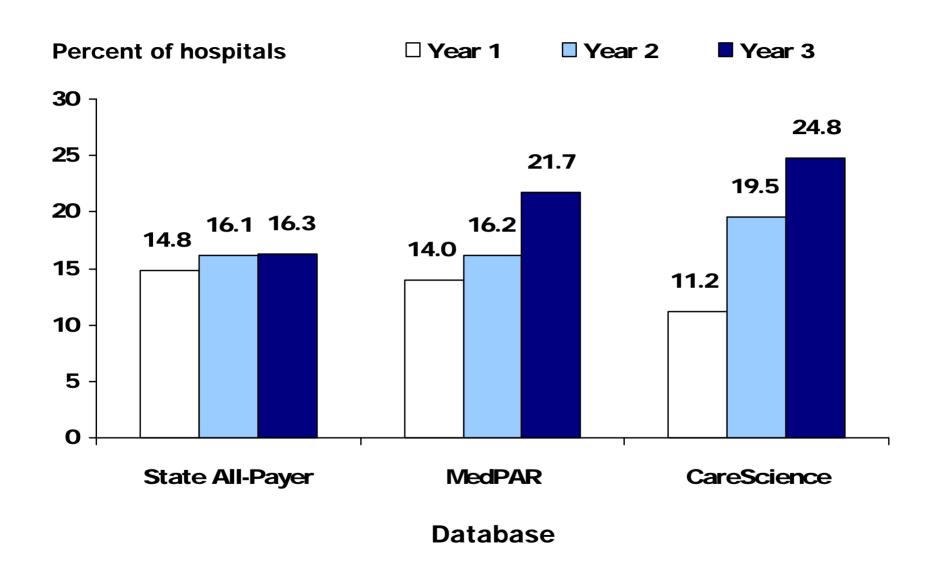
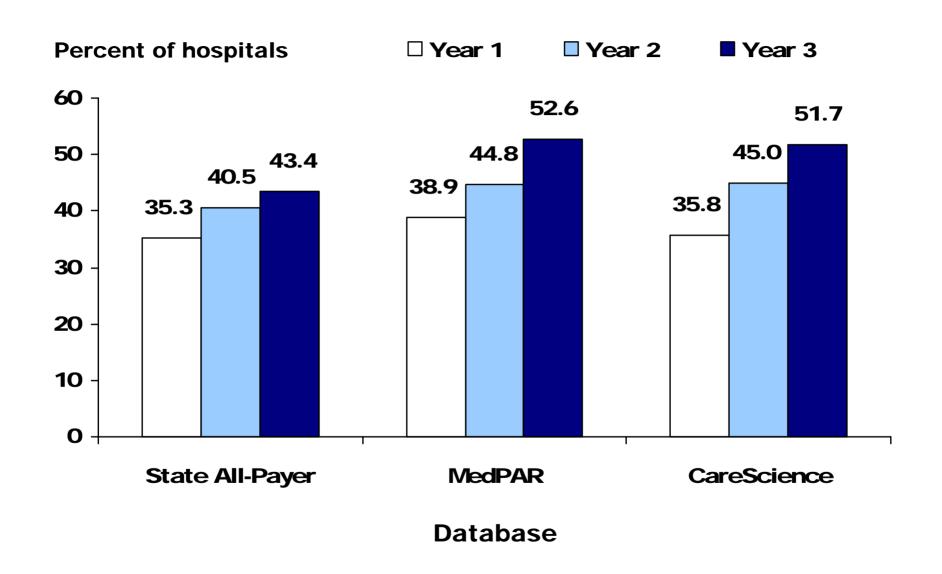
Figure ES-1. Select Practice* over Time



