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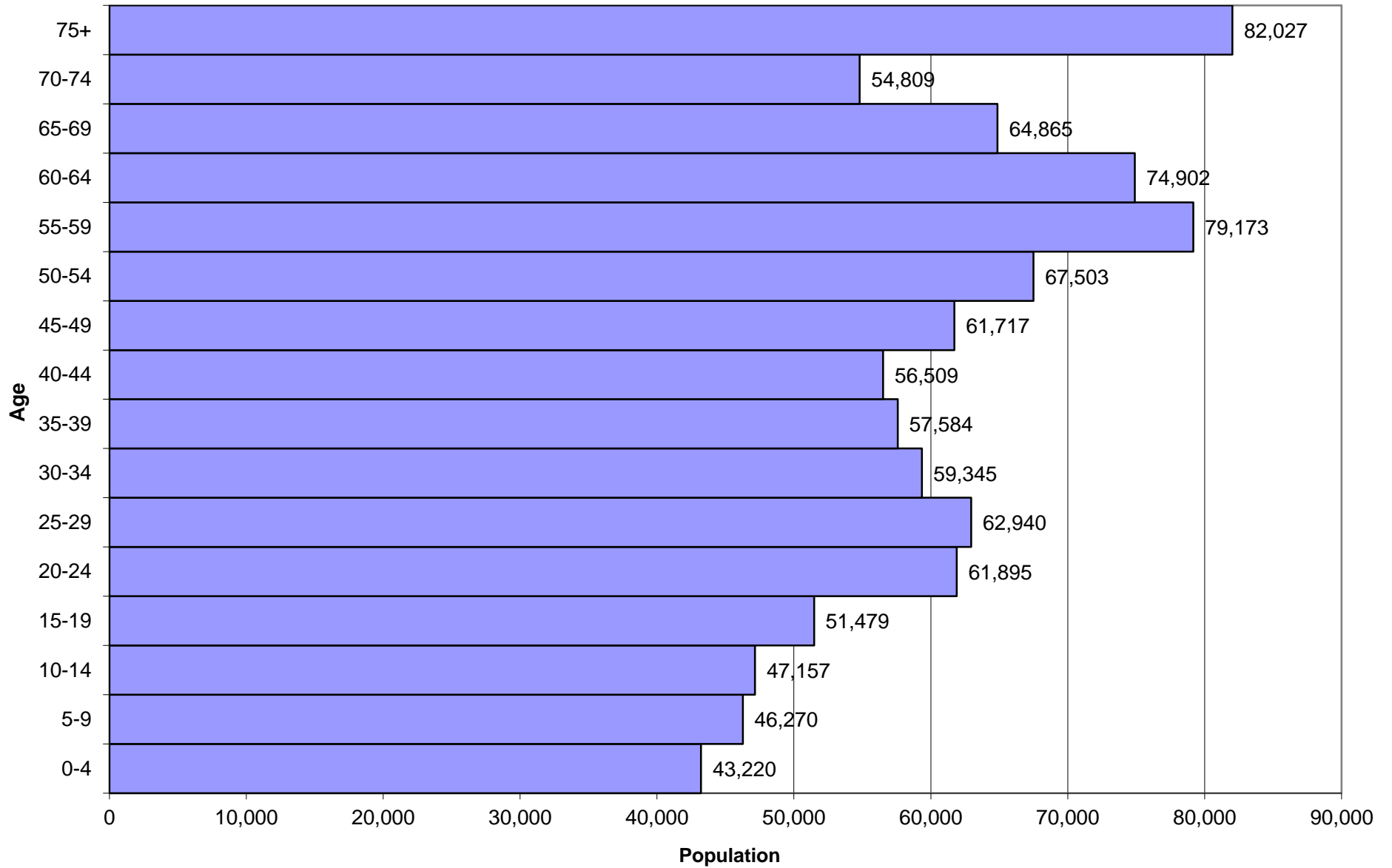
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Section One

Population Data

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Figure 1
Population By 5 Year Age Groups as of July 1, 2020



Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 1.1

**Distribution of Population¹ by Age Group
As of July 1st of each year**

Age Group	2014/15 ²	2015/16 ²	2016/17 ²	2017/18 ²	2018/19 ²	2019/20 ²	Percent Change					
							14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Total	942,700	943,200	949,500	953,900	960,000	971,400	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.5	0.6	1.2
0 - 4	43,100	43,100	43,900	42,800	42,900	43,200	(1.1)	0.0	1.9	(2.5)	0.2	0.7
5 - 9	43,800	44,300	44,900	45,400	46,300	46,300	0.2	1.1	1.4	1.1	2.0	0.0
10 - 14	45,900	45,000	44,900	44,700	46,500	47,200	(1.7)	(2.0)	(0.2)	(0.4)	4.0	1.5
15 - 19	54,100	53,400	52,500	51,700	51,500	51,500	(2.2)	(1.3)	(1.7)	(1.5)	(0.4)	0.0
20 - 24	62,900	61,500	60,900	61,200	60,600	61,900	(0.8)	(2.2)	(1.0)	0.5	(1.0)	2.1
25 - 29	58,700	59,600	60,900	62,400	61,100	62,900	2.3	1.5	2.2	2.5	(2.1)	2.9
30 - 34	56,400	56,100	56,800	58,400	57,600	59,300	0.0	(0.5)	1.2	2.8	(1.4)	3.0
35 - 39	56,600	56,500	56,800	57,500	56,300	57,600	(0.5)	(0.2)	0.5	1.2	(2.1)	2.3
40 - 44	61,300	60,000	58,800	57,900	56,400	56,500	(1.3)	(2.1)	(2.0)	(1.5)	(2.6)	0.2
45 - 49	66,800	64,100	63,100	62,500	62,100	61,700	(4.6)	(4.0)	(1.6)	(1.0)	(0.6)	(0.6)
50 - 54	78,500	77,700	75,400	72,300	70,600	67,500	0.3	(1.0)	(3.0)	(4.1)	(2.4)	(4.4)
55 - 59	75,200	75,700	76,700	77,200	78,800	79,200	1.2	0.7	1.3	0.7	2.1	0.5
60 - 64	66,700	68,000	69,500	71,300	73,800	74,900	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.6	3.5	1.5
65 - 69	59,300	61,500	63,200	62,600	63,500	64,900	4.6	3.7	2.8	(0.9)	1.4	2.2
70 - 74	41,600	43,400	45,700	49,200	52,300	54,800	4.5	4.3	5.3	7.7	6.3	4.8
75+	72,000	73,200	75,600	76,700	79,700	82,000	2.4	1.7	3.3	1.5	3.9	2.9

¹ Statistics Canada population Census estimates, as of July 1st each year, include Armed Forces and RCMP personnel.

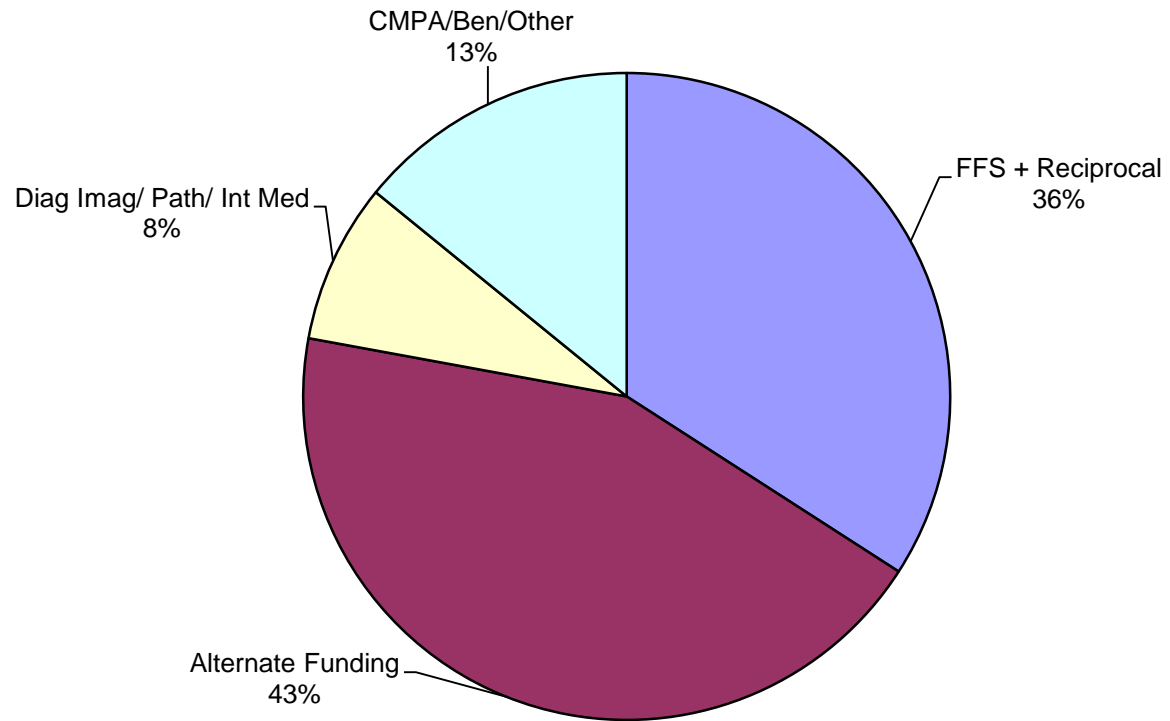
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Section Two

