



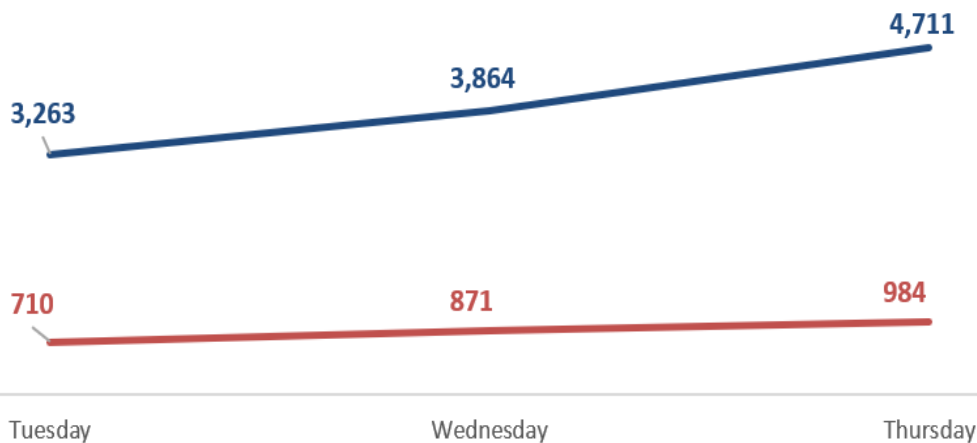
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During this year of Operation Border Health (OBH) 2026, 2,565 individuals received 11,838 health services across five medical points of dispensing (MPODs) located in Cameron, Hidalgo, Willacy, Starr, and Webb Counties. Although different venues have been used throughout the years, the same five counties have had MPOD sites since 2021. Site operation was from Tuesday, July 21 - Thursday, July 23. Site opening was between 7am and 8am, and doors closed to the public at 3pm each day.

Number of Patients Seen and Health Services provided at OBH 2026

Health Services
Total 11,838

Patients Seen
Total 2,565



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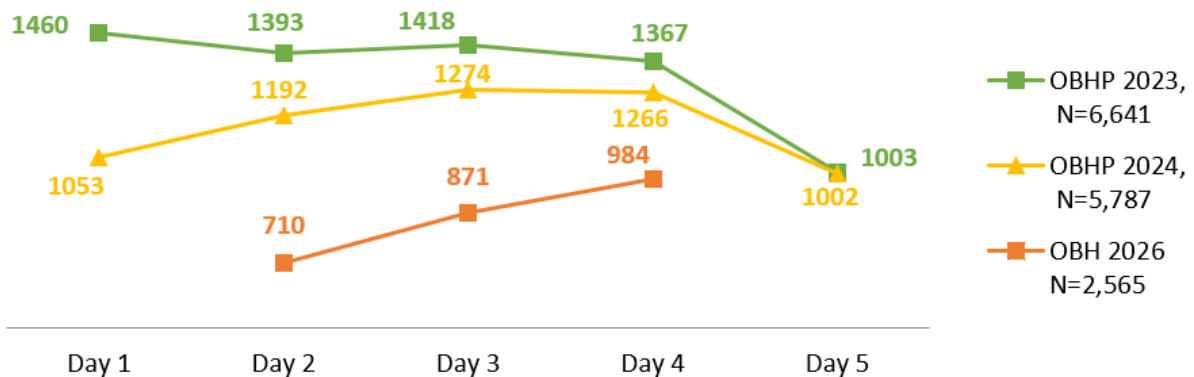
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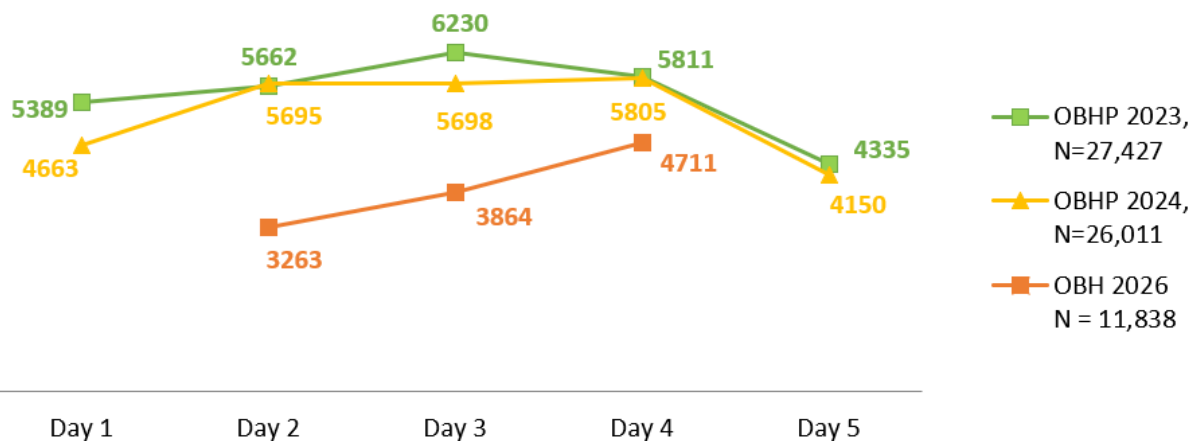
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The Total Number of Patients Seen (top graph) at OBH 2026 (orange) started off slow, but increased each day throughout the 3-day exercise. In all, the Total Number of Patient Seen was lower each day than for any day in the past 5 years of having an exercise (there was no OBH in 2025). Throughout the exercise the Total Health Services Provided (bottom graph) at OBH 2026 (orange) was also lower each day, but Thursday's services were higher than Friday's services in both 2023 and 2024.

