

Report on EMS Service & Vehicle License Applications

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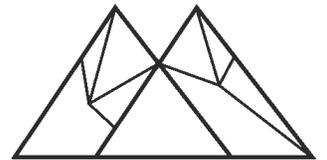
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GA provider organization types with highest number of transports (7)

Private for profit

Fire districts

City fire department

City/fire district combination

Hospital district

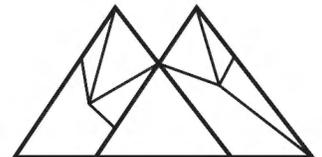
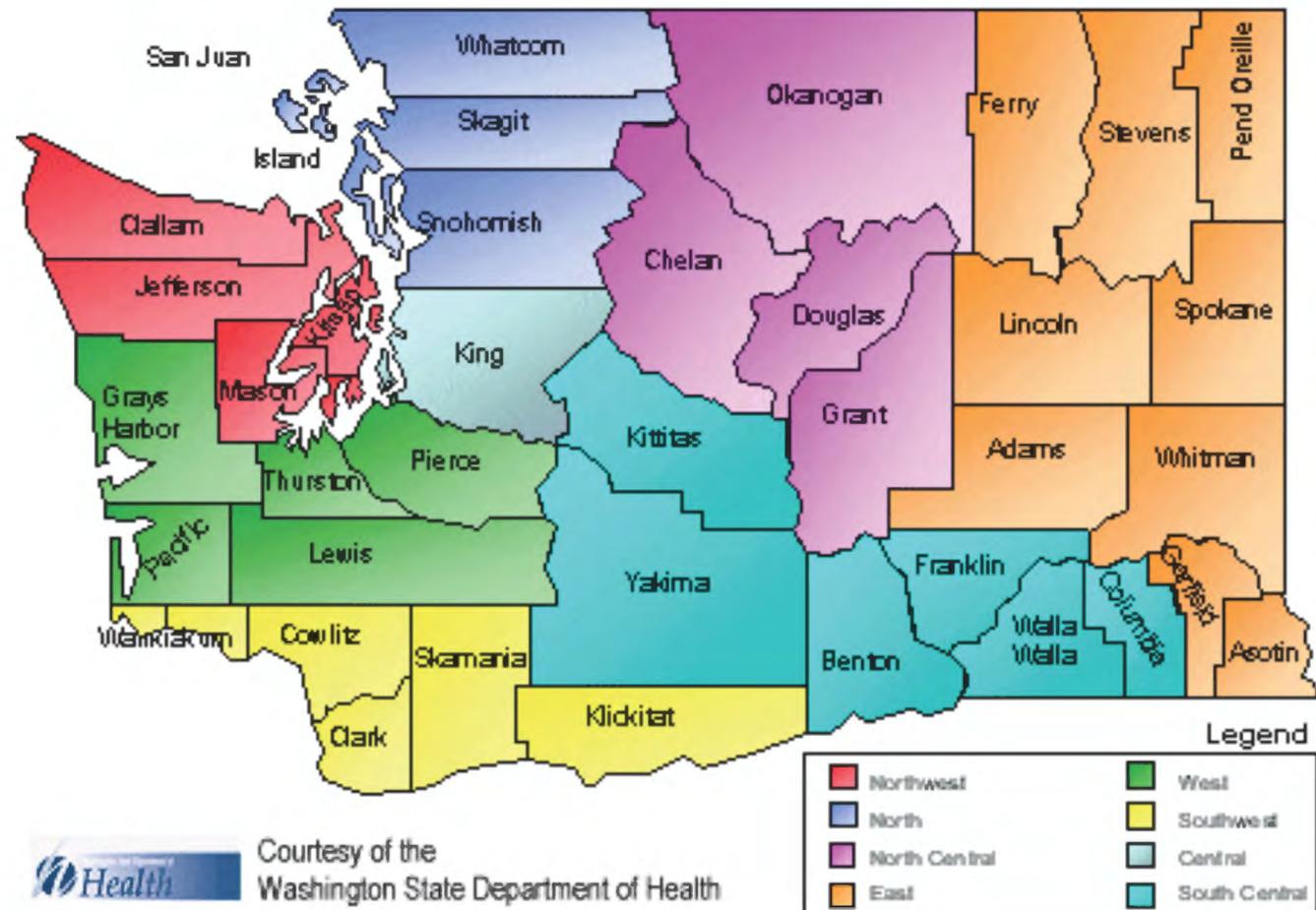
EMS district

