

## Data Facts

**Description** Maryland Heat Stress Hospitalizations

**Owner** Maryland Health Care Commission

**Original Home** Maryland Health Care Commission

**Years available** 2000-2013

**Method of Measurement:** Statewide hospital reporting

*What's Reported*

### Hospitalizations for heat stress

Number of heat stress hospitalizations

Rate of heat stress hospitalizations (number per 100 persons)

95% confidence interval for rate

### Other Information

Location county

Time Frame calendar year

### Level of geographic detail:

Total counties in state: 24 (including Baltimore City)

Counties included in data: 24

### Why these data are important?

Heat stress is a serious and preventable health outcome that can lead to several illnesses and injuries. Inpatient hospitalization data are used to measure the occurrence of hospital visits for heat stress. The use of these inpatient hospitalization measures for heat stress will permit analyses of this health outcome and assessment of sub-county spatial-temporal trends in linked environmental hazard dataset with this inpatient hospitalization dataset.

**Keywords:** Heat illness; Heat stroke; Hyperthermia; Heat stress; Sun stroke; Heat collapse; Heat cramp; Heat exhaustion from water depletion; Heat exhaustion from salt depletion; Heat exhaustion unspecified; Other specified heat effects; Unspecified effects of heat and light; Health effect cause by excessive heat due to weather

### Questions:

Are any of these data confidential? **No**

Can I download these data from the MTN? **Yes**

Are sub-county data available from the Original Home? **Yes**

How often does the MTN get these data? **Once each year**

Were the data checked for completeness and validity? **Yes**

### Contacts:

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