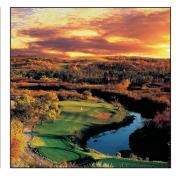
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Annual Statistical Report for 2021-22



Preface

This fiscal year 2021-22 report prepared by the Medical Services Branch, pursuant to Section 36 of *The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act*, is a statistical supplement to the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health Annual Report. It contains statistical data concerning the programs administered by the Medical Services Branch, including the Medical Services Plan (MSP), medical education and medical remuneration.

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Highlights

Medical Services Plan

The Medical Services Plan (MSP) provides coverage to Saskatchewan residents for a variety of medical, optometric and dental services. The MSP also provides funding to support clinical services provided by faculty at the College of Medicine, medical resident salaries, and a range of physician recruitment and retention initiatives.

On March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared the global outbreak of COVID-19 a pandemic. Public health orders limiting public and private gatherings were issued during the year to limit the threat to the public's health. Precautionary measures taken during this time had a significant impact on the number of services and payments provided in 2020-21. Payments and services continued to be affected by COVID-19 in 2021-22.

- ⇒ In 2021-22, the MSP provided for in-province expenditures of \$1,036.7 million, while program payments totalled \$101.8 million and medical education payments were \$117.9 million (see *Total Expenditures 2021-22*).
- ⇒ **Benefits paid for insured services** by physicians, optometrists and dentists (in- and out-of-province) amounted to \$671.0 million, an increase of 19.9% from the previous year (see Tables 1 & 8).

	2020-21 (\$000s)	2021-22 (\$000s)	Per Cent Change
Physicians	546,390	656,163	20.1
Optometrists	11,912	13,574	14.0
Dentists	1,062	1,214	14.3
Total	559,364	670,951	19.9

Number of insured services – by physicians, optometrists and dentists (in- and out-of-province) – totalled 12.7 million services, an increase of 16.7% from the previous year (see Table 7).

	2020-21 (\$000s)	2021-22 (\$000s)	Per Cent Change
Physicians	10,500	12,267	16.8
Optometrists	363	411	13.3
Dentists	11	10	-8.7
Total	10,873	12,688	16.7

Note: figures may not add due to rounding.

- □ Out-of-Province payments for Saskatchewan beneficiaries receiving insured services (physician, dentists, optometrist and hospital) outside of Saskatchewan totalled \$118.3 million, up 0.4% from the previous year.
- ⇒ Reciprocal payments for out-of-province residents receiving services (physician and hospital) within Saskatchewan (excluding Quebec and out-of-Canada beneficiaries) totalled \$29.5 million, an increase of 8.8%. Over the past five years, hospital and physician payments for non-Saskatchewan beneficiaries have decreased on average by 7.0% per year (see Tables 12 & 14a).
- ⇒ Cost of services outside of Canada for Saskatchewan patients with prior approvals totalled \$0.1 million (see Tables 11 & 13a).

	2020-21	2021-22
Number of Patients	12	8
Practitioner Costs (\$000s)	140	20
Hospital Costs (\$000s)	20	109
Total Costs (\$000s)	160	129

Note: the number of patients receiving out-of-country services in a year may not equal the number of out-of-country prior approvals during the year for a number of reasons, including patients not receiving treatment in the same year as approved, or patients requiring on-going care over two years.

Physician Remuneration

- ⇒ Payments for fee-for-service in-province physicians, excluding the emergency coverage programs, totalled \$533.6 million in 2021-22, an increase of 24.4% from 2020-21 (see *Total Expenditures 2021-22*).
- Non-fee-for-service (NFFS) funding arrangements for physician services represent a large portion of physician remuneration expenditures. In 2021-22, NFFS accounted for \$488.2 million, 47.1% of the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health's total payments to physicians for in-province services. The majority of NFFS expenditures are in areas of medical services associated with Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) operations (e.g. radiology, laboratory and emergency physician services).
- Average payments to active physicians vary by specialty (see Table 25):

General Practitioners \$228,600 Specialists \$409,200 All Physicians \$316,700

(see "Active" definition–Statistical Figures and Tables)

Physician Supply

- Physician supply is measured in two main ways: the number of active physicians (those billing more than \$60,000 in the fiscal year) and the number of licensed physicians (the total number of those qualified to practice in the province at the end of the year). Information in this report is presented based on either active or licensed physician numbers in order to improve accuracy.
- ⇒ The number of physicians actively practising each year in the province fluctuates due to movement of practitioners within or outside the province. Physicians are considered active if they have their own MSP billing numbers and receive \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year, and are practising in Saskatchewan at the end of the fiscal year.
- ⇒ **Licensed physicians:** (see "Licensed" definition— Statistical Figures and Tables) the number of licensed physicians at the end of March 2022 was 2,796, an increase of 2.9% from the previous year. Over the past five years, the number of licensed physicians has grown on average by 2.3% per year (see Table 18).
- ⇒ Active physicians: (see "Active" definition–Statistical Figures and Tables) the number of active physicians at the end of March 2022 was 1,885, an increase of 79 physicians or 4.4% from the previous year. Over the past five years, the number of active physicians has increased on average by 1.3% per year.
- ⇒ The number of active rural general practitioners (GP) was 255 at the end of March 2022, an increase of 20 physicians or 8.5% from the previous year. Over the last five years, the number of active rural GPs has increased on average by 0.6% per year (see Table 24).
- ⇒ The number of active GPs in metro areas (Regina and Saskatoon) at the end of March 2022 was 484, an increase of 30 physicians or 6.6% from the previous year. Over the past five years, the number of active metro GPs has increased on average by 0.3% per year.
- ⇒ The number of **active GPs in other urban areas** was 226, an increase of 15 physicians or 7.1% from the previous year. Over the past five years, the number of active urban GPs has decreased on average by 0.3%.

- ⇒ The number of active specialists has grown to 920, an increase of 14 physicians or 1.5% from the previous year.
 Over the past five years, the number of specialists has increased on average by 2.4% per year.
- ⇒ Physician supply is supported by a number of initiatives and programs supported within the MSP including the Saskatchewan International Physician Practice Assessment (SIPPA) program and medical education programs through the University of Saskatchewan (U of S) College of Medicine. See the Appendix for more information on recruitment and retention initiatives.

Educational Programs

- ⇒ The Medical Services Branch supports the Medical Education System managed by the College of Medicine, with funding of \$117.9 million in 2021-22 (U of S).
- ⇒ The Medical Education System covers the following areas:
 - Clinical Services Fund, which provides funding for physician faculty at the College of Medicine, and 486 post-graduate medical resident positions, including distributed post-graduate medical education in Prince Albert, Swift Current, La Ronge, Moose Jaw and North Battleford (see Table 33); and,
 - Programs and stipends, such as the Academic Clinical Funding Plan, International Medical Graduates, distributed medical education, the undergraduate clinical Clerkship (formerly JURSI) stipend.

Medical Services Plan Coverage Benefits

Eligibility for Benefits

The Medical Services Plan (MSP) provides coverage to Saskatchewan residents for a variety of medical, optometric and dental services.

All residents of Saskatchewan, with a few exceptions (e.g. inmates of federal penitentiaries and visitors to Canada) are eligible to receive benefits, with the sole requirement being residency and registration with Health Registries at eHealth Saskatchewan. No premiums are charged to the patient.

Insured services are governed by *The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act* and further defined in the respective Payment Schedules established under the *Act*.

Subject to the exclusions detailed later in this section, the following services are insured:

Physician Services

Medical Services – The diagnosis and treatment by a physician of medical conditions.

Surgical Services – Surgical procedures by a physician including diagnosis, pre- and post-operative care and the services of physician surgical assistants when required.

Maternity Services – Care during pregnancy, delivery and after care by a physician.

Anesthesia – The administration of anesthesia by a physician including:

- ⇒ anesthesia for diagnostic, surgical and other procedures;
- ⇒ obstetrical anesthesia;
- ⇒ anesthesia for pain management; and,
- ⇒ all dental anesthesia for patients under 14 years and in other limited circumstances.

Diagnostic Services including:

- out-of-hospital x-ray services, including interpretation, provided by a specialist in radiology;
- ⇒ an approved list of office-based laboratory services provided by a physician other than a pathologist; and,
- ⇒ other diagnostic services provided by a physician.

Preventive Medical Services including:

- ⇒ immunization services where not otherwise available;
- ⇒ examination and report for adoptions for both child and parents;
- ⇒ examination and report for persons becoming foster parents; and,
- ⇒ routine physical examination by a physician.

Cancer Services – Services for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer, except when provided by physicians under contract with the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency.

Optometric Services

Coverage for routine eye examinations, partial examinations and tonometry by an optometrist is limited to the following five categories of persons:

- \Rightarrow those under the age of 18;
- ⇒ recipients of Supplementary Health Benefits;
- ⇒ recipients of Family Health Benefits;
- ⇒ those with a diagnosis of diabetes; and,
- ⇒ patients 65 or older receiving a Seniors' Income Plan supplement.

For eligible beneficiaries, the frequency of routine eye examinations to determine refractive error is limited to the following:

- ⇒ for patients less than 18 years of age, examinations are limited to once every 12 months (this coverage is provided by MSP);
- ⇒ for patients 65 or older who qualify for one of the special programs listed above, examinations are limited to once every 12 months; and,
- ⇒ for patients aged 18 to 64 who qualify for coverage under one of the special programs listed above, examinations are limited to once every 24 months.

The assessment and treatment of ocular urgencies and emergencies, when provided by an optometrist, are also insured.

Dental Services includes:

- ⇒ Specific services in connection with maxillofacial surgery required to treat a condition caused by an accident, abnormality or co-morbidity;
- Services for the care of cleft palate upon referral to a dentist or dental specialist by a physician or another dentist:
- ⇒ Specific x-ray services when provided by certain dental specialists and oral radiologists; and,

Extraction of teeth medically required due to pathology resulting from cancer radiation therapy, or to provide:

- ⇒ heart surgery;
- ⇒ services for chronic renal disease;
- ⇒ head and neck cancer services:
- ⇒ stem cell transplants; and,
- services for total joint replacement by prosthesis where the beneficiary was referred to a dentist by a specialist in the appropriate surgical field and where prior approval from Medical Services Branch of the Ministry of Health was received.

Dental implants are covered in exceptional circumstances:

- ⇒ tumours including benign and malignant; and,
- ⇒ congenital including cleft palate and metabolic.

For dental implants, the referring specialist in oral maxillofacial surgery must request and receive prior approval from Medical Services Branch of the Ministry of Health.

Out-of-Province Services

Physician Services

Services provided by physicians in other provinces except Quebec are covered by a reciprocal billing arrangement. Saskatchewan beneficiaries are not normally billed for publicly-funded physician services provided in other provinces upon presentation of their Health Services Card except for certain services excluded from the reciprocal billing arrangement. In most cases, physicians bill the provincial health plan of the province in which the services are provided. The host province then bills the home province of the patient for the services provided.

Non-emergency services provided outside of Canada are only insured with prior approval from the Medical Services Branch of the Ministry of Health. Emergency physician services obtained out-of-country are reimbursed at Saskatchewan rates.

Hospital Services

Hospital services provided to Saskatchewan beneficiaries in other provinces are covered by a reciprocal billing agreement between provincial public health plans. The hospital bills the provincial health plan of the province in which services are provided. The host province then bills the home province of the patient for the services provided.

Emergency hospital services for persons travelling outside Canada are covered on the following basis: up to \$100 (Canadian) per day for in-patient services and up to \$50 (Canadian) for an out-patient visit. Non-emergency hospital services provided outside Canada are covered only if prior approval has been obtained from the Medical Services Branch of the Ministry of Health.

Exclusions

The MSP does not insure the following services:

- ⇒ health services received under other public programs, including *The Workers' Compensation Act*, Veteran Affairs Canada and *The Mental Health Services Act*;
- ⇒ the cost of travel, accommodation and meals;
- ⇒ surgery for cosmetic purposes;
- any mental or physical examination for the purpose of employment, insurance, judicial proceedings/ requirements, vehicle seatbelt exemptions, or at the request of a third party;
- ⇒ autopsy;
- ambulance services and other forms of transportation of patients;
- ⇒ services provided by special duty nurses;
- services provided by chiropodists, podiatrists, naturopaths, osteopaths and chiropractors;
- □ dentistry, except as described under Medical Services Plan Coverage Benefits—Dental Services;
- ⇒ drugs and dressings;
- ⇒ appliances (e.g. eyeglasses, artificial limbs);
- ⇒ routine eye examinations by a physician coverage is limited to those beneficiaries who would be covered under the optometric program;
- ⇒ electrolysis;
- □ dental anesthesia provided in conjunction with an insured service where the patient is 14 years or over;
- ⇒ reversals of sterilization for the purposes of restoring fertility;
- ⇒ removal of lesions for cosmetic purposes;
- ⇒ injection of asymptomatic varicose veins;
- ⇒ non-medically required circumcisions;
- ⇒ breast screening mammography for women 50 years of age and older (available and funded through the provincial Screening Program for Breast Cancer); and,
- ⇒ virtual care pilot services.

Methods of Payment

The MSP makes payment for insured services by the following methods:

- fee-for-service billing by practitioners or professional corporations based on negotiated fee schedules; and,
- ⇒ salary, contractual, or sessional payment arrangements funded through the SHA Board or the College of Medicine.

The Connected Care Services Branch provides global funding for the operation of four community clinics, Northern Medical Services, the Student Health Centre at the University of Saskatchewan and the Victoria East Medical Clinic.

Practitioners may choose to practice entirely outside MSP, in which case the services provided by that practitioner are uninsured.

Professional Review

The **Joint Medical Professional Review Committee** is comprised of six physicians, with two each appointed by the Saskatchewan Medical Association, the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan and the Ministry. The committee evaluates billing patterns of physicians. This committee is empowered to order the recovery of payments that have been inappropriately billed by practitioners.

Total Expenditures 2021-22

	Expenditures	(\$000's)
In-Province Services		
Physician Fee-for-Service (FFS) Subtotal		533,613
Physician Non-Fee-For-Service (Non-FFS)		
Medical Remuneration & Alternate Payments	349,734	
Primary Health Services ^{1,2}	100,999	
Saskatchewan Cancer Agency ^{1,2}	37,430	
Physician Non-Fee-For Service (Non-FFS) Sub-Total		488,163
Optometry Services Subtotal ³		13,700
Dental Services Subtotal		1,202
Subtotal: Payment for In-Province Services		1,036,678
Programs and Recruitment and Retention Initiatives ⁴		
General Practitioner		
Family Physician Comprehensive Care Program	14,693	
Family Physician Emergency Coverage Programs	8,250	
Regional Locum Program	2,955	
Saskatchewan International Physician Practice Assessment (SIPPA)	2,431	
Chronic Disease Management – Quality Improvement Program	1,088	
General Practitioner Specialist Program	687	
Rural Physician Incentive	382	
Rural and Remote Incentives	2,300	
Family Medicine Bursaries	400	
Rural Practice Enhancement Training	148	
General Practitioner Subtotal		33,334
Specialist		
Specialist Emergency Coverage Programs (SECP)	33,846	
Specialist Practice Establishment Grant	1,605	
Specialist Rural & Remote Incentives	200	
Specialist Physician Enhancement Training Bursary	96	
Specialist Subtotal		35,747

Total Expenditures		1,380,891
Subtotal: Other Provincial Payments and Administration Change in Valuation Allowance		123,738 839
	4,847	400
Quality Assurance Diagnostic Imaging and Lab Programs Administration	595 4 9 4 7	
Out-of-Province ⁵	118,296	
Other Provincial Payments and Administration		
Subtotal: Medical Education		117,863
Other Medical Education	3,275	
Medical Education Clinical Services Fund (College of Medicine)	114,588	
Subtotal: Programs and Recruitment and Retention Initiatives		101,773
Other Subtotal		32,692
Practice Enhancement Program	75	
Parental Leave Program	1,676	
Quality & Access Fund Clinical Quality Improvement Program	13 111	
Continuing Medical Education Fund	4,090	
Physician Long Term Retention Fund	8,837	
Canadian Medical Protective Agency (CMPA) Funding Electronic Medical Records Program	8,590 9,300	
Other		

¹ Expenditures in these areas are managed by other branches of the Ministry of Health.

- 1) Ministry funding for physician services may not equal physician expenditures by the Saskatchewan Health Authority.
- 2) Fee-for-service expenditures include non-insured virtual care pilot services payments paid to physicians through agreements with the Saskatchewan Health Authority.

² These expenditures include payments to physicians only.

³ Includes lump sum payments made to optometrists in lieu of retroactive amendments to Payment Schedules.

Excludes \$2,626,250 paid to 1,108 eligible physicians on behalf of the Saskatchewan Medical Association for the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Benefit.

⁵ Includes physician, optometric and dental services, and hospital costs paid reciprocally for Saskatchewan beneficiaries.

Statistical Figures and Tables

Introductory Notes

General – The following tables are based on MSP payments made during 2021-22 on a fee-for-service and non-fee-for-service basis for medical, optometric and dental services provided to Saskatchewan beneficiaries.

For physicians practising in alternate-funding arrangements, including primary health care clinics, services are recorded on a shadow-billing basis. For statistical purposes, all shadow-billing data is reported in this document.

Most tables include data, where noted, on services provided to Saskatchewan residents by practitioners both in and outside the province. Tables 12, 14a and 14b are the only tables that present Saskatchewan physician and hospital data for services provided to out-of-province beneficiaries. Tables 13a, 13b, 14a and 14b are the only tables that show data related to the hospital reciprocal billing system.

While all MSP data on physician services continues to use the ninth revision of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-9), data related to the hospital reciprocal billing system (Tables 13a, 13b, 14a and 14b) uses ICD-10.

The statistical tables exclude data on services paid by MSP to physicians, optometrists and dentists on behalf of Saskatchewan Government Insurance. The tables also exclude payments made through the Specialist Emergency Coverage Program (with the exception of Table 27) and certain other programs, including the Family Physician Comprehensive Care Program.

Data Limitations – The number of services or service groupings may differ from year to year as a result of charges to fee codes through Payment Schedule changes. The level of shadow billing for non-fee-for-service methods of payment results in underreporting of the data presented in this report, as shadow billing is not always complete.

Health Reporting Zones – Effective 2021-22, new health reporting zones that replace the former regional health authorities have been introduced. The health reporting zones match the Ministry of Health COVID-19 zones, with the exception of the Far North West and North West zones. The Meadow Lake and Area (NW2) health network is grouped in the North West zone rather than the Far North West zone.

Date of Payment – Statistics are based on the date the service was paid, as opposed to the date the service was provided. Statistics for the fiscal year 2021-22 include some services provided in 2020-21. Fiscal years typically consist of 26 pay periods.

Payment Adjustments – The difference between payments shown in *Total Expenditures 2021-22* and the total payments shown in the statistical tables is due to accounting adjustments (e.g. accrual accounting; the handling of payments to and from other provinces for claims processed under the reciprocal billing arrangement); certain recoveries or adjustments for retroactive payments; the handling of medical and optometric services provided in alternate-funding primary health care clinics; and the payment for medical services through other non-fee-for-service remuneration arrangements.

Payments to Locum Tenens – Where a physician acts as the principal for a locum tenens physician who is not fully licensed by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan, payments for services provided by the locum are made to the principal, unless the locum is granted a conditional, provisional or long-term locum license by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.

Retroactive Payments – From time to time, MSP is required to make payments retroactively to practitioners, pursuant to agreements with the respective professional associations. Any such payments, whether included or excluded from the data tables, are included in *Total Expenditures 2021-22*.

