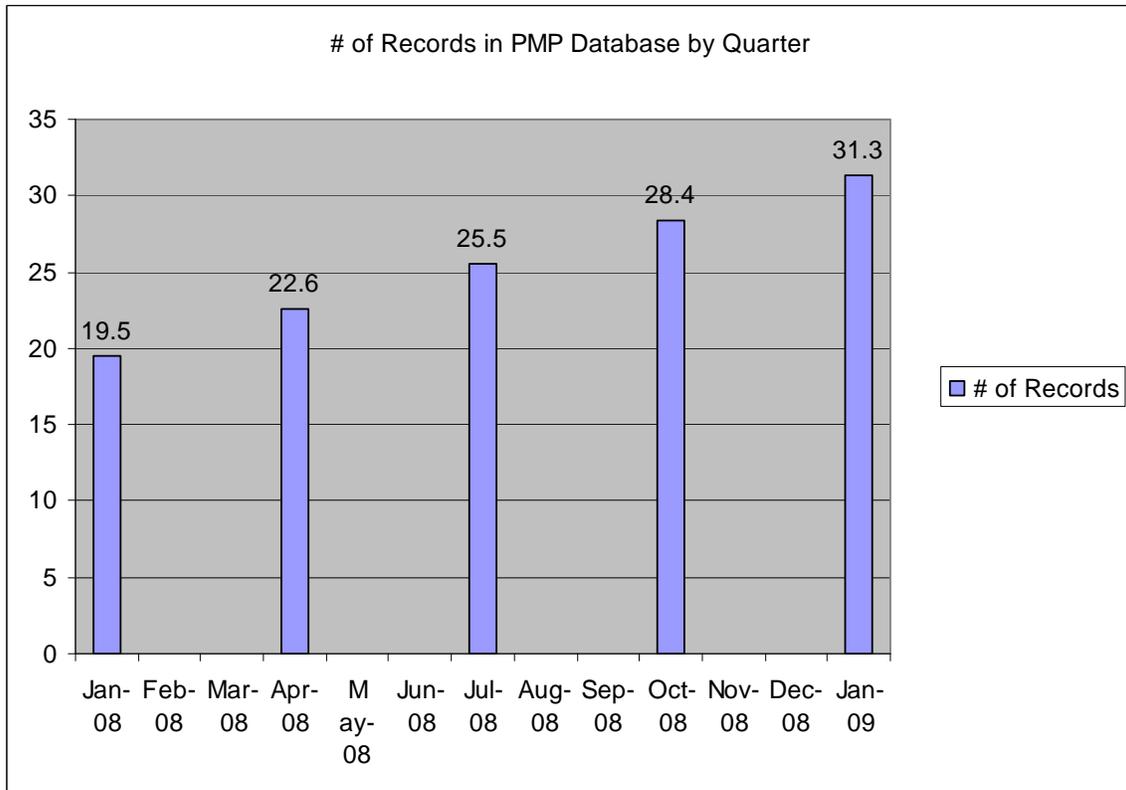
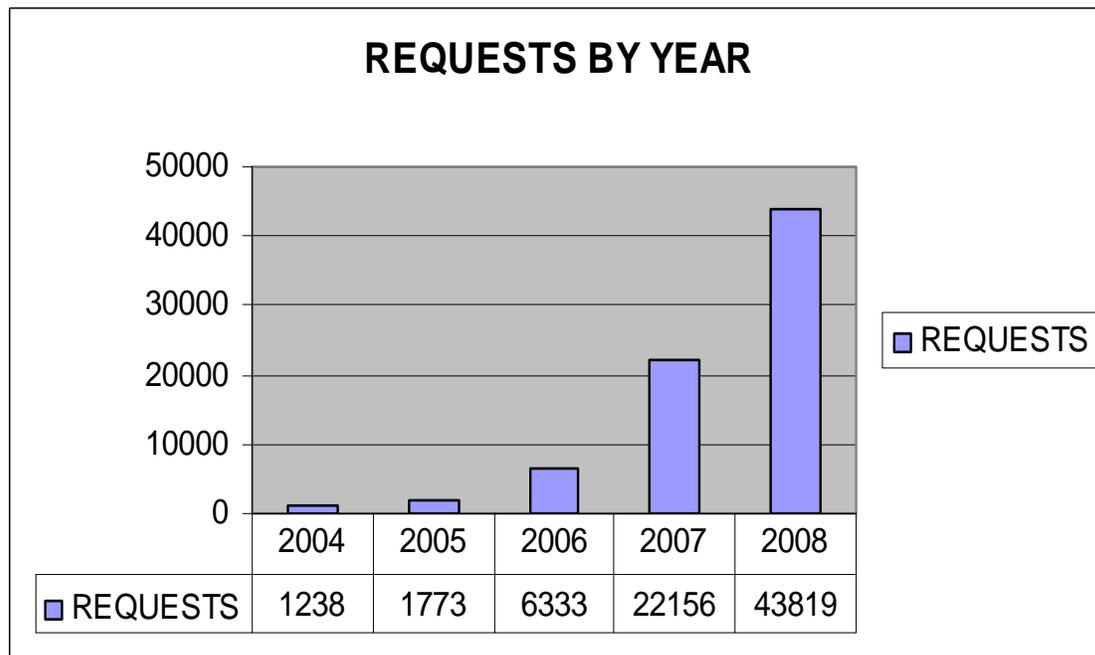


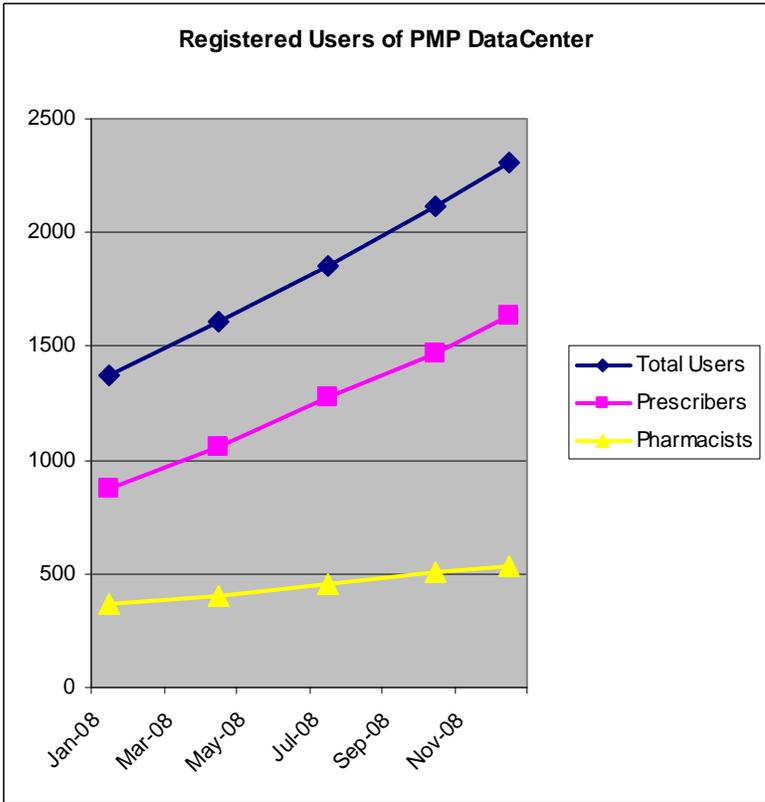
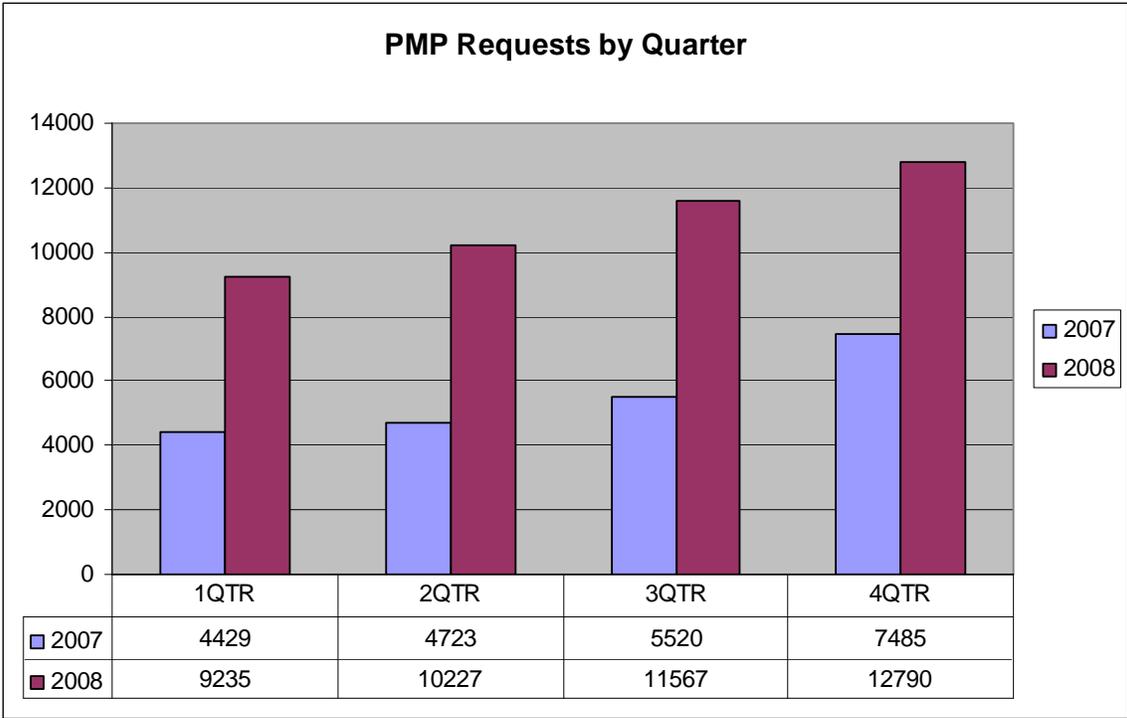
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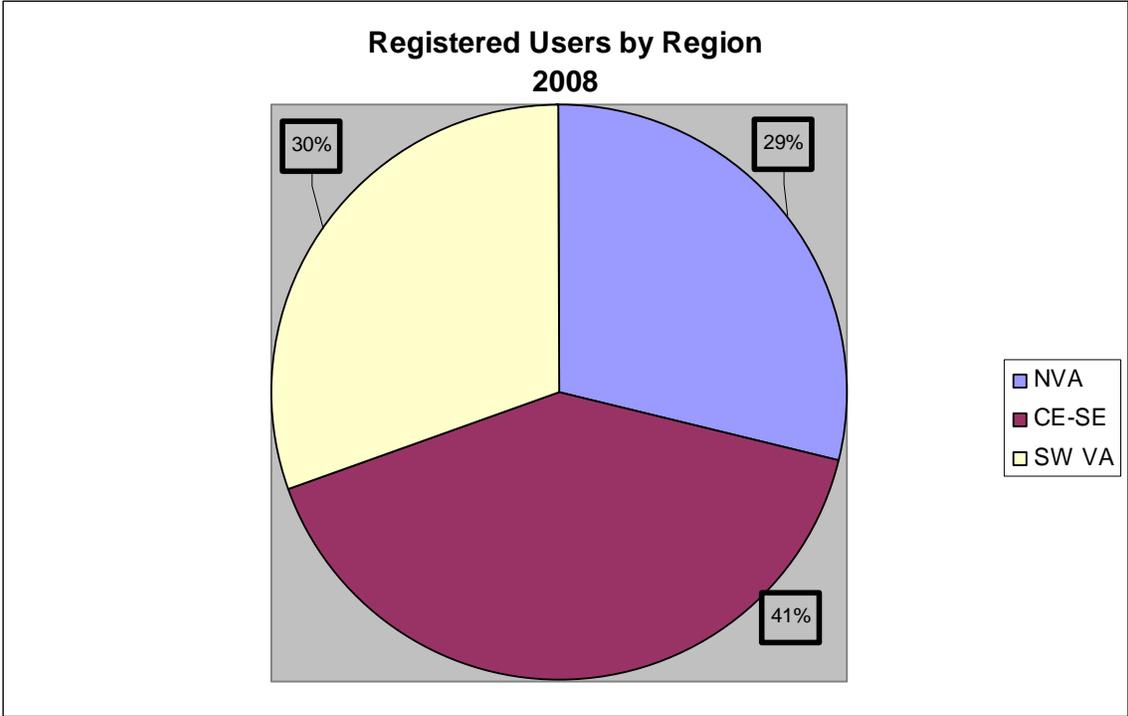