Actual Financial Payments to Physicians

**Actual Financial Payments to Physicians by Use of Funds
Nova Scotia 2019/20 (Current Dollars)**



**Medical Payments
Financial Report¹**

Payment Type	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Percent Change					
	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Fee for Service and Reciprocal											
Fee for Service	286,622,612	287,429,469	288,779,635	293,190,244	288,363,893	1.6	(0.8)	0.3	0.5	1.5	(1.6)
Reciprocal Billing	9,585,998	9,075,573	9,104,894	9,323,734	9,528,814	(6.9)	7.6	(5.3)	0.3	2.4	2.2
Diag Image/Path Rad/Int Med	59,518,038	63,302,766	65,009,564	67,841,040	69,770,142	6.1	-3.6	6.4	2.7	4.4	2.8
Subtotal	355,726,648	359,807,808	362,894,093	370,355,018	367,662,849	2.1	(1.1)	1.1	0.9	2.1	(0.7)
Alternate Funding											
Alternate Funding	258,624,841	269,156,409	275,194,078	298,140,493	322,665,550	4.3	(1.6)	4.1	2.2	8.3	8.2
ER (Rural Stab and Emerg Rooms)	50,962,082	50,867,188	56,639,058	57,217,267	59,749,598	0.6	1.6	(0.2)	11.3	1.0	4.4
Subtotal	309,586,923	320,023,597	331,833,136	355,357,760	382,415,148	3.7	(1.1)	3.4	3.7	7.1	7.6
CMPA, Benefits, HST and Other											
Benefits	7,300,000	1,474,955	4,924,667	5,548,798	5,670,909	(21.5)	6.1	(79.8)	233.9	12.7	2.2
CMPA	11,150,999	7,284,951	6,292,836	7,440,065	6,991,060	(1.8)	159.2	(34.7)	(13.6)	18.2	(6.0)
Consultant's Fund	0	8,850	0	20,130	12,268	0.0	0.0	100.0	(100.0)	100.0	(39.1)
Family Med Residency Expansion	1,225,696	1,553,871	1,498,296	1,539,678	1,578,645	8.2	18.1	26.8	(3.6)	2.8	2.5
GP Recruitment	247,353	7,411	0	0	0	(11.1)	42.8	(97.0)	(100.0)	-	-
Debt Assistance and Other Initiatives	172,500	4,464	14,280,258	164,351	4,067,500	(9.8)	(6.8)	(97.4)	319,798.3	(98.8)	2,374.9
Training	31,422,106	31,419,128	32,129,036	31,705,776	34,416,404	(5.3)	(0.6)	(0.0)	2.3	(1.3)	8.5
Clinical Assessment for Practice Program	7,935,003	5,898,511	3,672,458	2,197,387	194,843	22.3	9.9	(25.7)	(37.7)	(40.2)	(91.1)
Hospital Inpatient Care/Orphan Patients	373,111	372,130	304,347	88,160	-30,653	(47.2)	48.2	(0.3)	(18.2)	(71.0)	(134.8)
Electronic Medical Record	7,470,901	7,432,527	7,602,451	7,330,396	7,570,799	27.0	(1.0)	(0.5)	2.3	(3.6)	3.3
Physician On-Call	12,358,545	12,253,250	12,266,060	12,505,943	12,707,459	(0.5)	0.8	(0.9)	0.1	2.0	1.6
Resident Tuition	841,842	869,941	882,016	928,312	1,034,625	1.3	5.2	3.3	1.4	5.2	11.5
Physician Training Seats	75,028	79,350	80,704	83,580	92,002	(89.1)	(86.4)	5.8	1.7	3.6	10.1
Continuing Medical Education	3,986,000	4,129,300	3,912,687	3,868,421	4,168,000	(5.2)	5.8	3.6	(5.2)	(1.1)	7.7
Rural Specialist Incentive Program	2,320,000	2,568,000	2,373,333	2,366,000	3,752,000	67.6	1.0	10.7	(7.6)	(0.3)	58.6
Comprehensive Care Incentive Program	6,051,378	5,996,216	5,976,093	-582,482	-7,020	(126.0)	(391.0)	(0.9)	(0.3)	(109.7)	(98.8)
Collaborative Practice Incentive Program	1,329,000	1,121,126	1,000,000	1,115,000	1,400,000	(8.3)	39.6	(15.6)	(10.8)	11.5	25.6
Collaborative Emergency Centres	9,306,331	9,883,344	10,624,560	11,031,531	11,209,051	22.6	(10.8)	6.2	7.5	3.8	1.6
Return of Service - Rural Retention	270,000	299,678	80,000	464,000	334,000	42.9	(10.0)	11.0	(73.3)	480.0	(28.0)
Practice Innovation Fund	208,720	-208,720	0	0	0	(91.3)	(200.0)	(100.0)	(100.0)	-	0.0
Tuition Relief	279,269	625,228	750,650	1,535,160	2,305,843		41.2	123.9	20.1	104.5	50.2
Targeted Project Funding		810,411	2,093,659	1,196,092	1,456,024				158.3	(42.9)	21.7
Physician Hospitalists			1,818,050	14,569,942	20,599,470				100.0	701.4	41.4
Appeals Costs			18,302	105,534	96,817				100.0	476.6	(8.3)
Practice Ready Assessment			50,000	309,311	673,719				100.0	518.6	117.8
New Family Medicine Residency Spaces (Seats)				360,470	355,442					100.0	(1.4)
New Specialty Residency Spaces (Seats)				46,009	77,319					100.0	68.1
Technology Incentive				1,057,295	1,655,397					100.0	56.6
Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship				19,500	98,616					100.0	405.7
Community Hospital Inpatient Program					917,507						100.0
Subtotal	104,323,782	93,883,922	112,630,463	107,014,359	123,398,046	(10.3)	14.6	-10.0	20.0	(5.0)	15.3
Grand Total	769,637,353	773,715,327	807,357,692	832,727,137	873,476,043	1.1	0.8	0.5	4.3	3.1	4.9

¹ Data provided are Financial Payments with accruals and associated adjustments. There are differences between the Financial Payments shown and the total payments shown in the Statistical Tables. The differences are due to accounting adjustments for accruals, certain recoveries, and retroactive payments.



Section Three

Statistical Data

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 3.1
Summary of Payments¹

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Total	936,084,740	937,995,197	985,418,913	1,016,005,012	1,067,757,711	1.7	0.2	5.1	3.1	5.1
Physicians' Services ²	740,465,887	735,418,537	769,657,951	800,367,900	834,933,109	1.4	(0.7)	4.7	4.0	4.3
Dental Services	10,524,094	10,081,969	10,129,737	10,074,998	10,358,245	9.1	(4.2)	0.5	(0.5)	2.8
Optometric Services	7,447,346	7,758,895	8,098,267	8,451,198	8,797,548	8.3	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.1
Prescription Drugs ³	176,397,601	183,457,794	196,140,730	195,708,755	212,236,802	2.2	4.0	6.9	(0.2)	8.4
Prosthetic Services	1,249,812	1,127,552	1,310,744	1,402,162	1,432,007	3.2	(9.8)	16.2	7.0	2.1

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Includes CMPA, Benefit Fund, Rural Stabilization, Emergency.

³ MSI Pharmacare includes Professional Fee, Drug Cost, Upcharge, and Special Funding Assistance Programs. This represents the total expenditure for the Seniors pharmacare program and Special Funding, not only the Department of Health expenditure.



Section Four

Physicians' Services

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.1
Physicians' Services¹
Payment Summary by Date of Service

Payment Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Fee-for-Service³										
NS Resident, NS Physician	378,290,569	377,118,049	352,410,103	357,558,840	352,279,973	19.3	(0.3)	(6.6)	1.5	(1.5)
NS Resident, Non NS Physician	9,470,203	9,163,876	9,375,131	9,983,177	12,489,727	4.2	(3.2)	2.3	6.5	25.1
Total Fee-for-Service	387,760,772	386,281,925	361,785,234	367,542,016	364,769,701	18.9	(0.4)	(6.3)	1.6	(0.8)
Alternate Funding										
Fixed Periodic Payment - Individual	46,989,982	48,630,999	52,653,622	60,001,584	72,919,988	6.7	3.5	8.3	14.0	21.5
Fixed Periodic Payment - Group	195,135,834	203,245,433	247,014,521	266,065,012	279,721,158	1.1	4.2	21.5	7.7	5.1
Sessional	3,050,556	2,885,515	3,708,826	4,152,212	5,119,484	1.3	(5.4)	28.5	12.0	23.3
Psychiatry ²	13,562,868	13,338,939	11,861,294	10,732,001	11,488,168	(0.3)	(1.7)	(11.1)	(9.5)	7.0
Emergency Room Levels 1 & 2	22,423,823	22,885,422	24,016,194	25,008,512	26,068,773	0.6	2.1	4.9	4.1	4.2
Emerg. Room Lvl's 3 & 4 & Remote On Call	14,399,220	13,952,394	15,803,076	16,031,245	15,694,922	(0.1)	(3.1)	13.3	1.4	(2.1)
Facility On Call	12,353,545	12,253,250	12,266,060	12,505,943	12,707,459	0.8	(0.8)	0.1	2.0	1.6
Total Alternate Funding	307,915,828	317,191,952	367,323,593	394,496,509	423,719,953	1.7	3.0	15.8	7.4	7.4
Other Payments										
Retro Payments	5,383,438	6,853,906	7,496,345	4,931,011	7,179,382	(4.6)	27.3	9.4	(34.2)	45.6
Benefit Fund	7,300,000	1,474,955	4,924,667	5,548,798	5,548,798	6.1	(79.8)	233.9	12.7	0.0
CMPA	11,150,999	7,284,951	5,182,371	6,869,059	6,412,473	159.2	(34.7)	(28.9)	32.5	(6.6)
Incentive Payments	21,638,410	16,831,248	23,608,461	21,579,848	27,902,046	5.8	(22.2)	40.3	(8.6)	29.3
Miscellaneous Adjustments	-683,560	-500,400	-662,720	-599,341	-599,243	97.5	(26.8)	32.4	(9.6)	(0.0)
Total Other Payments	44,789,287	31,944,660	40,549,124	38,329,375	46,443,456	21.3	(28.7)	26.9	(5.5)	21.2
Total Physician Payments	740,465,887	735,418,537	769,657,951	800,367,900	834,933,109	1.4	(0.7)	4.7	4.0	4.3

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Includes Hourly Paid, Institutional Psychiatry and Psychiatry Stabilization Funding.

