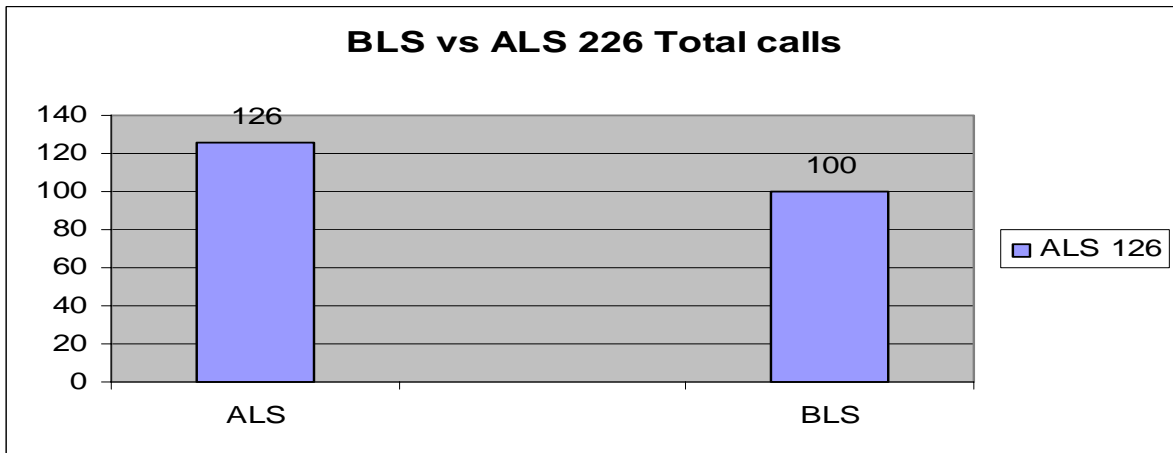
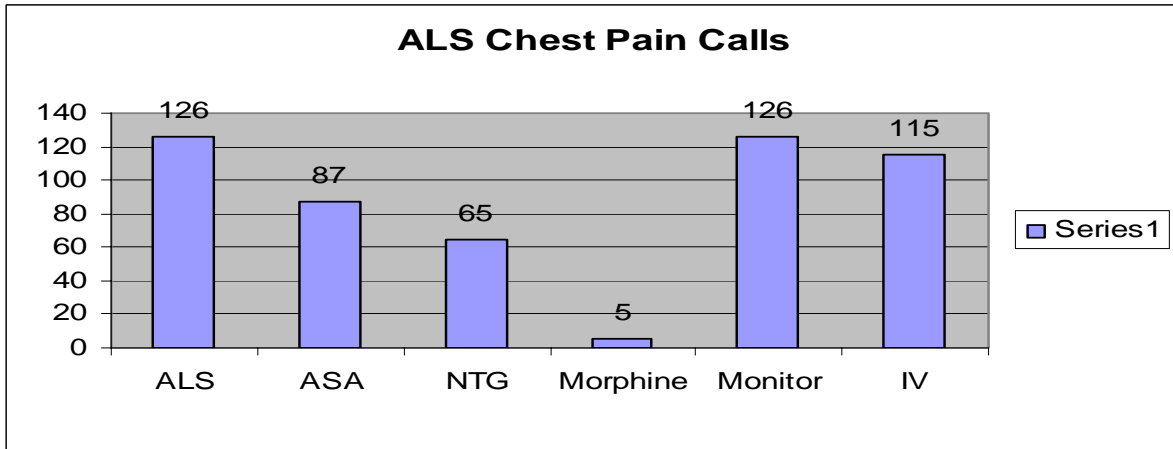


## Western VA EMS Council Performance Improvement Project First Quarter, 2008



**Time Period Evaluated:** January 1 – March 31, 2008

**Number of Agencies Reporting:** 6

**BLS versus ALS responses:** 44% BLS, 56% ALS

**ALS Responses:**

**Patient on monitor:** 100%

**IV's started:** 91%

**Aspirin given:** 69%

**Nitroglycerin given:** 52%

**Morphine given:** 4%

**Unable to consider:**

Prehospital use of Aspirin and Nitro by patient prior to EMS arrival.

**Conclusion:**

Improvement in prehospital administration of Nitroglycerin can be accomplished.

Evaluation of use of Morphine in the prehospital setting based on new cardiologist recommendations needs to be conducted.