

Table 9.5

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for Medicare Physician and Supplier Services, by Physician Specialty: Calendar Year 2010**

Physician/Supplier Specialty ¹	Persons Served ²	Services			Submitted Charges		
		Number in Thousands	Percent	Per Person Served ²	Amount in Thousands	Percent	Per Person Served ²
Total All Specialties	32,091,660	1,857,482	100.0	57.9	\$302,709,508	100.0	\$9,433
Total Physicians	31,432,580	1,170,729	63.0	37.2	214,603,827	70.9	6,827
General Practice	1,875,180	12,247	0.7	6.5	1,260,672	0.4	672
General Surgery	3,809,120	13,611	0.7	3.6	6,526,027	2.2	1,713
Allergy and Immunology	436,440	12,158	0.7	27.9	385,297	0.1	883
Otology, Laryngology, Rhinology	3,019,940	14,260	0.8	4.7	2,328,536	0.8	771
Anesthesiology	5,843,200	15,957	0.9	2.7	10,003,050	3.3	1,712
Cardiology	12,210,700	99,292	5.3	8.1	19,874,037	6.6	1,628
Dermatology	6,001,560	41,921	2.3	7.0	4,870,798	1.6	812
Family Practice	14,156,200	125,973	6.8	8.9	10,530,649	3.5	744
Gastroenterology	4,515,220	15,215	0.8	3.4	5,513,490	1.8	1,221
Internal Medicine	17,464,120	197,398	10.6	11.3	21,758,428	7.2	1,246
Manipulative Therapy	118,440	902	(6)	7.6	116,289	(6)	982
Neurology	3,487,660	17,839	1.0	5.1	3,510,792	1.2	1,007
Neurological Surgery	801,060	2,723	0.1	3.4	3,076,054	1.0	3,840
Obstetrics and Gynecology	2,409,600	7,859	0.4	3.3	1,490,461	0.5	619
Ophthalmology	10,910,960	51,508	2.8	4.7	13,902,727	4.6	1,274
Oral Surgery (Dentists Only)	86,620	191	(6)	2.2	60,550	(6)	699
Orthopedic Surgery	5,485,280	36,690	2.0	6.7	12,114,926	4.0	2,209
Pathology	6,196,760	25,990	1.4	4.2	3,720,577	1.2	600
Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery	496,940	1,965	0.1	4.0	1,069,511	0.4	2,152
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	1,595,820	16,132	0.9	10.1	2,290,089	0.8	1,435
Psychiatry	2,247,580	16,061	0.9	7.1	2,030,382	0.7	903
Colorectal Surgery (Proctology)	291,140	810	(6)	2.8	399,332	0.1	1,372
Pulmonary Disease	3,161,840	22,432	1.2	7.1	3,488,340	1.2	1,103
Diagnostic Radiology	19,971,360	107,359	5.8	5.4	18,085,090	6.0	906
Thoracic Surgery	403,400	1,279	0.1	3.2	1,325,246	0.4	3,285
Urology	4,414,520	29,875	1.6	6.8	6,107,089	2.0	1,383
Chiropractic	2,086,360	22,634	1.2	10.8	1,012,804	0.3	485
Nuclear Medicine	460,380	910	(6)	2.0	301,522	0.1	655
Pediatric Medicine	272,380	1,518	0.1	5.6	164,821	0.1	605
Geriatric Medicine	521,580	2,937	0.2	5.6	357,208	0.1	685
Nephrology	1,965,060	20,359	1.1	10.4	4,679,520	1.5	2,381
Optometrist	5,566,460	12,980	0.7	2.3	1,245,839	0.4	224
Infectious Disease	994,100	9,041	0.5	9.1	1,276,429	0.4	1,284
Endocrinology	1,452,180	9,201	0.5	6.3	863,800	0.3	595
Podiatry	6,260,720	37,407	2.0	6.0	3,221,175	1.1	515

