0.0112	-1.593%	ok	0.7031
46700	Vallejo, CA	1.7240	ok	-0.0907	-4.998%	ok	1.8147
47020	Victoria, TX	0.8359	ok	-0.0146	-1.717%	ok	0.8505
47220	Vineland, NJ	1.0863	ok	0.0053	0.490%	ok	1.0810
47260	Virginia Beach-Chesapeake-Norfolk, VA-NC	0.9326	ok	0.0384	4.294%	ok	0.8942
47300	Visalia, CA	0.9445	ok	-0.0146	-1.522%	ok	0.9591
47380	Waco, TX	0.9225	ok	-0.0223	-2.360%	ok	0.9448
47460	Walla Walla, WA	0.9270	ok	-0.0488	-5.001%	ok	0.9758
47580	Warner Robins, GA	0.7702	ok	0.0226	3.023%	ok	0.7476
47664	Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, MI	0.8695	ok	-0.0167	-1.884%	ok	0.8862
47764	Washington, DC-MD	1.0618	ok	-0.0119	-1.108%	ok	1.0737
47930	Waterbury-Shelton, CT	0.9757	ok	-0.0477	-4.661%	ok	1.0234
47940	Waterloo-Cedar Falls, IA	0.7676	ok	-0.0404	-5.000%	ok	0.8080
48060	Watertown-Fort Drum, NY	0.8750	ok	0.0230	2.700%	ok	0.8520
48140	Wausau, WI	0.8918	ok	0.0120	1.364%	ok	0.8798

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48260	Weirton-Steubenville, WV-OH	0.7442	ok	0.0156	2.141%	ok	0.7286
48300	Wenatchee-East Wenatchee, WA	0.9572	ok	-0.0504	-5.002%	ok	1.0076
48424	West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach, FL	0.8853	ok	-0.0336	-3.657%	ok	0.9189
48540	Wheeling, WV-OH	0.8439	ok	0.0960	12.836%	ok	0.7479
48620	Wichita, KS	0.8257	ok	-0.0091	-1.090%	ok	0.8348
48660	Wichita Falls, TX	0.8626	ok	-0.0454	-5.000%	ok	0.9080
48680	Wildwood-The Villages, FL	0.9121	ok	-0.0480	-4.999%	ok	0.9601
48700	Williamsport, PA	0.7904	ok	-0.0173	-2.142%	ok	0.8077
48864	Wilmington, DE-MD-NJ	1.0878	ok	0.0010	0.092%	ok	1.0868
48900	Wilmington, NC	0.9750	ok	-0.0115	-1.166%	ok	0.9865
49020	Winchester, VA-WV	0.9412	ok	-0.0084	-0.885%	ok	0.9496
49180	Winston-Salem, NC	0.9630	ok	0.0334	3.593%	ok	0.9296
49340	Worcester, MA	1.0139	ok	-0.0276	-2.650%	ok	1.0415
49420	Yakima, WA	1.0099	ok	0.0898	9.760%	ok	0.9201
49620	York-Hanover, PA	0.9144	ok	-0.0231	-2.464%	ok	0.9375
49660	Youngstown-Warren, OH	0.8199	ok	-0.0432	-5.005%	ok	0.8631
49700	Yuba City, CA	1.4104	ok	0.0509	3.744%	ok	1.3595
49740	Yuma, AZ	0.9582	ok	0.0065	0.683%	ok	0.9517
50004	Lamar county, GA ('26)	0.8629	ok	-0.0454	-4.998%	ok	0.9083
50006	Power county, ID ('26)	0.8092	ok	-0.0426	-5.001%	ok	0.8518
50023	Pike County, PA ('26)	0.9679	ok	-0.0509	-4.996%	ok	1.0188
50024	Madison county, VA ('26)	0.8782	ok	-0.0462	-4.998%	ok	0.9244
50028	Adjuntas county, PR ('26)	0.3035	ok	-0.0160	-5.008%	ok	0.3195
50029	Cabo Rojo, Lajas, Sabana Grande, or San German countie	0.3544	ok	-0.0187	-5.012%	ok	0.3731
50030	Guanica county, PR ('26)	0.2675	ok	-0.0141	-5.007%	ok	0.2816
50032	Lares or Utuado counties, PR ('26)	0.2583	ok	-0.0136	-5.002%	ok	0.2719
50033	Las Marias county, PR ('26)	0.2837	ok	-0.0149	-4.990%	ok	0.2986
99901	ALABAMA	0.6514	ok	0.0147	2.309%	ok	0.6367
99902	ALASKA	1.1328	ok	0.0054	0.479%	ok	1.1274
99903	ARIZONA	0.8337	ok	-0.0202	-2.366%	ok	0.8539
99904	ARKANSAS	0.7170	ok	-0.0126	-1.727%	ok	0.7296
99905	CALIFORNIA	1.2448	ok	-0.0327	-2.560%	ok	1.2775
99906	COLORADO	1.0454	ok	-0.0047	-0.448%	ok	1.0501
99907	CONNECTICUT	0.9424	ok	0.0284	3.107%	ok	0.9140
99908	DELAWARE	0.9590	ok	-0.0505	-5.002%	ok	1.0095
99910	FLORIDA	0.8259	ok	-0.0104	-1.244%	ok	0.8363
99911	GEORGIA	0.7717	ok	0.0353	4.794%	ok	0.7364
99912	HAWAII	1.2210	ok	0.0898	7.938%	ok	1.1312
99913	IDAHO	0.6975	ok	0.0117	1.706%	ok	0.6858
99914	ILLINOIS	0.8694	ok	-0.0049	-0.560%	ok	0.8743
99915	INDIANA	0.8624	ok	0.0059	0.689%	ok	0.8565
99916	IOWA	0.8062	ok	0.0248	3.174%	ok	0.7814
99917	KANSAS	0.8038	ok	-0.0097	-1.192%	ok	0.8135
99918	KENTUCKY	0.8147	ok	-0.0018	-0.220%	ok	0.8165
99919	LOUISIANA	0.6878	ok	-0.0068	-0.979%	ok	0.6946
99920	MAINE	0.8402	ok	0.0363	4.515%	ok	0.8039
99921	MARYLAND	0.8592	ok	-0.0196	-2.230%	ok	0.8788
99922	MASSACHUSETTS	1.1322	ok	-0.0050	-0.440%	ok	1.1372
99923	MICHIGAN	0.8154	ok	-0.0078	-0.948%	ok	0.8232
99924	MINNESOTA	0.9589	ok	0.0552	6.108%	ok	0.9037
99925	MISSISSIPPI	0.6944	ok	-0.0180	-2.527%	ok	0.7124
99926	MISSOURI	0.7872	ok	-0.0144	-1.796%	ok	0.8016
99927	MONTANA	1.0861	ok	-0.0572	-5.003%	ok	1.1433
99928	NEBRASKA	0.9215	ok	0.0351	3.960%	ok	0.8864
99929	NEVADA	1.0553	ok	-0.0555	-4.996%	ok	1.1108
99930	NEW HAMPSHIRE	1.0488	ok	0.0350	3.452%	ok	1.0138
99932	NEW MEXICO	0.8913	ok	-0.0281	-3.056%	ok	0.9194
99933	NEW YORK	0.9123	ok	0.0231	2.598%	ok	0.8892

