

## **Number of unattached patients - Ontario**

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### **Key Facts from the Health Care Experience Survey (HCES)**

#### **Based on data collected between July 2015 and June 2016**

- The most recent estimate from HCES shows that approximately 10.8 million adults (aged 16 and older) in Ontario have a primary care provider, (i.e. are attached). This represents 94% of all Ontarians and is an increase of 1.7 million since 2003. The most recent HCES data also shows that 2.2 million children in Ontario, or 94.6%, have a primary care provider (are attached).
- Since 2003, the number of Ontarians with a primary care provider (adults 16+ and children) has increased from 11,290,000 to 12,981,000, an increase of approximately 1.7 million people.
- There were approximately 685,000 unattached adults and 126,000 unattached children in Ontario, based on data collected between July 2015 and June 2016. This represented 6 per cent of adults and 5.4 per cent of children.
- Nearly 45% of the unattached population are males ages 16-44 and only 7.1% are seniors (65+).
- Recent immigrants (less than 10 years) and those whose annual income is less than \$20,000 have the highest proportions of unattached individuals, at 15.7 per cent and 10.5 per cent, respectively.
- Of those who wanted to see a primary care provider when they were sick, only 44 per cent were able to see their provider on the same day or next day. This percentage ranged from 22.4 per cent in the North West LHIN to 58.5 per cent in Central West LHIN (see Table 7, pg. 8) in the attached BN.)

### **Attachment by LHIN**

The most recent attachment rates by LHIN ranged from 83.3 per cent in the North West LHIN to 97.0 per cent in the Central East LHIN (Table 5).

## SE LHIN

The chart below shows the most recent estimate for the **SE LHIN** from HCES shows that approximately 392,000 adults (aged 16 and older) in the **SE LHIN** have a primary care provider, (i.e. are attached). **This represents 92.9% of adults in the SE LHN.**

**Table 5: Number and percentage of adults in Ontario who are attached and unattached, by LHIN, with 95% confidence intervals, July 2015 - June 2016**

LHIN	Per cent attached	Number attached	Per cent unattached	Number unattached
ESC	95.0 (92.9 - 97.2)	502,000 (491,000 - 514,000)	5.0 (2.8 - 7.1)	26,000 (15,000 - 38,000)
SW	95.9 (94.4 - 97.5)	771,000 (758,000 - 783,000)	4.1 (2.5 - 5.6)	33,000 (20,000 - 45,000)
WW	95.1 (93.2 - 97)	600,000 (588,000 - 612,000)	4.9 (3.0 - 6.8)	31,000 (19,000 - 43,000)
HNHB	96.0 (94.4 - 97.6)	1,157,000 (1,138,000 - 1,177,000)	4.0 (2.4 - 5.6)	48,000 (28,000 - 68,000)
CW	93.1 (90.6 - 95.6)	684,000 (665,000 - 702,000)	6.9 (4.4 - 9.4)	51,000 (33,000 - 69,000)
MH	95.3 (93.6 - 97)	959,000 (942,000 - 975,000)	4.7 (3.0 - 6.4)	47,000 (31,000 - 64,000)
TC	89.1 (82.8 - 95.4)	950,000 (882,000 - 1,017,000)	10.9 (4.6 - 17.2)	116,000 (49,000 - 184,000)
C	93.5 (91.7 - 95.3)	1,443,000 (1,415,000 - 1,470,000)	6.5 (4.7 - 8.3)	100,000 (72,000 - 127,000)
CE	97.0 (95.8 - 98.3)	1,300,000 (1,284,000 - 1,317,000)	3.0 (1.7 - 4.2)	40,000 (23,000 - 56,000)
<b>SE</b>	<b>92.9</b> <b>(89.6 - 96.3)</b>	<b>392,000</b> <b>(378,000 - 406,000)</b>	<b>7.1</b> <b>(3.7 - 10.4)</b>	<b>30,000</b> <b>(16,000 - 44,000)</b>
CH	93.2 (91.0 - 95.4)	1,020,000 (996,000 - 1,044,000)	6.8 (4.6 - 9)	74,000 (50,000 - 98,000)
NSM	95.4 (93.3 - 97.4)	383,000 (375,000 - 391,000)	4.6 (2.6 - 6.7)	19,000 (10,000 - 27,000)
NE	92.1 (89.9 - 94.2)	437,000 (427,000 - 447,000)	7.9 (5.8 - 10.1)	38,000 (27,000 - 48,000)
NW	83.3 (78.2 - 88.3)	161,000 (151,000 - 171,000)	16.7 (11.7 - 21.8)	32,000 (23,000 - 42,000)