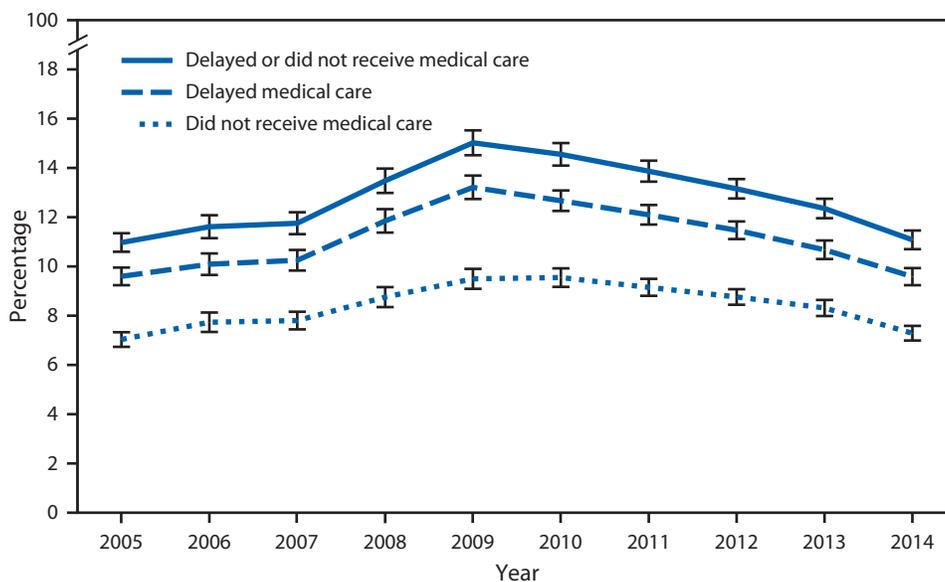


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Percentage* of Adults Aged 18–64 Years Who Delayed or Did Not Receive Medical Care During the Past 12 Months Because of Cost,[†] by Year — National Health Interview Survey,[§] United States, 2005–2014



* With 95% confidence intervals indicated with error bars.

[†] Based on responses to the following survey questions: “During the past 12 months, has medical care been delayed for [person] because of worry about the cost?” and “During the past 12 months, was there any time when [person] needed medical care, but did not get it because [person] couldn’t afford it?” Both questions excluded dental care. Respondents were asked to answer regarding themselves and other family members living in the same household.

[§] Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the noninstitutionalized U.S. civilian population and are derived from the National Health Interview Survey Family Core component.

From 2005 to 2014, the percentage of adults aged 18–64 years who delayed or did not receive medical care because of cost increased from 11.0% (20.2 million) in 2005 to 15.1% (28.7 million) in 2009, and then decreased to 11.2% (21.7 million) in 2014. During the same period, the percentage of adults aged 18–64 years who delayed medical care because of cost increased from 9.7% (17.6 million) in 2005 to 13.3% (25.2 million) in 2009, and then decreased to 9.6% (18.8 million) in 2014. In addition, the percentage of adults aged 18–64 years who did not receive medical care because of cost increased from 7.1% (12.9 million) in 2005 to 9.6% in 2009 and 2010, and then decreased to 7.3% (14.3 million) in 2014.

Source: National Health Interview Survey, 2005–2014 data. <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm>.

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