Virtual Care – Effective March 13, 2020, temporary virtual care fee codes for physicians providing services via telephone or secure video during the pandemic were implemented. Negotiated virtual care fee codes for family physicians were piloted as of January 1, 2021, and virtual care fee codes for specialists were piloted as of June 1, 2021. These services and payments are included under new virtual care sections according to their service type (Tables 7, 8, 9, 10, and 15).

Optometric Services under Supplementary Health – For statistical purposes, optometric data for services paid under both MSP and the Supplementary Health Program is reported in this document.

Definitions of Service Groupings (Tables 7 to 10, 15 and Figure 2)

Service groupings are based on the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) national grouping system categories.

- (a) Consultations a consultation is the referral of a patient by one physician to another for examination, diagnosis and requires a written report. The patient may return to the referring physician for treatment or receive treatment from the consultant.
- (b) Major Assessments a major (complete or initial) assessment comprises a full history review, an examination of all parts or systems, a complete record and advice to the patient, and may include a detailed examination of one or more parts or systems. A major assessment may be provided to new or former patients. Chronic disease management visits and eye examinations by physicians are included here.
- (c) Other Assessments Other assessments are visits that comprise history review, history of the presenting complaint, and an examination of the affected parts, regions or systems. Follow-up assessments, well-baby care provided in the office, visits to special care homes and continuous personal attendance are included in this classification.
- (d) **Psychotherapy/Counselling** Includes treatment interview, group therapy and counselling (including healthy lifestyle/health education counselling).
- (e) Hospital Care Physician services provided in a hospital on a visit per day basis including newborn care in hospital, attendant and supportive care. Hospital visits covered by a composite payment, such as hospital care following surgery, are not included.
- (f) Special Calls and Emergency Includes surcharge payments made in association with visits or other services provided by physicians when specially called to attend a patient on a priority basis; follow-up house calls not specially called; special calls for additional patients seen; and any non-system-generated out-of-hours premiums.
- (g) **Major Surgery** All 42 day surgical procedures excluding those falling in the Obstetrics classification. The "day" classification refers to the number of days of post-operative care included in the procedural fee.

- (h) **Minor Surgery** All 0 and 10 day surgical procedures excluding those falling in the Obstetrics classification.
- (i) **Surgical Assistance** Services of physicians as required to assist the surgeon during a surgery, includes assistant standby.
- Obstetrics Includes hospital stay, abortions, cesarean sections, but excludes gynecological surgery, and pre- and post-natal visits. Fetal monitoring and transfusions are included here.
- (k) **Anesthesia** All anesthetic procedures, pain management and pain clinic services are included in this category.
- (l) **Diagnostic Radiology** All out-of-hospital technical procedures and interpretations by specialists in radiology.
- (m) **Laboratory Services** All common office laboratory services provided by a physician other than a pathologist.
- (n) Other Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures All types of diagnostic procedures, allergy tests, ultrasound, professional interpretations of procedures, biopsies, therapeutic procedures, injections, Papanicolau smears, resuscitation and intensive care.
- (o) Special and Miscellaneous Services Includes medical examinations for adoptions, for sexual assault victims, for follow-up cancer reports; examinations and certifications of mental health; immunizations where not elsewhere available; intralesional injections; family physician emergency coverage payments; advice by physicians to allied health personnel via telecommunications; and any other services not elsewhere classified.
- (p) Services by Optometrists Includes eye examinations to determine the refractive state of the eye, partial examinations, tonometry testing, diabetic eye exams and assessments of ocular urgencies and emergencies when provided by an optometrist. Optical coherence tomography and retinal photography are also insured for individuals with a diagnosis of diabetes.
- (q) Dental Services Includes certain insured services provided by dentists, (i.e. oral surgery, or services for care of cleft palate and the extraction of teeth in limited circumstances). Includes coverage of dental implants, in exceptional circumstances, where prior approval from Medical Services Branch of the Ministry of Health was received.

Categories of Practitioners (Tables 15, 18 to 26, 31, 32 and 34)

l. Physicians

- (a) **General Practitioner** A physician registered with the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan whose name does not appear on the specialist listing mentioned in (b) below. This includes physicians that, while not Canadian or foreign certified specialists, limit their practice to specific specialty areas.
 - (i) **Metro** A general practitioner who practises in Regina, Saskatoon, or a recognized bedroom community.
 - (ii) **Urban** A general practitioner who practises in a locality having 10,000 or more residents other than in Regina or Saskatoon.
 - (iii) **Rural** A general practitioner who practises in a locality having fewer than 10,000 residents.
 - (iv) **Association** A general practitioner who maintains patients' medical records with one or more physicians.
 - (v) **Solo** A general practitioner who is not working in association with another physician.
- (b) Specialist A Canadian certified physician listed by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan is eligible to receive MSP payments at specialist rates. If a physician becomes a certified specialist during the year, only those services provided after certification are included with specialist services.

Note: Within the tables, select specialist categories are combined due to confidentiality.

- II. **Optometrist** A practitioner registered with the Saskatchewan Association of Optometrists.
- III. **Dentist** A practitioner registered with the College of Dental Surgeons of Saskatchewan.

Notes:

Definition of a Licensed Physician – Physicians with their own MSP billing number who are licensed by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year; includes temporary licensed locum physicians but excludes educational locums and medical residents.

Definition of Active Physician – Licensed physicians with \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year. Data captured for physicians participating in non-fee-for-service arrangements may not be complete. General Practitioners are categorized in the location group in which they earned the most income if they practised in various clinics or areas throughout the year.

Definition of Practising Physician – Licensed physicians with billings submitted under their own MSP billing number during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year (see Table 24).

Table 1

Analysis of Per Cent Change in Total Costs

Year	Gross Payments for Insured Services' (\$000s)	Total Per Cent Change	Per Cent Change Due to Fee Schedule Increases°	Per Cent Change Due to Utilization Increases ¹⁰
2017-18	694,726	1.89	0.00	1.89
2018-19	698,948	0.61	0.00	0.61
2019-202	727,404	4.07	0.02	4.05
2020-21 ^{2,3,5,6}	559,364	-23.10	3.84	-26.94
2021-22 ^{4,7,8}	670,951	19.95	1.72	18.23
Average Annual Per Cent Change 2017-18 to 2021-22		-0.32	1.10	-1.63

All physician, optometric and dental insured services (in- and out-of-province) are included. Includes payments for family physician emergency coverage but excludes payments for other programs, including specialist emergency coverage.

Table 2

Adjustments and Recoveries by the Medical Services Plan

	2020-	2020-21		-22
	Number of Practitioners ⁴	Adjustment or Recovery (\$000s)	Number of Practitioners ⁴	Adjustment or Recovery (\$000s)
Routine Adjustments on In-Province Claims ¹	2,601	11,181.8	2,662	11,867.2
Routine Adjustments on Out-of-Province Claims ¹	_	424.9	_	373.2
Special MSP Studies and Professional Review Activity²	8	1,641.9	5	1,029.8
Third Party Liability Recoveries ³		8,018.9		7,457.5
Total		21,267.5		20,727.6

¹ All physician, optometric and dental insured services are included.

Lump sum payments made to physicians in lieu of retroactive amendments to Payment Schedules are excluded.

³ Excludes one-time SMA Program funding in lieu of retroactive payments to physicians.

⁴ Lump sum payments made to optometrists in lieu of retroactive amendments to Payment Schedules are excluded.

⁵ Precautionary measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on payments and services in 2020-21.

⁶ Includes temporary pandemic codes (effective March 13, 2020 to May 31, 2021) and non-insured family physician virtual care pilot codes (effective January 1, 2021).

⁷ Non-insured family physician and specialty virtual care pilot codes were implemented January 1, 2021 and June 1, 2021, respectively.

Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Fee schedule increases are based on theoretical values of fee and new items increases.

¹⁰ The change in utilization may be affected by changes in data capture for physicians participating in or switching to non-fee-for-service arrangements.

² The dollar amounts are recoveries resulting from the correction of payments as revealed by the Professional Review Committees, general overpayment corrections or bankruptcies. The total may include funds paid in this fiscal year but requested in a previous year.

 $^{^3}$ The dollar amounts are recoveries from the cost of health services collected under the authority of *The Health Administration Act*.

⁴ Number of practitioners is based on any payment activity, including reversal payments.

Table 3

Claims Paid by Method of Billing

	Number of	Claims	Per Cent of Claims		
Claims Received from:	2020-215	2021-22 ⁶	2020-21	2021-22	
Physicians, Dentist & Dental Surgeons	7,499,556	8,476,545	97.15	97.23	
In-Province Claims ¹	7,243,886	8,208,259	93.84	94.15	
Out-of-Province Reciprocal Billing ²	255,039	267,760	3.30	3.07	
Other Out-of-Province	631	526	0.01	0.01	
Optometrists ³	218,519	241,155	2.83	2.77	
In-Province Claims	217,218	239,839	2.81	2.75	
Out-of-Province	1,301	1,316	0.02	0.02	
Beneficiaries ⁴	1,323	744	0.02	0.01	
Total	7,719,398	8,718,444	100.00	100.00	

¹ Includes claims for services provided to beneficiaries of other provinces through reciprocal billing arrangements. Includes claims for insured dental services and for SGI driver medicals and visual exams.

Note: See "Data Limitations" in *Statistical Figures and Tables*.

² Claims for services provided to Saskatchewan beneficiaries in other provinces through reciprocal billing arrangements.

³ Includes claims for optometric services covered by the Supplementary Health Program.

⁴ Payments made directly to beneficiaries for claims.

⁵ Precautionary measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on payments and services in 2020-21.

⁶ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 4Services and Payments by Age and Sex of Beneficiaries

	Number of Be	Number of Beneficiaries _		Rate Per 1,000 Beneficiaries			
	as at June 3		Service	es .	Payment	:s (\$)	
Age Groups	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
A. Physicians							
Under 1	7,034	6,530	12,811	12,213	854,068	786,437	
1 – 4	30,615	29,204	4,369	3,655	260,352	215,248	
5 – 14	82,153	78,427	3,148	3,056	155,332	148,062	
15 – 24	74,814	70,955	3,961	8,104	199,765	422,895	
25 – 44	171,775	166,385	5,455	11,607	275,360	638,065	
45 – 64	145,867	142,784	10,429	13,008	553,089	665,603	
65 and over	92,747	105,940	21,552	21,308	1,171,055	1,097,703	
All Beneficiaries	605,005	600,225	8,654	11,741	459,953	617,323	
B. Optometrists							
Under 1	7,034	6,530	62	61	3,516	3,418	
1 – 4	30,615	29,204	221	236	12,190	13,004	
5 – 14	82,153	78,427	445	479	24,462	26,340	
15 – 24	74,814	70,955	182	228	8,824	10,889	
25 – 44	171,775	166,385	111	155	3,058	4,336	
45 – 64	145,867	142,784	367	400	8,838	10,010	
65 and over	92,747	105,940	742	641	17,550	15,794	
All Beneficiaries	605,005	600,225	328	353	10,760	11,769	
C. Dentists							
Under 1	7,034	6,530	2	1	141	116	
1 – 4	30,615	29,204	_	_	121	82	
5 – 14	82,153	78,427	7	5	723	568	
15 – 24	74,814	70,955	13	16	2,199	2,695	
25 – 44	171,775	166,385	6	7	670	921	
45 – 64	145,867	142,784	8	10	801	1,099	
65 and over	92,747	105,940	9	9	1,186	890	
All Beneficiaries	605,005	600,225	8	9	943	1,072	

- 1) Includes out-of-province (reciprocal) services and costs.
- 2) Excludes payments for specialist and family physician emergency coverage programs.
- 3) Includes optometric services covered by the Supplementary Health Program.
- 4) Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.
- 5) See "Data Limitations" in *Statistical Figures and Tables*.

Table 5Beneficiaries, Payments and Services by Dollar Value of Benefits

		2020-2			2021-22				
Dollar Value	Number of	P	er Cent of		Number of	P	er Cent of		
of Benefits	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Payments	Services		Beneficiaries	Payments	Services	
A. Physicians Only									
\$0.001	342,487	28.0	-	<0.1	278,127	23.1	-	<0.1	
\$0.01 – \$25.00	21,714	1.8	_	0.3	17,289	1.4	_	0.2	
\$25.01 – \$50.00	107,079	8.7	0.7	1.2	91,774	7.6	0.5	0.9	
\$50.01 – \$100.00	99,524	8.1	1.4	2.1	96,887	8.0	1.1	1.7	
\$100.01 - \$250.00	210,693	17.2	6.4	8.9	208,592	17.3	5.4	7.3	
\$250.01 – \$500.00	167,097	13.6	11.2	14.0	180,055	14.9	10.0	12.6	
\$500.01 - \$1,000.00	139,209	11.4	18.2	20.7	160,726	13.3	17.5	20.1	
\$1,000.01 - \$1,500.00	53,466	4.4	12.1	12.5	64,551	5.4	12.1	12.8	
\$1,500.01 - \$2,000.00	28,464	2.3	9.1	8.6	35,176	2.9	9.4	9.1	
\$2,000.01 - \$5,000.00	45,859	3.7	24.9	20.6	59,519	4.9	27.0	23.1	
Over \$5,000.00	9,620	0.8	15.9	11.0	12,534	1.0	16.8	12.2	
Total	1,225,212	100.0	100.0	100.0	1,205,230	100.0	100.0	100.0	
B. Optometrists Only									
\$0.001	1,068,091	87.2	_	<0.1	1,033,475	85.7	_	<0.1	
\$0.01 – \$25.00	25	_	_	_	34	_	_	_	
\$25.01 – \$50.00	7,221	0.6	2.5	2.2	7,113	0.6	2.1	1.9	
Over \$50.00	149,875	12.2	97.5	97.8	164,608	13.7	97.9	98.1	
Total	1,225,212	100.0	100.0	100.0	1,205,230	100.0	100.0	100.0	

¹ The number of beneficiaries in this category is a residual, representing the difference between the number for whom a claim was paid at any time during the year and the total of beneficiaries at June 30 of the stated year.

¹⁾ Includes out-of-province (reciprocal) services and costs.

²⁾ Excludes payments for specialist and family physician emergency coverage programs.

³⁾ Includes optometric services covered by the Supplementary Health Program.

⁴⁾ See "Data Limitations" in Statistical Figures and Tables.

Table 6 Physician Services and Payments (\$) by Age and Sex

		Popula	tion	Per Cent	Averag Person Ir		Average Person Tr		Average Payment
Age Groups	Sex	Insured ¹	Treated ²	Treated	Services	Cost	Services	Cost	Per Service
Under 1	М	7,034	8,238	100.00	12.81	854.07	10.94	729.24	66.67
	F	6,530	, 7,932	100.00	12.21	786.44	10.05	647.43	64.40
	Т	13,564	16,170	100.00	12.52	821.51	10.50	689.11	65.60
1 – 4	М	30,615	21,982	71.80	4.37	260.35	6.09	362.60	59.58
	F	29,204	20,032	68.59	3.65	215.25	5.33	313.80	58.89
	Т	59,819	42,014	70.24	4.02	238.33	5.72	339.33	59.28
5 – 9	M	41,015	23,635	57.63	3.00	151.99	5.20	263.75	50.74
	F T	39,294	21,819	55.53	2.63	128.67	4.74	231.72	48.93
10 – 14	M	80,309	45,454	56.60	2.82	140.58 158.67	4.98	248.38 280.31	49.91
10 – 14	F	41,138 39,133	23,286 22,488	56.60 57.47	3.30 3.48	167.53	5.83 6.06	280.51	48.08 48.09
	T	80,271	45,774	57.02	3.39	162.99	5.94	285.82	48.09
15 – 19	M	36,795	22,119	60.11	3.96	203.25	6.59	338.10	51.28
15 15	F	34,940	26,040	74.53	6.79	345.97	9.12	464.22	50.92
	T	71,735	48,159	67.13	5.34	272.76	7.96	406.30	51.06
20 – 24	M	38,019	21,979	57.81	3.96	196.39	6.85	339.72	49.60
	F	36,015	29,242	81.19	9.37	497.52	11.55	612.76	53.07
	Т	74,034	51,221	69.19	6.59	342.88	9.53	495.60	52.00
25 – 29	M	40,542	24,028	59.27	4.54	227.39	7.65	383.67	50.13
	F	39,265	32,408	82.54	11.74	669.27	14.22	810.87	57.01
	Т	79,807	56,436	70.72	8.08	444.79	11.43	628.99	55.05
30 – 34	M	44,995	27,961	62.14	5.12	259.22	8.23	417.14	50.67
	F	44,110	36,663	83.12	12.43	720.99	14.96	867.43	57.99
25 20	T	89,105	64,624	72.53	8.74	487.81	12.05	672.60	55.82
35 – 39	M F	45,030	29,628	65.80 82.56	5.64	286.98 604.00	8.57	436.17	50.88
	r T	43,939 88,969	36,277 65,905	74.08	11.26 8.41	443.54	13.63 11.36	731.56 598.77	53.66 52.71
40 – 44	M	41,208	28,526	69.22	6.52	327.48	9.43	473.07	50.19
40 – 44	F	39,071	32,427	83.00	10.93	551.41	13.17	664.38	50.43
	T	80,279	60,953	75.93	8.67	436.46	11.42	574.85	50.34
45 – 49	M	36,083	26,240	72.72	7.91	401.20	10.87	551.69	50.74
	F	34,528	29,052	84.14	11.46	572.72	13.62	680.67	49.99
	Т	70,611	55,292	78.31	9.64	485.07	12.31	619.46	50.30
50 – 54	М	34,060	25,911	76.07	9.28	479.81	12.20	630.71	51.68
	F	32,928	28,109	85.37	12.47	626.93	14.61	734.41	50.26
	Т	66,988	54,020	80.64	10.85	552.13	13.46	684.67	50.88
55 – 59	M	37,838	29,881	78.97	10.85	585.44	13.74	741.34	53.95
	F	37,712	32,120	85.17	13.09	682.89	15.37	801.78	52.16
60 64	T	75,550	62,001	82.07	11.97	634.09	14.59	772.65	52.97
60 – 64	М	37,886	32,344	85.37 89.77	13.44	731.31	15.74	856.62 854.85	54.42
	F T	37,616 75,502	33,767 66,111	89.77 87.56	14.81 14.12	767.38 749.28	16.50		51.80 53.05
65 – 69	M	32,438	29,680	91.50	16.87	948.07	16.13 18.43	855.72 1,036.17	56.21
05 07	F	32,540	30,494	93.71	17.05	911.05	18.19	972.18	53.45
	T	64,978	60,174	92.61	16.96	929.53	18.31	1,003.74	54.82
70 – 74	M	24,144	22,985	95.20	20.35	1,125.01	21.38	1,181.73	55.29
	F	25,122	23,880	95.06	19.87	1,058.69	20.90	1,113.76	53.28
	Т	49,266	46,865	95.13	20.11	1,091.19	21.14	1,147.10	54.27
75 & Over	М	36,165	37,185	100.00	26.56	1,401.80	25.83	1,363.35	52.78
	F	48,278	49,361	100.00	24.93	1,243.81	24.38	1,216.52	49.90
	Т	84,443	86,546	100.00	25.63	1,311.47	25.00	1,279.61	51.18
Total all ages	M	605,005	435,608	72.00	8.65	472.79	12.02	656.65	54.63
	E	600,225	492,111	81.99	11.74	617.32	14.32	752.95	52.58
	Т	1,205,230	927,719	76.97	10.19	544.77	13.24	707.73	53.45

Notes: 1) Excludes payments for specialist and family physician emergency coverage programs.

Population as at June 30, 2021.
 Population treated at any time during the fiscal year.