³ Includes diag/int med/path claims that were transitioned to FFS starting 15/16

**Total Payments¹ for Physicians Services
and Expenditure Per Insured Person**

Year	Total Paid	Expenditure per Insured Person	Percentage Change from Previous Year
2019/20	834,933,109	869.72	4.3
2018/19	800,367,900	833.72	3.3
2017/18	769,657,951	806.85	4.2
2016/17	735,418,537	774.53	-1.4
2015/16	740,465,887	785.06	1.3
2014/15	730,417,814	774.81	2.2
2013/14	712,629,560	757.71	3.4
2012/13	694,184,053	731.72	1.4
2011/12	681,963,292	721.35	2.6
2010/11	661,968,168	702.35	3.3

¹Data is based on date of service.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.3

Physicians' Services¹
Number of Physicians Paid²

Payment Category	Number of Physicians				Percent Change			
	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Fee-for-Service payments only	826	769	800	793	(25.2)	(6.9)	4.0	(0.9)
Physicians receiving types of Alternate Funding ³	594	769	713	639	1.5	29.5	(7.3)	(10.4)
Fee-for-Service with other combinations of payment types	1142	1150	1249	1369	25.2	0.7	8.6	9.6
Total Physicians receiving Payments	2,562	2,688	2,762	2,801	(1.5)	4.9	2.8	1.4

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Includes physicians with a total payment => \$1.00 and physicians from Alternate Funded Groups.

³ Alternate Funded Groups include Group Block Funded, Salary, Emergency Room physicians, Remote On Call, Salary, Sessional and Psychiatry

Utilization of Physicians' Services¹

Utilization Summary						Percent Change				
	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Total Payments for Physicians' Services	740,465,887	735,418,537	769,657,951	800,367,900	834,933,109	1.4	(0.7)	4.7	4.0	4.3
Total Services ²	9,337,644	9,370,775	9,291,571	9,127,623	8,912,840	(2.5)	0.4	(0.8)	(1.8)	(2.4)
Insured Population ³	943,200	949,500	953,900	960,000	971,400	0.1	0.7	0.5	0.6	1.2
Total Persons Registered by MSI ⁴	1,008,726	1,012,642	1,020,007	1,034,476	1,043,852	0.7	0.4	0.7	1.4	0.9
Services per Insured Person	9.3	9.3	9.1	8.8	8.5	(3.1)	(0.0)	(1.6)	(3.1)	(3.2)
Expenditure per Insured Person	785.06	774.53	806.85	833.72	859.52	1.3	(1.4)	4.2	3.3	3.1
Total Beneficiaries ⁵ receiving Insured Services	806,369	808,774	812,707	813,711	818,838	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.6
Percent of Beneficiaries ⁵ to Insured Population	85.5	85.2	85.2	84.8	84.3	0.7	(0.4)	0.0	(0.5)	(0.6)
Services per Beneficiary ⁵	11.6	11.6	11.4	11.2	10.9	22.1	0.1	(1.3)	(1.9)	(3.0)
Expenditure per Beneficiary ⁵	918.27	909.30	947.03	983.60	1,019.66	10.3	(1.0)	4.1	3.9	3.7

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Includes Fee-for-Service, Shadow Services, Pay Patient Services, and Non Patient Specific in patient and outpatient services.

³ Insured Population from Statistics Canada's population data as of July 1st each year.

⁴ A person who is eligible for public funded health services provided by the province of Nova Scotia.

⁵ Up to 14/15, excludes Non-Patient Specific (Diagnostic Imaging, Pathology, Internal Medicine) beneficiaries and payments as these claims are submitted in bulk; no demographic data are available. Data is included starting 15/16 as these claims were transitioned to FFS

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.5

Physicians' Services¹

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Fee-for-Service ³	7,553,979	7,447,643	7,038,108	6,646,031	6,261,662	23.8	(1.4)	(5.5)	(5.6)	(5.8)
Shadow Services	1,769,756	1,910,259	2,238,852	2,467,012	2,637,309	22.9	7.9	17.2	10.2	6.9
Pay Patient Services ²	13,909	12,873	14,611	14,580	13,869	10.4	(7.4)	13.5	(0.2)	(4.9)
Total	9,337,644	9,370,775	9,291,571	9,127,623	8,912,840	(2.5)	0.4	(0.8)	(1.8)	(2.4)

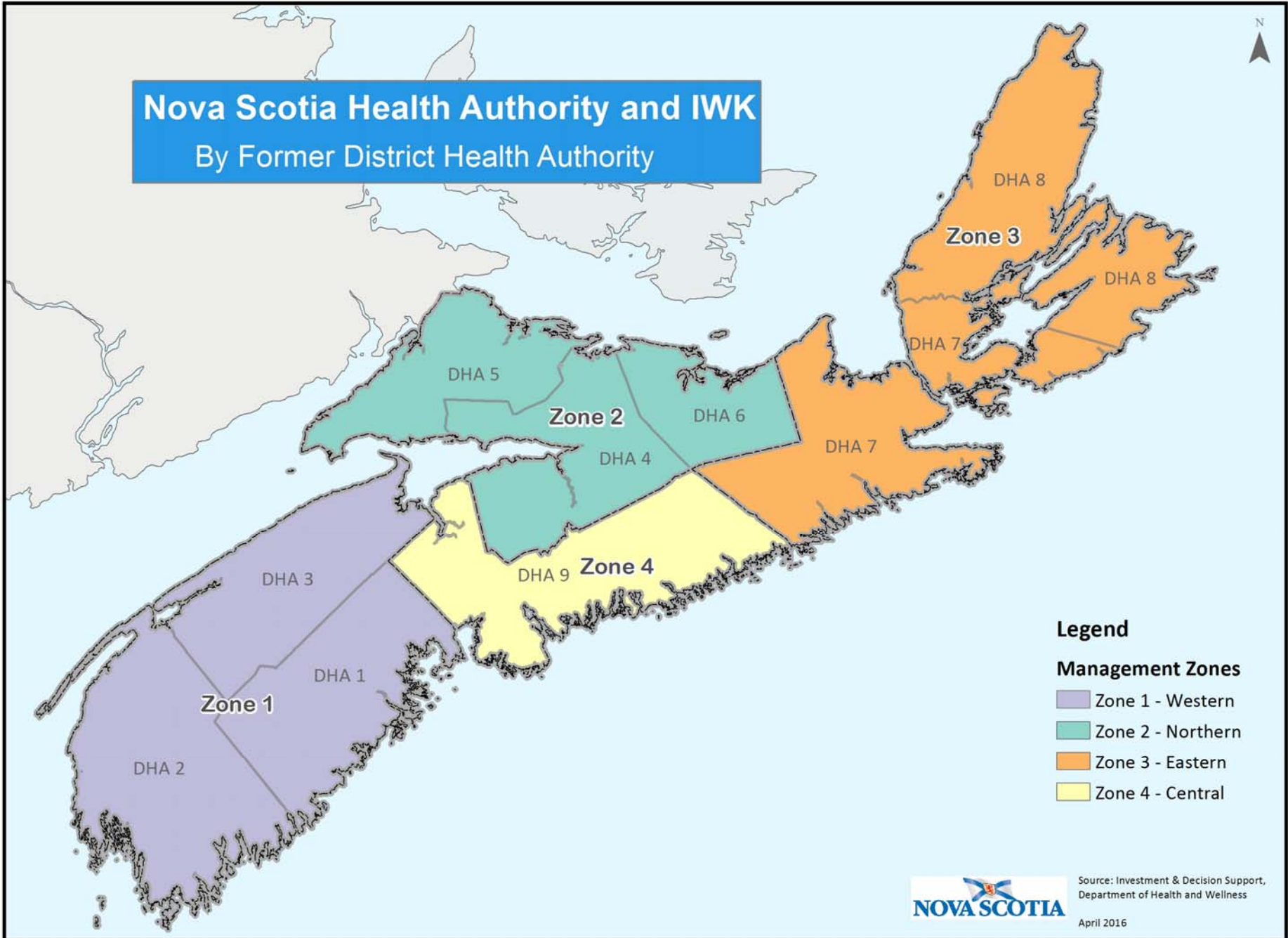
¹ Excludes services for NS residents who was attended by a physician during a stay in a province or territory having a reciprocal agreement with NS.
The reciprocal agreement excludes the Province of Quebec and other Countries.

² Includes services for N.S. residents Out-of-Country and in Quebec.

