

# CHARITY CARE ON THE RISE

With millions of people losing their jobs and health insurance, nonprofit hospitals are carrying the financial burden of providing free medical care to those who can't pay. Meanwhile, even people with health insurance are struggling to pay hospital bills. Here's a look at the charity care and bad debts being absorbed by some of the area's hospitals. Figures for Kaiser Permanente were unavailable.

IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

Begin date	End date	Unpaid bills	Charity care
<b>Memorial Medical Center</b>			
1/1/2005	12/31/2005	\$32.7	\$22.0
1/1/2006	12/31/2006	16.8	32.8
1/1/2007	12/31/2007	31.5	30.1
1/1/2008	12/31/2008	39.1	37.4
<b>Doctors Medical Center</b>			
1/1/2005	12/31/2005	18.4	76.2
1/1/2006	12/31/2006	15.2	61.1
1/1/2007	12/31/2007	9.9	76.7
1/1/2008	12/31/2008	13.1	81.5
<b>Emanuel Medical Center</b>			
1/1/2005	12/31/2005	17.8	5.3
1/1/2006	12/31/2006	15.7	5.8
1/1/2007	12/31/2007	21.3	8.3
1/1/2008	12/31/2008	28.2	11.1
<b>Oak Valley Hospital</b>			
1/1/2005	12/31/2005	5.0	0.21
1/1/2006	12/31/2006	7.8	0.98
1/1/2007	12/31/2007	7.2	1.0
1/1/2008	12/31/2008	9.5	0.18
<b>Stanislaus Surgical Hospital</b>			
1/1/2005	12/31/2005	2.8	0
1/1/2006	12/31/2006	3.5	0
1/1/2007	12/31/2007	3.5	0
1/1/2008	12/31/2008	0.1	0
<b>Doctors Hospital of Manteca</b>			
1/1/2005	12/31/2005	5.3	3.9
1/1/2006	12/31/2006	5.0	5.9
1/1/2007	12/31/2007	5.6	4.0
1/1/2008	12/31/2008	7.2	2.4
<b>Sonora Regional Medical Center</b>			
1/1/2006	12/31/2006	3.7	1.4
1/1/2007	12/31/2007	5.1	2.0
1/1/2008	12/31/2008	6.5	1.9

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