²⁾ Includes out-of-province (reciprocal) services and costs.

³⁾ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 7

Services by Type of Service

	Number of 9 (000)			Number of Sei er 1,000 Benef	
Type of Service ¹	(Restated) 2020-21 ³	2021-224	(Restated) 2020-21 ³	2021-224	Per Cent Change 2020-21 to 2021-22
In-Province Physician Services	9,859.7	11,575.9	8,047	9,605	19.35
Consultations: In-Person	385.4	483.5	315	401	27.54
Consultations: Virtual	0.5	63.0	0	52	-
Major Assessments: In-Person	304.2	439.7	248	365	46.92
Major Assessments: Virtual	2.2	3.6	2	3	67.12
Other Assessments: In-Person	1,844.3	2,681.9	1,505	2,225	47.82
Other Assessments: Virtual	428.8	1,523.6	350	1,264	261.18
Psychotherapy: In-Person	114.4	166.4	93	138	47.84
Psychotherapy: Virtual	149.2	119.9	122	99	-18.32
Total Visit Services	3,229.1	5,481.5	2,636	4,548	72.57
Hospital Care	438.9	492.4	358	409	14.04
Special Calls and Emergency	180.1	210.9	147	175	19.00
Major Surgery	115.6	138.1	94	115	21.36
Minor Surgery	215.2	271.9	176	226	28.43
Surgical Assistance	140.3	160.0	114	133	15.99
Obstetrics	16.5	20.0	13	17	22.90
Anesthesia	565.4	733.8	461	609	31.94
Total Surgical Services	1,053.0	1,323.7	859	1,098	27.80
Diagnostic Radiology	223.6	283.5	182	235	28.93
Laboratory Services	128.7	172.4	105	143	36.22
Other Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services	1,959.6	2,437.8	1,599	2,023	26.47
Miscellaneous Services ² : In-Person	910.2	1,064.6	743	883	18.91
Miscellaneous Services ² : Virtual	1,736.7	109.2	1,417	91	-93.61
Total Diagnostic Services	4,958.6	4,067.5	4,047	3,375	-16.61
In-Province Dental Services	10.7	9.8	9	8	-7.15
In-Province Optometric Services	352.9	397.9	288	330	14.62
Refractions by Optometrists	96.3	101.9	79	85	7.63
Other Optometric Services: In-Person	253.5	293.7	207	244	17.79
Other Optometric Services: Virtual	3.2	2.3	3	2	-27.18
Out-of-Province Services					
Physician Services	639.9	691.4	522	574	9.85
Dental Services	0.1	0.1	_	_	_
Optometric Services	9.7	12.8	8	11	34.54
All Services	10,873.0	12,687.9	8,874	10,527	18.63

¹ The "Definitions of Service Groupings" in *Statistical Figures and Tables* describe these classifications.

- 1) Includes optometric services covered by the Supplementary Health Program.
- 2) See "Data Limitations" in Statistical Figures and Tables.
- 3) Non-insured virtual care categories have been added in 2021-22. Most temporary pandemic codes (effective March 13, 2020 to May 31, 2021) were considered Miscellaneous Services whereas the negotiated pilot codes are grouped under various types of services.
- 4) Non-insured family physician and specialty virtual care pilot codes were implemented January 1, 2021 and June 1, 2021, respectively.

² Includes payments for the family physician emergency coverage program but excludes payments for the specialist emergency coverage program.

³ Precautionary measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on payments and services in 2020-21.

⁴ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 8

Payments by Type of Service

	Payme (\$000			Payments Per Beneficiarie	
Type of Service ¹	(Restated) 2020-21 ³	2021-224	(Restated) 2020-21 ³	2021-22⁴	Per Cent Change 2020-21 to 2021-22
In-Province Physician Services	510,602	617,922	416,746	512,701	23.02
Consultations: In-Person	54,329	70,058	44,342	58,128	31.09
Consultations: Virtual	33	6,497	27	5,390	20065.71
Major Assessments: In-Person	19,579	28,857	15,980	23,943	49.83
Major Assessments: Virtual	91	149	74	124	66.73
Other Assessments: In-Person	82,712	129,716	67,508	107,628	59.43
Other Assessments: Virtual	14,999	53,219	12,242	44,157	260.69
Psychotherapy: In-Person	5,317	8,141	4,339	6,755	55.66
Psychotherapy: Virtual	8,006	5,522	6,535	4,582	-29.88
Total Visit Services	185,065	302,158	151,047	250,706	65.98
Hospital Care	15,925	18,715	12,998	15,528	19.47
Special Calls and Emergency	8,414	10,392	6,867	8,623	25.57
Major Surgery	45,413	54,441	37,065	45,171	21.87
Minor Surgery	8,388	10,360	6,846	8,596	25.56
Surgical Assistance	13,153	15,299	10,735	12,694	18.25
Obstetrics	8,278	10,110	6,757	8,388	24.15
Anesthesia	30,995	40,215	25,298	33,367	31.90
Total Surgical Services	106,227	130,424	86,701	108,215	24.81
Diagnostic Radiology	11,746	14,859	9,587	12,329	28.60
Laboratory Services	675	1,020	551	846	53.70
Other Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services	92,358	110,884	75,381	92,003	22.05
Miscellaneous Services ² : In-Person	19,567	22,841	15,970	18,951	18.67
Miscellaneous Services ² : Virtual	70,626	6,629	57,644	5,500	-90.46
Total Diagnostic Services	194,972	156,233	159,133	129,629	-18.54
In-Province Dental Services	1,046	1,197	854	993	16.35
In-Province Optometric Services	11,572	13,121	9,445	10,887	15.27
Refractions by Optometrists	5,438	5,930	4,439	4,921	10.86
Other Optometric Services: In-Person	6,023	7,114	4,916	5,902	20.06
Other Optometric Services: Virtual	111	77	90	64	-29.39
Out-of-Province Services					
Physician Services	35,788	38,241	29,209	31,729	8.63
Dental Services	16	16	13	14	6.89
Optometric Services	340	453	278	376	35.46
All Services	559,364	670,951	456,544	556,700	21.94

¹ The "Definitions of Service Groupings" in *Statistical Figures and Tables* describe these classifications.

- 1) Includes optometric services covered by the Supplementary Health Program.
- 2) See "Data Limitations" in Statistical Figures and Tables.
- 3) Non-insured virtual care categories have been added in 2021-22. Most temporary pandemic codes (effective March 13, 2020 to May 31, 2021) were considered Miscellaneous Services whereas the negotiated pilot codes are grouped under various types of services.
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⁴ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 9Average Payment (\$) Per Service by Type of Service and Type of Practitioner

	2020-	-21 (Restated	d) ³		2021-22 ⁴	
Type of Service ¹	General Practice	Specialties	All Practitioners	General Practice	Specialties	AII Practitioners
In-Province Physician Services	38.16	68.31	54.17	39.24	68.03	53.38
Consultations: In-Person	94.80	143.71	140.97	98.21	147.69	144.90
Consultations: Virtual	66.03	_	66.03	63.18	104.48	103.16
Major Assessments: In-Person	61.13	84.78	64.36	62.93	88.04	65.63
Major Assessments: Virtual	41.30	=	41.30	41.21	_	41.21
Other Assessments: In-Person	41.10	56.26	44.85	44.96	59.98	48.37
Other Assessments: Virtual	34.98	_	34.98	32.86	48.09	34.93
Psychotherapy: In-Person	40.05	65.93	46.38	42.76	76.08	48.93
Psychotherapy: Virtual	56.08	56.08	53.66	37.46	58.38	46.06
Average Of Visit Services	42.80	93.67	57.47	42.91	88.76	55.12
Hospital Care	36.79	35.91	36.28	40.91	36.04	38.01
Special Calls and Emergency	36.90	33.97	35.44	48.44	50.27	49.29
Major Surgery	223.64	397.76	392.68	222.96	399.13	394.31
Minor Surgery	19.77	56.22	38.97	19.00	58.21	38.10
Surgical Assistance	78.20	153.35	93.78	82.09	137.75	95.60
Obstetrics	597.89	449.73	501.54	607.72	455.40	506.62
Anesthesia	49.64	55.50	54.82	49.39	55.51	54.81
Average Of Surgical Services	63.17	115.03	100.88	61.02	112.28	98.53
Diagnostic Radiology	_	52.54	52.54	_	52.40	52.40
Laboratory Services	5.07	8.47	5.24	5.69	10.16	5.92
Other Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services	19.05	50.32	47.13	18.45	48.95	45.49
Miscellaneous Services ² : In-Person	10.83	19.37	12.96	12.13	18.95	14.16
Miscellaneous Services ² : Virtual	122.00	63.32	40.67	28.39	65.16	60.71
Average Of Diagnostic Services	11.83	47.52	36.81	12.89	46.40	36.50
In-Province Dental Services	-	-	97.45	-	-	122.12
In-Province Optometric Services	-	-	32.79	-	-	32.97
Refractions by Optometrists		_	56.49	_	_	58.19
Other Optometric Services: In-Person	_	_	23.76	_	_	24.22
Other Optometric Services: Virtual			34.88	_	_	33.82
Out-of-Province Services						
Physician Services	51.81	57.75	55.93	52.45	56.56	55.31
Dental Services	_	_	214.75	_	_	270.23
Optometric Services	-	_	35.24	_	_	35.48
All Services	38.84	67.30	53.49	39.69	67.14	52.88
						

¹ The "Definitions of Service Groupings" in *Statistical Figures and Tables* describe these classifications.

- 1) Includes optometric services covered by the Supplementary Health Program.
- 2) See "Data Limitations" in *Statistical Figures and Tables*.
- 3) Non-insured virtual care categories have been added in 2021-22. Most temporary pandemic codes (effective March 13, 2020 to May 31, 2021) were considered Miscellaneous Services whereas the negotiated pilot codes are grouped under various types of services.
- 4) Non-insured family physician and specialty virtual care pilot codes were implemented January 1, 2021 and June 1, 2021, respectively.

² Excludes payments for specialist and family physician emergency coverage programs to avoid distortion.

³ Precautionary measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on payments and services in 2020-21.

⁴ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 10

Per Cent of Services and Payments by Type of Service

	Per Cent Total Servi		Per Cent of Total Payments			
Type of Service ¹	(Restated) 2020-21 ³	2021-224	(Restated) 2020-21 ³	2021-22⁴		
In-Province Physician Services	90.68	91.24	91.28	92.10		
Consultations: In-Person	3.54	3.81	9.71	10.44		
Consultations: Virtual	>0.01	0.50	0.01	0.97		
Major Assessments: In-Person	2.80	3.47	3.50	4.30		
Major Assessments: Virtual	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02		
Other Assessments: In-Person	16.96	21.14	14.79	19.33		
Other Assessments: Virtual	3.94	12.01	2.68	7.93		
Psychotherapy: In-Person	1.05	1.31	0.95	1.21		
Psychotherapy: Virtual	1.37	0.94	1.43	0.82		
Total Visit Services	29.70	43.20	33.08	45.03		
Hospital Care	4.04	3.88	2.85	2.79		
Special Calls and Emergency	1.66	1.66	1.50	1.55		
Major Surgery	1.06	1.09	8.12	8.11		
Minor Surgery	1.98	2.14	1.50	1.54		
Surgical Assistance	1.29	1.26	2.35	2.28		
Obstetrics	0.15	0.16	1.48	1.51		
Anesthesia	5.20	5.78	5.54	5.99		
Total Surgical Services	9.68	10.43	18.99	19.44		
Diagnostic Radiology	2.06	2.23	2.10	2.21		
Laboratory Services	1.18	1.36	0.12	0.15		
Other Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services	18.02	19.21	16.51	16.53		
Miscellaneous Services ² : In-Person	8.37	8.39	3.50	3.40		
Miscellaneous Services ² : Virtual	15.97	0.86	12.63	0.99		
Total Diagnostic Services	45.61	32.06	34.86	23.29		
In-Province Dental Services	0.10	0.08	0.19	0.18		
In-Province Optometric Services	3.25	3.14	2.07	1.96		
Refractions by Optometrists	0.89	0.80	0.97	0.88		
Other Optometric Services: In-Person	2.33	2.31	1.08	1.06		
Other Optometric Services: Virtual	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01		
Out-of-Province Services						
Physician Services	5.88	5.45	6.40	5.70		
Dental Services	_	_	_	-		
Optometrist Services	0.09	0.10	0.06	0.07		
All Services	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		

¹ The "Definitions of Service Groupings" in *Statistical Figures and Tables* describe these classifications.

- 1) Includes optometric services covered by the Supplementary Health Program.
- 2) See "Data Limitations" in *Statistical Figures and Tables*.
- 3) Non-insured virtual care categories have been added in 2021-22. Most temporary pandemic codes (effective March 13, 2020 to May 31, 2021) were considered Miscellaneous Services whereas the negotiated pilot codes are grouped under various types of services.
- 4) Non-insured family physician and specialty virtual care pilot codes were implemented January 1, 2021 and June 1, 2021, respectively.

² Includes payments for the family physician emergency coverage program but excludes specialist emergency coverage program payments.

³ Precautionary measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on payments and services in 2020-21.

⁴ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 11Payments (\$000s) for Out-of-Province Services by Location and Type of Practitioner

	_				Location o	of Services			
Type of Practitioner	All Locations	Maritimes & Territories	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Alberta	British Columbia	United States	Rest of the World
General Practice	11,024.4	79.5	13.9	406.1	783.9	8,735.5	994.8	8.4	2.1
Specialties									
Pediatrics and Medical Genetics	1,435.1	6.0	2.2	32.8	44.9	1,324.0	24.9	0.2	-
Internal Medicine and Physical Medicine	4,323.8	11.8	2.3	275.8	177.7	3,684.8	154.3	15.9	1.2
Neurology	213.4	1.9	0.3	13.5	18.4	166.2	13.0	-	_
Psychiatry	1,375.3	4.2	4.7	107.7	60.0	1,017.9	180.5	0.2	_
Dermatology	285.5	19.2	0.2	4.7	25.9	228.0	7.3	0.0	0.0
Anesthesia	2,732.0	10.7	14.9	174.5	124.0	2,299.6	105.0	2.9	0.4
General and Cardiac Surgery	2,898.4	9.1	1.1	98.7	129.2	2,580.2	79.0	0.9	0.2
Orthopedic Surgery	951.6	13.1	10.2	21.3	96.5	738.3	69.9	2.2	_
Plastic Surgery	676.2	0.5	304.9	12.3	3.0	326.9	27.1	1.4	0.0
Neurosurgery	247.6	0.2	1.4	27.4	5.2	201.0	11.7	0.8	_
Obstetrics and Gynecology	1,178.1	11.0	1.4	57.5	121.3	929.9	56.4	_	0.6
Urological Surgery	231.5	0.1	0.2	22.7	13.0	173.1	22.4	0.0	_
Ophthalmology	895.6	2.8	0.4	15.7	34.0	788.3	53.3	0.2	0.8
Otolaryngology	955.1	3.0	0.9	14.9	13.0	907.7	15.7	_	_
Pathology	4,731.6	2.9	0.1	33.9	16.6	4,532.4	143.3	1.9	0.3
Diagnostic Radiology	4,065.6	15.3	0.6	73.6	242.5	3,687.6	45.4	0.4	0.0
US Services with Prior Approval	20.4	_	-	-	-		-	20.4	_
All Physicians	38,241.0	191.4	359.8	1,393.3	1,909.1	32,321.5	2,004.1	56.0	5.8
Dentists	16.5	-	-	-	0.1	16.4	-	-	-
Optometrists	453.4	-	-	0.2	43.8	409.1	0.1	0.1	-

¹⁾ Includes optometric services covered by the Supplementary Health Program.

²⁾ Saskatchewan reimburses other provinces or territories, except Quebec, for physician services provided to Saskatchewan beneficiaries according to the Physician Payment Schedule rates of the other provinces or territories. See "Out-of-Province Services" in Medical Services Plan Coverage Benefits.

³⁾ All payments are in Canadian dollars.

⁴⁾ See "Data Limitations" in Statistical Figures and Tables.

⁵⁾ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 12Payments (\$000s) to Saskatchewan Physicians for Services Provided to Beneficiaries of Other Provinces or Territories

					Home F	Province o	or Territo	ry of Bene	ficiary			
Type of Practitioner	All Locations	Newfoundland	PEI	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Ontario	Manitoba	Alberta	British Columbia	TWN	Yukon	Nunavut
General Practice	3,782.9	21.1	6.1	29.4	21.0	283.8	720.6	2,285.7	386.1	16.4	8.6	4.1
Specialties												
Pediatrics and Medical Genetics	111.0	1.8	_	1.2	0.2	11.3	24.0	60.5	10.7	1.3	-	_
Internal Medicine and Physical Medicine	888.9	3.1	0.0	10.4	4.7	42.3	137.5	595.9	91.6	1.9	0.3	1.1
Neurology	56.8	0.6	0.0	0.3	0.2	6.8	18.9	20.8	8.7	0.4	_	_
Cardiology	366.4	2.3	0.1	3.6	0.6	23.8	112.6	161.0	54.6	1.8	6.2	0.0
Psychiatry	240.8	3.2	_	3.5	1.9	36.6	27.7	109.3	55.0	0.6	0.8	2.1
Dermatology	23.1	0.3	0.1	_	0.2	1.7	7.3	11.3	2.2	0.1	-	_
Anesthesia	889.8	0.6	_	1.7	4.4	42.9	159.6	603.4	72.0	1.9	1.1	2.3
General Surgery	848.5	1.5	-	3.1	1.8	26.0	76.3	692.2	45.2	0.2	1.0	1.1
Cardiac Surgery	46.3	_	_	_	_	0.6	11.3	21.6	12.9	_	_	_
Orthopedic Surgery	513.6	0.6	1.1	1.2	0.2	27.2	118.7	296.7	65.1	2.3	0.5	_
Plastic Surgery	79.3	1.0	0.2	0.4	0.3	7.4	15.9	40.9	13.0	0.2	0.1	_
Neurosurgery	105.1	_	-	0.0	_	3.5	17.8	67.2	16.1	-	0.0	0.3
Obstetrics and Gynecology	235.9	0.8	_	0.3	0.9	25.3	66.4	115.1	21.7	2.5	0.4	2.7
Urological Surgery	80.8	_	-	_	1.4	5.2	23.9	46.7	2.1	1.4	0.0	_
Ophthalmology	998.2	0.3	0.2	0.6	4.0	20.7	302.8	624.6	42.7	0.6	1.0	0.9
Otolaryngology	234.7	1.2	_	0.8	0.7	5.7	38.5	179.5	7.7	0.2	0.4	_
Pathology	542.6	2.6	0.0	5.1	4.7	68.6	68.2	275.4	110.5	4.3	1.2	2.0
Diagnostic Radiology	595.8	2.2	0.7	5.5	4.8	69.7	224.3	196.7	84.3	2.9	2.1	2.7
All Specialties	6,857.6	22.0	2.5	37.6	31.0	425.3	1,451.6	4,118.9	716.1	22.5	15.0	15.1
All Physicians	10,640.5	43.1	8.5	67.0	52.0	709.1	2,172.2	6,404.6	1,102.3	38.9	23.6	19.1

¹⁾ Saskatchewan is reimbursed by the other provinces or territories, except Quebec, at Saskatchewan Physician Payment Schedule rates. See "Out-of-Province Services" in Medical Services Plan Coverage Benefits.

²⁾ See "Data Limitations" in Statistical Figures and Tables.