Daily Total Patients Seen, OBH 2023 - 2026, All MPODs



Daily Total Health Services Provided, OBH 2023 - 2026, All MPODs

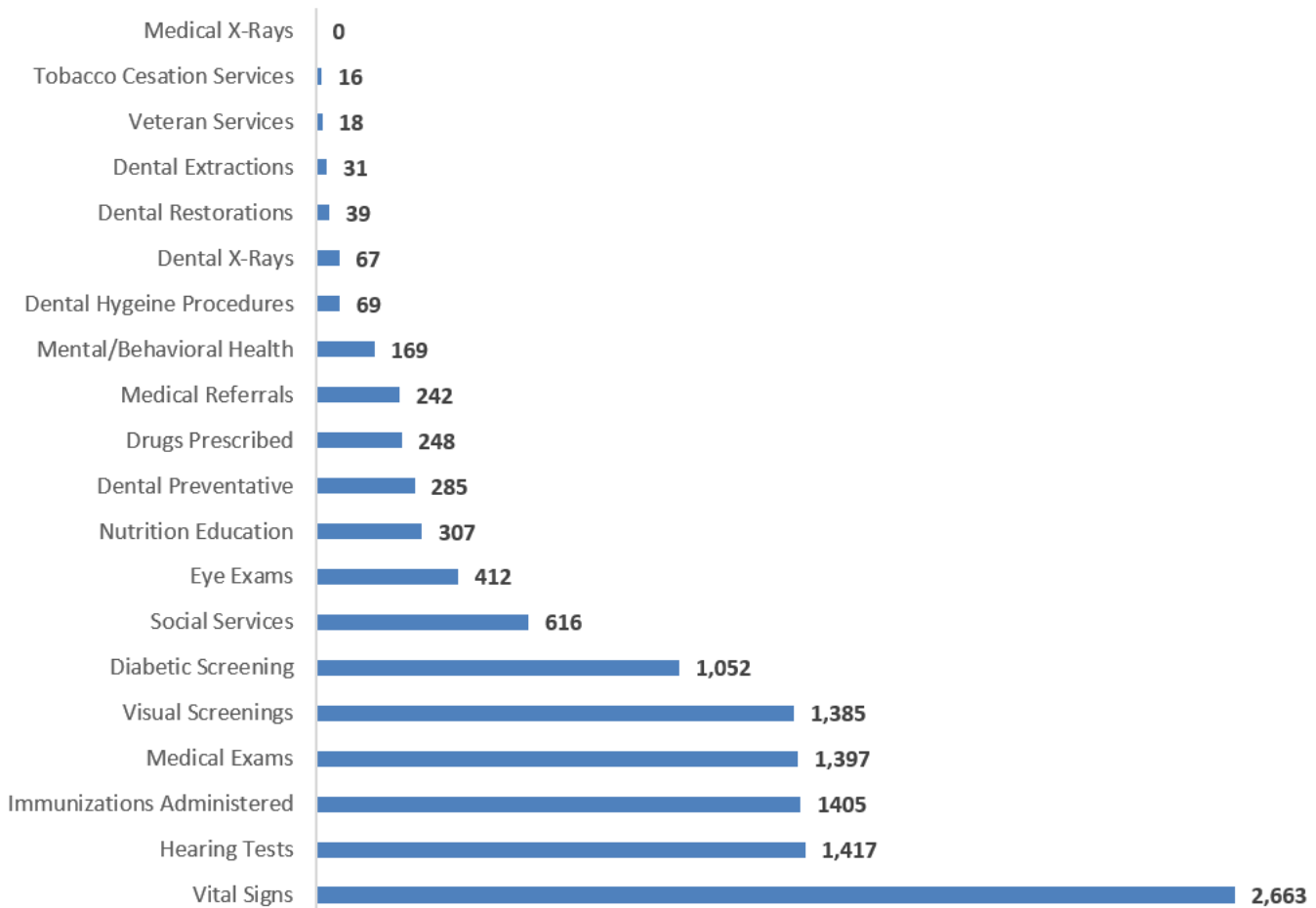




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Of the multiple services tracked by participating MPOD sites during OBH, the top two services provided: vital signs, and hearing tests. In previous years, immunizations administered and Medical Exams have consistently been the second and third most common services provided. Dental services were offered at four of the five MPOD sites, however, services such as dental x-rays and eye exams were not offered at all sites. This year, the “Dental Hygiene and Preventative” service was broken down into two separate services, “Dental Hygiene” and “Dental Preventative”. “Dental Hygiene” (n=69), was mainly performed at Willacy and Starr MPOD sites by DSHS dental teams.

