

| Activities | Low cost | High cost | Total |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|-------|
| Out-Patient Attend. | 48125 | 0 | 48125 |
| Specialist Clinic | 47710 | 0 | 47710 |
| Bed Strength | 425 | 18 | 443 |
| Admissions | 19857 | 166 | 20023 |
| Discharges | 12937 | 210 | 13147 |
| Deaths | 947 | 14961 | 961 |
| In-Patient Days | 1167 | 43961 | 19704 |
| Average Stay | 6 | 18 | 6 |
| Daily Av/patients | 320 | 8 | 328 |
| Bed Occupancy Rate | 75 | 45 | 81 |
| Mortality/1000 | 48 | 84 | 48 |
| Death within 48 hrs | 276 | 0 | 276 |

Note: High-cost patients originate from in-patients and as such high-cost patients are catered for in low-cost admissions.

Methodology This was a retrospective study that looked at records of activities in all the surgical wards in 2008 and compiled the data by outpatient attendance, morbidity and mortality.

Results The Tabulations below summarise the results.

| | Minor cases | Intermediate cases | Major cases | Total |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|-------|
| Operating theatre | 9357 | 376 | 3436 | 13169 |

Discussions 48 125 outpatient attendances, with 20 023 admissions, 13.147 discharges and 961 deaths.

Conclusion The UTH surgical department was busy in 2008 and offered a full service with a death rate of 48/1000.

0738 AN AUDIT OF PATIENT ATTENDANCE, MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY SEEN IN 2008 AT THE UNIVERSITY TEACHING HOSPITAL IN LUSAKA, ZAMBIA

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Introduction The University Teaching Hospital (UTH) in Zambia is a premiere learning, reference and research Medical Centre in Zambia. It offers General and Specialised services at tertiary level and runs 24 h and 7 days a week. The UTH has a total of 1060 beds and 337 cots.