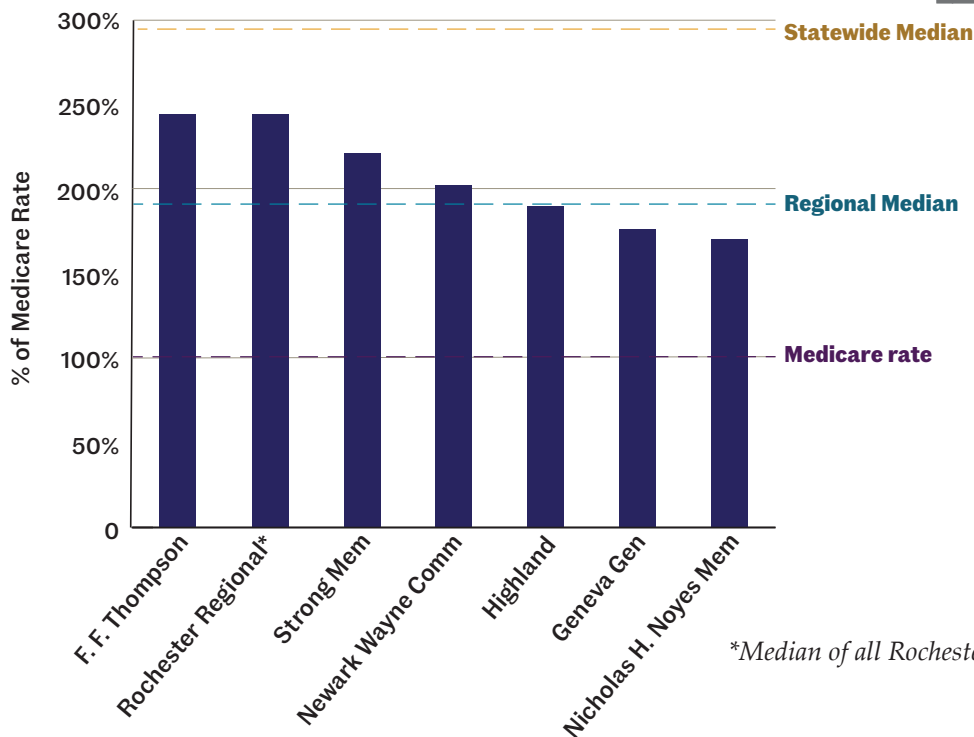
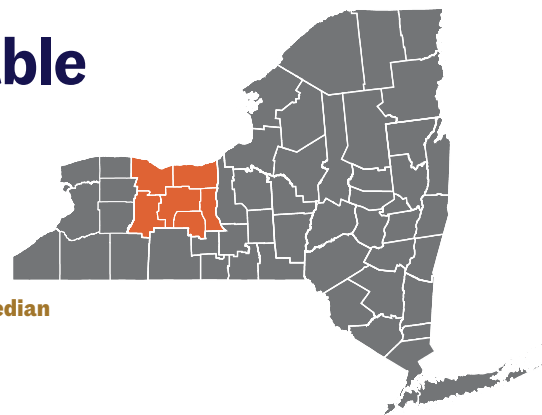


Why is Health Care So Unaffordable In the Finger Lakes Region?

