

Table 7.5
Persons Using Medicare Home Health Agency Services, Visits, Total Charges, and Program Payments, by Number of Visits: Calendar Years 1997 and 2005

Number of Visits	Persons Served		Visits		Total Charges		Program Payments	
	Number in Thousands	Percent	Number in Thousands	Percent	Amount in Thousands	Percent	Amount in Thousands	Percent
1997								
Total	3,558	100.0	258,168	100.0	\$23,460,105	100.0	\$16,718,263	100.0
1-9	820	23.0	4,096	1.6	453,521	1.9	326,454	2.0
10-19	647	18.2	9,094	3.5	978,214	4.2	676,581	4.0
20-29	395	11.1	9,532	3.7	1,002,319	4.3	694,720	4.2
30-39	265	7.4	9,085	3.5	936,294	4.0	653,835	3.9
40-49	193	5.4	8,563	3.3	869,803	3.7	610,492	3.7
50-99	506	14.2	35,469	13.7	3,486,321	14.9	2,466,810	14.8
More than 100	732	20.6	182,330	70.6	15,733,632	67.1	11,289,371	67.5
2005								
Total	2,976	100.0	95,989	100.0	\$12,262,325	100.0	\$12,779,158	100.0
1-9	863	29.0	4,925	5.1	708,753	5.8	1,178,004	9.2
10-19	835	28.1	12,129	12.6	1,714,115	14.0	2,469,735	19.3
20-29	439	14.8	10,926	11.4	1,499,113	12.2	1,801,794	14.1
30-39	244	8.2	8,639	9.0	1,156,546	9.4	1,280,637	10.0
40-49	152	5.1	6,940	7.2	916,665	7.5	981,974	7.7
50-99	284	9.5	19,837	20.7	2,537,457	20.7	2,506,459	19.6
More than 100	160	5.4	32,593	34.0	3,729,676	30.4	2,560,554	20.0

NOTES: Medicare program payments represent fee-for-service only and exclude amounts paid for managed care services. 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. As a result, program payments may exceed charges. Numbers may not add to total because of rounding.

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