



Minnesota Medical Cannabis Dashboard Data

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Patients active in the Registry

The number of patients active in the Medical Cannabis Program Registry has grown steadily since the program launched in 2015.

Year	Total Patients
2015	837
2016	4,017
2017	8,075
2018	14,481
2019	18,249
2020	28,522
2021 (Q1)	32,209

Patient counts in 2020 are artificially inflated due to enrollments not expiring during the COVID-19 pandemic.

New patients versus returning patients

Date	New Patients (approved within 1 year)	Returning Patients (approved more than 1 year)
March 31, 2017	4,734	403
June 30, 2017	5,641	543
Sept. 30, 2017	5,882	1,140
Dec. 31, 2017	6,359	1,716
March 31, 2018	7,155	2,280
June 30, 2018	7,868	2,870
Sept. 30, 2018	8,836	3,371
Dec. 31, 2018	10,038	4,443
March 31, 2019	10,482	5,196
June 30, 2019	11,131	6,071
Sept. 30, 2019	10,951	7,010
Dec. 31, 2019	10,298	7,951
March 31, 2020	10,129	8,946
June 30, 2020	9,890	12,243

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Date	New Patients (approved within 1 year)	Returning Patients (approved more than 1 year)
Sept. 30, 2020	10,160	15,196
Dec. 31, 2020	10,711	17,811
March 31, 2021	11,792	20,417

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Qualifying medical conditions

The top three qualifying medical conditions are intractable pain (56%); post-traumatic stress disorder (26%); and severe and persistent muscle spasms (11%).

Condition	Total Patients
Intractable Pain	18,099
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder	8,352
Severe and Persistent Muscle Spasms	3,396
Cancer	2,259
Chronic Pain	1,787
Autism	1,579
Seizures	878
Inflammatory Bowel Disease, including Crohn's Disease	861
Obstructive Sleep Apnea	744
Glaucoma	205
Terminal Illness	190
HIV/AIDS	186
Tourette Syndrome	175
Alzheimer's Disease	62
ALS	58

Patients can be certified for more than one condition.

Active patients by age and gender

The average age of registered patients across all qualifying medical conditions is 47.8. There are 16,030 patients (49.7%) who self-identify as female, 15,924 patients (49.4%) who self-identify as male, and 255 who prefer to not list a gender.

Age Range	Female	Male	Prefer Not to Answer
0-4	13	21	0
5-17	186	468	0
18-24	671	859	27
25-35	2,736	3,076	85
36-49	4,552	4,749	80
50-64	4,923	4,140	39
65+	2,949	2,611	24

Active patients by race and ethnicity

Race	Medical Cannabis Registry	2019 Census Bureau Estimates*
American Indian Alone	605 (1.9%)	78,955 (1.4%)
Asian Alone	305 (0.9%)	293,261 (5.2%)
Black Alone	1,581 (4.9%)	394,774 (7.0%)
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Alone	26 (0.2%)	5,640 (0.1%)
White Alone	26,805 (83.2%)	4,726,012 (83.8%)
Other	546 (1.7%)	NA
Two or More Races	1,058 (3.3%)	146,630 (2.6%)
Prefer Not to Answer	1,199 (3.7%)	NA
Race Unknown	84 (0.3%)	NA

Hispanic Ethnicity	Medical Cannabis Registry	2019 Census Bureau Estimates*
Yes	1,090 (3.4%)	315,819 (5.6%)
No	30,176 (93.7%)	NA
Unknown/Unsure	176 (0.5%)	NA
Prefer Not to Answer	767 (2.4%)	NA

NOTE: Data collection methods differ between these two sources. In an update to this table on April 22, 2021, OMC added the "Two or More Races" category to better align with the U.S. Census and added "Prefer Not to Answer" and "Race Unknown," which are options within the Registry. OMC also created a separate table for

Hispanic Ethnicity. Registry N=32,209. Census N=5,639,632. *[QuickFacts Minnesota \(www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/MN/RHI125219\)](https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/MN/RHI125219)

Cannabis Patient Center visits

Data reflect the total number of patient visits to a Cannabis Patient Center that resulted in the purchase of medical cannabis products, by month. See locations of [Minnesota's Cannabis Patient Centers \(www.health.state.mn.us/people/cannabis/patients/locations.html\)](http://www.health.state.mn.us/people/cannabis/patients/locations.html).

Month/Year	Total
March 2020	15,222
April 2020	13,865
May 2020	14,421
June 2020	15,156
July 2020	16,039
August 2020	15,538
September 2020	15,786
October 2020	17,082
November 2020	15,515
December 2020	17,387
January 2021	17,345
February 2021	16,706
March 2021	21,020

Where our patients live

The majority of enrolled patients (66%) live in the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

Region	ZIP Codes	Total Patients
St. Paul	55000-55199	8,961
Minneapolis	55300-55599	12,210
Duluth	55600-55899	2,192
Rochester	55900-55999	1,766
Mankato	56000-56199	1,230
Willmar	56200-56299	976
St. Cloud	56300-56399	2,020
Brainerd	56400-56499	1,079
Detroit Lakes	56500-56599	879
Bemidji	56600-56699	566
East Grand Forks	56700-56799	309

About our health care practitioners

Minnesota licensed physicians, advanced practice registered nurses, and physician assistants can certify a patient's qualifying medical condition. They must be enrolled in the Medical Cannabis Registry before certifying a patient's qualifying condition.

Health Care Practitioner	Percentage of Participating Practitioners
Physicians	69%
Advanced Practice Registered Nurses	23%
Physician Assistants	8%

Number of health care practitioners

The number of health care practitioners who have registered has increased steadily since the program first launched, but the rate of increase is leveling off.

Year	Total Practitioners
2015	472
2016	788
2017	1,080
2018	1,412
2019	1,681
2020	1,829
2021 (Q1)	1,856

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