Municipality

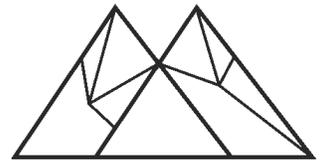


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GA provider organizations from different regions in WA (8)

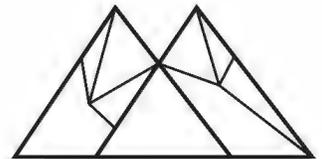


Selected Findings



Primary Responses

Table 2. Primary Response Counts				
Minimum	Maximum	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile
0	110,000	3,600	9,725	14,480



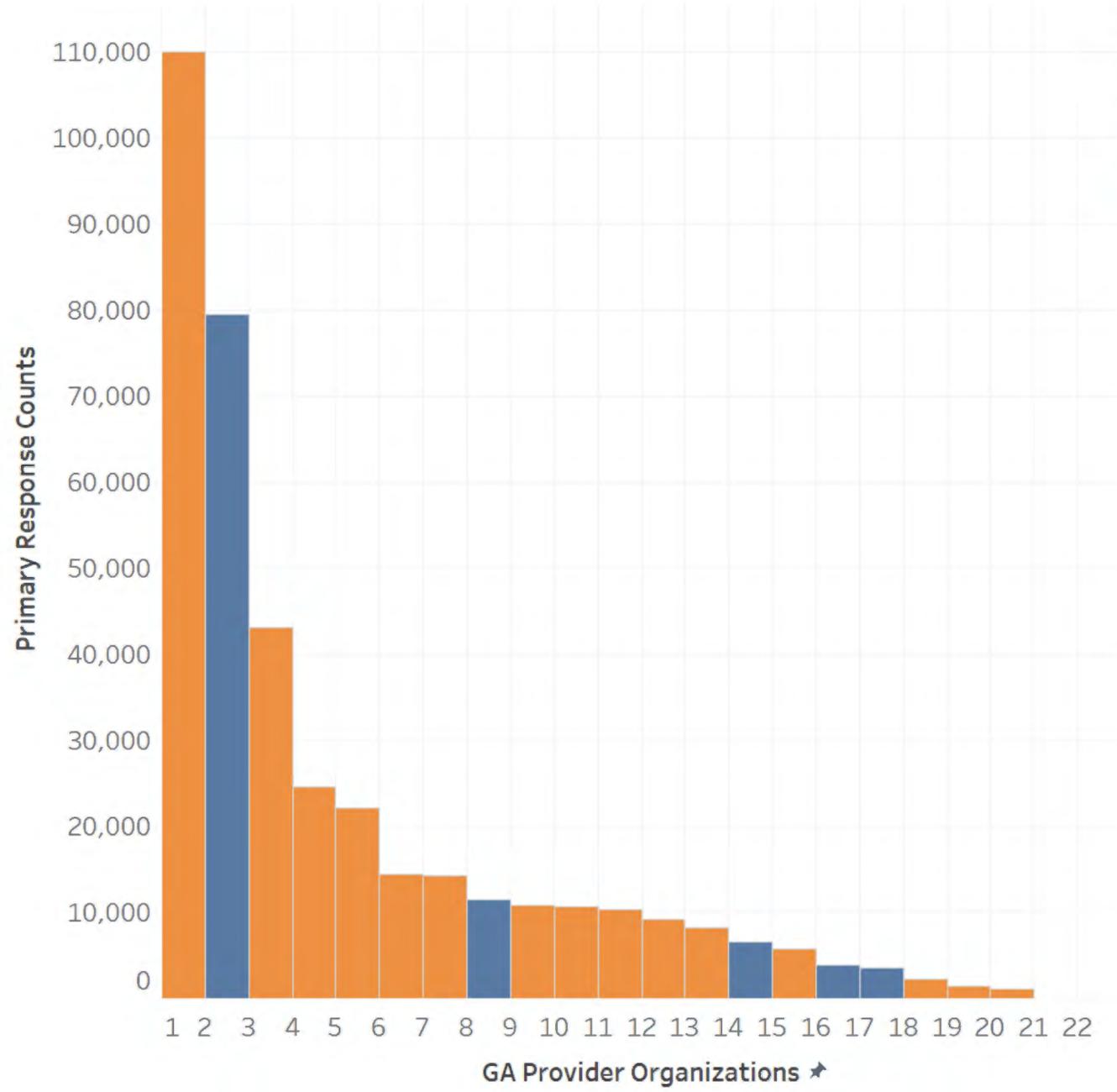
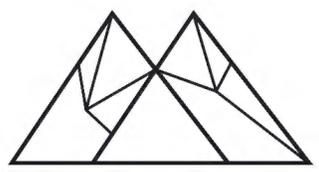
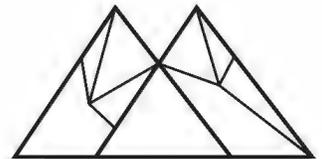


