

Greater Heartland Chapter - Masters of Healthcare Spring Conference

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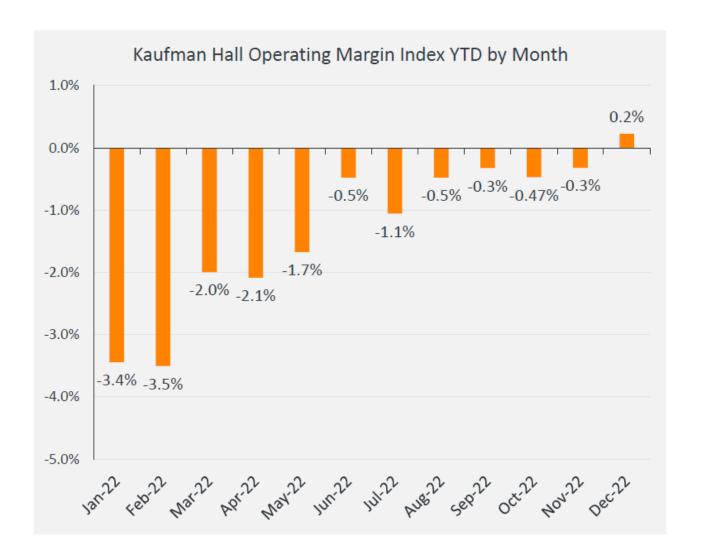


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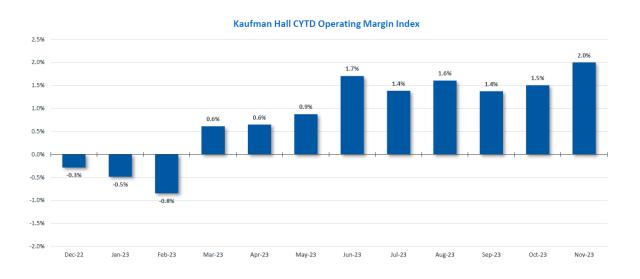
- Hospital Fiscal Status
- Fiscal State of Federal and State Budgets
- 118th Congressional Update
- 102nd General Assembly Update



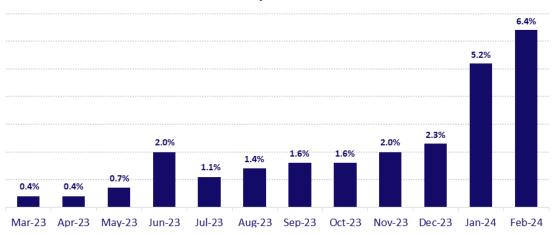
Fiscal Results 2022 - Kaufman Hall



Fiscal Results 2023

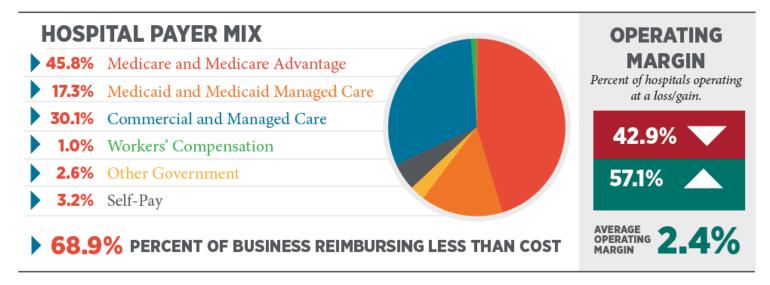


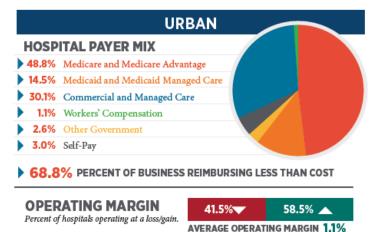
Median Hospital Operating Margins Nationally, Year-to-Date

