Hospital Trends in Memphis/Shelby County, TN 1990-2002

with a focus on Market Share, Uncompensated Care, and ED Visits

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Community Hospitals Analyzed

- Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare
- 2. The Regional Medical Center of Memphis (The Med)
- 3. Rest of Shelby County (Baptist Medical Center (closed 2000), Baptist East, Women's, and Collierville; St. Francis, UT Bowld, St. Joseph (closed 1998), The Delta Medical Center)

Major Trends Analyzed

- 1. Market Share
- 2. Payer Mix
- 3. Revenue Adjustments Including Uncompensated Care
- 4. ED Utilization

Hospital Market Share

Hospital Market Share based on No. of Admissions

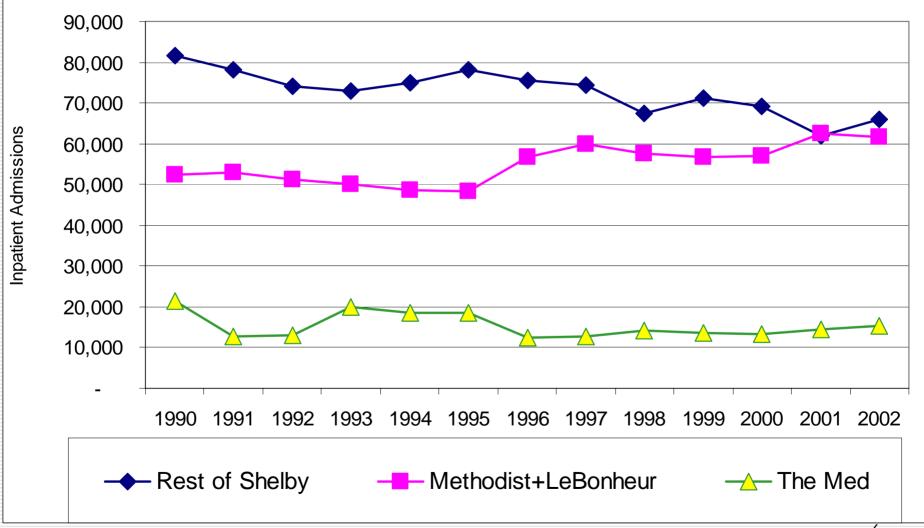
Hospital	2000	2001	2002
Methodist-Le Bonheur	41%	45%	43%
The Med	10%	10%	11%
Rest of Shelby	50%	45%	46%
Total	100%	100%	100%

Hospital Market Share based on Gross Charges

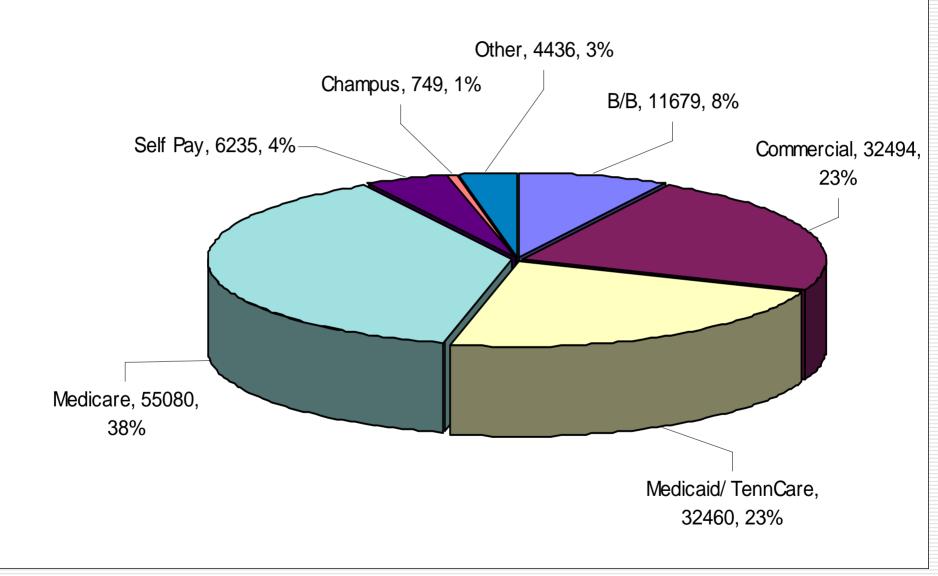
Hospital	2000	2001	2002
Methodist-Le Bonheur	36%	39%	43%
The Med	12%	13%	11%
Rest of Shelby	51%	47%	46%
Total	100%	100%	100%

