

Table 7.4
Persons Using Medicare Home Health Agency Services, Visits, and Charges, by Type of Visit, Type of Agency, and Type of Control:
Calendar Year 2005

Type of Visit	Type of Agency						Type of Control		
	Agencies	Visiting Nurse Association	Combined Government and Voluntary	Official Health Agency	Hospital-Persons Served	Other ¹	Voluntary Non-Profit	Proprietary	Government
					in Thousands				
Total ²	2,976	455	6	265	759	1,602	1,457	1,455	175
Nursing Care	2,746	403	6	234	666	1,437	1,275	1,310	159
Home Health Aide	770	108	2	72	180	407	342	373	55
Physical Therapy	1,990	297	4	166	483	1,040	948	939	103
Speech Therapy	101	15	(4)	8	27	51	51	46	5
Occupational Therapy	702	116	1	53	175	358	357	317	29
Other ³	433	68	1	34	110	220	221	196	16
Percent of Persons Served									
Total ²	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Nursing Care	92.3	88.4	95.0	88.5	87.8	89.7	87.6	90.0	90.5
Home Health Aide	25.9	23.8	35.0	27.3	23.8	25.4	23.5	25.6	31.4
Physical Therapy	66.9	65.3	56.9	62.7	63.6	64.9	65.1	64.6	58.7
Speech Therapy	3.4	3.4	1.4	3.1	3.5	3.2	3.5	3.2	2.7
Occupational Therapy	23.6	25.5	9.5	19.9	23.1	22.3	24.5	21.8	16.6
Other ³	14.5	14.9	12.4	12.8	14.4	13.8	15.2	13.5	8.9
Visits in Thousands									
Total	95,989	11,626	231	8,781	17,417	57,933	35,075	55,936	4,979
Nursing Care	49,442	5,549	128	4,513	8,508	30,743	16,731	30,397	2,314
Home Health Aide	19,703	2,544	56	1,877	3,311	11,915	7,072	11,293	1,337
Physical Therapy	21,343	2,707	40	1,938	4,354	12,303	8,697	11,558	1,088
Speech Therapy	663	88	(5)	58	165	350	305	322	36
Occupational Therapy	4,041	602	5	326	889	2,219	1,860	2,008	173
Other ³	798	136	2	68	190	402	410	357	30

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Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Nursing Care	51.5	47.7	55.2	51.4	48.9	53.1	47.7	54.3	46.5
Home Health Aide	20.5	21.9	24.2	21.4	19.0	20.6	20.2	20.2	26.9
Physical Therapy	22.2	23.3	17.5	22.1	25.0	21.2	24.8	20.7	21.9
Speech Therapy	0.7	0.8	0.2	0.7	0.9	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.7
Occupational Therapy	4.2	5.2	2.1	3.7	5.1	3.8	5.3	3.6	3.5
Other ³	0.8	1.2	0.8	0.8	1.1	0.7	1.2	0.6	0.6
Visit Charges in Millions									
Total	\$12,021	\$1,404	\$23	\$1,082	\$2,338	\$7,175	\$4,508	\$6,957	\$557
Nursing Care	6,613	744	14	605	1,224	4,026	2,337	3,984	292
Home Health Aide	1,533	168	4	141	271	948	528	911	94
Physical Therapy	3,054	373	5	269	647	1,761	1,254	1,662	139
Speech Therapy	98	13	(6)	9	25	51	46	48	5
Occupational Therapy	583	83	1	47	133	320	269	292	23
Other ³	140	23	(6)	11	37	68	74	61	5
Percent Distribution of Visit Charges									
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Nursing Care	55.0	53.0	60.2	55.9	52.4	56.1	51.9	57.3	52.4
Home Health Aide	12.7	12.0	16.0	13.1	11.6	13.2	11.7	13.1	16.9
Physical Therapy	25.4	26.5	19.9	24.9	27.6	24.5	27.8	23.9	24.9
Speech Therapy	0.8	0.9	0.3	0.8	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.7	0.8
Occupational Therapy	4.9	5.9	2.6	4.3	5.7	4.5	6.0	4.2	4.0
Other ³	1.2	1.6	1.1	1.0	1.6	1.0	1.6	0.9	0.9

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				Average Number of Visits per Person Served					
Total	32	26	37	33	23	36	24	38	28
Nursing Care	18	14	22	19	13	21	13	23	15
Home Health Aide	26	24	26	26	18	29	21	30	24
Physical Therapy	11	9	11	12	9	12	9	12	11
Speech Therapy	7	6	5	7	6	7	6	7	7
Occupational Therapy	6	5	8	6	5	6	5	6	6
Other ³	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Total	\$125	\$121	\$100	Average Visit Charge per Visit	\$124	\$129	\$124	\$112	
Nursing Care	134	134	109	134	144	131	140	131	126
Home Health Aide	78	66	66	75	82	80	75	81	70
Physical Therapy	143	138	114	139	148	143	144	144	127
Speech Therapy	148	145	142	145	153	146	149	148	131
Occupational Therapy	144	138	123	143	150	144	145	145	130
Other ³	176	169	136	165	198	170	181	171	167
Total	\$4,040	\$3,083	\$3,690	Average Visit Charge per Person Served	\$4,085	\$3,080	\$4,477	\$3,095	\$4,781
Nursing Care	2,409	1,848	2,338	2,582	1,837	2,803	1,833	3,042	1,841
Home Health Aide	1,990	1,555	1,688	1,957	1,504	2,327	1,543	2,442	1,708
Physical Therapy	1,534	1,254	1,290	1,620	1,339	1,693	1,322	1,769	1,348
Speech Therapy	966	836	692	1,031	951	1,004	901	1,038	975
Occupational Therapy	831	718	991	886	760	894	755	920	776
Other ³	324	339	314	331	342	310	335	312	325

¹Represents skilled nursing facility-based, freestanding non-visiting nurse association agencies, community home health agencies, rehabilitation-based agencies, and unknown agencies.

²Numbers do not add to total since persons may receive more than 1 type of service.

³Includes medical social services and other health disciplines.

⁴Fewer than 500 persons served.

⁵Less than \$500.

⁶Less than \$500,000.

NOTE: Total charges and visit charges are shown for trend purposes only. With the implementation of the home health agency prospective payment system, beginning October 1, 2000, program payments are now associated with episodes and not with individual visits. Numbers may not add to total because of rounding.

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