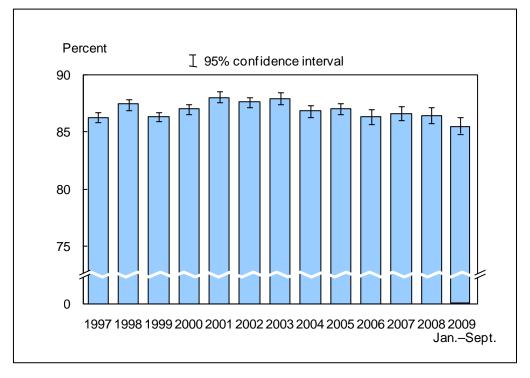


Figure 2.1. Percentage of persons of all ages with a usual place to go for medical care: United States, 1997-September 2009

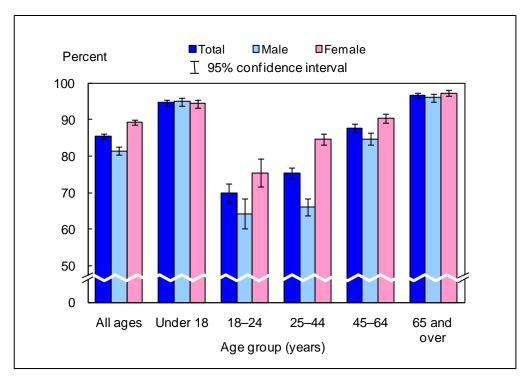


NOTES: The usual place to go for medical care does not include a hospital emergency room. The analyses excluded persons with an unknown usual place to go for medical care (about 1.5% of respondents each year). Beginning with the 2003 data, the National Health Interview Survey transitioned to weights derived from the 2000 census. In this Early Release, estimates for 2000-2002 were recalculated using weights derived from the 2000 census. See "About This Early Release" for more details.

- For the period January through September 2009, the percentage of persons who had a usual place to go for medical care was 85.4% (95% confidence interval = 84.68%-86.18%), which was lower than, but not significantly different from, the 2008 estimate of 86.4%.
- The percentage of persons of all ages who had a usual place to go for medical care generally decreased from 87.9% in 2003 to 85.4% for the period January through September 2009.



Figure 2.2. Percentage of persons of all ages with a usual place to go for medical care, by age group and sex: United States, January-September 2009

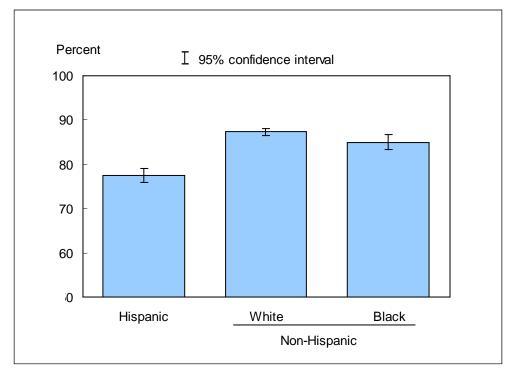


NOTES: The usual place to go for medical care does not include a hospital emergency room. The analyses excluded 105 persons (0.6%) with an unknown usual place to go for medical care.

- Of the five age groups, persons aged 18-24 years and 25-44 years were the least likely to have a usual place to go for medical care. Children under age 18 were more likely than adults in age groups 18-24 years, 25-44 years, and 45-64 years to have a usual place to go for medical care.
- Among those aged 18 years and over, the percentage of persons having a usual place to go for medical care increased with age.
- Women were more likely than men in age groups 18-24 years, 25-44 years, and 45-64 years to have a usual place to go for medical care.



Figure 2.3. Age-sex-adjusted percentage of persons of all ages with a usual place to go for medical care, by race/ethnicity: United States, January-September 2009



NOTES: The usual place to go for medical care does not include a hospital emergency room. The analyses excluded 105 persons (0.6%) with an unknown usual place to go for medical care. Estimates are age-sex adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using five age groups: under 18 years, 18-24 years, 25-44 years, 45-64 years, and 65 years and over.

- After adjustment for age and sex, the percentage of persons with a usual place to go for medical care was 77.5% for Hispanic persons, 87.3% for non-Hispanic white persons, and 85.0% for non-Hispanic black persons.
- Of the three race/ethnicity groups, Hispanic persons were the least likely to have a usual place to go for medical care.



