



Breast Cancer Screening (BCS-E)

BCS-E Measure Description¹

This HEDIS measure assesses women 50–74 years of age who had at least one mammogram to screen for breast cancer in the past two years.

Why is BCS-E Important?¹

Aside from some forms of skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common cancer among American women, regardless of race or ethnicity. Screening can improve outcomes: Early detection reduces the risk of dying from breast cancer and can lead to a greater range of treatment options and lower health care costs.

Best Practices

- ✓ Educate patients on the importance of routine screenings and how it helps lower the risk of dying from breast cancer.
- ✓ Educate patients on mammograms and the recommended frequency of at least once every 24 months for women 50-74 years old.
- ✓ Provide a list of locations where mammogram screenings can be performed.
- ✓ Review completed screening dates and document all patient reported mammograms, using exact dates such as month and year.
- ✓ Discuss fears patients may have about mammograms and the different ways of testing available to them.

Numerator Compliance²

One or more mammograms any time on or between October 1 two years prior to the measurement period and the end of the measurement period.

Numerator Codes²

Refer to HEDIS Numerator Codes Dashboard on the Trillium HEDIS Resources website.

Data Collection Method²

Administrative (Claims)



Trillium Percentages/NCQA National Averages¹

| BCS (Data for BCS-E not available) | Calendar Year | Trillium | NCQA National Average |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Breast Cancer Screening Rate | 2022 | 51.4 | 52.4 |
| | 2021 | 47.9 | 51.0 |

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¹ Source: [ncqa.org/hedis/measures](https://www.ncqa.org/hedis/measures)

² Source: HEDIS MY 2024 Tech Specs Manual Vol. 2