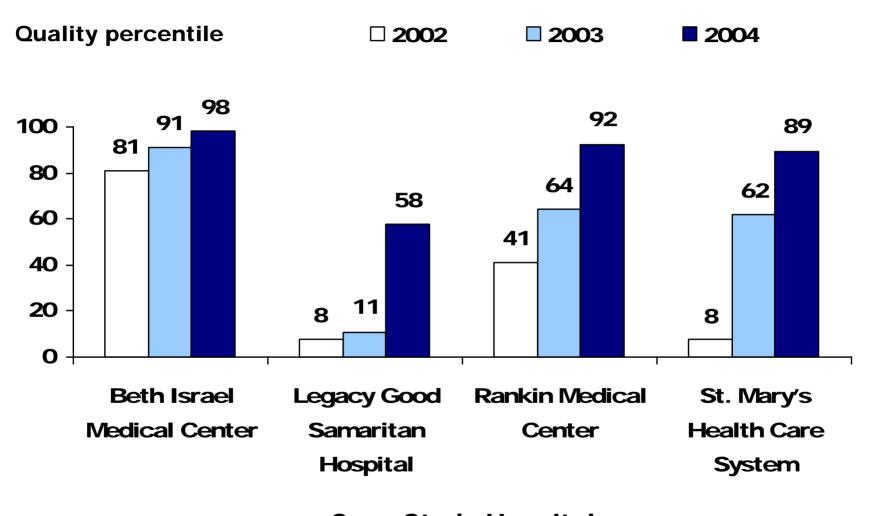
^{*} Hospitals in the top two quintiles for both quality and efficiency. Source: Authors' analysis.

Figure ES-2. Percent of High-Efficiency Hospitals* over Time



^{*} Hospitals whose risk-adjusted average length of stay is in the lowest two quintiles. Source: Authors' analysis.

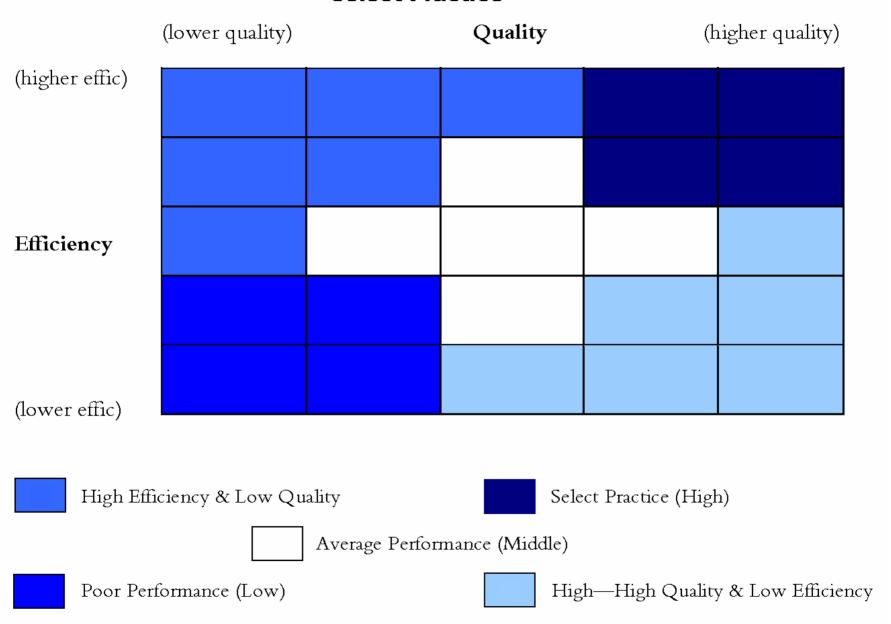
Figure ES-3. Quality Improvement* over Time in Case Study Hospitals



Case Study Hospital

^{*} Trend in percentile ranking (percent of hospitals with a lower quality score). Source: Authors' analysis.

Figure 1. Five Performance Categories Based on CareScience Select Practice



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Figure 2. Mean Risk-Adjusted Mortality by Database

