GHA Annual Economic Impact Report Summary



Georgia I. Economic Impact

		Data Sources
Total Expenditure:	\$33,283,670,233	Total Expenditure - most recent cost report
Georgia Output Multiplier:	2.2815	Output Multiplier - Bureau of Economic Analysis RIMS II
Total Output/Income Generated:	\$75,936,693,637	
Total Hospital Payroll and Benefits:	\$15,196,172,204	Hospital Payroll Benefits - most recent cost report
Contract Labor:	\$2,174,350,476	Contract Labor - most recent cost report
Georgia Earnings Multiplier:	1.995	Georgia Earnings Multiplier - Bureau of EconomicAnalysis RIMS II
Total Household Earnings Generated:	\$30,316,363,547	
Full Time Hospital Jobs:	156,681	Full Time Hospital Jobs - Department of Community Health 2021
Georgia Employment Multiplier:	2.5182	Annual Hospital, Nursing Home and Home Health Questionnaires
Other Full Time Jobs Created:	394,553	
Total Jobs Due To Hospital Presence:	551,234	

II. Community Benefit			
Uncompensated Indigent Care:	\$937,436,854	Department of Community Health 2021 Hospital Financial	
Uncompensated Charity Care:	\$792,938,534	Survey Hospital Calculated Cost-to-Charge Ratio used to determine cost	
Uncompensated Bad Debt Incurred on Health Care Services Provided:	\$924,967,760		
Other Free Uncompensated Care:	\$281,765,553		
Total:	\$2,937,108,701		

Factors that may influence the Economic Impact

Fiscal Year - Your fiscal year end date may affect the overall impact of the pandemic on your financials. Some hospitals may have experienced a limited impact of COVID while others may have seen three "waves" during this fiscal year.

Total Expenditure – Many hospitals were required to spend more for basic supplies due to shortages. Consider the increase in costs for personal protective equipment and others as potential explanations for inflated costs in 2021.

Payroll and Contract Labor – Hospitals used innovative methods to ensure they were appropriately and adequately staffed during the pandemic. Consider that dynamic on the workforce and local community when explaining the hospital's economic impact.

Use of Multipliers

In 2020, the Bureau of Economic Analysis stated, "RIMS II Multipliers are NOT designed to estimate the impact of supply shocks to the economy." Consider the continued impact of the pandemic on the hospital and local community in 2021:

- The effect of continued supply chain issues on procurement patterns and cost.
- The widespread business interruptions and lagging return to regular consumer patterns locally.
- Hospital FTE counts, which are a snapshot in time (12/31/2021) and the patient census trends around that time.