

**Medicare Prospective Payment System Update
Medicare Published Wage Indexes for Skilled Nursing Facilities**

Medicare Labor Indexes for October 1, 2015 & October 1, 2016

| Region | 10/1/2014- 9/30/2015 | Proposed 10/1/2015- 9/30/2016 | Final 10/1/2015- 9/30/2016 | Wage Index % Change | Estimated Rate % Change |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--|---|--------------------------------|--|
| Rural | 0.9064 | 0.8772 | 0.8884 | -1.99% | -0.22% |
| Green County | 1.0086 | 1.1085 | 1.1042 | 9.48% | 7.76% |
| Appleton/Calumet | 0.9626 | 0.9437 | 0.9390 | -2.45% | -0.57% |
| Brown/Kewaunee/Oconto | 0.9426 | 0.9401 | 0.9361 | -0.69% | 0.65% |
| Dane/Columbia/Iowa | 1.1235 | 1.1085 | 1.1042 | -1.72% | -0.13% |
| Duluth/Superior | 1.0107 | 1.0550 | 1.0333 | 2.24% | 2.68% |
| Eau Claire/Chippewa | 0.9724 | 0.9738 | 0.9696 | -0.29% | 0.92% |
| Fond du Lac | 0.9084 | 0.9051 | 0.9012 | -0.79% | 0.59% |
| Janesville | 0.9079 | 0.8891 | 0.9035 | -0.48% | 0.79% |
| Kenosha | 1.0465 | 1.0420 | 1.0376 | -0.85% | 0.51% |
| La Crosse | 0.9533 | 0.9935 | 0.9893 | 3.78% | 3.72% |
| Milwaukee | 0.9892 | 0.9810 | 0.9768 | -1.25% | 0.24% |
| Minneapolis | 1.1196 | 1.1200 | 1.1144 | -0.46% | 0.77% |
| Oshkosh/Neenah | 0.9656 | 0.9492 | 0.9451 | -2.12% | -0.35% |
| Racine | 0.9597 | 1.0754 | 1.0708 | 11.58% | 9.10% |
| Sheboygan | 0.9421 | 0.9275 | 0.9235 | -1.97% | -0.23% |
| Wausau | 0.9191 | 0.9013 | 0.9075 | -1.26% | 0.27% |

Medicare Rate

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|-------------|--------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Labor % | 69.18% | 69.20% | 69.10% |
| Non-Labor % | 30.82% | 30.80% | 30.90% |
| | | 4/20/2015 | 8/4/2015 |
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