

**Medicare Charge Determination Data for Physician/Supplier Claims  
Selected Fiscal Years 1975-2002**

Fiscal Year	Claims Paid or Applied to Deductible		Claims on Which Charge Reductions Were Made				
	Number in thousands	Total Covered Charges in thousands	Number in thousands	Percent of Claims Paid or Applied to Deductible	Amount of Reduction		
					Total in thousands	Percent of Covered Charges	Avg. Amount per Approved Claim
1975	75,694	\$5,324,636	50,738	67.0	\$863,847	16.2	\$11.41
1980	145,157	13,765,039	113,707	78.3	3,063,364	22.3	21.10
1985	246,337	30,800,071	203,405	82.6	8,168,817	26.5	33.16
1986	272,969	34,692,565	227,127	83.2	9,664,309	27.9	35.40
1987	307,437	39,952,727	254,672	82.8	10,879,839	27.2	35.39
1988	342,580	45,434,338	293,027	85.5	12,867,579	28.3	37.56
1989	370,288	50,646,122	321,851	86.9	15,139,981	29.9	40.89
1990	404,939	57,413,496	356,775	88.1	18,063,716	31.5	44.61
1991	451,700	65,680,424	394,615	87.4	22,179,014	33.8	49.10
1992	476,024	72,733,350	413,095	86.8	27,170,734	37.4	57.08
1993	500,572	78,984,666	439,888	87.9	32,089,244	40.6	64.11
1994	538,808	86,344,476	473,907	88.0	35,823,544	41.5	66.49
1995	567,666	94,396,848	489,467	86.2	39,108,517	41.4	68.89
1996	569,029	98,276,302	494,764	86.9	43,035,169	43.8	75.63
1997	584,226	104,004,862	510,568	87.4	46,987,436	45.2	80.43
1998	589,128	107,132,423	515,427	87.5	49,475,682	46.2	83.98
1999	600,288	114,329,416	531,776	88.6	54,023,415	47.3	90.00
2000	626,003	125,325,545	551,784	88.1	59,491,359	47.5	95.03
2001	658,003	140,525,531	576,428	87.6	66,918,719	47.6	101.65
2002	721,854	164,157,590	637,918	88.4	82,053,460	50.0	113.67

NOTE: Data prior to July 1, 1976 exclude claims handled by the Social Security Administration's Office of Direct Reimbursement.

SOURCE: CMS/OFM

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