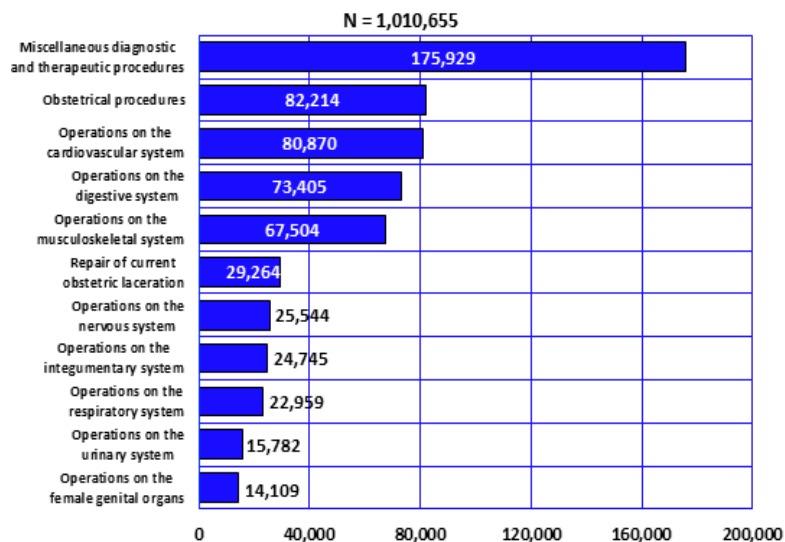


#### 4B. INPATIENT DISCHARGES FROM SHORT-STAY HOSPITALS BY ALL-LISTED PROCEDURES AND PATIENT CHARACTERISTICS

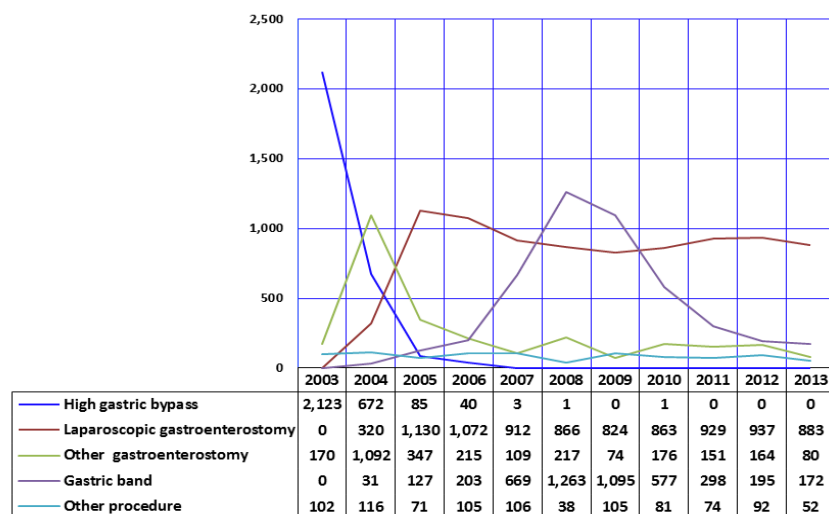
**Figure 4B-1**  
**Ten Leading Categories of All-listed Inpatient Procedures,**  
**Arizona Residents, 2013**



During 2013, 1,010,655 procedures were performed among the 636,535 total inpatient discharges to Arizona residents. The rate of procedures was 1,535.7 per 10,000 population. For Arizona males, this rate was 1,353.5/10,000, and for Arizona females it was 1,716.1/10,000.

No specific procedure was recorded for approximately 45.7 percent of all inpatient discharges. Only 6.4 percent of inpatients had six procedures reported. Among the inpatient discharges which had one or more specific procedures recorded, the most frequent were miscellaneous diagnostic and therapeutic procedures (such as arteriography and angiocardiology or respiratory therapy), followed by obstetrical procedures, operations on the cardiovascular system, and operations on the digestive system (**Figure 4B-1, Table 4B1**).

**Figure 4B-2**  
**Trends in Types of Inpatient Procedures Performed in Treatment of Morbid Obesity, Arizona Residents, 2003-2013**



Note: The frequency counts in Figure 4B-2 are based on the principal procedure. The tabulated data use all six listed procedures.

Bariatrics is a branch of medicine that deals with the surgical treatment of obesity. Bariatric surgery has seen a rather dramatic increase in its popularity. A typical candidate for gastrointestinal surgery has a body mass index (BMI) of 40 or more – about 100 pounds overweight for men and 80 pounds for women. Bariatric surgery may also be considered for someone whose BMI is between 35 and 39.9 and who has a serious obesity-related health problem (such as type 2-diabetes, heart disease, or severe sleep apnea).

In 2013, **morbid obesity** (ICD-9-CM code 278.01) was the principal diagnosis for 2,113 inpatient hospitalizations (**Table 4A-1**). The number of *gastric bypass* surgeries, once the most common bariatric procedure, declined from a recent high of 2,123 in 2003 to only 2 gastric bypass surgeries being completed in the past 6 years (**Figure 4B-2**). Not a single *laparoscopic gastroenterostomy* procedure was reported in Arizona prior to 2004. In 2013, it was the most popular, with 883 procedures performed.