

### 2013 Cases by Area Development District and Payer Groups

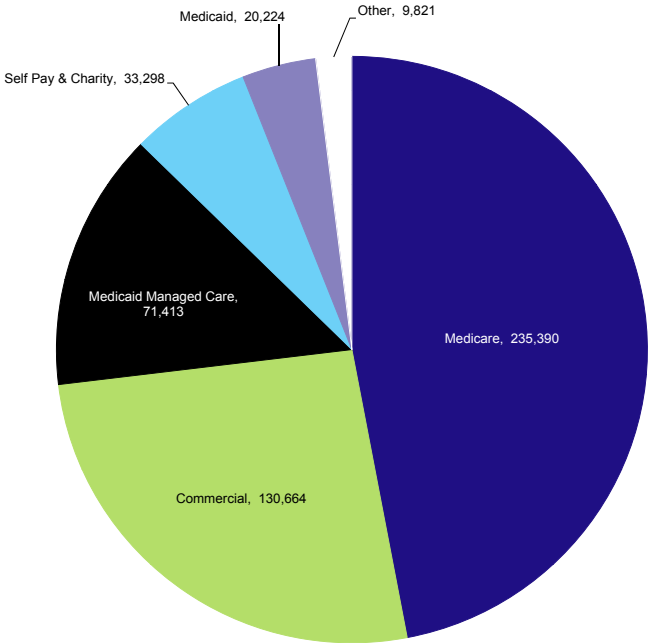
The proportion of inpatient care paid through government programs is much higher in areas of Kentucky where a large portion of the population is poor or elderly. For hospitals in some Area Development Districts (ADDs), government payer patients comprise as much as 75 percent of all inpatient cases. As in the previous year, for six ADDs, the government payers comprise 70 percent or more of inpatient cases. The extremely high proportion of care reimbursed by government payers make the adequacy of those payments key to the stability and long-term viability of Kentucky hospitals.

Due to longer lengths of stay for elderly patients, Medicare covers 46.8 percent of all hospital discharges, but 52.3 percent of the inpatient discharge days. Medicaid, including Medicaid Managed Care covers, 18.3 percent of all inpatient discharges and 18.2 percent of all inpatient discharge days in community hospitals.

In 2013, obstetrics delivery cases (all types) comprised 28.0 percent of all Medicaid cases and 17.1 percent of associated discharge days.

Private insurance pays for the care of 26.1 percent of hospital patients and 23.1 percent of inpatient days. Patients categorized as “self pay or charity” comprise 6.6 percent of the total discharge cases and 5.6 percent of the total discharge days. However, some uninsured patients may be included as “others” if they presented themselves as having insurance, but their services were not covered.

**2013 Discharges**



**2013 Discharge Days**

