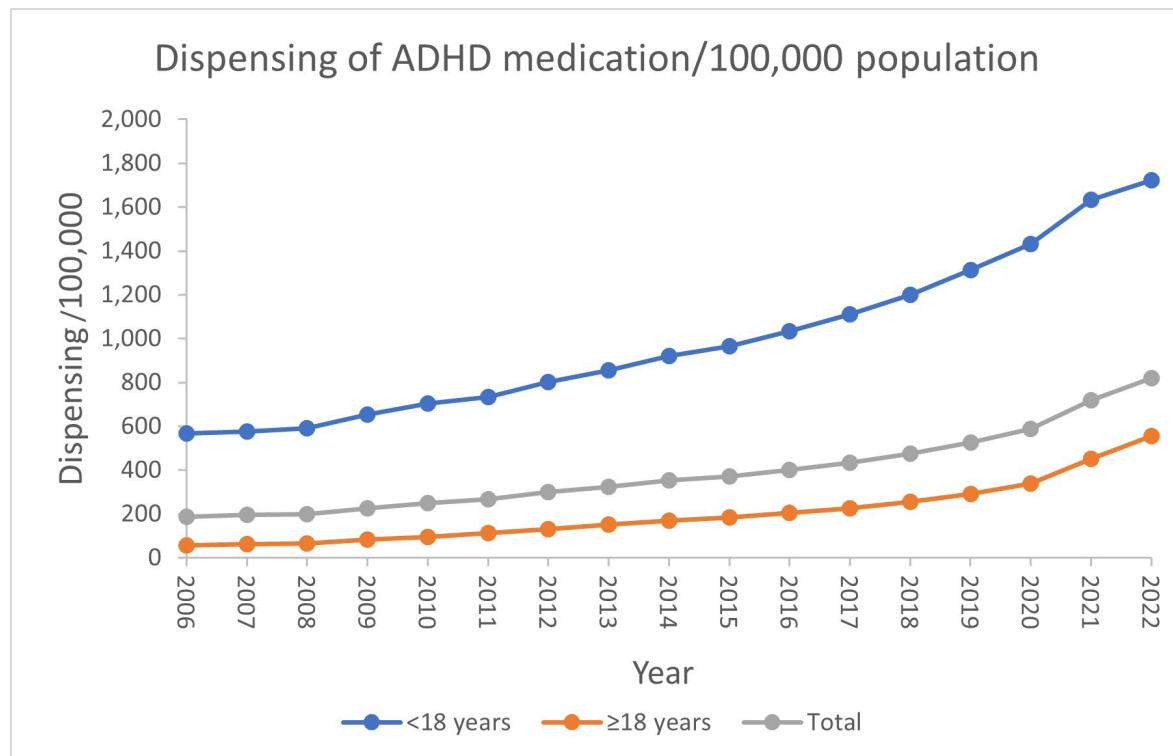


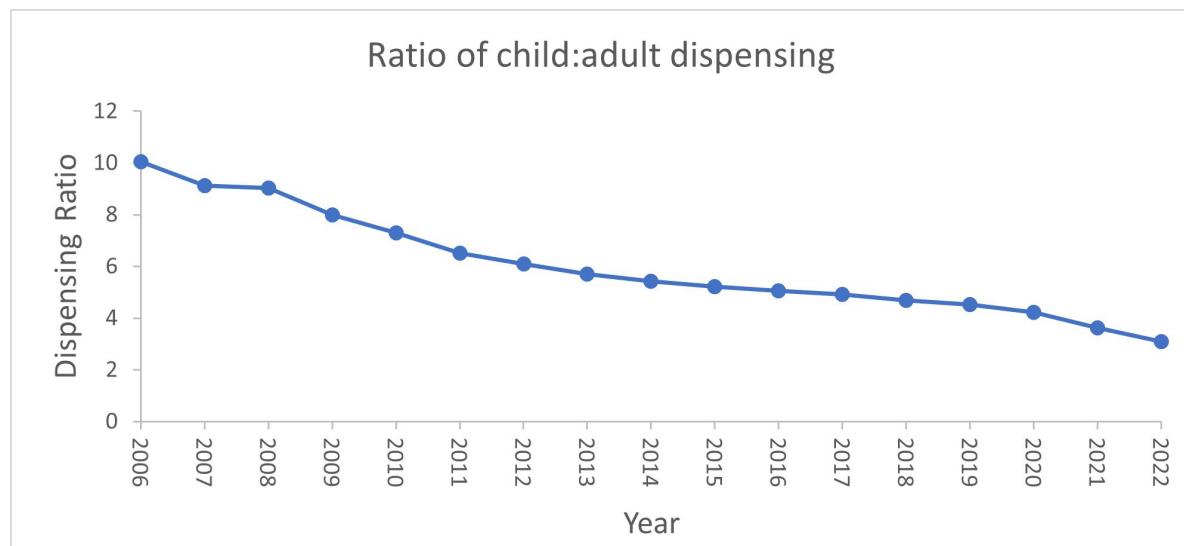
**Table 1:** Characteristics of the study population.

Category		<18 years	≥18 years	Total
<b>Gender</b>	Male (%)	35,745 (75.4)	16,168 (54.8)	51,913 (67.5)
	Female (%)	11,586 (24.4)	13,229 (44.8)	24,815 (32.3)
<b>Ethnicity</b>	NZ European (%)	28,138 (59.3)	19,115 (64.8)	47,253 (61.4)
	Māori (%)	10,874 (22.9)	2,970 (10.1)	13,844 (18.0)
<b>NZDep</b>	Pacific peoples (%)	1,633 (3.4)	484 (1.6%)	2,117 (2.8)
	Asian (%)	1,645 (3.5)	1,501 (5.1)	3,146 (4.1)
	Other (%)	5,129 (10.8)	5,433 (18.4)	10,562 (13.7)
<b>Age when first dispensed medication</b>	Mean (SD)	5.64 (2.9)	5.22 (2.8)	5.48 (2.9)
<b>Age when first dispensed medication</b>	Mean (SD)	9.82 (3.5)	32.47 (11.8)	18.51 (13.5)

**Figure 1:** Dispensing of ADHD medication per 100,000 population.



**Figure 2:** Ratio of child:adult dispensing for ADHD over time.



**Figure 3:** First dispensing of ADHD medication for adults as a percentage of total dispensing.