³⁾ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 13a

Payments (\$000s) for Out-of-Province Hospital Services by Location and Type of Care

	_				Location	of Services			
	All Locations	Maritimes & Territories	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Alberta	British Columbia	United States	Rest of the World
Inpatient Treatment – High Cost Procedures									
Organ Transplants and Procurement Special Implants / Devices Bone Marrow / Stem Cell Transplants Out-of-Country	5,897.4 6,152.5 1,756.6 –	- - - -	- - - -	17.3 - -8.3 -	- - - -	5,880.1 6,101.1 1,764.9 –	51.3 - -	- - - -	- - - -
Other Inpatient Treatment by ICD-10 Chapter of Prima	ry Diagnosis								
Certain Infectious & Parasitic Diseases Neoplasms Diseases of the Blood & Blood-Forming Organs & Certain Disorders Involving the Immune	1,023.7 2,737.2	12.2 30.2	-	119.4 78.0	47.9 258.6	802.1 2,258.6	35.4 109.9	4.3 1.9	2.5
Mechanism IV. Endocrine, Nutritional & Metabolic Diseases V. Mental & Behavioural Disorders VI. Diseases of the Nervous System	1,070.9 1,176.5 2,926.5 774.5	- 48.5 -	- - 7.1 -	28.3 114.6 88.5 32.0	76.7 15.2 117.4 107.5	957.1 978.3 1,669.5 558.5	8.9 68.5 995.0 76.5	- 0.5 -	- - -
VII. Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa VIII. Diseases of the Ear and Mastoid Process IX. Diseases of the Circulatory System X. Diseases of the Respiratory System	21.9 19.6 4,396.8 1,185.5	53.6 -	- 10.3 1.4	3.1 266.2 137.0	8.1 6.8 119.9 39.0	13.8 4.2 3,345.8 868.3	5.6 596.5 138.6	- 2.2 0.3	2.3 0.9
XI. Diseases of the Digestive System XII. Diseases of the Skin & Subcutaneous Tissue XIII. Diseases of the Musculoskeletal System & Connective Tissue	2,915.5 306.0 672.4	4.4	4.1 - 61.2	168.5 0.1 1.9	271.7 95.9 111.4	2,191.4 168.7 363.2	274.2 41.3 129.6	1.0	0.3
XIV. Diseases of the Genitourinary System	748.7 1,022.1 342.9	13.0 13.6	-	82.1 32.2 34.0	100.9 349.2 300.4	492.4 561.1 -14.3	60.0 66.0 22.8	0.3	0.1
XVII. Congenital Malformations, Deformations & Chromosomal AbnormalitiesXVIII. Symptoms, Signs & Abnormal Clinical &	4,993.4	_	39.4	24.3	-10.4	4,922.7	17.4	_	-
Laboratory Findings, Not Elsewhere Classified XIX. Injury, Poisoning & Certain Other Consequences	777.3	_	6.8	27.3	28.7	587.9	125.1	0.4	1.0
of External Causes	4,476.5 5.6	4.3 -	4.4	342.3	157.5 –	3,705.3 5.6	258.1 –	2.5 –	2.1
with Health ServicesXXII. Codes for Special Purposes	1,720.3 3,304.6	9.0 28.2	47.4 –	23.7 274.1	419.0 265.8	1,074.4 2,554.7	146.9 181.8	-	-
Outpatient Treatment									
Standard Outpatient Visit	10,277.4 1,764.4 1,224.7 1,198.7 568.5 95.6 272.6 691.7 346.9 62.4	347.5 28.5 - 13.4 3.6 - 14.4 -	71.0 9.1 - 6.9 2.0 - - -	484.2 30.7 24.6 67.2 20.4 3.2 25.5	1,225.7 487.6 1.5 227.1 67.9 4.2 92.7 93.2 85.0	6,826.6 955.4 1,113.1 629.1 440.7 82.6 128.1 560.4 261.9 62.4	1,317.2 253.2 84.1 255.0 34.0 5.6 12.0 38.0	4.7 - 0.8 	0.6 - 0.5 - - - - -
Laboratory and Other Diagnostic Imaging Other Treatments Out-of-Country	2,530.4 830.7 127.4	84.0 - -	13.1 - -	4.7 548.5 –	144.6 - -	1,922.7 273.3 –	361.4 8.9 –	- - 127.4	- - -
Total	70,416.8	713.1	284.2	3,095.4	5,316.4	55,071.8	5,778.9	146.3	10.5

- 1) More than one of the same high cost procedure can occur during a single hospitalization.
- 2) Payments for high cost procedures performed during inpatient hospitalizations will include the authorized per diem rate of the hospital when the cost of the procedure is not all-inclusive.
- 3) Data for hospitalizations in Flin Flon and Benito (Manitoba) are not included.
- 4) All payments reflect their value in Canadian funds.
- 5) While all MSP data on physician services continues to use ICD-9, data related to the hospital reciprocal billing system uses ICD-10.
- 6) Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 13b

Number of Out-of-Province Hospital Cases by Location and Type of Care

					Location of	Services			
	All Locations	Maritimes & Territories	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Alberta	British Columbia	United States	Rest of the World
Inpatient Treatment – High Cost Procedures									
Organ Transplants and Procurement Special Implants / Devices Bone Marrow / Stem Cell Transplants Out-of-Country	28 71 3 -	- - - -	- - - -	2 - - -	- - -	26 68 3 -	- 3 - -	- - -	- - - -
Other Inpatient Treatment by ICD-10 Chapter of Primary	y Diagnosis								
Certain Infectious & Parasitic Diseases Neoplasms Diseases of the Blood & Blood-Forming Organs & Certain Disorders Involving the Immune	64 128	1	_	6 4	2 20	36 90	8 12	8 1	3 –
Mechanism IV. Endocrine, Nutritional & Metabolic Diseases V. Mental & Behavioural Disorders VI. Diseases of the Nervous System	22 69 262 41	- - 5 -	- - 3 -	3 5 10 2	4 4 14 5	14 49 150 26	1 11 79 8	- - 1 -	- - -
VII. Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa	6 5 276 98	- - 4 -	- - 2 1	- 1 21 5	1 1 14 8	5 2 185 63	- 1 43 17	- - 4 1	- 3 3
XI. Diseases of the Digestive SystemXII. Diseases of the Skin & Subcutaneous TissueXIII. Diseases of the Musculoskeletal System & Connective Tissue	338 29 56	2 -	1 -	36 2	36 6	211 17 27	47 4 8	3 –	2 -
XIV. Diseases of the Genitourinary SystemXV. Pregnancy, Childbirth and the PuerperiumXVI. Certain Conditions Originating in the	106 351	2 2 3	2 - -	6 15	16 112	69 202	11 19	1 -	1 -
Perinatal Period XVII. Congenital Malformations, Deformations & Chromosomal Abnormalities	77 107	_	4	4	34 4	36 94	3 2	_	_
XVIII. Symptoms, Signs & Abnormal Clinical & Laboratory Findings, Not Elsewhere Classified XIX. Injury, Poisoning & Certain Other Consequences	95	-	2	6	8	64	10	2	3
of External CausesXX. External Causes of Morbidity and MortalityXXI. Factors Influencing Health Status & Contact	272 1	3 –	1 –	11 _	28 -	192 1	27 -	5 -	5 –
with Health Services	287	3	5	4	88	168	19	_	-
XXII. Codes for Special Purposes Outpatient Treatment	109	2	_	10	15	67	15	_	_
Standard Outpatient Visit	31,620 1,026 2,383 1,743 897 73 540 353 19 17 16,359 236	1,116 17 - 22 7 - 33 - - 568	216 7 - 10 3 - - - - 63	1,573 20 48 106 38 3 62 - - 36 6	3,659 293 3 308 100 3 188 121 5 - 800	20,907 558 2,143 923 696 64 237 203 14 17 12,456 223	4,043 131 162 374 53 3 20 29 - - 2,436 7	94 - 16 - - - - - - - -	12 - 11 - - - - - -
Total Total	12 58,179	1,791	320	2,049	5,915	40,306	7,606	12 148	44

- 1) More than one of the same high cost procedure can occur during a single hospitalization.
- 2) Data for hospitalizations in Flin Flon and Benito (Manitoba) are not included.
- 3) Standard Outpatient Visits on the day of admission and any inpatient MRIs, CT Scans, etc. are part of hospitalizations for other inpatient treatment by high cost procedure or by diagnosis.
- 4) While all MSP data on physician services continues to use ICD-9, data related to the hospital reciprocal billing system uses ICD-10.
- 5) Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 14a

Payments (\$000s) for Out-of-Province Residents Hospitalized In Saskatchewan by Place of Residence and Type of Care

	_		Home Pro	ovince or Teri	ritory of Bene	ficiary	
	All Locations	Maritimes & Territories	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Alberta	British Columbia
Inpatient Treatment – High Cost Procedures							
Special Implants / Devices	-	_	_	_	_	_	_
Inpatient Treatment by ICD-10 Chapter of Primary Diagnosis							
I. Certain Infectious & Parasitic Diseases	55.7	_	_	_	18.9	35.6	1.2
II. Neoplasms	226.0	-	-	-	71.9	144.9	9.2
III. Diseases of the Blood & Blood-Forming Organs &							
Certain Disorders Involving the Immune Mechanism	40.4	_	_	13.0	8.1	19.4	-
IV. Endocrine, Nutritional & Metabolic Diseases	145.4	-	-	-	35.0	93.0	17.5
V. Mental & Behavioural Disorders	1,689.3	131.1	5.2	151.7	211.8	925.1	264.3
VI. Diseases of the Nervous System	159.4	_	_	_	31.1	118.2	10.1
VII. Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa	3.2	_	_	_	1.4	1.8	_
IX. Diseases of the Circulatory System	21.8 784.7	- 54.6	_	- 47.4	12.8 240.9	8.9 298.3	143.4
X. Diseases of the Respiratory System	1,078.1	32.0	_	10.5	384.2	395.7	255.7
XI. Diseases of the Digestive System	877.8	32.0 17.4	5.1	33.8	195.7	543.3	82.5
XII. Diseases of the Skin & Subcutaneous Tissue	278.1	16.4	J.I _	79.8	90.7	45.1	46.1
XIII. Diseases of the Musculoskeletal System & Connective Tissue	575.0	-	8.5	27.1	157.8	359.3	22.4
XIV. Diseases of the Genitourinary System	343.8	2.8	-	54.3	69.5	185.2	32.0
XV. Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium	461.6	7.1	_	49.8	249.3	140.1	15.4
XVI. Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period	235.5	_	_	1.2	78.3	160.2	-4.3
XVII. Congenital Malformations, Deformations & Chromosomal Abnormalities	13.5	_	_	_	9.9	3.6	_
XVIII. Symptoms, Signs & Abnormal Clinical & Laboratory Findings, Not Elsewhere Classified	174.8	1.4	_	4.0	83.4	61.3	24.6
XIX. Injury, Poisoning & Certain Other Consequences							
of External Causes	775.6	5.7	25.5	76.1	183.7	432.9	51.7
XX. External Causes of Morbidity and Mortality	4.1	-	_	4.1	_	_	_
XXI. Factors Influencing Health Status & Contact with Health Services	927.5	10.3	_	57.5	390.3	457.4	12.1
XXII. Codes for Special Purposes	112.7	-	_	-	18.0	30.0	64.6
Outpatient Treatment							
Standard Outpatient Visit	7,241.2	254.9	82.0	766.9	2,081.0	3,118.6	937.7
Day Care Surgery	1,056.1	18.8	3.8	48.1	369.8	535.6	79.9
Hemodialysis	47.0	_	_	6.3	3.1	30.7	6.8
Computerized Tomography (CT Scan)	371.5	12.5	4.0	46.2	89.1	159.5	60.3
Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)	117.6	3.1	0.6	6.7	36.2	58.4	12.6
Radiotherapy Services	61.4	_	_	_	16.8	44.6	_
Cancer Chemotherapy Drugs	170.8	-	_	20.2	70.9	53.6	26.0
Laboratory and Other Diagnostic Imaging	930.6	38.7	12.0	110.5	159.2	457.7	152.7
Other Treatments	-	_	_	_	_	_	-
Total	18,980.1	606.7	146.7	1,615.2	5,369.0	8,918.0	2,324.5

- 1) More than one of the same high cost procedure can occur during a single hospitalization.
- 2) Payments for high cost procedures performed during inpatient hospitalizations will include the authorized per diem rate of the hospital when the cost of the procedure is not all-inclusive.
- 3) While all MSP data on physician services continues to use ICD-9, data related to the hospital reciprocal billing system uses ICD-10.
- 4) Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 14b

Number of Saskatchewan Hospital Cases for Services Provided to Out-of-Province Residents by Place of Residence and Type of Care

	_		Home Prov	vince or Terri	tory of Bene	ficiary	
	All Locations	Maritimes & Territories	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Alberta	British Columbia
Inpatient Treatment – High Cost Procedures							
Special Implants / Devices	-	-	-	-	_	_	_
Inpatient Treatment by ICD-10 Chapter of Primary Diagnosis							
I. Certain Infectious & Parasitic Diseases	11	-	-	-	4	6	1
II. Neoplasms	30	_	_	_	14	15	1
III. Diseases of the Blood & Blood-Forming Organs & Certain Disorders Involving the Immune Mechanism	7	_	_	1	2	4	_
IV. Endocrine, Nutritional & Metabolic Diseases	20	_	_	_	3	16	1
V. Mental & Behavioural Disorders	117	9	1	10	22	56	19
VI. Diseases of the Nervous System	15	_	_	_	4	9	2
VII. Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa	2	_	_	_	1	1	_
VIII. Diseases of the Ear and Mastoid Process	3	_	_	_	2	1	_
IX. Diseases of the Circulatory System	81	5	_	6	26	36	8
X. Diseases of the Respiratory System	69	3	_	8	21	28	9
XI. Diseases of the Digestive System	117	4	2	7	27	65	12
XII. Diseases of the Skin & Subcutaneous Tissue	21	1	_	1	9	7	3
XIII. Diseases of the Musculoskeletal System & Connective Tissue	56	_	1	1	23	28	3
XIV. Diseases of the Genitourinary System	60	2	_	7	16	32	3
XV. Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium	130	2	_	10	73	40	5
XVI. Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period	27	_	_	1	21	5	_
XVII. Congenital Malformations, Deformations & Chromosomal Abnormalities	6	_	_	_	4	2	_
XVIII. Symptoms, Signs & Abnormal Clinical & Laboratory Findings, Not Elsewhere Classified	36	1	_	2	12	15	6
XIX. Injury, Poisoning & Certain Other Consequences of External Causes	102	2	3	11	26	52	8
XX. External Causes of Morbidity and Mortality	102	_	_	1	_	_	_
XXI. Factors Influencing Health Status & Contact with Health Services	129	3		8	70	41	7
XXII. Codes for Special Purposes	129	_	_	-	4	4	4
	12						
Outpatient Treatment Standard Outpatient Visit	22,165	780	251	2,345	6,340	9,566	2,883
·	678	14	3	2,343	272		
Day Care Surgery	90	14	3	12	6	319 59	44 13
Hemodialysis Computerized Tomography (CT Scan)	541	18	6	68	130	231	88
Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)	185	5	1	10	57	92	20
Radiotherapy Services	112	_	_	-	32	80	-
Cancer Chemotherapy Drugs	189	_	_	9	89	64	27
Laboratory and Other Diagnostic Imaging	6,352	262	80	753	1,089	3,123	1,045
Other Treatments	-	_	-	-		J,12J -	- (
Total	31,364	1,111	348	3,297	8,399	13,997	4,212

- 1) More than one of the same high cost procedure can occur during a single hospitalization.
- 2) Standard Outpatient Visits on the day of admission and any inpatient MRIs, CT Scans, etc. are part of hospitalizations for other inpatient treatment by high cost procedure or by diagnosis.
- 3) While all MSP data on physician services continues to use ICD-9, data related to the hospital reciprocal billing system uses ICD-10.
- 4) Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

In-Province Physician Services by Type of Service and Type of Physician

Table 15

	Type of Physician									
Type of Service¹ (000s)	General Practice	Pediatrics and Medical Genetics	Internal Medicine and Physical Medicine	Neurology	Cardiology	Psychiatry	Dermatology	General Surgery	Cardiac Surgery	
Visits										
Consultations: In-Person	27.3	27.1	106.1	15.8	30.9	12.7	15.2	47.5	1.9	
Consultations: Virtual	2.0	2.1	20.7	3.8	4.6	0.6	0.8	8.4	0.2	
Special Eye Examination	=	=	=	_	=	_	_	_	-	
Major Assessments: In-Person	392.3	8.8	1.8	0.1	0.5	3.9	6.3	1.2	0.0	
Major Assessments: Virtual	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other Assessments: In-Person	2,073.8	39.4	67.8	9.1	12.7	150.4	15.4	34.3	0.5	
Other Assessments: Virtual	1,316.6	22.8	34.6	10.2	3.6	61.4	4.9	17.4	0.3	
Hospital Care Days	198.9	36.5	182.0	11.3	21.6	15.6	0.0	15.4	0.3	
Special Calls and Emergency										
Surcharges	109.4	2.7	23.8	2.8	7.8	2.9	0.1	7.9	0.9	
Premiums	4.0	0.3	3.2	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	
Psychotherapy										
Base Time ² : In-Person	80.6	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	14.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	
Additional Time: In-Person	54.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	
Virtual	70.6	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	47.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Major Surgery	3.8	0.0	1.1	0.6	1.2	0.0	0.3	16.6	3.9	
Minor Surgery	139.4	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.1	0.0	56.2	8.5	0.0	
Surgical Assistance	121.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	8.8	5.5	
Obstetrics	6.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Anesthesia										
Operative	78.9	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Nerve Blocks and Epidurals	5.1	0.1	2.2	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.2	
Diagnostic Radiology	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Pathology/Laboratory Services	163.7	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	
Diagnostic Ultrasound	0.4	2.3	4.1	0.0	75.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services	276.6	64.7	391.9	20.1	211.1	104.9	25.0	61.8	0.2	
Miscellaneous Services ³ : In-Person	747.4	36.1	88.7	11.1	12.5	41.8	10.4	19.6	0.7	
Miscellaneous Services: Virtual	13.2	12.1	28.9	8.2	4.3	1.2	3.9	9.4	0.2	
Total Services	5,890.6	257.0	958.1	96.3	387.4	472.0	139.0	258.1	14.7	

The "Definitions of Service Groupings" in *Statistical Figures and Tables* describes these classifications.

This category includes fee codes related to telephone/fax/email advice by physicians to physicians or allied health personnel. Represents the number of instances these types of services were provided during the year.