³ Internal medicine, pathology and radiology services are billed FFS as of 15/16

Nova Scotia Health Authority and IWK

By Former District Health Authority



Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.6
Physicians' Gross Payments by Zone

Zone	2017/18			2018/19			2019/20		
	No. of Physicians ²	Amount Paid	Average Paid Per Physician	No. of Physicians ²	Amount Paid	Average Paid Per Physician	No. of Physicians ²	Amount Paid	Average Paid Per Physician
1 - Western	434	122,108,934	281,357	435	124,959,116	287,262	446	129,212,486	289,714
2 - Northern	279	89,008,618	319,027	278	89,027,277	320,242	275	91,324,563	332,089
3 - Eastern	378	122,081,592	322,967	380	124,463,384	327,535	377	126,734,836	336,167
4 - Central	1576	436,246,790	276,806	1606	457,383,506	284,797	1653	480,531,594	290,703
Other ³	21	1,151,708	54,843	63	163,937	2,602	50	1,769,742	35,395
Total	2,688	770,597,641	286,681	2,762	795,997,220	288,196	2,801	829,573,222	296,170

¹ Includes Fee-for-Service, Fixed Periodic Payments/Sessional, Pathology/Radiology/Internal Medicine Contracts, Emergency Unit payments, On-Call payments, and Alternate Funded groups.

² Physician count includes all physicians with a total payment => \$1.00.

³ Other includes Occupational Medicine (GP) and physicians with an unknown zone.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.7
Distribution of Gross Payments¹ by Specialty and Zone

Zone	General Practice ²			Specialists ^{2,3}			Total		
	No. of Physicians ⁴	Payments	Average Per Physician	No. of Physicians ⁴	Payments	Average Per Physician	No. of Physicians ⁴	Payments	Average Per Physician
1 - Western	260	61,271,812	235,661	186	67,940,674	365,272	446	129,212,486	289,714
2 - Northern	157	45,730,962	291,280	118	45,593,601	386,386	275	91,324,563	332,089
3 - Eastern	208	63,831,271	306,881	169	62,903,566	372,210	377	126,734,836	336,167
4 - Central	669	132,317,765	197,784	984	348,213,829	353,876	1653	480,531,594	290,703
Other ⁵	25	188,929	7,557	25	1,580,813	63,233	50	1,769,742	35,395
Total	1319	303,340,739	229,978	1,482	526,232,483	355,083	2,801	829,573,222	296,170

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Alternate Funded Emergency Room Units Level 2, 3, and 4 amounts paid have been included in General Practice as the majority of physicians in these units are General Practitioners.

³ Includes Palliative Care.

⁴ Physician count includes all physicians with a total payment => \$1.00.

⁵ Other includes Occupational Medicine (GP) and physicians with an unknown zone.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.8
Physicians' Services¹ Fee For Service and Shadow Services
Number of Services by Type of Service

	2016/17		2017/18		2018/19		2019/20		Percent Change			
	No. of Services	% of Total	No. of Services	% of Total	No. of Services	% of Total	No. of Services	% of Total	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Consultations	457,000	4.9	455,827	4.9	446,018	4.9	431,907	4.9	(0.0)	(0.3)	(2.2)	(3.2)
Office Visits	3,724,767	39.8	3,674,435	39.6	3,521,995	38.6	3,401,427	38.2	(1.1)	(1.4)	(4.1)	(3.4)
Home Visits	35,022	0.4	32,782	0.4	31,723	0.3	29,360	0.3	(4.7)	(6.4)	(3.2)	(7.4)
Nursing Home Visits	123,531	1.3	122,707	1.3	115,129	1.3	112,543	1.3	6.0	(0.7)	(6.2)	(2.2)
Hospital Visits	550,433	5.9	546,779	5.9	549,090	6.0	519,238	5.8	0.9	(0.7)	0.4	(5.4)
Other Visits	278	0.0	184	0.0	180	0.0	610	0.0	(50.4)	(33.8)	(2.2)	238.9
Emergency & Out-Patient Dept. Visit	480,294	5.1	493,021	5.3	484,529	5.3	475,055	5.3	4.4	2.6	(1.7)	(2.0)
Intensive/Critical Care	53,988	0.6	52,981	0.6	53,875	0.6	50,559	0.6	(1.6)	(1.9)	1.7	(6.2)
Psychiatric Services	89,174	1.0	82,307	0.9	79,301	0.9	71,486	0.8	(6.5)	(7.7)	(3.7)	(9.9)
Subtotal	5,514,487	58.9	5,461,023	58.9	5,281,840	58.0	5,092,185	57.2	(0.3)	(1.0)	(3.3)	(3.6)
Eye Examinations	28,773	0.3	26,167	0.3	24,878	0.3	23,338	0.3	15.3	(9.1)	(4.9)	(6.2)
Other Diagnostic & Therapeutic	822,787	8.8	812,875	8.8	809,013	8.9	796,508	9.0	1.0	(1.2)	(0.5)	(1.5)
Subtotal	851,560	9.1	839,042	9.0	833,891	9.2	819,846	9.2	1.4	(1.5)	(0.6)	(1.7)
Obstetrical Care	79,079	0.8	80,030	0.9	76,658	0.8	76,792	0.9	2.4	1.2	(4.2)	0.2
Major Surgery	103,484	1.1	101,086	1.1	103,267	1.1	104,013	1.2	1.7	(2.3)	2.2	0.7
Minor Surgery	99,278	1.1	101,021	1.1	101,669	1.1	98,757	1.1	(0.7)	1.8	0.6	(2.9)
Surgical Assist	27,826	0.3	28,225	0.3	29,214	0.3	31,306	0.4	0.3	1.4	3.5	7.2
Anaesthesia	69,620	0.7	67,643	0.7	66,380	0.7	65,294	0.7	2.3	(2.8)	(1.9)	(1.6)
Subtotal	379,287	4.1	378,005	4.1	377,188	4.1	376,162	4.2	1.2	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.3)
All Other Services ²	2,612,568	27.9	2,598,890	28.0	2,620,124	28.8	2,610,778	29.3	0.1	(0.5)	0.8	(0.4)
Total Fee-for-Service	9,357,902	100.0	9,276,960	100.0	9,113,043	100.0	8,898,971	100.0	0.0	(0.9)	(1.8)	(2.3)
Pay Patient ³	12,873		14,611		14,580		13,869		(7.4)	13.5	(0.2)	(4.9)
Grand Total	9,370,775		9,291,571		9,127,623		8,912,840		0.4	(0.8)	(1.8)	(2.4)

¹ Data is based on date of service and includes Shadow Services from Alternate Funded Programs.

² Includes services for add on, bone grafts, casts and splints, complete care, default, dislocations, manual assess, non-obstetrical pain management and radiology/pathology/int medicine (starting in 15/16).

³ Includes Out-of-Country and Quebec services for Nova Scotia residents.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.9
Physician Services Fee For Service Payments¹
Amount Paid by Type of Service

	2016/17		2017/18		2018/19		2019/20		Percent Change			
	Amount Paid	% of Total	Amount Paid	% of Total	Amount Paid	% of Total	Amount Paid	% of Total	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Consultations	37,446,840	10.2	32,746,201	10.6	32,602,377	9.1	32,457,502	9.2	(2.6)	(12.6)	(0.4)	(0.4)
Office Visits	113,021,994	30.7	108,099,242	32.1	107,766,916	30.2	101,873,573	29.0	(2.1)	(4.4)	(0.3)	(5.5)
Home Visits	1,320,496	0.4	1,447,335	0.4	1,656,530	0.5	1,438,030	0.4	(8.6)	9.6	14.5	(13.2)
Nursing Home Visits	4,334,318	1.2	4,354,917	1.2	4,182,507	1.2	4,144,563	1.2	0.0	0.5	(4.0)	(0.9)
Hospital Visits	14,650,836	3.9	13,988,269	4.2	11,372,866	3.2	8,722,537	2.5	(0.5)	(4.5)	(18.7)	(23.3)
Other Visits	9,266	0.0	4,398	0.0	3,582	0.0	27,984	0.0	(17.6)	(52.5)	(18.6)	681.3
Emergency & Out-Patient Dept. Visit	1,724,170	0.6	1,191,009	0.5	999,517	0.3	970,809	0.3	(19.9)	(30.9)	(16.1)	(2.9)
Intensive/Critical Care	2,584,480	0.7	1,944,215	0.7	1,939,719	0.5	1,715,438	0.5	2.1	(24.8)	(0.2)	(11.6)
Psychiatric Services	8,162,170	2.4	7,914,399	2.3	7,727,321	2.2	7,560,470	2.1	(8.5)	(3.0)	(2.4)	(2.2)
Subtotal	183,254,570	48.6	171,689,985	48.7	168,251,335	47.1	158,910,906	45.2	(2.5)	(6.3)	(2.0)	(5.6)
Eye Examinations	1,867,707	0.5	1,648,099	0.5	1,595,563	0.4	1,519,529	0.4	24.3	(11.8)	(3.2)	(4.8)
Other Diagnostic & Therapeutic	42,134,450	11.2	40,708,190	11.6	42,229,737	11.8	42,385,286	12.1	2.9	(3.4)	3.7	0.4
Subtotal	44,002,157	11.7	42,356,289	12.0	43,825,300	12.3	43,904,815	12.5	3.6	(3.7)	3.5	0.2
Obstetrical Care	8,139,313	2.2	8,241,324	2.3	8,125,622	2.3	8,380,254	2.4	0.3	1.3	(1.4)	3.1
Major Surgery	43,529,739	11.6	31,098,941	8.8	31,998,388	9.0	32,873,965	9.3	(1.2)	(28.6)	2.9	2.7
Minor Surgery	5,044,748	1.3	4,545,840	1.3	4,552,511	1.3	4,600,130	1.3	(0.2)	(9.9)	0.1	1.0
Surgical Assist	4,853,014	1.3	4,785,729	1.4	5,057,436	1.4	5,378,672	1.5	0.7	(1.4)	5.7	6.4
Anaesthesia	9,305,941	2.5	9,230,039	2.6	9,117,099	2.6	9,473,971	2.7	1.6	(0.8)	(1.2)	3.9
Subtotal	70,872,755	18.8	57,901,873	16.4	58,851,057	16.5	60,706,993	17.3	(0.5)	(18.3)	1.6	3.2
All Other Services ²	78,599,983	20.9	80,240,582	22.8	86,113,148	24.1	88,163,357	25.1	2.1	2.1	7.3	2.4
Total Fee-for-Service	376,729,465	100.0	352,188,729	100.0	357,040,839	100.0	351,686,071	100.0	(0.5)	(6.5)	1.4	(1.5)
Pay Patient ³	773,570		909,386		970,619		995,227		3.8	14.8	6.7	2.5
Grand Total	377,503,035		353,098,115		358,011,458		352,681,298		(0.5)	(6.5)	1.4	(1.5)

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Includes services for add on, bone grafts, casts and splints, complete care, default, dislocations, manual assess, non-obstetrical pain management and radiology/pathology/int medicine(starting 15/16).