Figure 1. Primary Response Counts by Public vs. Private Organization Status



Combined Transports

Table 4. Combined Transport Counts				
Minimum	Maximum	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile
906	54,038	3,797	5,690.5	10,000



GA Provider
Organization Types:
■ Private
■ Public

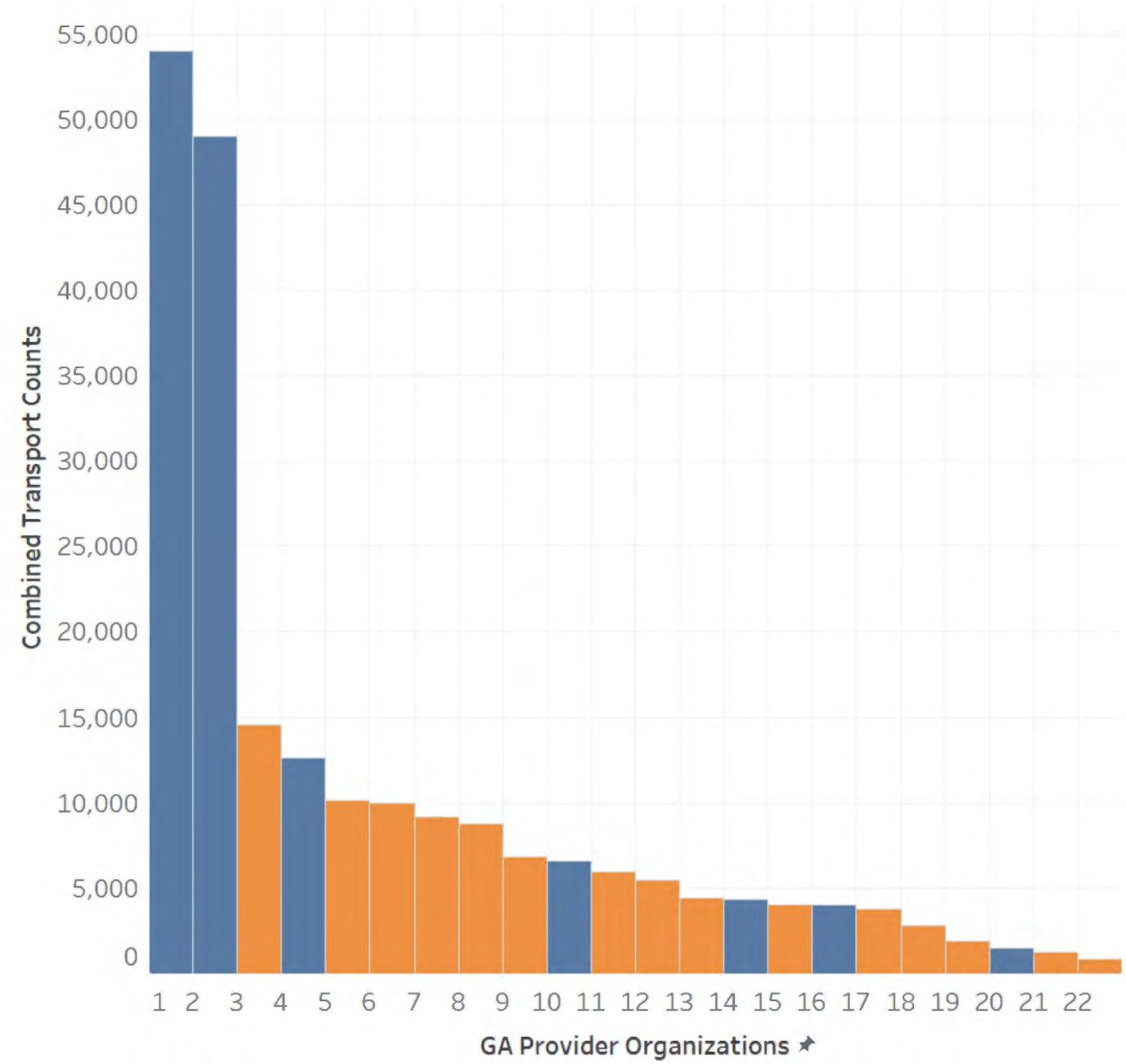
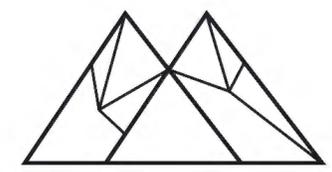
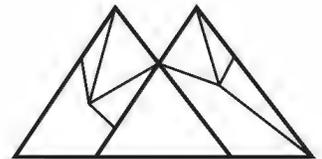


