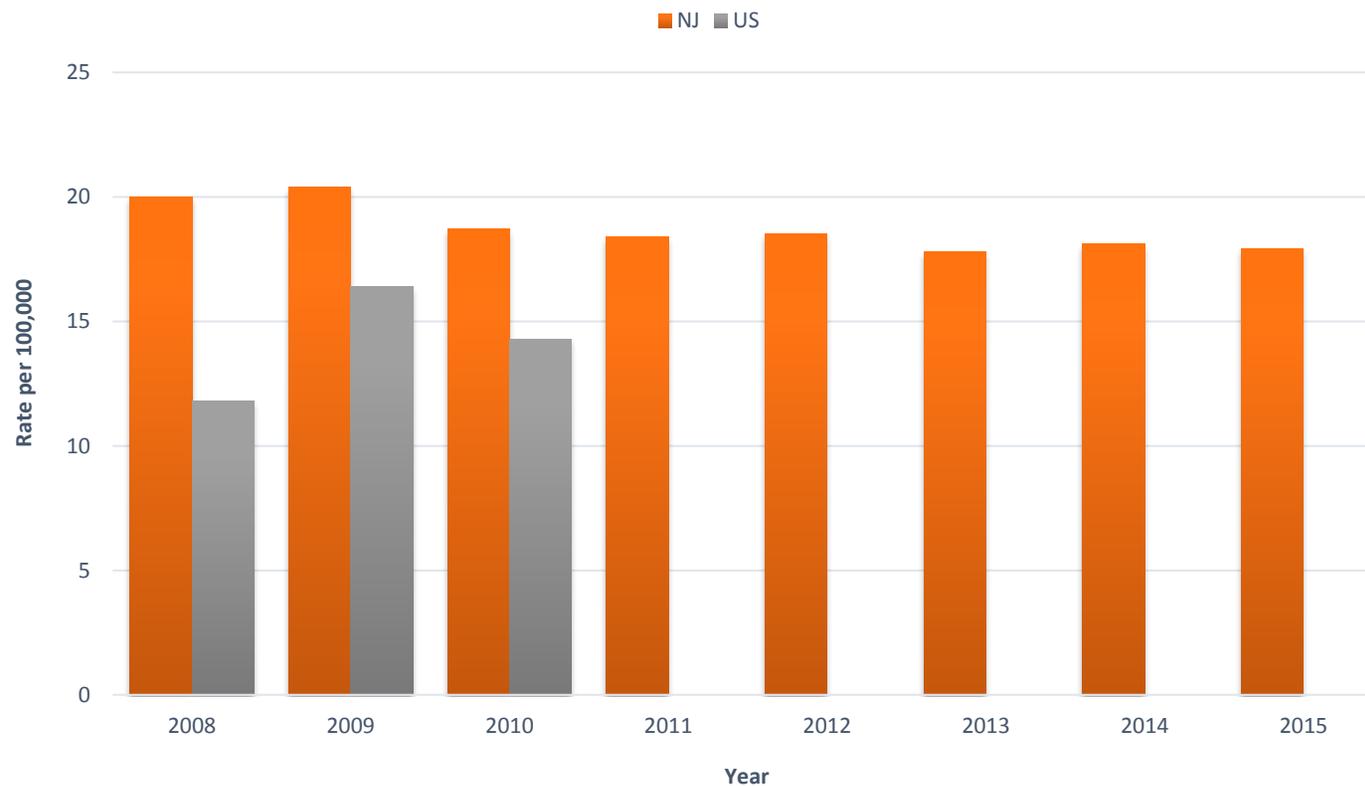


OHI #20: Hospitalizations for Work-Related Low back Disorders

Annual Crude Rate* of Hospitalizations for Low Back Surgery, New Jersey and United States, 2008-2015



*Per 100,000 employed persons age 16 years or older

**Annual Number and Crude Rate* of
Work-Related Surgical Low-Back
Disorder Hospitalizations, New Jersey
and United States, 2008-2015**

Year	Number		Rate*	
	NJ	US	NJ	US
2008	851	17,090	20.0	11.8
2009	844	22,915	20.4	16.4
2010	767	19,861	18.7	14.3
2011	767	N/A	18.4	N/A
2012	769	N/A	18.5	N/A
2013	741	N/A	17.8	N/A
2014	762	N/A	18.1	N/A
2015	766	N/A	17.9	N/A

*Per 100,000 employed persons age 16 years or older

N/A: not available

Note: Caution should be taken when comparing data to other states or with national estimates due to workers' compensation (WC) eligibility criteria and availability of data from WC programs varying among states. Effective October 1, 2015 healthcare organizations and providers were required to start using ICD-10-CM codes. The transition in classification from ICD-9-CM to ICD-10-CM may not be a one-to-one match, ICD-codes for low back disorders are still in the process of being validated. Therefore, data for 2016 and 2017 have not been collected on the national level.

Data Source: NJ Department of Health inpatient hospital discharge data; US Bureau of Labor Statistics, Geographic Profile of Employment and Unemployment [<https://www.bls.gov/opub/geographic-profile/home.htm>]