Total Number of Health Services Provided during Operation Border Health 2026, All Sites, N= 11,838





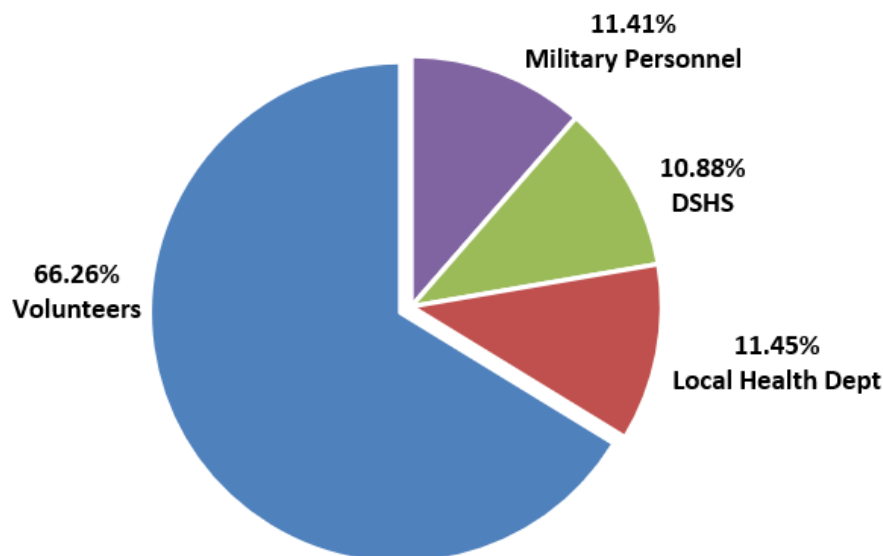
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Many of the staff working at OBH were local volunteers from the community, universities and private and non-profit organizations. This year, across the 3-day exercise, we had 2.5 times as many volunteers than 2024 (691). There were also more local health department staff (134), DSHS staff (103) and military personnel (101) than 2024.

The median number of staff per day across all MPODs, there were:

- 1,724 Volunteers
- 298 Local health department staff
- 283 Department of State Health Services staff
- 297 Military personnel

Type of Staff at All Sites During OBH 2026



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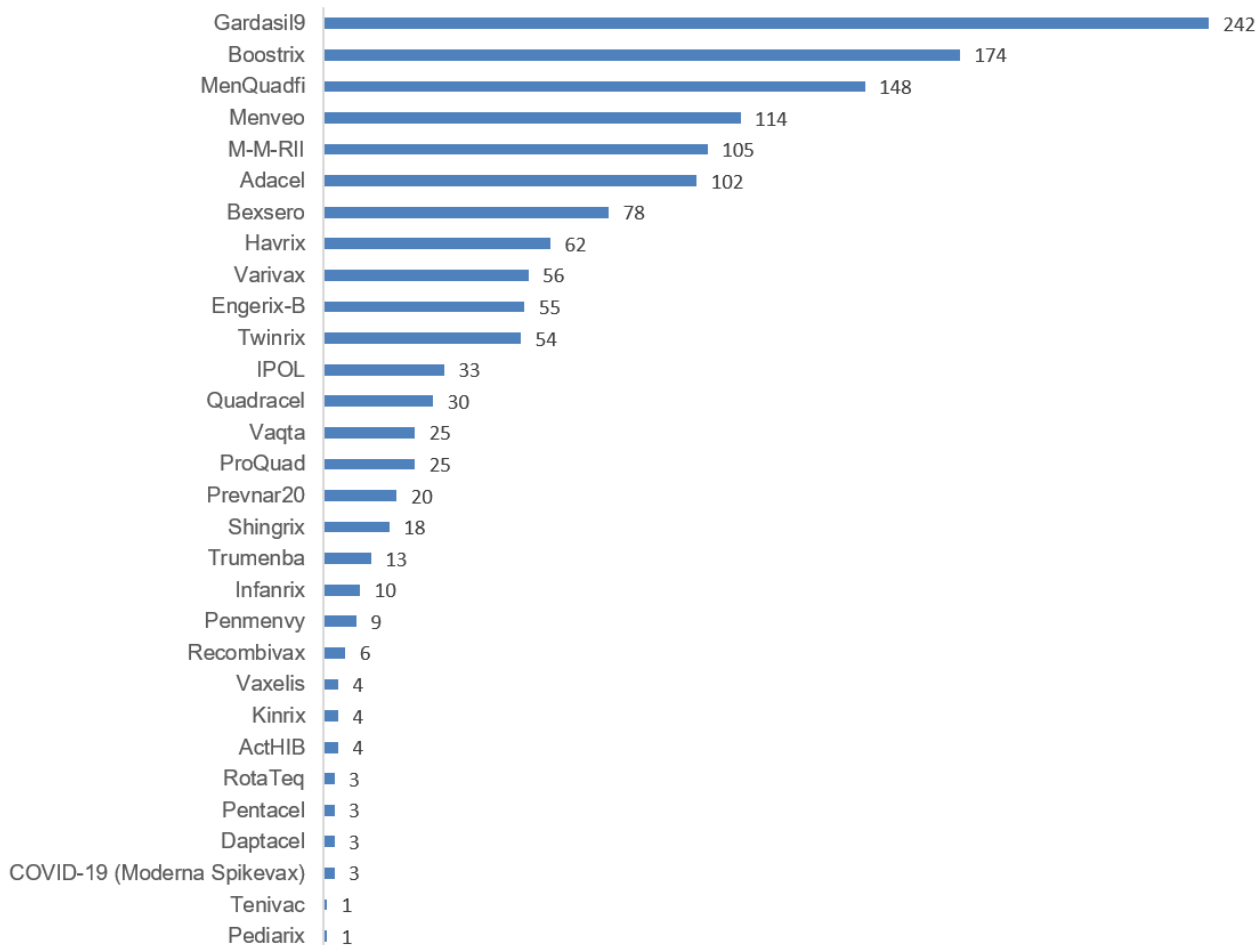