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99934	NORTH CAROLINA	0.8590	ok	0.0468	5.762%	ok	0.8122
99935	NORTH DAKOTA	0.8210	ok	-0.0119	-1.429%	ok	0.8329
99936	OHIO	0.8230	ok	0.0198	2.465%	ok	0.8032
99937	OKLAHOMA	0.8081	ok	0.0046	0.572%	ok	0.8035
99938	OREGON	1.0287	ok	0.0078	0.764%	ok	1.0209
99939	PENNSYLVANIA	0.8509	ok	0.0002	0.024%	ok	0.8507
99940	PUERTO RICO	0.3470	ok	-0.0183	-5.010%	ok	0.3653
99942	SOUTH CAROLINA	0.8444	ok	0.0260	3.177%	ok	0.8184
99943	SOUTH DAKOTA	0.7979	ok	-0.0198	-2.421%	ok	0.8177
99944	TENNESSEE	0.7381	ok	0.0142	1.962%	ok	0.7239
99945	TEXAS	0.8133	ok	-0.0267	-3.179%	ok	0.8400
99946	UTAH	0.9108	ok	0.0139	1.550%	ok	0.8969
99947	VERMONT	0.9237	ok	0.0389	4.396%	ok	0.8848
99948	VIRGIN ISLANDS	0.5028	ok	-0.0265	-5.007%	ok	0.5293
99949	VIRGINIA	0.8565	ok	0.0226	2.710%	ok	0.8339
99950	WASHINGTON	1.1068	ok	0.1356	13.962%	ok	0.9712
99951	WEST VIRGINIA	0.7717	ok	0.0561	7.840%	ok	0.7156
99952	WISCONSIN	0.8453	ok	-0.0060	-0.705%	ok	0.8513
99953	WYOMING	0.9353	ok	-0.0492	-4.997%	ok	0.9845
99965	GUAM	0.9611	ok	0.0000	0.000%	ok	0.9611

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REFERENCE APPENDIX E
National LUPA Thresholds

Purpose

This appendix reproduces the proposed CY 2027 National LUPA Thresholds published by CMS. It is intended to supplement the discussion presented in the Executive Briefing by providing a complete reference of the proposed National LUPA Thresholds for readers seeking additional detail.

Note: This table is reproduced in this appendix as a convenient reference. Selected excerpts also appear within the discussion of Low Utilization Payment Adjustments (LUPAs) in the Executive Briefing.