³ Includes Out-of-Country and Quebec services for Nova Scotia residents.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.10
Physicians Services¹ Fee For Service and Shadow Services
Services Per 1,000 Insured Persons²

	Number of Services Per 1,000 Insured					Percent Change				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Consultations	483	482	478	465	445	0.9	(0.3)	(0.7)	(2.8)	(4.3)
Office Visits	3,979	3,924	3,854	3,670	3,504	(0.4)	(1.4)	(1.8)	(4.8)	(4.5)
Home Visits	39	37	34	33	30	0.3	(5.0)	(6.8)	(3.9)	(8.5)
Nursing Home Visits	123	130	129	120	116	1.7	5.6	(1.1)	(6.8)	(3.4)
Hospital Visits	577	580	574	573	535	(2.3)	0.5	(1.0)	(0.2)	(6.5)
Other Visits	<1	<1	0	0	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Emergency & Out-Patient Dept. Visit	487	507	518	506	490	3.4	4.1	2.3	(2.4)	(3.1)
Intensive/Critical Care	58	57	56	56	52	(2.3)	(1.8)	(2.3)	1.1	(7.2)
Psychiatric Services	101	94	86	83	74	0.3	(6.8)	(8.0)	(4.3)	(10.9)
Subtotal	5,847	5,810	5,729	5,506	5,247	(0.1)	(0.6)	(1.4)	(3.9)	(4.7)
Eye Examinations	26	30	27	26	24	38.4	14.9	(9.5)	(5.5)	(7.3)
Other Diagnostic & Therapeutic	861	867	852	843	820	3.7	0.7	(1.6)	(1.1)	(2.7)
Subtotal	887	897	880	869	844	4.5	1.1	(1.9)	(1.2)	(2.8)
Obstetrical Care	82	83	84	80	79	(5.5)	2.0	0.8	(4.8)	(1.0)
Major Surgery	108	109	106	108	107	0.8	1.4	(2.7)	1.5	(0.5)
Minor Surgery	106	105	106	106	102	(0.4)	(1.0)	1.3	(0.0)	(4.0)
Surgical Assist	29	29	30	30	32	0.9	0.1	1.0	2.8	5.9
Anaesthesia	72	73	71	69	67	0.1	2.0	(3.2)	(2.5)	(2.8)
Subtotal	396	400	397	393	388	(1.0)	0.9	(0.8)	(0.9)	(1.4)
All Other Services ³	2,769	2,762	2,735	2,740	2,698	192.8	(0.3)	(1.0)	0.2	(1.5)
TOTAL⁴	9,900	9,869	9,741	9,508	9,176	22.2	(0.3)	(1.3)	(2.4)	(3.5)

¹ Data is based on date of service and includes shadow services from Alternate Funded Programs.

² Insured population from Statistics Canada new estimates, as of July 1st of each year, including Armed Forces and RCMP personnel.

³ Includes services for add on, bone grafts, casts and splints, complete care, default, dislocations, manual assess, non-obstetrical pain management pain management and radiology/pathology/int medicine(starting 15/16).

⁴ Columns may not add to totals and subtotals due to rounding.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.11
Physician Services¹ Fee For Service Payments
Amount Paid Per 1,000 Insured Persons²

	Amount Paid Per 1,000 Insured					Percent Change				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Consultations	40,786	39,478	34,364	34,002	33,450	(0.1)	(3.2)	(13.0)	(1.1)	(1.6)
Office Visits	122,507	119,093	113,404	112,327	104,987	(1.2)	(2.8)	(4.8)	(1.0)	(6.5)
Home Visits	1,533	1,392	1,519	1,727	1,482	(4.6)	(9.2)	9.2	13.7	(14.2)
Nursing Home Visits	4,594	4,565	4,565	4,357	4,267	1.0	(0.6)	0.0	(4.6)	(2.1)
Hospital Visits	15,639	15,430	14,704	11,882	9,015	(5.3)	(1.3)	(4.7)	(19.2)	(24.1)
Other Visits	12	10	5	4	29	98.8	(18.2)	(52.8)	(19.1)	672.1
Emergency & Out-Patient Dept. Visit	2,333	1,867	1,317	1,107	1,059	(6.9)	(20.0)	(29.5)	(15.9)	(4.4)
Intensive/Critical Care	2,686	2,742	2,048	2,035	1,784	6.4	2.1	(25.3)	(0.6)	(12.4)
Psychiatric Services	9,468	8,611	8,326	8,073	7,797	(1.9)	(0.9)	(3.3)	(3.0)	(3.4)
Subtotal	199,558	193,188	180,252	175,513	163,870	(1.3)	(3.2)	(6.7)	(2.6)	(6.6)
Eye Examinations	1,593	1,967	1,728	1,663	1,565	68.7	23.5	(12.1)	(3.8)	(5.9)
Other Diagnostic & Therapeutic	43,431	44,389	42,701	44,010	43,650	3.7	2.2	(3.8)	3.1	(0.8)
Subtotal	45,023	46,356	44,429	45,673	45,214	5.1	3.0	(4.2)	2.8	(1.0)
Obstetrical Care	8,604	8,572	8,642	8,465	8,629	(3.0)	(0.4)	0.8	(2.0)	1.9
Major Surgery	46,757	45,908	32,660	33,398	33,907	0.6	(1.8)	(28.9)	2.3	1.5
Minor Surgery	5,363	5,318	4,772	4,748	4,741	(1.0)	(0.8)	(10.3)	(0.5)	(0.1)
Surgical Assist	5,118	5,124	5,023	5,276	5,546	(0.8)	0.1	(2.0)	5.0	5.1
Anaesthesia	9,747	9,834	9,712	9,540	9,800	1.2	0.9	(1.2)	(1.8)	2.7
Subtotal	75,589	74,756	60,810	61,427	62,624	0.1	(1.1)	(18.7)	1.0	1.9
All Other Services ³	82,141	83,263	84,671	90,316	91,411	389.4	1.4	1.7	6.7	1.2
TOTAL⁴	402,311	397,563	370,163	372,929	363,119	13.6	(1.2)	(6.9)	0.7	(2.6)

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Insured population from Statistics Canada new estimates, as of July 1st of each year, including Armed Forces and RCMP personnel.

³ Includes services for add on, bone grafts, casts and splints, complete care, default, dislocations, manual assess, and non-obstetrical pain management and radiology/pathology/int medicine(starting 15/16).

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.12
**Fee For Service Expenditure¹ Per Insured Person
 By Age Group and Sex**

Age Group	Insured ² Population	Expenditure Per Insured		
		Male	Female	Total
0-4	43,200	197.67	179.89	187.90
5 - 9	46,300	94.11	82.15	88.34
10 - 14	47,200	85.21	82.16	82.39
15 - 19	51,500	93.43	154.33	123.14
20 - 24	61,900	91.73	236.30	158.12
25 - 29	62,900	112.27	348.25	222.16
30 - 34	59,300	149.28	407.06	271.26
35 - 39	57,600	180.85	368.26	271.93
40 - 44	56,500	204.90	335.64	272.48
45 - 49	61,700	232.82	351.85	295.63
50 - 54	67,500	278.45	367.87	338.67
55 - 59	79,200	376.19	426.45	399.80
60 - 64	74,900	478.88	484.32	474.88
65 - 69	64,900	639.75	615.12	613.70
70 - 74	54,800	811.46	743.18	740.67
75+	82,000	977.88	819.08	860.82
Total	971,400	326.68	406.39	363.06

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Insured population from Statistics Canada new estimates as of July 1 each year, including Armed Forces and R.C.M.P personnel.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.13
Fee For Service Payments for Physicians' Services¹
Expenditure Per Insured Person by Zone of Patient Residence

Zone of Patient Residence	Persons Insured ²	Expenditure Per Insured Person		
		General Practitioners	Specialists	Total
1 - Western	199,165	110.51	251.43	361.94
2 - Northern	148,470	125.79	253.62	379.41
3 - Eastern	162,088	166.35	317.82	484.17
4 - Central	461,672	137.17	177.02	314.19
TOTAL	971,400	134.86	227.52	363.06

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Insured Population from Statistics Canada new estimates, as of July 1st of each year, including Armed Forces and RCMP personnel.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 4.14
Fee For Service Payments for Physicians' Services¹
Utilization Data and Expenditure Per Patient
By Zone of Patient Residence

Zone of Patient Residence	Number of Persons Insured²	Number of Beneficiaries	Utilization Rate	Expenditure Per Beneficiary
1 - Western	199,165	165,976	83.3	434.32
2 - Northern	148,470	125,835	84.8	447.66
3- Eastern	162,088	141,726	87.4	553.73
4 - Central	461,672	387,158	83.9	374.66
TOTAL	971,400	818,838 ³	84.3	430.71

¹Data is based on date of service.