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This year, 1,405 free immunizations were administered to 834 individuals. In 2024, 4,138 immunizations were administered to 1,710 individuals. In 2026, each person received an average of two vaccines. The value of these immunization amounts to \$246,008 in the private sector.

There were 30 different brands of immunizations administered this year. Gardasil9 (Human Papillomavirus) (17.2%) was the most frequently administered, Boostrix (Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) accounted for 12.4% of all vaccines given, followed by and MenQuadfi (Meningococcal) (10.5%) .

**Number and Type of Immunizations Administered at OBH 2026, All MPODS,
N =1,405**



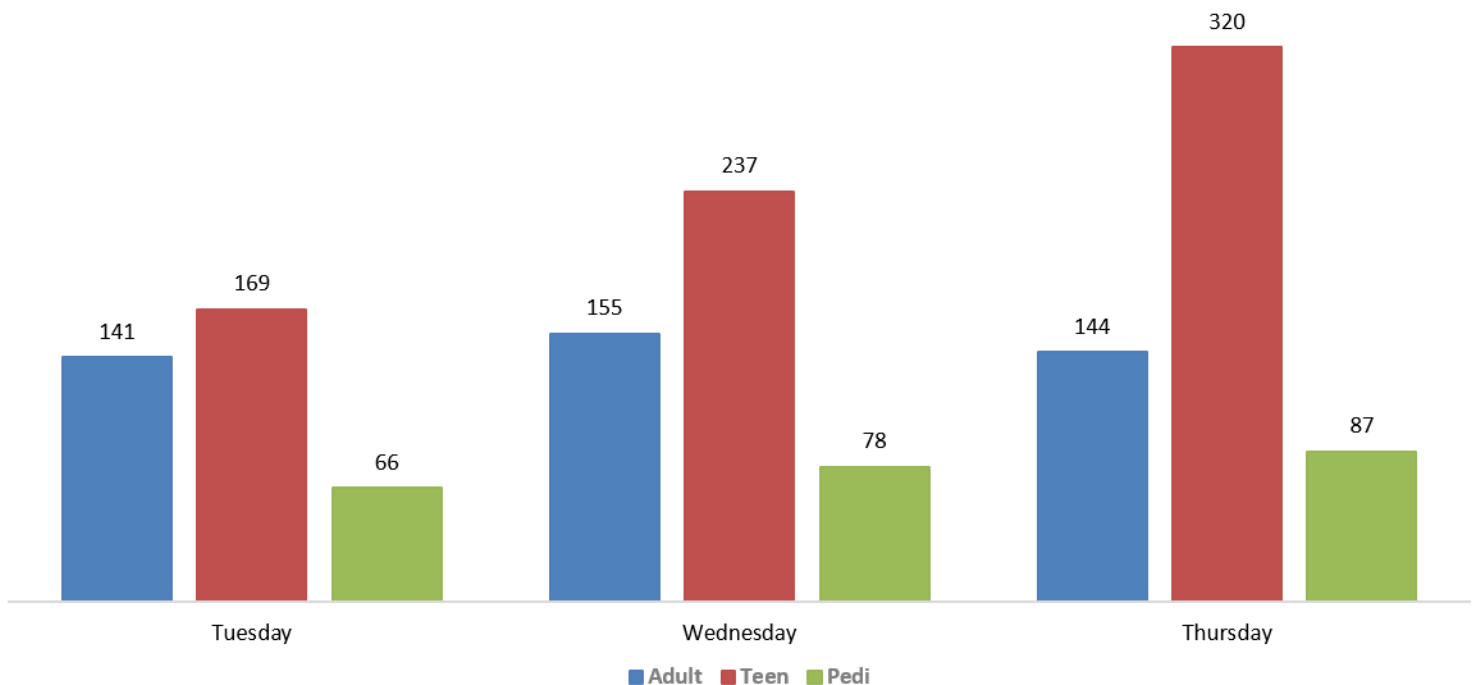


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In OBH 2026, teens comprised 726 of the total 1,397 (52%) of all medical exams given, followed by 440 medical exams (31%) given to adults and 231 medical exams (17%) given to pediatrics. This has followed a similar trend since the introduction of the teen category in 2019.