The components may not add up to 100% due to rounding error

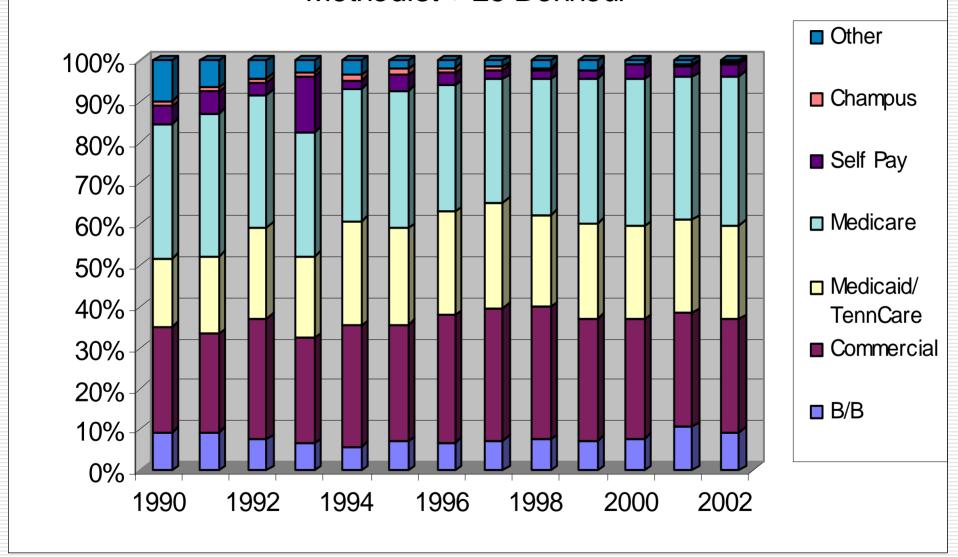
Inpatient Admission Trends 1990-2002 Shelby County, Tennessee



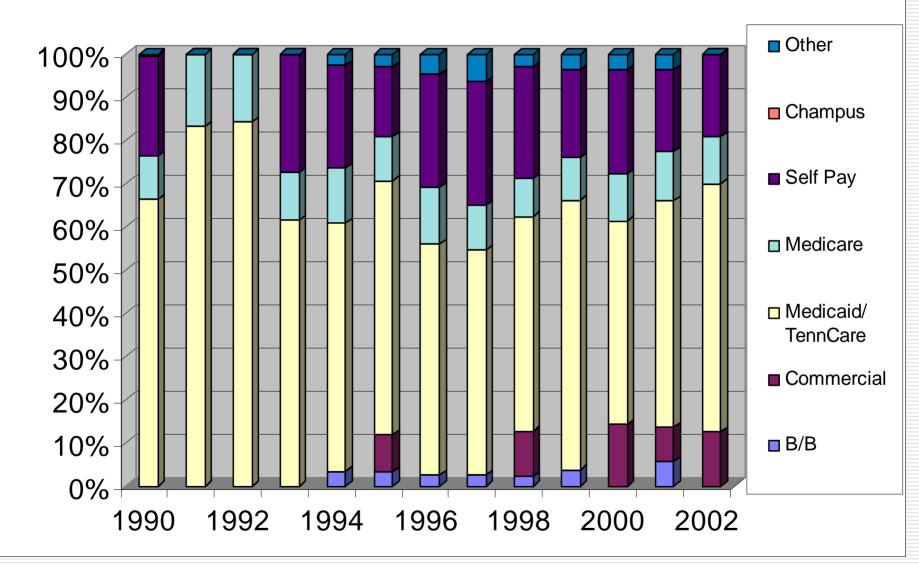
Distribution of Admissions by Payer Mix - 2002