Hospital Commercial Prices in the Finger Lakes Region

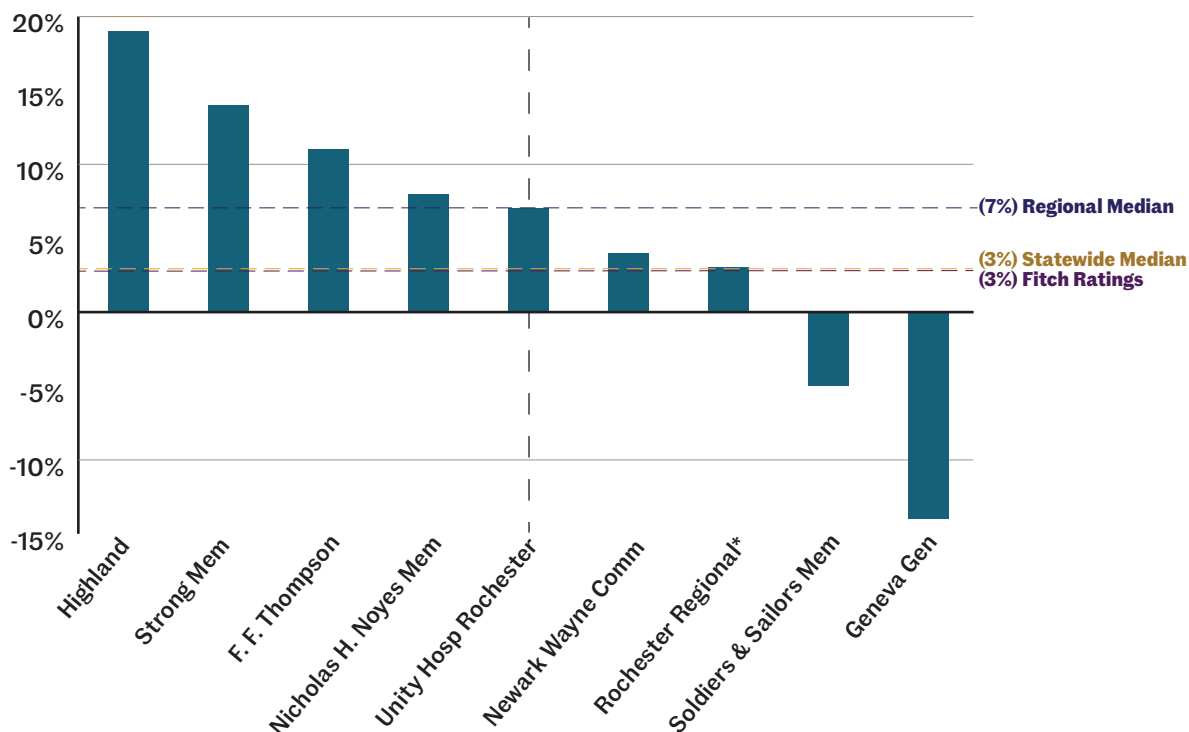


The Finger Lakes region is largely rural, except for the City of Rochester.

Comercial prices are lower than the Statewide average. The hospitals in the Finger Lakes region have very low overall quality measures.

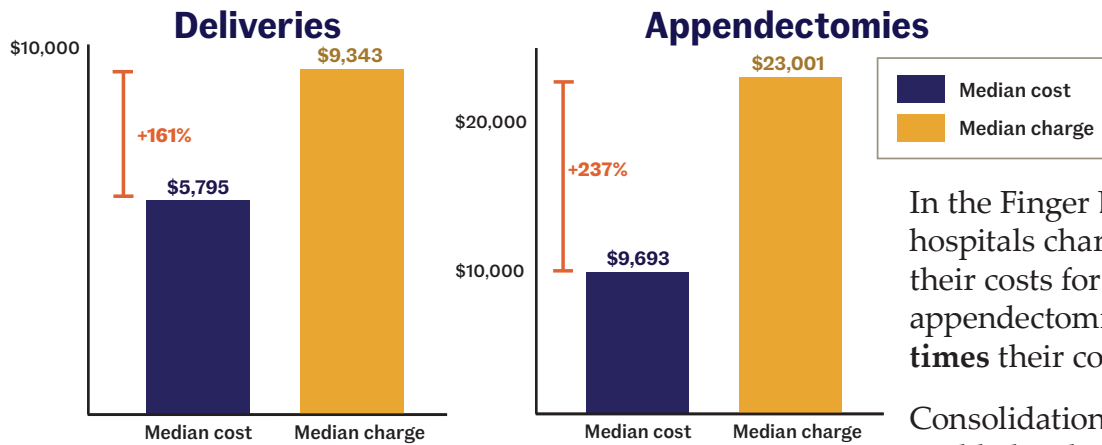
Hospital Operating Profit Margin in the Finger Lakes Region

Hospitals in this region have relatively high operating profits (7%), well above the 3% Fitch Ratings considered healthy for nonprofit hospitals to meet their obligations.