Medical clinicians at OBH perform either complex or extended medical exams, according to the current Centers for Medicare and Medicaid services' physicians fee schedule. This determines the exam cost for the calculated OBH cost analysis. This year at OBH, clinicians performed 1,397 free medical exams, with an estimated total value of \$237,727 in the private sector. This is a decrease from 2024 where clinicians performed 2,587 free medical exams.

Daily Number of Adult, Teen and Pediatric Medical Exams Provided during OBH 2026, All MPODs, N =1,397



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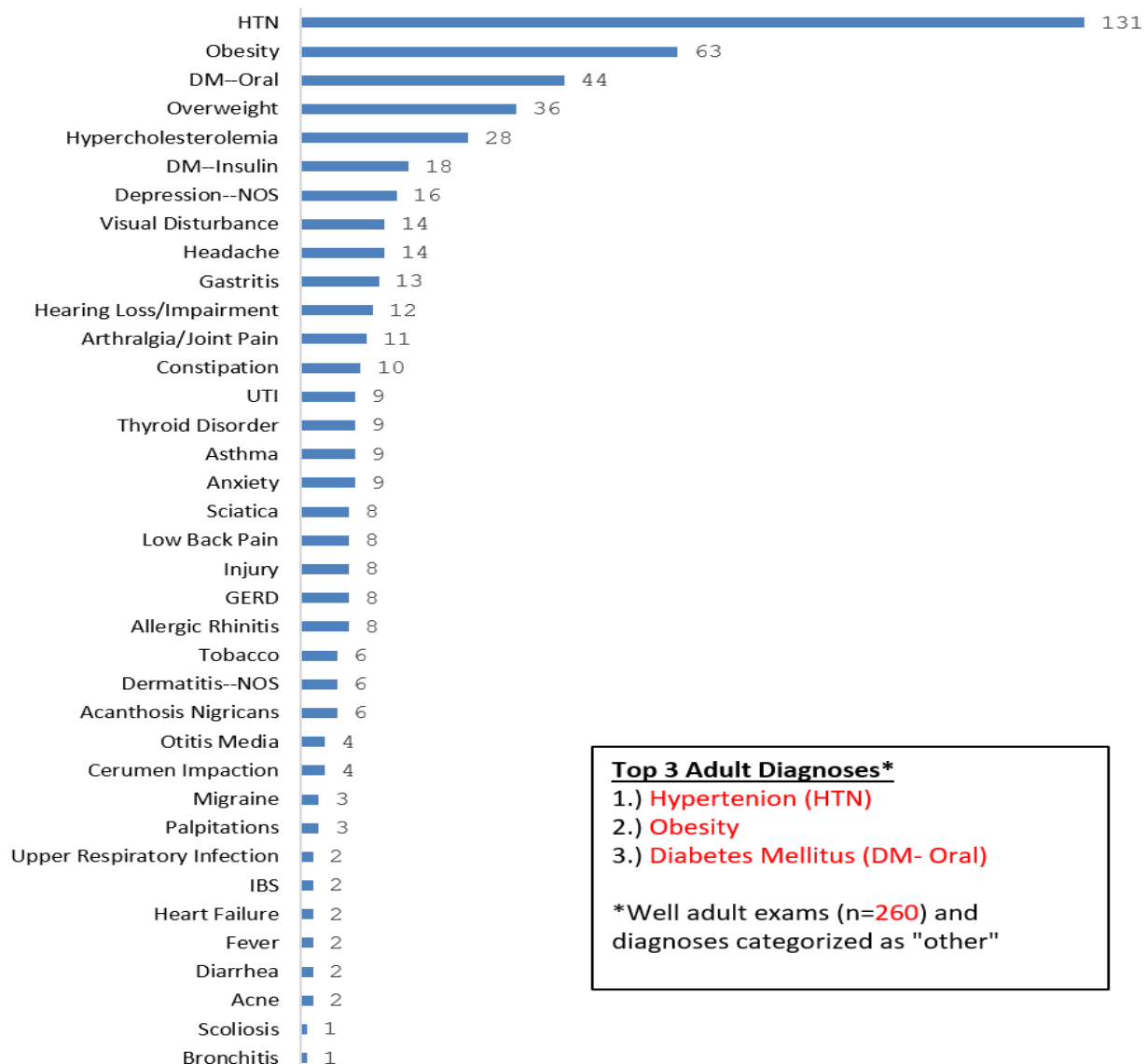


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In 2026, adult (≥ 20 years) well exams ($n=260$) comprised 59% of all adult medical exams at OBH ($N=440$). This was less than 2024 ($n=628$) and 2023 ($n=779$).

For adults seen at OBH, hypertension (HTN), obesity, and diabetes mellitus – oral (DM-oral) were the most frequently diagnosed conditions. The top 5 adults diagnoses this year have been the top diagnoses in adults at OBH since 2011.