Risk-adjusted mortality rate

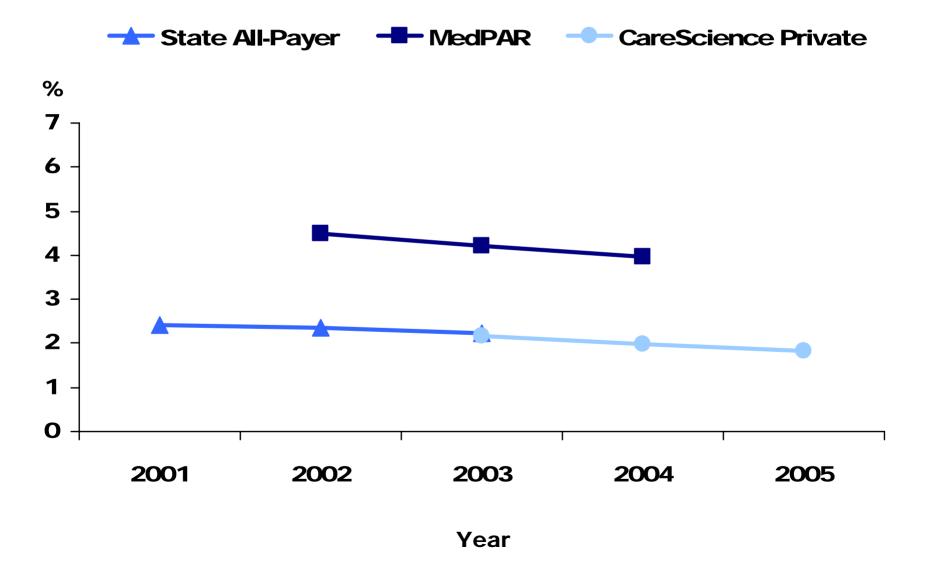


Figure 3. Mean Risk-Adjusted Length of Stay by Database

Risk-adjusted LOS (days)

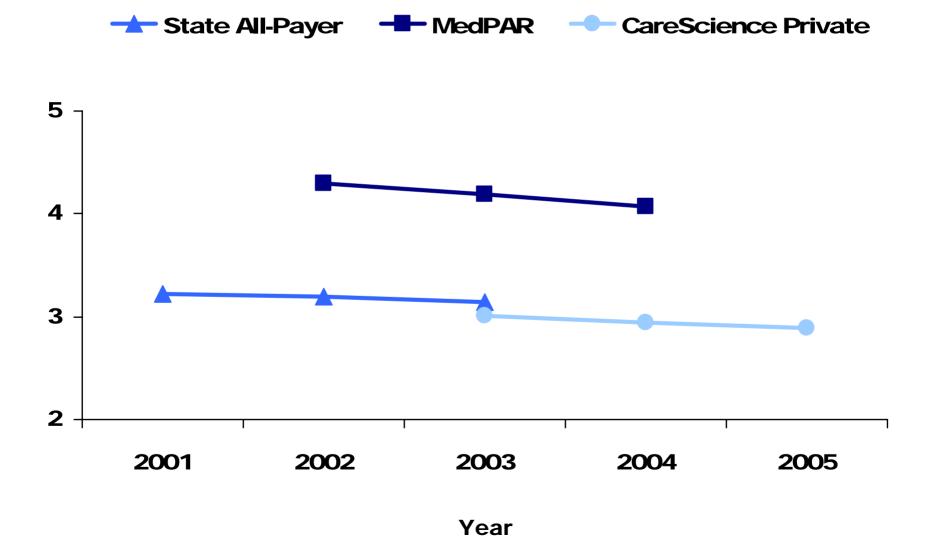


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Risk-adjusted complication rate