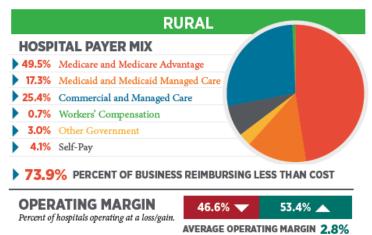


https://www.syntellis.com/monthly-healthcare-financial-benchmarks

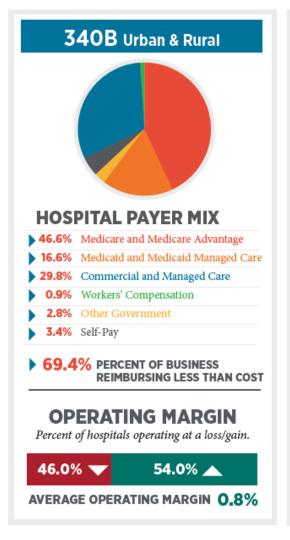


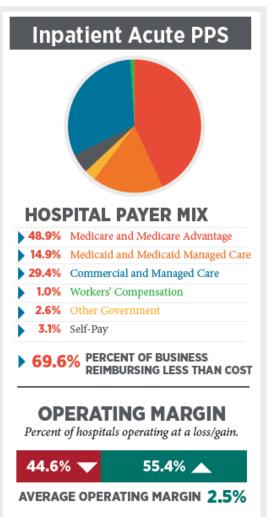


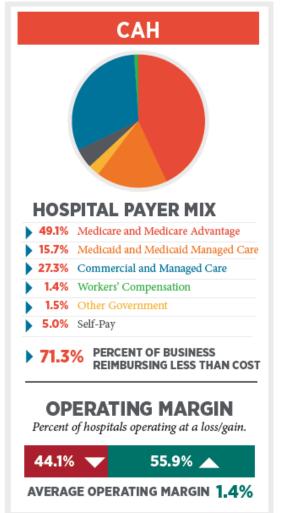






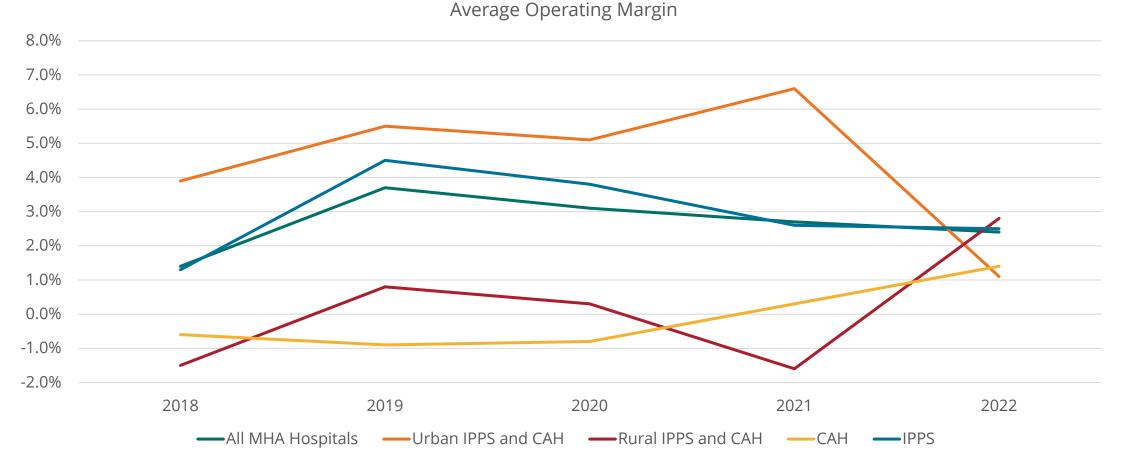






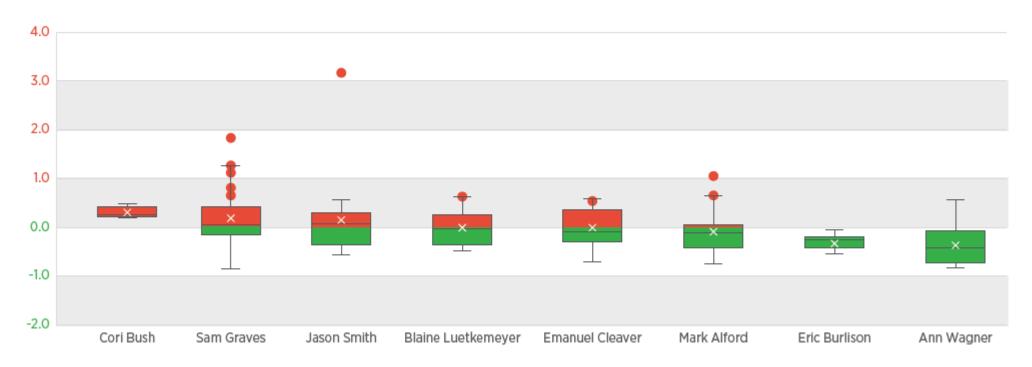








STRESS BY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



• Stress index is a composite of payor mix ratio, operating margin, days in accounts receivable, staff expense per CMI AEA, other expenses per CMI AEA and inpatient admissions



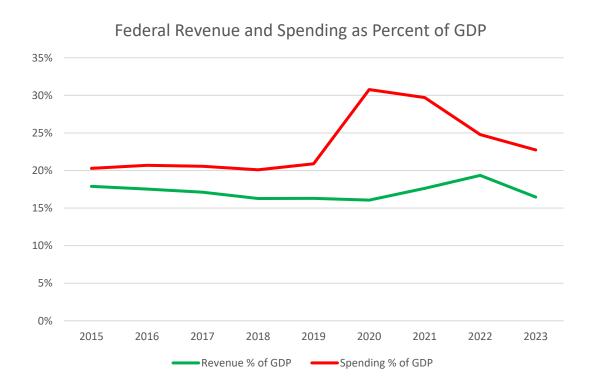
Fiscal Optics Participant Hospitals

		FYTD Dec 2023 Stat /	
	YE 2022 Stat / CMI AEA	CMI AEA	Percent Variance
Gross Revenue	\$ 30,297.78	\$ 30,043.62	-0.8%