Figure 3. Combined Transport Counts by Public vs. Private Organization Status



Paid Staff

Table 6. Paid Staff Counts				
Minimum	Maximum	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile
20	1,000	39	78.5	205



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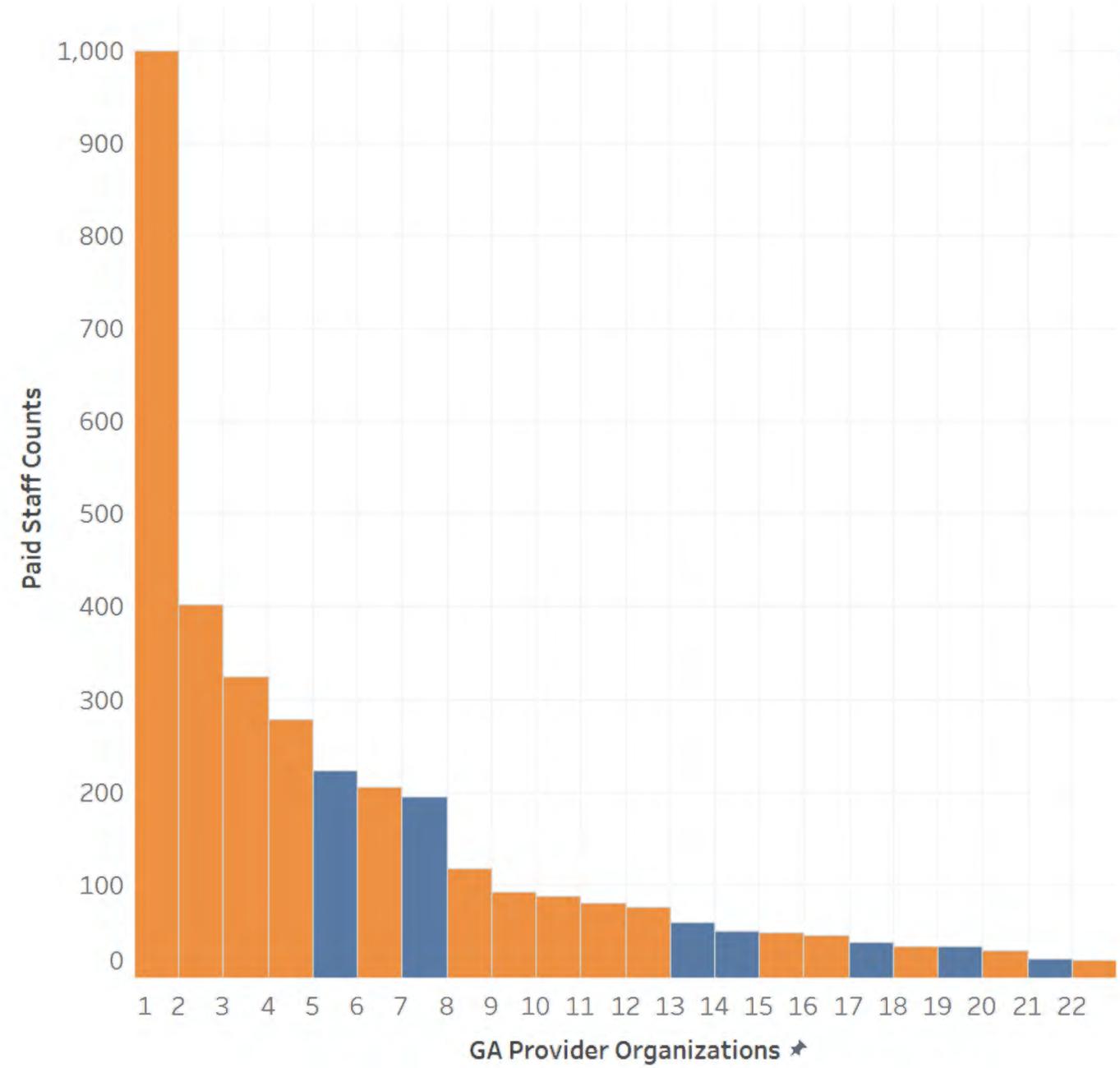
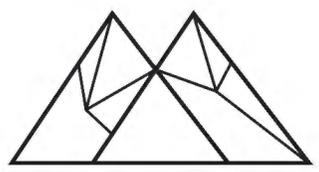
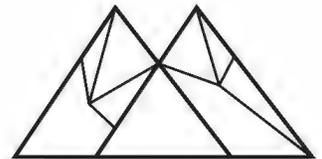


