2017 MEDICAL MALPRACTICE PAYOUT ANALYSIS

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE PAYOUT AMOUNTS
From 2003-2016

- Total Payout amounts decreased in 2016 by 2.54% to $3,843,211,300.

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**BOTTOM STATES PER CAPITA**
Total paid out per person residing in the state. Population estimates are taken from the US Census Bureau (see references).

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**PAYMENT AMOUNTS BY MALPRACTICE ALLEGATION**
Percentages rounded.

- **Diagnosis**: 34%
- **Surgery**: 24%
- **Treatment**: 18%
- **Obstetrics**: 10%
- **Medication**: 4%
- **Monitoring**: 4%
- **Other**: 6%
SEVERITY OF OUTCOME
Percentage of payment amounts by severity of the alleged outcome.

18% Significant Permanent Injury
17% Major Permanent Injury
14% Quadriplegic, Brain Damage, Lifelong Care
7% Minor Permanent Injury
7% Major Temporary Injury
6% Other
31% Death

AVERAGE PAYMENT AMOUNTS
Payment amount by severity of the alleged outcome.

QUADRIPLEGIC, BRAIN DMG, LIFE CARE $1,130,592
MAJOR PERMANENT INJURY $622,168
SIGNIFICANT PERMANENT INJURY $450,251
DEATH $385,648
MAJOR TEMPORARY INJURY $215,247
CANNOT BE DETERMINED $205,493
MINOR PERMANENT INJURY $204,316
MINOR TEMPORARY INJURY $75,502
EMOTIONAL INJURY ONLY $75,392
INSIGNIFICANT INJURY $26,032

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PATIENT TYPE
Total payment amount by patient type.

UNKNOWN (5%)
BOTH (10%)
OUTPATIENT (41%)
INPATIENT (44%)

PATIENT GENDER
Percentage of total payment amount by patient gender.

Male
$1,788,959,600
47%

Female
$2,043,026,650
53%

Unknown
$11,225,050
>1%

PATIENT AGE
Total payment amount by patient age. Y axis represents millions of dollars.

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Delaware: Total payout amount: $6,071,000 | Per capita: $6.38 | -46.91% in total payouts from 2015

District of Columbia: Total payout amount: $6,433,750 | Per capita: $9.45 | -24.51% in total payouts from 2015

Maine: Total payout amount: $11,725,250 | Per capita: $8.81 | -27.58% in total payouts from 2015

Maryland: Total payout amount: $92,406,250 | Per capita: $15.36 | -13.73% in total payouts from 2015

Massachusetts: Total payout amount: $179,573,500 | Per capita: $26.36 | -9.87% in total payouts from 2015

New Hampshire: Total payout amount: $51,824,750 | Per capita: $38.83 | +298.46% in total payouts from 2015

New Jersey: Total payout amount: $299,161,500 | Per capita: $33.45 | +17.62% in total payouts from 2015

New York: Total payout amount: $700,817,750 | Per capita: $35.49 | +0.08% in total payouts from 2015

Pennsylvania: Total payout amount: $315,578,800 | Per capita: $24.69 | -14.65% in total payouts from 2015

Rhode Island: Total payout amount: $29,088,250 | Per capita: $27.53 | +48.88% in total payouts from 2015

Vermont: Total payout amount: $4,875,000 | Per capita: $7.81 | -8.11% in total payouts from 2015

45.8% | $27.56 | -1.81%

The total payout amount for the northeast in 2016 was 45.8% of the United States ($1,760,049,300). The payouts in New York alone were greater than the entire midwest.

The northeast had $27.56 paid out for every individual residing in the region in 2016. This number is almost 3 times greater than the next highest region (the midwest).

The total payout amount for the northeast was down 1.81% from 2015.
MIDWESTERN UNITED STATES
Taking a closer look at the midwestern United States of America, in regard to medical malpractice payouts.

**ILLINOIS**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $274,866,750 | PER CAPITA: $21.47 | +10.11% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**INDIANA**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $78,799,000 | PER CAPITA: $11.88 | +52.06% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**IOWA**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $21,024,800 | PER CAPITA: $6.71 | +3.81% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**KANSAS**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $25,183,550 | PER CAPITA: $8.66 | +9.6% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**MICHIGAN**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $63,871,000 | PER CAPITA: $6.43 | -9.62% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**MINNESOTA**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $32,552,850 | PER CAPITA: $5.90 | -32.95% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**MISSOURI**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $69,014,550 | PER CAPITA: $11.33 | -0.42% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**NEBRASKA**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $15,789,750 | PER CAPITA: $8.28 | +15.81% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**NORTH DAKOTA**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $1,050,000 | PER CAPITA: $1.39 | -66.68% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**OHIO**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $77,740,800 | PER CAPITA: $6.69 | -12.87% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**SOUTH DAKOTA**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $1,648,750 | PER CAPITA: $1.91 | -82.47% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

**WISCONSIN**
TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $6,410,250 | PER CAPITA: $1.11 | -56.03% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

17.38%
The total payout amount for the midwest in 2016 was $667,952,050 - making up 17.38% of total payouts in the United States. The only region with a lower amount was the west.