PDGM Home Health Resource Groups (HHRGs): Case-Mix Weights and

HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	2027 - P LUPA Thresholds	Δ	2026 - F LUPA Thresholds
1AA11	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Community	3	0	3
1AA21	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Community	3	0	3
1AA31	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Community	3	0	3
1AB11	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1AB21	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1AB31	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Community	4	1	3
1AC11	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1AC21	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Community	4	1	3
1AC31	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Community	3	0	3
1BA11	Neuro - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1BA21	Neuro - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1BA31	Neuro - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1BB11	Neuro - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1BB21	Neuro - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1BB31	Neuro - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1BC11	Neuro - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1BC21	Neuro - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1BC31	Neuro - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1CA11	Wound - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1CA21	Wound - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1CA31	Wound - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1CB11	Wound - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1CB21	Wound - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1CB31	Wound - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1CC11	Wound - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1CC21	Wound - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1CC31	Wound - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1DA11	Complex - Low	Early - Community	2	0	2
1DA21	Complex - Low	Early - Community	2	0	2
1DA31	Complex - Low	Early - Community	2	0	2
1DB11	Complex - Medium	Early - Community	2	0	2
1DB21	Complex - Medium	Early - Community	2	0	2
1DB31	Complex - Medium	Early - Community	2	0	2
1DC11	Complex - High	Early - Community	2	0	2
1DC21	Complex - High	Early - Community	2	0	2
1DC31	Complex - High	Early - Community	2	0	2
1EA11	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1EA21	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4

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HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	2027 - P LUPA Thresholds	Δ	2026 - F LUPA Thresholds
1EA31	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1EB11	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Community	5	0	5
1EB21	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1EB31	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1EC11	MS Rehab - High	Early - Community	5	0	5
1EC21	MS Rehab - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1EC31	MS Rehab - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1FA11	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Community	3	0	3
1FA21	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Community	3	0	3
1FA31	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Community	3	0	3
1FB11	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1FB21	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1FB31	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Community	3	0	3
1FC11	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1FC21	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1FC31	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1GA11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Community	2	0	2
1GA21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Community	2	0	2
1GA31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Community	2	0	2
1GB11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Community	3	0	3
1GB21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Community	2	-1	3
1GB31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Community	2	-1	3
1GC11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Community	3	0	3
1GC21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Community	2	-1	3
1GC31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Community	2	0	2
1HA11	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1HA21	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Community	3	0	3
1HA31	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1HB11	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1HB21	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1HB31	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Community	3	0	3
1HC11	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1HC21	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Community	4	1	3
1HC31	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Community	3	0	3
1IA11	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1IA21	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1IA31	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Community	4	0	4
1IB11	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Community	5	0	5
1IB21	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1IB31	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Community	4	0	4
1IC11	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1IC21	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1IC31	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Community	4	0	4
1JA11	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Community	3	1	2
1JA21	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Community	2	0	2
1JA31	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Community	2	-1	3
1JB11	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Community	3	0	3
1JB21	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Community	3	1	2
1JB31	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Community	3	0	3
1JC11	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Community	3	0	3
1JC21	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Community	2	-1	3

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HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	2027 - P LUPA Thresholds	Δ	2026 - F LUPA Thresholds
1JC31	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Community	2	0	2
1KA11	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Community	2	0	2
1KA21	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Community	2	0	2
1KA31	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Community	2	0	2
1KB11	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Community	3	1	2
1KB21	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Community	2	0	2
1KB31	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Community	2	0	2
1KC11	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Community	2	0	2
1KC21	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Community	2	0	2
1KC31	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Community	2	0	2
1LA11	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Community	3	0	3
1LA21	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Community	2	-1	3
1LA31	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Community	2	-1	3
1LB11	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Community	3	0	3
1LB21	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Community	3	0	3
1LB31	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Community	3	0	3
1LC11	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Community	3	0	3
1LC21	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Community	3	0	3
1LC31	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Community	3	0	3
2AA11	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2AA21	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2AA31	MMTA - Other - Low	Early - Institutional	4	1	3
2AB11	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2AB21	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2AB31	MMTA - Other - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2AC11	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2AC21	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2AC31	MMTA - Other - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2BA11	Neuro - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2BA21	Neuro - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2BA31	Neuro - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2BB11	Neuro - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2BB21	Neuro - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2BB31	Neuro - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	-1	5
2BC11	Neuro - High	Early - Institutional	5	0	5
2BC21	Neuro - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2BC31	Neuro - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2CA11	Wound - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2CA21	Wound - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2CA31	Wound - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2CB11	Wound - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2CB21	Wound - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2CB31	Wound - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2CC11	Wound - High	Early - Institutional	5	0	5
2CC21	Wound - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2CC31	Wound - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2DA11	Complex - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2DA21	Complex - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2DA31	Complex - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2DB11	Complex - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2DB21	Complex - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	0	3