Bad Debt	\$ 743.37	\$ 573.02	-22.9%
Charity Care	\$ 641.82	\$ 354.64	-44.7%
Discounts	\$ 19,508.44	\$ 20,551.99	5.3%
NPSR	\$ 9,404.15	\$ 8,563.97	-8.9%
Other Operating Revenue	\$ 1,416.06	\$ 1,228.59	-13.2%
Operating Revenue	\$ 10,820.22	\$ 9,792.56	-9.5%
Salary	\$ 4,147.30	\$ 3,724.52	-10.2%
Benefits	\$ 971.34	\$ 944.49	-2.8%
Supplies	\$ 1,259.41	\$ 1,003.15	-20.3%
Pharmacy	\$ 967.47	\$ 1,060.00	9.6%
Professional Fees	\$ 707.25	\$ 738.37	4.4%
Interest Expense	\$ 14.53	\$ 55.66	283.1%
Depreciation	\$ 475.26	\$ 470.59	-1.0%
Other	\$ 2,215.23	\$ 1,703.25	-23.1%
Total Expense	\$ 10,757.80	\$ 9,700.02	-9.8%
Operating Income	\$ 62.42	\$ 92.54	48.3%
Operating Margin	0.58%	0.95%	
Average	0.35%	1.53%	,

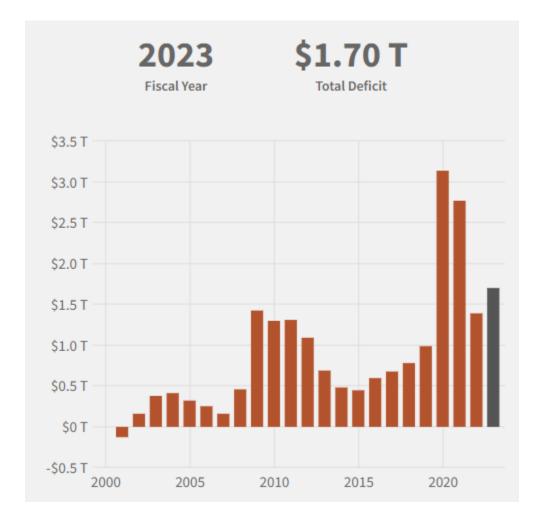
Federal Fiscal State and Legislative Update – 118th Congress