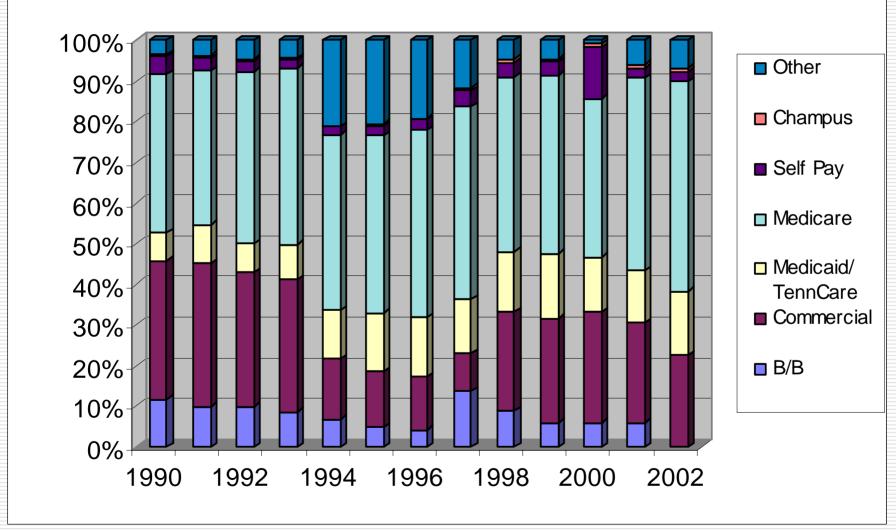
Total Admissions by Payer Mix - Methodist + Le Bonheur



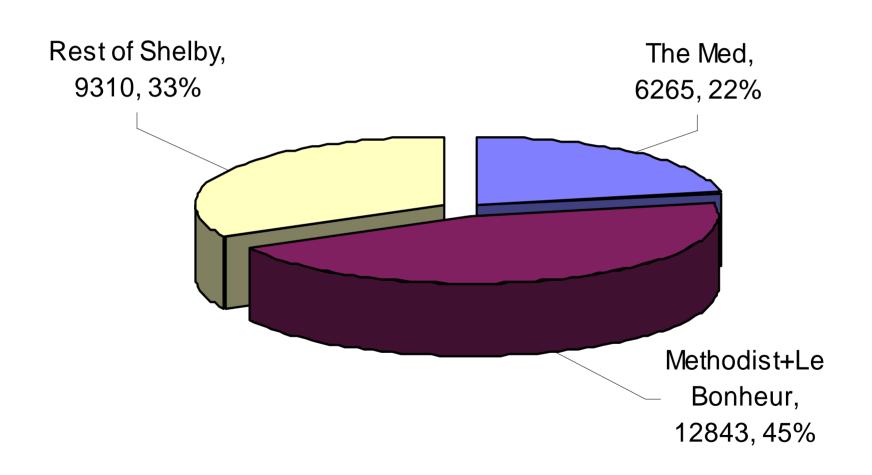
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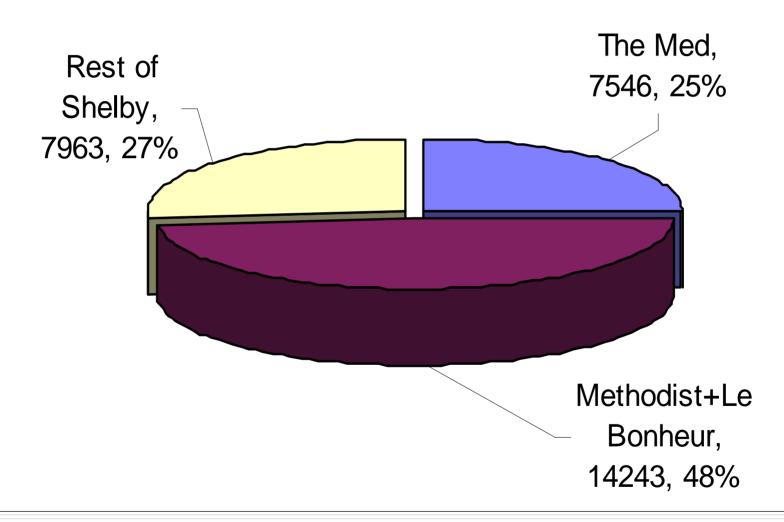
Total Admissions by Payer Mix - Rest of Shelby County