PDGM Home Health Resource Groups (HHRGs): Case-Mix Weights and

HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	2027 - P LUPA Thresholds	Δ	2026 - F LUPA Thresholds
2DB31	Complex - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2DC11	Complex - High	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2DC21	Complex - High	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2DC31	Complex - High	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2EA11	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2EA21	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Institutional	5	0	5
2EA31	MS Rehab - Low	Early - Institutional	5	0	5
2EB11	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Institutional	5	0	5
2EB21	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Institutional	5	0	5
2EB31	MS Rehab - Medium	Early - Institutional	5	0	5
2EC11	MS Rehab - High	Early - Institutional	5	0	5
2EC21	MS Rehab - High	Early - Institutional	5	0	5
2EC31	MS Rehab - High	Early - Institutional	5	0	5
2FA11	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2FA21	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2FA31	Behavioral Health - Low	Early - Institutional	3	1	2
2FB11	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2FB21	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2FB31	Behavioral Health - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2FC11	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Institutional	3	-1	4
2FC21	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2FC31	Behavioral Health - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2GA11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2GA21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2GA31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Early - Institutional	4	1	3
2GB11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2GB21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2GB31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2GC11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2GC21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2GC31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2HA11	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2HA21	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Institutional	3	-1	4
2HA31	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2HB11	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2HB21	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2HB31	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2HC11	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2HC21	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2HC31	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2IA11	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Institutional	4	1	3
2IA21	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2IA31	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2IB11	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2IB21	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2IB31	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2IC11	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2IC21	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2IC31	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2JA11	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2JA21	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3

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HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	2027 - P LUPA Thresholds	Δ	2026 - F LUPA Thresholds
2JA31	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2JB11	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2JB21	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2JB31	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	-1	4
2JC11	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Institutional	4	1	3
2JC21	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2JC31	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2KA11	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2KA21	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2KA31	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2KB11	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2KB21	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2KB31	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2KC11	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2KC21	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2KC31	MMTA - Infectious - High	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2LA11	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2LA21	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Institutional	3	0	3
2LA31	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2LB11	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2LB21	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2LB31	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2LC11	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Institutional	4	0	4
2LC21	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Institutional	3	-1	4
2LC31	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Early - Institutional	4	1	3
3AA11	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3AA21	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3AA31	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3AB11	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3AB21	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3AB31	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3AC11	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3AC21	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3AC31	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3BA11	Neuro - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3BA21	Neuro - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3BA31	Neuro - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3BB11	Neuro - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3BB21	Neuro - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3BB31	Neuro - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3BC11	Neuro - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3BC21	Neuro - High	Late - Community	3	0	3
3BC31	Neuro - High	Late - Community	3	0	3
3CA11	Wound - Low	Late - Community	2	-1	3
3CA21	Wound - Low	Late - Community	3	0	3
3CA31	Wound - Low	Late - Community	3	0	3
3CB11	Wound - Medium	Late - Community	3	0	3
3CB21	Wound - Medium	Late - Community	3	0	3
3CB31	Wound - Medium	Late - Community	3	0	3
3CC11	Wound - High	Late - Community	3	0	3
3CC21	Wound - High	Late - Community	3	0	3

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HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	2027 - P LUPA Thresholds	Δ	2026 - F LUPA Thresholds
3CC31	Wound - High	Late - Community	3	0	3
3DA11	Complex - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3DA21	Complex - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3DA31	Complex - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3DB11	Complex - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3DB21	Complex - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3DB31	Complex - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3DC11	Complex - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3DC21	Complex - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3DC31	Complex - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3EA11	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3EA21	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3EA31	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3EB11	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3EB21	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3EB31	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3EC11	MS Rehab - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3EC21	MS Rehab - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3EC31	MS Rehab - High	Late - Community	3	0	3
3FA11	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3FA21	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3FA31	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3FB11	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3FB21	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3FB31	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3FC11	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3FC21	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3FC31	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3GA11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3GA21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3GA31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3GB11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3GB21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3GB31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3GC11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3GC21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3GC31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3HA11	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Community	3	1	2
3HA21	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3HA31	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3HB11	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3HB21	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3HB31	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3HC11	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3HC21	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3HC31	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Community	3	0	3
3IA11	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Community	3	0	3
3IA21	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Community	3	0	3
3IA31	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Community	3	0	3
3IB11	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Community	3	0	3
3IB21	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Community	3	0	3

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HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	2027 - P LUPA Thresholds	Δ	2026 - F LUPA Thresholds
3IB31	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Community	3	0	3
3IC11	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Community	3	0	3
3IC21	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Community	3	0	3
3IC31	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Community	3	0	3
3JA11	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3JA21	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3JA31	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3JB11	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3JB21	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3JB31	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3JC11	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3JC21	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3JC31	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3KA11	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3KA21	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3KA31	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3KB11	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3KB21	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3KB31	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3KC11	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3KC21	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3KC31	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3LA11	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3LA21	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3LA31	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Community	2	0	2
3LB11	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3LB21	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3LB31	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Community	2	0	2
3LC11	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3LC21	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
3LC31	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Community	2	0	2
4AA11	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4AA21	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4AA31	MMTA - Other - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4AB11	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4AB21	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4AB31	MMTA - Other - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	1	3
4AC11	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4AC21	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4AC31	MMTA - Other - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4BA11	Neuro - Low	Late - Institutional	3	-1	4
4BA21	Neuro - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4BA31	Neuro - Low	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4BB11	Neuro - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4BB21	Neuro - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4BB31	Neuro - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4BC11	Neuro - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4BC21	Neuro - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4BC31	Neuro - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4CA11	Wound - Low	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4CA21	Wound - Low	Late - Institutional	4	0	4

