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This supplemental material has been provided by the authors to give readers additional information about their work.

eAppendix 1. Billing Codes Used to Determine the Usual Family Physician for Not Enrolled Patients.

Fee code	Description
Primary Care Codes	
A001	MINOR ASSESSF.P./G.P.
A002	Family Practice & Practice in General - Enhanced 18 month well baby visit
A003	GEN. ASSESSF.P./G.P.
A007	INTERMED.ASSESS/WELL BABY CARE-F.P./G.P./PAED.
A903	GEN/FAM PRACT-PRE-DENTAL/OPER.ASSESS LIMIT 2 PER YEAR/PT
E075	GERIATRIC GENERAL ASSESSMENT PREMIUM
G212	D./T. PROCALLERGY-HYPOSENSITIZATION INJECTION PLUS BASIC
G271	D./T. PROCCARDIOVANTICOAGULANT SUPERVISION
G372	D./T. PROCINJECTIONS-INTRADERMAL/MUSCULAR ETC. EA. ADD.
G373	D./T. PROCINJ. INTRADERMAL/MUSC. BASIC FEE (SHICK TEST)
G365	D./T. PROCGYNAECOLOGY-PAPANICOLAOU SMEAR
G538	D&T IMMUNIZATION-WITH VISIT, EACH INJECT.
G539	Injection of unspecified agent - sole reason (first injection)
G590	INFLUENZA AGENT +VISIT
G591	Injection of influenza agent - sole reason
K005	INDIVIDUAL CARE PER 1/2 HR
K013	COUNSELLING-ONE OR MORE PEOPLE-PER 1/2HR.
K017	ANNUAL HEALTH EXAM-CHILD AFT. 2ND BIRTHDAY.
P004	OBSPRENATAL CARE-MINOR PRENATAL ASSESSSUBSEQ.PRENAT.VIS.
K130	Periodic health visit - adolescent
K131	Periodic health visit - adult aged 18 to 64 inclusive
K132	Periodic health visit - adult 65 years of age and older
K030	DIABETIC MANAGEMENT FEE
K080	Minor assessment - Covid, Virtual
K081	Intermediate assessment - Covid, Virtual
K082	Primary mental health care - Covid, Virtual
Paediatric Codes	
A261	MINOR ASSESSPAED.
A268	Paediatrics - Enhanced 18 month well baby visit
K267	ANNUAL HEALTH EXAM-CHILD-AFT. 2ND BIRTHDAY PAED.
K269	ANNUAL HEALTH EXAM-PAEDIATRICS-ADOLESCENT-OFFICE

eAppendix 2. Description of Ontario health administrative databases and the variables included in this study.

Dataset	Description	Va	riable(s)
National Ambulatory Care Reporting System (NACRS)	NACRS contains clinical, demographic, and administrative information for all patient visits made to hospital- and community-based ambulatory care centres in Ontario.	-	Emergency department visits
Discharge Abstract Database (DAD)	DAD summarizes the hospital discharge information of individuals receiving inpatient care in a non-mental health designated bed. Each record contains demographic, clinical and administrative data regarding the hospitalized individual, as well as comorbidities and procedures received.	-	Hospitalizations
Primary Care Population (PCPOP) Dataset	PCPOP captures all individuals in Ontario who are alive and eligible for OHIP coverage at a given point in time. The PCPOP dataset includes basic demographic information as well as Primary Care Rostering, which represents information on which physician/group and family health team (FHT) the patient is enrolled or virtually enrolled with.	-	Physician model of care Physician patient panel size
Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) Claims Database	OHIP Claims Database contains approved physician claims data from inpatient, outpatient and long-term care settings for physicians in Ontario. Among other information, each record identifies the physician, the patient, the diagnosis responsible for the claim, the service provided and the date of service.	-	Primary care physician visits
Postal Code Conversion File (PCCF)	PCCF is prepared by Statistics Canada and links six-character postal codes to Statistics Canada's standard geographic areas for which census data and other statistics are produced, such as measures of rurality and neighbourhood income quintiles.	-	Rurality Index of Ontario (RIO)
Registered Persons Database (RPDB)	RPDB provides basic demographic information for those issued an Ontario health insurance number. It also indicates the time periods for which an individual was eligible to receive publicly funded health insurance benefits and provides the best known postal code for each registrant on July 1st of each year.	-	Identification of Ontario population Patient-level characteristics
Corporate Provider Database (CPDB)	CPDB is used to pay OHIP claims. This data contains addresses, registration and program eligibility information about individual health care providers such as physicians, pharmacists, and other practitioners. This data also includes organizations such as provider groups, hospitals, independent health facilities, primary care groups, and alternate payment health care providers.	-	Physician-level characteristics

eAppendix 3. Ambulatory Care Sensitive Condition Related Hospital Admissions Used as Secondary Outcomes to Examine Healthcare Utilization of Patients Attached to Family Physicians within Each Stratum of Virtual Care Use.

Most responsible diagnosis	International classification of diseases (ICD)-10-CA ^a code
Asthma	J45
Diabetes	E10.0, E10.1, E10.63, E10.64, E10.9, E11.0, E11.1, E11.63, E11.64, E11.9, E13.0, E13.1, E13.63, E13.64, E13.9, E14.0, E14.1, E14.63, E14.64, E14.9
Congestive heart failure	I50, J81
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	J41, J42, J43, J44, J47, with CCl ^b exclusion 1IJ50, 1IJ76, 1HB53, 1HD53, 1HZ53, 1HZ55, 1HZ55, 1HZ55, 1HZ55, 1HB54, 1HD54

^a An enhanced version of ICD-10 developed by the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) for morbidity classification in Canada

^b Canadian Classification of Health Interventions

eAppendix 4. Model selection and fit

Our outcome, the count of ED visits during a period of time, was moderately overdispersed, so we chose the Negative Binomial model to account for this overdispersion. A multilevel model would have been ideal since the ratio of virtual visits is measured at the physician-level. However, due to the large number of physicians, models with random effects failed to converge. We therefore used Generalized Estimating Equations(GEE) to account for clustering within physicians, with a compound symmetric covariance structure; this would provide results that are very close to a model with random effects.

The scatter plot of predicted value versus observed value did not show a nice diagonal line at the level of each unique combination of all covariates included in the model, however, it did perfectly line up in diagonal when we aggregated the observed number of ED visits and the predicted value at each combined level of rural index and ratio of virtual visit, which are the two key factors we were interested in.

In order to reduce the effect of some high number of ED visits, we dichotomized the volume of ED visits and ran a modified Poisson regression to compare with the results to those obtained using the Negative Binomial model.