$9.83
The midwest had $9.83 paid out for every individual residing in the region in 2016. The midwest was only lower than the northeast in regard to per capita payouts.

+0.72%
The total payout amount for the midwest was up 0.72% from 2015.
SOUTHERN UNITED STATES
Taking a closer look at the southern United States of America in regard to medical malpractice payouts.

ALABAMA  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $26,092,950  |  PER CAPITA: $5.37  |  +35.59% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

ARKANSAS  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $27,526,250  |  PER CAPITA: $9.21  |  +33.17% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

FLORIDA  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $222,949,600  |  PER CAPITA: $10.82  |  -12.61% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

GEORGIA  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $119,240,900  |  PER CAPITA: $11.57  |  +5.82% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

KENTUCKY  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $37,058,000  |  PER CAPITA: $8.35  |  -9.99% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015


MISSISSIPPI  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $23,784,250  |  PER CAPITA: $7.96  |  +37.15% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

NORTH CAROLINA  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $31,054,000  |  PER CAPITA: $3.06  |  -38.15% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

OKLAHOMA  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $39,493,000  |  PER CAPITA: $10.07  |  +26.52% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

SOUTH CAROLINA  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $35,594,250  |  PER CAPITA: $7.17  |  -13.31% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

TENNESSEE  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $38,100,550  |  PER CAPITA: $5.73  |  -17.88% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

TEXAS  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $90,582,500  |  PER CAPITA: $3.25  |  +14.65% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

VIRGINIA  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $69,332,000  |  PER CAPITA: $8.24  |  +17.12% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

WEST VIRGINIA  TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT: $33,441,250  |  PER CAPITA: $18.26  |  -28.79% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015

21.8%  $7.31  -4.76%

The total payout amount for the south in 2016 was $263,923,050 - making up 21.8% of total payout amounts in the United States for 2016.
The south had $7.31 paid out for every individual residing in the region in 2016.
The total payout amount for the south was down 4.76% from 2015.

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WESTERN UNITED STATES
Taking a closer look at the western United States of America in regard to medical malpractice payouts.

**ALASKA**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $3,917,500
- **PER CAPITA:** $5.28
- **-48.13% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**ARIZONA**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $62,045,550
- **PER CAPITA:** $8.95
- **-15.16% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**CALIFORNIA**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $235,180,950
- **PER CAPITA:** $5.99
- **-12.26% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**COLORADO**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $34,251,250
- **PER CAPITA:** $6.18
- **-21.66% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**HAWAII**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $13,157,800
- **PER CAPITA:** $9.21
- **+105.93% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**IDAHO**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $25,982,250
- **PER CAPITA:** $15.44
- **+195.98% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**MONTANA**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $10,320,000
- **PER CAPITA:** $9.90
- **+74.9% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**NEVADA**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $21,514,800
- **PER CAPITA:** $7.32
- **-16.08% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**NEW MEXICO**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $40,964,250
- **PER CAPITA:** $19.68
- **-19.34% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**OREGON**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $31,876,800
- **PER CAPITA:** $7.79
- **-25.03% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**UTAH**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $28,128,750
- **PER CAPITA:** $9.22
- **+72.68% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**WASHINGTON**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $66,987,500
- **PER CAPITA:** $9.19
- **+38.75% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**WYOMING**
- **TOTAL PAYOUT AMOUNT:** $2,957,500
- **PER CAPITA:** $5.05
- **-58.53% IN TOTAL PAYOUTS FROM 2015**

**15.02%**
- The total payout amount for the west in 2016 was $577,284,900 - making up 15.02% of total payouts in the USA.

**$7.53**
- The west had $253 paid out for every individual residing in the region in 2016.

**-5.03%**
- The total payout amount for the west was down 5.03% from 2015.
REFERENCES & NOTES
Where the data came from and how it was analyzed.

“National Practitioner Data Bank Public Use Data File”
September 1, 1990 - December 31, 2016
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

All data not pertaining to the 50 United States of America and the District of Columbia were removed for the purposes of this analysis.

State data was determined by evaluating Work State (workstat), Home State (homestat) and Licensure State (licnstat), in that order.

Figures used for the ‘per capita’ statistics are based on July 2016 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau:
Table 1. Annual Estimates of the Resident Population for the United States, Regions, States, and Puerto Rico: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2016 (NST-EST2016-01)
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division
Release Date: December 2016

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