



January 11, 2024

TO: Area Directors
Area Statistical Officers
Area Planning Officers

FROM: Chief Medical Officer

SUBJECT: User Population Estimates — Fiscal Year 2023

The fiscal year (FY) 2023 user population estimates are included in the attached tables. The FY 2023 user population estimates are the result of collaborative efforts with Tribes to reconcile and validate data. Following Tribal Consultation and Area review, the Indian Health Service (IHS) releases these estimates.

The statistical concept used by IHS staff to produce the estimates is the same as in prior years. That concept is an unduplicated count, by the residence, of Indian registrants who have had direct encounters with, or contracted for, IHS inpatient, ambulatory (outpatient), or dental services during the past three years. Attached are tables containing the final user population estimates, the data used to develop them, and a detailed description of each column.

Since the Tribal Leader letter of December 10, 2003, user counts are based on registration and encounter data received in the National Patient Information Reporting System (NPIRS) repositories. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Kirk Greenway, Director of the Division of Program Statistics, by telephone at (301) 443-1180 or by e-mail at kirk.greenway@ihs.gov.

I want to thank everyone who contributed to developing the user population estimates, particularly the NPIRS staff, for their assistance in resolving technical problems at several sites. Your dedication to American Indian and Alaska Native health care is much appreciated.

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Attachments: FY 2023 User Population Information
Table Columns in the FY 2023 User Population Table

Description of the Table Columns in the FY 2023 IHS User Population Service Unit Tables

Column 1, Indian Registrants —

The column is the total count of Indian registrants in the Indian Health Service (IHS) National Patient Information Reporting System (NPIRS) Patient Registration database as of September 30, 2023. Their service unit of residence was used to tabulate the registrants.

A registrant is “Indian” if (1) the Tribe Code is designated as “Indian,” or (2) the Tribal designation is “unspecified,” and - the classification or the Indian blood quantum code is “Indian.”

Column 2, Active Indian Registrants —

The column contains the total count of Indian registrants in the NPIRS database who had at least one direct or contract inpatient stay, ambulatory care visit, or dental visit between October 1, 2020, and September 30, 2023.

Column 3, Indian User Population Estimate —

Here, in this column is, in most cases, the same as the number of Active Indian Registrants shown in Column 2. This count is not always the same as a list of members of a Tribe. This is because members must be seen in the past three years at an IHS or Tribal health facility and have at least one workload reportable encounter documented and electronically sent into the National Data Warehouse in one of the three standard formats (HL7, ASD, or Structured Delimited) from an electronic medical records system. Only three exceptions to this rule exist: (1) there was a negotiated figure for a Tribe that has been receiving services from the IHS for less than three years, (2) a minor technical issue resulted in miscalculation and was corrected, or (3) where county splits, community additions to service units negotiated in advance with the Tribes concerned are calculated by the Area Office and added to the table.

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	<u>FY 2023 Indian Registrants</u>	<u>FY 2023 Active Indian Registrants</u>	<u>FY 2023 Indian User Population Estimates</u>
All Areas	3,132,621	1,646,070	1,648,603
Alaska	243,349	160,646	160,646
Albuquerque	187,996	80,025	80,025
Bemidji	197,161	101,613	101,603
Billings	151,544	69,814	69,977
California	194,764	84,425	84,647
Great Plains	253,925	130,845	131,051
Nashville	96,656	58,831	58,831
Navajo	398,303	224,897	224,905
Oklahoma	750,994	420,385	420,385
Phoenix	359,604	178,750	178,750
Portland	238,118	109,527	111,471
Tucson	60,207	26,312	26,312

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Alaska Area - Total	243,349	160,646	160,646
Anchorage*	112,540	71,339	71,339
Annette Is. Ind. Res.*	1,664	1,357	1,357
Barrow*	7,295	4,769	4,769
Bristol Bay Area*	8,072	5,182	5,182
Interior Alaska*	28,193	15,998	15,998
Kotzebue*	11,001	7,583	7,583
Mount Edgecumbe*	23,777	16,293	16,293
Norton Sound*	11,992	8,703	8,703
Yukon-Kuskokwim-Delta*	38,815	29,422	29,422