²Insured Population from Statistics Canada's newest estimates, as of July 1st of each year, including Armed Forces and RCMP

³Total is unique Fee-for-Service beneficiary count. Total by zone does not add to unique total as some beneficiaries have an 'Unknown' zone and/or some may be counted in more than one zone as count is zone at time of service



Section Five

Dental Programs

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 5.1
Dental Programs
Payment Summary^{1,2}

Payment Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Children's Oral Health Program	6,810,366	6,381,381	6,249,392	6,132,934	6,405,982	12.6	(6.3)	(2.1)	(1.9)	4.5
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	1,401,379	1,470,674	1,422,086	1,427,177	1,460,699	(1.5)	4.9	(3.3)	0.4	2.3
IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan ³	776,469	783,935	904,992	979,919	1,107,308	(3.7)	1.0	15.4	8.3	13.0
Subtotal Dental Programs	8,988,214	8,635,990	8,576,470	8,540,030	8,973,989	8.6	(3.9)	(0.7)	(0.4)	5.1
Special Dental Programs ⁴										
Maxillofacial Prosthodontics	861,481	780,937	875,036	891,370	731,045	15.7	(9.3)	12.0	1.9	(18.0)
Cleft Palate	194,734	233,735	314,186	228,593	269,275	36.3	20.0	34.4	(27.2)	17.8
Individuals with Special Needs	319,783	359,794	332,452	319,484	347,653	(0.3)	12.5	(7.6)	(3.9)	8.8
Exceptional Circumstances	159,882	71,513	31,593	95,521	36,283	(0.8)	(55.3)	(55.8)	202.3	(62.0)
Subtotal Special Dental Programs	1,535,880	1,445,979	1,553,267	1,534,968	1,384,256	12.1	(5.9)	7.4	(1.2)	(9.8)
Total Dental Payments	10,524,094	10,081,969	10,129,737	10,074,998	10,358,245	9.1	(4.2)	0.5	(0.5)	2.8

¹ Data is based on date of service

² Reporting requirements are reviewed on an annual basis and, subsequently, the reporting methodology for Dental Programs was updated in the 2018-2019 report and reflected in previously reported years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

³ Expenditures are based on the annual block funding paid through the plan.

⁴ Special Dental Programs procedures are also provided under the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan. Amount paid excludes the block funded paid amount for these procedures. This is included in the amount paid in Table 5.4.

Children's Oral Health Program**Utilization Summary^{1,2,3}**

Utilization Summary	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Services Rendered ⁴	273,147	199,957	185,840	173,825	166,531	15.3	(26.8)	(7.1)	(6.5)	(4.2)
Amount Paid	6,810,366	6,381,381	6,249,392	6,132,934	6,405,982	12.6	(6.3)	(2.1)	(1.9)	4.5
Persons Insured ⁵	132,400	133,644	132,967	135,700	136,647	(0.3)	0.9	(0.5)	2.1	0.7
Beneficiaries ⁶	62,475	58,931	56,025	53,212	49,776	7.5	(5.7)	(4.9)	(5.0)	(6.5)
Services per Insured Person	2.1	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	15.7	(27.5)	(6.6)	(8.3)	(4.9)
Paid per Insured Person	51.44	47.75	47.00	45.19	46.88	13.0	(7.2)	(1.6)	(3.8)	3.7
Services per Beneficiary	4.4	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	7.3	(22.4)	(2.2)	(1.5)	2.4
Paid per Beneficiary	109.01	108.29	111.55	115.25	128.70	4.8	(0.7)	3.0	3.3	11.7

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Reporting requirements are reviewed on an annual basis and, subsequently, the reporting methodology for Dental Programs was updated in the 2018-2019 report and reflected in previously reported years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

³ Excludes services from providers funded by the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan. See Table 5.4 for the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan services.

⁴ Services rendered includes laboratory services.

⁵ Insured population from Statistics Canada's estimates as of July 1st of each year.

⁶ Persons receiving insured services.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 5.3
 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Utilization Summary^{1,2,3}

Utilization Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Services Rendered ⁴	8,591	8,518	8,123	6,642	6,381	1.2	(0.8)	(4.6)	(18.2)	(3.9)
Amount Paid	1,401,379	1,470,674	1,422,086	1,427,177	1,460,699	(1.5)	4.9	(3.3)	0.4	2.3
Persons Insured ⁵	943,200	949,500	953,900	960,000	971,400	0.1	0.7	0.5	0.6	1.2
Beneficiaries ⁶	2,810	2,767	2,796	2,591	2,613	4.3	-1.5	1.0	(7.3)	0.8
Services per Insured Person	<.02	<.01	<.01	<.01	<.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Paid per Insured Person	1.49	1.55	1.49	1.49	1.50	(1.6)	4.2	(3.7)	(0.3)	1.1
Services per Beneficiary	3.1	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.4	(3.0)	0.7	(5.6)	(11.8)	(4.7)
Paid per Beneficiary	498.71	531.50	508.61	550.82	559.01	(5.5)	6.6	(4.3)	8.3	1.5

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Reporting requirements are reviewed on an annual basis and, subsequently, the reporting methodology for Dental Programs was updated in the 2018-2019 report and reflected in previously reported years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

³ Excludes services from providers funded by the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan. See Table 5.4 for the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan services.

⁴ Services rendered includes laboratory services.

⁵ Insured population from Statistics Canada's estimates, as of July 1st of each year, including Armed Forces and RCMP personnel, who are not all eligible for coverage.

⁶ Persons receiving insured services.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 5.4
IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan
Utilization Summary^{1,2,3}

Utilization Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Services Rendered ⁴	8,894	8,521	6,122	8,469	10,768	2.7	(4.2)	(28.2)	38.3	27.1
Amount Paid	776,468	783,935	904,992	979,919	1,107,308	(3.7)	1.0	15.4	8.3	13.0
Beneficiaries ⁵	1,447	1,474	1,082	1,260	1,864	5.2	1.9	(26.6)	16.5	47.9
Services Per Beneficiary	6.1	5.8	5.7	6.7	5.8	(2.4)	(5.9)	(2.1)	18.8	(14.1)
Paid Per Beneficiary	536.61	531.84	836.41	777.71	594.05	(8.5)	(0.9)	57.3	(7.0)	(23.6)
Services by Program										
Children's Oral Health	8,533	8,382	6,064	8,301	10,470	3.2	(1.8)	(27.7)	36.9	26.1
Cleft Palate	76	10	3	4	8	(10.6)	(86.8)	(70.0)	33.3	100.0
Individuals with Special Needs	266	123	55	164	290	(3.3)	0.0	(55.3)	198.2	76.8
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	18	6	0	0	0	(47.1)	(66.7)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Exceptional Circumstances	1	0	0	0	0	100.0	(100.0)	0.0	0.0	0.0

¹ Data is date of service.

² Reporting requirements are reviewed on an annual basis and, subsequently, the reporting methodology for Dental Programs was updated in the 2018-2019 report and reflected in previously reported years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

³ Includes services from providers funded by the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan.

⁴ Services rendered includes laboratory services.

⁵ Persons receiving insured services.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 5.5
Special Dental Program - Maxillofacial Prosthodontics Utilization Summary^{1,2,3}

Utilization Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Services Rendered ⁴	2,365	2,311	2,245	2,070	1,975	6.4	(2.3)	(2.9)	(7.8)	(4.6)
Amount Paid	861,481	780,938	875,036	891,370	731,045	15.7	(9.3)	12.0	1.9	(18.0)
Beneficiaries ⁵	835	857	854	856	910	6.1	2.6	(0.4)	0.2	6.3
Services Per Beneficiary	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.2	0.3	(4.8)	(2.5)	(8.0)	(10.3)
Paid Per Beneficiary	1,031.71	911.25	1,024.63	1,041.32	803.35	9.0	(11.7)	12.4	1.6	(22.9)

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Reporting requirements are reviewed on an annual basis and, subsequently, the reporting methodology for Dental Programs was updated in the 2018-2019 report and reflected in previously reported years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

³ Excludes services from providers funded by the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan. See Table 5.4 for the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan services.

⁴ Services rendered includes laboratory services.

⁵ Persons receiving insured services.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 5.6

Special Dental Program - Cleft Palate

Utilization Summary^{1,2,3}

Utilization Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Services Rendered ⁴	977	1,196	1,206	1,048	1,074	39.8	22.4	0.8	(13.1)	2.5
Amount Paid	194,734	233,735	314,186	228,593	269,275	36.3	20.0	34.4	(27.2)	17.8
Beneficiaries ⁵	187	225	246	230	209	24.7	20.3	9.3	(6.5)	(9.1)
Services Per Beneficiary	5.2	5.3	4.9	4.6	5.1	12.1	1.7	(7.8)	(7.1)	12.8
Paid Per Beneficiary	1,041.36	1,038.82	1,277.18	993.88	1,288.40	9.3	(0.2)	22.9	(22.2)	29.6

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Reporting requirements are reviewed on an annual basis and, subsequently, the reporting methodology for Dental Programs was updated in the 2018-2019 report and reflected in previously reported years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

³ Excludes services from providers funded by the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan. See Table 5.4 for the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan services.

⁴ Services rendered includes laboratory services.