Federal Budget Conundrum

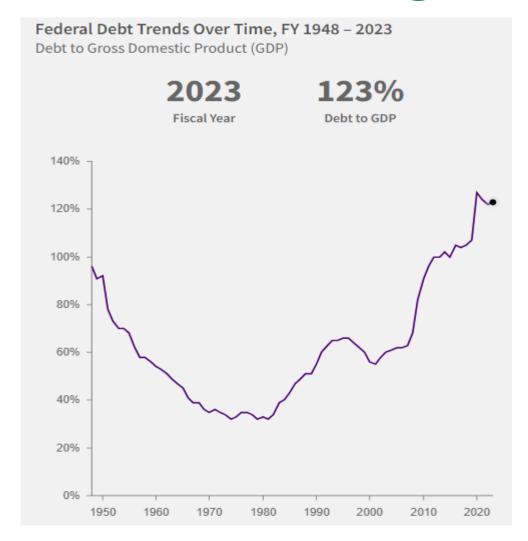


Federal Debt – April 1 \$34,578,609,157,179





Federal Budget Conundrum



- Revenue increased 5.7% between 2015 and 2023
- Spending increased29.1% between 2015 and2023
 - > Mandatory
 - Discretionary (~27% of spending)
 - > Supplemental



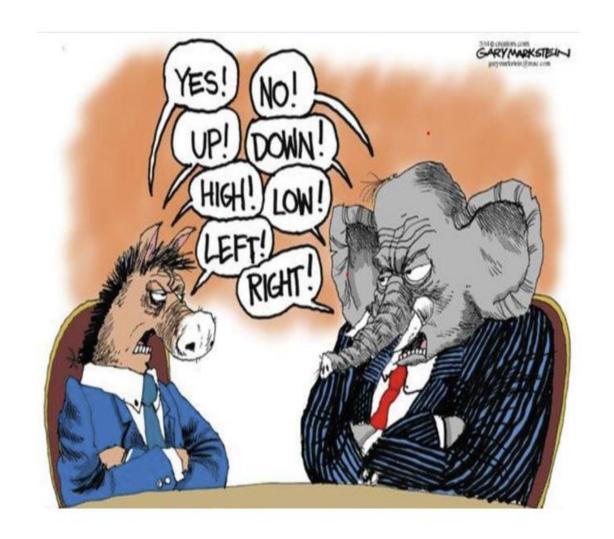
Inflation Adjusted National Debt

Date Range	Beginning	Ending	Change	Percent Change	CAGR
1980 – 1988	\$3.31T	\$6.66T	\$3.35T	101.2%	9.1%
1988 – 1992	\$6.66T	\$8.82T	\$2.16T	32.4%	7.3%
1992 – 2000	\$8.82T	\$10.02T	\$1.20T	13.6%	1.6%
2000 – 2008	\$10.02T	\$14.06T	\$4.04T	40.3%	4.3%
2008 – 2016	\$14.06T	\$22.97T	\$8.91T	63.4%	6.3%
2016 – 2020	\$22.97T	\$31.76T	\$8.79T	38.3%	8.4%
2020 – Feb 2024	\$31.76T	\$34.59T	\$2.83T	8.9%	2.9%

Interest is approximately 16% of spending - \$433B to maintain debt

118th Congress

- Election year
- 1/3 Senate (Senator Hawley) and all House up for election / reelection
- Concerns about spending





