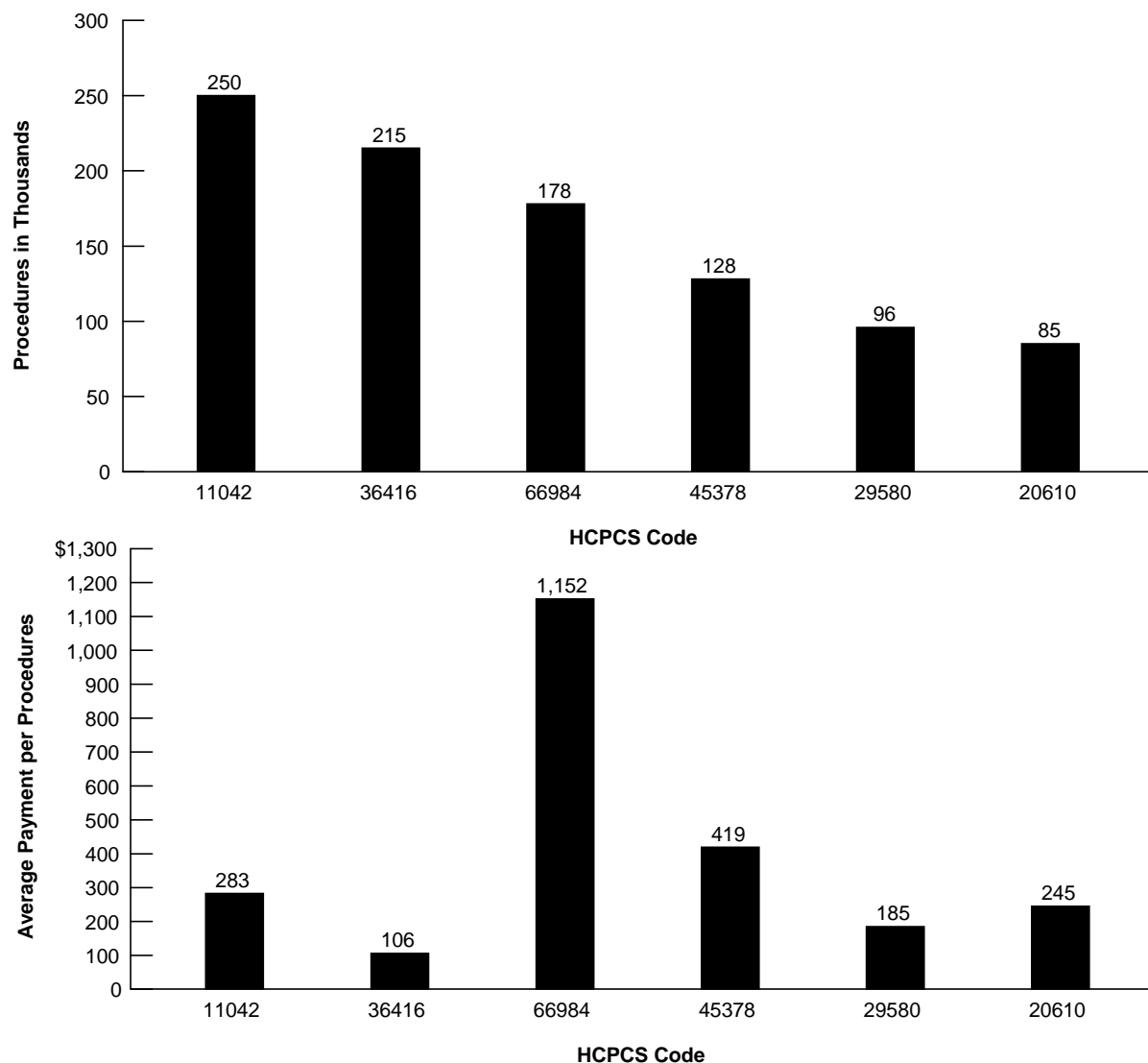


Figure 10.2
Leading Medicare Hospital Outpatient Surgical
Procedures, Based on Frequency: Calendar Year 2009



NOTES: HCPCS is Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System. The Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes, descriptions, and other data only are Copyright 2008 American Medical Association All Rights Reserved (or such other date of publication of CPT). CPT is a trademark of the American Medical Association (AMA). For a more detailed description of each procedure, refer to the previously mentioned publication. Leading surgical HCPCS codes were selected from among the code range 10000 - 69979 (Surgical Procedures). Codes are debridement, skin, and subcutaneous tissue, 11042; collection of capillary blood specimen, 36416; extracapsular cataract removal with insertion of intraocular lens prosthesis, 66984; colonoscopy, flexible, proximal to splenic flexure, 45378; strapping, unna boot, 29580; arthrocentesis, aspiration and/or injection, major joint or bursa, 20610.

SOURCE: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Office of Information Services: Data from the Standard Analytical Files; data development by the Office of Research, Development, and Information.