Although the outcome for the two models are not exactly the same, results from the modified Poisson model showed the same pattern as those from the Negative Binomial model, i.e. the risk of visiting ED decreased as the ratio of virtual visit increased, although the difference between virtual ratio groups became smaller.

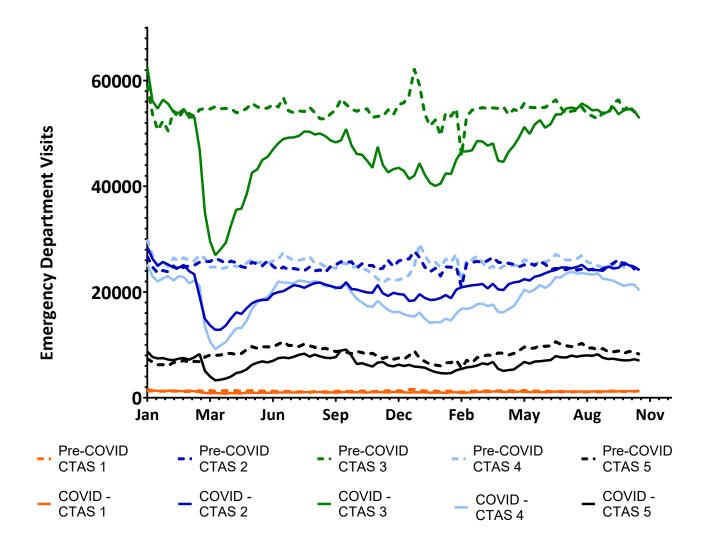
eAppendix 5. Patient Characteristics by the Percent of Physician Primary Care Provided Virtually, between February 1 and October 31, 2021, in Ontario, Canada.

Percent Virtual Care of Primary Care Physician

Characteristic, n (%)	0%	>0-20%	>20-40%	>40-60%	>60-80%	>80-<100	100%	Total
No.	N=82,689	N=771,808	N=1,633,324	N=3,229,223	N=4,657,341	N=2,511,964	N=64,714	N=12,951,063
Age	- ,	,	, , -	-, -, -	, ,-	,- ,	- ,	, ,
≤18	11,599 (14.0)	136,211 (17.6)	307,286 (18.8)	615,844 (19.1)	852,541 (18.3)	412,339 (16.4)	10,696 (16.5)	2,346,516 (18.1)
19-29	14,175 (17.1)	107,928 (14.0)	222,336 (13.6)	423,268 (13.1)	627,804 (13.5)	361,294 (14.4)	10,954 (16.9)	1,767,759 (13.6)
30-44	18,044 (21.8)	154,324 (20.0)	319,894 (19.6)	637,641 (19.7)	967,437 (20.8)	551,582 (22.0)	15,833 (24.5)	2,664,755 (20.6)
45-64	21,457 (25.9)	217,806 (28.2)	449,237 (27.5)	898,003 (27.8)	1,316,447 (28.3)	730,943 (29.1)	17,145 (26.5)	3,651,038 (28.2)
65-74	8,724 (10.6)	87,499 (11.3)	185,928 (11.4)	370,765 (11.5)	508,476 (10.9)	263,437 (10.5)	5,938 (9.2)	1,430,767 (11.0)
<u>></u> 75	8,690 (10.5)	68,040 (8.8)	148,643 (9.1)	283,702 (8.8)	384,636 (8.3)	192,369 (7.7)	4,148 (6.4)	1,090,228 (8.4)
Sex								
Female	37,134 (44.9)	375,362 (48.6)	820,252 (50.2)	1,669,636 (51.7)	2,470,394 (53.0)	1,307,088 (52.0)	34,284 (53.0)	6,714,150 (51.8)
Male	45,555 (55.1)	396,446 (51.4)	813,072 (49.8)	1,559,587 (48.3)	2,186,947 (47.0)	1,204,876 (48.0)	30,430 (47.0)	6,236,913 (48.2)
Neighbourhood-leve	el income quintile							
1 (lowest)	21,468 (26.0)	188,496 (24.4)	340,108 (20.8)	580,649 (18.0)	782,862 (16.8)	473,926 (18.9)	18,230 (28.2)	2,405,739 (18.6)
2	17,266 (20.9)	164,458 (21.3)	332,357 (20.3)	617,686 (19.1)	870,823 (18.7)	494,764 (19.7)	13,576 (21.0)	2,510,930 (19.4)
3	15,646 (18.9)	155,461 (20.1)	341,044 (20.9)	666,171 (20.6)	942,534 (20.2)	510,991 (20.3)	12,547 (19.4)	2,644,394 (20.4)
4	14,969 (18.1)	141,287 (18.3)	324,103 (19.8)	685,002 (21.2)	993,671 (21.3)	515,099 (20.5)	10,214 (15.8)	2,684,345 (20.7)
5 (highest)	12,634 (15.3)	119,845 (15.5)	291,727 (17.9)	671,129 (20.8)	1,055,796 (22.7)	510,846 (20.3)	9,958 (15.4)	2,671,935 (20.6)
Missing	706 (0.9)	2,261 (0.3)	3,985 (0.2)	8,586 (0.3)	11,655 (0.3)	6,338 (0.3)	189 (0.3)	33,720 (0.3)
Material Deprivation	n quintile							
1 (least deprived)	15,355 (18.6)	126,998 (16.5)	306,477 (18.8)	738,019 (22.9)	1,234,895 (26.5)	609,098 (24.2)	13,683 (21.1)	3,044,525 (23.5)
2	14,157 (17.1)	142,477 (18.5)	330,767 (20.3)	698,625 (21.6)	1,028,992 (22.1)	538,541 (21.4)	10,845 (16.8)	2,764,404 (21.3)
3	14,556 (17.6)	143,940 (18.6)	328,007 (20.1)	620,901 (19.2)	871,073 (18.7)	475,116 (18.9)	11,627 (18.0)	2,465,220 (19.0)
4	15,894 (19.2)	157,907 (20.5)	324,888 (19.9)	583,408 (18.1)	765,832 (16.4)	443,258 (17.6)	12,155 (18.8)	2,303,342 (17.8)
5 (most deprived)	19,541 (23.6)	186,363 (24.1)	327,345 (20.0)	559,404 (17.3)	728,276 (15.6)	433,939 (17.3)	15,934 (24.6)	2,270,802 (17.5)
Missing	3,186 (3.9)	14,123 (1.8)	15,840 (1.0)	28,866 (0.9)	28,273 (0.6)	12,012 (0.5)	470 (0.7)	102,770 (0.8)
Ethnic Diversity quir	ntile							
1 (least diverse)	12,908 (15.6)	142,811 (18.5)	350,356 (21.5)	641,513 (19.9)	618,362 (13.3)	202,198 (8.0)	6,382 (9.9)	1,974,530 (15.2)
2	12,470 (15.1)	136,906 (17.7)	322,545 (19.7)	642,478 (19.9)	726,978 (15.6)	274,019 (10.9)	5,966 (9.2)	2,121,362 (16.4)
3	13,694 (16.6)	127,214 (16.5)	271,540 (16.6)	602,331 (18.7)	864,782 (18.6)	408,716 (16.3)	9,656 (14.9)	2,297,933 (17.7)
4	16,790 (20.3)	144,724 (18.8)	276,943 (17.0)	610,992 (18.9)	1,060,728 (22.8)	599,754 (23.9)	15,649 (24.2)	2,725,580 (21.0)
5 (most diverse)	23,641 (28.6)	206,030 (26.7)	396,100 (24.3)	703,043 (21.8)	1,358,218 (29.2)	1,015,265 (40.4)	26,591 (41.1)	3,728,888 (28.8)