*Tribally Operated Service Unit

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Albuquerque Area - Total	187,996	80,025	80,025
Albuquerque	86,715	28,871	28,871
Acoma-Canoncito-Laguna	20,053	9,804	9,804
Mescalero	8,327	5,036	5,036
Santa Fe	28,617	13,493	13,493
Zuni-Ramah	17,667	10,678	10,678
Southern Colorado	13,267	4,711	4,711
Ysleta Del Sur *	3,284	1,785	1,785
Jicarilla	5,633	3,570	3,570
Taos-Picuris	4,433	2,077	2,077

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Bemidji Area - Total	197,161	101,613	101,603
Central Wisconsin*	44,926	23,690	23,690
Eastern Michigan*	48,457	25,325	25,277 1/2/
Fond du Lac*	11,908	6,733	6,733
Grand Portage*	800	406	406
Greater Leech Lake	18,811	10,567	10,567
Mille Lacs*	5,540	2,756	2,756
Minnesota River*	4,373	58	58
Nett Lake*	3,296	1,569	1,569
Nicolet*	10,282	3,758	3,758
NW Wisconsin*	16,197	8,473	8,473 3/
Red Lake	11,649	7,618	7,618
Western Michigan*	6,009	2,598	2,636 4/
White Earth	14,913	8,062	8,062

*Tribally Operated Service Unit

1/ Adjusted because of an agreed-upon percentage split of Delta County which is shared between two Eastern Michigan Service Unit Tribes (Sault Ste Marie and Little Traverse) and one Western Michigan Service Unit Tribe (Hannahville). Delta County is divided between the two service units by community in the UP1 and UP3 Tables. The three affected tribes receive credit for active users in Delta County regardless of which service unit their community of residence falls in. Eastern Michigan Service Unit tribes Little Traverse and Sault Ste Marie received credit for 34 (3.9%) and 724 (82.8%) of the active users in Delta County, respectively. The Western Michigan Service Unit Tribe, Hannahville, received credit for 116 (13.3%) of the active users in Delta county. This percent split resulted in 38 active users being moved from the Eastern Michigan Service Unit to the Western Michigan Service Unit.

2/ Subtract 9 for Huntington County, IN (1835), which is not in the Service Unit; subtract 1 for Michigan Unknown residents(2686). Subtract 38 from Eastern Michigan SU and add to Western Michigan SU for Delta County - see footnote 1/ above. These changes results in a -82 change to the estimate.

3/ Subtract 0 for 2636 Iron County, MI, which is outside the NW Wisconsin Service Unit.

4/ Add 38 to Delta County because of a county split between Eastern and Western Michigan Service Unit Tribes - see footnotes 1/ and 2/ above.

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	<u>FY 2023 Indian Registrants</u>	<u>FY 2023 Active Indian Registrants</u>	<u>FY 2023 Indian User Population Estimates</u>
Billings Area - Total	151,544	69,814	69,977
Blackfeet	21,001	10,812	10,812
Crow	27,822	11,897	11,897
Flathead*	25,593	9,939	9,939
Fort Belknap	8,904	4,636	4,636
Fort Peck	18,514	8,172	8,172
Little Shell Chippewa	5,548	1,714	1,877
Northern Cheyenne	12,839	5,840	5,840
Rocky Boy's*	8,994	5,019	5,019
Wind River	22,329	11,785	11,785

