

Falls Among the Elderly

This report was created as a surveillance effort to help understand the needs of Defiance County communities concerning senior falls. Seniors are defined in this report as adults aged 65 years and older. From January 1, 2022, to March 31, 2022, there were 105 falls (69 females, 36 males) involving senior residents of Defiance County, Ohio.

Figure 1. This figure displays Emergency Department visits for senior falls broken down by month and sex. There were 37 total visits in both January and February. There were 31 visits in March. Overall, there were more female fall visits (69) than male fall visits (36).

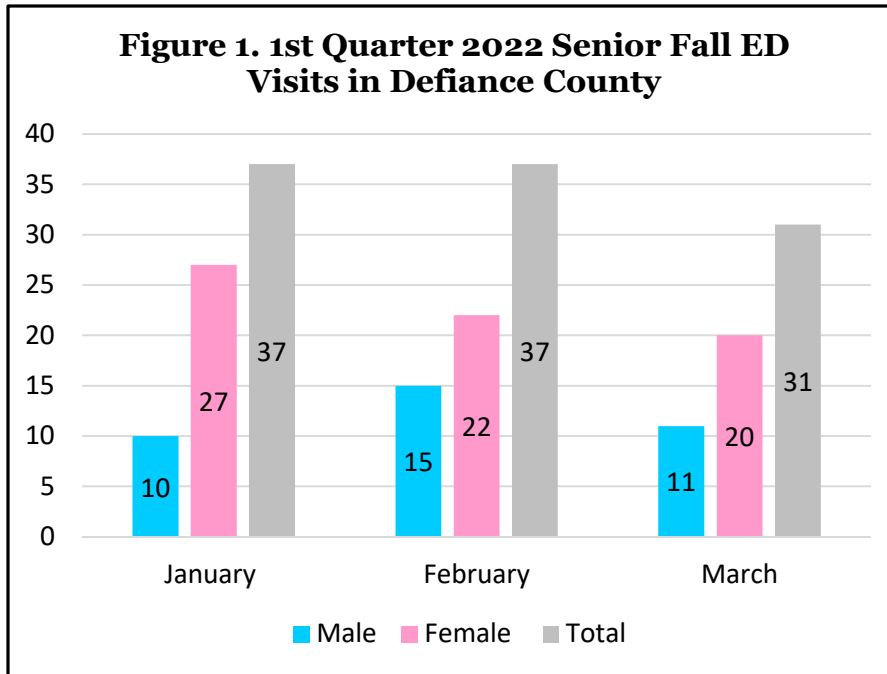
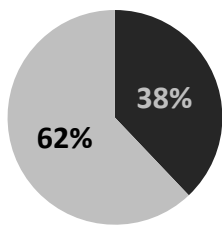


Table. Number of Fall-Related Emergency Department Visits by month for Defiance County

Month	2022
January	37
February	37
March	31
April	
May	
June	
July	
August	
September	
October	
November	
December	
Total	

Figure 2. Senior Falls EMS Transports



- Lift Assists Not Transported to Hospital
- Senior Falls Transported to Hospital

The ED visits were derived from data in EpiCenter and coded as "fall" or "fell." These data are provisional and subject to change when additional data are reported. All data is on Defiance County residents, including residents who may have sought medical help at a hospital outside of Defiance County. Data reported between January 1, 2022 and March 31, 2022 was included.

Figure 3. 1st Quarter 2022 Senior Fall ED Visits in Males and Females by Specific Age Range

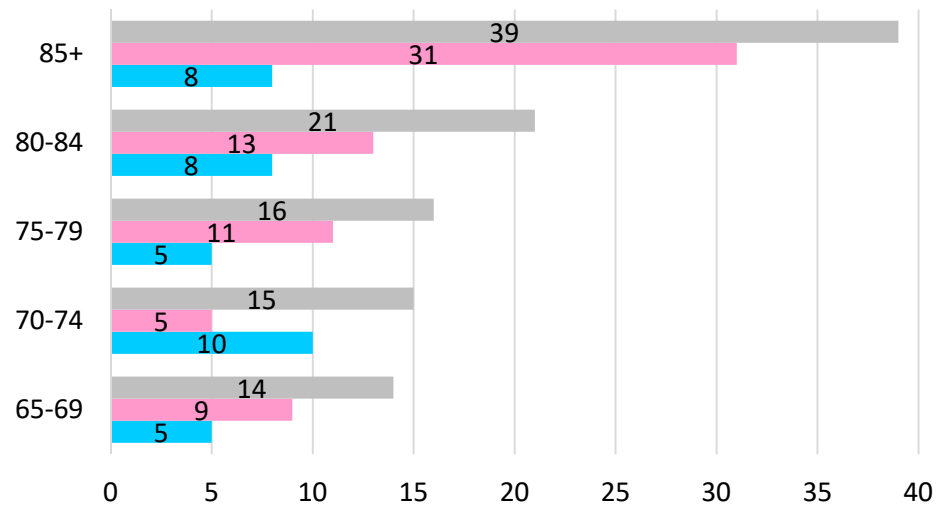


Figure 3. This figure displays senior falls ED visits by age range. As the age range increases, the number of visits increase.