American Spine Registry (ASR) 2024 Fact Sheet

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The American Spine Registry (ASR) launched in January 2020 with two modules: Degenerative Lumbar Spine and Degenerative Cervical Spine. This report provides a preview of the data in the ASR.

ASR, a partnership between the American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS) and the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS), represents a collaboration to enhance and improve the quality of spine care by providing spine surgeons access to a national data-collection program. The partnership incorporates the resources and experiences of both organizations.

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*Cases may include more than one reported diagnosis

Figure 2 Cervical Cumulative Procedural Volume by Year, Jan 2015-June 30, 2023 (N=78,692)*







Figure 3 Lumbar Reported Procedure Rates Jan 2015-June 30, 2023 (N=158,905)

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Figure 5a Lumbar Reported Diagnosis Rates Jan 2015-June 30, 2023 (N=158,905)







Figure 6a Cervical Reported Diagnosis Rates Jan 2015-June 30, 2023 (N=78,692)



Figure 6b Cervical Reported Diagnosis Rates Jan 2015-June 30, 2023 (N=78,692) - EXCLUDING OTHER/IRRELEVANT







Figure 8 Cervical Body Mass Index (BMI) Distribution (N=75,423)



Figure 9 Lumbar Sex Distribution by Age (N=158,688)



Figure 10 Cervical Sex Distribution by Age (N=158,688)



Figure 11 ASR Comorbidity Rates (Cervical N= 79,455 Lumbar N=161,193)



Figure 12 All-Cause Readmission Rates for Cervical and Lumbar Fusion in Medicare Patients 65 Years of Age and Older, 2015-2022 (Cervical N=11,558, Lumber N=21,572)



Figure 13 Lumbar Component Manufacturer Usage (N=77697.0*) (12/11/2023)



* Cases with at least 1 implant

Figure 14 Cervical Component Manufacturer Usage (N=56602.0*) (12/11/2023)



* Cases with at least 1 implant

Table 1 Cervical Fusion/Approach Rates (Vanguard Operative Form)

Fusion		Approach		
	Total (N=10508)	Anterior/Oblique (N= 8798)	Posterior (N= 2138)	Combined (N= 72)
Fusion	7423(70.6%)	6372 (85.8%)	1007 (13.5%)	44(0.59%)
Non-Fusion	3085(29.3%)	1926 (62.4%)	1131(36.6%)	28(0.90%)

Table 2 Lumbar Fusion/Approach Rates (Vanguard Operative Form)

Fusion		Approach				
	Total (N=23317)	Anterior/Oblique (N=853)	Transposas (N=463)	Posterior (N=21214)	Combined (N=787)	
Fusion	8363 (35.6%)	524(6.2%)	297(3.5%)	6992(83.6%)	550(6.5%)	
Non-Fusion	14954 (64.3%)	329(2.2%)	166 (1.1%)	14222(95.1%)	237(1.5%)	

Table 3 Change Between Preoperative and 1-Year Postoperative PROM Scores after Cervical Procedure by PROM, (Jan, 2015- June 30, 2023)

Patient Reported Outcome Measure	Cases with Preoperative Score	Cases with Linked Postop Scores	Response Rate, Preop and 1-Year	Rate of Meaningful Improvement
ArmPain NRS	10,929	3,872	35.43%	61.05%
NeckPain NRS	11,216	3,982	35.50%	65.02%
Neck Disability Index	12,446	4,483	36.02%	66.23%
PROMIS-10 Physical T	8,542	2,657	31.11%	53.90%
PROMIS-10 Mental T	8,542	2,657	31.11%	39.67%

*Meaningful improvement defined as achieving or exceeding minimal clinically important difference (MCID) via distribution method (half the pooled standard deviation of change)

Table 4 Change Between Preoperative and 1-Year Postoperative PROM Scores after Lumbar Procedure by PROM, (Jan 1, 2015- June 30, 2023)

Patient Reported Outcome Measure	Cases with Preoperative Score	Cases with Linked Postop Scores	Response Rate, Preop and 1-Year	Rate of Meaningful Improvement
BackPain NRS	21,677	8,389	38.70%	66.63%
LegPain NRS	21,022	8,147	38.75%	68.58%
Oswestry Disability Index	22,887	9,751	42.60%	69.97%
PROMIS-10 Physical	16,716	6,158	36.84%	60.17%
PROMIS-10 Mental	16,716	6,158	36.84%	42.01%

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