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Amount in Thousands	Percent	Per Person Served ²	Assigned in Thousands	Percent of Charges Assigned ³	Amount in Thousands	Percent	Per Person Served ⁴	Amount in Thousands	Per Person With Liability
\$122,904,370	100.0	\$3,830	\$122,352,418	99.6	\$95,036,813	100.0	\$3,027	\$41,083	\$31
88,461,740	72.0	2,814	87,979,112	99.5	67,539,842	71.1	2,213	36,807	33
711,423	0.6	379	698,983	98.3	524,890	0.6	292	853	30
2,233,121	1.8	586	2,228,018	99.8	1,741,432	1.8	465	432	38
234,483	0.2	537	231,815	98.9	177,459	0.2	415	194	30
1,015,339	0.8	336	1,010,636	99.5	762,838	0.8	260	393	20
1,954,544	1.6	334	1,950,822	99.8	1,536,019	1.6	264	332	25
7,665,017	6.2	628	7,645,901	99.8	5,893,166	6.2	491	1,546	28
2,854,404	2.3	476	2,822,567	98.9	2,143,266	2.3	370	2,453	23
6,071,846	4.9	429	6,035,801	99.4	4,395,173	4.6	322	2,625	21
1,883,804	1.5	417	1,873,928	99.5	1,449,912	1.5	326	815	31
11,962,677	9.7	685	11,883,336	99.3	9,052,240	9.5	531	6,442	26
61,180	(6)	517	60,032	98.1	46,692	(6)	404	82	68
1,707,164	1.4	489	1,700,447	99.6	1,302,353	1.4	381	592	29
677,588	0.6	846	673,839	99.4	531,641	0.6	675	317	63
628,822	0.5	261	622,437	99.0	474,460	0.5	202	461	15
6,829,434	5.6	626	6,792,342	99.5	5,156,429	5.4	493	3,003	26
28,476	(6)	329	27,063	95.0	21,965	(6)	263	95	33
3,746,763	3.0	683	3,734,481	99.7	2,879,215	3.0	537	1,025	48
1,212,466	1.0	196	1,207,332	99.6	959,859	1.0	157	447	20
345,993	0.3	696	344,302	99.5	270,187	0.3	554	128	39
1,040,997	0.8	652	1,038,135	99.7	810,425	0.9	514	239	28
1,188,532	1.0	529	1,167,599	98.2	778,571	0.8	358	1,483	39
147,939	0.1	508	147,058	99.4	114,100	0.1	398	77	30
1,861,808	1.5	589	1,857,330	99.8	1,450,691	1.5	465	384	27
5,392,139	4.4	270	5,365,175	99.5	4,170,108	4.4	214	2,204	36
376,229	0.3	933	375,114	99.7	296,834	0.3	745	98	87
2,377,514	1.9	539	2,368,919	99.6	1,823,219	1.9	418	758	38
727,751	0.6	349	651,554	89.5	529,774	0.6	266	4,941	19
95,760	0.1	208	95,370	99.6	74,671	0.1	166	34	25
77,043	0.1	283	76,889	99.8	58,245	0.1	221	7	17
214,994	0.2	412	213,595	99.3	161,467	0.2	317	117	29
2,173,960	1.8	1,106	2,172,011	99.9	1,701,333	1.8	876	165	22
959,626	0.8	172	952,942	99.3	666,905	0.7	130	167	9
670,144	0.5	674	669,276	99.9	527,667	0.6	536	76	20
485,540	0.4	334	478,486	98.5	372,218	0.4	261	562	21
2,037,391	1.7	325	2,030,602	99.7	1,525,219	1.6	249	396	15

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Rheumatology	1,356,600	13,829	0.7	10.2	\$2,478,908	0.8	\$1,827
Vascular Surgery	1,394,600	4,835	0.3	3.5	2,536,018	0.8	1,818
Cardiac Surgery	370,340	1,266	0.1	3.4	1,365,579	0.5	3,687
Hematology/Oncology	2,024,600	64,229	3.5	31.7	13,126,484	4.3	6,483
Medical Oncology	762,200	19,853	1.1	26.0	4,282,841	1.4	5,619
Radiation Oncology	803,840	12,215	0.7	15.2	6,585,838	2.2	8,193
Emergency Medicine	9,209,460	26,997	1.5	2.9	9,549,344	3.2	1,037
All Other Physician ⁵	3,209,520	23,077	1.2	7.2	5,754,942	1.9	1,793
Group Practice	150,420	596	(6)	4.0	87,609	(6)	582
Total Non-Physician	17,064,500	164,759	8.9	9.7	31,969,564	10.6	1,873
Total Suppliers	22,825,240	521,192	28.1	22.8	56,010,824	18.5	2,454

¹Refer to Part B physician or provider specialty code as listed in the data dictionary for the National Claims History, prepared by the Office of Information Services.

²Includes beneficiaries who received covered services, but for whom no program payments were reported during the year. Numbers do not add to totals because beneficiaries may use more than one service during the reporting year.

³Ratio of assigned allowed charges to total allowed charges. Includes charges for supplier services.

⁴The average program payment per person served does not reflect beneficiaries who received covered services, but for whom no program payments were reported.

⁵Includes critical care, addiction to medicine, hand surgery, peripheral vascular disease, preventive medicine, maxillofacial surgery, neuropsychiatry, surgical oncology, interventional radiology, hematology, gynecologist/oncologist, pain management, and unknown physician's specialty.

⁶Less than 0.05 percent.

NOTES: Medicare charges and program payments represent fee-for-service utilization only. Due to the clarification in the billing policy of Group Practices where the actual specialty code of the performing physician within the practice is now coded, the utilization and expenditures for group practice has dropped dramatically. Numbers may not add to total because of rounding.

SOURCE: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Office of Information Services: Data from the Standard Analytical Files; data development by the Center for Strategic Planning.

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\$1,375,931	1.1	\$1,014	\$1,368,210	99.4	\$1,054,840	1.1	\$793	\$623	\$27
763,400	0.6	547	762,418	99.9	595,584	0.6	433	87	44
390,219	0.3	1,054	388,548	99.6	308,432	0.3	841	150	81
5,690,072	4.6	2,810	5,688,134	99.9	4,496,470	4.7	2,245	173	30
1,810,770	1.5	2,376	1,809,337	99.9	1,426,776	1.5	1,896	129	34
2,075,886	1.7	2,582	2,066,078	99.5	1,642,949	1.7	2,098	882	387
2,805,930	2.3	305	2,802,397	99.9	2,155,142	2.3	238	290	16
1,915,341	1.6	597	1,907,245	99.6	1,492,329	1.6	475	558	18
42,064	(6)	280	41,189	97.9	32,325	(6)	220	62	15
10,106,457	8.2	592	10,092,844	99.9	7,681,321	8.1	457	888	16
24,276,388	19.8	1,064	24,221,879	99.8	19,770,003	20.8	871	3,298	17