Funding the Federal Government

- FINALLY discretionary spending appropriations package enacted
 - Consolidated Appropriations Act (H.R. 4366 / H. Res. 1061)
 - Delayed Medicaid DSH payment reductions, extended MDH and enhanced low-volume payment adjustments and reduced the Medicare PFS payment cut to -1.7%
 - House 339 yeas, 85 nays and 8 not voting; Reps. Bush, Cleaver, Graves, Luetkemeyer, Smith and Wagner – yea, Reps. Alford and Burlison – nay
 - Senate 84 yeas, 22 nays and 3 not voting; Sen. Hawley and Schmitt nay
 - > Further Consolidated Appropriations Act (H.R. 2882 / H. Res. 1102)
 - Funds Health and Human Services
 - House 286 yeas, 134 nays and 12 not voting; Reps. Cleaver, Graves,
 Luetkemeyer and Smith yea, Reps. Alford, Burlison, Bush and Wagner nay
 - Senate 74 yeas, 24 nays and 2 not voting; Sen. Hawley and Schmitt nay



118th Congressional Advocacy Issues

- Block site-neutrality adjustments
 - Lower Costs, More Transparency Act (H.R. 5378 Rodgers, R-WA), the PATIENT Act (H.R. 3561 section 302 Rodgers, R-WA) and the Health Care Price Transparency Act (H.R. 4822 section 203 Smith, R-MO) adjusts clinician administered drug services
 - > SITE Act (S. 1869 Braun, R-IN) reduces Medicare payments for non-evaluation and management grandfathered HOPDs
 - Bipartisan Primary Care and Health Workforce Act (S. 2840 Sanders, I-VT) prohibit hospitals from charging E&M, OP behavioral health services and services furnished through telehealth facility fees in the commercial market
- Strengthen 340B
 - Enact PROTECT 340B Act (H.R. 2534 Spanberger, D-VA) prohibits insurer payment discrimination
 - Enact 340B PATIENTS Act (H.R. 7635 Matsui, D-CA) and support SUSTAIN 340B (Senate discussion draft section 3) prohibits contract pharmacy restrictions
- Temporary reinstatement of necessary provider status
 - ➤ Enact Save America's Rural Hospitals Act (H.R. 833 section 114 Graves, R-MO) restores state authority to grant necessary provider status
 - > Enact Rural Hospital Closure Relief Act (S. 1571 Durbin, D-IL) changes CAH eligibly
 - > Enact Rural Health Care Access (H.R. 1128 Green, R-TN) remove the 35-mile rule



118th Congressional Advocacy Issues

- Physician Recruitment
 - Enact Resident Physician Shortage Reduction Act (H.R. 2389 Sewell, D-AL / S. 1302 Menendez, D-NJ) adds 14,000 Medicare-funded residency slots
 - Enact The Conrad 30 and Physician Access Reauthorization Act (H.R. 4942 Schneider, D-IL / S. 665 Klobuchar, D-MN) extends Conrad 30 program for three years
 - > Enact Doctors in our Boarders Act (H.R. 4875 Lawler, R-NY) increase the number of Conrad 30 waivers to 100
- Block prescribed staffing
 - Enact Protecting America's Seniors' Access to Care Act (H.R. 7513 Fischbach, R-MN) minimum staffing
 - Block H.R. 7546 Matsui, D-CA) and S. 3860 Merkley, D-OR) limit overtime hours for nurses



118th Congressional Advocacy Issues

Telehealth

- ➤ Enact the Telehealth Modernization Act (H.R. 7623 Carter, R-GA)
- Enact the CONNECT for Health Act (H.R. 4189 Thompson, D-CA / S. 2016 Schatz, D-HI
- ➤ Enact the Medicare Telehealth Privacy Act (H.R. 6364 Balderson, R-OH)

Medicare Advantage

- ➤ Enact the No UPCODE Act (S. 1002 Cassidy, R-LA)
- Urge Congress to ensure CMS holds MA plans accountable for implementing recently finalized MA rules – prior authorization and API

