

**Table A** Distribution of emergency admission by social factors and admission period for colorectal cancer patients (1 April 1999-31 March 2006) [posted as supplied by author]

Variable	Number of emergency admissions (% of total admissions)							Total emergency admissions	Total admissions *
	1 Apr 1999 – 31 Mar 2000	1 Apr 2000 – 31 Mar 2001	1 Apr 2001 – 31 Mar 2002	1 Apr 2002 – 31 Mar 2003	1 Apr 2003 – 31 Mar 2004	1 Apr 2004 – 31 Mar 2005	1 Apr 2005 – 31 Mar 2006		
Gender									
Men	4943 (31.4%)	4485 (30.0%)	4309 (30.4%)	4266 (30.1%)	4378 (30.3%)	4411 (30.8%)	4141 (27.7%)	30 933 (30.1%)	102 772
Women	4756 (36.3%)	4357 (35.5%)	4159 (35.5%)	4116 (35.2%)	4087 (35.1%)	4264 (36.2%)	4012 (33.5%)	29 751 (35.3%)	84 205
IMD Fifth									
IMD Q1 (Most Deprived)	2244 (39.7%)	1909 (36.7%)	1866 (38.2%)	1817 (38.0%)	1767 (37.8%)	1769 (38.8%)	1654 (35.7%)	13 026 (37.9%)	34 404
IMD Q2	1976 (34.4%)	1827 (34.0%)	1726 (34.3%)	1783 (35.2%)	1747 (34.6%)	1812 (35.3%)	1651 (32.6%)	12 522 (34.3%)	36 470
IMD Q3	1997 (32.6%)	1827 (32.4%)	1785 (32.6%)	1713 (31.8%)	1726 (31.5%)	1837 (33.4%)	1701 (29.9%)	12 586 (32.0%)	39 309
IMD Q4	1849 (31.0%)	1741 (30.5%)	1663 (30.0%)	1612 (29.0%)	1673 (30.1%)	1739 (31.1%)	1584 (27.2%)	11 861 (29.8%)	39 753
IMD Q5 (Least Deprived)	1633 (30.4%)	1538 (29.1%)	1428 (28.9%)	1457 (28.7%)	1552 (29.3%)	1518 (28.5%)	1563 (27.3%)	10 689 (28.9%)	37 041
Age Group									
50-59	926 (24.3%)	894 (24.4%)	883 (25.3%)	827 (23.7%)	844 (24.5%)	831 (24.4%)	897 (24.3%)	6102 (24.4%)	25 002
60-69	1976 (26.0%)	1717 (25.0%)	1608 (24.8%)	1620 (25.2%)	1672 (25.6%)	1696 (26.3%)	1602 (23.7%)	11 891 (25.2%)	47 149
70-79	3495 (32.4%)	3091 (30.6%)	2909 (31.2%)	2814 (30.6%)	2790 (29.8%)	2889 (31.0%)	2599 (27.3%)	20 587 (30.4%)	67 625
80-89	2763 (47.0%)	2582 (45.2%)	2527 (43.9%)	2605 (43.8%)	2587 (43.9%)	2660 (44.1%)	2511 (41.3%)	18 235 (44.2%)	41 299
90+	539 (68.3%)	558 (65.3%)	541 (65.1%)	516 (63.9%)	572 (67.2%)	599 (66.1%)	544 (63.0%)	3869 (65.6%)	5902
Total emergency admissions	9699 (33.6%)	8842 (32.5%)	8468 (32.7%)	8382 (32.4%)	8465 (32.5%)	8675 (33.2%)	8153 (30.3%)	60 684 (32.5%)	
Total admissions*	28 859	27 223	25 892	25 862	26 086	26 123	26 932		186 977