



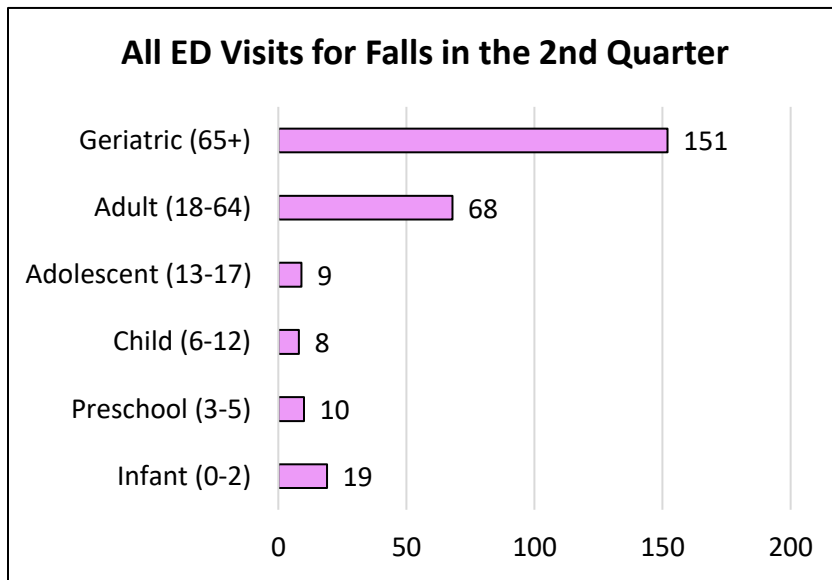
Defiance County General Health District Epidemiology Assessment 2023 2nd Quarter Report July 2023

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 April 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023, there were 105 EMS runs for senior falls, 67 individuals were transported to a hospital while 38 were not. Additionally, there were 151 emergency department visits for senior falls, **100 females and 51 males.**

Emergency Department Visits - Comparisons

Month	2022	2023
January	37	53
February	37	32
March	31	49
April	35	44
May	43	52
June	40	53
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
Total		



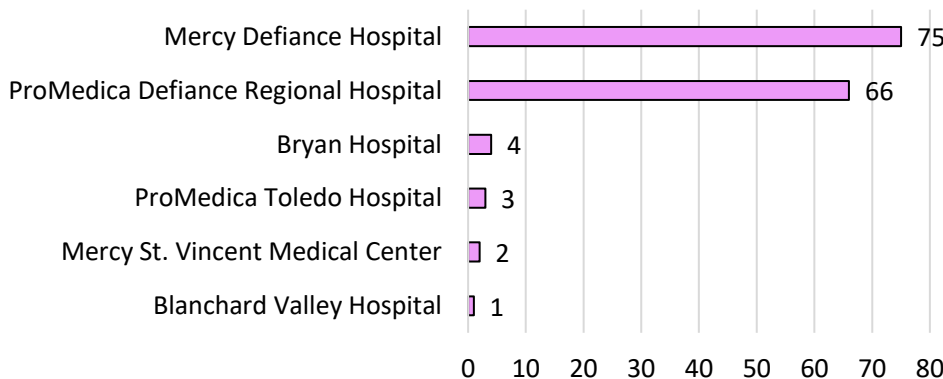
Fall Injuries

- **7 individuals with lacerations**
- **10 individuals who hit their head**
- **13 individuals with back or neck pain**

EMS Runs for Senior Falls - Comparisons

	EMS Lift Assists Transported to a Hospital	EMS Lift Assists <u>Not</u> Transported to a Hospital
1 st Quarter 2023	58 or 59% of EMS runs	41 or 41% of EMS runs
2 nd Quarter 2023	67 or 64% of EMS runs	38 or 36% of EMS runs

Number of Senior Fall ED Visits by Hospital



ED visits were derived from data in EpiCenter and coded as "Fell" or "Fall." Data is provisional and subject to change when additional data are reported. All data is for Defiance County residents, including residents who may have sought medical help at a hospital outside of Defiance County. EMS data was provided by Defiance Fire and Rescue.