⁵ Persons receiving insured services.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 5.7
Special Dental Program - Individuals with Special Needs
Utilization Summary^{1,2,3}

Utilization Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Services Rendered ⁴	4,833	6,195	5,737	5,468	5,387	5.5	28.2	(7.4)	(4.7)	(1.5)
Amount Paid	319,783	359,795	332,452	319,484	347,653	(0.3)	12.5	(7.6)	(3.9)	8.8
Beneficiaries ⁵	913	985	935	911	901	4.7	7.9	(5.1)	(2.6)	(1.1)
Services Per Beneficiary	5.3	6.3	6.1	6.0	6.0	0.8	18.8	(2.4)	(2.2)	(0.4)
Paid Per Beneficiary	350.26	365.27	355.56	350.70	385.85	(4.8)	4.3	(2.7)	(1.4)	10.0

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Reporting requirements are reviewed on an annual basis and, subsequently, the reporting methodology for Dental Programs was updated in the 2018-2019 report and reflected in previously reported years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

³ Excludes services from providers funded by the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan. See Table 5.4 for the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan services.

⁴ Services rendered includes laboratory services.

⁵ Persons receiving insured services.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 5.8
Special Dental Program - Exceptional Circumstances
Utilization Summary^{1,2,3}

Utilization Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Services Rendered ⁴	354	86	36	77	101	4.1	(75.7)	(58.1)	113.9	31.2
Amount Paid	159,881	71,513	31,593	95,521	36,283	(0.8)	(55.3)	(55.8)	202.3	(62.0)
Beneficiaries ⁵	71	18	14	15	15	4.4	(74.6)	(22.2)	7.1	0.0
Services Per Beneficiary	5.0	4.8	2.6	5.1	6.7	(0.3)	(4.2)	(46.2)	99.6	31.2
Paid Per Beneficiary	2,251.85	3,972.94	2,256.64	6,368.07	2,418.86	(5.0)	76.4	(43.2)	182.2	(62.0)

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Reporting requirements are reviewed on an annual basis and, subsequently, the reporting methodology for Dental Programs was updated in the 2018-2019 and reflected in previously reported years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

³ Excludes services from providers funded by the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan. See Table 5.4 for the IWK Dental Academic Funding Plan services.

⁴ Services rendered includes laboratory services.

⁵ Persons receiving insured services.



Section Six

Optometric Services

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 6.1
Optometric Services
Payment and Utilization Summary¹

Payment Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Fee-for-Service Payments	7,447,346	7,758,895	8,098,267	8,451,198	8,797,548	8.3	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.1
Pay Patient	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	7,447,346	7,758,895	8,098,267	8,451,198	8,797,548	8.3	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.1
Utilization Summary										
Services Rendered	154,745	161,538	168,517	171,615	177,815	9.1	4.4	4.3	1.8	3.6
Persons Insured ²	943,200	949,500	953,900	960,000	971,400	0.1	0.7	0.5	0.6	1.2
Persons Receiving Services(Beneficiaries)	124,098	128,549	133,866	135,852	140,844	8.1	3.6	4.1	1.5	3.7
Percentage of Persons Insured	13.2	13.5	14.0	14.2	14.5	8.1	2.9	3.7	0.8	2.5
Services per 1,000 Insured	164	170	177	179	183	9.1	3.7	3.8	1.2	2.4
Expenditure per 1,000 Insured	7,896	8,172	8,490	8,803	9,057	8.3	3.5	3.9	3.7	2.9
Services per 1,000 Beneficiaries	1,247	1,257	1,259	1,263	1,262	0.9	0.8	0.2	0.3	(0.1)
Expenditure per 1,000 Beneficiaries	60,012	60,357	60,495	62,209	62,463	0.2	0.6	0.2	2.8	0.4

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Insured population from Statistics Canada's estimates, as of July 1st each year, including Armed Forces and RCMP personnel, who are not all eligible for coverage.



Section Seven

Prosthetic Programs

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 7.1

**Prosthetic Programs
Payment Summary¹**

Payment Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Breast ¹	176,862	162,239	155,343	153,189	149,415	4.1	(8.3)	(4.3)	(1.4)	(2.5)
Limb ²	898,353	789,949	991,401	1,075,826	1,129,746	2.8	(12.1)	25.5	8.5	5.0
Ocular ¹	174,597	175,364	164,000	173,148	152,846	2.8	0.4	(6.5)	5.6	(11.7)
Total Prosthetic Programs Payments	1,249,812	1,127,552	1,310,744	1,402,162	1,432,007	3.2	(9.8)	16.2	7.0	2.1

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Data is based on date of invoice.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 7.2
Prosthetic Programs - Breast Prostheses
Utilization Summary¹

Utilization Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Services Rendered	1056	970	943	932	870	6.6	(8.1)	(2.8)	(1.2)	(6.7)
Amount Paid	176,862	162,239	155,343	153,189	149,415	5.5	(8.3)	(4.3)	(1.4)	(2.5)
Beneficiaries ²	913	865	832	814	761	6.5	(5.3)	(3.8)	(2.2)	(6.5)
Paid Per Service	167.5	167.3	164.7	164.4	171.7	(1.0)	(0.1)	(1.5)	(0.2)	4.5
Services Per Beneficiary	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.0	(3.0)	1.1	1.0	(0.2)
Paid Per Beneficiary	193.7	187.6	186.7	188.2	196.3	(1.0)	(3.2)	(0.5)	0.8	4.3

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Persons receiving Insured Services

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 7.3
Prosthetic Programs - Limb Prostheses
Utilization Summary¹

Utilization Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Services Rendered	2,078	1,831	2,158	2,247	2,278	(8.8)	(11.9)	17.9	4.1	1.4
Amount Paid	898,353	789,949	991,401	1,075,826	1,129,746	2.8	(12.1)	25.5	8.5	5.0
Beneficiaries ²	376	381	407	420	423	(5.5)	1.3	6.8	3.2	0.7
Paid Per Service	432.3	431.4	459.4	478.8	495.9	12.7	(0.2)	6.5	4.2	3.6
Services Per Beneficiary	5.5	4.8	5.3	5.4	5.4	(3.4)	(13.0)	10.3	0.9	0.7
Paid Per Beneficiary	2,389.2	2,073.4	2,435.9	2,561.5	2,670.8	8.9	(13.2)	17.5	5.2	4.3

¹ Data is based on date of invoice.

² Persons receiving Insured Services.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 7.4
Prosthetic Programs - Ocular Prostheses
Utilization Summary¹

Utilization Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Services Rendered	678	641	673	586	589	0.4	(5.5)	5.0	(12.9)	0.5
Amount Paid	174,597	175,364	164,000	173,148	152,846	2.8	0.4	(6.5)	5.6	(11.7)
Beneficiaries ²	410	409	406	383	382	(2.6)	(0.2)	(0.7)	(5.7)	(0.3)
Paid Per Service	257.5	273.6	243.7	295.5	259.5	2.4	6.2	(10.9)	21.3	(12.2)
Services Per Beneficiary	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.5	3.1	(5.2)	5.8	(7.7)	0.8
Paid Per Beneficiary	425.8	428.8	403.9	452.1	400.1	5.6	0.7	(5.8)	11.9	(11.5)

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Persons receiving Insured Services.



Section Eight

Pharmacare Programs

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 8.1
Seniors' Pharmacare Program
Payment and Utilization Summary¹

						Percent Change				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Total Program Expenditure²	173,324,433	180,293,674	192,462,246	191,415,293	206,312,646	2.2	4.0	6.7	(0.5)	7.8
Utilization Summary										
No. of Seniors ³	178,100	184,500	188,500	195,600	201,701	3.0	3.6	2.2	3.8	3.1
Insured Population	118,165	121,440	124,946	128,908	132,759	2.3	2.8	2.9	3.2	3.0
Beneficiaries ⁴	116,015	119,085	122,491	125,705	129,277	2.3	2.6	2.9	2.6	2.8
Percent of Insured Population	98.2	98.1	98.0	97.5	97.4	(0.0)	(0.1)	(0.0)	(0.5)	(0.1)
Prescriptions Dispensed ⁵	3,994,243	4,094,841	4,204,765	4,297,970	4,460,153	1.2	2.5	2.7	2.2	3.8
Prescriptions Per Insured	33.8	33.7	33.7	33.3	33.6	(1.1)	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.9)	0.8
Expenditure Per Insured	1,466.80	1,484.63	1,540.36	1,484.9	1,554.0	(0.2)	1.2	3.8	(3.6)	4.7
Prescriptions Per Beneficiary	34.4	34.4	34.3	34.2	34.5	(1.1)	(0.1)	(0.2)	(0.4)	0.9
Expenditure Per Beneficiary	1,493.98	1,513.99	1,571.24	1,522.73	1,595.90	(0.1)	1.3	3.8	(3.1)	4.8

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Total Expenditure includes total professional fee paid, total drug cost paid and total upcharge paid.
This represents the total expenditure for the Pharmacare programs, not only the Department of Health expenditure.

³ Estimate of insured persons 65 years & older from Statistics Canada as of July 1st each year.

⁴ Persons receiving insured services.

⁵ Includes initial prescription, all refills and pharmacy professional services

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 8.2
Seniors' Pharmacare Program
Total Drug Utilization¹ by Age
Fiscal 2019/20

Age Group	Beneficiaries²	Number of Prescriptions	Drug Cost	Pharmacists' Fees³	Total Expenditure⁴	Rx Per Beneficiary	Cost Per Beneficiary
65 - 69	28,987	717,642	28,651,215	10,820,721	39,471,936	25	1,361.71
70 - 74	35,856	1,111,915	41,120,056	16,533,743	57,653,799	31	1,607.93
75 - 79	26,377	933,222	32,064,742	13,673,144	45,737,886	35	1,734.01
80 - 84	17,993	744,905	21,694,218	10,636,888	32,331,106	41	1,796.87
85 - 89	11,597	530,846	11,759,835	7,318,715	19,078,550	46	1,645.13
90 - 94	6,019	302,220	4,909,877	4,041,727	8,951,604	50	1,487.22
95 - 99	1,982	97,787	1,267,991	1,289,774	2,557,765	49	1,290.50
100+	466	21,616	247,166	282,835	530,001	46	1,137.34
Total	129,277	4,460,153	141,715,099	64,597,547	206,312,646	35	1,595.90

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Persons receiving insured services.

