

National Air Ambulance Charge Data

This Data from CMS documents the nationwide average charges for air ambulances by hcpcs code.

When compared to the data supplied by BCBS of Montana and Allegiance, it demonstrates that air ambulance charges in MT are comparable to the rest of the country, despite the fact that MT is a more expensive place to do business because of the greater distances involved and low volume resulting from low population density.

Data Source: CMS

<https://www.cms.gov/research-statistics-data-and-systems/statistics-trends-and-reports/medicare-provider-charge-data/physician-and-other-supplier.html>

The data in the Physician and Other Supplier PUF covers calendar years 2012 and 2013 and contains 100% final-action physician/supplier Part B non-institutional line items for the Medicare fee-for-service population.

Note: 2013 is the most recent Data published by CMS.

CMS 2013

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	hcpcs_code	National Average Medicare Allowable	National Average Charge	Average Charge as % of Medicare
Fixed Wing Base	A0430	\$4,190.48	\$14,438.15	345%
FW Mileage	A0435	\$11.75	\$105.00	893%
Rotary Wing Base	A0431	\$4,599.30	\$17,309.74	376%
Rotary Wing mileage	A0436	\$31.57	\$186.56	591%

CMS 2012

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	hcpcs_code	National Average Medicare Allowable	National Average Charge	Average Charge as % of Medicare
Fixed Wing Base	A0430	\$4,162.21	\$12,741.83	306%
FW Mileage	A0435	\$11.57	\$90.42	781%
Rotary Wing Base	A0431	\$4,571.21	\$15,066.43	330%
Rotary Wing mileage	A0436	\$33.73	\$161.67	479%