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Recent Registrant (<	10 years)							
Yes	7,765 (9.4)	72,718 (9.4)	144,967 (8.9)	233,795 (7.2)	403,698 (8.7)	267,726 (10.7)	8,443 (13.0)	1,139,112 (8.8)
No	68,636 (83.0)	624,350 (80.9)	1,318,635 (80.7)	2,652,901 (82.2)	3,790,998 (81.4)	2,030,442 (80.8)	50,453 (78.0)	10,536,415 (81.4)
Missing	6,288 (7.6)	74,740 (9.7)	169,722 (10.4)	342,527 (10.6)	462,645 (9.9)	213,796 (8.5)	5,818 (9.0)	1,275,536 (9.8)
Morbidity (Resource	Utilization Band)							
0 (non-user)	4,328 (5.2)	59,639 (7.7)	130,063 (8.0)	271,999 (8.4)	379,715 (8.2)	201,771 (8.0)	3,914 (6.0)	1,051,429 (8.1)
1	5,217 (6.3)	51,449 (6.7)	107,877 (6.6)	204,767 (6.3)	279,644 (6.0)	144,922 (5.8)	3,927 (6.1)	797,803 (6.2)
2	17,557 (21.2)	166,766 (21.6)	354,856 (21.7)	687,322 (21.3)	969,771 (20.8)	507,882 (20.2)	13,855 (21.4)	2,718,009 (21.0)
3	38,020 (46.0)	358,321 (46.4)	752,307 (46.1)	1,484,831 (46.0)	2,192,581 (47.1)	1,209,498 (48.1)	31,395 (48.5)	6,066,953 (46.8)
4	11,435 (13.8)	95,981 (12.4)	205,958 (12.6)	415,068 (12.9)	608,355 (13.1)	329,302 (13.1)	8,585 (13.3)	1,674,684 (12.9)
5 (highest user)	6,132 (7.4)	39,652 (5.1)	82,263 (5.0)	165,236 (5.1)	227,275 (4.9)	118,589 (4.7)	3,038 (4.7)	642,185 (5.0)
Co-Morbidity (Adjust	ted Diagnoses Grou	ps)						
0	4,347 (5.3)	59,866 (7.8)	130,708 (8.0)	273,501 (8.5)	381,607 (8.2)	202,442 (8.1)	3,924 (6.1)	1,056,395 (8.2)
1-4	44,431 (53.7)	396,784 (51.4)	839,609 (51.4)	1,627,346 (50.4)	2,284,776 (49.1)	1,202,766 (47.9)	32,437 (50.1)	6,428,149 (49.6)
5-9	26,680 (32.3)	255,438 (33.1)	539,600 (33.0)	1,081,818 (33.5)	1,615,004 (34.7)	890,759 (35.5)	22,758 (35.2)	4,432,057 (34.2)
<u>≥</u> 10	7,231 (8.7)	59,720 (7.7)	123,407 (7.6)	246,558 (7.6)	375,954 (8.1)	215,997 (8.6)	5,595 (8.6)	1,034,462 (8.0)
Chronic Conditions								
Hypertension	20,185 (24.4)	187,063 (24.2)	385,037 (23.6)	737,439 (22.8)	1,025,070 (22.0)	550,637 (21.9)	13,168 (20.3)	2,918,599 (22.5)
DM	10,862 (13.1)	95,571 (12.4)	192,845 (11.8)	359,838 (11.1)	503,761 (10.8)	286,148 (11.4)	6,986 (10.8)	1,456,011 (11.2)
CHF	2,983 (3.6)	16,652 (2.2)	35,249 (2.2)	66,556 (2.1)	84,626 (1.8)	41,660 (1.7)	983 (1.5)	248,709 (1.9)
AMI	1,120 (1.4)	9,454 (1.2)	20,156 (1.2)	38,179 (1.2)	47,613 (1.0)	23,262 (0.9)	493 (0.8)	140,277 (1.1)
Asthma	12,831 (15.5)	118,029 (15.3)	248,568 (15.2)	490,870 (15.2)	726,260 (15.6)	395,342 (15.7)	10,339 (16.0)	2,002,239 (15.5)
COPD	6,148 (7.4)	57,388 (7.4)	124,824 (7.6)	232,495 (7.2)	284,035 (6.1)	139,636 (5.6)	3,539 (5.5)	848,065 (6.5)
Mental health	22,285 (27.0)	157,060 (20.3)	335,569 (20.5)	663,481 (20.5)	994,442 (21.4)	549,442 (21.9)	16,756 (25.9)	2,739,035 (21.1)
Rurality								
Big cities	36,934 (44.7)	298,760 (38.7)	545,498 (33.4)	1,122,929 (34.8)	2,033,696 (43.7)	1,259,491 (50.1)	37,770 (58.4)	5,335,078 (41.2)
Small cities	21,951 (26.5)	221,397 (28.7)	444,488 (27.2)	955,035 (29.6)	1,534,725 (33.0)	867,594 (34.5)	16,362 (25.3)	4,061,552 (31.4)
Small towns	13,144 (15.9)	171,619 (22.2)	428,365 (26.2)	809,967 (25.1)	802,412 (17.2)	298,358 (11.9)	4,845 (7.5)	2,528,710 (19.5)
Rural	10,660 (12.9)	80,032 (10.4)	214,973 (13.2)	341,292 (10.6)	286,508 (6.2)	86,521 (3.4)	5,737 (8.9)	1,025,723 (7.9)



eAppendix 6. Weekly Emergency Department Visits by Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale (CTAS) Level, January 2019 to October 2021.

eAppendix 7. Number of ED visits per 1000 patients by rostered physician's ratio of virtual visit

