Table 8.3: Annual Average Change in Total Units of Health Care Utilization by Type of Care for Persons with Musculoskeletal Diseases, United States 1996-2014

				<u>Ambulatory</u>			
				Non-physician	<u>Prescription</u>		
			<u>Ambulatory</u>	<u>Visits</u>	Medication Filled	Home Health Care	
MEPS Data Years Averaged			<u>Physician Visits</u>	(Ambulatory Care)	(Meds)	<u>Days</u>	Hospital Discharges
1996-1998	to	1997-1999	-1.1%	2.7%	4.2%	-3.6%	-1.1%
1997-1999	to	1998-2000	0.3%	2.2%	4.3%	-11.8%	-1.5%
1998-2000	to	1999-2001	2.1%	2.1%	9.7%	5.1%	2.1%
1999-2001	to	2000-2002	7.3%	16.8%	12.9%	11.5%	5.5%
2000-2002	to	2001-2003	5.7%	19.3%	12.0%	0.0%	5.7%
2001-2003	to	2002-2004	3.9%	12.8%	8.6%	3.9%	3.9%
2002-2004	to	2003-2005	-0.2%	6.9%	3.2%	-4.2%	1.6%
2003-2005	to	2004-2006	0.8%	0.8%	3.5%	0.8%	0.8%
2004-2006	to	2005-2007	0.1%	-0.7%	2.9%	4.9%	1.9%
2005-2007	to	2006-2008	3.6%	0.9%	6.2%	6.6%	3.6%
2006-2008	to	2007-2009	4.3%	4.3%	5.8%	10.2%	4.3%
2007-2009	to	2008-2010	2.5%	-0.2%	4.5%	5.3%	2.5%
2008-2010	to	2009-2011	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%
2009-2011	to	2010-2012	1.2%	3.9%	0.2%	-4.1%	1.2%
2010-2012	to	2011-2013	1.9%	7.3%	1.0%	1.9%	1.9%
2011-2013	to	2012-2014	1.7%	14.4%	1.7%	4.5%	1.7%
1996-1998	to	2012-2014	2.4%	8.5%	7.1%	2.0%	2.4%
Annual Average Change for Select Musculoskeletal Diseases, 1996-1998 to 2012-2014							
Spine			2.0%	6.9%	7.3%	2.7%	1.6%
Arthritis and joint pain			6.5%	17.8%	11.8%	4.4%	7.4%
Osteoporosis			3.3%	9.5%	7.2%	7.8%	1.2%
Musculoskeletal Injuries			1.7%	7.6%	6.5%	0.5%	0.7%
Other Musculoskeletal Conditions			3.6%	10.9%	8.9%	1.8%	3.6%

Source: Medical Expenditures Panel Survey (MEPS), Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 1996-2014.