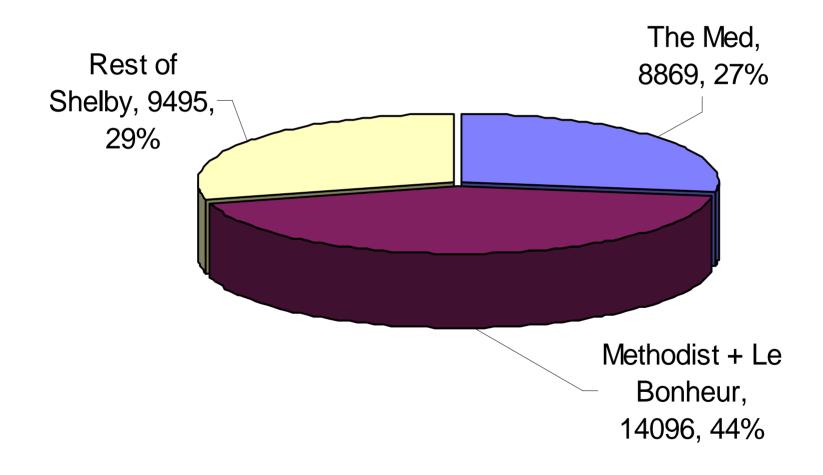
Distribution of TennCare Admissions Among Shelby County Hospitals, 2000



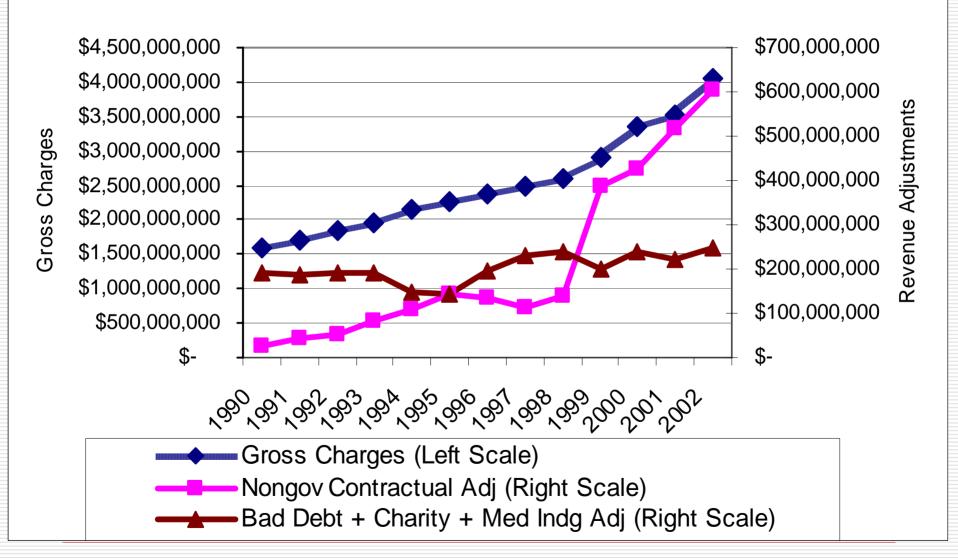
Distribution of TennCare Admissions Among Shelby County Hospials, 2001

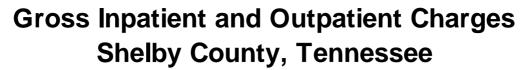


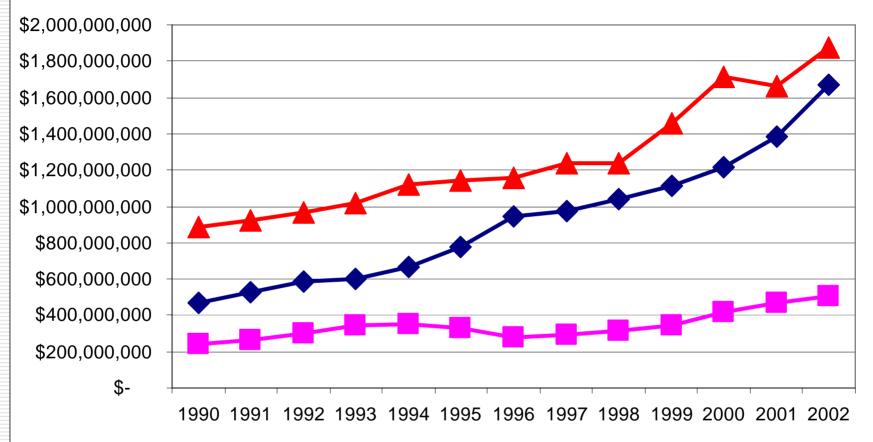
Distribution of TennCare Admissions Among Shelby County Hospitals, 2002



