

Table 6.2: Utilization of Hospital Inpatient and Nursing Home Care^{1,2}

Utilization History	Total (N=1002)	Age Group			Disability Level		
		65-74 (N=388)	75-84 (N=311)	85+ (N=303)	Moderate ³ (N=343)	ADL Difficulty	
						Receives No Help (N=478)	Receives Help (N=181)
Have you stayed overnight in a hospital during the past 12 months? Yes (%)	27.0	25.2	31.4	20.6	23.5	24.8	40.8
If yes: Median number of days ⁴	6.0	6.0	8.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	8.0
Mean number of days	11.1	10.2	12.0	10.3	7.7	10.4	16.4
Have you stayed in a nursing home during the past 12 months? Yes (%)	1.0	0.4	1.5	1.7	0.1	0.9	3.2
If yes: Median number of days ⁵	21.0	17.5	10.5	30.0	30.0	14.0	30.0
Mean number of days	28.4	17.7	26.3	41.7	30.0	36.7	22.4

(Women's Health and Aging Study, baseline interview, 1992-1995)

¹ All variables have less than 2% missing data. Results are based on non-missing data.

² Descriptive statistics are based on weighted data.

³ No ADL difficulty; disabled in two or more domains (see Chapter 1).

⁴ How many nights did you stay overnight in the hospital during the past 12 months?

⁵ Altogether, how many days did you stay in the nursing home (during the past 12 months)?