Table 15 (Continued)

In-Province Physician Services by Type of Service and Type of Physician

	Type of Physician									
Type of Service ¹ (000s)	Orthopedic Surgery	Plastic Surgery	Neurosurgery	Obstetrics and Gynecology	Urological Surgery	Ophthalmology	Otolaryngology	Anesthesia	Pathology and Diagnostic Radiology	Total Services
Visits										
Consultations: In-Person	37.6	16.3	3.7	40.5	9.6	54.3	27.4	8.8	0.8	483.5
Consultations: Virtual	4.9	0.1	1.4	4.0	4.9	3.8	0.3	0.4	0.0	63.0
Special Eye Examination	_	_	_	_	_	0.1	_	_	_	0.1
Major Assessments: In-Person	0.2	0.3	0.0	7.7	2.4	11.2	3.0	0.0	0.0	439.6
Major Assessments: Virtual	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.6
Other Assessments: In-Person	46.7	13.0	2.2	80.0	7.9	97.2	27.6	3.7	0.0	2,681.9
Other Assessments: Virtual	9.4	1.8	2.4	19.5	10.5	4.8	3.2	0.0	0.0	1,523.6
Hospital Care Days	3.2	0.1	2.3	4.3	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	492.4
Special Calls and Emergency										
Surcharges	6.9	2.0	1.6	5.8	1.7	1.6	0.8	12.3	0.5	191.5
Premiums	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.8	0.0	19.4
Psychotherapy										
Base Time ² : In-Person	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	96.3
Additional Time: In-Person	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	70.1
Virtual	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	119.9
Major Surgery	26.3	9.4	9.3	4.9	6.4	45.3	8.8	0.0	0.2	138.1
Minor Surgery	1.6	8.5	0.1	2.1	2.8	47.1	4.6	0.0	0.2	271.9
Surgical Assistance	5.0	0.4	0.6	9.7	6.1	0.0	1.6	0.6	0.0	160.0
Obstetrics	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.0
Anesthesia										
Operative	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	612.1	0.0	691.3
Nerve Blocks and Epidurals	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	27.5	1.9	42.5
Diagnostic Radiology	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	283.5	283.5
Pathology/Laboratory Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.9	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	172.4
Diagnostic Ultrasound	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.7	0.0	16.2	0.0	0.5	172.0	280.9
Other Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services	27.7	1.9	1.5	36.8	10.2	705.8	76.1	8.1	132.4	2,156.9
Miscellaneous Services ³ : In-Person	11.1	2.1	3.2	42.2	6.4	8.1	22.7	0.1	0.3	1,064.6
Miscellaneous Services: Virtual	6.1	0.6	1.4	10.5	5.0	2.7	1.4	0.4	0.0	109.2
Total Services	188.1	56.5	29.8	300.2	74.4	998.3	178.0	685.5	591.8	11,575.9

¹⁾ Totals may not match other tables exactly due to rounding. See "Data Limitations" in Statistical Figures and Tables.

²⁾ Non-insured virtual care categories have been added in 2021-22. Most temporary pandemic codes (effective March 13, 2020 to May 31, 2021) were considered Miscellaneous Services whereas the negotiated pilot codes are grouped under various types of services.

³⁾ Non-insured family physician and specialty virtual care pilot codes were implemented January 1, 2021 and June 1, 2021, respectively.

⁴⁾ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

 Table 16

 Selected In-Province Medical Procedures – Patients, Services and Payments

Rate Per 1,000 Beneficiaries Per Cent Change Number in Services/1000 Type of Procedure of Services 2020-211 to 2021-222 **Patients** Payments (\$) Services 472,175 391.77 Electrocardiograms and Echocardiograms..... 150.84 12,280.21 28.06 Allergy Investigations & Hyposensitization Injections..... 129,989 4.88 209.49 107.85 39.53 Artificial Extra Corporeal Hemodialysis..... 113,932 1.09 5,033.05 94.53 2.17 Optical Coherence Tomography..... 97,530 48.95 3,655.25 80.92 20.57 Psychological Testing..... 95,737 14.98 1,759.85 79.43 39.86 Submission of Papanicolau Smear..... 72,357 112.37 f 2,639.37 f 120.55 f 45.21 Arthrocentesis–Joint Injections..... 35,073 16.49 538.98 29.10 37.44 Removal of Cysts, Granulomata, Keratoses, etc. 34,543 21.23 1,719.80 28.66 33.17 Colonoscopy 24,248 19.36 4,131.92 20.12 28.89 Plantar Wart Excision or Fulguration..... 22,874 7.95 363.58 18.98 35.66 Upper GI Endoscopy..... 20,415 14.49 2.681.04 16.94 31.49 Cataract Extraction..... 14,953 740 4.866.77 12.41 20.15 Pulmonary Function Studies..... 11,736 6.47 774.35 9.74 42.35 9,459 6.36 844.60 7.85 24.14 Cystoscopy..... 8,386 6.66 559.48 6.96 9.92 Suturing of Wounds..... 6,270 10 33 10,159.12 f 10.45 Delivery-Vaginal 18.85 Fractures, Open Surgical or Closed Reduction..... 5.978 4.18 2.547.73 4.96 24.66 4.05 913.26 Coronary Angiography..... 5,841 4.85 2.96 Cardiac Catheterization 5,814 3.82 713.92 4.82 0.93 4,801 1.96 1,823.45 3.98 0.69 Angioplasty..... Arthroscopy 3,134 2.50 333.74 2.60 29.56 Hernia Repair..... 2,679 2.02 1,016.29 2.22 15.94 Delivery – Cesarean..... 2,644 4.39 3,785.85 f 4.41 24.85 Sigmoidoscopy..... 2,603 1.96 132.08 2.16 26.61 Gall Bladder or Other Biliary Tract Surgery..... 2.09 1,429.13 2,521 2.09 27.12 3.88 1,054.57 m Vasectomy..... 2,348 3.88 m 25.97 Arthroplasty-Hip or Total Hip Replacement 1.870 1.48 1,358.04 1.55 31.28 Arthroplasty – Knee or Total Knee Replacement..... 1.811 1.36 1,259.47 1.50 18.09 Electroencephalograms or Echoencephalograms..... 1,788 133 44.38 148 34 74 Electroconvulsive Therapy..... 1,669 0.15 140.02 1.38 60.21 449.88 Septoplasty or Submucous Resection..... 1,495 1.11 1.24 68.30 Tonsillectomy (With or Without Adenoidectomy)..... 1,134 0.94 325.06 0.94 60.56 1.78 Dilatation and Curettage 1,110 366.50 f 1.85 f 25.38 Appendectomy 1,005 0.83 467.94 0.83 16.10 Salpingectomy, Oophorectomy &/or Ovarian Cystectomy 934 1.51 f 663.50 f 1.56 f 39.93 Prostatectomy (With or Without Vasectomy)..... 927 1.52 m 1.53 m 1,536.45 m 48.50 Therapeutic Abortion 677 1.11 f 211.94 f 1.13 f 12.20 0.46 f 0.72 f Genital Prolapse Repair..... 435 192.69 f 19.90 Coronary By-Pass 356 0.29 915.71 0.30 -9.30 Tubal Ligation 322 0.53 125.63 f 0.54° 15.82 Hysterectomy-Abdominal 0.36 f 233.74 f 0.36 f 218 22.16 Strabismus Operation..... 217 0.15 67.15 0.18 32.89 Varicose Veins (Ligation)..... 182 0.07 -11.50 26.78 0.15 Hysterectomy-Vaginal 116 0.19 f 122.24 f 0.19 f 7.94 Peptic Ulcer Surgery 87 0.07 71.35 0.07 14.86

^f Rate per 1,000 female beneficiaries.

^m Rate per 1,000 male beneficiaries.

¹⁾ Precautionary measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on payments and services in 2020-21.

²⁾ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 17

Selected In-Province Medical Conditions – Patients, Services and Payments

		Number of	Rate Per 1,000 Beneficiaries			
Condition	ICD-9 ¹	Services (000s)	Patients	Payments (\$)	Services	
Diseases Affecting Genitourinary Tract	580-599, 788	418	75.0	19,057	347	
Diabetes Mellitus	250	401	66.5	11,960	333	
Psychoses	295-299	292	23.5	12,079	242	
Hypertension	401-405	287	109.1	8,732	238	
Neuroses	300	261	71.8	9,195	217	
General Medical Examination–No Specific Diagnosis	V70 ²	231	118.0	11,004	192	
Glaucoma	365	227	21.5	5,640	189	
Chronic Sinusitis & Other Respiratory Symptoms	473 & 786	225	75.6	11,409	187	
Cataract	366	196	17.5	9,498	163	
Arthritis	710–716	169	48.4	8,537	141	
Rheumatic Disease	725–729	150	62.5	6,894	125	
Ischemic Heart Disease	410-414	136	22.8	9,234	113	
Vertebrogenic Pain Syndrome	724	122	43.0	7,685	102	
Acute Upper Respiratory Infection (Except Influenza)	460-465	118	69.1	3,985	98	
Symptomatic Heart Disease	428 & 429	110	26.9	6,074	91	
Cardiac Dysrhythmias	427	108	26.0	5,436	89	
Eczema	690-692	88	39.1	2,813	73	
Asthma	493	73	28.1	2,183	61	
Otitis Media	381 & 382	70	23.3	3,081	58	
Myxedema	244	65	29.5	1,773	54	
Cellulitis and Abscess	681 & 682	60	22.0	2,362	49	
Hyperkinetic Syndrome of Childhood (ADHD)	314	58	10.3	2,251	48	
Chronic Airways Obstruction	496	55	12.2	2,268	46	
Anemias	280–285	53	18.9	2,572	44	
Cerebrovascular Disease	430-438	50	6.2	2,696	42	
Pneumonia	480–486	48	8.4	2,359	40	
Disorders of Menstruation	Z08 ² & 626	46	33.7 f	3,785 f	77 f	
Inflammatory Diseases of Uterus (Except Cervix), Vagina, and Vulva	615 & 616	40	29.9 f	•	67 f	
Diarrheal Disease	009	37	16.2	1,675	30	
Allergic Rhinitis	477	35	6.2	418	29	
Migraine		31	12.3	1,188	26	
Bronchitis		22	12.1	774	18	
Menopausal Symptoms	627	18	16.3 ^f	1,266 ^f	30 f	
Alcohol-Induced Mental Disorders and Alcohol Dependence Syndrome	291 & 303	17	3.1	695	14	
Gastritis and Duodenitis	535	15	8.0	548	12	
Epilepsy	345	15	4.2	632	12	
Disorders of Functions of Stomach	536 & 537	13	7.1	509	10	
Varicose Veins of Lower Extremity	454	12	3.2	356	10	
Multiple Sclerosis	340	11	2.2	475	9	
Overweight, Obesity and Other Hyperalimentation	278	9	4.7	369	7	
Alzheimer's Disease and Other Cerebral Degenerations	331	8	1.7	517	7	
Influenza	487	6	3.8	235	5	
Ulcers of Duodenum and Stomach	531-534	4	2.0	237	4	

¹ Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1977.

² MSP internally assigned code for the identification of a specific condition which is grouped within a general category in the I.C.D.

^f Rate per 1,000 female beneficiaries.

¹⁾ MSP records only one diagnosis of symptoms per claim even though the patient may have more than one condition.

²⁾ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 18

Physician Supply by Year

	General Practitioners		Speciali	sts	All Physicians		
	Licensed ¹	Active ²	Licensed ¹	Active ²	Licensed ¹	Active ²	
2017-18 ³	1,334	960	1,226	859	2,560	1,819	
2018-19	1,340	982	1,260	876	2,600	1,858	
2019-20	1,330	967	1,292	885	2,622	1,852	
2020-21	1,374	900	1,344	906	2,718	1,806	
2021-22	1,416	965	1,380	920	2,796	1,885	

¹ All Physicians with their own MSP billing number who are licensed by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year; includes temporary licensed locum physicians but excludes educational locums and medical residents.

Notes:

1) Data capture may not be complete for physicians participating in non-fee-for-service arrangements. Data, including the number of active physicians, is affected by the extent of shadow billing.

All Physicians with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

Licensed physician figures for 2017-18 have been restated.

Table 19

Physicians in Relation to Population and Practice Size

	Licer	ber of nsed² icians	of Ad	nber ctive³ icians	Active	tion Per ³ Physi- (000s)	of Pati Active F	Number ents Per Physician 10s)4	Conta Active F	e Patient cts Per Physician Os) ⁵		ent of ciaries ited
Type of Physician ¹	2020-21	2021-22	2020-21	2021-22	2020-21	2021-22	2020-21	2021-22	2020-21	2021-22	2020-21	2021-22
General Practice	1,374	1,416	900	965	1.4	1.2	1.6	1.7	3.9	4.1	66.1	71.3
Specialties												
Pediatrics and Medical Genetics	129	127	73	69	16.8	17.5	0.7	0.9	1.6	1.9	3.2	3.8
Internal Medicine and Physical Medicine	270	282	179	190	6.8	6.3	1.2	1.4	2.7	2.9	11.4	13.5
Neurology	28	29	21	22	58.3	54.8	1.2	1.4	2.1	2.5	2.0	2.4
Cardiology	40	40	33	34	37.1	35.4	4.2	4.7	3.2	3.7	6.6	7.6
Psychiatry	120	120	73	74	16.8	16.3	0.5	0.5	2.0	2.3	2.4	2.6
Dermatology	12	11	12	8	102.1	150.7	2.1	2.7	5.4	7.5	2.0	2.0
Anesthesia	139	140	109	110	11.2	11.0	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.8	4.1	5.4
General Surgery	98	99	82	84	14.9	14.3	0.8	0.9	1.5	1.8	4.5	5.5
Cardiac Surgery	8	9	8	9	153.2	133.9	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.2
Orthopedic Surgery	54	57	46	52	26.6	23.2	1.1	1.2	1.9	2.2	3.6	4.4
Plastic Surgery	16	16	14	13	87.5	92.7	1.2	1.6	2.2	2.9	1.3	1.6
Neurosurgery	15	15	14	13	87.5	92.7	0.6	0.7	1.1	1.2	0.6	0.7
Obstetrics and Gynecology	87	91	66	69	18.6	17.5	1.0	1.1	2.2	2.6	3.7	4.4
Urological Surgery	20	19	18	17	68.1	70.9	1.2	1.6	2.1	2.8	1.6	1.9
Ophthalmology	34	34	31	31	39.5	38.9	2.7	3.1	5.9	6.9	6.2	7.0
Otolaryngology	18	18	18	17	68.1	70.9	2.0	2.3	3.2	3.8	2.8	3.1
Pathology and Diagnostic Radiology	256	273	109	108	11.2	11.2	2.8	3.3	0.2	0.2	17.2	20.7
All Specialties	1,344	1,380	906	920	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.9	2.2	39.6	44.6
All Physicians	2,718	2,796	1,806	1,885	0.7	0.6	1.4	1.6	2.9	3.2	70.4	75.4

¹ Physicians are shown in specialties or general practice in accordance with the listing of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan at the end of the year.

- 1) Earnings, size of practice and patient contacts may reflect an upward bias as a result of physicians sponsoring locums.
- 2) Physicians who are compensated through alternate payment plans may not be reflected in the chart due to underreporting of shadow billings.
- 3) Precautionary measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on payments and services in 2020-21.
- 4) Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

² Licensed physicians–All Physicians with their own MSP billing number who are licensed by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year; includes temporary licensed locum physicians but excludes educational locums and medical residents.

³ Active Physicians–All Physicians with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

⁴ The size of practice is the number of discrete beneficiaries on whose behalf a claim was paid during the year.

A patient contact represents each time a physician saw (in-person or via virtual care) a patient regardless of the number of services provided at the time. The limit is one contact per patient, same doctor, same date of service. X-ray, ultrasound and laboratory services, and any professional interpretations of procedures are not considered to be patient contacts.

Table 20

Physicians by Size of Practice

				Size of Pr	actice by	Range of I	Patients ³		
Type of Physician ¹	Number of Physicians ²	Less Than 500	501- 1,000	1,001- 1,500	1,501- 2,000	2,001- 2,500	2,501- 3,000	3,001- 3,500	More Than 3,500
General Practice									
Metro Association	394	19	74	72	69	53	29	23	55
Metro Solo	90	28	24	14	14	5	2	2	1
Urban Association	190	10	43	60	28	17	13	4	15
Urban Solo	36	8	9	9	3	1	1	2	3
Rural Association	242	3	70	83	55	21	6	_	4
Rural Solo	13	1	2	4	1	3	2	_	_
All General Practice 2021-22	965	69	222	242	170	100	53	31	78
All General Practice 2020-21	900	55	200	281	157	89	46	25	47
Specialties									
Pediatrics and Medical Genetics	69	25	30	5	4	1	1	1	2
Internal Medicine and Physical Medicine	190	36	56	39	30	9	6	3	11
Neurology	22	_	8	6	4	1	2	_	1
Cardiology	34	_	1	_	1	2	1	5	24
Psychiatry	74	38	27	8	1	_	_	_	-
Dermatology	8	1		1	1		2	_	3
Anesthesia	110	21	65	23	_	1	_	_	_
General Surgery	84	20	30	24	7	2	1	-	_
Cardiac Surgery	9	6	3	_	_	_	_	_	-
Orthopedic Surgery	52	6	16	18	7	3	2	_	_
Plastic Surgery	13	_	1	9	_	1	_	2	_
Neurosurgery	13	2	9	2	_	_	_	_	_
Obstetrics and Gynecology	69	10	23	20	11	2	2	1	_
Urological Surgery	17	_	2	5	8	1	1	_	_
Ophthalmology	31	_	2	2	2	4	4	7	10
Otolaryngology	17	2	2	2	4	-	3	-	4
Pathology and Diagnostic Radiology	108	2	24	14	7	8	7	7	39
All Specialties 2021-22	920	169	299	178	87	35	32	26	94
All Specialties 2020-21	906	214	325	143	59	35	32	26	72
All Physicians 2021-22	1,885	238	521	420	257	135	85	57	172
All Physicians 2020-21	1,806	269	525	424	216	124	78	51	119

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² Physicians with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

The size of practice is the number of discrete beneficiaries on whose behalf a claim was paid during the year.

¹⁾ Earnings and size of practice may reflect an upward bias as a result of physicians sponsoring locums.

²⁾ Physicians who are compensated through alternate payment plans may not be reflected in the chart due to underreporting of shadow billings.

Table 21

Physicians by Range of Patient Contacts

				Range of	Patient Co	ontacts ³		
Type of Physician ¹	Number of Physicians ²	1- 2,000	2,001- 4,000	4,001- 6,000	6,001- 8,000	8,001- 10,000	10,001- 12,000	Over 12,000
General Practice								
Metro Association	394	66	114	98	54	29	20	13
Metro Solo	90	45	15	8	12	6	2	2
Urban Association	190	26	99	29	15	14	4	3
Urban Solo	36	19	4	6	2	2	1	2
Rural Association	242	70	113	38	17	4	_	_
Rural Solo	13	3	_	4	2	4	_	_
All General Practice 2021-22	965	229	345	183	102	59	27	20
All General Practice 2020-21	900	211	350	185	80	33	21	20
Specialties								
Pediatrics and Medical Genetics	69	54	10	2	1	-	2	_
Internal Medicine and Physical Medicine	190	90	66	16	7	2	3	6
Neurology	22	10	9	3	_	_	_	_
Cardiology	34	8	13	8	3	2	_	_
Psychiatry	74	44	19	5	6	_	_	_
Dermatology	8	_	2	_	1	4	1	_
Anesthesia	110	109	1	_	_	_	_	_
General Surgery	84	50	28	6	_	-	_	_
Cardiac Surgery	9	9	_	_	_	-	_	_
Orthopedic Surgery	52	26	21	5	_	-	_	_
Plastic Surgery	13	5	5	1	2	_	_	_
Neurosurgery	13	13	_	_	_	-	_	_
Obstetrics and Gynecology	69	29	27	10	3	-	_	_
Urological Surgery	17	5	11	1	_	_	_	_
Ophthalmology	31	3	4	7	5	5	5	2
Otolaryngology	17	4	6	3	3	1	_	_
Pathology and Diagnostic Radiology	108	106	2	_	_	_	_	_
All Specialties 2021-22	920	565	224	67	31	14	11	8
All Specialties 2020-21	906	621	189	54	21	9	4	8
All Physicians 2021-22	1,885	794	569	250	133	73	38	28
All Physicians 2020-21	1,806	832	539	239	101	42	25	28

Physicians are shown in specialties or general practice in accordance with the listing of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan at the end of the year.

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- 2) Physicians who are compensated through alternate payment plans may not be reflected in the chart due to underreporting of shadow billings.