Number and Type of Diagnoses Given to Adult Patients During OBH 2026, All MPODs

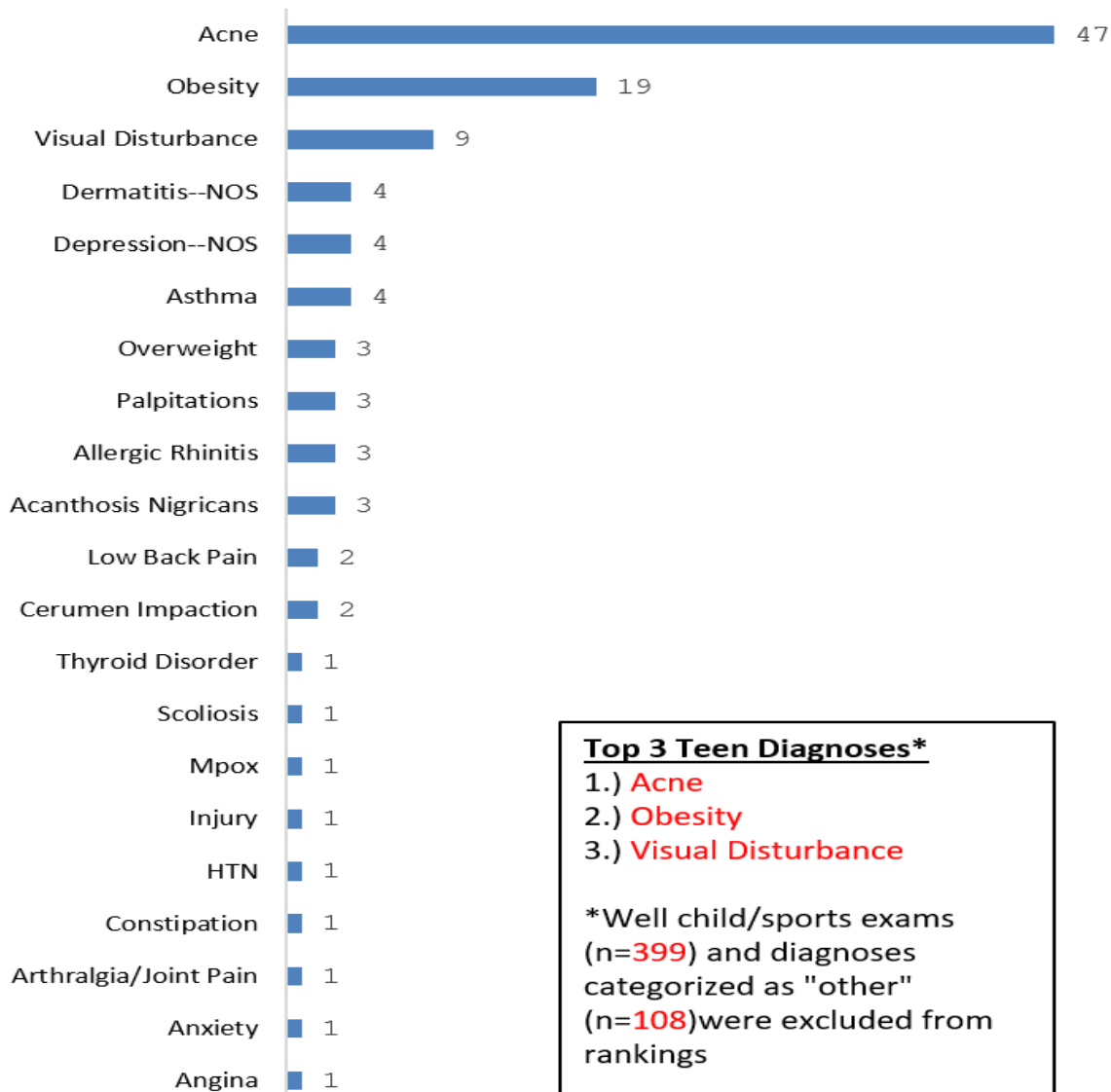




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In 2026, teen (13-19 years) well exams (n=399) comprised 55% of all teen medical exams at OBH (N=726). This is less than 2022 (n=972) and 2023 (n=1183). For teens seen at OBH, Acne, Obesity and Visual Disturbance were the most frequently diagnosed conditions. These are the same top three diagnoses as last year. Obesity, overweight and asthma have been top diagnoses in previous years.