Medicare Payment Updates for 2025

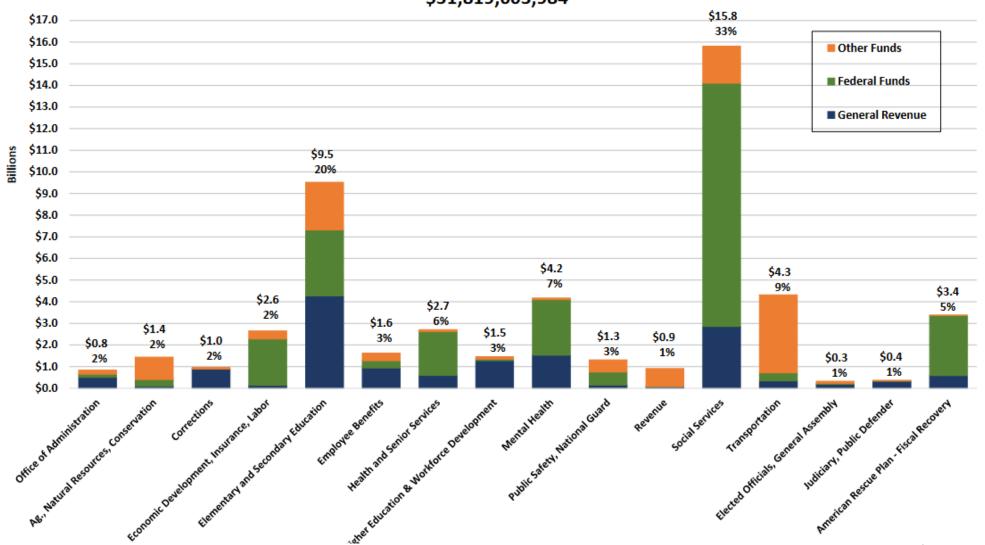
Medicare	% Increase	\$ Increase	
Hospice (Proposed)	2.6%	\$.705B	
SNF PPS (Proposed)	4.1%	\$1.3B	
IRF PPS (Proposed)	2.5%	\$.255B	
IPF PPS (Proposed)	2.6%	\$.070B	
Medicare Part C (Medicare Advantage)	3.70%	\$16B	



FY 2025 Budget: Cash Balances

- Recent cash balances of state funds are at historic highs
 - ➤ Cash balances have accrued from federal COVID relief payments, Medicaid matching fund enhancements and strong GR revenue growth in fiscal years 2021 and 2022
- The projected FY 2025 beginning GR fund balance is \$3.2 billion
 - > The average beginning GR balance in fiscal years 2017-2019 was \$30 million
- Medicaid-related balances from federal match rate bonuses (as of Dec. 31)
 - \$724.7 M FMAP Enhancement Fund
 - > \$422 M Medicaid Stabilization Fund
 - > \$739 M FMAP Enhancement Expansion Fund
 - These "GR-equivalent" balances have been set aside to pay for Medicaid caseload growth due to continuous coverage requirements under the COVID PHE, and for Medicaid expansion

FISCAL YEAR 2025 GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDED OPERATING BUDGET (ALL FUNDS) - *\$51,819,603,984





FY 25 Governor's Recommended Budget Totals

• FY 25 proposed operating budget: \$51.8 billion

➤ General Revenue \$14.7 billion – 4.1% (change from FY 24)

> Other State Funds \$11.4 billion - 23.5%

> Federal Funds \$25.7 billion + 42.4%

- The total proposed operating budget is 6.8% greater than the FY 24 budget passed by the General Assembly, and 38.1% greater than FY 23 spending
 - Past growth was driven the by federal pandemic relief funds, Medicaid expansion, transportation investments, slowing budget growth shows the influence of these factors is waning
- The Governor's proposed budget projects an ending FY 25 GR balance of \$1.6 billion
- Missouri House of Representatives adopted a lower budget of \$50.7 billion

State Legislative Update – 102nd General Assembly

- SB 748 FRA renewal
- HB 1976 / SB 983 Prior authorization
- HB 1943 / SB 986 HOPD NPI
- HB 1837 / SB 1212 Hospital price transparency and medical debt
- HB 2267 / SB 751– White bagging, 340B and biosimilar

Questions and Comments



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