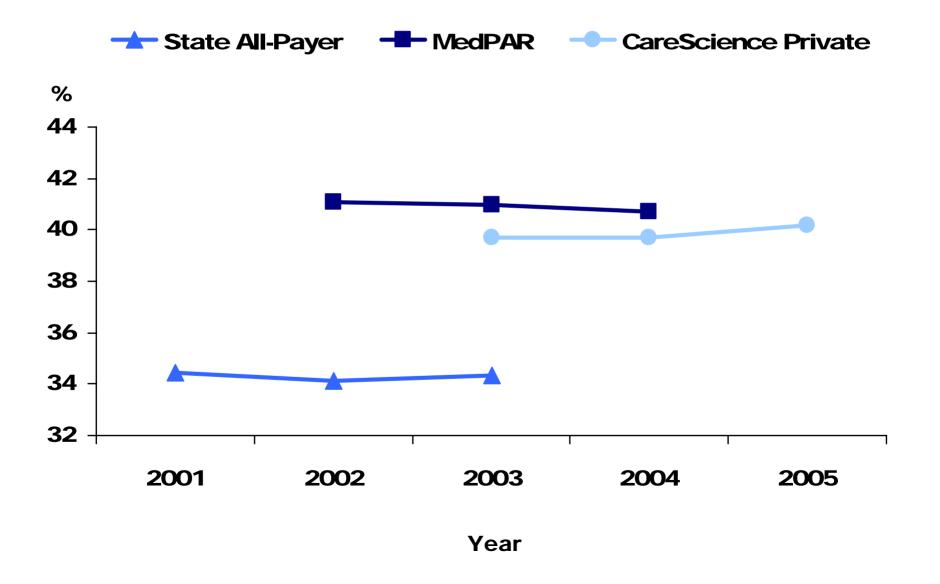


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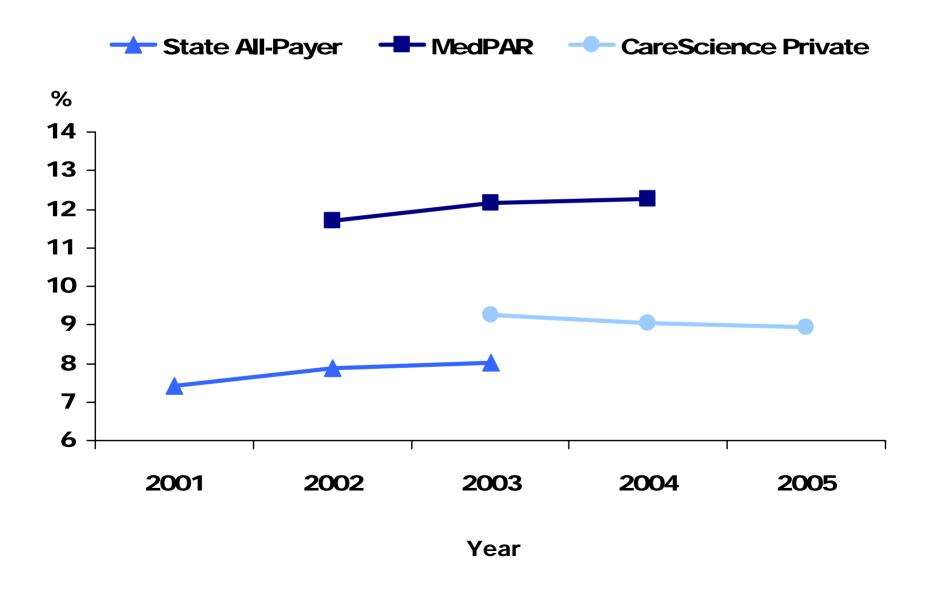


