

Table HCareVis. Visits to physician offices and hospital emergency departments, by age, sex, and race: United States, selected years 2000–2018

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Characteristic	Physician offices						
	2000	2008	2010	2015	2016	2017 ¹	2018
Age group		Number of visits (thousands)					
Total.....	823,542	955,969	1,008,802	990,808	883,725	---	860,386
Under 18 years.....	163,459	171,744	191,500	149,556	177,481	---	128,781
18–44 years.....	243,011	243,979	261,941	230,511	215,191	---	198,673
45–64 years.....	216,783	284,110	296,385	305,071	252,037	---	251,488
45–54 years.....	119,474	137,776	140,819	142,016	113,724	---	111,899
55–64 years.....	97,309	146,335	155,566	163,055	138,313	---	139,589
65 years and over.....	200,289	256,135	258,976	305,670	239,016	---	281,444
65–74 years.....	102,447	127,125	132,201	159,752	132,148	---	147,017
75 years and over.....	97,842	129,010	126,775	145,918	106,868	---	134,427
		Number of visits per 100 people					
Total, age adjusted ²	304	315	325	297	267	---	250
Total, crude.....	300	320	332	313	278	---	267
Under 18 years.....	226	233	257	203	241	---	176
18–44 years.....	224	221	237	204	190	---	173
45–64 years.....	358	367	371	366	302	---	302
45–54 years.....	323	313	320	333	269	---	272
55–64 years.....	412	437	434	401	336	---	332
65 years and over.....	612	688	666	658	498	---	550
65–74 years.....	577	639	624	585	465	---	486
75 years and over.....	654	743	715	762	547	---	644
Sex and age group							
Male, age adjusted ²	261	265	283	252	230	---	214
Male, crude.....	251	262	283	262	239	---	224
Under 18 years.....	231	233	262	203	248	---	179
18–44 years.....	148	131	151	122	118	---	103
45–54 years.....	260	255	265	251	220	---	234
55–64 years.....	367	373	396	378	310	---	277
65–74 years.....	539	604	597	560	462	---	459
75 years and over.....	670	768	760	799	542	---	681
Female, age adjusted ²	345	363	367	342	301	---	286
Female, crude.....	348	376	379	362	315	---	308
Under 18 years.....	221	232	252	204	234	---	172
18–44 years.....	298	311	323	285	262	---	243
45–54 years.....	384	369	372	411	316	---	308
55–64 years.....	453	496	469	424	359	---	383
65–74 years.....	609	669	647	607	468	---	509
75 years and over.....	645	728	685	736	550	---	617
Race and age group³							
White, age adjusted ²	315	324	336	293	286	---	269
White, crude.....	316	336	349	315	302	---	293
Under 18 years.....	243	246	270	213	268	---	198
18–44 years.....	239	230	249	211	205	---	188
45–54 years.....	330	325	326	310	289	---	295
55–64 years.....	416	446	440	394	351	---	350
65–74 years.....	568	648	642	548	488	---	504
75 years and over.....	658	743	723	710	565	---	667
Black or African American, age adjusted ²	239	296	316	326	227	---	172
Black or African American, crude.....	214	276	303	316	224	---	171
Under 18 years.....	167	208	241	167	200	---	115
18–44 years.....	149	201	222	205	179	---	135
45–54 years.....	269	289	339	420	219	---	182
55–64 years.....	373	422	481	496	283	---	221
65–74 years.....	512	636	565	743	350	---	353
75 years and over.....	568	762	682	874	465	---	365

