

# Content Usage and the Most Frequently Read Articles of 2018

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2018 was the 31st year of print and 16th year of online publication of the *Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine (JABFM)*. Here we provide our annual report of articles published in 2018 that were of greatest interest to our readers. Table 1 shows the 3 most frequently read articles by issue in 2018 from Volume 31. Once again, original research proves to be the most-read type of article. In Table 2, we provide the 20 most frequently read articles in 2018 from all volumes (Volume 1 to 31). Historically, clinical articles tend to be the most read.

In addition, we provide an update on the content usage statistics over the past 8 years. Figure 1 illustrates the number of total access events for *JABFM* content from 2011 to 2018. The year 2018 was the busiest year for online usage activity in *JABFM*'s history, with an average of 843,773 content usage requests a month, and a total of 10.125 million during the year. Content activity was up 9% in 2018 compared with content usage requests during 2017 and, when compared with 2011, we note a 111% increase. Full-text articles were the most accessed during 2018, with an average of 185,768 monthly requests, followed by PDF articles, with 63,749 average monthly requests, and then abstracts, with 51,855 average monthly requests.

As always, we welcome reader feedback about published articles. Letters to the editor can also be submitted for peer review and publication using the author portal.

To see this article online, please go to: <http://jabfm.org/content/32/3/288.full>.

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11. Williams AS, Ge B, Petroski G, Kruse RL, McElroy JA, Koopman RJ. Socioeconomic status and other factors associated with childhood obesity. *J Am Board Fam Med* 2018;31:514–21.
12. Kaplan AC, Carson MP. Diagnosing meat allergy after tick bite without delay. *J Am Board Fam Med* 2018;31:650–2.
13. Blasi PR, Crompton D, McDonald S, et al. Approaches to behavioral health integration at high performing primary care practices. *J Am Board Fam Med* 2018;31:691–701.

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**Table 1. The Three Most Frequently Read Articles in the *Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine*, 2018, Volume 31, By Issue****January/February 2018**

1. Hurley LP, Allison MA, Pilishvili T, et al. Primary care physicians' struggle with current adult pneumococcal vaccine recommendations. Original Research: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/1/94>
2. Sattler A, Rydel T, Nguyen C, Lin S. One year of family physicians' observations on working with medical scribes. Original Research: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/1/49>
3. Salvatore M, Ishikawa G, Padilla M. Is it idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis or not? Clinical Review: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/1/151>

**March/April 2018**

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2. Johnson D, Mead R, Kennelty K, Hahn D. Menthol cough drops: cause for concern? Original Research: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/2/183>
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**May/June 2018**

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2. Tong ST, Liaw WR, Lail Kashiri P, et al. Clinician experiences with screening for social needs in primary care. Original Research: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/3/351>
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**July/August 2018**

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3. Kaplan AC, Carson MP. Diagnosing meat allergy after tick bite without delay. Brief Report: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/4/650>

**September/October 2018**

1. Blasi PR, Crompt D, McDonald S, et al. Approaches to behavioral health integration at high performing primary care practices. Original Research: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/5/691>
2. Hanba C, Hanba D. Opioid and drug prevalence in Top 40's music: a 30 year review. Original Research: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/5/761>
3. Chang L, Wanner KJ, Kovalsky D, Smith KL, Rhodes KV. "It's really overwhelming": patient perspectives on care coordination. Original Research: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/5/682>

**November/December 2018**

1. Peabody MR, Eden AR, Douglas M, Phillips RL. Board certified family physician workforce: progress in racial and ethnic diversity. Policy Brief: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/6/842>
2. Mutter JB, Liaw W, Moore MA, Etz RS, Howe A, Bazemore A. Core principles to improve primary care quality management. Health Policy: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/6/931>
3. Peters JL, Durand WM, Monteiro KA, Dumenco L, George P. Opioid overdose hospitalizations among Medicare-disability beneficiaries. Original Research: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/31/6/881>

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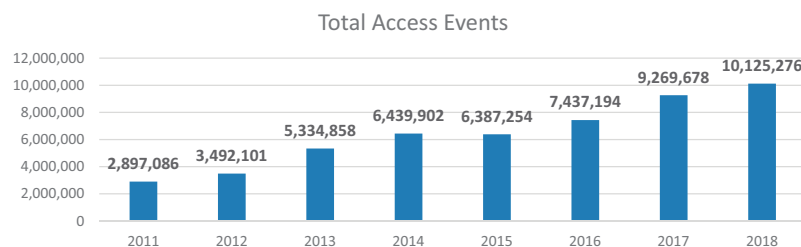
**Table 2. The 20 Most Frequently Read Articles in the *Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine* in 2018, 1988 to 2018, Volumes 1 to 31**

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2. Mork AA, Haufe SMW, Yancey WB. Sometimes (what seems to be) a heart attack is (really) a pain in the neck. **Brief Report:** <https://www.jabfm.org/content/17/1/74>
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4. Panjwani S. Early diagnosis and treatment of discoid lupus erythematosus. **Brief Report:** <https://www.jabfm.org/content/22/2/206>
5. Barnes MG, Ledford C, Hogan K. A “needling” problem: shoulder injury related to vaccine administration. **Brief Report:** <https://www.jabfm.org/content/25/6/919>
6. Ely JW, Kennedy CM, Clark EC, Bowdler NC. Abnormal uterine bleeding: a management algorithm. **Evidence-Based Clinical Medicine:** <https://www.jabfm.org/content/19/6/590>
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8. Kalichman L, Vulfsons S. Dry needling in the management of musculoskeletal pain. **Clinical Review:** <https://www.jabfm.org/content/23/5/640>
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**Figure 1. Total access events for *Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine (JABFM)* content from 2010 to 2018. An access event occurs each time a user opens a new screen on the Web site. Source, Content usage statistics for the *JABFM*, 2010 to 2018, HighWire Press. Accessed February 20, 2019.**



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