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HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	2027 - P LUPA Thresholds	Δ	2026 - F LUPA Thresholds
4CA31	Wound - Low	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4CB11	Wound - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4CB21	Wound - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4CB31	Wound - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4CC11	Wound - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4CC21	Wound - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4CC31	Wound - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4DA11	Complex - Low	Late - Institutional	3	1	2
4DA21	Complex - Low	Late - Institutional	2	0	2
4DA31	Complex - Low	Late - Institutional	2	-1	3
4DB11	Complex - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4DB21	Complex - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4DB31	Complex - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4DC11	Complex - High	Late - Institutional	2	0	2
4DC21	Complex - High	Late - Institutional	2	0	2
4DC31	Complex - High	Late - Institutional	2	0	2
4EA11	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4EA21	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4EA31	MS Rehab - Low	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4EB11	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4EB21	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4EB31	MS Rehab - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4EC11	MS Rehab - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4EC21	MS Rehab - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4EC31	MS Rehab - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4FA11	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4FA21	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Institutional	2	0	2
4FA31	Behavioral Health - Low	Late - Institutional	2	-1	3
4FB11	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4FB21	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4FB31	Behavioral Health - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	-1	4
4FC11	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4FC21	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4FC31	Behavioral Health - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4GA11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4GA21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4GA31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4GB11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4GB21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4GB31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	1	3
4GC11	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4GC21	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4GC31	MMTA - Surgical Aftercare - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4HA11	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4HA21	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4HA31	MMTA - Cardiac - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4HB11	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4HB21	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4HB31	MMTA - Cardiac - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4HC11	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4HC21	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3

PDGM Home Health Resource Groups (HHRGs): Case-Mix Weights and

HIPPS	Clinical Group and Functional Level	Timing and Admission Source	2027 - P LUPA Thresholds	Δ	2026 - F LUPA Thresholds
4HC31	MMTA - Cardiac - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4IA11	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Institutional	4	1	3
4IA21	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4IA31	MMTA - Endocrine - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4IB11	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4IB21	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	1	3
4IB31	MMTA - Endocrine - Medium	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4IC11	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4IC21	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4IC31	MMTA - Endocrine - High	Late - Institutional	4	0	4
4JA11	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4JA21	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4JA31	MMTA - GI/GU - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4JB11	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4JB21	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4JB31	MMTA - GI/GU - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4JC11	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4JC21	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4JC31	MMTA - GI/GU - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4KA11	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4KA21	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4KA31	MMTA - Infectious - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4KB11	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4KB21	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4KB31	MMTA - Infectious - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4KC11	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4KC21	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4KC31	MMTA - Infectious - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4LA11	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4LA21	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4LA31	MMTA - Respiratory - Low	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4LB11	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4LB21	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4LB31	MMTA - Respiratory - Medium	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4LC11	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Institutional	3.5	0.5	3
4LC21	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3
4LC31	MMTA - Respiratory - High	Late - Institutional	3	0	3

Source: The CMS webpage for CMS-1844-P CY 2027 Proposed HH PDGM Case Mix Weights and LUPA Thresholds.

LUPA Thresholds by Visit Count:

Visit Count	2027 Proposed	2026 Final
# @ 2	123	119
# @ 3	154	165
# @ 4	141	134
# @ 5	13	14
# @ 6	0	0
	431	432

+ 1 @ 3.5 ? awaiting CMS clarification

REFERENCE APPENDIX F

LUPA Per-Visit Rates

Purpose

This appendix reproduces the proposed CY 2027 National LUPA Per-Visit Payment Rates published by CMS. It is intended to supplement the discussion presented in the Executive Briefing by providing a complete reference of the proposed National LUPA Per-Visit Payment Rates for readers seeking additional detail.

2027 LUPA Per-Visit Rates for HHAs Not Submitting Required Quality Data

TABLE 29: PROPOSED CY 2027 NATIONAL PER-VISIT PAYMENT AMOUNTS FOR HHAS THAT DO NOT SUBMIT THE REQUIRED QUALITY DATA

HH Discipline	CY 2026 Per-Visit Payment Amount	CY 2027 Wage Index Budget Neutrality Factor	CY 2027 HH Payment Update Factor Minus 2 Percentage Points	CY 2027 Per-Visit Payment Amount
Home Health Aide	$80.12	0.9997	1.001	$80.18
Medical Social Services	$283.64	0.9997	1.001	$283.84
Occupational Therapy	$194.74	0.9997	1.001	$194.88
Physical Therapy	$193.42	0.9997	1.001	$193.56
Skilled Nursing	$176.96	0.9997	1.001	$177.08
Speech-Language Pathology	$210.25	0.9997	1.001	$210.40

Note: This table is reproduced in this appendix as a convenient reference. It also appears within the discussion of Standardized Payment Amounts in the Executive Briefing.