*Median of all Rochester Regional hospitals

Median Costs and Charges by Procedure

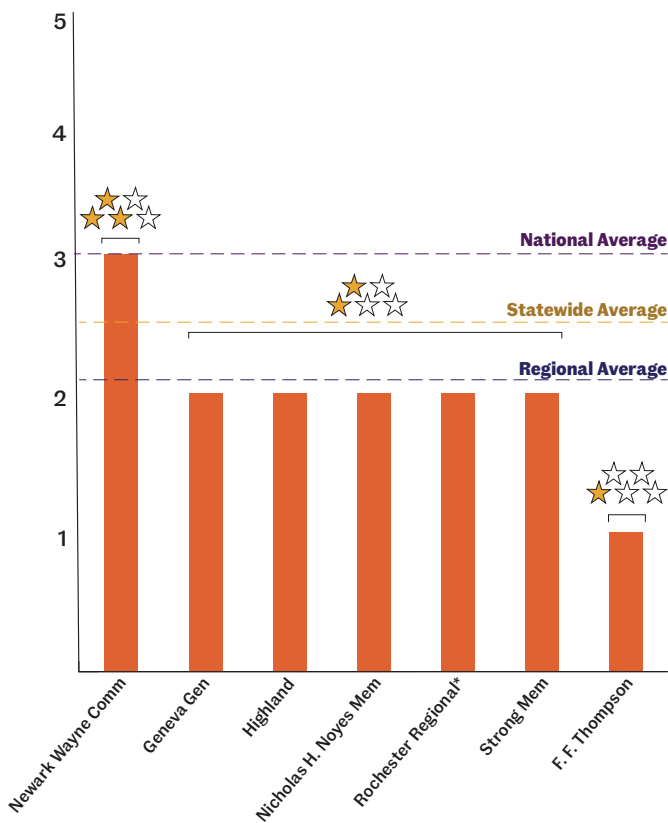
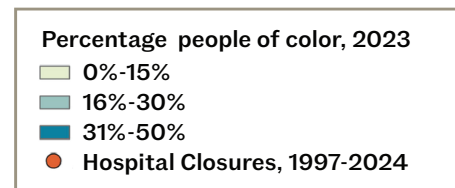


In the Finger Lakes Region, hospitals charge over **1.5 times** their costs for vaginal deliveries. For appendectomies, they charge over **2 times** their costs.

Consolidation in the market has enabled its hospitals to leverage their market power to command high charges for common procedures.

Hospital Closures in the Finger Lakes Region

The regional market is highly concentrated, with only three health systems across 11 hospitals. The region has experienced two hospital closures since 1997; however, a third of its counties (2 of 6) don't have any staffed hospital beds. The Finger Lakes region is severely underbedded, with the fewest number of beds per 1,000 residents (1.12).



CMS Quality Ratings for Hospitals in the Finger Lakes Region

Most hospitals receive just 1- or 2-stars on the 5-star federal quality rating system.

Hospitals in the Finger Lakes region have the **worst** safety, readmissions, and timely and effective care ratings across the State.

No hospitals in the region have a 4- or 5-star quality rating.

New York policymakers should consider a range of policy options—many of which have been adopted by other states—to address the unaffordability, lack of access, and low quality that plague the State's health care system. Read the full report, *Why is Health Care in New York So Unaffordable and What Can be Done to Fix It?* to learn more about how New York can address its lack of transparency, high prices, and uneven quality of care at cssny.org.