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*Dr. Paul Nassif, a facial plastic and reconstructive surgeon, injects Botox into the forehead of Lisa J. Davis. The injections can be administered in five minutes to 15 minutes per wrinkle area.*

## BOTOX: FDA Approves Its Use for Cosmetic Purposes

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**WASHINGTON**—The U.S. Food and Drug Administration, catching up with Americans' quest for youthful beauty, approved the use of Botox on Monday to reduce the appearance of wrinkles.

Last year alone, more than 855,000 people received injections of botulinum toxin type A, as Botox is formally known, to smooth out frown-lines, forehead creases, crow's feet and neck bands. Many patients also get refresher injections when the effects of the original shot wear off after three to six months.

Plastic surgeons hailed the FDA's approval of Botox for cosmetic use, saying it would give doctors and patients more confidence.



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*Television producer Lisa J. Davis is shown furrowing her brow before her Botox treatment.*



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*After the injection at her doctor's office in Beverly Hills, Davis repeats the facial gesture.*