Figure 6. Dispersion in Risk-Adjusted Mortality Rates over Time

MedPAR risk-adjusted mortality rate

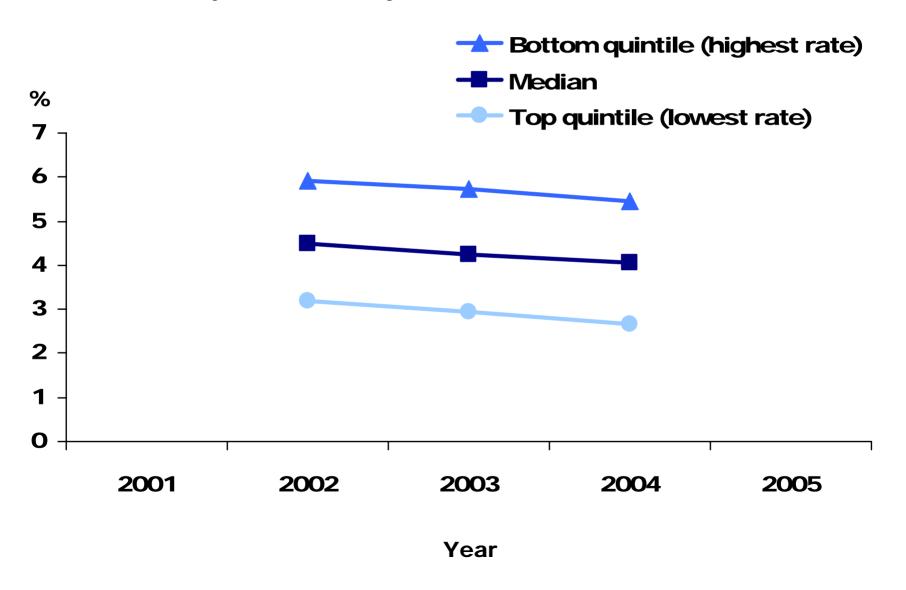


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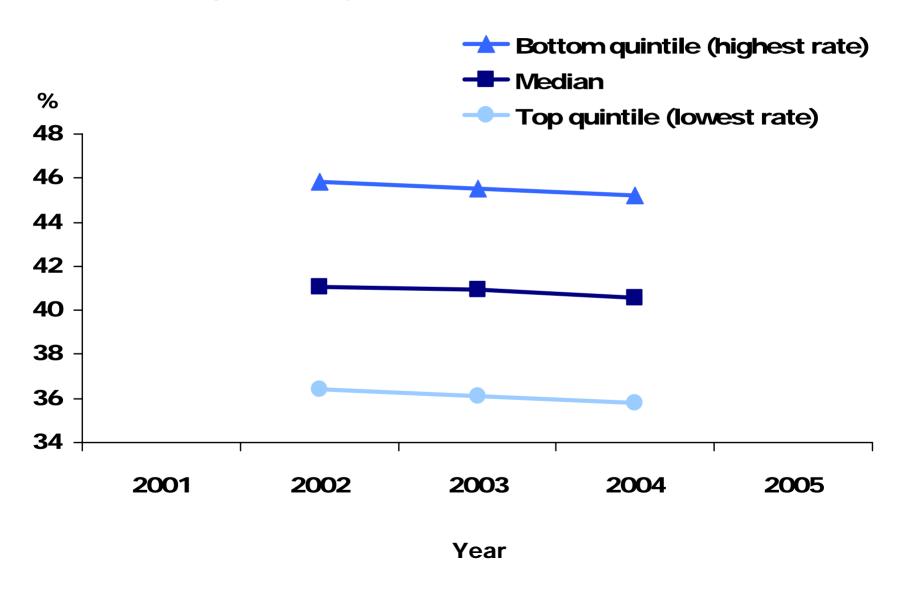


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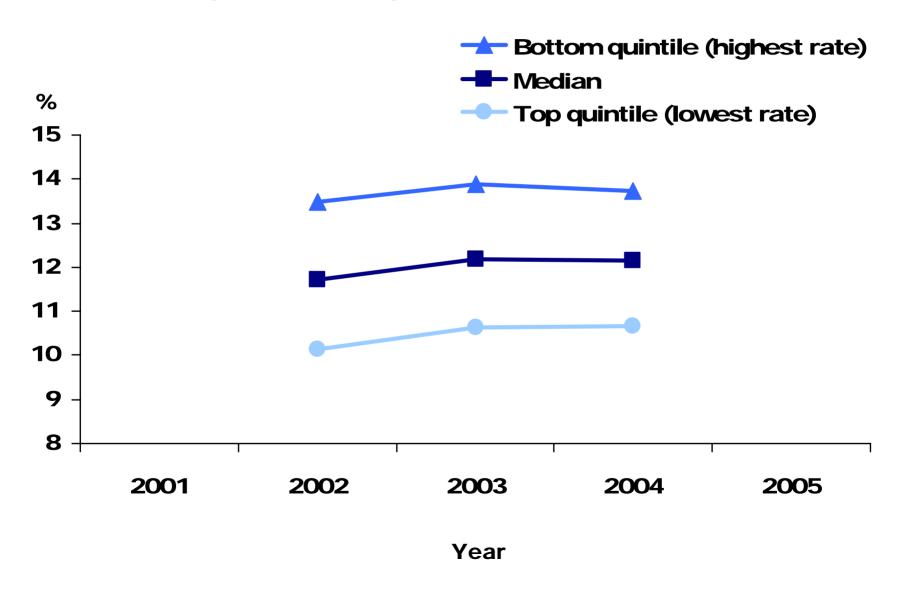


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MedPAR risk-adjusted LOS (days)

