

**Table III.8, Medicare Physician/Supplier Claims Charge Reductions  
Selected Fiscal Years 1980 - 2008**

FY	In thousands <sup>1</sup>	% Reduced <sup>1</sup>	In millions <sup>2</sup>	% Reduced <sup>2</sup>	Reduced Claim <sup>2</sup>
1980 <sup>3</sup>	70,937	80.0	\$6,878	22.5	\$21.81
1985 <sup>3</sup>	168,587	81.7	20,743	27.0	33.19
1990 <sup>3</sup>	329,061	87.6	48,711	32.6	48.22
1995 <sup>3</sup>	534,972	86.4	91,672	42.2	72.31
1996 <sup>3</sup>	544,639	87.1	96,205	44.4	78.42
1997 <sup>3</sup>	564,461	87.5	102,279	45.7	82.74
1998 <sup>3</sup>	573,077	87.6	105,682	46.5	85.91
1999 <sup>3</sup>	586,227	88.7	113,008	47.5	91.76
2000 <sup>3</sup>	612,875	88.3	124,024	47.7	96.69
2001 <sup>3</sup>	646,131	87.7	139,272	47.9	103.22
2002 <sup>3</sup>	722,826	87.7	152,373	56.3	135.31
2003 <sup>3</sup>	749,313	90.1	184,370	51.8	127.43
2004 <sup>3</sup>	796,291	90.8	209,051	52.6	138.34
2005 <sup>3</sup>	839,900	91.3	232,129	54.0	146.64
2006 <sup>3</sup>	840,991	87.4	243,922	52.5	152.64
2007 <sup>3</sup>	823,586	93.3	250,730	57.5	174.81
2008 <sup>3</sup>	844,570	94.5	270,508	58.4	187.15
1980 <sup>4</sup>	66,207	83.7	\$6,527	22.3	\$21.96
1985 <sup>4</sup>	77,646	84.6	10,051	25.6	33.12
1990 <sup>4</sup>	75,879	90.3	8,702	25.3	28.97
1995 <sup>4</sup>	32,695	83.9	2,725	15.6	13.01
1996 <sup>4</sup>	24,390	84.5	2,071	15.6	13.22
1997 <sup>4</sup>	19,765	84.4	1,726	16.3	14.23
1998 <sup>4</sup>	16,051	82.9	1,450	16.9	15.26
1999 <sup>4</sup>	14,061	81.6	1,321	17.5	16.49
2000 <sup>4</sup>	13,128	79.4	1,301	18.1	17.85
2001 <sup>4</sup>	12,200	77.7	1,254	18.1	18.59
2002 <sup>4</sup>	11,352	79.8	1,107	17.2	21.01
2003 <sup>4</sup>	11,101	81.7	1,058	15.2	15.03
2004 <sup>4</sup>	10,597	83.3	1,050	16.3	16.17
2005 <sup>4</sup>	9,809	84.4	1,017	17.4	18.04
2006 <sup>4</sup>	8,761	82.3	924	17.5	18.46
2007 <sup>4</sup>	7,503	87.6	798	18.3	19.41
2008 <sup>4</sup>	7,009	89.1	772	18.6	20.44

<sup>1</sup>Claims Approved.

<sup>2</sup>Total Covered Charges.

<sup>3</sup>Assigned (HCFA-1490/1500)

<sup>4</sup>Unassigned (HCFA-1490/1500)

NOTE: Charge reduction is the total dollar amount reduced as a result of charge determination made by a carrier.

SOURCE: CMS/OFM

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