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California Area - Total	194,764	84,425	84,647
Agua Caliente* (1)(2)	█	█	78
Cabazon*	24	█	█
Central Valley I.H.P.*	15,346	8,011	8,011
Chapa De I.H.P.*	11,353	5,309	5,309
Chicken Ranch*	39	19	19
Colusa T.H.P. *	289	96	96
Consolidated T.H.P. *	5,610	2,834	2,834
Desert Sage	-	-	0
Feather River Tribal Health *	9,271	4,787	4,787
Greenville *	3,011	838	838
Hoopa Health Association *	4,854	2,839	2,839
Indian Health Council *	10,907	4,830	4,830
Koi Nation* (1) (2)	-	-	75
Karuk T.H.P. *	4,374	1,957	1,957
Lake County I.H.P. *	4,468	2,894	2,894
MACT Health Board *	3,635	1,947	1,947
Modoc I.H.P. *	532	163	163
Northern Valley I.H., Inc. *	6,726	3,453	3,453
Paskenta* (2)	-	-	75
Pit River I.H. Consort. *	1,719	917	917
Quartz Valley *	412	252	252
Redding Rancheria I.H.P. *	8,339	3,952	3,952
Riverside-San Bernardino *	39,515	12,362	12,362
Round Valley I.H.P. *	1,661	1,095	1,095
Rural IHB	-	-	0
Santa Ynez I.H.P. *	2,482	1,130	1,130
Shingle Springs *	2,594	1,185	1,185
Sonoma County I.H.P. *	10,315	4,645	4,645
Southern I.H.P. *	6,128	1,942	1,942
Susanville Indian Ranch	1,784	572	572
Sycuan Medical Center *	180	60	60
Table Mountain*	138	█	█
Tejon Indian Tribe* (1)	4,334	293	293
Toiyabe I.H.P. *	5,892	2,954	2,954
Tule River I.H.P. *	7,063	2,172	2,172
Tuolumne Rural I.H.P. *	183	151	151
UIHS-Tsurai *	16,553	9,155	9,155
Warner Mountain *	294	84	84
Wilton Rancheria * (1)	4,731	1,512	1,512

*Tribally Operated Service Unit

(1) Designated Service Delivery Area

(2) Tribe New to IHS, figure represents negotiated amount

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Great Plains Area - Total	253,925	130,845	131,051
Cheyenne River	15,341	8,943	8,943
Crow Creek	9,007	4,472	4,472
Flandreau*	4,315	1,511	1,511
Three Affiliated Tribes (Fort Berthold)*	16,050	7,849	7,849
Lower Brule	3,623	1,993	1,993
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska*	9,711	4,882	4,882
Omaha*	7,025	3,253	3,253
Pine Ridge	39,301	21,576	21,576
Rapid City	32,951	16,222	16,222
Rosebud	23,626	12,358	12,358
Sac and Fox*	3,704	2,075	2,075
Santee*	2,535	1,295	1,295
Sisseton-Wahpeton	13,809	6,806	6,806
Spirit Lake*	10,319	5,196	5,196
Standing Rock	18,007	8,421	8,421
Trenton*	3,467	1,789	1,995 1/
Turtle Mountain	22,882	13,319	13,319
Winnebago*	11,211	5,075	5,075
Yankton	7,041	3,810	3,810

*Tribally Operated Service Unit

1/ Users added (+206) to the following counties of Montana in Billings Area per agreement with Tribe and Billings Area office following statistics produced in the User Pop Trenton Crossover Report for FY 2023:

- Richland (+88)
- Roosevelt (+83)
- Sheridan (+35)

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Nashville Area - Total	96,656	58,831	58,831
Alabama-Coushatta*	1,352	757	757
Catawba	3,851	1,938	1,938
Cayuga*	148	87	87
Cherokee*	18,100	12,133	12,133
Chitimacha*	788	591	591
Choctaw*	14,384	10,211	10,211
Coushatta*	736	477	477
Manlius (Onondaga)	1,319	492	492
Houlton Band*	849	486	486
Jena Band*	289	167	167
Lockport	943	343	343
Mashpee Wampanoag	2,352	1286	1,286
Miccosukee*	1,017	763	763
Micmac*	963	459	459
Mohegan*	2,221	1,194	1,194 1/
Narragansett*	1,783	646	646
Oneida*	3,533	1,377	1,377
Pass. Indian Township*	1,158	848	848
Pass. Pleasant Point*	1,466	935	935
Penobscot*	2,117	1,421	1,421
Pequot*	1,666	706	706
Poarch*	4,187	2,041	2,041
Richmond (1)	1,479	686	686
Upper Mattaponi*(1)	166	129	129
Shinnecock (1)	577	158	158
Seminole*	9,880	5,723	5,723
Seneca*	8,221	6,420	6,420
St. Regis Mohawk*	10,074	5,876	5,876
Tunica-Biloxi*	517	242	242
Wampanoag*	520	239	239