Gross Charges and Major Revenue Adjustments Memphis/Shelby County Hospitals 1990-2002

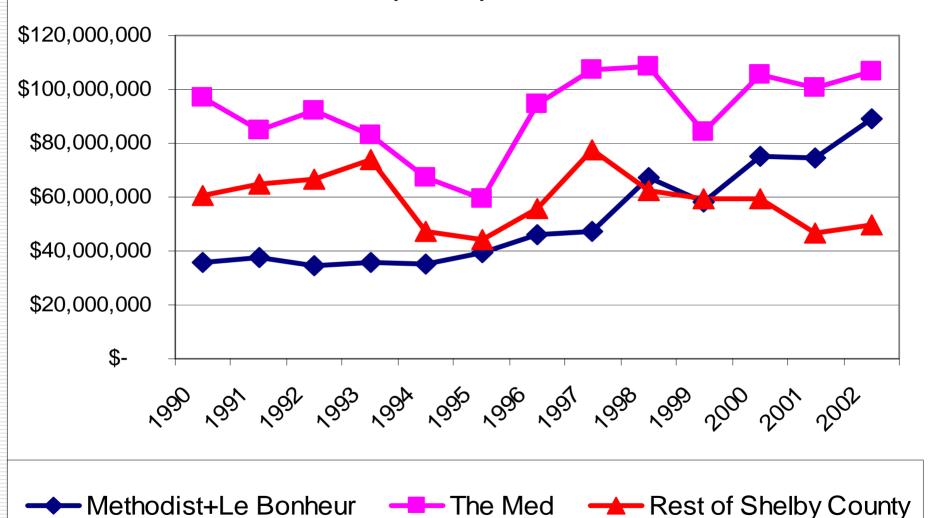




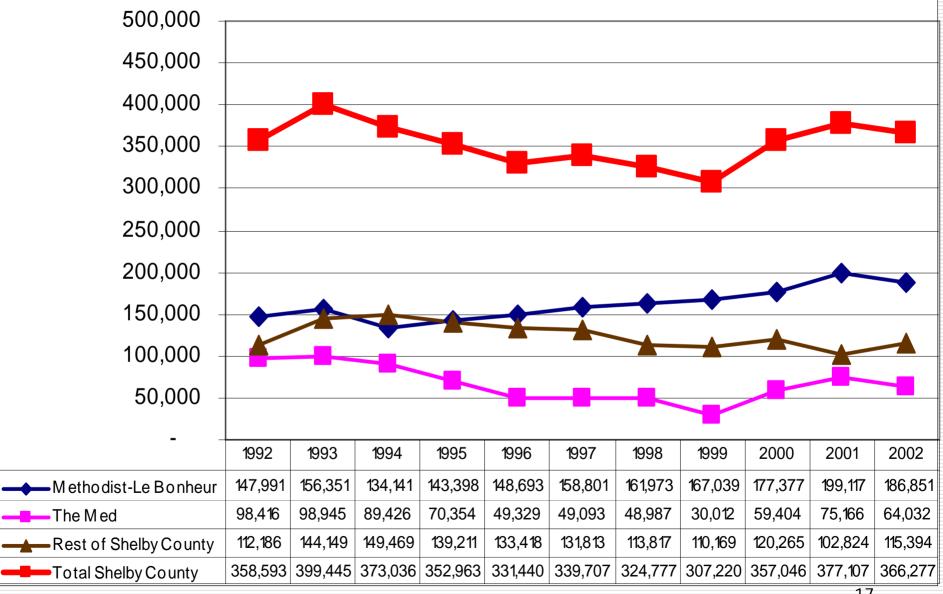


