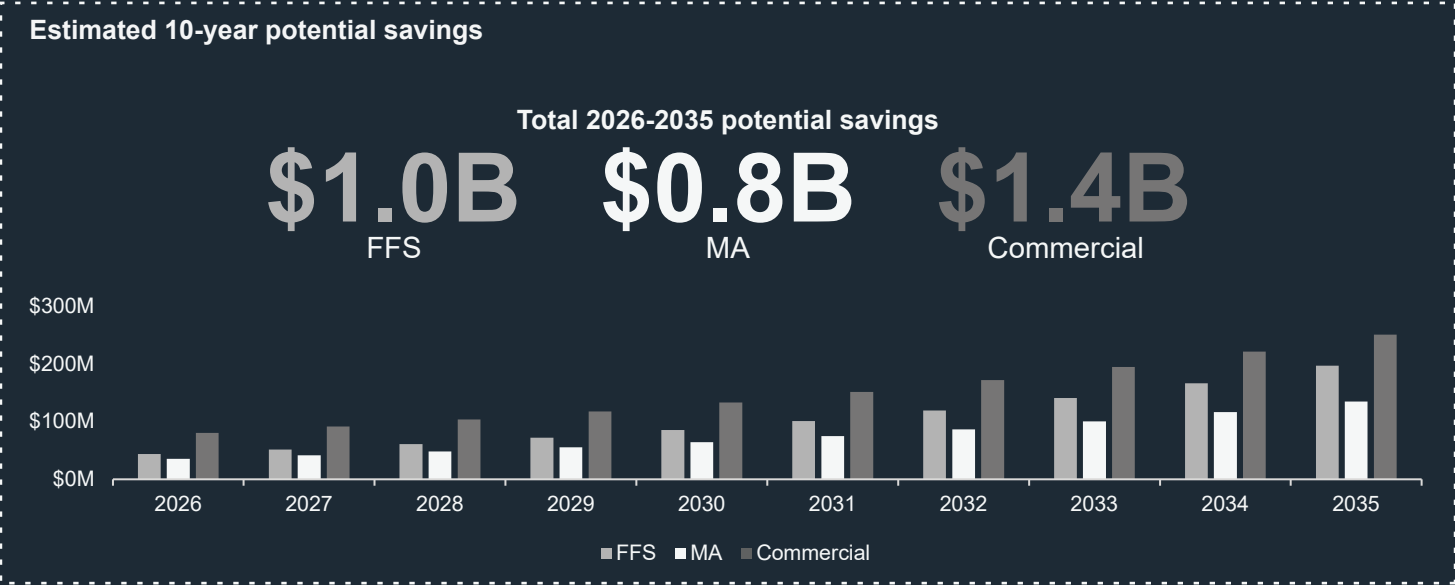
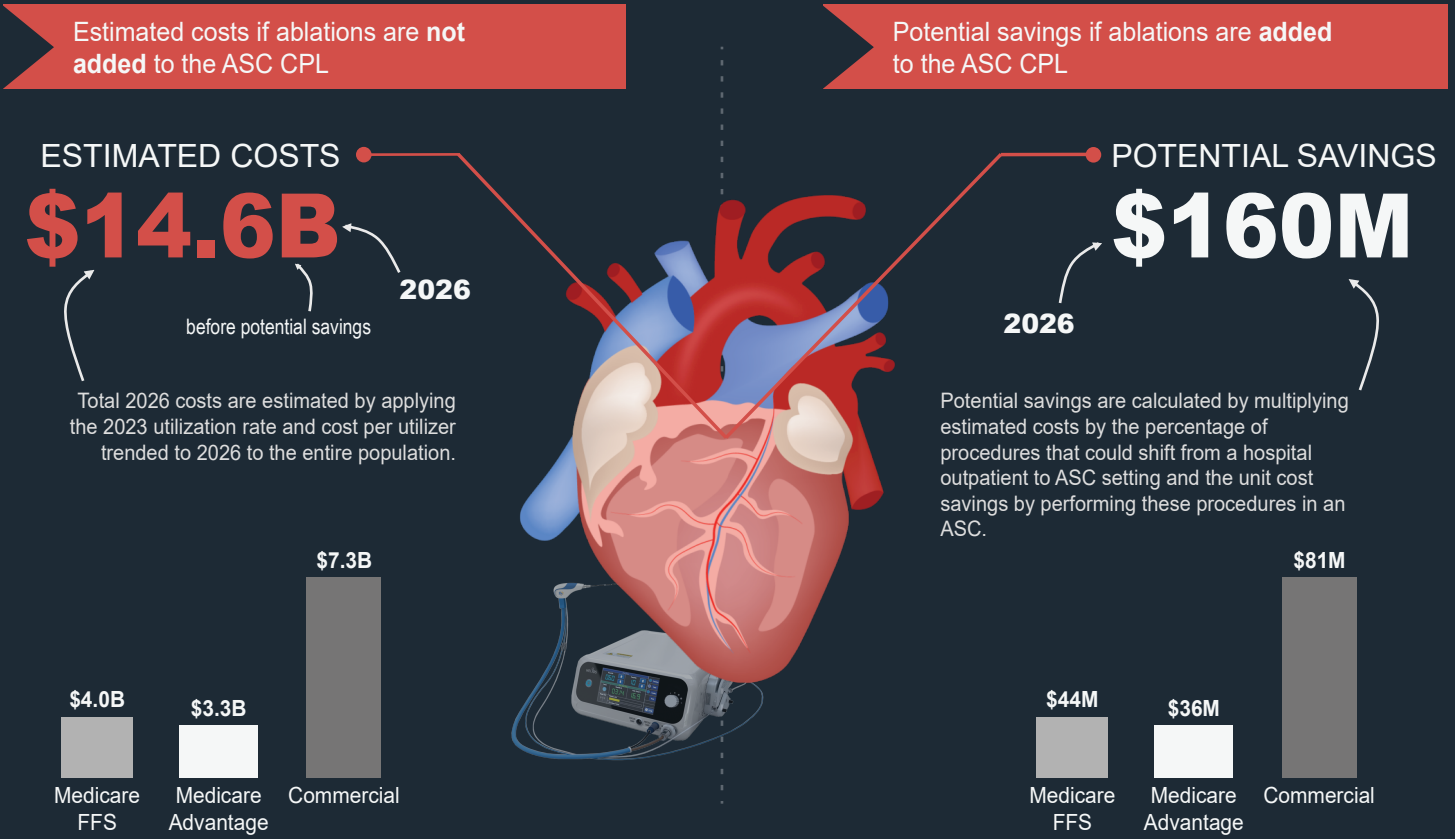