VARIABLE	VALUE	0	>0-0.2	>0.2-0.4	>0.4-0.6	>0.6-0.8	>0.8-<1	1	TOTAL
Feb 1 to Apr 30, 2021									
Number of physicians		956	900	1217	2058	3848	3921	602	13502
Number of patients		N=111,463	N=557,348	N=1,123,463	N=2,234,969	N=4,402,614	N=4,253,334	N=164,977	N=12,848,168
Number of ED visits per 1000 pts	Mean ± SD	150.72 ± 827.77	91.49 ± 457.37	86.30 ± 419.58	83.45 ± 416.98	79.12 ± 402.39	70.49 ± 362.80	81.76 ± 425.21	78.83 ± 402.64
May 1 to July 31, 2021									
Number of physicians		976	1140	1555	2592	3813	2779	527	13382
Number of patients		N=128,402	N=766,321	N=1,539,644	N=2,865,554	N=4,425,467	N=2,908,046	N=139,580	N=12,773,014
Number of ED visits per 1000 pts	Mean ± SD	151.43 ± 754.16	107.66 ± 511.62	102.54 ± 476.90	99.31 ± 443.25	89.99 ± 410.01	85.12 ± 396.26	95.18 ± 413.77	94.22 ± 434.58
Aug 1 to Oct 31, 2021									
Number of physicians		1080	1730	2433	3138	2930	1410	426	13147
Number of patients		N=169,517	N=1,412,917	N=2,633,551	N=3,582,994	N=3,380,681	N=1,354,990	N=99,343	N=12,633,993
Number of ED visits per 1000 pts	Mean ± SD	147.85 ± 686.71	113.46 ± 518.62	106.79 ± 465.75	97.44 ± 430.29	89.90 ± 399.99	91.46 ± 409.19	104.30 ± 441.07	99.25 ± 443.31

eAppendix 8. Patient Health Service Utilization Stratified by the Attached Physician's Percent of Care Provided Virtually, between February 1 and October 2021, in Ontario Canada, by Rurality.

Physici	an % Virtual Care	0%	>0-20%	>20-40%	>40-60%	>60-80%	>80-<100%	100%	Total
	No. Patients	N=36,934	N=298,760	N=545,498	N=1,122,929	N=2,033,696	N=1,259,491	N=37,770	N=5,335,078
	Primary Care Services								
	Any primary care visit, n (%)	21,703 (58.8)	193,025 (64.6)	356,675 (65.4)	728,409 (64.9)	1,332,732 (65.5)	828,922 (65.8)	24,402 (64.6)	3,485,868 (65.3)
	Number of primary care visits per patient, mean ± SD	2.7 ± 5.1	2.8 ± 4.6	2.8 ± 4.3	2.6 ± 4.0	2.7 ± 4.0	2.9 ± 4.3	3.2 ± 5.3	2.7 ± 4.1
	Percent of visits with usual family physician ^a , mean ± SD	52.6 ± 44.6	64.3 ± 41.0	68.1 ± 39.3	70.6 ± 37.5	70.7 ± 37.3	68.0 ± 39.0	45.5 ± 43.0	69.1 ± 38.4
	Other Health Care Use								
RIO 0	Any specialist visits, n (%)	14,756 (40.0)	115,206 (38.6)	211,626 (38.8)	446,582 (39.8)	833,316 (41.0)	519,624 (41.3)	15,286 (40.5)	2,156,396 (40.4)
	Ambulatory care-sensitive condition visits, n (%)	139 (0.4)	766 (0.3)	1,250 (0.2)	2,606 (0.2)	4,027 (0.2)	2,430 (0.2)	67 (0.2)	11,285 (0.2)
	Emergency Department Utilization, February to C	ctober 2019/2	021						
	Total visits per 1,000, 2021, mean ± SDb	393.3 ± 1914.7	252.3 ± 933.9	242.0 ± 1120.6	240.6 ± 853.4	223.0 ± 776.2	221.7 ± 760.2	245.2 ± 795.7	231.4 ± 852.9
	Total visits per 1,000, 2019, mean ± SD ^b	414.3 ± 2018.2	293.4 ± 937.8	279.9 ± 906.7	275.8 ± 883.0	256.5 ± 855.4	251.0 ± 798.4	257.3 ± 782.6	265.5 ± 879.7
	Absolute difference 2021 vs 2019 (95% CI)	-21.1 (-	-41.0 (-45.8,	-37.9 (-41.8, -	-35.2 (-37.6, -	-33.5 (-35.1, -	-29.3 (-31.2, -	-12.1 (-22.8,	-34.1 (-35.2, -
		47.0, 4.9)	-36.3)	33.9)	32.9)	31.9)	27.3)	-1.3)	33.1)
	Percent change 2021 vs 2019 (95% CI)	-5.1 (-11.1,	-14.0 (-15.5,	-13.5 (-14.9, -	-12.8 (-13.6, -	-13.1 (-13.7, -	-11.7 (-12.4, -	-4.7 (-8.8, -	-12.9 (-13.2, -
	No Dationts	1.1) N=31.051	-12.5) N=221.207	12.2)	12.0)	12.5)	10.9)	0.6)	12.5)
	No. Patients Primary Care Services	N=21,951	N=221,397	N=444,488	N=955,035	N=1,534,725	N=867,594	N=16,362	N=4,061,552
	Any primary care visit, n (%)	12,886 (58.7)	145,329 (65.6)	290,727 (65.4)	622,460 (65.2)	1,023,111 (66.7)	588,907 (67.9)	10,546 (64.5)	2,693,966 (66.3)
RIO 1-9	Number of primary care visits per patient, mean ± SD	2.5 ± 4.4	2.7 ± 4.2	2.7 ± 4.1	2.6 ± 3.9	2.8 ± 4.1	3.1 ± 4.5	3.4 ± 6.0	2.8 ± 4.1
1-9	Percent of visits with usual family physician ^a , mean ± SD	45.7 ± 44.6	64.5 ± 40.7	66.2 ± 39.3	69.2 ± 37.6	70.9 ± 37.0	67.5 ± 38.8	32.4 ± 41.1	68.6 ± 38.2
	Other Health Care Use								
	Any specialist visits, n (%)	8,120 (37.0)	83,129 (37.5)	169,962 (38.2)	371,052 (38.9)	601,803 (39.2)	341,899 (39.4)	6,405 (39.1)	1,582,370 (39.0)

