

Medicare SSH Discharge Rankings Data Dictionary

Variable Name	Term Name	Definition
current_fy_rank	Current Fiscal Year Rank	The hospital discharge ranking of the Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG) during the current Fiscal Year (FY), based on the total number of Medicare discharges.
prior_fy_rank	Prior Fiscal Year Rank	The hospital discharge ranking of the Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG) during the prior Fiscal Year (FY), based on the total number of Medicare discharges.
drg_number	Diagnosis Related-Group Number	The code assigned to a specific Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG) that represents a condition or procedure category.
drg_description	Diagnosis Related-Group Description	The description of the Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG) represented by the DRG Number.
total_discharges	Total Discharges	The total number of Medicare-covered discharges associated with the Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG) during the Fiscal Year (FY).