AMERICAN ACADEMY OF DERMATOLOGY SKIN DISEASE BRIEFS



Hair and nail disorders by the numbers

Hair and nail disorders are among 24 skin diseases or disease categories examined in the Burden of Skin Disease report commissioned by the American Academy of Dermatology. The report examined prevalence, economic burdens, and mortality for skin disease in the U.S. using 2013 health care claims data drawn from insurance enrollment and claims databases and found that:

- **84.5 million** Americans one in four saw a physician for skin disease; 50% of them are over 65 and have an average of 2.2 skin conditions.
- Skin disease **cost the U.S. healthcare system <u>\$75 billion</u>** in medical, preventative, and prescription and non-prescription drug costs.
- One in three Americans with skin disease were seen by a dermatologist, who collaborate with other physicians throughout the health care system in caring for these patients.

In 2013, nearly 8 million Americans sought medical treatment for hair and nail disorders, a group of conditions that includes alopecia, telogen effluvium, hirsutism, and hair and nail anomalies. These conditions:

- Primarily affected adults, especially <u>seniors over age 65</u>.
- Resulted in \$986 million in medical costs.
- Led to lost productivity costs of \$385 million, similar to nonmelanoma skin cancer or acne.

The charts that follow provide topline data on how hair and nail disorders contribute to the overall burden of skin disease.

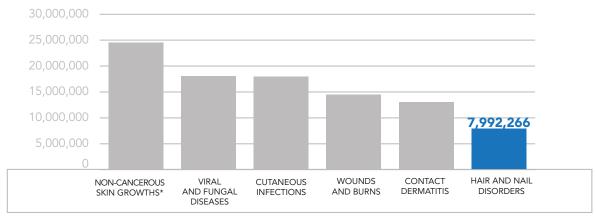
The full report includes data on prescription and non-prescription drug costs, and how age and insurance status and provider relate to the burden associated with hair and nail disorders and skin disease broadly. To purchase the report visit www.aad.org/BSD.

Prevalance

NUMBER OF CARED-FOR INDIVIDUALS

HAIR AND NAIL DISORDERS

OTHER SKIN DISEASES

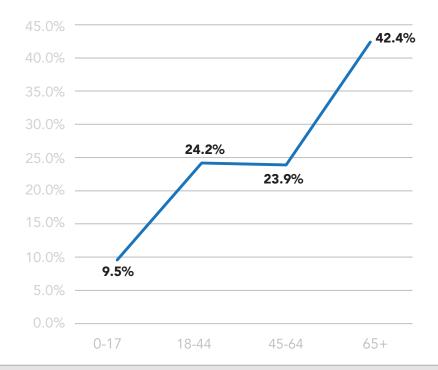


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HAIR AND NAIL DISORDER PATIENTS BY AGE*

HAIR AND NAIL DISORDERS

OTHER SKIN DISEASES



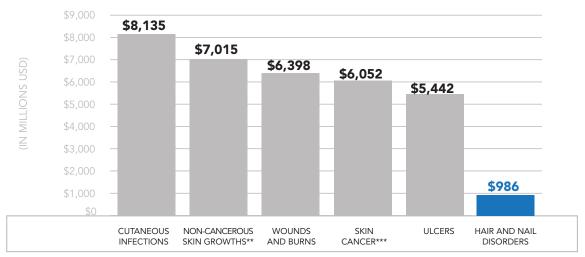
^{*}Percentage of hair and nail disorder patients seen by a physician by age group.

Cost

TOTAL MEDICAL COST*

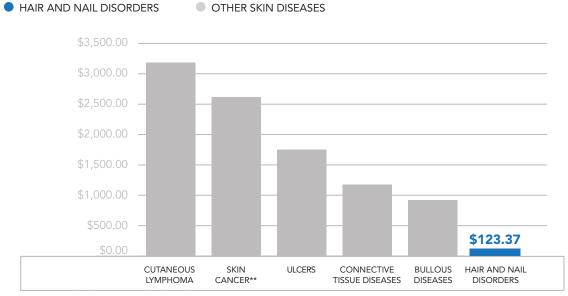
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^{*}In millions of dollars compared to most costly skin diseases.

COST OF SKIN DISEASE PER AFFECTED PERSON*



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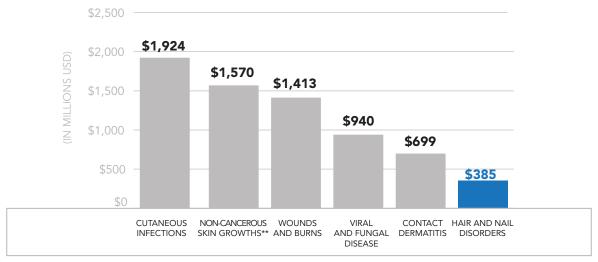
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Life Impact

LOST PRODUCTIVITY (OPPORTUNITY COST)*

HAIR AND NAIL DISORDERS
OTHER SKIN DISEASES



^{*}Time lost by patients and/or caregivers multiplied by average wages in 2013 (\$192/day); In millions of dollars compared with skin diseases leading to the most loss of productivity.

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