



The HCUP Central Distributor State Inpatient Databases (SID) for Massachusetts 2003 contains problems with reporting of revenue center codes. The last digit of the revenue center codes was accidentally truncated on most of the 4th quarter discharges (N=210,031), accounting for about 25% of all discharges in 2003. This error affects about 25% of all discharges in the 2003 MA SID. A corrected version of the 2003 MA SID is available.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause your organization. If you had previously purchased the 2003 MA SID and would like a copy of the updated file, please contact the HCUP Central Distributor (866-556-4287 toll-free or HCUPDistributor@AHRQ.gov).

Sincerely,

The HCUP Central Distributor Team