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Characteristic	Hospital emergency departments						
	2000	2008	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018
Age group							
Number of visits (thousands)							
Total.....	108,017	123,761	129,843	136,943	145,591	138,977	129,974
Under 18 years.....	27,630	27,880	29,815	31,860	32,146	33,698	29,293
18–44 years.....	45,816	50,285	52,697	54,592	55,978	53,072	47,085
45–64 years.....	18,339	26,335	27,877	29,119	34,359	29,828	30,399
45–54 years.....	11,201	15,641	16,581	16,070	18,605	16,415	15,297
55–64 years.....	7,138	10,694	11,296	13,050	15,754	13,412	15,102
65 years and over.....	16,232	19,261	19,454	21,372	23,108	22,379	23,197
65–74 years.....	6,543	7,479	8,199	9,797	10,985	10,316	10,709
75 years and over.....	9,690	11,781	11,255	11,575	12,123	12,063	12,488
Number of visits per 100 people							
Total, age adjusted ²	40	42	43	44	46	44	41
Total, crude.....	39	41	43	43	46	43	40
Under 18 years.....	38	38	40	43	44	46	40
18–44 years.....	42	46	48	48	50	47	41
45–64 years.....	30	34	35	35	41	36	37
45–54 years.....	30	36	38	38	44	39	37
55–64 years.....	30	32	32	32	38	32	36
65 years and over.....	50	52	50	46	48	45	45
65–74 years.....	37	38	39	36	39	35	35
75 years and over.....	65	68	64	60	62	60	60
Sex and age group							
Male, age adjusted ²	38	39	40	40	43	40	37
Male, crude.....	38	39	39	39	42	39	37
Under 18 years.....	41	39	43	44	45	47	40
18–44 years.....	38	39	38	39	41	37	33
45–54 years.....	30	35	35	36	41	38	35
55–64 years.....	30	31	32	31	39	30	35
65–74 years.....	36	38	37	34	39	33	35
75 years and over.....	59	68	60	60	62	55	56
Female, age adjusted ²	41	44	47	48	50	48	44
Female, crude.....	41	44	46	47	49	47	44
Under 18 years.....	35	36	37	43	43	45	40
18–44 years.....	46	53	57	57	58	56	49
45–54 years.....	31	36	40	39	47	41	39
55–64 years.....	31	33	31	33	38	34	37
65–74 years.....	37	37	40	38	38	37	36
75 years and over.....	69	68	66	61	62	64	62
Race and age group ³							
White, age adjusted ²	37	38	41	42	44	40	36
White, crude.....	37	37	40	41	44	40	36
Under 18 years.....	36	34	39	42	41	42	36
18–44 years.....	39	41	45	45	47	42	37
45–54 years.....	28	31	34	34	42	34	32
55–64 years.....	28	28	29	30	35	29	31
65–74 years.....	35	35	37	35	37	33	31
75 years and over.....	63	67	62	61	61	61	57
Black or African American, age adjusted ²	62	78	73	78	81	86	85
Black or African American, crude.....	62	77	72	77	80	86	84
Under 18 years.....	57	65	62	70	77	85	79
18–44 years.....	68	87	81	91	90	98	87
45–54 years.....	53	76	73	81	74	89	84
55–64 years.....	52	68	62	57	70	66	80
65–74 years.....	59	73	66	57	66	64	80
75 years and over.....	92	93	89	77	88	65	109

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-- Data not available.

¹Data for physician visits are not available.

²Estimates are age-adjusted to the year 2000 standard population using six age groups: under 18 years, 18–44 years, 45–54 years, 55–64 years, 65–74 years, and 75 years and over. See Sources and Definitions, Age adjustment.

³Estimates by racial group should be used with caution because information on race was collected from medical records and race is imputed for records missing that information. In 2018, race data were missing and imputed for 29% of physician visits and 21% of emergency department visits. Information on the race imputation process used in each data year is available in the public-use file documentation, available from: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/ahcd/index.htm>. Estimates for race in this table are for visits where only one race was recorded. Because of the small number of responses with more than one racial group recorded, estimates for visits with multiple races recorded are unreliable and not presented.

NOTES: Rates are calculated using estimates of the civilian noninstitutionalized population of the United States. Rates for 2000 were computed using 1990-based postcensal population estimates. Rates for 2001–2010 were computed using 2000-based postcensal population estimates. Rates for 2011 data and beyond are computed using 2010-based postcensal population estimates. Rates using the civilian noninstitutionalized population may be overestimated to the extent that visits by institutionalized people are counted in the numerator (for example, hospital emergency department visits by nursing home residents), but institutionalized people are omitted from the denominator (civilian noninstitutionalized population). In 2012–2015 and 2018, data for physician offices excluded visits to community health centers; in 2006–2011, data for all places and physician offices included visits to community health centers (2%–3% of visits to physician offices in 2006–2011 were to community health centers). Before 2006, visits to community health centers were not included in the survey. See Sources and Definitions, Emergency department; Emergency department or emergency room visit; Office visit. Data for additional years are available in the Excel spreadsheet version of this table on the *Health, United States* website at: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/hus/index.htm>.

SOURCE: National Center for Health Statistics, National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey and National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey. See Sources and Definitions, National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NAMCS); National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NHAMCS).