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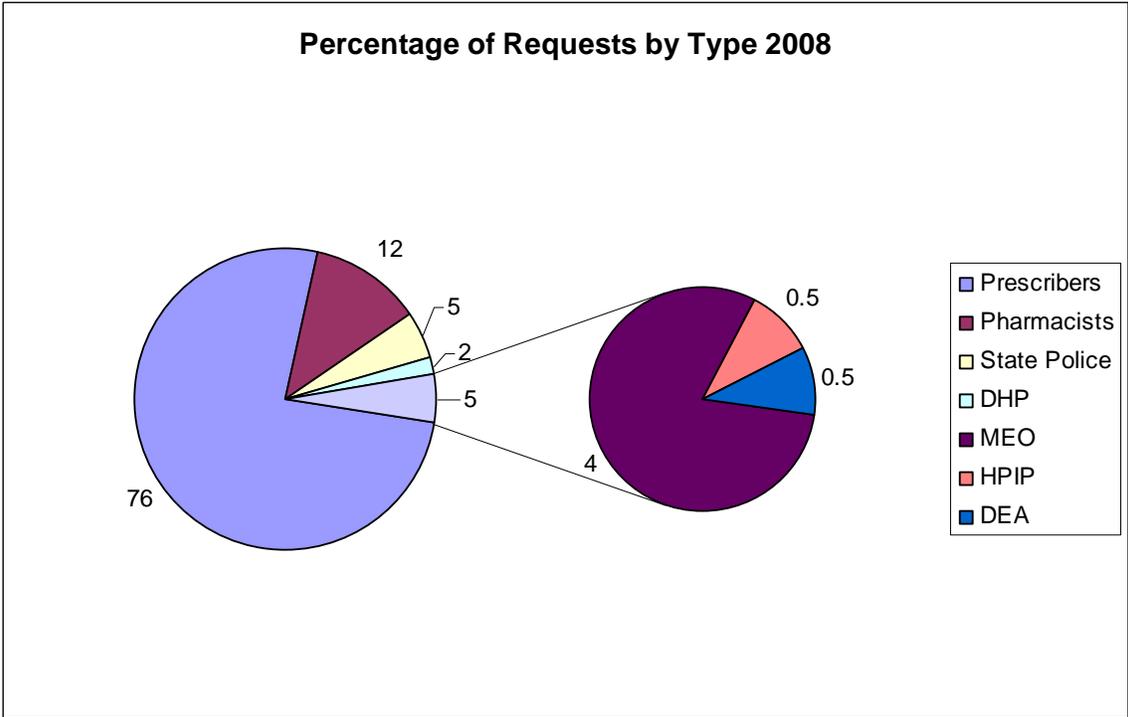
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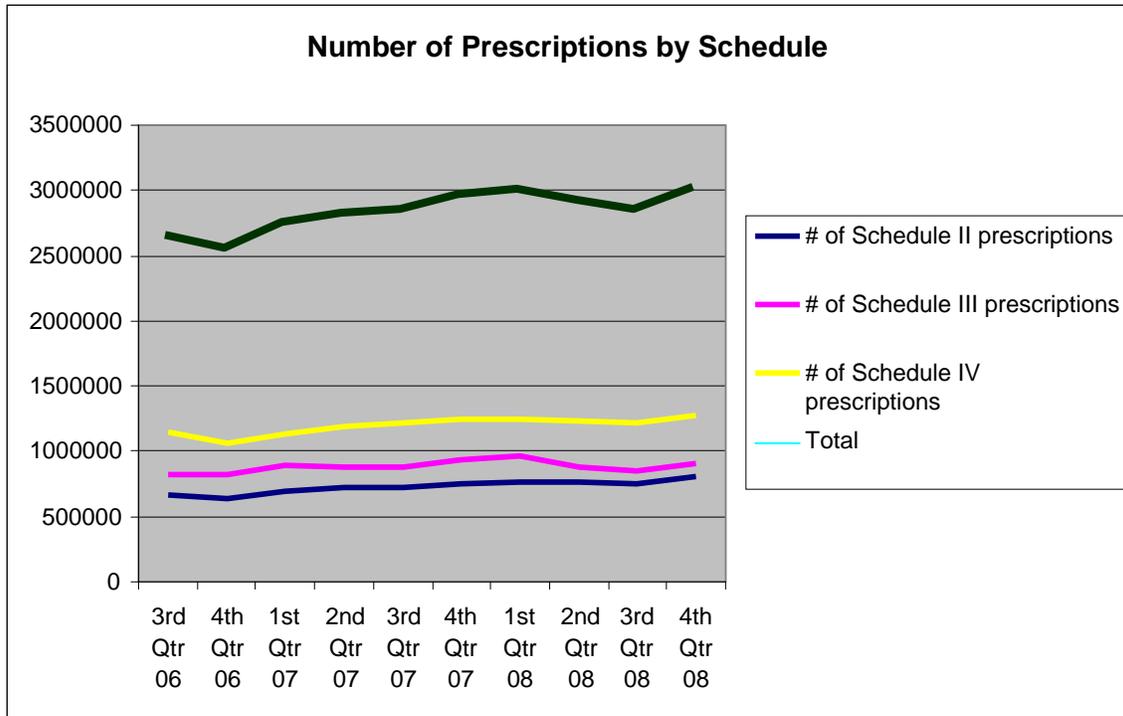
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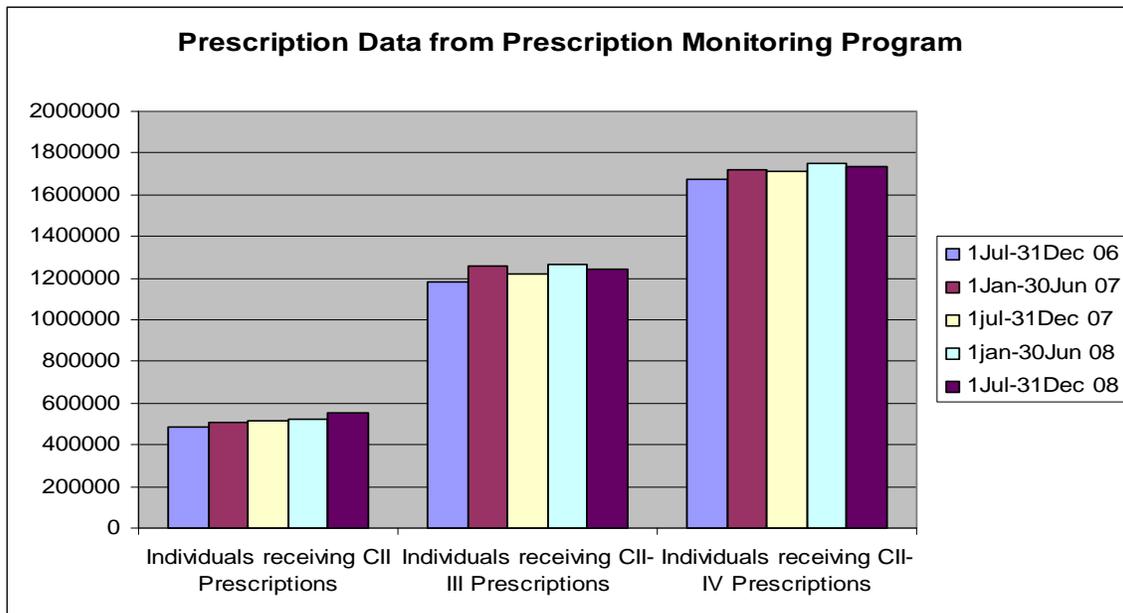
The percentage of Prescriber requests increased by 4% in 2008 compared to 2007.



(DHP-Department of Health Professions, MEO-Medical Examiner’s Office, HPIP-Health Practitioner’s Intervention Program, DEA-U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration)



The program has seen a slight increase in the total number of prescriptions dispensed and reported since the program went statewide in June of 2006.



The program has seen fairly stable levels of the number of individuals receiving prescriptions. Virginia has worked hard to remain balanced in its approach to the issue of prescription drug abuse and has been recognized by the University of Wisconsin's Pain Policy Group with an "A" for balanced pain policy for 3 consecutive years.