

Table 2. Prevalence ratios and incidence ratios [with 95% confidence intervals (CIs)] of systemic glucocorticoid use according to age, sex, and calendar year, modelled using a multivariable Poisson regression.

	Adjusted [†] prevalence ratio with 95% CI	Adjusted [†] incidence ratios with 95% CI
Sex		
Men	1 (ref)	1 (ref)
Women	1.10 (1.10-1.11)	1.10 (1.10-1.11)
Age (years)		
0-19	1 (ref)	1 (ref)
20-39	7.09 (7.04-7.15)	4.65 (4.60-4.70)
40-59	10.5 (10.5-10.6)	7.37 (7.30-7.44)
60-79	20.5 (20.3-0.36)	11.9 (11.8-12.0)
≥80	29.7 (29.5-30.0)	14.3 (14.1-14.5)
Calendar year		
1999	1 (ref)	1 (ref)
2000	1.03 (1.03-1.04)	1.04 (1.03-1.05)
2001	1.03 (1.03 -1.04)	1.02 (1.01-1.03)
2002	1.05 (1.04-1.06)	1.02 (1.01-1.03)
2003	1.01 (1.00-1.01)	0.96 (0.95-0.97)
2004	1.01 (1.01-1.02)	0.98 (0.97-0.99)
2005	1.03 (1.02-1.03)	1.02 (1.01-1.04)
2006	1.05 (1.04-1.06)	1.04 (1.03-1.05)
2007	1.05 (1.04-1.06)	1.04 (1.03-1.05)
2008	1.04 (1.04-1.05)	1.04 (1.03-1.05)
2009	1.03 (1.03-1.04)	1.02 (1.01-1.03)
2010	1.00 (1.00-1.01)	1.02 (1.01-1.03)
2011	0.99 (0.98-0.99)	1.01 (1.00-1.02)
2012	0.96 (0.95-0.97)	0.98 (0.97-0.99)

2013	0.94 (0.94-0.95)	0.97 (0.96-0.98)
2014	0.94 (0.94-0.95)	1.00 (1.00-1.03)

†When comparing age groups, we adjusted for sex and calendar year; when comparing sex, we adjusted for age group and calendar year and when comparing calendar years, we adjusted for sex and age group.