

CBE 2979: Standardized Transfusion Ratio for Dialysis Facilities

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*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**.*

The total number of patients included in the performance scores in 2023 was 473,742.

Table: Characteristics of Eligible Patients

Characteristics	Number of patients	Percent (%)
Age		
18-24 years old	1,477.0	0.3
25-44 years old	39,372.0	8.3
45-59 years old	102,906.0	21.7
60-74 years old	209,969.0	43.4
75 or older	125,275.0	26.4
Sex: Female	203,640.0	42.9
Race		
White	271,963.0	57.3
Black	162,245.0	34.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	29,981.0	6.3
Native American	8,036.0	1.7
Other	2,774.0	0.6
ESRD due to Diabetes	462,628.0	47.0
Primary Insurance		
Traditional Medicare	465,617	47.3
Medicare Advantage (all plan types)	517,675	52.6
Other	737	0.1
Dual Eligible (among all Medicare primary patients)	184,447	39.6
Time since Start of ESRD		
91 days-6 months	110,614.0	11.2
6 months-1 year	135,567.0	13.8
1-2 years	172,071.0	17.5
2-3 years	144,550.0	14.7
3-5 years	173,011.0	17.6

Characteristics	Number of patients	Percent (%)
5+ years	248,216.0	25.2
Employment status		
6 months prior to ESRD		
Unemployed	207,446.0	21.1
Employed	185,341.0	18.8
Other/Unknown	591,242.0	60.1
Ethnicity		
Hispanic	179,522.0	18.2
Non-Hispanic/Unknown	804,507.0	81.8
At least one transfusion event	92,430.0	19.5