	care-sensitive condition visits, n (%)	70 (0.3)		052 IU 21	1 062 (0 2)	2 222 (U 2)	1 27/ (O 1\	22 (N 1)	7,523 (0.2)
Fmergency	Department Utilization, February to O		517 (0.2) 021	953 (0.2)	1,963 (0.2)	2,723 (0.2)	1,274 (0.1)	23 (0.1)	7,323 (0.2)
	per 1,000, 2021, mean ± SD ^b	356.5 ± 1450.7	257.3 ± 1061.1	242.9 ± 808.5	239.3 ± 811.4	225.2 ± 754.6	219.8 ± 731.0	285.2 ± 1438.8	232.0 ± 797.6
Total visits p	per 1,000, 2019, mean ± SD ^b	350.3 ± 1827.1	282.8 ± 944.2	269.6 ± 808.5	268.4 ± 822.5	250.8 ± 785.1	247.8 ± 800.2	281.5 ± 911.3	259.1 ± 825.2
Absolute dif	fference 2021 vs 2019	6.3 (-22.5, 35.0)	-25.5 (-31.5 <i>,</i> -19.4)	-26.7 (-30.2, - 23.2)	-29.1 (-31.4, - 26.7)	-25.6 (-27.3, - 23.8)	-28.0 (-30.3, - 25.6)	3.7 (-18.1, 25.5)	-27.2 (-28.3, - 26.0)
Percent cha	nge 2021 vs 2019	1.8 (-6.0, 9.8)	-9.0 (-11.1, - 6.9)	-9.9 (-11.1, - 8.7)	-10.8 (-11.7, - 10.0)	-10.2 (-10.9, - 9.5)	-11.3 (-12.2, - 10.4)	1.3 (-7.5, 10.2)	-10.5 (-10.9, - 10.1)
No. Patients	s	N=13,144	N=171,619	N=428,365	N=809,967	N=802,412	N=298,358	N=4,845	N=2,528,710
Primary Car	re Services								
	/ care visit, n (%)	6,697 (51.0)	96,813 (56.4)	250,322 (58.4)	478,119 (59.0)	486,813 (60.7)	184,204 (61.7)	2,937 (60.6)	1,505,905 (59.6)
Number of p	primary care visits per patient, mean	2.6 ± 5.6	1.9 ± 3.8	1.9 ± 3.3	1.9 ± 3.1	2.1 ± 3.3	2.4 ± 4.1	2.5 ± 4.7	2.0 ± 3.4
Percent of v mean ± SD	risits with usual family physician ^a ,	42.0 ± 45.3	70.9 ± 38.3	75.9 ± 34.9	75.7 ± 34.4	74.4 ± 35.1	68.1 ± 38.7	25.5 ± 36.3	73.7 ± 35.8
Other Healt	th Care Use								
RIO Any specialis	st visits, n (%)	4,973 (37.8)	65,808 (38.3)	165,307 (38.6)	312,887 (38.6)	316,486 (39.4)	119,127 (39.9)	1,850 (38.2)	986,438 (39.0)
Ambulatory	care-sensitive condition visits, n (%)	53 (0.4)	558 (0.3)	1,262 (0.3)	2,201 (0.3)	2,043 (0.3)	730 (0.2)	10 (0.2)	6,857 (0.3)
Emergency	Department Utilization, February to O								
Total visits p	per 1,000, 2021, mean ± SD ^b	564.2 ± 1780.3	371.3 ± 1104.3	334.3 ± 924.4	321.7 ± 924.7	313.2 ± 884.5	326.9 ± 931.4	389.6 ± 970.2	326.6 ± 933.5
Total visits p	per 1,000, 2019, mean ± SD ^b	510.7 ± 1472.8	433.2 ± 1147.6	398.7 ± 1018.9	375.9 ± 974.9	360.9 ± 940.5	353.8 ± 944.1	389.1 ± 1125.1	378.6 ± 991.7
Absolute dif	fference 2021 vs 2019 (95% CI)	53.5 (21.6, 85.5)	-61.9 (-69.5 <i>,</i> -54.3)	-64.5 (-68.7, - 60.2)	-54.1 (-57.2, - 51.1)	-47.8 (-50.7, - 44.8)	-26.8 (-31.7, - 21.9)	0.5 (-41.3, 42.3)	-52.0 (-53.8, - 50.3)
Percent cha	nge 2021 vs 2019	10.5 (3.6, 17.5)	-14.3 (-15.9 <i>,</i> -12.7)	-16.2 (-17.1, - 15.2)	-14.4 (-15.2, - 13.7)	-13.2 (-14.0, - 12.5)	-7.6 (-8.9, - 6.3)	0.13 (-9.9, 10.6)	-13.7 (-14.2, - 13.3)
No. Patients	s	N=10,660	N=80,032	N=214,973	N=341,292	N=286,508	N=86,521	N=5,737	N=1,025,723
RIO Primary Car	e Services								
40+ Any primary	/ care visit, n (%)	4,999 (46.9)	41,588 (52.0)	113,613 (52.8)	186,306 (54.6)	156,180 (54.5)	50,155 (58.0)	3,013 (52.5)	555,854 (54.2)

Number of primary care visits per patient, mean ± SD	1.9 ± 4.4	1.7 ± 3.2	1.6 ± 2.9	1.7 ± 2.8	1.8 ± 3.0	2.3 ± 4.1	1.9 ± 4.1	1.7 ± 3.1
Percent of visits with usual family physician ^a , mean ± SD	40.6 ± 42.8	70.7 ± 38.6	74.9 ± 35.5	75.1 ± 34.7	74.9 ± 35.0	70.5 ± 38.8	25.4 ± 38.5	73.7 ± 36.08
Other Health Care Use								
Any specialist visits, n (%)	3,632 (34.1)	26,165 (32.7)	74,416 (34.6)	121,089 (35.5)	104,309 (36.4)	31,792 (36.7)	2,204 (38.4)	363,607 (35.4)
Ambulatory care-sensitive condition visits, n (%)	62 (0.6)	244 (0.3)	639 (0.3)	991 (0.3)	815 (0.3)	265 (0.3)	14 (0.2)	3,030 (0.3)
Emergency Department Utilization, February to O	ctober 2019/2	021						
Total visits per 1,000, 2021, mean ± SD ^b	872.8 ± 2751.1	539.5 ± 1532.7	459.9 ± 1369.8	461.6 ± 1304.3	456.6 ± 1227.1	465.8 ± 1319.2	567.1 ± 1264.2	471.0 ± 1341.4
Total visits per 1,000, 2019, mean ± SD ^b	737.3 ± 1896.7	667.7 ± 1716.2	570.5 ± 1401.4	569.8 ± 1556.9	548.9 ± 1772.0	530.2 ± 1312.4	570.1 ± 1224.3	572.6 ± 1589.5
Absolute difference 2021 vs 2019	135.5 (83.2, 187.8)	-128.2 (- 144.3, - 112.0)	-110.6 (- 119.1, -102.0)	-108.2 (- 115.2, -101.1)	-92.4 (-100.5, -84.2)	-64.5 (-76.9, - 52.1)	-3.0 (-53.7, 47.8)	-101.6 (-105.8, -97.5)
Percent change 2021 vs 2019	18.4 (10.1, 26.8)	-19.2 (-21.4, -17.0)	-19.4 (-20.7, - 18.0)	-19.0 (-20.1, - 17.9)	-16.8 (-18.1, - 15.5)	-12.2 (-14.4, - 9.9)	-0.5 (-9.3, 8.6)	-17.8 (-18.4, - 17.1)

^a Among patients with 2 or more visits between February and October 2021

Abbreviations: SD, standard deviation; CI, confidence interval

^bThis includes only patients whose attached physicians had claims in both 2021 and 2019.

eAppendix 9. Physician and Practice Characteristics by the Percent of Care Provided Virtually, Comprehensive Family Physicians, between February 1 and October 31, 2021, in Ontario, Canada.