² Physicians with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

A patient contact represents each time the practitioner saw (in-person or via virtual care) a patient professionally regardless of the number of services provided at the time. The limit is one contact per patient, same physician, same date of service. X-ray, ultrasound and laboratory services, and any professional interpretations of procedures are not considered to be patient contacts.

Table 22

Physicians by Place of Graduation¹

		Can	ada	entral h	_	ıtal			
Type of Physician ²	Number of Physicians ³	Sask.	Other Prov.	U.S.A., Central and South America	United Kingdom and Eire	Continental Europe	Asia	Africa	Australia
General Practice									
Metro Association	394	173	26	5	24	7	53	105	1
Metro Solo	90	29	4	2	4	3	28	20	_
Urban Association	190	61	5	7	12	1	37	67	_
Urban Solo	36	3	1	4	3		7	18	_
Rural Association	242	52	9	7	7	3	76	88	_
Rural Solo	13	5	_	1	2	_	1	4	_
All General Practice 2021-22	965	323	45	26	52	14	202	302	1
All General Practice 2020-21	900	283	43	27	51	16	185	293	2
Specialties									
Pediatrics and Medical Genetics	69	16	23	2	3	3	9	12	1
Internal Medicine and Physical Medicine	190	66	43	8	8	10	24	30	1
Neurology	22	8	7	_	2	_	2	3	_
Cardiology	34	17	6	1	1	1	4	4	_
Psychiatry	74	28	8	4	1	3	9	21	_
Dermatology	8	6	2	_	_	_	_	_	_
Anesthesia	110	61	22	1	1	3	7	15	_
General Surgery	84	29	23	2	3	3	9	15	_
Cardiac Surgery	9	1	5	_	_	1	2	_	_
Orthopedic Surgery	52	33	6	1	_	_	3	9	_
Plastic Surgery	13	6	3	2	_	_	_	2	_
Neurosurgery	13	4	4	_	_	_	2	3	_
Obstetrics and Gynecology	69	34	16	1	_	2	4	12	_
Urological Surgery	17	10	4	_	_	_	_	2	1
Ophthalmology	31	19	3	1	4		3	1	_
Otolaryngology	17	8	3	_	-			6	_
Pathology and Diagnostic Radiology	108	38	51	3	3	1	9	2	1
All Specialties 2021-22	920	384	229	26	26	27	87	137	4
All Specialties 2020-21	906	374	224	28	21	30	86	138	5
All Physicians 2021-22	1,885	707	274	52	78	41	289	439	5
Per Cent Distribution 2021-22	100%	38%	15%	3%	4%	2%	15%	23%	0%
All Physicians 2020-21	1,806	657	267	55	72	46	271	431	7
Per Cent Distribution 2020-21	100%	36%	15%	3%	4%	3%	15%	24%	0%

¹ The place of graduation is the location at which the first medical degree was obtained.

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Physicians with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

¹⁾ Data capture may not be complete for physicians participating in non-fee-for-service arrangements. Data, including the number of active physicians, may be affected by the extent of shadow billing.

²⁾ Figures may not add due to rounding.

Table 23

Physicians by Age Group

	_		А	ge Group		
Type of Physician ¹	Number of Physicians ²	Under 35	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
General Practice						
Metro Association	394	53	110	100	89	42
Metro Solo	90	3	5	21	37	24
Urban Association	190	40	57	56	28	9
Urban Solo	36	2	7	9	10	8
Rural Association	242	25	90	89	29	9
Rural Solo	13	-	1	1	8	3
All General Practice 2021-22	965	123	270	276	201	95
All General Practice 2020-21	900	118	259	243	191	89
Specialties						
Pediatrics and Medical Genetics	69	8	22	21	14	4
Internal Medicine and Physical Medicine	190	32	51	53	29	25
Neurology	22	2	8	8	2	2
Cardiology	34	_	13	11	6	4
Psychiatry	74	6	19	32	12	5
Dermatology	8	2	3	_	2	1
Anesthesia	110	8	31	34	23	14
General Surgery	84	5	24	27	25	3
Cardiac Surgery	9	_	1	4	2	2
Orthopedic Surgery	52	3	18	15	11	5
Plastic Surgery	13	_	4	6	2	1
Neurosurgery	13	_	5	6	_	2
Obstetrics and Gynecology	69	13	22	16	12	6
Urological Surgery	17	3	5	3	3	3
Ophthalmology	31	3	7	11	3	7
Otolaryngology	17	2	6	1	6	2
Pathology and Diagnostic Radiology	108	10	38	31	22	7
All Specialties 2021-22	920	97	277	279	174	93
All Specialties 2020-21	906	112	268	271	172	83
All Physicians 2021-22	1,885	220	547	555	375	188
Per Cent Distribution 2021-22	100%	12%	29%	29%	20%	10%
All Physicians 2020-21	1,806	230	527	514	363	172
Per Cent Distribution 2020-21	100%	13%	29%	28%	20%	10%

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Physicians with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

¹⁾ Data capture may not be complete for physicians participating in non-fee-for-service arrangements. Data, including the number of active physicians, may be affected by the extent of shadow billing.

²⁾ Figures may not add due to rounding.

Table 24

Average Payment¹ (\$000s) Per Practising Physician³ by Specialty and Range

			Type of Phy	⁄sician⁴			
	All Physic	cians	All General I	Practice	All Specialties		
Active Physicians Only	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number	
Active Physicians ²	316.7	1,885	228.6	965	409.2	920	
Highest Paid	3,315.4		895.0		3,315.4		
All Average per Pay Range							
Less than \$60,000	25.1	367	25.5	209	24.5	158	
\$60,000 – \$74,999	68.1	88	68.4	57	67.6	31	
\$75,000 – \$99,999	87.3	149	86.9	89	87.9	60	
\$100,000 – \$124,999	113.4	149	113.9	102	112.1	47	
\$125,000 – \$149,999	137.8	156	137.8	91	137.7	65	
\$150,000 – \$174,999	161.9	125	162.4	78	161.2	47	
\$175,000 – \$199,999	187.4	112	187.4	71	187.5	41	
\$200,000 – \$249,999	222.6	219	222.6	143	222.5	76	
\$250,000 – \$299,999	272.7	168	272.1	96	273.4	72	
\$300,000 – \$349,999	323.7	150	321.7	68	325.4	82	
Over \$350,000	624.5	569	464.5	170	692.6	399	
Practising Physicians ³	269.2	2,252	192.4	1,174	352.8	1,078	

			General Pr	actice		
	Metro	0	Urba	n	Rura	
Active Physicians Only	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number
Active Physicians ²	242.7	484	221.4	226	208.0	255
Highest Paid	895.0		892.2		581.3	
All Average per Pay Range						
Less than \$60,000	25.4	118	21.8	37	28.3	54
\$60,000 – \$74,999	68.2	35	67.2	6	69.2	16
\$75,000 – \$99,999	86.5	41	86.6	21	87.6	27
\$100,000 – \$124,999	113.5	40	113.8	36	114.8	26
\$125,000 – \$149,999	138.0	43	137.6	24	137.7	24
\$150,000 – \$174,999	163.0	29	161.6	23	162.3	26
\$175,000 – \$199,999	188.9	26	188.4	21	184.9	24
\$200,000 – \$249,999	223.2	76	216.2	27	225.9	40
\$250,000 – \$299,999	273.5	57	270.2	20	269.9	19
\$300,000 – \$349,999	321.4	37	329.9	11	317.5	20
Over \$350,000	469.8	100	483.3	37	427.2	33
Practising Physicians ³	200.1	602	193.4	263	176.6	309

Represents gross payments by the Medical Services Plan from which physicians must pay overhead costs which may be high in specialties such as Ophthalmology and Radiology. The MSP payments should not be taken to represent total professional income since physicians may receive payments from other sources (e.g., from other public or private agencies, from patients requesting services not covered by MSP). Includes payments for the family physician emergency coverage programs but excludes payments for the specialist emergency coverage programs.

² Physicians with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

³ Physicians with billings submitted under their own MSP billing number during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

⁴ Physicians are shown in specialties or general practice in accordance with the listing of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan at the end of the year.

Table 24 (Continued)

Average Payment¹ (\$000s) Per Practising Physician³ by Specialty and Range

			Type of Phy	∕sician⁴		
	Pediatrics Medical Ge		Internal Med Physical Me		Cardiology	
Active Physicians Only	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number
Active Physicians ²	213.3	69	332.8	190	817.6	34
Highest Paid	1,079.8		1,699.6		1,618.7	
All Average per Pay Range						
Less than \$60,000	23.1	27	26.9	31	25.8	1
\$60,000 – \$74,999	69.3	6	70.4	10	_	_
\$75,000 – \$99,999	85.6	10	88.8	20	-	_
\$100,000 – \$124,999	116.0	10	110.5	14	_	_
\$125,000 – \$149,999	135.8	11	136.3	14	_	_
\$150,000 – \$174,999	161.9	3	161.2	16	_	_
\$175,000 – \$199,999	188.0	7	187.4	11	_	_
\$200,000 – \$249,999	221.9	7	221.1	15	232.1	1
\$250,000 – \$299,999	276.2	4	270.5	14	287.5	3
\$300,000 – \$349,999	321.5	2	329.0	8	_	_
Over \$350,000	632.4	9	631.2	68	890.2	30
Practising Physicians ³	159.8	96	289.9	221	795.0	35

	Neurolo	ogy	Psychia	itry	Dermato	logy
Active Physicians Only	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number
Active Physicians ²	330.7	22	351.5	74	425.1	8
Highest Paid	1,021.9		1,095.9		734.8	
All Average per Pay Range						
Less than \$60,000	29.5	2	30.5	12	48.0	1
\$60,000 – \$74,999	_	_	63.9	2	_	_
\$75,000 – \$99,999	_	_	89.7	4	_	_
\$100,000 – \$124,999	120.8	1	110.8	2	_	_
\$125,000 – \$149,999	140.4	2	139.9	10	_	_
\$150,000 – \$174,999	164.2	3	165.3	4	169.1	1
\$175,000 – \$199,999	183.1	3	188.1	7	184.2	1
\$200,000 – \$249,999	236.0	4	222.7	7	202.7	1
\$250,000 – \$299,999	263.1	1	273.2	4	_	_
\$300,000 – \$349,999	313.1	2	328.9	8	_	-
Over \$350,000	666.4	6	640.0	26	568.9	5
Practising Physicians ³	305.6	24	306.7	86	383.2	9

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²⁾ Physicians who are compensated through alternate payment plans may not be reflected in the chart due to underreporting of shadow billings.

³⁾ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 24 (Continued)

Average Payment¹ (\$000s) Per Practising Physician³ by Specialty and Range

			Type of Phy	∕sician⁴		
	Anesthe	esia	General Su	ırgery	Cardiac Surgery	
Active Physicians Only	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number
Active Physicians ²	347.9	110	348.6	84	393.2	9
Highest Paid	988.3		976.9		820.7	
All Average per Pay Range						
Less than \$60,000	24.5	11	40.7	6	_	-
\$60,000 – \$74,999	68.7	2	61.8	3	65.8	1
\$75,000 – \$99,999	97.4	1	81.5	4	_	_
\$100,000 – \$124,999	112.0	6	108.2	2	_	_
\$125,000 – \$149,999	139.2	3	140.1	10	133.1	1
\$150,000 – \$174,999	164.0	2	164.3	2	157.0	1
\$175,000 – \$199,999	183.4	4	188.0	3	_	_
\$200,000 – \$249,999	223.8	10	215.1	5	_	_
\$250,000 – \$299,999	275.2	14	277.4	7	261.9	1
\$300,000 – \$349,999	326.4	18	326.3	12	315.5	2
Over \$350,000	478.3	50	537.0	36	763.4	3
Practising Physicians ³	318.5	121	328.1	90	393.2	9

	Orthopedic	Surgery	Plastic Su	rgery	Neurosur	gery
Active Physicians Only	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number
Active Physicians ²	467.6	52	537.9	13	604.8	13
Highest Paid	1,235.9		1,146.9		1,482.7	
All Average per Pay Range						
Less than \$60,000	36.9	2	33.9	3	25.2	2
\$60,000 – \$74,999	64.6	2	_	_	_	-
\$75,000 – \$99,999	89.8	2	_	_	84.8	1
\$100,000 – \$124,999	104.9	1	_	_	_	-
\$125,000 – \$149,999	-	_	-	_	_	=
\$150,000 – \$174,999	154.3	2	_	_	_	-
\$175,000 – \$199,999	177.7	1	_	_	_	-
\$200,000 – \$249,999	218.3	4	231.7	1	239.8	2
\$250,000 – \$299,999	277.0	6	278.8	1	273.6	1
\$300,000 – \$349,999	334.8	4	323.9	3	327.4	2
Over \$350,000	651.3	30	688.8	8	910.0	7
Practising Physicians ³	451.6	54	443.4	16	527.6	15

Represents gross payments by the Medical Services Plan from which physicians must pay overhead costs which may be high in specialties such as Ophthalmology and Radiology. The MSP payments should not be taken to represent total professional income since physicians may receive payments from other sources (e.g., from other public or private agencies, from patients requesting services not covered by MSP). Includes payments for the family physician emergency coverage programs but excludes payments for the specialist emergency coverage programs.

Physicians with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

³ Physicians with billings submitted under their own MSP billing number during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

⁴ Physicians are shown in specialties or general practice in accordance with the listing of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan at the end of the year.

Table 24 (Continued)

Average Payment¹ (\$000s) Per Practising Physician³ by Specialty and Range

			Type of Phy	⁄sician⁴		
	Obstetrics and O	Gynecology	Urological S	Surgery	Ophthalmology	
Active Physicians Only	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number
Active Physicians ²	316.9	69	494.8	17	1,246.0	31
Highest Paid	1,157.9		833.6		3,315.4	
All Average per Pay Range						
Less than \$60,000	20.7	8	46.7	1	_	-
\$60,000 – \$74,999	66.9	2	_	_	_	_
\$75,000 – \$99,999	88.0	4	_	_	_	-
\$100,000 – \$124,999	113.7	4	_	_	_	-
\$125,000 – \$149,999	135.5	5	_	_	132.8	1
\$150,000 – \$174,999	156.8	5	161.4	2	168.2	1
\$175,000 – \$199,999	_	_	_	_	_	-
\$200,000 – \$249,999	218.1	9	_	_	242.9	1
\$250,000 – \$299,999	270.3	9	_	_	_	-
\$300,000 – \$349,999	318.4	10	326.4	3	_	-
Over \$350,000	565.9	21	592.5	12	1,360.0	28
Practising Physicians ³	286.1	77	470.0	18	1,246.0	31

	Otolaryng	ology	Pathology Diagnostic Ra	
Active Physicians Only	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number
Active Physicians ²	546.0	17	422.2	108
Highest Paid	1,289.6		2,565.7	
All Average per Pay Range				
Less than \$60,000	58.8	1	18.0	50
\$60,000 – \$74,999	_	_	65.7	3
\$75,000 – \$99,999	91.5	1	88.7	13
\$100,000 – \$124,999	_	_	110.2	7
\$125,000 – \$149,999	146.5	2	135.8	6
\$150,000 – \$174,999	_	_	158.0	5
\$175,000 – \$199,999	_	_	196.3	4
\$200,000 – \$249,999	228.2	1	221.0	8
\$250,000 – \$299,999	281.7	3	256.7	4
\$300,000 – \$349,999	_	_	324.5	8
Over \$350,000	782.4	10	713.9	50
Practising Physicians ³	518.9	18	294.3	158

- 1) Earnings may reflect an upward bias as a result of physicians sponsoring locums.
- 2) Physicians who are compensated through alternate payment plans may not be reflected in the chart due to underreporting of shadow billings.
- 3) Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 25

Average Payment¹ (\$000s) Per Physician by Specialty, 2019-20 to 2021-22

	Averag	ge Payment (\$0	000s)	Average Annual Per Cent Change
Type of Physician ²	2019-20	2020-213,4	2021-225	2019-20 to 2021-22
General Practice				
Metro Association	253.2	209.0	242.2	-2.20
Metro Solo	247.8	214.1	245.2	-0.53
Urban Association	251.0	179.5	210.4	-8.44
Urban Solo	320.1	273.0	279.9	-6.49
Rural Association	235.9	180.1	199.6	-8.02
Rural Solo	356.7	298.1	364.3	1.06
All General Practice	252.6	201.1	228.6	-4.87
Specialties				
Pediatrics and Medical Genetics	211.8	165.7	213.3	0.35
Internal Medicine and Physical Medicine	378.9	287.4	332.8	-6.28
Neurology	345.3	258.2	330.7	-2.14
Cardiology	836.3	719.8	817.6	-1.12
Psychiatry	354.3	303.0	351.5	-0.40
Dermatology	327.1	335.2	425.1	14.00
Anesthesia	386.2	274.6	347.9	-5.09
General Surgery	387.1	287.4	348.6	-5.10
Cardiac Surgery	771.4	455.6	393.2	-28.61
Orthopedic Surgery	570.9	413.2	467.6	-9.50
Plastic Surgery	637.5	405.5	537.9	-8.14
Neurosurgery	612.7	525.1	604.8	-0.65
Obstetrics and Gynecology	370.8	279.6	316.9	-7.55
Urological Surgery	470.7	360.8	494.8	2.53
Ophthalmology	1,401.0	1,058.0	1,246.0	-5.69
Otolaryngology	636.3	424.0	546.0	-7.37
Pathology and Diagnostic Radiology	530.4	353.8	422.2	-10.78
All Specialties	454.7	344.4	409.2	-5.14
Spec. less Pathology & Radiology	446.1	343.1	407.5	-4.43
All Physicians	349.1	273.0	316.7	-4.75
Phys. less Pathology & Radiology	339.8	267.8	310.3	-4.45

Represents gross payments by the MSP from which the physicians must pay overhead costs which may be high in specialties such as Ophthalmology and Radiology. The MSP payment should not be taken to represent total professional income since physicians may receive payment from other sources, (e.g., from other public or private agencies, from patients requesting services not covered by MSP). Includes payments for the family physician emergency coverage programs but excludes payments for the specialist coverage program.

- 1) Earnings may reflect an upward bias as a result of physicians sponsoring locums.
- 2) Laboratory services provided by Pathologists are the responsibility of the Saskatchewan Health Authority. As a result, Pathologists' fee-for-service payments are minimal.
- 3) Physicians who are compensated through alternate payment plans may not be reflected in the chart due to underreporting of shadow billings.

Physicians are shown in specialties or general practice in accordance with the listing of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan at the end of the year. Physicians with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

³ Precautionary measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on payments and services in 2020-21.

⁴ Payments in 2020-21 do not include \$80,864,043 paid to 907 physicians through Pandemic Physician Services Agreements with the Saskatchewan Health Authority.

Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Table 26

Physician Payments (\$000s) by Specialty Group

		neral ctice		dical ialties¹	Surgical Specialties ¹			nical alties¹
	Number	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment	Number	Average Payment
A. By Resident Community:								
Regina	187	258.9	112	521.4	95	592.3	85	394.4
Saskatoon ³	284	231.6	241	286.5	144	475.4	114	367.1
Moose Jaw	35	241.5	13	374.0	11	501.9	-	_
Prince Albert	62	233.7	11	364.9	23	397.4	8	619.0
Yorkton	18	214.9	4	**	5	505.1	1	**
Swift Current	25	220.5	4	**	7	315.5	1	**
North Battleford	26	247.8	6	416.3	10	356.2	8	370.6
Estevan	16	231.0	_	_	1	**	_	_
Weyburn	16	205.8	_	_	_	_	_	_
All Other Locations	296	204.8	6	182.8	9	261.3	1	**
B. By Activity Threshold:								
1. Total Active Physicians ²	965	228.6	397	358.8	305	492.4	218	384.7
2. Total Licensed Physicians⁴	1,416	_	609	_	358	-	413	_
3. Resident and Active in Two								
Consecutive Years ²	800	249.1	357	382.9	280	523.4	191	398.6
4. Resident at Year End With								
Payments of \$15,000 or More								
in Each Quarter of the Year	776	257.6	320	415.6	260	552.4	159	463.2
C. By Age Group:								
Under 35	123	169.0	50	230.3	29	414.0	18	312.5
35 – 44	270	206.4	116	330.2	92	443.0	69	364.4
45 – 54	276	242.3	125	394.6	89	605.5	65	414.6
55 – 64	201	259.6	65	392.0	64	477.0	45	367.4
65+	95	263.0	41	434.5	31	419.3	21	458.0

¹ Physicians are grouped as follows:

- Medical Specialties include Pediatrics, Internal Medicine, Neurology, Cardiology, Psychiatry, Dermatology, Physical Medicine and Medical Genetics
- Surgical Specialties include General Surgery, Cardiac Surgery, Orthopedic Surgery, Plastic Surgery, Neurosurgery, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Urological Surgery, Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology.
- Technical Specialties include Anesthesia, Pathology and Diagnostic Radiology.
- Physicians with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year. Earnings may reflect an upward bias as a result of physicians sponsoring locums. Payments for the Specialist Emergency Coverage Program are excluded.
- ³ Includes physicians who practise out of teaching institutions. Average payments may reflect a downward bias as a result.
- Licensed physicians with their own MSP billing number who are licensed by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year; includes temporary licensed locum physicians but excludes educational locums and medical residents.

- 1) Data capture may not be complete for physicians participating in non-fee-for-service arrangements.
- 2) Physicians who are compensated through alternate payment plans may not be reflected in the chart due to underreporting of shadow billings.
- 3) Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

^{**} Not shown, to preserve confidentiality.

Table 27

Payments¹ (\$) for Specialist and Family Physician Emergency Coverage Programs

		Specialist	Emergency	Coverage	Family Dhysisian	Total Daymante
		Number of	Rotations		Family Physician Emergency	Total Payments for Emergency
		Tier I	Tier II	Payments ²	Coverage ³	Coverage
Hea	alth Reporting Zone					
1	Athabasca Health Authority	–	-	_	117,234	117,234
2	Far North East	–	_	_	181,693	181,693
3	Far North West	–	_	_	318,314	318,314
4	North Central	8	3	1,802,006	488,594	2,290,600
5	North East	–	5	409,602	831,539	1,241,142
6	North West	12	8	2,850,536	737,314	3,587,850
7	Central East	7	1	1,279,313	1,610,712	2,890,025
8	Central West	–	2	165,773	1,024,342	1,190,114
9	Saskatoon	46	33	13,356,353	183,036	13,539,389
10	Regina	34	17	8,695,491	194,472	8,889,963
11	South Central	8	2	1,660,100	454,171	2,114,270
12	South East	3	2	531,001	1,615,092	2,146,092
13	South West	7	2	1,399,471	390,426	1,789,897
All	Health Reporting Zones	125	75	32,149,645	8,146,939	40,296,584
Oth	ner Emergency Coverage					
	Medical Health Officers	–	3	450,000	-	450,000
	Saskatchewan Cancer Agency	2	6	1,246,563	_	1,246,563
All	Emergency Coverage	127	84	33,846,208	8,146,939	41,993,147

¹ Includes payments made indirectly to physicians through the Saskatchewan Health Authority or the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency.

Notes:

<u>Tier I Coverage:</u> continuous (365 days, 24 hours per day) and physicians must be available to respond by phone within 15 minutes and be on-site within 30 minutes.

<u>Tier II Coverage</u>: either continuous or non-continuous. Physician must respond by phone within 15 minutes and be on-site within a reasonable time, defined by the specialty and clinical judgment of the responding physician.

² Includes payments to general practitioners approved to provide coverage under the Specialist Emergency Coverage Program.

Includes ERCP and Family Physician on call payments as well as any payments for travel expenses when general practitioners provide weekend relief.

Table 28

Non-Fee-For-Service Payments (\$000s)

		Non-Fee-For-Ser Total Payment	
		2020-21³ (Restated)	2021-22
He	alth Reporting Zone ¹		
1	Athabasca Health Authority	-	-
2	Far North East	222	228
3	Far North West	-	_
4	North Central	20,586	22,468
5	North East	948	1,252
6	North West	12,965	14,323
7	Central East	9,324	10,906
8	Central West	998	1,038
9	Saskatoon	155,042	172,960
10	Regina	85,567	101,212
11	South Central	13,100	14,555
12	South East	3,261	3,491
13	South West	9,456	9,935
All	Health Reporting Zones	311,469	352,369
	Provincial Projects ²	1,755	701
All	Expenditures	313,224	353,070

¹ These expenditures for physician services are administered through the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) and are funded by the Ministry of Health.

Note: Payments for primary care arrangements are excluded.

² These non-fee-for-service clinical arrangements, which are not provided through the SHA, are intended to benefit the entire provincial population. The majority of provincial program funding was transferred to SHA base funding in 2020-21 and 2021-22.

³ Payments in 2020-21 do not include \$80,864,043 paid to 907 physicians through Pandemic Physician Services Agreements with the Saskatchewan Health Authority.

Table 29
Insured Population by Age and Sex by Health Reporting Zone

		Health Reporting Zone of Patient Residence														
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	-	
		ity	£	£		East	Nest	East		noc			ast	Nest	gnec	
Age	×	Athabasca Health Authority	Far North East	Far North West	North Central	North E	North West	Central	Central West	Saskatoon	Regina	South Central	South East	South West	Unassigned ⁱ	
Groups	Sex											Ge			- S	Total
Under 1	M	26 21	266 264	87 83	559 542	243 216	611 608	497 450	210 224	2,015 1,795	1,508 1,465	309 270	481 419	221 172	1	7,034 6,530
	Τ	47	530	170	1,101	459	1,219	947	434	3,810	2,973	579	900	393	2	13,564
1 – 4	M F	89 83	982 958	427 479	2,533 2,319	1,044 1,020	2,808 2,684	2,161 2,042	931 843	8,717 8,301	6,628 6,450	1,297 1,199	2,110 2,042	881 775	7 9	30,615 29,204
	T	172	1,940	906	4,852	2,064	5,492	4,203	1,774	17,018	13,078	2,496	4,152	1,656	16	59,819
5 – 9	M F	114 117	1,112 1,115	545 530	3,180 3,095	1,293 1,284	3,776 3,588	2,961 2,805	1,168 1,194	11,758 11,065	9,137 8,813	1,924 1,739	2,878 2,832	1,162 1,107	7 10	41,015 39,294
	Т	231	2,227	1,075	6,275	2,577	7,364	5,766	2,362	22,823	17,950	3,663	5,710	2,269	17	80,309
10 – 14	M F	157 136	1,281 1,144	595 557	3,469 3,274	1,412 1,351	3,785 3,746	3,098 2,964	1,208 1,183	11,056 10,544	8,901 8,318	2,017 1,855	3,023 2,947	1,132 1,108	4	41,138 39,133
	Т	293	2,425	1,152	6,743	2,763	7,531	6,062	2,391	21,600	17,219	3,872	5,970	2,240	10	80,271
15 – 19	M F	125 130	1,063 1,047	455 442	3,113 2,952	1,356 1,193	3,454 3,407	2,941 2,681	1,170 1,065	9,710 9,286	7,784 7,317	1,721 1,645	2,733 2,693	1,166 1,064	4 18	36,795 34,940
	Т	255	2,110	897	6,065	2,549	6,861	5,622	2,235	18,996	15,101	3,366	5,426	2,230	22	71,735
20 – 24	M F	116 110	950 937	500 436	2,996 2,784	1,244 1,252	3,338 3,244	2,866 2,619	1,125 1,067	10,408 10,216	8,972 8,114	1,783 1,564	2,540 2,452	1,129 1,120	52 100	38,019 36,015
	Т	226	1,887	936	5,780	2,496	6,582	5,485	2,192	20,624	17,086	3,347	4,992	2,249	152	74,034
25 – 29	M F	108 103	1,055 962	521 524	2,938 2,887	1,291 1,151	3,398 3,107	2,911 2,701	1,159 1,091	11,797 12,031	9,537 9,250	1,861 1,734	2,747 2,500	1,182 1,178	37 46	40,542 39,265
	Ť	211	2,017	1,045	5,825	2,442	6,505	5,612	2,250	23,828	18,787	3,595	5,247	2,360	83	79,807
30 – 34	M F	98	903	485	3,042	1,225	3,571	2,988	1,283	13,997	11,228	1,928	2,974	1,248	25	44,995
	Ť	99 197	882 1,785	515 1,000	2,907 5,949	1,211 2,436	3,408 6,979	2,736 5,724	1,202 2,485	14,259 28,256	10,900 22,128	1,834 3,762	2,898 5,872	1,229 2,477	30 55	44,110 89,105
35 – 39	M F	107	756	376	2,742	1,171	3,491	2,957	1,247	14,152	11,828	2,003	2,986	1,203	11	45,030
	T	113 220	756 1,512	356 732	2,852 5,594	1,147 2,318	3,417 6,908	2,829 5,786	1,156 2,403	14,069 28,221	11,093 22,921	1,986 3,989	2,884 5,870	1,269 2,472	12 23	43,939 88,969
40 – 44	M	94	680	281	2,549	1,195	3,236	2,930	1,130	12,509	10,566	1,892	2,954	1,184	8	41,208
	F T	77 171	654 1,334	302 583	2,494 5,043	1,127 2,322	3,075 6,311	2,818 5,748	1,078 2,208	11,956 24,465	9,768 20,334	1,899 3,791	2,731 5,685	1,083 2,267	9 17	39,071 80,279
45 – 49	М	77	651	346	2,382	1,194	2,828	2,804	1,006	10,592	8,825	1,703	2,651	1,021	3	36,083
	F T	60 137	637 1,288	340 686	2,446 4,828	1,095 2,289	2,727 5,555	2,643 5,447	980 1,986	10,267 20,859	8,252 17,077	1,655 3,358	2,367 5,018	1,056 2,077	3 6	34,528 70,611
50 – 54	M	79	624	350	2,422	1,158	2,625	2,856	1,088	9,703	7,960	1,601	2,560	1,028	6	34,060
	F T	68 147	565 1,189	372 722	2,379 4,801	1,163 2,321	2,591 5,216	2,746 5,602	977 2,065	9,335 19,038	7,561 15,521	1,647 3,248	2,451 5,011	1,069 2,097	4 10	32,928 66,988
55 – 59	Μ	55	561	353	2,599	1,400	3,018	3,454	1,287	10,277	8,432	2,124	2,954	1,317	7	37,838
	F T	69 124	584 1,145	323 676	2,739 5,338	1,335 2,735	3,002 6,020	3,391 6,845	1,246 2,533	10,182 20,459	8,531 16,963	2,056 4,180	2,841 5,795	1,404 2,721	9 16	37,712 75,550
60 – 64	М	38	515	284	2,774	1,415	3,023	3,751	1,459	9,551	8,064	2,342	3,106	1,554	10	37,886
	F	42 80	493 1.008	261 545	2,883 5.657	1,372 2.787	2,999 6.022	3,464 7.215	1,326 2.785	9,937 19,488	8,076 16.140	2,315 4.657	2,975 6.081	1,466 3.020	7 17	37,616 75,502
65 – 69	M	21	381	197	2,434	1,383	2,572	3,436	1,419	7,942	6,509	2,053	2,779	1,300	12	32,438
	F T	26 47	365 746	160 357	2,333 4,767	1,320 2,703	2,491 5,063	3,341 6,777	1,258 2,677	8,363 16,305	6,974 13,483	2,045 4,098	2,621 5,400	1,235 2,535	8 20	32,540 64,978
70 – 74	М	26	292	148	1,822	1,162	1,919	2,749	974	5,591	4,811	1,575	2,110	2,535 955	10	24,144
	F T	21	243	116	1,879	1,121	1,902	2,691	935	6,338	5,281	1,583	2,016	988	8	25,122
75 & Over	М	47 21	535 294	264 160	3,701 2,683	2,283 1,790	3,821 2,837	5,440 4,475	1,909 1,505	11,929 8,285	10,092 6,855	3,158 2,401	4,126 3,209	1,943 1,640	18 10	49,266 36,165
	F T	23	310	165	3,388	2,223	3,279	5,764	1,852	12,104	9,948	3,162	4,040	2,008	12	48,278
Total	M	44 1,351	604 12,366	325 6,110	6,071 44,237	4,013 20,976	6,116 50,290	10,239 49,835	3,357 19,369	20,389 168,060	16,803 137,545	5,563 30,534	7,249 44,795	3,648 19,323	22 214	84,443 605,005
all ages	F	1,298	11,916	5,961	44,153	20,581	49,275	48,685	18,677	170,048	136,111	30,188	43,709	19,331	292	600,225
	T	2,649	24,282	12,071	88,390	41,557	99,565	98,520	38,046	338,108	273,656	60,722	88,504	38,654	506	1,205,230

¹ There are 506 beneficiaries who have no residence assigned. The majority of these beneficiaries are students or temporary workers who cannot be connected to a Saskatchewan address.

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¹⁾ Population as at June 30, 2021.

²⁾ Band members are placed in health reporting zones as indicated by their mailing address.

Table 30Per Cent of General Practitioner Payments by Health Reporting Zone of

Patient Residence by Physician Health Reporting Zone

						Не	ealth R	eportii	ng Zon	e of Ph	nysicia	n Pract	ice				
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
Hea of F	alth Reporting Zone Patient Residence	Athabasca Health Authority	Far North East	Far North West	North Central	North East	North West	Central East	Central West	Saskatoon	Regina	South Central	South East	South West	Unassigned ¹	Out of Province	Total
1	Athabasca Health Authority	50.6	1.5	0.2	26.3	0.2	1.5	0.2	0.0	17.5	0.3	_	0.1	_	0.0	1.6	100.0
2	Far North East	0.1	49.2	0.2	28.4	0.7	0.8	0.3	0.1	8.8	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	10.2	100.0
3	Far North West	0.0	0.4	53.1	8.0	0.1	20.9	0.2	0.0	12.0	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	4.4	100.0
4	North Central	0.0	0.2	0.1	83.4	0.8	0.9	0.5	0.1	10.6	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.0	1.0	1.7	100.0
5	North East	0.0	0.1	0.0	9.1	77.5	0.3	2.2	0.1	7.8	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.8	100.0
6	North West	0.0	0.0	0.1	2.0	0.1	67.6	0.1	0.7	6.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	22.6	100.0
7	Central East	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.7	0.4	79.0	0.2	7.3	7.2	0.6	1.5	0.1	0.1	2.5	100.0
8	Central West	_	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	4.4	0.2	66.9	18.9	0.8	1.6	0.2	2.6	0.2	3.7	100.0
9	Saskatoon	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.2	91.3	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.1	2.9	2.1	100.0
10	Regina	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.0	1.1	93.9	0.7	1.0	0.1	0.0	2.2	100.0
11	South Central	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	1.6	5.7	84.9	0.6	4.6	0.0	1.9	100.0
12	South East	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	3.2	0.1	1.2	16.7	1.2	74.4	0.1	0.0	2.7	100.0
13	South West	_	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.7	2.3	2.5	1.9	0.1	83.0	0.0	9.1	100.0
	Unassigned	_	0.0	-	7.3	3.3	2.4	14.7	5.3	16.5	14.6	0.5	20.4	2.5	3.9	8.5	100.0
	Out of Province	2.0	6.3	5.9	4.6	11.2	18.0	10.7	3.2	9.1	3.4	2.6	19.2	3.8	_	_	100.0
	Family Physician Emergency Coverage	1.5	2.3	4.1	5.0	11.2	9.5	20.6	12.6	1.3	_	5.8	20.9	5.0	_	_	100.0
All	Health Reporting Zones	0.2	0.8	0.7	8.1	3.5	7.4	7.7	2.8	28.2	20.5	4.9	7.0	3.2	0.9	4.3	100.0

¹ There are 506 beneficiaries who have no residence assigned. The majority of these beneficiaries are students or temporary workers who cannot be connected to a Saskatchewan address.

¹⁾ Use by residents of Northern Saskatchewan does not include services provided by physicians under contract with the University of Saskatchewan, Northern Medical Services.

²⁾ This data is not adjusted for any demographic differences between health reporting zones.

³⁾ Band members are placed in health reporting zones as indicated by their mailing address.

⁴⁾ Payments to physicians by health reporting zone have not been adjusted for itinerant services.

⁵⁾ See "Data Limitations" in Statistical Figures and Tables.

Table 31Per Capita Physician Payments and Services by Health Reporting Zone of Patient Residence and Per Cent of Population Treated (In- and Out-of-Province)

		Gene	ral Practic	e	Sp	ecialties		All F	hysicians	
Hea of I	alth Reporting Zone Patient Residence	Per Capita Payments Excluding Emergency Coverage (\$)	Per Capita Services	Per Cent of Insured Population Treated (%)	Per Capita Payments Excluding Emergency Coverage (\$)	Per Capita Services	Per Cent of Insured Population Treated (%)	Per Capita Payments Excluding Emergency Coverage (\$)	Per Capita Services	Per Cent of Insured Population Treated (%)
1	Athabasca Health Authority	100.9	2.6	54.6	286.3	4.6	37.9	387.2	7.1	62.1
2	Far North East	116.3	2.7	54.3	239.9	3.7	35.6	356.2	6.3	62.4
3	Far North West	165.9	3.8	63.6	256.5	3.8	36.2	422.4	7.6	67.6
4	North Central	228.1	5.8	76.7	328.8	5.1	44.1	556.9	10.9	80.1
5	North East	212.3	5.1	72.3	277.7	3.8	39.1	490.1	8.9	75.9
6	North West	231.8	5.4	70.2	371.0	6.2	45.8	602.8	11.7	74.3
7	Central East	177.0	4.5	64.8	301.1	4.1	40.8	478.1	8.6	69.2
8	Central West	214.0	5.2	72.0	304.4	4.6	43.9	518.4	9.8	76.0
9	Saskatoon	204.1	5.3	77.2	351.4	5.6	49.1	555.5	10.9	80.7
10	Regina	181.1	4.7	72.9	382.8	5.5	50.5	563.9	10.1	78.1
11	South Central	209.2	5.5	74.4	347.3	4.9	47.5	556.6	10.4	78.6
12	South East	207.5	4.9	70.8	312.0	4.0	41.9	519.5	8.9	75.1
13	South West	209.1	5.0	71.7	295.4	4.0	42.7	504.5	9.0	75.9
All	Health Reporting Zones	208.1	5.1	72.8	344.1	5.1	46.4	552.2	10.2	77.0

- 1) This data is not adjusted for any demographic differences between health reporting zones.
- 2) Band members are placed in health reporting zones as indicated by their mailing address.
- 3) Excludes payments for specialist and family physician emergency coverage programs and lump sum payments to physicians.
- 4) Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.
- 5) See "Data Limitations" in *Statistical Figures and Tables*.

