

Over 17.7 million cosmetic procedures performed in U.S. in 2018

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(HealthDay)—More than 17.7 million surgical and minimally invasive

cosmetic procedures were performed in the United States in 2018, with an increasing trend seen in body-shaping procedures, according to a report published online March 11 by the American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS).

The number of surgical and minimally invasive cosmetic procedures performed in the United States in 2018 represents a 2 percent increase from 2017 in total cosmetic procedures. There were 1.8 million cosmetic surgical procedures in 2018, up 1 percent from 2017. The top five cosmetic procedures were breast augmentation (up 4 percent), liposuction (up 5 percent), rhinoplasty (down 2 percent), eyelid surgery (down 1 percent), and tummy tuck (no change).

Overall, there were 15.9 million minimally invasive cosmetic procedures performed in 2018 (up 2 percent), with the top five being Botulinum toxin type A (up 3 percent), soft tissue fillers (up 2 percent), chemical peel (up 1 percent), laser hair removal (down 1 percent), and microdermabrasion (down 4 percent). The 5.8 million total reconstructive procedures included 4.4 million tumor removals, as well as laceration repair, [maxillofacial surgery](#), scar revision, and hand surgery.

"Board-certified plastic surgeons are on the cutting edge of developing emerging technology and creating the newest advancements in both surgical and non-surgical techniques," Alan Matarasso, M.D., president of the ASPS, said in a statement. "Our board-certified [plastic surgeons](#) take into account each patient's specific objective and anatomy to come up with the best course of action to achieve the natural look they want."

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