Number and Type of Diagnoses Given to Teen Patients During OBH 2026, All MPODs

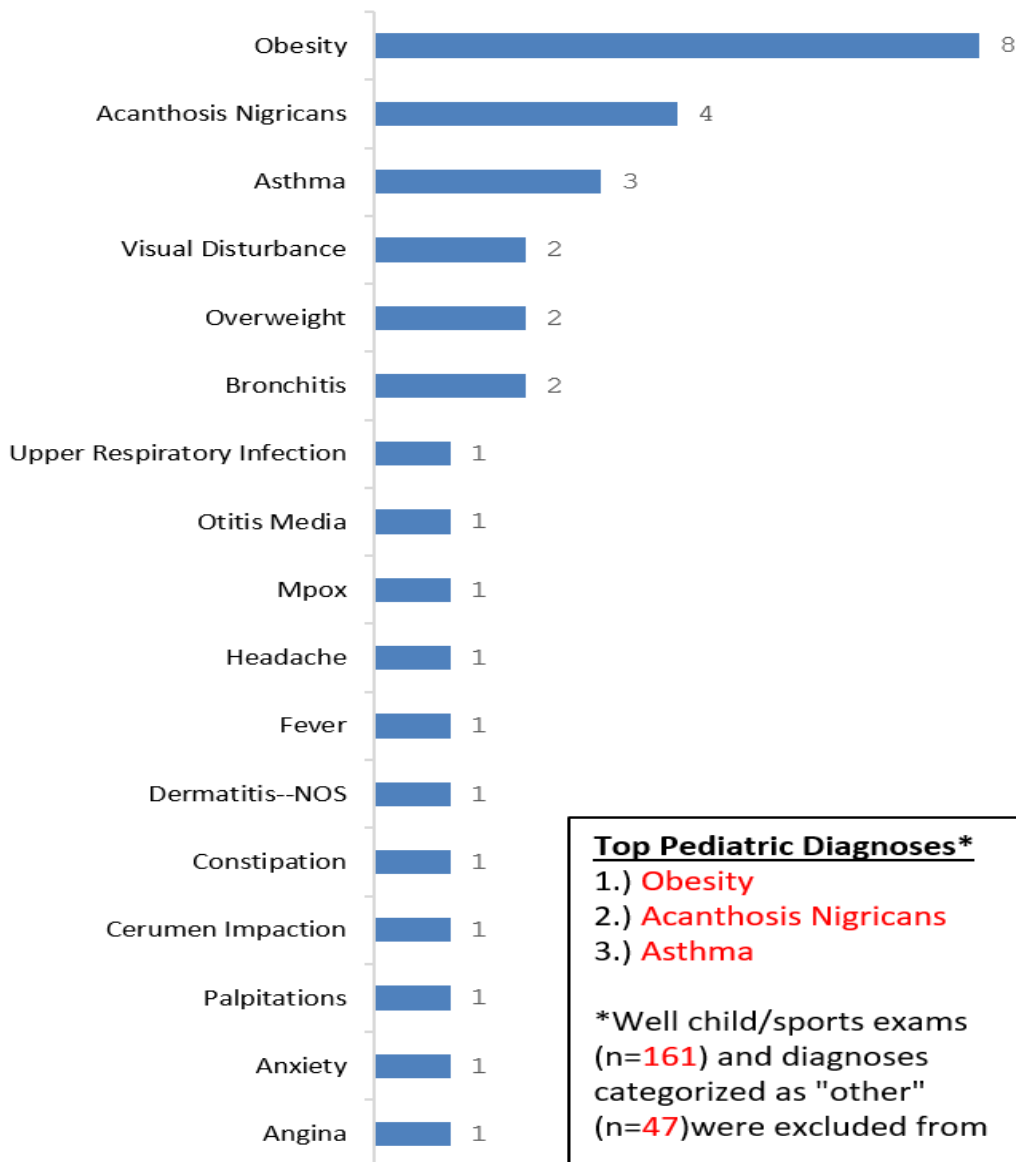




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In 2026, well child (≤ 12 years) exams ($n=161$) comprised 70% of all pediatric medical exams at OBHP. This is lower than 2024 ($n=442$) and 2023 ($n=424$). For pediatrics seen at OBH, Obesity, Acanthosis Nigricans, and Asthma were the most frequently diagnosed conditions. Visual Disturbance, Obesity and Overweight have been top diagnoses for teens in previous years.

Number and Type of Diagnoses Given to Pediatric Patients During OBH 2026, All MPODs



Top Pediatric Diagnoses*

- 1.) **Obesity**
- 2.) **Acanthosis Nigricans**
- 3.) **Asthma**

*Well child/sports exams ($n=161$) and diagnoses categorized as "other" ($n=47$) were excluded from





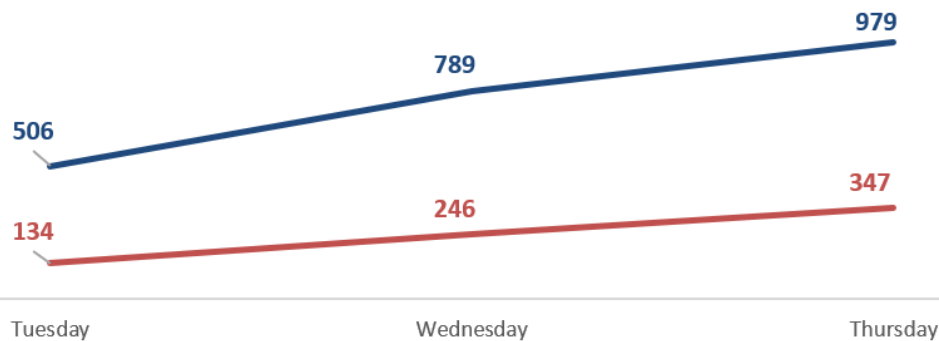
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Veterinary services were provided at two sites, across the three days at the 2026 OBH Willacy MPOD site and for two days at the Starr MPOD site. In total, 726 animals were seen; 595 dogs, and 131 cats. A total of 2,274 services were provided. This is the first year that veterinary services had been offered at multiple sites.

