

TABLE 1.—LONG-TERM CARE HOSPITAL WAGE INDEX FOR URBAN AREAS FOR DISCHARGES OCCURRING FROM JULY 1, 2003 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2004—Continued

| MSA | Urban Area (Constituent Counties) | Full Wage Index ¹ | 1/5th Wage Index ² | 2/5th Wage Index ³ |
|------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 8920 | Waterloo-Cedar Falls, IA | 0.8069 | 0.9614 | 0.9228 |
| | Black Hawk, IA | | | |
| 8940 | Wausau, WI | 0.9782 | 0.9956 | 0.9913 |
| | Marathon, WI | | | |
| 8960 | West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL | 0.9939 | 0.9988 | 0.9976 |
| | Palm Beach, FL | | | |
| 9000 | Wheeling, WV-OH | 0.7670 | 0.9534 | 0.9068 |
| | Belmont, OH | | | |
| | Marshall, WV | | | |
| | Ohio, WV | | | |
| 9040 | Wichita, KS | 0.9520 | 0.9904 | 0.9808 |
| | Butler, KS | | | |
| | Harvey, KS | | | |
| | Sedgwick, KS | | | |
| 9080 | Wichita Falls, TX | 0.8498 | 0.9700 | 0.9399 |
| | Archer, TX | | | |
| | Wichita, TX | | | |
| 9140 | Williamsport, PA | 0.8544 | 0.9709 | 0.9418 |
| | Lycoming, PA | | | |
| 9160 | Wilmington-Newark, DE-MD | 1.1173 | 1.0235 | 1.0469 |
| | New Castle, DE | | | |
| | Cecil, MD | | | |
| 9200 | Wilmington, NC | 0.9640 | 0.9928 | 0.9856 |
| | New Hanover, NC | | | |
| | Brunswick, NC | | | |
| 9260 | Yakima, WA | 1.0569 | 1.0114 | 1.0228 |
| | Yakima, WA | | | |
| 9270 | Yolo, CA | 0.9434 | 0.9887 | 0.9774 |
| | Yolo, CA | | | |
| 9280 | York, PA | 0.9026 | 0.9805 | 0.9610 |
| | York, PA | | | |
| 9320 | Youngstown-Warren, OH | 0.9358 | 0.9872 | 0.9743 |
| | Columbiana, OH | | | |
| | Mahoning, OH | | | |
| | Trumbull, OH | | | |
| 9340 | Yuba City, CA | 1.0276 | 1.0055 | 1.0110 |
| | Sutter, CA | | | |
| | Yuba, CA | | | |
| 9360 | Yuma, AZ | 0.8589 | 0.9718 | 0.9436 |
| | Yuma, AZ | | | |

¹ Prereclassification wage index from Federal FY 2003 based on fiscal year 1999 audited acute care hospital inpatient wage data that excludes wages for services provided by teaching physicians, interns and residents, and nonphysician anesthetists under Part B of the Medicare program.

² One-fifth of the full wage index value, applicable for LTCH's cost reporting period beginning on or after October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003 (Federal FY 2203). For example, for a LTCH's cost reporting period begins during Federal in FY 2003 and located in Chicago, Illinois (MSA 1600), the 1/5th of the wage index value is computed as $(1.1044 + 4)/5 = 1.0209$. For further details on the 5-year phase-in of the wage index, see section VI.C.1. of this final rule.

³ Two-fifths of the full wage index value, applicable for LTCH's cost reporting period beginning on or after October 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003 (Federal FY 2004). For example, for a LTCH's cost reporting period begins during Federal in FY 2004 and located in Chicago, Illinois (MSA 1600), the 2/5th of the wage index value is computed as $((2 \times 1.1044) + 3)/5 = 1.0418$. For further details on the 5-year phase-in of the wage index, see section VI.C.1. of this final rule.

TABLE 2.—LONG-TERM CARE HOSPITAL WAGE INDEX FOR RURAL AREAS FOR DISCHARGES OCCURRING FROM JULY 1, 2003 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2004

| Nonurban Area | Full Wage Index ¹ | 1/5th Wage Index ² | 2/5th Wage Index ³ |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Alabama | 7660 | 9532 | 9064 |
| Alaska | 2293 | 0459 | 0917 |
| Arizona | 8493 | 9699 | 9397 |
| Arkansas | 7666 | 9533 | 9066 |
| California | 9899 | 9980 | 9960 |
| Colorado | 9015 | 9803 | 9606 |
| Connecticut | 2394 | 0479 | 0958 |
| Delaware | 9128 | 9826 | 9651 |
| Florida | 8827 | 9765 | 9531 |
| Georgia | 8230 | 9646 | 9292 |
| Hawaii | 0255 | 0051 | 0102 |
| Idaho | 8747 | 9749 | 9499 |
| Illinois | 8204 | 9641 | 9282 |