Physician % Virtual Care	0%	>0-20%	>20-40%	>40-60%	>60-80%	>80-<100%	100%	Total
No. Physicians	N=117	N=544	N=1,118	N=2,265	N=3,432	N=1,881	N=105	N=9,462
No. Patients	N=46,747	N=661,761	N=1,476,716	N=2,966,294	N=4,422,486	N=2,386,349	N=51,668	N=12,125,959
Physician Age								
≤44	33 (28.2)	114 (21.0)	378 (33.8)	875 (38.6)	1,319 (38.4)	599 (31.8)	43 (41.0)	3,361 (35.5)
45-64	34 (29.1)	258 (47.4)	512 (45.8)	1,076 (47.5)	1,674 (48.8)	862 (45.8)	30 (28.6)	4,446 (47.0)
65-74	37 (31.6)	124 (22.8)	179 (16.0)	256 (11.3)	369 (10.8)	335 (17.8)	23 (21.9)	1,323 (14.0)
<u>></u> 75	13 (11.1)	48 (8.8)	49 (4.4)	58 (2.6)	70 (2.0)	85 (4.5)	9 (8.6)	332 (3.5)
Physician Sex								
Female	31 (26.5)	150 (27.6)	438 (39.2)	1,152 (50.9)	1,953 (56.9)	967 (51.4)	68 (64.8)	4,759 (50.3)
Male	86 (73.5)	394 (72.4)	680 (60.8)	1,113 (49.1)	1,479 (43.1)	914 (48.6)	37 (35.2)	4,703 (49.7)
Primary Care Enrolment Mo	del							
Non-team capitation	8 (6.8)	126 (23.2)	317 (28.4)	727 (32.1)	1,190 (34.7)	532 (28.3)	11 (10.5)	2,911 (30.8)
Enhanced fee-for-service	19 (16.2)	155 (28.5)	297 (26.6)	457 (20.2)	876 (25.5)	725 (38.5)	23 (21.9)	2,552 (27.0)
Team-based capitation	12 (10.3)	60 (11.0)	286 (25.6)	814 (35.9)	1,044 (30.4)	321 (17.1)	9 (8.6)	2,546 (26.9)
Traditional fee-for- service	78 (66.7)	203 (37.3)	218 (19.5)	267 (11.8)	321 (9.4)	303 (16.1)	62 (59.0)	1,452 (15.3)
Missing	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)
Rurality of Practice (RIO)								
Big cities	54 (46.2)	240 (44.1)	430 (38.5)	925 (40.8)	1,797 (52.4)	1,113 (59.2)	66 (62.9)	4,625 (48.9)
Small cities	19 (16.2)	146 (26.8)	296 (26.5)	643 (28.4)	1,018 (29.7)	558 (29.7)	25 (23.8)	2,705 (28.6)
Small towns	25 (21.4)	111 (20.4)	250 (22.4)	459 (20.3)	403 (11.7)	143 (7.6)	7 (6.7)	1,398 (14.8)
Rural	19 (16.2)	47 (8.6)	142 (12.7)	238 (10.5)	214 (6.2)	67 (3.6)	7 (6.7)	734 (7.8)
Patient Panel Size								
<100	57 (48.7)	61 (11.2)	81 (7.2)	122 (5.4)	116 (3.4)	89 (4.7)	35 (33.3)	561 (5.9)
100-499	30 (25.6)	103 (18.9)	106 (9.5)	169 (7.5)	239 (7.0)	200 (10.6)	32 (30.5)	879 (9.3)
500-999	9 (7.7)	85 (15.6)	201 (18.0)	490 (21.6)	802 (23.4)	443 (23.6)	20 (19.0)	2,050 (21.7)
1000-1499	15 (12.8)	104 (19.1)	321 (28.7)	654 (28.9)	1,152 (33.6)	520 (27.6)	9 (8.6)	2,775 (29.3)
1500-1999	-	79 (14.5)	212 (19.0)	469 (20.7)	675 (19.7)	341 (18.1)	-	1,785 (18.9)
<u>></u> 2000	-	112 (20.6)	197 (17.6)	361 (15.9)	447 (13.0)	288 (15.3)	-	1,411 (14.9)
Missing	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)

eAppendix 10. Characteristics of Patients Attached to Comprehensive Family Physicians by the Percent of Physician Primary Care Provided Virtually, between February 1 and October 31, 2021, in Ontario, Canada.

