

Table 10. Percentages of persons under 65 years of age who delayed needed medical care due to cost during the past 12 months, by interview quarter and insurance status: United States, 1997–June 2008

Year, quarter	Insurance status			
	Uninsured ¹	Insured	Private ²	Public ³
	Percent (standard error)			
2008 ⁴				
First 6 months	27.3 (0.88)	5.8 (0.20)	5.5 (0.22)	6.9 (0.43)
Quarter 1	26.9 (1.31)	5.9 (0.28)	5.6 (0.31)	6.6 (0.62)
Quarter 2	27.8 (1.11)	5.8 (0.26)	5.4 (0.29)	7.2 (0.57)
2007				
Annual	25.9 (0.68)	4.9 (0.14)	4.6 (0.14)	6.7 (0.36)
Quarter 1	26.6 (1.28)	4.8 (0.26)	4.4 (0.28)	6.2 (0.57)
Quarter 2	23.7 (1.06)	4.8 (0.23)	4.5 (0.25)	6.1 (0.56)
Quarter 3	27.0 (1.65)	5.3 (0.37)	4.9 (0.39)	7.5 (0.90)
Quarter 4	26.0 (1.11)	4.8 (0.24)	4.4 (0.26)	7.1 (0.60)
2006				
Annual	24.2 (0.66)	5.3 (0.16)	4.8 (0.16)	7.5 (0.35)
Quarter 1	22.3 (1.12)	5.2 (0.32)	4.9 (0.37)	7.0 (0.62)
Quarter 2	23.3 (1.05)	4.9 (0.25)	4.4 (0.25)	7.0 (0.65)
Quarter 3	25.3 (1.66)	5.6 (0.45)	5.1 (0.45)	7.8 (0.88)
Quarter 4	25.9 (1.18)	5.2 (0.27)	4.7 (0.29)	8.0 (0.64)
2005				
Annual	24.4 (0.51)	4.8 (0.12)	4.4 (0.13)	7.0 (0.30)
Quarter 1	25.7 (1.15)	5.2 (0.27)	4.9 (0.30)	6.8 (0.63)
Quarter 2	25.0 (1.01)	4.9 (0.24)	4.5 (0.26)	7.1 (0.58)
Quarter 3	25.1 (1.02)	4.9 (0.21)	4.5 (0.23)	6.7 (0.54)
Quarter 4	21.8 (0.93)	4.3 (0.20)	3.6 (0.20)	7.3 (0.56)
2004				
Annual	25.1 (0.53)	5.0 (0.13)	4.7 (0.13)	7.0 (0.36)
Quarter 1	24.4 (1.04)	5.2 (0.30)	4.7 (0.27)	8.0 (0.99)
Quarter 2	25.5 (1.17)	4.7 (0.25)	4.5 (0.26)	6.0 (0.68)
Quarter 3	24.0 (0.96)	5.3 (0.23)	4.9 (0.24)	7.2 (0.53)
Quarter 4	26.4 (1.11)	4.9 (0.23)	4.6 (0.24)	6.7 (0.54)
2003				
Annual	23.0 (0.57)	4.6 (0.12)	4.2 (0.13)	6.6 (0.30)
Quarter 1	22.8 (1.09)	4.4 (0.22)	4.2 (0.23)	6.2 (0.57)
Quarter 2	23.2 (1.15)	4.3 (0.25)	4.1 (0.27)	5.8 (0.56)
Quarter 3	23.3 (0.97)	4.7 (0.22)	4.3 (0.24)	7.2 (0.60)
Quarter 4	22.9 (1.15)	4.9 (0.26)	4.4 (0.28)	7.1 (0.67)
2002				
Annual	21.1 (0.49)	4.3 (0.11)	3.9 (0.12)	6.7 (0.31)
Quarter 1	21.2 (1.01)	4.1 (0.20)	3.8 (0.22)	6.5 (0.56)
Quarter 2	20.7 (0.98)	4.3 (0.22)	3.8 (0.22)	6.9 (0.65)
Quarter 3	21.6 (0.94)	4.2 (0.23)	3.9 (0.25)	6.0 (0.57)
Quarter 4	20.7 (1.01)	4.5 (0.24)	4.0 (0.24)	7.5 (0.69)
2001				
Annual	20.9 (0.54)	4.5 (0.12)	4.0 (0.12)	7.8 (0.36)
Quarter 1	20.1 (1.12)	4.7 (0.27)	4.2 (0.27)	8.1 (0.76)
Quarter 2	20.9 (0.98)	4.4 (0.21)	3.8 (0.20)	7.9 (0.71)
Quarter 3	20.0 (1.00)	4.5 (0.22)	4.0 (0.23)	7.6 (0.65)
Quarter 4	22.6 (1.02)	4.4 (0.23)	3.9 (0.23)	7.5 (0.71)
2000				
Annual	20.1 (0.55)	4.1 (0.11)	3.7 (0.11)	7.6 (0.40)
Quarter 1	21.1 (1.18)	4.4 (0.24)	4.0 (0.23)	7.4 (0.90)
Quarter 2	19.5 (0.98)	3.9 (0.21)	3.4 (0.21)	7.1 (0.63)
Quarter 3	20.2 (1.01)	4.1 (0.21)	3.6 (0.21)	7.1 (0.70)
Quarter 4	19.6 (1.00)	4.2 (0.26)	3.7 (0.26)	8.6 (0.94)

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1999				
Annual	20.5 (0.55)	4.1 (0.11)	3.7 (0.11)	7.5 (0.36)
Quarter 1	21.8 (1.32)	4.6 (0.26)	4.3 (0.26)	7.2 (0.73)
Quarter 2	21.3 (1.02)	4.1 (0.21)	3.6 (0.21)	7.2 (0.71)
Quarter 3	19.6 (0.97)	4.0 (0.21)	3.5 (0.20)	7.9 (0.67)
Quarter 4	19.3 (1.08)	3.8 (0.21)	3.2 (0.19)	7.7 (0.77)
1998				
Annual	20.9 (0.51)	4.2 (0.12)	3.9 (0.12)	6.6 (0.35)
Quarter 1	20.5 (1.08)	4.0 (0.23)	3.7 (0.24)	5.3 (0.63)
Quarter 2	21.3 (0.98)	4.5 (0.24)	4.3 (0.25)	6.0 (0.64)
Quarter 3	21.4 (1.01)	4.5 (0.22)	4.0 (0.22)	7.7 (0.75)
Quarter 4	20.6 (1.08)	4.1 (0.20)	3.6 (0.21)	7.4 (0.65)
1997				
Annual	21.2 (0.47)	4.9 (0.12)	4.6 (0.12)	7.0 (0.32)
Quarter 1	21.7 (0.89)	5.4 (0.23)	5.0 (0.24)	8.1 (0.65)
Quarter 2	22.1 (0.85)	5.6 (0.24)	5.3 (0.26)	7.5 (0.69)
Quarter 3	20.2 (0.92)	4.5 (0.23)	4.3 (0.25)	6.1 (0.58)
Quarter 4	20.7 (0.95)	4.3 (0.21)	4.0 (0.21)	6.4 (0.67)

¹A person was defined as uninsured if he or she did not have any private health insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), state-sponsored or other government-sponsored health plan, or military plan. A person was also defined as uninsured if he or she had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care.

²The category "private coverage" excludes plans that paid for only one type of service such as accidents or dental care. "Private coverage" also includes persons covered thru TRICARE. A small number of persons were covered by both public and private plans and, thus, were included in both categories.

³The 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.

⁴The 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.

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.