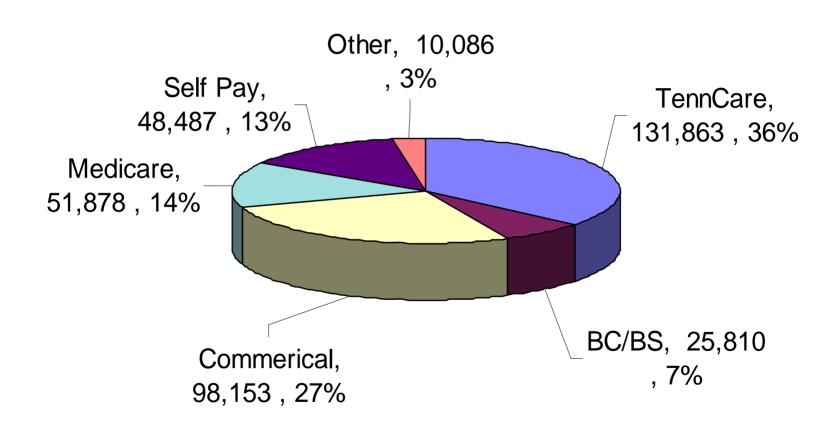
Uncompensated Care

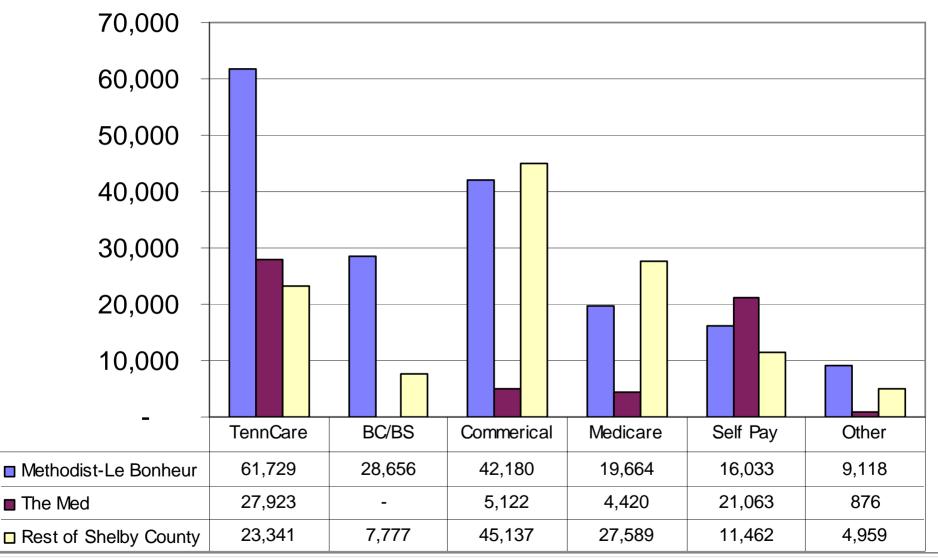
(Bad Debt + Charity + Med Indigents Adjustments to Gross Charges) Shelby County, Tennessee