Percent Virtual Care of Primary Care Physician

Characteristic, n (%)	0%	>0-20%	>20-40%	>40-60%	>60-80%	>80-<100	100%	Total
No.	N=46,747	N=661,761	N=1,476,716	N=2,966,294	N=4,422,486	N=2,386,349	N=51,668	N=12,012,021
Age								
≤18	5,900 (12.6)	115,509 (17.5)	277,180 (18.8)	567,973 (19.1)	812,766 (18.4)	394,966 (16.6)	8,678 (16.8)	2,182,972 (18.2)
19-29	6,510 (13.9)	92,402 (14.0)	200,461 (13.6)	388,821 (13.1)	595,219 (13.5)	340,662 (14.3)	8,594 (16.6)	1,632,669 (13.6)
30-44	8,980 (19.2)	131,614 (19.9)	289,588 (19.6)	585,789 (19.7)	919,525 (20.8)	520,693 (21.8)	12,330 (23.9)	2,468,519 (20.6)
45-64	13,929 (29.8)	188,939 (28.6)	407,221 (27.6)	827,379 (27.9)	1,251,073 (28.3)	696,286 (29.2)	13,555 (26.2)	3,398,382 (28.3)
65-74	6,027 (12.9)	75,225 (11.4)	167,328 (11.3)	337,959 (11.4)	480,164 (10.9)	250,916 (10.5)	4,995 (9.7)	1,322,614 (11.0)
<u>></u> 75	5,401 (11.6)	58,072 (8.8)	134,938 (9.1)	258,373 (8.7)	363,739 (8.2)	182,826 (7.7)	3,516 (6.8)	1,006,865 (8.4)
Sex								
Female	21,331 (45.6)	321,021 (48.5)	741,288 (50.2)	1,536,715 (51.8)	2,352,148 (53.2)	1,245,292 (52.2)	27,910 (54.0)	6,245,705 (52.0)
Male	25,416 (54.4)	340,740 (51.5)	735,428 (49.8)	1,429,579 (48.2)	2,070,338 (46.8)	1,141,057 (47.8)	23,758 (46.0)	5,766,316 (48.0)
Neighbourhood-leve	el income quintile							
1 (lowest)	10,563 (22.6)	158,908 (24.0)	304,381 (20.6)	531,181 (17.9)	736,255 (16.6)	447,800 (18.8)	15,183 (29.4)	2,204,271 (18.4)
2	9,165 (19.6)	141,667 (21.4)	300,837 (20.4)	567,104 (19.1)	825,310 (18.7)	470,882 (19.7)	11,060 (21.4)	2,326,025 (19.4)
3	8,990 (19.2)	135,671 (20.5)	308,776 (20.9)	611,370 (20.6)	895,940 (20.3)	487,454 (20.4)	9,859 (19.1)	2,458,060 (20.5)
4	9,589 (20.5)	121,326 (18.3)	294,905 (20.0)	631,854 (21.3)	947,742 (21.4)	490,899 (20.6)	7,797 (15.1)	2,504,112 (20.8)
5 (highest)	8,194 (17.5)	102,309 (15.5)	264,254 (17.9)	617,078 (20.8)	1,006,194 (22.8)	483,467 (20.3)	7,648 (14.8)	2,489,144 (20.7)
Missing	246 (0.5)	1,880 (0.3)	3,563 (0.2)	7,707 (0.3)	11,045 (0.2)	5,847 (0.2)	121 (0.2)	30,409 (0.3)
Material Deprivation	n quintile							
1 (least deprived)	10,154 (21.7)	110,985 (16.8)	281,815 (19.1)	687,175 (23.2)	1,184,049 (26.8)	577,501 (24.2)	10,814 (20.9)	79,839 (0.7)
2	8,765 (18.7)	123,833 (18.7)	301,672 (20.4)	646,076 (21.8)	980,348 (22.2)	511,812 (21.4)	8,416 (16.3)	2,862,493 (23.8)
3	8,331 (17.8)	124,415 (18.8)	296,005 (20.0)	568,649 (19.2)	826,842 (18.7)	453,413 (19.0)	9,163 (17.7)	2,580,922 (21.5)
4	8,651 (18.5)	134,756 (20.4)	290,618 (19.7)	528,426 (17.8)	721,805 (16.3)	421,322 (17.7)	9,757 (18.9)	2,286,818 (19.0)
5 (most deprived)	9,446 (20.2)	160,018 (24.2)	295,382 (20.0)	512,930 (17.3)	684,187 (15.5)	411,430 (17.2)	13,221 (25.6)	2,115,335 (17.6)
Missing	1,400 (3.0)	7,754 (1.2)	11,224 (0.8)	23,038 (0.8)	25,255 (0.6)	10,871 (0.5)	297 (0.6)	2,086,614 (17.4)
Ethnic Diversity quin	itile							
1 (least diverse)	7,156 (15.3)	115,340 (17.4)	292,122 (19.8)	552,978 (18.6)	558,944 (12.6)	186,743 (7.8)	4,143 (8.0)	79,839 (0.7)
2	7,169 (15.3)	116,771 (17.6)	285,005 (19.3)	576,798 (19.4)	682,543 (15.4)	256,267 (10.7)	4,099 (7.9)	1,717,426 (14.3)
3	8,341 (17.8)	109,844 (16.6)	250,549 (17.0)	559,715 (18.9)	823,205 (18.6)	385,319 (16.1)	7,750 (15.0)	1,928,652 (16.1)
4	10,814 (23.1)	126,308 (19.1)	259,401 (17.6)	578,766 (19.5)	1,017,812 (23.0)	567,822 (23.8)	12,563 (24.3)	2,144,723 (17.9)
5 (most diverse)	11,867 (25.4)	185,744 (28.1)	378,415 (25.6)	674,999 (22.8)	1,314,727 (29.7)	979,327 (41.0)	22,816 (44.2)	2,573,486 (21.4)