# CARDIAC ABLATIONS IN SURGICAL CENTERS

ESTIMATED COSTS, UTILIZATION, & PROJECTED SAVINGS

**Atrial fibrillation (AFib)** is the most common cardiac rhythm disorder. It increases the risk of heart failure, stroke and hospitalization.

A major treatment of AFib is cardiac ablation. Cardiac ablation is a minimally invasive treatment that aims to restore a patient’s heart rhythm. Currently, cardiac ablation is only reimbursed by Medicare when performed in a hospital setting due to regulations from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). From 2022-2025, CMS has not accepted cardiac ablation codes for the Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) covered procedures list (CPL). Organizations such as the Heart Rhythm Society have provided data to CMS on the safety and efficacy of ablations performed in the ASC setting.



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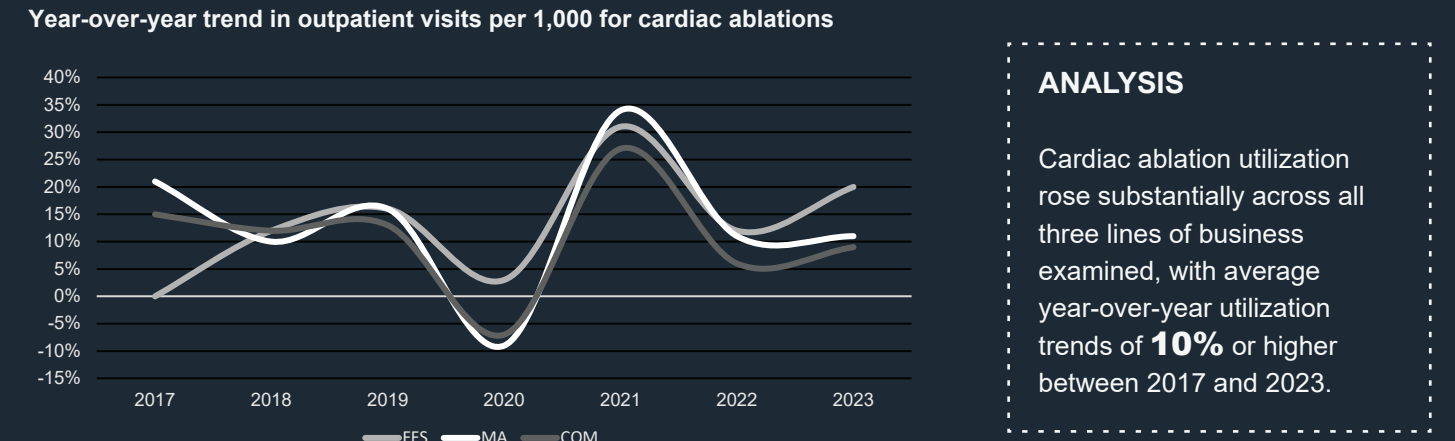
Americans have atrial fibrillation (AFib) as of 2019

1 IN 4<sup>(2)</sup>

strokes are caused by AFib

AFib-related total annual healthcare costs in the U.S. are projected to rise to \$175B by 2050<sup>(3)</sup>

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