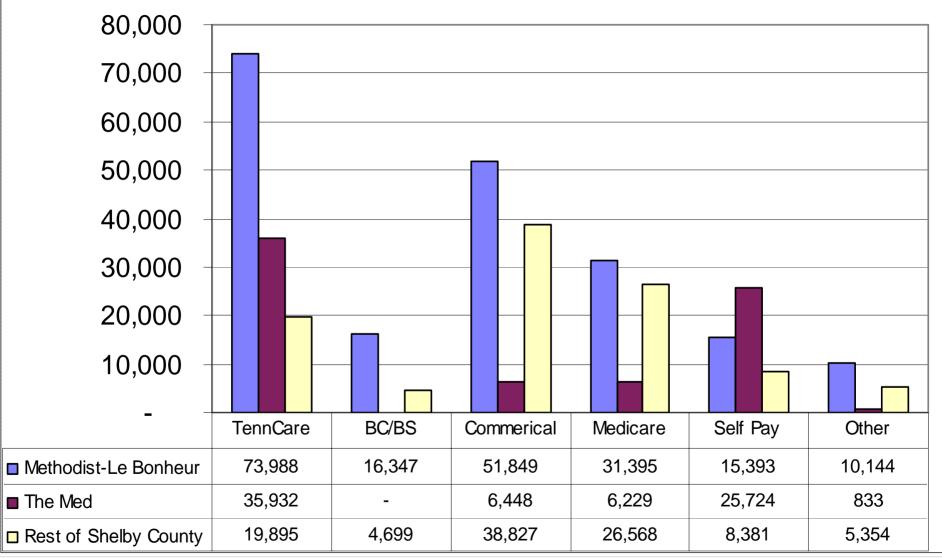


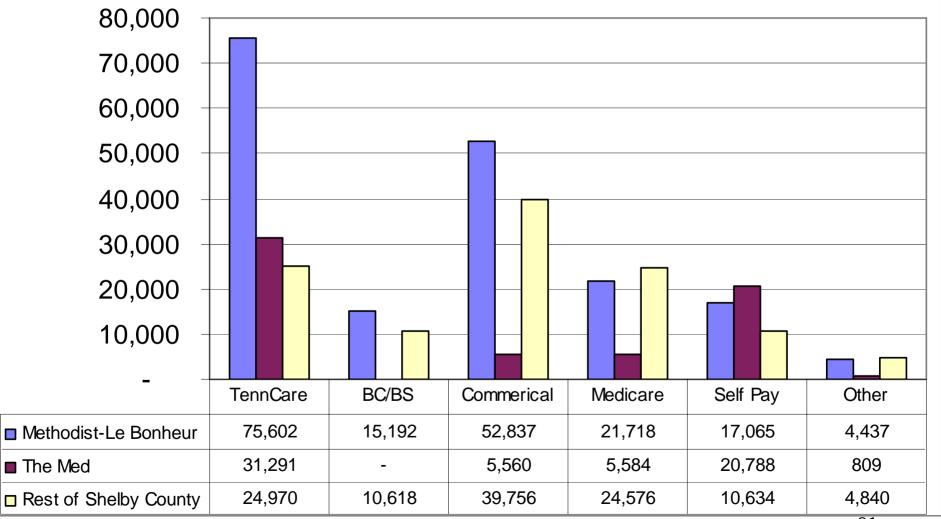
ED Visits in Shelby County, Tennessee, 1992-2002











Concluding Observations

- 1. The Med has about 11% of the market share in Memphis/Shelby County, while the remaining 89% is split between Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare (43%) and hospitals in the rest of Shelby County (46%)
- 2. In 2002, Methodist LeBonheur lost market share slightly when compared to the 45% share a year ago.

- 3. In 2002, Medicare led among the third-party payers in hospital reimbursement paying for 38% of the total admissions in Shelby County, followed by TennCare (23%) and commercial carriers (23%)
- 4. The Med and Methodist-Le Bonheur together treated a disproportionate share of TennCare patients in Memphis/Shelby County
 - The Med's admissions were overwhelmingly TennCare
 - Methodist-Le Bonheur accounted for about half of the total admissions of TennCare patients in Shelby County

- 4. The Med continues to draw mostly TennCare and Self-Pay (no-pay) patients with little success attracting commercial patients
- 5. Le Bonheur as a pediatric hospital is also saddled with a heavy load of TennCare and no-pay patients. However, this adverse burden has been mitigated by a sizable commercial patient base, slightly more favorable reimbursement rates, and effective cost control.

- 6. In terms of uncompensated care, which includes bad debt, charity care, and free care for the medically indigents, The Med continues to bear the brunt of the burden, writing off close to \$110 million in 2002.
- 7. Methodist-Le Bonheur provided over \$89 million worth of uncompensated care in 2002 while hospitals in the rest of the County provided only \$50 million, and the gap is growing

- 8. Contrary to national and state trends, ED visits in Memphis and Shelby County declined steadily in the late 1990s
- In 2000 and 2001, however, ED visits rose sharply, with most of the increases occurring at Methodist-Le Bonheur hospitals and, to a lesser degree, The Med

- 10. TennCare patients accounted for a disproportionate share of the ED visits in 2000-2002.
 - In 2002, for example, TennCare patients represented 23% of the total inpatient admissions in Shelby County but they accounted 36% of total ED visits