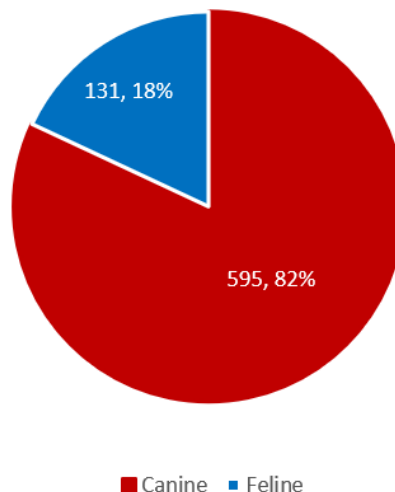
Number of Veterinary Patients Seen and Veterinary Health Services provided at OBH 2026

Veterinary Services
Total 2,274

Veterinary Patients Seen
Total 726



OBH 2026 - Total Veterinary Patients by Species (n=726)

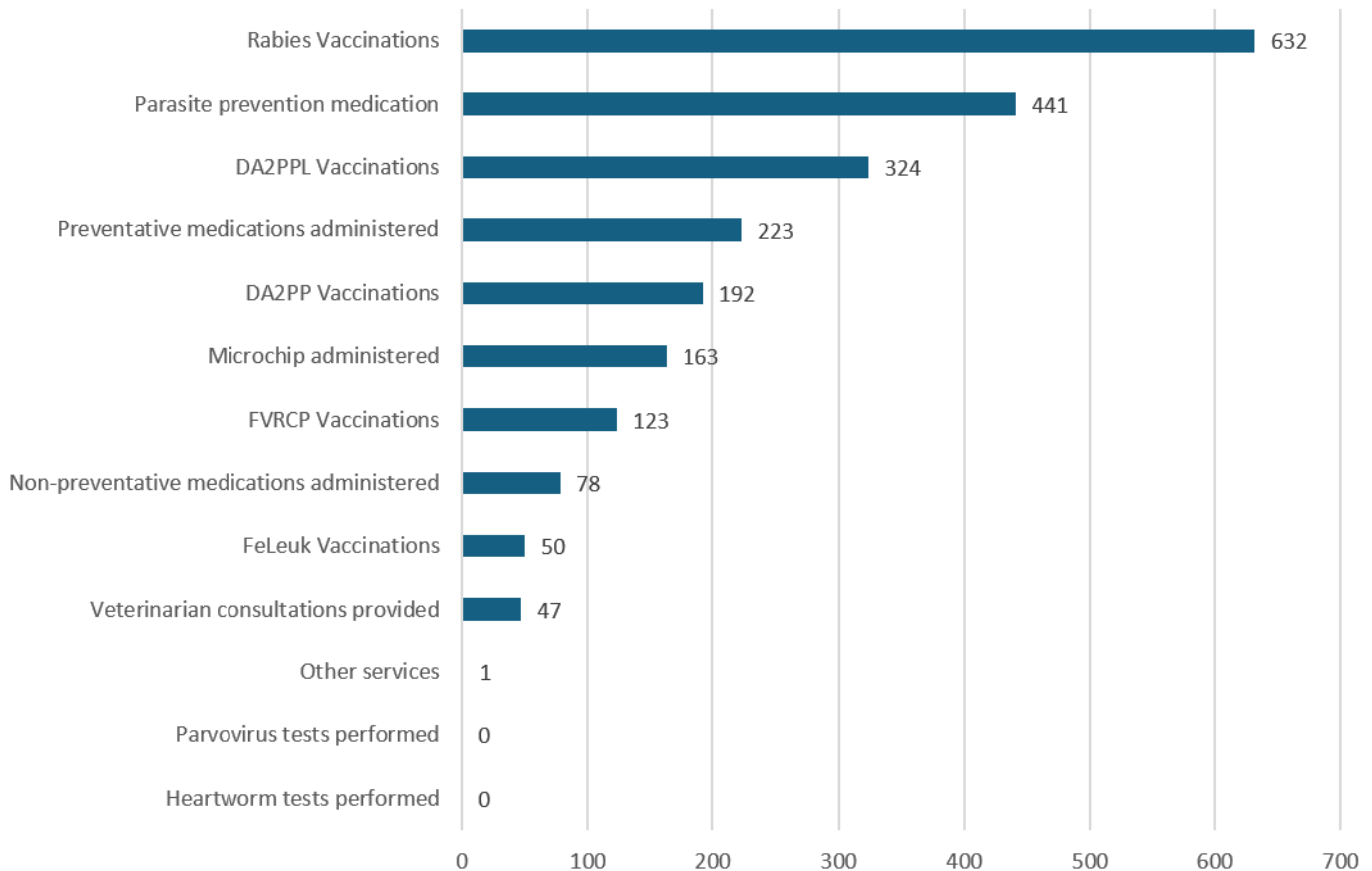




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Veterinary services offered included vaccinations, veterinary consultations, prevention medication, microchipping, among other services. Rabies vaccinations is consistently the top vaccination administered.

OBP 2026 - Total Number of Veterinary Services, by Day



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