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TABLE 28: PROPOSED CY 2027 NATIONAL PER-VISIT PAYMENT AMOUNTS

HH Discipline	CY 2026 Per-Visit Payment Amount	CY 2027 Wage Index Budget Neutrality Factor	CY 2027 HH Payment Update Factor	CY 2027 Per-Visit Payment Amount
Home Health Aide	$80.12	0.9997	1.021	$81.78
Medical Social Services	$283.64	0.9997	1.021	$289.51
Occupational Therapy	$194.74	0.9997	1.021	$198.77
Physical Therapy	$193.42	0.9997	1.021	$197.42
Skilled Nursing	$176.96	0.9997	1.021	$180.62
Speech-Language Pathology	$210.25	0.9997	1.021	$214.60

Note: This table is reproduced in this appendix as a convenient reference. It also appears within the discussion of Standardized Payment Amounts in the Executive Briefing.

Source: page 41272 of the Federal Register/Vol. 91, No. 127 /Monday, July 6, 2026/Proposed Rules

REFERENCE APPENDIX G

Historical Analysis of the Medicare Home Health Outlier Funding Structure

2011–Present

Purpose

Beginning in CY 2011, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) changed the funding structure of the Medicare Home Health Outlier Provision. Under this legislation, Medicare continues to reduce projected Home Health Spending by **5 percent** to fund the Outlier Provision while limiting aggregate Outlier payments to **2.5 percent** of projected Home Health Spending.

As a result, a portion of the annual reduction in projected Home Health Spending has not been available to support Medicare home health payments.

This appendix illustrates the historical magnitude of that funding structure using Medicare Fee-for-Service (FFS) Home Health Spending reported by MedPAC.

Historical Analysis of the Medicare Home Health Outlier Funding Structure

Year	Medicare FFS Home Health Spending ($ Billions)	5.0% Funding Reduction ($ Millions)	2.5% Maximum Available for Outlier Payments ($ Millions)	Annual Difference ($ Millions)	Cumulative Difference ($ Millions)
2011	$18.4	$920.0	$460.0	$460.0	$460.0
2012	18.2	910.0	455.0	455.0	915.0
2013	18.1	905.0	452.5	452.5	1,367.5
2014	18.0	900.0	450.0	450.0	1,817.5
2015	18.4	920.0	460.0	460.0	2,277.5
2016	18.4	920.0	460.0	460.0	2,737.5
2017	17.9	895.0	447.5	447.5	3,185.0
2018	18.0	900.0	450.0	450.0	3,635.0
2019	17.9	895.0	447.5	447.5	4,082.5
2020	17.1	855.0	427.5	427.5	4,510.0

Year	Medicare FFS Home Health Spending ($ Billions)	5.0% Funding Reduction ($ Millions)	2.5% Maximum Available for Outlier Payments ($ Millions)	Annual Difference ($ Millions)	Cumulative Difference ($ Millions)
2021	16.9	845.0	422.5	422.5	4,932.5
2022	16.2	810.0	405.0	405.0	5,337.5
2023	15.9	795.0	397.5	397.5	5,735.0
2024	16.0	800.0	400.0	400.0	$6,135.0

Interpretation

Several observations become apparent from this analysis.

- Since 2011, projected Medicare Fee-for-Service Home Health Spending has been reduced by **5 percent annually** to fund the Outlier Provision.
- Aggregate Outlier payments have remained limited to **2.5 percent** of projected Medicare Fee-for-Service Home Health Spending.
- Consequently, **2.5 percent of projected Medicare Fee-for-Service Home Health Spending has not been available to support Medicare home health payments.**
- Because annual Medicare Fee-for-Service Home Health Spending has remained in the **tens of billions of dollars**, the cumulative financial effect of this funding structure has also been substantial.

Relationship to Agency-Level Analysis

This appendix examines the Outlier Provision from an industry-wide perspective.

Individual agencies experience the Outlier Provision differently depending upon their patient population, utilization patterns, and Outlier payments received. As discussed in this Executive Briefing, determining whether the Outlier Provision has ultimately been beneficial or detrimental to an individual organization requires evaluating both:

- the reduction in Medicare reimbursement associated with funding the Outlier Provision; and
- the Outlier payments received by the agency.

John's Observation

Receiving Outlier payments does not necessarily mean the Outlier Provision benefited an agency. That determination requires evaluating both the Outlier payments received and the reduction in Medicare reimbursement used to fund the provision.

Editorial Note

Source: Medicare Fee-for-Service Home Health Spending based on the most recent MedPAC published data. Calculated values are derived from the applicable annual spending amounts. Historical spending values should be verified against the most recent MedPAC publications before future editions are released.

Closing Statement

The purpose of this analysis is not to advocate a particular policy outcome, but rather to provide additional context regarding the historical funding structure of the Medicare Home Health Outlier Provision. A better understanding of that funding structure can help inform more meaningful discussions regarding its financial implications for both the home health industry and individual agencies.

