

Table 4. Percentages of persons 18-64 years of age who were covered by public coverage at the time of interview, by interview quarter and employment status: United States, 1997-June 2008

Year, quarter	Employment status ¹		
	Employed	Unemployed	Not in workforce
	Percent (standard error)		
2008 ²			
First 6 months	6.8 (0.30)	20.5 (1.59)	35.0 (1.02)
Quarter 1	6.7 (0.41)	19.5 (2.37)	34.8 (1.68)
Quarter 2	7.0 (0.38)	21.2 (1.90)	35.2 (1.09)
2007			
Annual	4.9 (0.17)	18.7 (1.16)	29.6 (0.72)
Quarter 1	5.1 (0.33)	22.9 (2.36)	30.8 (1.42)
Quarter 2	4.8 (0.30)	19.6 (2.19)	30.0 (1.20)
Quarter 3	5.1 (0.42)	16.1 (2.40)	29.7 (1.63)
Quarter 4	4.8 (0.29)	16.3 (2.15)	27.9 (1.26)
2006			
Annual	4.9 (0.16)	19.2 (1.17)	30.5 (0.68)
Quarter 1	4.8 (0.29)	18.0 (2.29)	30.5 (1.27)
Quarter 2	4.9 (0.27)	21.4 (2.15)	29.3 (1.12)
Quarter 3	4.8 (0.41)	18.3 (2.89)	32.2 (1.71)
Quarter 4	5.2 (0.30)	19.1 (2.10)	30.1 (1.15)
2005			
Annual	4.6 (0.13)	17.9 (0.97)	27.4 (0.54)
Quarter 1	4.4 (0.26)	19.6 (2.25)	28.5 (1.13)
Quarter 2	4.4 (0.24)	16.3 (1.68)	27.3 (1.01)
Quarter 3	5.0 (0.27)	20.5 (1.89)	27.5 (1.02)
Quarter 4	4.9 (0.25)	14.8 (1.79)	26.3 (1.01)
2004			
Annual	4.2 (0.13)	17.0 (0.92)	26.7 (0.59)
Quarter 1	4.2 (0.28)	13.8 (1.60)	25.0 (1.08)
Quarter 2	4.2 (0.26)	16.7 (1.97)	26.3 (1.21)
Quarter 3	3.9 (0.21)	18.4 (1.78)	27.9 (1.06)
Quarter 4	4.6 (0.25)	19.7 (2.12)	27.6 (1.09)
2003			
Annual	4.0 (0.12)	15.8 (0.87)	26.7 (0.58)
Quarter 1	3.7 (0.23)	14.9 (1.81)	25.8 (1.10)
Quarter 2	3.9 (0.26)	13.2 (1.81)	26.8 (1.08)
Quarter 3	4.2 (0.25)	19.4 (1.68)	26.9 (1.06)
Quarter 4	4.3 (0.23)	15.4 (1.60)	27.3 (1.18)
2002			
Annual	3.7 (0.12)	15.4 (0.83)	26.7 (0.57)
Quarter 1	3.7 (0.25)	11.3 (1.35)	27.5 (1.20)
Quarter 2	3.7 (0.24)	17.6 (1.80)	26.1 (1.03)
Quarter 3	3.6 (0.22)	17.2 (1.88)	27.6 (1.21)
Quarter 4	3.8 (0.23)	15.5 (1.71)	25.6 (1.19)
2001			
Annual	3.6 (0.11)	15.2 (1.00)	25.8 (0.58)
Quarter 1	3.6 (0.24)	17.6 (2.94)	25.7 (1.13)
Quarter 2	3.7 (0.22)	13.5 (1.68)	25.3 (1.03)
Quarter 3	3.4 (0.21)	14.1 (1.74)	26.6 (1.15)
Quarter 4	3.8 (0.23)	15.9 (1.62)	25.6 (1.18)

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2000			
Annual	3.1 (0.10)	15.2 (1.14)	23.7 (0.51)
Quarter 1	2.8 (0.20)	16.6 (2.26)	22.7 (1.02)
Quarter 2	3.0 (0.20)	16.7 (2.58)	23.6 (0.95)
Quarter 3	3.6 (0.23)	12.4 (2.27)	23.9 (0.97)
Quarter 4	3.1 (0.19)	14.9 (2.15)	24.5 (1.05)
1999			
Annual	3.1 (0.10)	15.4 (1.18)	23.5 (0.52)
Quarter 1	3.1 (0.22)	14.7 (2.35)	23.7 (1.02)
Quarter 2	3.1 (0.19)	16.1 (2.44)	24.5 (1.00)
Quarter 3	3.1 (0.20)	13.2 (2.01)	24.0 (0.98)
Quarter 4	3.0 (0.21)	17.7 (2.56)	21.9 (1.01)
1998			
Annual	3.3 (0.11)	17.0 (1.22)	24.1 (0.51)
Quarter 1	3.1 (0.22)	13.6 (2.11)	25.0 (1.03)
Quarter 2	3.7 (0.24)	20.1 (2.70)	25.0 (1.18)
Quarter 3	3.1 (0.21)	16.3 (2.27)	23.2 (0.95)
Quarter 4	3.1 (0.21)	18.7 (2.67)	23.1 (0.98)
1997			
Annual	3.4 (0.10)	19.2 (1.15)	26.3 (0.54)
Quarter 1	3.4 (0.20)	17.8 (2.14)	25.1 (1.10)
Quarter 2	3.4 (0.21)	20.3 (2.19)	27.8 (1.28)
Quarter 3	3.4 (0.20)	17.6 (2.06)	26.5 (1.02)
Quarter 4	3.5 (0.22)	21.4 (2.63)	25.7 (1.02)

¹Employment status is assessed at the time of interview and is obtained for persons aged 18 years and over. In these tables it is presented only for persons aged 18–64 years. In 2001, the question used for coding employment status increased from four possible responses to five possible responses.

²The 2008 health insurance estimates are being released prior to final data editing and final weighting, to provide access to the most recent information from NHIS. The resulting estimates for persons without health insurance are generally 0.1-0.3 percentage points lower than those based on the editing procedures used for the final data files. Occasionally, due to decisions made for the final data editing and weighting, estimates based on preliminary editing procedures may differ by more than 0.3 percentage points from estimates based on final files.

Note: The category “public coverage” includes Medicaid, Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP), state-sponsored or other government-sponsored health plan, Medicare (disability), Veterans Administration (VA) and CHAMP-VA. A small number of persons were covered by both public and private plans and were included in both categories. For 2008, this category also includes persons covered by TRICARE, therefore caution should be used in comparing these estimates with prior years.

Data source: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 1997–2008. Estimates for 2008 are based on data collected from January - June 2008. Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population.