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Missing	1,400 (3.0)	7,754 (1.2)	11,224 (0.8)	23,038 (0.8)	25,255 (0.6)	10,871 (0.5)	297 (0.6)	3,567,895 (29.7)
Recent Registrant (<	10 years)							
Yes	2,837 (6.1)	64,105 (9.7)	133,551 (9.0)	218,543 (7.4)	385,788 (8.7)	252,241 (10.6)	6,906 (13.4)	1,063,971 (8.9)
No	40,843 (87.4)	535,101 (80.9)	1,190,507 (80.6)	2,433,106 (82.0)	3,595,887 (81.3)	1,929,755 (80.9)	40,066 (77.5)	9,765,265 (81.3)
Missing	3,067 (6.6)	62,555 (9.5)	152,658 (10.3)	314,645 (10.6)	440,811 (10.0)	204,353 (8.6)	4,696 (9.1)	1,182,785 (9.8)
Morbidity (Resource	Utilization Band)							
0 (non-user)	3,042 (6.5)	53,011 (8.0)	116,461 (7.9)	249,471 (8.4)	360,035 (8.1)	194,220 (8.1)	3,361 (6.5)	979,601 (8.2)
1	2,626 (5.6)	44,215 (6.7)	96,865 (6.6)	188,203 (6.3)	265,028 (6.0)	137,891 (5.8)	3,150 (6.1)	737,978 (6.1)
2	9,685 (20.7)	142,365 (21.5)	318,821 (21.6)	629,548 (21.2)	918,005 (20.8)	480,722 (20.1)	10,875 (21.0)	2,510,021 (20.9)
3	22,524 (48.2)	308,709 (46.6)	683,961 (46.3)	1,368,890 (46.1)	2,085,460 (47.2)	1,148,901 (48.1)	25,066 (48.5)	5,643,511 (47.0)
4	5,898 (12.6)	80,837 (12.2)	186,546 (12.6)	380,537 (12.8)	579,236 (13.1)	312,847 (13.1)	6,868 (13.3)	1,552,769 (12.9)
5 (highest user)	2,972 (6.4)	32,624 (4.9)	74,062 (5.0)	149,645 (5.0)	214,722 (4.9)	111,768 (4.7)	2,348 (4.5)	588,141 (4.9)
Co-Morbidity (Adjust	ted Diagnoses Groun	ρs)						
0	3,058 (6.5)	53,201 (8.0)	116,978 (7.9)	250,775 (8.5)	361,757 (8.2)	194,831 (8.2)	3,366 (6.5)	983,966 (8.2)
1-4	24,958 (53.4)	337,144 (50.9)	753,137 (51.0)	1,488,427 (50.2)	2,161,033 (48.9)	1,136,125 (47.6)	25,142 (48.7)	5,925,966 (49.3)
5-9	14,917 (31.9)	220,459 (33.3)	493,326 (33.4)	999,668 (33.7)	1,540,214 (34.8)	849,104 (35.6)	18,600 (36.0)	4,136,288 (34.4)
<u>≥</u> 10	3,814 (8.2)	50,957 (7.7)	113,275 (7.7)	227,424 (7.7)	359,482 (8.1)	206,289 (8.6)	4,560 (8.8)	965,801 (8.0)
Chronic Conditions								
Hypertension	13,146 (28.1)	161,768 (24.4)	350,579 (23.7)	676,513 (22.8)	972,746 (22.0)	525,617 (22.0)	10,873 (21.0)	2,711,242 (22.6)
DM	6,821 (14.6)	82,520 (12.5)	175,651 (11.9)	330,527 (11.1)	478,984 (10.8)	273,799 (11.5)	5,977 (11.6)	1,354,279 (11.3)
CHF	1,978 (4.2)	13,945 (2.1)	31,544 (2.1)	59,835 (2.0)	79,818 (1.8)	39,321 (1.6)	820 (1.6)	227,261 (1.9)
AMI	714 (1.5)	8,019 (1.2)	17,897 (1.2)	34,266 (1.2)	44,602 (1.0)	21,978 (0.9)	401 (0.8)	127,877 (1.1)
Asthma	7,405 (15.8)	102,415 (15.5)	226,508 (15.3)	452,736 (15.3)	690,691 (15.6)	375,572 (15.7)	8,202 (15.9)	1,863,529 (15.5)
COPD	3,865 (8.3)	48,970 (7.4)	111,406 (7.5)	210,552 (7.1)	266,783 (6.0)	131,864 (5.5)	2,725 (5.3)	776,165 (6.5)
Mental health	11,249 (24.1)	131,914 (19.9)	302,105 (20.5)	611,709 (20.6)	946,647 (21.4)	515,357 (21.6)	12,559 (24.3)	2,531,540 (21.1)
Rurality								· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Big cities	20,502 (43.9)	261,133 (39.5)	513,917 (34.8)	1,065,398 (35.9)	1,951,424 (44.1)	1,196,905 (50.2)	32,308 (62.5)	5,041,587 (42.0)
Small cities	13,519 (28.9)	201,308 (30.4)	421,487 (28.5)	907,415 (30.6)	1,485,352 (33.6)	833,369 (34.9)	12,408 (24.0)	3,874,858 (32.3)
Small towns	7,545 (16.1)	148,806 (22.5)	389,245 (26.4)	727,505 (24.5)	746,817 (16.9)	279,701 (11.7)	3,510 (6.8)	2,303,129 (19.2)
Rural	5,181 (11.1)	50,514 (7.6)	152,067 (10.3)	265,976 (9.0)	238,893 (5.4)	76,374 (3.2)	3,442 (6.7)	792,447 (6.6)

eAppendix 11. Health Service Utilization of Patients Attached to Comprehensive Family Physicians Stratified by the Attached Physician's Percent of Care Provided Virtually, between February 1 and October 2021, in Ontario Canada.

Physician % Virtual Care	0%	>0-20%	>20-40%	>40-60%	>60-80%	>80-<100%	100%	Total
No. Patients	N=46,747	N=661,761	N=1,476,716	N=2,966,294	N=4,422,486	N=2,386,349	N=51,668	N=12,125,959
Primary Care Services								
Any primary care visit, n (%)	26,862 (57.5)	411,991 (62.3)	921,775 (62.4)	1,858,118 (62.6)	2,855,323 (64.6)	1,569,605 (65.8)	32,277 (62.5)	7,675,951 (63.9)
Number of primary care visits per patient, mean ± SD	2.3 ± 4.0	2.4 ± 3.9	2.4 ± 3.8	2.3 ± 3.6	2.6 ± 3.8	2.9 ± 4.2	2.8 ± 4.5	2.5 ± 3.9
Percent of visits with usual family physician ^a , mean ± SD	53.3 ± 45.2	67.7 ± 39.8	70.3 ± 38.1	71.7 ± 36.8	71.8 ± 36.6	68.2 ± 38.8	40.0 ± 43.0	70.4 ± 37.6
Other Health Care Use								
Any specialist visits, n (%)	18,601 (39.8)	249,150 (37.6)	563,324 (38.1)	1,150,948 (38.8)	1,763,140 (39.9)	959,637 (40.2)	20,368 (39.4)	4,725,168 (39.3)
Ambulatory care-sensitive condition visits, n (%)	164 (0.4)	1,734 (0.3)	3,675 (0.2)	6,968 (0.2)	9,030 (0.2)	4,393 (0.2)	91 (0.2)	26,055 (0.2)
Emergency Department Utilizat	ion, February to Oc	tober 2019/2021						
Total visits per 1,000, 2021, mean ± SD ^b	348.0 ± 1204.0	287.2 ± 981.7	282.4 ± 1005.9	274.7 ± 893.5	248.9 ± 810.0	238.0 ± 780.5	262.1 ± 972.0	259.8 ± 864.4
Total visits per 1,000, 2019, mean ± SD ^b	387.9 ± 1293.1	335.5 ± 1023.4	330.3 ± 959.2	317.4 ± 945.7	284.1 ± 911.7	268.7 ± 828.6	282.2 ± 853.4	298.4 ± 920.0
Absolute difference 2021 vs	-39.9 (-54.3, -	-48.3 (-51.8, -	-47.9 (-50.2, -	-42.7 (-44.2, -	-35.2 (-36.4, -	-30.8 (-32.3, -	-20.0 (-30.2, -	-38.6 (-39.3, -
2019 (95% CI)	25.6)	44.9)	45.6)	41.2)	34.0)	29.3)	9.9)	37.9)
Percent change 2021 vs 2019	-10.3 (-13.8, -	-14.4 (-15.4, -	-14.5 (-15.2, -	-13.5 (-13.9, -	-12.4 (-12.8, -	-11.5 (-12.0, -	-7.1 (-10.7, -	-12.9 (-13.2, -
(95% CI)	6.8)	13.4)	13.9)	13.0)	12.0)	10.9)	3.5)	12.7)

^a Among patients with 2 or more visits between February and October 2021

Abbreviations: SD, standard deviation; CI, confidence interval

^bThis includes only patients whose attached physicians had claims in both 2021 and 2019.