

Table 3A.3.2.1.2: Number of Physician's Office Visits and Population Rate for Arthritis and Other Rheumatic Condition (AORC) Diagnoses Among Adults Age 18 & Older, by Age, United States, 2013

	Physician's Office Visits			
	Total	Age		
		18 to 44 Years	45 to 64 Years	65 & Older
Osteoarthritis and allied disorders (in 1,000s)	17,002.3	1,146.5	7,287.6	8,568.2
Distribution by sex, age (%)		6.7%	42.9%	50.4%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	6.9	1.0	8.8	19.2
Rheumatoid arthritis (in 1,000s)	4,989.7	664.3	2,230.1	2,095.3
Distribution by sex, age (%)		13.3%	44.7%	42.0%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	2.0	0.6	2.7	4.7
Gout and other crystal arthropathies (in 1,000s)	3,881.7	*	1,534.9	2,031.8
Distribution by sex, age (%)		NA	39.5%	52.3%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	1.6	NA	1.8	4.5
Joint pain/effusion/other unspecified joint disorders (in 1,000s)	30,374.2	6,983.8	14,175.1	9,215.3
Distribution by sex, age (%)		23.0%	46.7%	30.3%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	12.3	6.1	17.1	20.6
Spondyloarthropathies (in 1,000s)	6,235.5	985.3	2,952.0	2,298.1
Distribution by sex, age (%)		15.8%	47.3%	36.9%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	2.5	0.9	3.6	5.1
Fibromyalgia (in 1,000s)	5,945.9	1,396.1	3,245.9	1,303.9
Distribution by sex, age (%)		23.5%	54.6%	21.9%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	2.4	1.2	3.9	2.9
Diffuse connective tissue disease (Sjögren's syndrome, SSC, SLE) (in 1,000s)	2,781.3	803.4	1,091.8	886.1
Distribution by sex, age (%)		28.9%	39.3%	31.9%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	1.1	0.7	1.3	2.0
Carpal tunnel syndrome (in 1,000s)	2,641.3	616.2	1,353.6	671.4
Distribution by sex, age (%)		23.3%	51.2%	25.4%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	1.1	0.5	1.6	1.5
Soft tissue disorders (excluding back) (in 1,000s)	17,092.1	4,439.9	8,072.7	4,579.5
Distribution by sex, age (%)		26.0%	47.2%	26.8%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	6.9	3.9	9.7	10.2
Other specified rheumatic conditions (in 1,000s)	1,706.5	*	769.2	659.1
Distribution by sex, age (%)		NA	45.1%	38.6%
Rate per 100 persons	0.7	NA	0.9	1.5
Total AORC Diagnoses (in 1,000s)	81,033.7	16,137.6	36,922.0	27,974.1
Distribution by sex, age (%)		19.9%	45.6%	34.5%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	32.7	14.1	44.4	62.6
All Physician's Office Visits	771,560.0	224,255.8	282,109.1	265,195.1
Distribution by sex, age (%)		29.1%	36.6%	34.4%
Rate per 100 persons [1]	311.4	195.4	339.5	593.2

* Does not meet standards of reliability

[1] Source: United States Census Bureau, Population Division. State Characteristics Datasets: Annual State Resident Population Estimates for 5 Race Groups (5 Race Alone or in Combination Groups) by Age, Sex, and Hispanic Origin: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015

<https://www.census.gov/popest/data/state/asrh/2015/SC-EST2015-ALLDATA5.html> September 20, 2016.

Source: National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NAMCS), 2013. www.cdc.gov/nchs/ahcd/ahcd_questionnaires.htm April 23, 2013.