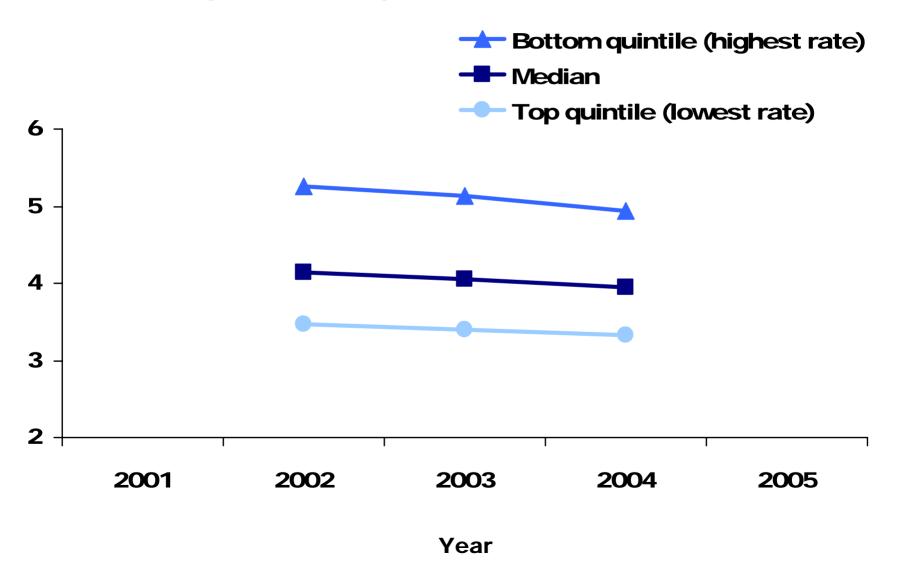
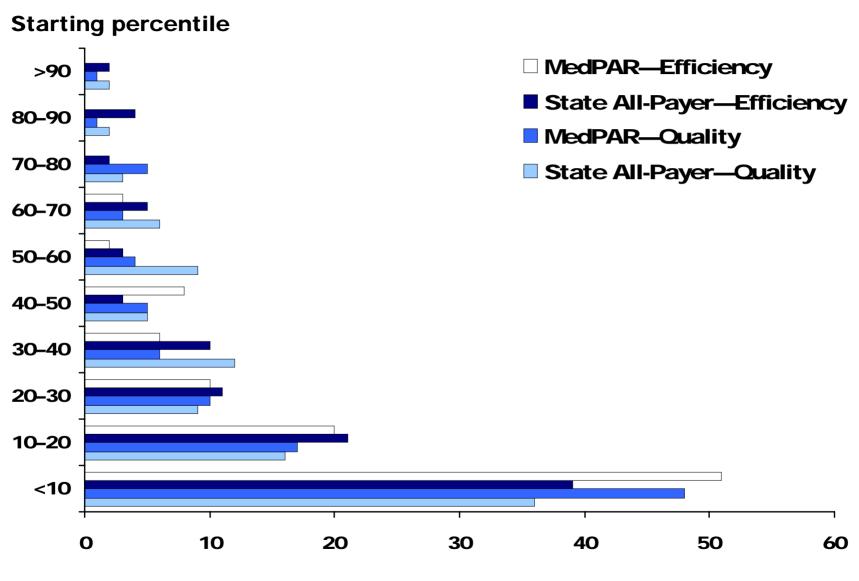


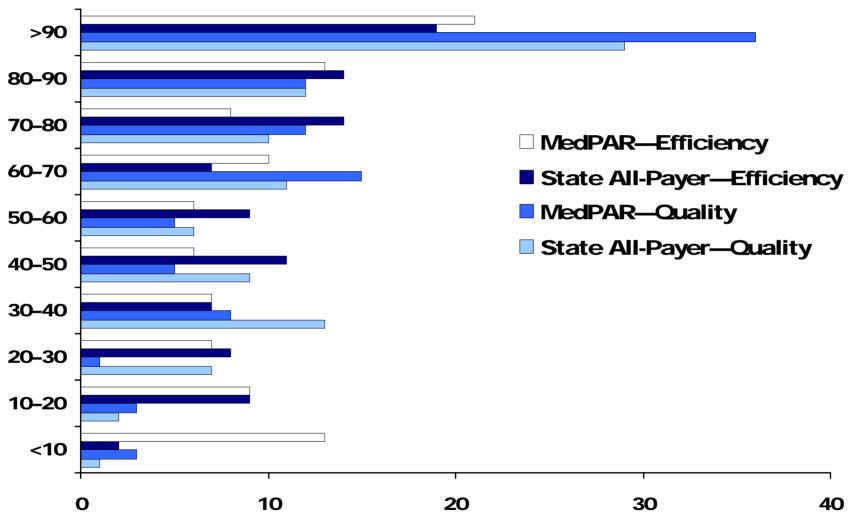
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Percent of 100 Most-Improving Hospitals

