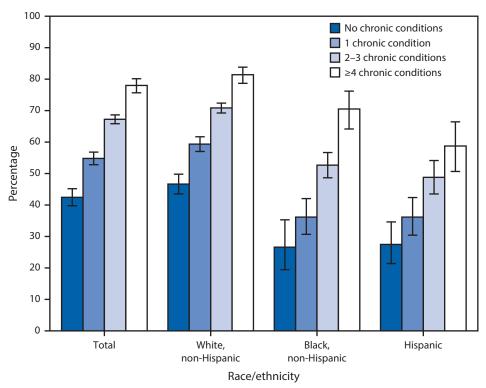
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Percentage* of Adults Aged ≥65 Years Who Reported Ever Receiving a Pneumococcal Vaccination,[†] by Race/Ethnicity[§] and Number of 10 Diagnosed Chronic Conditions[¶] — National Health Interview Survey, United States, 2014–2015



^{*} Including 95% confidence interval.

During 2014–2015, the percentage of adults aged \geq 65 years who reported ever receiving a pneumococcal vaccination ranged from 42.6% for adults who had none of the 10 selected diagnosed chronic conditions to 78.3% for adults with \geq 4 diagnosed chronic conditions. For all racial/ethnic populations the percentage of adults who had ever received a pneumococcal vaccination increased as the number of reported chronic conditions increased. Regardless of the number of selected chronic conditions, non-Hispanic white adults were more likely than Hispanic and non-Hispanic black adults to have received the vaccination.

Source: National Health Interview Survey. http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm.

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For more information on this topic, CDC recommends the following link: http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/vacc-specific/pneumo.html.

[†] Based on the survey question, "Have you ever had a pneumonia shot? This shot is usually given only once or twice in a person's lifetime and is different from the flu shot. It is also called the pneumococcal vaccine." Unknowns were not included in the denominators when calculating percentages.

[§] Persons of Hispanic ethnicity can be of any race or combination of races.

The 10 selected chronic conditions are hypertension, coronary heart disease, stroke, diabetes, cancer, arthritis, hepatitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), weak or failing kidneys during the past 12 months, and currently having asthma. COPD was defined as having emphysema or chronic bronchitis, or both, during the past 12 months. Unless a time frame was noted, chronic conditions were based on the respondents reporting ever being told by a doctor or other health professional that they had the condition.