Figure 5. Paid Staff Counts by Public vs. Private Organization Status



Ambulances

Table 9. Ambulance Counts				
Minimum	Maximum	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile
4	53	6	10	19



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Organization Types:
■ Private
■ Public

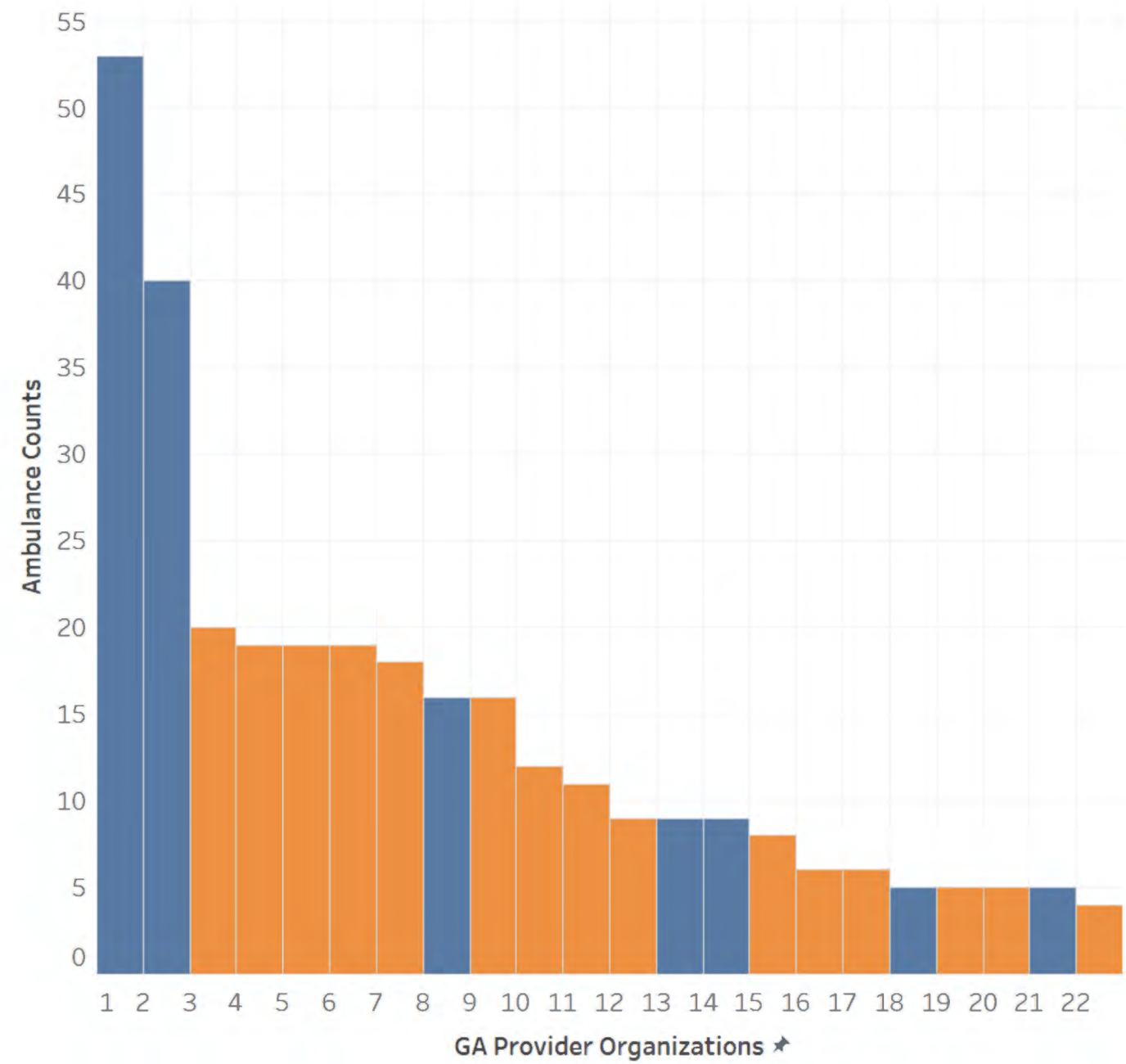
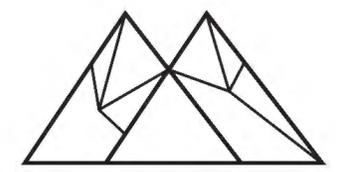