Table 32

General Practitioners in Relation to Population, Earnings and Practice Size

	alth Reporting Zone Physician Practice	Number of Licensed General Practitioners¹	Number of Active General Practitioners²	Population Per Active General Practitioner	Average Payment Per Active GP (\$)	Average Number of Patients Per Active GP³	Average Patient Contacts Per Active GP⁴	Insured Population ^{5,6}
1	Athabasca Health Authority	7	4	662	76,507	869	1,031	2,649
2	Far North East	23	13	1,868	93,931	1,312	1,876	24,282
3	Far North West	25	11	1,097	106,361	1,163	1,485	12,071
4	North Central	106	83	1,065	226,927	1,878	4,209	88,390
5	North East	48	37	1,123	204,680	1,417	3,005	41,557
6	North West	114	87	1,144	192,799	1,396	3,064	99,565
7	Central East	89	69	1,428	240,524	1,510	4,137	98,520
8	Central West	26	23	1,654	277,282	1,588	4,440	38,046
9	Saskatoon	440	296	1,142	233,036	1,908	4,352	338,108
10	Regina	334	187	1,463	258,861	1,859	5,019	273,656
11	South Central	70	45	1,349	254,421	1,517	4,710	60,722
12	South East	88	73	1,212	210,775	1,429	3,508	88,504
13	South West	46	37	1,045	202,263	1,468	3,527	38,654
All	Health Reporting Zones	1,416	965	1,248	228,557	1,703	4,129	1,204,724

¹ General Practitioners with their own MSP billing number who are licensed by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

- 1) Earnings, size of practice and patient contacts may reflect an upward bias as a result of physicians sponsoring locums. Payments for the family physician emergency coverage program are included.
- 2) Physicians who are compensated through alternate payment plans may not be reflected in the chart due to under-reporting of shadow billings.
- 3) Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.
- 4) See "Data Limitations" in Statistical Figures and Tables.

² General Practitioners with their own MSP billing numbers receiving \$60,000 or more in MSP payments during the year and practising in Saskatchewan under MSP coverage at the end of the year.

³ The size of practice is the number of discrete beneficiaries on whose behalf a claim was paid during the year.

⁴ A patient contact represents each time the practitioner saw (in-person or via virtual care) a patient professionally regardless of the number of services provided at the time. The limit is one contact per patient, same physician, same date of service. X-ray, ultrasound and laboratory services, and any professional interpretations of procedures are not considered to be patient contacts.

⁵ Excludes 506 beneficiaries who have no residence assigned. The majority of these beneficiaries are students or temporary workers who cannot be connected to a Saskatchewan address.

⁶ Population as at June 30, 2021.

Table 33

Post-Graduate Medical Education¹ and Retention Rates by Academic Year²

	2016	-17	2017-	18	2018	-19
Type of Physician	Completed Program	Remained³ in Sask- atchewan	Completed Program	Remained³ in Sask- atchewan	Completed Program	Remained³ in Sask- atchewan
Funded by the Clinical Services Fund Family Medicine – Regina	12 ⁵ 12 ⁶ 20 ⁵ 7 5 ⁴	10 5 15 6 2	12 ⁴ 12 16 ⁵ 6	7 9 13 5 2	9 ⁶ 11 24 ⁷ 12 4	5 9 17 11 1
All Family Medicine	56	38	49	36	60	43
Anesthesia Cardiology Diagnostic Radiology Emergency Medicine General Surgery Internal Medicine Nephrology Neurology Neurosurgery Obstetrics/Gynecology Ophthalmology Orthopedic Surgery Pediatrics Pathology Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Public Health & Preventive Medicine Psychiatry Respiratory Medicine Rheumatology	6 3 4 2 5 3 1 2 - 4 2 3 6 1 1 2 5 3 7	- 2 1 2 - 2 1 - - 3 - - 2 - 1 1 1 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	6 2 4 5 7 5 1 1 1 6 1 1 2 2 6 4	3 1 - 3 3 1 - - 4 - 1 - 1 1 5 1	6 2 3 1 5 11 7 - 2 - 6 1 1 3 2 1 - 5 5	3 1 2 3 3 - 3 3 - 2 2 2
All Specialists	53	19	59	24	52	16
Total CSF Funded	109	57	108	60	112	59
Externally Funded	109	- 57	- 108	- 60	- 112	- 59
Total Physicians CSF Funded Retention Rates Family Medicine Specialists	109	79% 36%	100	78% 41%	112	81% 35%
All Physicians CSF Funded and Externally Funded Retention Rates ⁸		56%		58%		60%
All Physicians		56%		58%		60%

¹ The Ministry supports educational activities at the College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan through the Clinical Services Fund (CSF) such as: clinical services provided by faculty; undergraduate, post-graduate and continuing medical education; post-graduate medical resident salaries and benefits; and medical and health-related research.

² Period ending June of stated year.

³ Graduates who practised in Saskatchewan for at least six months upon completion of program.

⁴ One graduate went on to a further residency program.

⁵ Two graduates went on to a further residency program.

⁶ Three graduates went on to a further residency program.

⁷ Four graduates went on to a further residency program.

Several Internal Medicine (IM) resident trainees went on to a further residency program, but are not included in the adjusted residency rate as they completed the three-year IM program prior to pursuing a subspecialty, not the full four years required to graduate from IM; four IM residents were included in the 2018-19 retention rate adjustment only, but this adjustment will not occur in future years.

⁹ Five graduates went on to a further residency.

Table 33 (Continued)

Post-Graduate Medical Education¹ and Retention Rates by Academic Year²

	2019	-20	2020-2	21		te ⁹
Type of Physician	Completed Program	Remained³ in Sask- atchewan	Completed Program	Remained³ in Sask- atchewan	CSF Funded Positions in 2021-22	Retention Rate ⁹ of June 2021 Graduates
Funded by the Clinical Services Fund Family Medicine – Regina	15 ⁶ 15 ⁴ 22 8 6	8 9 20 6 2	10 ⁵ 8 23 ¹⁰ 8 2 4	6 7 16 7 -	25 28 51 10 6	75% 88% 89% 88%
All Family Medicine	66	45	51	36	120	84%
Anesthesia	8 1 5 2 7 5 9 1 1 1 1 5 1 4 4 4 1 2 2 7 7	4 1 3 1 3 4 1 1 - 1 1 - 4 - 2 1 6 1	6 2 2 3 2 6 9 - 2 1 6 1 1 4 1 - 1 6 5 2 3	4 1 - 3 - - - 2 1 - - - 1 3 - - 3 - 3 - - 3	31 6 21 18 27 83 - 14 6 36 5 11 31 13 13 4 4	67% 50% - 100% - 50% - 33% 100% - 100% 75% - 100%
All Specialists	60	34	49	21	366	45%
Total CSF Funded	126	79	100	57	486	63%
Externally Funded	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total Physicians	126	79	100	57	486	63%
CSF Funded Retention Rates ⁸ Family MedicineSpecialists		73% 57%		84% 45% ⁹		
All Physicians		65%		63%		
CSF Funded and Externally Funded Retention Rates ⁸						
All Physicians		65%		63%		

Note: All current recruitment and retention initiatives are outlined in the Appendix.

Table 34

Optometrists: Selected Indicators

		2020-21 ³	2021-22 ⁴
Number of Registered ¹	Practitioners	181	183
Population Per Register	ed ¹ Practitioner	6,769	6,586
Per Cent of Beneficiarie	s Treated (%)	12.4	13.8
Practising ² Optometr	ists:		
Number of Practitioner	S	179	182
Number by Age Group:	Under 35	61	55
	35 – 44	44	56
	45 – 54	37	37
	55 – 64	23	24
	65 and over	14	11
Average Number of Pat	ients Per Practising Optometrist	866	932
Average Patient Contac	ets Per Practising Optometrist	954	1,035
Average Payment (\$) Pe	er Practising Optometrist	64,006	75,602
Number by Dollar Rang	ge: Less than \$10,000	7	10
	\$10,000 – 19,999	10	3
	\$20,000 – 39,999	31	19
	\$40,000 – 59,999	39	34
	\$60,000 – 79,999	36	34
	\$80,000 – 99,999	27	35
	\$100,000 – 119,999	18	20
	\$120,000 – 139,999	7	19
	\$140,000 – 159,999	4	4
	\$160,000 – 179,999	-	5
	\$180,000 & over	_	_

¹ Optometrists registered in Saskatchewan at the end of the year with their own MSP billing number.

Note:

1) Includes optometric services covered by the Medical Services Plan and the Supplementary Health Program.

Optometrists with billings submitted under their own MSP billing number during the year and practising in Saskatchewan at the end of the year.

Precautionary measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on payments and services in 2020-21.

⁴ Payments and services in 2021-22 affected by COVID-19.

Appendix

Significant Initiatives and Programs

- ⇒ Physician Recruitment and Retention Initiatives:

 Programs developed to increase the number of physicians within Saskatchewan communities and in needed specialty areas, such as the Saskatchewan International Physician Practice Assessment Program (SIPPA) and the Rural Physician Incentive Program (RPIP). Several of these programs are administered by saskdocs through the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA).
- ⇒ Specialist Recruitment and Retention Program:
 Jointly managed by the Saskatchewan Medical
 Association (SMA) and the Ministry of Health along
 with representation from the SHA and saskdocs that
 identifies, develops and administers programs to support
 the recruitment and retention of specialist physicians.
 Details on individual programs are available on the SMA
 Website: www.sma.sk.ca.
- ⇒ Specialist Emergency Coverage Program: Jointly managed by the SMA, SHA and the Ministry of Health in a tripartite committee, the primary objective of the program is to meet the emergency needs of new or unassigned patients requiring specialty care and to ensure fair compensation for specialists who are available to provide coverage as part of an established call rotation (see Table 27).
- ⇒ Committee on Rural and Regional Practice: Jointly managed by the SMA and the Ministry of Health along with representation from the SHA and saskdocs that identifies, develops and administers programs to support the recruitment and retention of physicians in rural and regional practices. Details on individual programs are available on the SMA website at www.sma.sk.ca.

- ⇒ **Emergency Room Coverage:** This fund is directed to compensating family physicians (through the Payment Schedule) for providing emergency room coverage in rural areas (see Table 27).
- ⇒ Support Services: The Ministry of Health funds a variety of other programs administered by the SMA, including a Liability Insurance Coverage Program, a Continuing Medical Education fund, a Long Term Retention Program and a Parental Leave Program.
- ⇒ **Other Initiatives:** 1) *Family Physician Comprehensive* Care and Metro On-Call Program – Recognizes and compensates family physicians for the value and continuity of care they provide to patients when they provide a full range of services; 2) General Practitioner Specialist Program – Provides an incentive payment and mentorship to family physicians that provide specialty services in rural and regional areas: 3) *Ouality and* Access – Encourages physicians to participate in the development and adoption of new ways of practising to improve the quality of services and beneficiary access to services; 4) Chronic Disease Management – Quality *Improvement Program* – Compensates physicians for providing care consistent with the most current best practise for chronic disease management; 5) Rural Relief Locum Program – The Ministry of Health provides funding to the SHA to support locum arrangements to assist with emergency and primary health medical services in rural areas: and, 6) Electronic Medical Record Program – Supports the adoption of Electronic Medical Records in physicians' clinics.

Agreements with Professional Associations

- ⇒ The physician agreement reached in mid-2020 between the Ministry of Health and the Saskatchewan Medical Association covered five years, April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2022. The agreement focuses on Physician Compensation, Physician Benefit Programs and Service Incentives, and Virtual Care. Over five years, the agreement provides physicians with a total fee increase of 5%, along with one-time payments in lieu of retroactive payments. The agreement also includes \$10M to establish a modernized approach to providing ER and hospital coverage service that addresses current workload concerns, improves physician job satisfaction and recruitment/retention, provides stability of ER services in rural Saskatchewan, and provides an expectation for ongoing emergency support for the surrounding communities. The agreement also includes \$6M from previously negotiated funds to establish a virtual care pilot program.
- □ The optometric agreement between the Ministry of Health and the Saskatchewan Association of Optometrists covered the period April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2022. It provided increases of 1% in 2019-20, 2% in 2020-21, and 2% in 2021-22. In addition, it provided for expansion of services for high risk medication and JIA consultations, cycloplegic retinoscopy for children, post-cataract care, and a virtual care service, all effective February 1, 2022. Program funding for the Children's Vision Initiative and Continuing Medical Education continued.
- ⇒ The dental agreement between the College of Dental Surgeons and the Ministry of Health covers April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2020. It provides a zero per cent general fee increase in the first eight years and a 2.0% general fee increase for 2019-20. Effective April 1, 2019, it includes the addition of coverage for nasoalveolar molding devices, addition of oral surgery consultations when referred by a medical provider, expansion of coverage for dental extractions related to cancer treatments, addition of cone beam tomography codes for limited use and revision of existing radiograph codes.

Figure 1
Index of Persons Covered by the Plan, Physicians, Services Per Patient and Persons Receiving Services, 2016-17 to 2021-22

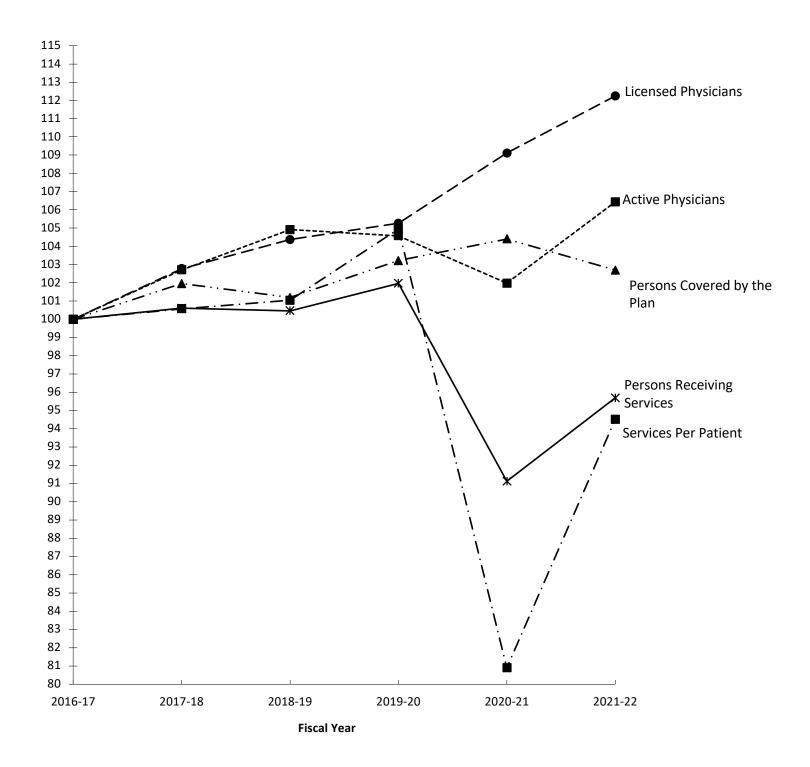


Figure 2
Index of Services Per 1,000 Beneficiaries for Selected Types of In-Province Physician Services, 2016-17 to 2021-22

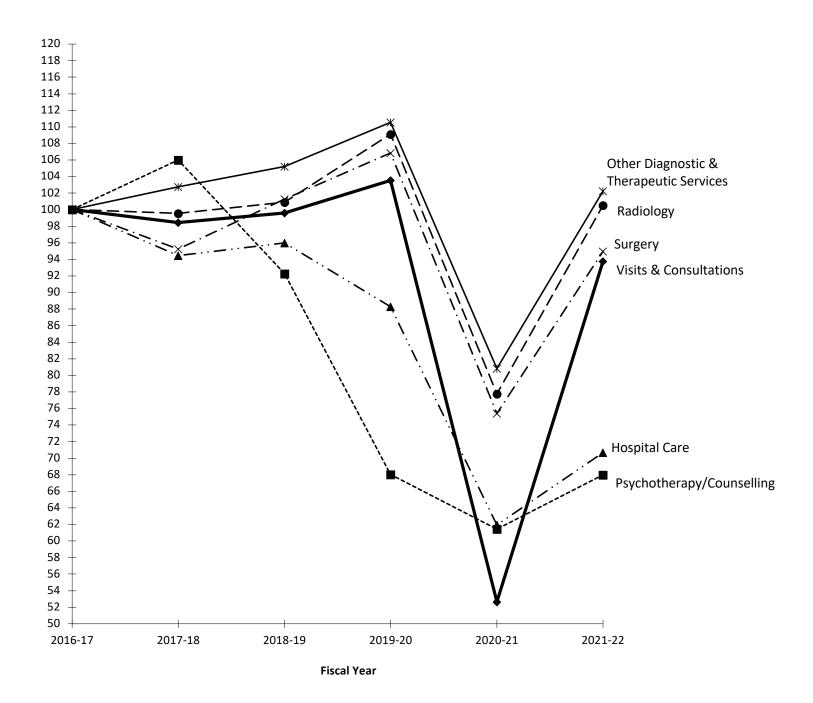


Figure 3Per Capita Payments for Insured Services by Age and Sex of Beneficiary

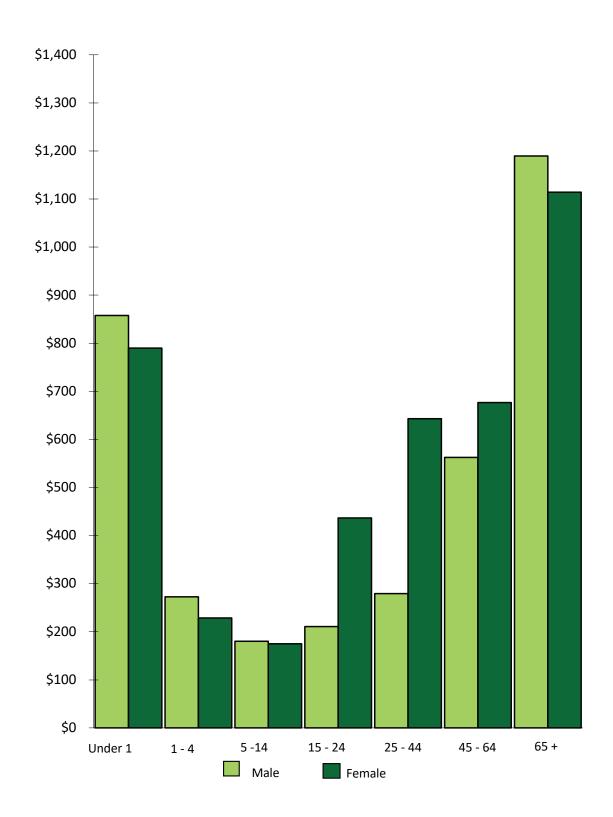
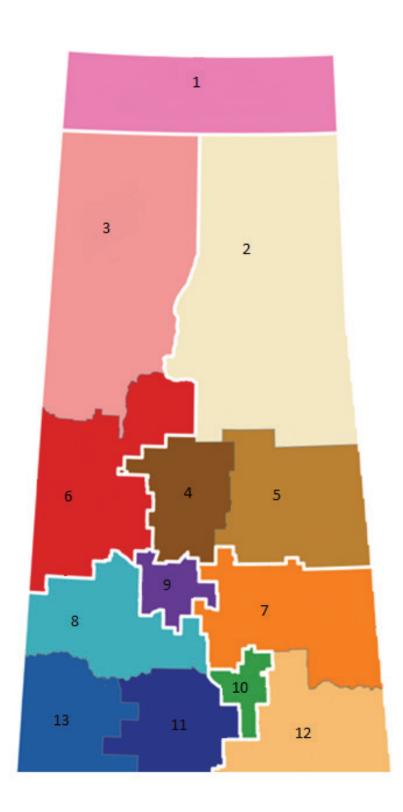


Figure 4

Map of Health Reporting Zones



- 1 Athabasca Health Authority
- 2 Far North East
- 3 Far North West
- 4 North Central
- 5 North East
- 6 North West
- 7 Central East
- 8 Central West
- 9 Saskatoon
- 10 Regina
- 11 South Central
- 12 South East
- 13 South West