Figure 11. Starting Point Distribution for 100 Most-Deteriorating Hospitals

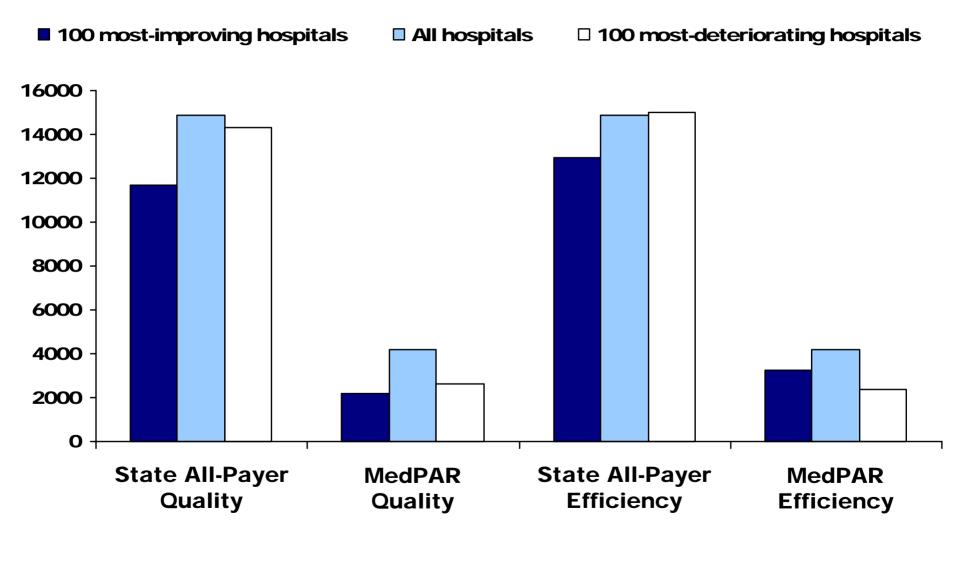




Percent of 100 Most-Deteriorating Hospitals

Figure 12. Hospital Size by Performance Level

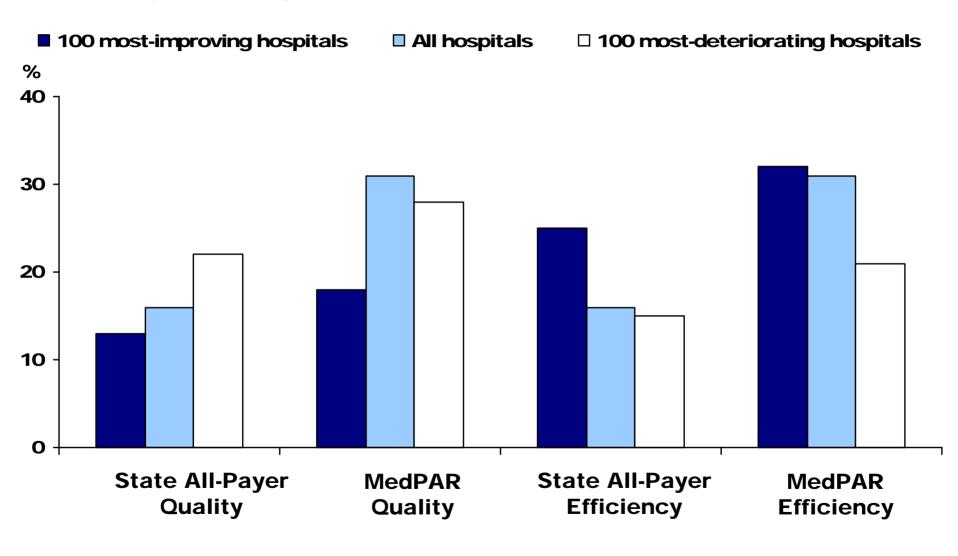
Discharges per year



Quality/Efficiency by Database

Figure 13. Hospital Teaching Status by Performance Level

Percent major teaching institution



Quality/Efficiency by Database

