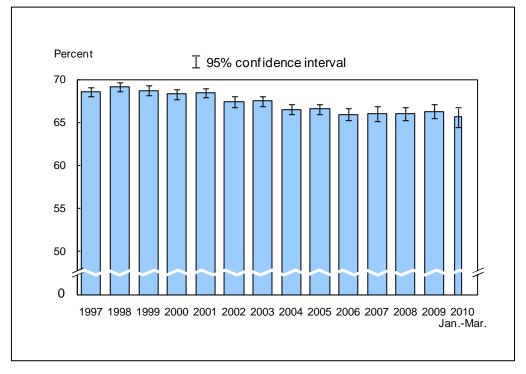


Figure 11.1. Percentage of persons of all ages who had excellent or very good health: United States, 1997-March 2010

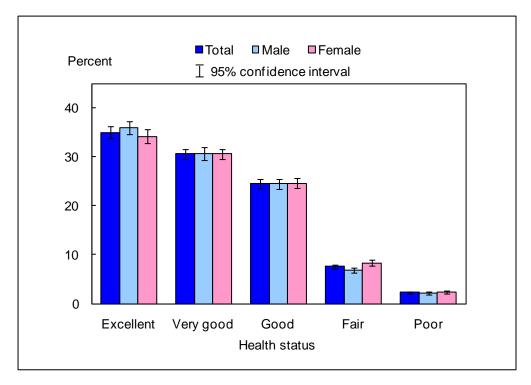


NOTES: Health status data were obtained by asking respondents to assess their own health and that of family members living in the same household as excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor. The analyses excluded persons with unknown health status (about 0.2% of respondents each year). Beginning with 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.

- In early 2010, the percentage of persons who had excellent or very good health was 65.6% (95% confidence interval = 64.49%-66.73%), which was lower than, but not significantly different from, the 2009 estimate of 66.3%.
- The percentage of persons who had excellent or very good health generally decreased from 68.5% in 1997 to 65.6% in early 2010.



Figure 11.2. Percent distribution of respondent-assessed health status, by sex, for all ages: United States, January-March 2010

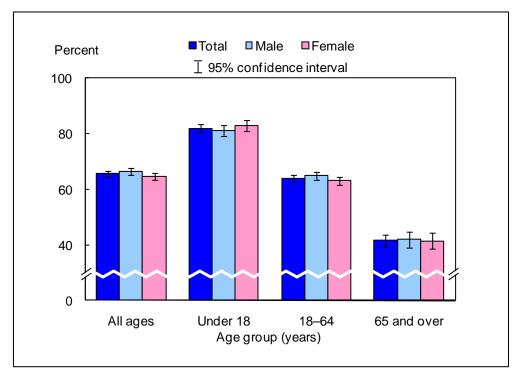


NOTES: Health status data were obtained by asking respondents to assess their own health and that of family members living in the same household as excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor. The analyses excluded 34 persons (0.1%) with unknown health status.

- For both sexes combined, most persons' health was either excellent (35.0%) or very good (30.6%). Smaller percentages of persons had good (24.5%), fair (7.5%), or poor (2.3%) health.
- Compared with males, females were more likely to have fair health.



Figure 11.3. Percentage of persons of all ages who had excellent or very good health, by age group and sex: United States, January-March 2010



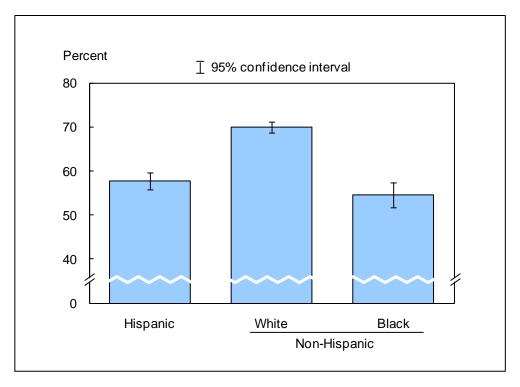
NOTES: Health status data were obtained by asking respondents to assess their own health and that of family members living in the same household as excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor. The analyses excluded 34 persons (0.1%) with unknown health status.

DATA SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, January-March 2010, Family Core component. Data are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population.

• For both sexes combined, the percentage of persons with excellent or very good health decreased with age: 82.1% for those under age 18 years, 64.0% for those aged 18-64, and 41.7% for those aged 65 and over.



Figure 11.4. Age-sex-adjusted percentage of persons of all ages who had excellent or very good health, by race/ethnicity: United States, January-March 2010



NOTES: Health status data were obtained by asking respondents to assess their own health and that of family members living in the same household as excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor. The analyses excluded 34 persons (0.1%) with unknown health status. Estimates are age-sex adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using three age groups: under 18 years, 18-64 years, and 65 years and over.

