

Table 106. Health insurance coverage of noninstitutionalized Medicare beneficiaries aged 65 and over, by type of coverage and selected characteristics: United States, selected years 1992–2015

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Characteristic	Medicare Advantage plan ¹					Medicaid ²				
	1992	1995	2000	2010	2015	1992	1995	2000	2010	2015
Age										
Number in millions										
65 years and over	1.1	2.6	5.9	10.3	15.8	2.7	2.8	2.7	3.2	4.5
Percent distribution										
65 years and over	3.9	8.9	19.3	26.7	34.0	9.4	9.6	9.0	8.4	9.7
65–74 years	4.2	9.5	20.6	26.9	33.7	7.9	8.8	8.5	7.7	7.5
75–84 years	3.7	8.3	18.5	27.6	35.6	10.6	9.6	8.9	9.1	10.5
85 years and over	0.0	7.3	16.3	23.7	31.3	16.6	13.6	11.2	9.5	17.5
Sex										
Male	4.6	9.2	19.3	25.4	32.8	6.3	6.2	6.3	6.3	8.6
Female	3.4	8.6	19.3	27.8	34.9	11.6	12.0	10.9	10.1	10.5
Race and Hispanic origin										
White, not Hispanic or Latino	3.6	8.4	18.4	23.9	31.7	5.6	5.4	5.1	5.4	7.3
Black, not Hispanic or Latino	0.0	7.9	20.7	34.3	39.7	28.5	30.3	23.6	16.8	14.8
Hispanic	0.0	15.5	27.5	47.2	49.3	39.0	40.5	28.7	18.8	18.3
Percent of poverty level ³										
Below 100%	3.6	7.7	18.4	---	36.3	22.3	17.2	15.9	---	35.7
100% to less than 200%	3.7	9.5	23.4	---	38.9	6.7	6.3	8.4	---	14.9
200% or more	4.2	10.1	18.0	---	31.5	*	*	*	---	3.0
Marital status										
Married	4.6	9.5	18.7	27.1	33.8	4.0	4.3	4.3	3.6	5.2
Widowed	2.3	7.7	19.4	25.4	32.6	14.9	15.0	13.6	12.6	14.5
Divorced	*	9.7	24.4	29.1	36.6	23.4	24.5	20.2	16.9	16.3
Never married	*	*	15.8	23.1	35.5	19.2	19.0	17.0	19.8	18.7
Characteristic	Employer-sponsored plan ⁴					Medigap ⁵				
	1992	1995	2000	2010	2015	1992	1995	2000	2010	2015
Age										
Number in millions										
65 years and over	12.5	11.3	10.7	11.9	9.5	9.9	9.5	7.6	7.6	11.9
Percent distribution										
65 years and over	42.8	38.6	35.2	30.6	20.5	33.9	32.5	25.0	19.6	25.6
65–74 years	46.9	41.1	36.6	32.5	20.7	31.4	29.9	21.7	17.4	27.1
75–84 years	38.2	37.1	35.0	28.4	21.1	37.5	35.2	27.8	21.3	24.0
85 years and over	31.6	30.2	29.4	28.5	18.4	38.3	37.6	31.1	24.7	22.8
Sex										
Male	46.3	42.1	37.7	32.9	21.5	30.6	30.0	23.4	18.2	25.2
Female	40.4	36.0	33.4	28.9	19.7	36.2	34.4	26.2	20.8	26.0
Race and Hispanic origin										
White, not Hispanic or Latino	45.9	41.3	38.6	33.5	22.6	37.2	36.2	28.3	23.0	29.4
Black, not Hispanic or Latino	25.9	26.7	22.0	23.7	16.9	13.6	10.2	7.5	6.7	13.2
Hispanic	20.7	16.9	15.8	14.8	10.4	15.8	10.1	11.3	6.4	10.3

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	1992	1995	2000	2010	2015	1992	1995	2000	2010	2015
Percent of poverty level ³		Percent distribution								
Below 100%	29.0	32.1	28.1	---	5.9	30.8	29.8	22.6	---	9.4
100% to less than 200%	37.5	32.0	27.0	---	11.9	39.3	39.1	28.4	---	20.0
200% or more	58.4	52.8	49.0	---	26.6	32.8	32.2	26.2	---	30.8
Marital status										
Married	49.9	44.6	41.0	35.9	24.3	33.0	32.6	25.6	19.6	28.2
Widowed	34.1	30.3	28.7	26.3	17.4	37.5	35.2	26.7	22.0	24.6
Divorced	27.3	26.6	22.4	18.9	13.5	27.9	24.1	16.9	15.3	19.8
Never married	38.0	35.1	28.5	25.2	12.0	29.1	26.2	21.9	17.5	19.3
Medicare fee-for-service only or other ⁶										
Characteristic	1992	1995	2000	2010	2015					
Age		Number in millions								
65 years and over	2.9	3.1	3.5	5.7	4.7					
		Percent distribution								
65 years and over	9.9	10.5	11.5	14.6	10.2					
65–74 years	9.7	10.7	12.6	15.5	11.0					
75–84 years	10.1	9.9	9.9	13.5	8.8					
85 years and over	10.8	11.3	12.1	13.6	10.0					
Sex										
Male	12.2	12.6	13.3	17.3	11.9					
Female	8.3	8.9	10.2	12.5	8.9					
Race and Hispanic origin										
White, not Hispanic or Latino	7.7	8.7	9.6	14.2	9.0					
Black, not Hispanic or Latino	26.7	25.0	26.1	18.6	15.4					
Hispanic	18.3	17.1	16.7	12.7	11.7					
Percent of poverty level ³										
Below 100%	14.3	13.3	15.1	---	12.8					
100% to less than 200%	12.9	13.1	12.7	---	14.3					
200% or more	4.0	4.5	6.3	---	8.1					
Marital status										
Married	8.5	9.0	10.5	13.9	8.6					
Widowed	11.2	11.9	11.6	13.7	10.9					
Divorced	15.7	15.1	16.1	19.8	13.8					
Never married	*	13.1	16.8	14.4	14.5					

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- - - Data not available.

* Estimates are considered unreliable if the sample cell size is 50 or fewer.

¹Enrollee has a Medicare Advantage plan regardless of other insurance. Medicare Advantage plans include health maintenance organizations, preferred provider organizations, private fee-for-service plans, special needs plans, and Medicare medical savings account plans. Starting with 2013 data, the term Medicare Risk Health Maintenance Organization was replaced with Medicare Advantage plan. See Appendix II, Managed care.

²Enrolled in Medicaid and not enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan. See Appendix II, Managed care.

³Percent of poverty level is based on family income and family size and composition using U.S. Census Bureau poverty thresholds. See Appendix II, Family income; Poverty.

⁴Private insurance plans purchased through employers (own, current or former employer, family business, union, or union of spouse) and not enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan or Medicaid.

⁵Supplemental insurance purchased privately or through organizations such as American Association of Retired Persons or professional organizations, and not enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan, Medicaid, or employer-sponsored plan.

⁶Medicare fee-for-service only or other public plans (except Medicaid).

NOTES: Data are for noninstitutionalized Medicare beneficiaries. Insurance categories are mutually exclusive. Persons with more than one type of coverage are categorized according to the order in which the health insurance categories appear in the table. Due to changes in sampling and data collection methodologies, 2014 data are not available. See Appendix I, Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (MCBS). Data for additional years are available. See the Excel spreadsheet on the *Health, United States* website at: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/hus.htm>.

SOURCE: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey, Survey file. See Appendix I, Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (MCBS).