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(1) Federally Recognized Tribe new to IHS.

Note: In most cases the Active Indian Registrant count is the User Population.

1/ Added 1 for county 0999 Connecticut Unknown in Service Unit 5800

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Navajo Area - Total	398,303	224,897	224,905
Chinle	51,813	30,653	30,653
Crownpoint	29,328	16,620	16,620
Fort Defiance*	45,712	24,438	24,438
Gallup	71,369	40,788	40,788
Kayenta**	31,868	17,048	17,055 1/
Shiprock**	78,735	45,462	45,463 2/
Tuba City*	59,754	32,793	32,793
Winslow*	29,724	17,095	17,095

*Tribally Operated Service Unit

1/ Added (+7) from Utah Navajo for Lake Powell

2/ Added (+1) from Utah Navajo for Ismay

** Kayenta appears on two pages (pages 64 and 66) of the 12/06/2023 FY 2023 UP1 report.

** Shiprock appears on two pages (pages 64 and 66) of the 12/06/2023 FY 2023 UP1 report.

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Oklahoma Area - Total	750,994	420,385	420,385
Ada*	77,019	51,117	51,117
Claremore** ¹	235,401	126,891	126,891
Clinton	26,965	13,913	13,913
Eagle Pass*	1,422	997	997
Haskell	20,064	5,666	5,666
Holton*	5,670	2,864	2,864
Lawton	46,912	24,190	24,190
Pawnee** ²	35,851	16,683	16,683
Shawnee** ³	96,343	53,086	53,086
Tahlequah*	115,364	70,588	70,588
Talihina*	72,835	45,032	45,032
Wewoka	17,148	9,358	9,358

The following footnote for Service Unit as being designated as Federal, Tribal or Combination.

- Federal Service Unit unless otherwise noted

*Tribally designated service Unit

**Combination service units:

¹ Claremore (Federal: Claremore, Tribal: Northeastern Tribal HC, CN Cooweescoowee, CN Vinita, CN Jay, CN Nowata, CN Salina, Council Oaks, Jenks Riverwalk, Okmulgee, Koweta, Sapulpa, Okemah, Indian Health Care Resource Center)

² Pawnee (Federal: Pawnee, Tribal: Kanza HC, White Eagle HC, WahZhaZhi HC)

³ Shawnee (Tribal: ASTHA Little Axe HC, ASTHS Shawnee Clinic, ASTHS Plus Care, Blackhawk HC, Citizen Potawatomi HC and CPN West, Kickapoo Health Center, Perkins Family Clinic, Oklahoma City Indian Clinic and OKCIC 1044 Southwest Tower)

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Phoenix Area - Total	359,604	178,750	178,750
Colorado River	16,851	8,857	8,857
Duck Valley*	2,398	901	901
Elko (1)	5,141	2,530	2,530
Fort Yuma	8,267	4,537	4,537
Keams Canyon	10,526	6,033	6,033
Phoenix	169,719	77,060	77,060
Gila River HCC*	58,777	36,175	36,175
Paiute Tribe-Utah	2,579	1,530	1,530
San Carlos*	18,591	12,833	12,833
Schurz*	33,555	7,860	7,860
Uintah-Ouray	8,404	3,772	3,772
Whiteriver	24,796	16,662	16,662

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(1) Elko appears on two pages (pages 48 and 53) of the 12/06/2023 FY 2023 UP1 report.