- After adjusting for age and sex, the percentage of persons who had excellent or very good health was 57.6% for Hispanic persons, 70.0% for non-Hispanic white persons, and 54.6% for non-Hispanic black persons.
- The health of Hispanic persons and non-Hispanic black persons was less likely to be excellent or very good than that of non-Hispanic white persons.



Data tables for Figures 11.1-11.4:

Data table for Figure 11.1. Percentage of persons of all ages who had excellent or very good health: United States, 1997-March 2010

| Year | Percent | 95% confidence interval |
|--------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| 1997 | 68.5 | 68.0-69.1 |
| 1998 | 69.1 | 68.6-69.6 |
| 1999 | 68.7 | 68.1-69.3 |
| 2000 | 68.3 | 67.7-68.8 |
| 2001 | 68.4 | 67.9-69.0 |
| 2002 | 67.4 | 66.8-68.0 |
| 2003 | 67.5 | 66.9-68.0 |
| 2004 | 66.5 | 66.0-67.1 |
| 2005 | 66.5 | 65.98-67.11 |
| 2006 | 65.9 | 65.25-66.61 |
| 2007 | 66.0 | 65.18-66.88 |
| 2008 | 66.0 | 65.30-66.79 |
| 2009 | 66.3 | 65.46-67.10 |
| January-March 2010 | 65.6 | 64.49-66.73 |

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.



Data table for Figure 11.2. Percent distribution of respondent-assessed health status, by sex for all ages: United States, January-March 2010

| Health status and sex | Percent | 95% confidence interval |
|-----------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| Excellent, total | 35.0 | 33.71-36.33 |
| Excellent, male | 35.9 | 34.53-37.31 |
| Excellent, female | 34.2 | 32.69-35.62 |
| Very good, total | 30.6 | 29.59-31.59 |
| Very good, male | 30.6 | 29.31-31.91 |
| Very good, female | 30.6 | 29.50-31.66 |
| Good, total | 24.5 | 23.65-25.43 |
| Good, male | 24.5 | 23.45-25.49 |
| Good, female | 24.6 | 23.55-25.66 |
| Fair, total | 7.5 | 7.09-7.99 |
| Fair, male | 6.8 | 6.26-7.31 |
| Fair, female | 8.3 | 7.66-8.86 |
| Poor, total | 2.3 | 2.09-2.53 |
| Poor, male | 2.2 | 1.92-2.52 |
| Poor, female | 2.4 | 2.10-2.69 |



Data table for Figure 11.3. Percentage of persons of all ages who had excellent or very good health, by age group and sex: United States, January-March 2010

| Age and sex | Percent | 95% confidence interval |
|---|---------|-------------------------|
| Under 18 years, total | 82.1 | 80.48-83.62 |
| Under 18 years, male | 81.2 | 79.23-83.16 |
| Under 18 years, female | 82.9 | 81.08-84.82 |
| 18-64 years, total | 64.0 | 62.75-65.23 |
| 18-64 years, male | 64.9 | 63.51-66.32 |
| 18-64 years, female | 63.1 | 61.57-64.61 |
| 65 years and over, total | 41.7 | 39.52-43.83 |
| 65 years and over, male | 41.9 | 39.10-44.74 |
| 65 years and over, female | 41.5 | 38.55-44.43 |
| All ages (crude ¹), total | 65.6 | 64.49-66.73 |
| All ages (crude ¹), male | 66.5 | 65.27-67.78 |
| All ages (crude ¹), female | 64.7 | 63.41-66.06 |
| All ages (age-adjusted ²), total | 65.8 | 64.76-66.89 |
| All ages (age-adjusted ²), male | 66.2 | 65.00-67.41 |
| All ages (age-adjusted ²), female | 65.5 | 64.23-66.73 |

¹Crude estimates are presented in the figure.

DATA SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, January-March 2010, Family Core component. Data are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population.

Data table for Figure 11.4. Age-sex-adjusted percentage of persons of all ages who had excellent or very good health, by race/ethnicity: United States, January-March 2010

| Race/ethnicity | Percent ¹ | 95% confidence interval |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Hispanic or Latino | 57.6 | 55.71-59.55 |
| Not Hispanic or Latino, single race, white | 70.0 | 68.80-71.19 |
| Not Hispanic or Latino, single race, black | 54.6 | 51.74-57.42 |

¹Estimates are age-sex adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using three age groups: under 18 years, 18-64 years, and 65 years and over.

²Estimates are age adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using three age groups: under 18 years, 18-64 years, and 65 years and over.