REFERENCE APPENDIX H

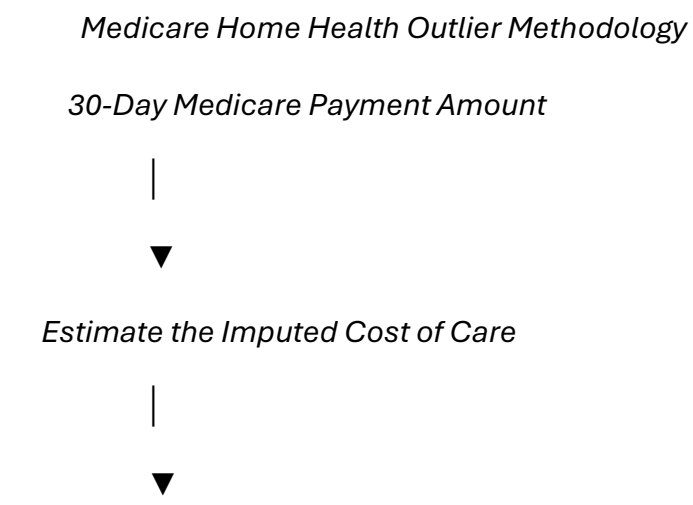
Understanding the Medicare Home Health Outlier Methodology

Purpose

The Medicare Home Health Outlier Provision is designed to provide additional reimbursement for **high-cost 30-day payment periods**. Determining whether a 30-day payment period qualifies for an Outlier payment, however, is **not** based upon an agency's actual costs. Instead, CMS uses a standardized methodology to estimate the cost of providing care before determining whether an Outlier payment is warranted.

This appendix provides a conceptual overview of that methodology and explains the principal components used by CMS to determine Outlier eligibility and payment. **It is not intended to teach readers how to calculate an Outlier payment under the CMS payment methodology, as that topic is beyond the scope of the Executive Briefing and this companion Reference Appendices.**

The Medicare Home Health Outlier Methodology



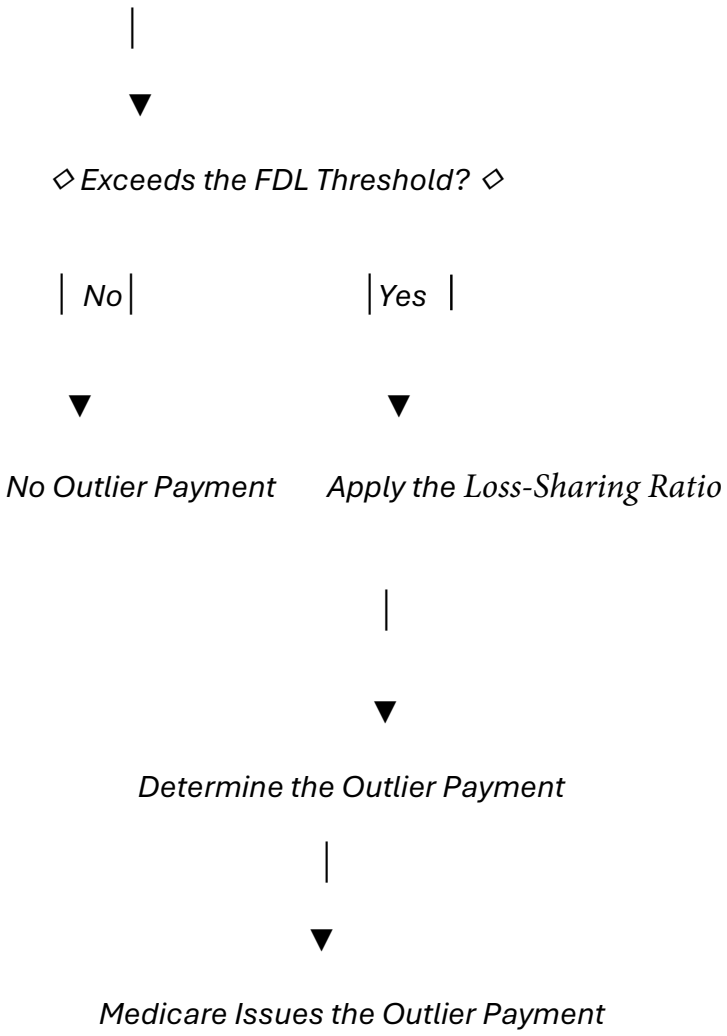


Figure H-1. Conceptual Overview of the Medicare Home Health Outlier Methodology

The following discussion explains each step in the methodology at a conceptual level.

Step 1 — Estimate the Imputed Cost of Care

The first step in determining whether a 30-day payment period qualifies for an Outlier payment is estimating the **imputed cost of providing care**.

Importantly, **CMS does not use an agency's actual costs** when making this determination. Instead, Medicare estimates the cost of providing care using a standardized national methodology designed to apply consistently across all home health agencies.

Under this methodology, clinician visit time is converted into **15-minute time units** rather than individual visits. CMS assigns standardized national cost amounts to each 15-minute time unit for each discipline (for example, Skilled Nursing, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech-Language Pathology, Medical Social Services, and Home Health Aide services). Those standardized costs are then adjusted using the applicable Wage Index to reflect geographic differences in labor costs.

