

CBE 1463: Standardized Hospitalization Ratio for Dialysis Facilities (SHR)

5.1.4 Characteristics of Units of the Eligible Population

*Describe characteristics of the patients, encounters, episodes, etc., including numbers and percentages by factors such as age, sex, race, or diagnosis. Provide descriptive statistics separately by each specified level of analysis and data source. If you used a sample, describe how you selected the patients for inclusion in the sample and the representativeness of the sample. If there is a minimum case count used for testing, you must reflect that minimum in the specifications in **1.26 Minimum Sample Size in Section 1, Measure Information**.*

Medicare dialysis patients were included in the testing and analysis from 2023 of which there were 471,041 patients.

Table: Descriptives of patient characteristics included in the measure, 2023

Characteristics	Percent (%)
Age	
0-17 years old	0.1
18-24 years old	0.3
25-44 years old	8.3
45-59 years old	21.3
60-74 years old	43.7
75 or older	26.3
Sex: Female	43.0
Race	
White	57.6
Black	34.1
Asian/Pacific Islander	6.3
Native American/Alaska Native	1.7
Other/Unknown	0.3
Ethnicity	
Hispanic	18.4
Non-Hispanic/Unknown	81.6
ESRD due to Diabetes Medicare coverage	47.0
Dual Eligible (among all Medicare Primary Patients)	18.5
Traditional Medicare (FFS)	28.0
Medicare Advantage (all plan types)	53.4
Other (non-Medicare, or Medicare as secondary payer)	0.1
Time since Start of ESRD	
91 days-6 months	11.3
6 months-1 year	13.8
1-2 years	17.4
2-3 years	14.7
3-5 years	17.5
5+ years	25.2

Characteristics	Percent (%)
Employment status 6 months prior to ESRD	
Unemployed	21.2
Employed	18.7
Other/Unknown *	60.1

*** Other/Unknown groups include Homemaker, Retired due to age/preference, retired due to disability, Medical leave of absence, or missing employment status. Note: Some categories do not sum to 100% due to rounding.**