Data tables for Figures 2.1-2.3:

Data table for Figure 2.1. Percentage of persons of all ages with a usual place to go for medical care: United States, 1997-September 2009

| Year | Crude ¹ percent (95% confidence interval) | Age-adjusted ² percent (95% confidence interval) |
|------------------------|--|---|
| 1997 | 86.2 (85.8-86.7) | 86.3 (85.9-86.7) |
| 1998 | 87.4 (86.9-87.8) | 87.4 (87.0-87.9) |
| 1999 | 86.3 (85.9-86.7) | 86.4 (86.0-86.8) |
| 2000 | 87.0 (86.5-87.4) | 87.0 (86.6-87.4) |
| 2001 | 88.0 (87.6-88.5) | 88.0 (87.6-88.5) |
| 2002 | 87.6 (87.1-88.0) | 87.6 (87.1-88.0) |
| 2003 | 87.9 (87.4-88.4) | 87.9 (87.4-88.4) |
| 2004 | 86.8 (86.3-87.3) | 86.8 (86.3-87.2) |
| 2005 | 87.0 (86.56-87.50) | 86.9 (86.47-87.41) |
| 2006 | 86.3 (85.68-86.92) | 86.2 (85.56-86.80) |
| 2007 | 86.6 (85.97-87.19) | 86.5 (85.84-87.06) |
| 2008 | 86.4 (85.73-87.09) | 86.2 (85.54-86.88) |
| January-September 2009 | 85.4 (84.68-86.18) | 85.2 (84.42-85.96) |

¹Crude estimates are presented in the figure.

NOTES: Beginning with the 2003 data, the National Health Interview Survey transitioned to weights derived from the 2000 census. In this Early Release, estimates for 2000-2002 were recalculated using weights derived from the 2000 census. See "About This Early Release" for more details.

²Estimates for this *Healthy People 2010* Leading Health Indicator are age adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using five age groups: under 18 years, 18-24 years, 25-44 years, 45-64 years, and 65 years and over.



Data table for Figure 2.2. Percentage of persons of all ages with a usual place to go for medical care, by age group and sex: United States, January-September 2009

| Age and sex | Percent | 95% confidence interval |
|---|---------|-------------------------|
| Under 18 years, total | 94.6 | 93.85-95.31 |
| Under 18 years, male | 94.8 | 93.85-95.81 |
| Under 18 years, female | 94.3 | 93.19-95.45 |
| 18-24 years, total | 69.8 | 67.18-72.44 |
| 18-24 years, male | 64.3 | 60.25-68.27 |
| 18-24 years, female | 75.4 | 71.56-79.24 |
| 25-44 years, total | 75.4 | 73.85-76.88 |
| 25-44 years, male | 66.1 | 63.71-68.48 |
| 25-44 years, female | 84.5 | 82.98-86.05 |
| 45-64 years, total | 87.6 | 86.44-88.72 |
| 45-64 years, male | 84.7 | 83.01-86.42 |
| 45-64 years, female | 90.3 | 88.97-91.59 |
| 65 years and over, total | 96.7 | 96.00-97.35 |
| 65 years and over, male | 96.0 | 94.94-97.13 |
| 65 years and over, female | 97.2 | 96.35-97.98 |
| All ages (crude ¹), total | 85.4 | 84.68-86.18 |
| All ages (crude ¹), male | 81.4 | 80.37-82.53 |
| All ages (crude ¹), female | 89.3 | 88.51-89.99 |
| All ages (age-adjusted ²), total | 85.2 | 84.42-85.96 |
| All ages (age-adjusted ²), male | 81.2 | 80.15-82.34 |
| All ages (age-adjusted ²), female | 89.0 | 88.29-89.81 |

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Data table for Figure 2.3. Age-sex-adjusted percentage of persons of all ages with a usual place to go for medical care, by race/ethnicity: United States, January-September 2009

| Race/ethnicity | Age-sex-adjusted ¹ percent (95% confidence interval) | Age-adjusted ² percent (95% confidence interval) |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Hispanic or Latino | 77.5 (75.86-79.16) | 77.2 (75.52-78.92) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino, single | | |
| race, white | 87.3 (86.38-88.14) | 87.3 (86.37-88.16) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino, single | | |
| race, black | 85.0 (83.31-86.71) | 85.3 (83.61-87.01) |

¹Age-sex-adjusted estimates are presented in the figure. Estimates are age-sex adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using five age groups: under 18 years, 18-24 years, 25-44 years, 45-64 years, and 65 years and over.

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