In addition, **chargeable Non-Routine Medical Supplies (NRS) are excluded** from the imputed cost calculation.

Consequently, Medicare's estimated cost of providing care may differ significantly from an agency's actual cost of providing services during the same 30-day payment period.

Step 2 — Compare the Imputed Cost to the Fixed-Dollar Loss (FDL) Threshold

After estimating the imputed cost of providing care, CMS compares that amount to the Medicare payment for the applicable 30-day payment period.

The **Fixed-Dollar Loss (FDL) threshold** represents the amount by which the estimated imputed cost must exceed the Medicare payment before an Outlier payment is considered. If the estimated loss does not exceed the applicable FDL threshold, no Outlier payment is made.

The FDL threshold helps ensure that Outlier payments are reserved for **high-cost 30-day payment periods**, rather than normal variation in patient care.

Step 3 — Apply the Loss-Sharing Ratio

When the estimated loss exceeds the applicable FDL threshold, Medicare does not reimburse the entire excess amount.

Instead, CMS applies the applicable **Loss-Sharing Ratio** to determine the Outlier payment associated with that 30-day payment period.

This methodology provides partial reimbursement for qualifying **high-cost 30-day payment periods** while maintaining consistency in administering the Medicare Home Health Prospective Payment System.

Determining the Outlier Payment

In summary, Medicare first estimates the cost of providing care using standardized national cost factors rather than an agency's actual costs. That estimated imputed cost is then compared to the applicable Medicare payment and the Fixed-Dollar Loss threshold. When the estimated loss exceeds the threshold, the Loss-Sharing Ratio is applied to determine the Outlier payment.

Understanding these three components—the **Imputed Cost**, the **Fixed-Dollar Loss Threshold**, and the **Loss-Sharing Ratio**—provides the conceptual foundation for understanding how Medicare determines Outlier payments under the Home Health Prospective Payment System.

Key Takeaway

Medicare determines Outlier eligibility using standardized **imputed costs**, not an agency's actual costs. Understanding that distinction is fundamental to understanding the Medicare Home Health Outlier Methodology and evaluating the financial impact of the Outlier Provision.

Applying the Methodology to Your Agency

Organizations seeking a more detailed understanding of the Medicare Home Health Outlier Methodology—or assistance evaluating how the Outlier Provision affects their own agency—are welcome to contact **Innovative Financial Solutions for Home Health (IFS4hh)**.

Agency-specific analyses can provide insights beyond the scope of this Executive Briefing by comparing Medicare's standardized methodology with an organization's actual operating characteristics, reimbursement patterns, and financial results.

Understanding how Medicare determines Outlier payments is important. Applying that understanding to your agency is where better decisions begin.

Reference Appendix I

Historical Comparison of Proposed and Final Home Health Spending Changes

Purpose

The annual Home Health PPS Proposed Rule represents the beginning—not the end—of the federal rule-making process.

Each year, CMS publishes proposed policy changes and provides an opportunity for stakeholders to submit comments before the Final Rule is issued. As a result, the payment updates contained in the Final Rule may differ from those originally proposed.

This appendix provides a historical comparison of the Proposed and Final Home Health Spending changes to illustrate how Medicare payment policy has evolved during the federal rule-making process.

Historical Comparison of Proposed and Final Home Health Spending Changes

	Projected Δ ($) in HH Spending		Projected Δ (%) in HH Spending	
Year	Proposed	FINAL	Proposed	FINAL
2027	420,000,000		2.40%	
2026	(1,135,000,000)	(220,000,000)	-6.40%	-1.30%
2025	(280,000,000)	85,000,000	-1.70%	0.50%
2024	(375,000,000)	140,000,000	-2.20%	0.80%
2023	(810,000,000)	125,000,000	-4.20%	0.70%
2022	310,000,000	570,000,000	1.70%	3.20%
2021	450,000,000	390,000,000	2.60%	1.90%
2020	250,000,000	250,000,000	1.30%	1.30%

This table compares the changes in projected Home Health Spending under the Proposed Rule and Final Rule for each year since the inception of the Patient-Driven Grouping Model (PDGM) in CY2020.

Sources: *Applicable Proposed Rule for 2027, and the Final Rules for 2020 – 2026.*

Interpretation

The Proposed Rule represents the beginning—not the end—of the federal rule-making process.

Historically, the payment updates published in the Final Rule have frequently differed from those originally proposed by CMS.

Those differences reflect numerous factors considered during the rule-making process, including statutory requirements, updated data, technical revisions, and public comments submitted by stakeholders.

Consequently, meaningful participation in the rule-making process remains an important opportunity for home health providers and other stakeholders to contribute information and perspectives before policies are finalized.

John's Observation

Every Final Rule begins as a Proposed Rule. Understanding the difference between the two is one of the reasons participation in the federal rule-making process matters.

Editorial Note

Source: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), annual Home Health PPS Proposed and Final Rules. Historical comparisons are based upon CMS's published estimates of projected Home Health Spending changes for each applicable rule year.
