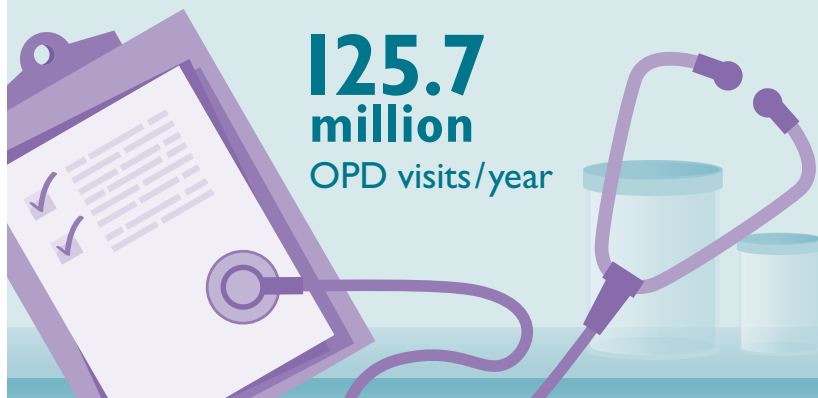


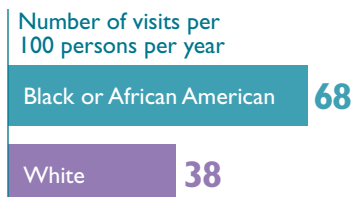
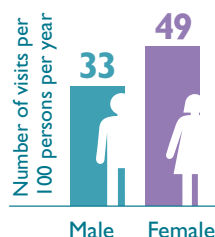
National Hospital
Care Survey

Outpatient Departments



The National Hospital Care Survey (NHCS) combines three longstanding valuable data collection efforts: the National Hospital Discharge Survey (NHDS), the National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NHAMCS), and the Drug Abuse Warning Network (DAWN). The NHCS will gather critical data on health care utilization across inpatient, emergency, and other outpatient department settings.

Patient Demographics



Reasons for Visit

Top 10 Reasons for Visit (in millions)

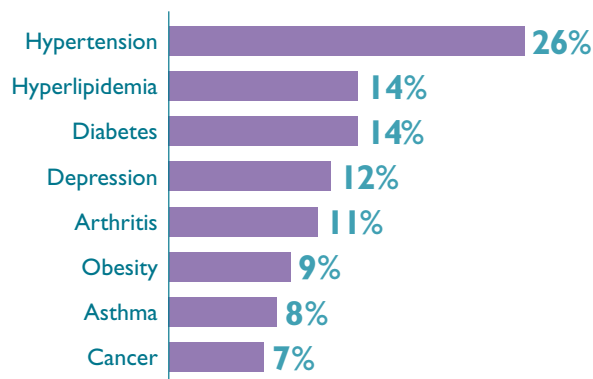
Progress visit	16.7	Cough	2.6
General medical examination	7.7	Prenatal examination	2.4
Postoperative visit	3.3	Diabetes mellitus	2.3
Medication	2.7	Throat symptoms	2.1
Counseling	2.7	Well baby exam	1.9

Diagnoses

Top 10 Diagnoses (in millions)


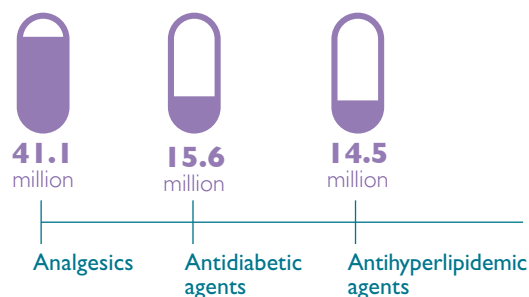
Malignant neoplasms	5.2
Diabetes mellitus	5.0
Routine infant or child health check	4.3
Arthropathies	4.1
Hypertension	3.7
Spinal disorders	3.4
Acute upper respiratory infection, excluding pharyngitis	3.3
Normal pregnancy	3.2
Psychoses, excluding major depressive disorder	2.8
General medical examination	2.5

Chronic Conditions

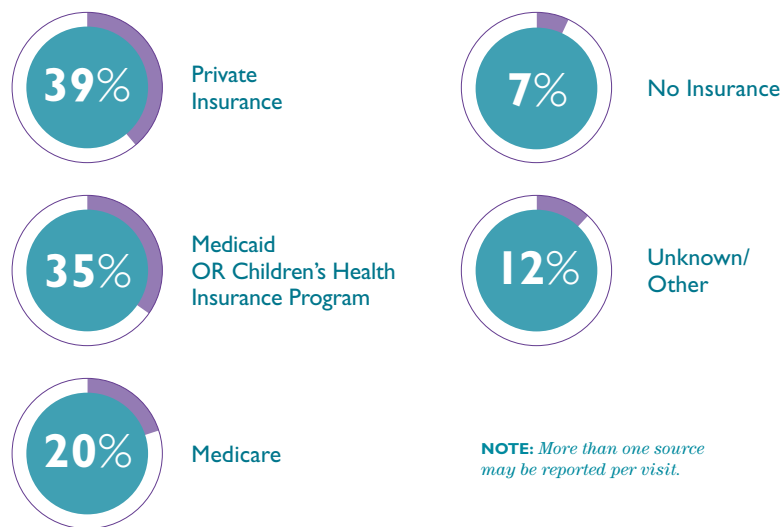


Medications

73%
visits =
329
million drugs

Expected Payment Sources



Source: CDC/NCHS, NHAMCS, 2011

Data Impact

NHAMCS data are widely used in research studies published in nationally recognized health and medical journals, including *JAMA*, *Annals of Internal Medicine*, and *Pediatrics*.

Here are a few examples of recent publications:

Fleming-Dutra KE, Shapiro DJ, Hicks LA et al. Race, otitis media, and antibiotic selection. *Pediatrics* 2014; 134(6): 1059–66.

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Safer DJ, Rajakannan T, Burcu M et al. Trends in subthreshold psychiatric diagnoses for youth in community treatment. *JAMA Psychiatry* 2014 Nov 26 [Epub ahead of print].

Yamamoto A, McCormick MC, Burris HH. Disparities in antidepressant use in pregnancy. *J Perinatol* 2014 Nov 20 [Epub ahead of print].