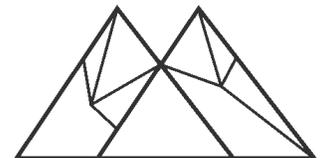
Figure 8. Ambulance Counts by Public vs. Private Organization Status



Dispatch Plans

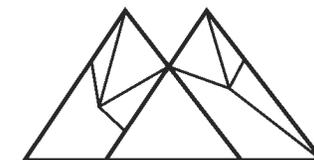
Table 10. Dispatch Plan Content

Dimension	Greatest Detail	Least Detail
<p>Communication Systems</p>	<p><i>“All calls for assistance are placed through the ___ 911 system. The call is answered by the ___ 911 Center in ___, WA. Once the kind of assistance needed is identified the Dispatcher pages for the units to respond through a paging system, and an ___ App. Units are given the nature of the call, address, and time of page. If units do not respond within 8 min the page is repeated. If the 2nd page goes unanswered the ___ 911 Center will page ___ District, ___ miles to the south of ___ or ___ miles to the south of ___. If ___ Ambulance knows all the ___ Ambulances are busy on other calls, we will instantly call for an agency assist from ___ District or ___ Ambulance with no patient delays. ___ 911 Center also paged the local 1st Responders from Districts ___ and ___ in the response area to contact and stabilize the patients before our arrival.”</i></p>	<p>“County 911 system.”</p>

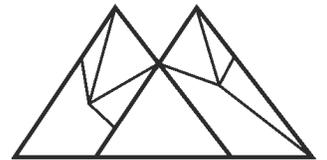


Response Plans

Table 11. Response Plan Content		
Dimension	Greatest Detail	Least Detail
Geographic Areas	<p>“ ___ has ___ fire stations located strategically within the fire district boundaries (___ sq miles). Staffed stations are located in the ___, WA and one at ___, WA... ___ provides 911 emergency response ALS ambulance transport to the one hospital in our jurisdiction, which is ___ Medical Center. ___ Medical Center is a Level ___ Trauma hospital, Level ___ for stroke destination and Level ___ for cardiac destination. We transport patients from our local facility to other metropolitan area hospitals (inter-facility) only as a backup to the local private ambulance provider, ___ and ___.”</p>	<p>“Initial 911 response in accordance with regional plan.”</p>



Conclusions



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Considerable variation observed in GA provider organizations with respect to responses, transports, staffing, and ambulances.

Few outlier GA provider organizations reporting high counts led to skewed findings.

Dispatch and response plans varied on details to dimensions such as communication systems and geographic areas.