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Portland Area - Total	238,118	109,527	111,471
Coeur d'Alene *	16,532	7,306	7,306
Colville *	13,015	6,022	6,022
Fort Hall *	12,239	5,810	5,810
Klamath *	6,059	3,062	3,062
Neah Bay *	7,767	4,303	4,303
Northern Idaho *	7,987	4,222	4,222
Northwest Washington *	15,031	8,098	8,098
NW Band of Shoshone Provisional***	599	41	41
Puget Sound *	35,812	16,380	16,380
Puyallup *	25,325	11,343	11,343
Southern Oregon *	10,123	3,931	3,931
Taholah *	7,886	3,522	3,522
Umatilla *	6,082	3,381	3,381
Warm Springs **	10,655	5,294	5,294
Wellpinit *	6,045	2,698	2,698
Western Oregon *	33,760	12,604	12,604
Yakama *	23,201	11,510	11,510
Unassigned Counties	X	-	1,944 1/

* Tribally Operated Service Unit

** Warm Springs appears on two pages (p.61, 63) of the 12/06/2023 FY 2023 UP1 report.

*** Provisional Federal Service Unit

1/ See pages 59 and 60 of UP1 Report 12/06/2023. Unassigned CHSDA Counties to a Service Unit: Cowlitz Tribe Unassigned SU's: Cowlitz Tribe. Based upon workload, Cowlitz will get all users from established CHSDA in the counties of Clark, WA (+800), Columbia, OR (+159), Cowlitz, WA (+893), Kittitas, WA (+69), Wahkiakum, WA (+23). Grand Total Unassigned Counties 1,944.

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Portland Area Level Internal Reallocation of Users by Tribal Health Program

<u>Tribal Health Program</u>	PAIHS FY 2023 USER POPULATION	<u>Tribal Health Program - Continued</u>	PAIHS FY 2023 USER POPULATION
Burns Paiute	101	Port Gamble	1,427
Chehalis	1,894	Puyallup	7,377
Coeur d'Alene	6,970	Quileute	560
Colville	6,778	Quinault	2,041
Coos, Lower Umpqua, Siuslaw	672	Samish	688
Coquille	1,241	Sauk-Suiattle	18
Cow Creek	2,230	Shoalwater Bay	383
Cowlitz	4,775	Shoshone Bannock	5,810
Grand Ronde	4,933	Siletz	5,451
Hoh	21	Skokomish	754
Jamestown S'Klallam	436	Snoqualmie	358
Kalispel	682	Spokane	1,642
Klamath	2,933	Squaxin Island	950
Kootenai	166	Stillaguamish	57
Lower Elwha	893	Suquamish	475
Lummi	4,546	Swinomish	1,296
Makah	2,442	Tulalip	5,100
Muckleshoot	5,880	Umatilla	3,381
Nez Perce	4,010	Upper Skagit	600
Nisqually	1,629	Warm Springs	5,304
Nooksack	1,273	Western Oregon Service Unit	2,022
NW Band of Shoshoni	41	Yakama	11,227

-Table is reflective of Tribal Health Program and not historic Service Unit concept

-Per recommendation of Portland Area Fund Distribution Workgroup, the Portland Area Director has approved the following:

-Due to the Portland Area's unique situation where most Tribal CHSDA's are overlapping, resulting in multiple counties being shared by two or more Tribes, UP is determined through a combination of both Tribal affiliation and workload

- Each Tribe receives as part of its total UP all of its own Tribal members who reside in its CHSDA counties

-AI/AN who are not members of the Tribe(s) whose CHSDA county they reside in are Unaffiliateds. These unaffiliateds are apportioned among the Tribe(s) whose CHSDA includes that county, based on workload data accepted at the NDW

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Tohono O'odham HC*	47,887	17852	17,852
Pascua Yaqui *	12,320	8460	8,460

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