³ Pharmacists Fees includes Total Professional Fee Paid and Total Upcharge Paid.

⁴ This represents the total expenditure for the Seniors Pharmacare program, not only the Department of Health expenditure.

Seniors' Pharmacare Program**Female Drug Utilization¹ by Age
Fiscal Year 2019/20**

Age Group	Beneficiaries²	Number of Prescriptions	Drug Cost	Pharmacists' Fees³	Total Expenditure⁴	Rx Per Beneficiary	Cost Per Beneficiary
65 - 69	15,957	384,854	14,599,786	5,747,034	20,346,820	24	1,275.10
70 - 74	19,491	602,138	20,628,851	8,826,309	29,455,160	31	1,511.22
75 - 79	14,359	510,924	15,750,022	7,342,359	23,092,381	36	1,608.22
80 - 84	10,215	425,809	11,198,242	5,991,222	17,189,464	42	1,682.77
85 - 89	7,260	341,102	6,398,390	4,608,561	11,006,950	47	1,516.11
90 - 94	4,193	217,384	3,023,111	2,867,248	5,890,360	52	1,404.81
95 - 99	1,671	82,971	1,011,831	1,088,480	2,100,311	50	1,256.92
100+	428	20,179	228,170	263,737	491,908	47	1,149.32
Total	73,574	2,585,361	72,838,402	36,734,951	109,573,354³	35	1,489.29

**Male Drug Utilization¹ by Age
Fiscal Year 2019/20**

Age Group	Beneficiaries²	Number of Prescriptions	Drug Cost	Pharmacists' Fees³	Total Expenditure⁴	Rx Per Beneficiary	Cost Per Beneficiary
65 - 69	13,030	332,788	14,051,429	5,073,686	19,125,116	26	1,467.78
70 - 74	16,365	509,777	20,491,205	7,707,434	28,198,639	31	1,723.11
75 - 79	12,018	422,298	16,314,720	6,330,785	22,645,505	35	1,884.30
80 - 84	7,778	319,096	10,495,977	4,645,665	15,141,642	41	1,946.73
85 - 89	4,337	189,744	5,361,445	2,710,154	8,071,599	44	1,861.10
90 - 94	1,826	84,836	1,886,766	1,174,478	3,061,244	46	1,676.48
95 - 99	311	14,816	256,160	201,294	457,454	48	1,470.91
100+	38	1,437	18,995	19,098	38,093	38	1,002.46
Total	55,703	1,874,792	68,876,697	27,862,596	96,739,293³	34	1,736.70

¹ Data is based on date of service.² Persons receiving insured services.³ Pharmacists Fees includes Total Professional Fee Paid and Total Upcharge Paid.⁴ This represents the total expenditure for the Seniors Pharmacare program, not only the Department of Health expenditure.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 8.4
Seniors' Pharmacare Program
Utilization¹ by Zone
Fiscal 2018/19 to 2019/20

Zone	Beneficiaries ²		Percent Change		Rx Count ³		Percent Change		Rx/Beneficiary	
	18/19	19/20	18/19	19/20	18/19	19/20	18/19	19/20	18/19	19/20
1- Western Zone	31,986	32,773	2.2	2.5	1,050,810	1,071,210	1.5	1.9	32.9	32.7
2- Northern Zone	22,211	22,817	2.1	2.7	813,412	844,004	1.3	3.8	36.6	37.0
3- Eastern Zone	29,545	30,303	1.7	2.6	1,131,568	1,178,366	2.6	4.1	38.3	38.9
4 - Central Zone	42,442	44,009	3.8	3.7	1,301,364	1,365,002	3.0	4.9	30.7	31.0
Total	125,705	129,277	2.6	2.8	4,297,970	4,460,153	2.2	3.8	34.2	34.5

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Persons receiving insured services. Column totals may not add to totals as residents may be counted in more than one zone

³ Column totals do not agree with the Total due to missing zones in data.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 8.5
Seniors' Pharmacare Program
Expenditure¹ by Zone
Fiscal Year 2018/19 to 2019/20

Zone	Beneficiaries ²		Total Expenditure ³		Percent Change		Cost/Beneficiary	
	18/19	19/20	18/19	19/20	18/19	19/20	18/19	19/20
1- Western Zone	31,986	32,773	46,966,675	49,705,479	16.5	5.8	1,468.35	1,516.66
2- Northern Zone	22,211	22,817	34,455,474	36,800,636	15.3	6.8	1,551.28	1,612.86
3- Eastern Zone	29,545	30,303	48,844,416	52,579,329	14.9	7.6	1,653.22	1,735.12
4 - Central Zone	42,442	44,009	61,113,457	67,166,077	16.4	9.9	1,439.93	1,526.19
Total	125,705	129,277	191,415,293	206,312,646	15.8	7.8	1,522.73	1,595.90

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Persons receiving insured services. Column totals may not add to totals as residents may be counted in more than one zone

³ Column totals do not agree with the Total due to missing zones in data.

⁴ This represents the total expenditure for the Seniors Pharmacare program, not only the Department of Health expenditure.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 8.6
Special Funding Assistance Programs for Residents
Payment Summary¹

Payment Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Cystic Fibrosis										
- drugs	1,380,100	1,607,822	1,856,544	1,997,669	2,182,756	15.6	16.5	15.5	7.6	9.3
- equipment & emergency	30,261	47,691	33,256	44,186	43,547	42.9	57.6	(30.3)	32.9	(1.4)
Subtotal Cystic Fibrosis	1,410,361	1,655,513	1,889,800	2,041,855	2,226,303	16.1	17.4	14.2	8.0	9.0
Diabetes Insipidus	92,190	101,768	106,472	104,450	117,228	6.5	10.4	4.6	(1.9)	12.2
Cancer	988,995	876,804	1,215,512	1,726,985	3,141,999	(9.7)	(11.3)	38.6	42.1	81.9
Growth Hormone Deficiency	509,314	446,317	413,633	368,227	393,848	20.9	(12.4)	(7.3)	(11.0)	7.0
HIV/AIDS Program	45,144	27,905	35,759	38,045	37,349	(13.5)	(38.2)	28.1	6.4	(1.8)
MS Copayment Program	21,159	17,370	17,308	13,901	7,430	(24.2)	(17.9)	(0.4)	(19.7)	(46.5)
Total Special Assistance Programs	3,067,163	3,125,677	3,678,484	4,293,462	5,924,156	5.8	1.9	17.7	16.7	38.0

¹ Data is based on date of service.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 8.7
Special Funding Assistance Programs for Residents with Cystic Fibrosis
Utilization Summary¹

Program Expenditure	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Drugs	1,380,100	1,607,822	1,856,544	1,997,669	2,182,756	15.6	16.5	15.5	7.6	9.3
Equipment	30,261	47,691	33,256	44,186	43,547	42.9	57.6	(30.3)	32.9	(1.4)
Total Program Expenditure	1,410,361	1,655,513	1,889,800	2,041,855	2,226,303	16.1	17.4	14.2	8.0	9.0
Utilization Summary										
Beneficiaries ²	164	162	169	163	172	0.6	(1.2)	4.3	(3.6)	5.5
Expenditure Per Beneficiary ³	8,415.24	9,924.83	10,985.47	12,255.64	12,690.44	14.9	17.9	10.7	11.6	3.5

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Persons receiving insured services.

³ Per Beneficiary expenditure excludes dollar value for equipment.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 8.8
Special Funding Assistance Programs for Residents with Diabetes Insipidus
Utilization Summary¹

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Program Expenditure	92,190	101,768	106,472	104,450	117,228	6.5	10.4	4.6	(1.9)	12.2
Utilization Summary										
Beneficiaries ²	105	112	81	80	79	9.4	6.7	(27.7)	(1.2)	(1.3)
Expenditure Per Beneficiary	878.00	908.64	1,314.47	1,305.62	1,483.89	(2.7)	3.5	44.7	(0.7)	13.7

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Persons receiving insured services.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 8.9
Special Funding Assistance Programs for Residents with Cancer
Utilization Summary¹

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Program Expenditure	987,766	876,804	1,215,512	1,726,985	3,141,999	(9.8)	(11.2)	38.6	42.1	81.9
Utilization Summary										
Beneficiaries ²	484	500	552	754	870	2.3	3.3	10.4	36.6	15.4
Expenditure Per Beneficiary	2,040.84	1,753.61	2,202.01	2,290.43	3,611.49	(11.8)	(14.1)	25.6	4.0	57.7

¹ Data is based on date of service .

² Persons receiving insured services.

Nova Scotia Department of Health - Table 8.10
**Special Funding Assistance Programs for Residents with Growth Hormone Deficiency
Utilization Summary¹**

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Percent Change				
						15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Program Expenditure	509,314	446,317	413,633	368,227	393,848	20.9	(12.4)	(7.3)	(11.0)	7.0
Utilization Summary										
Beneficiaries ²	38	42	40	34	36	(9.5)	10.5	(4.8)	(15.0)	5.9
Expenditure Per Beneficiary	13,403.00	10,626.60	10,340.83	10,830.20	10,940.22	33.7	(20.7)	(2.7)	4.7	1.0

¹ Data is based on date of service.

² Persons receiving insured services.