

Supplementary Table 3. A Year-Wise Comparison of the Monthly Number of Patients Who Underwent Therapeutic Colonoscopies^a in South Korea

	Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Out-patients (%)	2019	126,400	95,349	124,918	129,139	126,896	119,767	138,216	138,093	115,100	155,677	179,618	191,660	1,640,833
	2020	132,868	106,538	79,198	99,239	129,869	152,299	167,991	160,952	155,571	168,993	213,858	224,666	1,792,042
		(5.12)	(11.73)	(-36.60)	(-23.15)	(2.34)	(27.16)	(21.54)	(16.55)	(35.16)	(8.55)	(19.06)	(17.22)	(9.22)
	2021	171,076	129,897	188,946	198,480	181,910	200,045	203,755	182,428	166,228	218,952	261,721	285,144	2,388,582
		(35.34)	(36.23)	(51.26)	(53.69)	(43.35)	(67.03)	(47.42)	(32.11)	(44.42)	(40.65)	(45.71)	(48.78)	(45.57)
	In-patients (%)	2019	21,336	15,568	19,279	19,995	19,243	17,807	21,380	19,374	16,607	19,411	20,276	20,457
	2020	20,074	16,784	14,911	15,776	17,880	20,886	21,710	19,770	17,816	19,506	22,524	23,262	230,899
		(-5.91)	(7.81)	(-22.66)	(-21.10)	(-7.08)	(17.29)	(1.54)	(2.04)	(7.28)	(0.49)	(11.09)	(13.71)	(0.07)
	2021	23,114	16,809	23,050	22,857	20,964	22,482	22,302	21,118	17,702	20,246	22,798	22,440	255,882
		(8.33)	(7.97)	(19.56)	(14.31)	(8.94)	(26.25)	(4.31)	(9.00)	(6.59)	(4.30)	(12.44)	(9.69)	(10.90)
Primary care center (%)	2019	48,791	38,308	50,330	50,826	50,614	48,368	54,580	56,108	46,320	63,373	74,697	80,226	662,541
	2020	50,977	42,988	31,968	40,645	54,421	61,232	67,776	66,360	64,219	70,906	91,188	95,127	737,807
		(4.48)	(12.22)	(-36.48)	(-20.03)	(7.52)	(26.60)	(24.18)	(18.27)	(38.64)	(11.89)	(22.08)	(18.57)	(11.36)
	2021	69,513	53,155	78,333	81,414	76,251	82,983	84,234	74,522	67,813	91,876	110,936	121,727	992,757
		(42.47)	(38.76)	(55.64)	(60.18)	(50.65)	(71.57)	(54.33)	(32.82)	(46.40)	(44.98)	(48.51)	(51.73)	(49.84)
Secondary care center (%)	2019	36,258	26,264	34,789	36,915	35,793	33,021	39,572	37,681	31,527	40,809	44,959	45,547	443,135
	2020	36,029	27,353	20,193	24,760	31,722	39,576	43,290	40,822	38,308	40,464	48,711	49,678	440,906
		(-0.63)	(4.15)	(-41.96)	(-32.93)	(-11.37)	(19.85)	(9.40)	(8.34)	(21.51)	(-0.85)	(8.35)	(9.07)	(-0.50)
	2021	39,789	30,523	43,583	46,086	41,669	46,875	47,617	43,970	38,989	48,282	55,802	56,970	540,155
		(9.74)	(16.22)	(25.28)	(24.84)	(16.42)	(41.96)	(20.33)	(16.69)	(23.67)	(18.31)	(24.12)	(25.08)	(21.89)
Tertiary care center (%)	2019	7,215	5,325	5,900	6,431	6,243	6,007	7,057	6,454	5,622	6,824	6,930	7,444	77,452
	2020	6,746	5,713	4,799	5,062	5,547	6,947	7,132	5,827	5,862	6,578	7,313	7,494	75,020
		(-6.50)	(7.29)	(-18.66)	(-21.29)	(-11.15)	(15.65)	(1.06)	(-9.71)	(4.27)	(-3.60)	(5.53)	(0.67)	(-3.14)
	2021	7,848	6,658	8,394	8,308	7,441	8,351	8,455	7,970	6,871	7,788	8,623	9,180	95,887
		(8.77)	(25.03)	(42.27)	(29.19)	(19.19)	(39.02)	(19.81)	(23.49)	(22.22)	(14.13)	(24.43)	(23.32)	(23.80)

The numbers in parentheses indicate the percentage of change compared with that in 2019.

^aTherapeutic colonoscopy was defined as single polypectomy (Q7701), two or more polypectomies (Q7702), endoscopic mucosal resection (Q7703), and endoscopic submucosal dissection (QX706).