Figure 14. Raw Mortality and Mortality Risk Trends

Quarterly mortality—case-weighted means

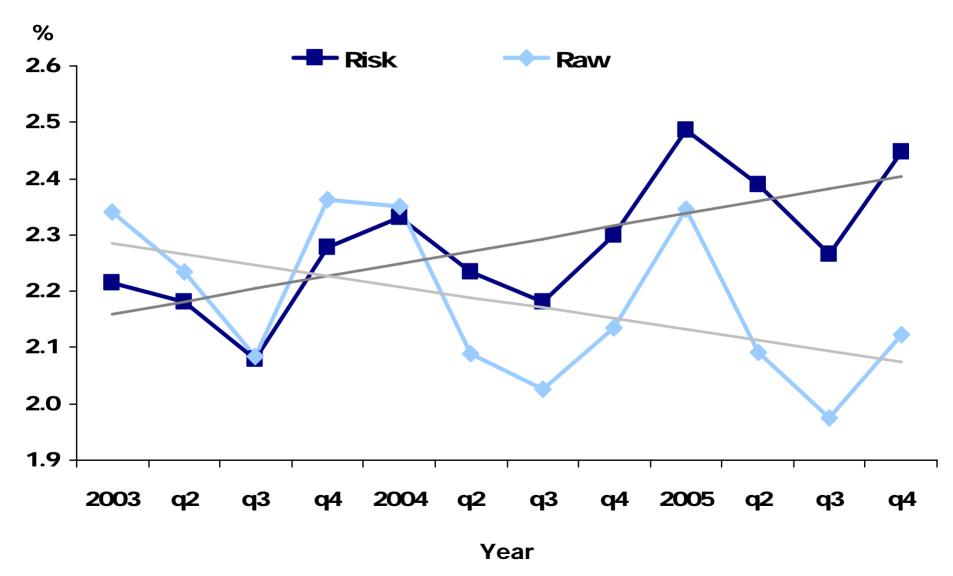


Figure 15. Discharge Disposition Trend

Percent of total discharges

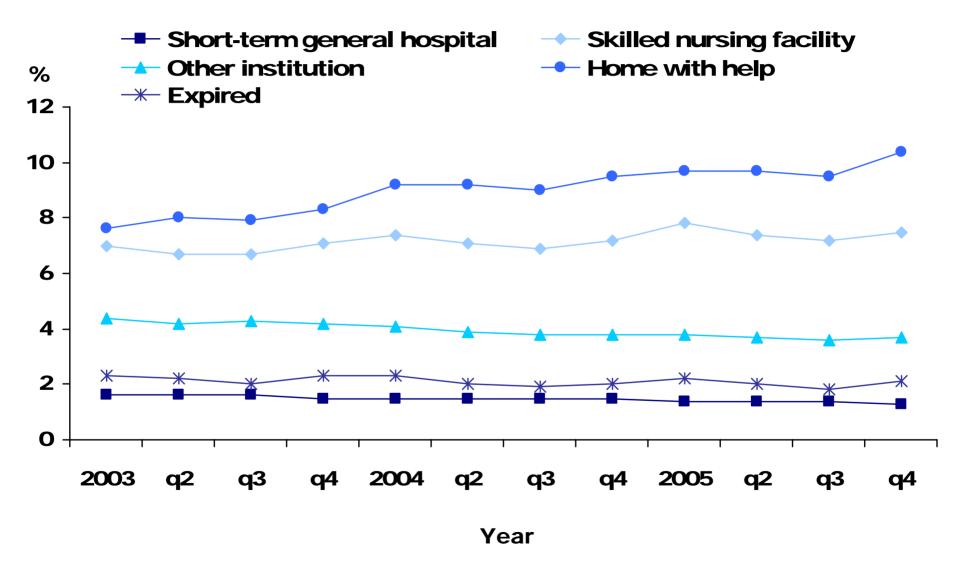


Figure 16. Secondary Diagnosis Trend

Number of secondary diagnoses per case

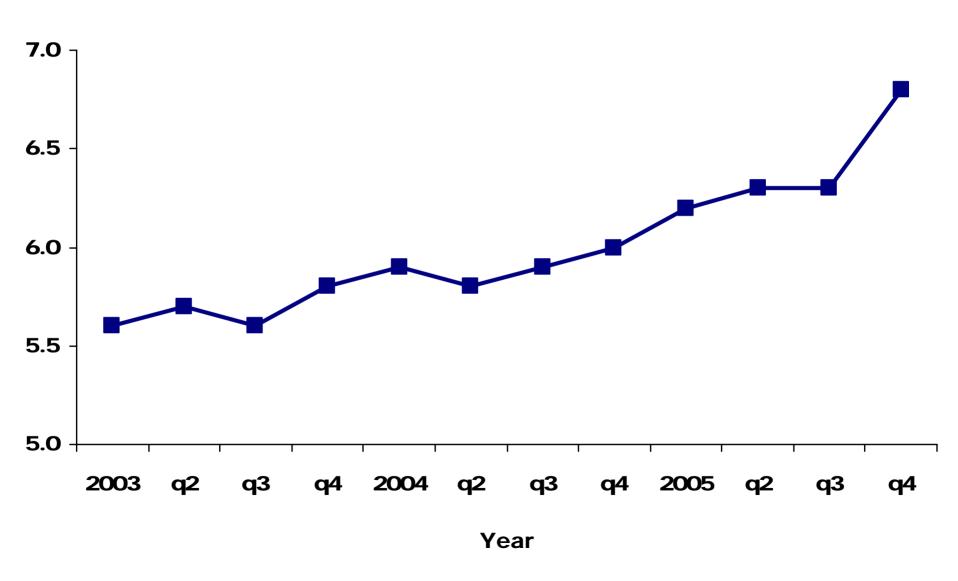


Figure 17. Private Data: Readmission Rate by Quarter

