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Health Insurance Coverage: Early Release of Quarterly Estimates From the National Health Interview Survey, January 2021–March 2022

National Health Interview Survey Early Release Program

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Since 2001, the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) Early Release Program has released selected estimates of health and health care for the civilian noninstitutionalized U.S. population. Table 1 presents quarterly estimates of health insurance coverage disaggregated by age group and family income as a percentage of the federal poverty level (FPL) for the civilian noninstitutionalized U.S. population based on data from the January–March 2022 NHIS. Table 2 presents quarterly population estimates of health insurance coverage disaggregated by age group. Table 3 presents quarterly estimates of health insurance coverage for adults aged 18–64 disaggregated by race and ethnicity. Table 4 presents quarterly estimates of health insurance coverage for adults aged 18–64 disaggregated by region. Quarterly estimates for January–March 2021 through October–December 2021 are also presented for comparison. These estimates are being published prior to final data editing and final weighting to provide access to the most recent information from the NHIS.

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Health insurance coverage status, age group (years) and family income as a percentage of the FPL ¹	Quarter 1, 2021 (Jan–Mar)	Quarter 2, 2021 (Apr–Jun)	Quarter 3, 2021 (Jul–Sep)	Quarter 4, 2021 (Oct–Dec)	Quarter 1, 2022 (Jan–Mar)
Uninsured ²					
All ages	9.5 (8.6–10.4)	9.7 (8.6–10.8)	8.9 (8.2-9.6)	8.8 (7.9–9.7)	8.0 (7.1–9.1)
Less than 100% FPL	18.4 (14.6–22.7)	16.7 (13.3–20.6)	14.4 (11.3–18.0)	14.4 (11.4–17.8)	14.1 (10.4–18.5)
100% to less than 200% FPL	13.7 (11.2–16.4)	15.8 (13.2–18.8)	14.0 (11.6–16.7)	14.9 (13.0–17.0)	13.6 (11.0–16.5)
200% to less than or equal	,	,	,	,	, ,
to 400% FPL	9.7 (8.2-11.3)	9.7 (8.0-11.7)	9.6 (8.3-11.0)	8.8 (7.5-10.3)	7.9 (6.7–9.3)
Greater than 400% FPL	3.5 (2.8–4.4)	3.1 (2.3–4.1)	3.7 (2.8–4.6)	2.9 (2.3–3.7)	3.1 (2.3–4.1)
Under 65	11.3 (10.3–12.4)	11.5 (10.3–12.8)	10.7 (9.8–11.5)	10.5 (9.4–11.6)	9.6 (8.4–10.9)
Less than 100% FPL	20.0 (15.9–24.7)	19.0 (15.2–23.4)	16.2 (12.7–20.3)	15.8 (12.5–19.6)	15.5 (11.5–20.3)
100% to less than 200% FPL	16.6 (13.6–19.9)	19.0 (15.8–22.4)	17.1 (14.1–20.4)	17.7 (15.4–20.1)	16.0 (13.0–19.4)
200% to less than or equal	,	,	,	, ,	,
to 400% FPL	11.7 (10.0-13.7)	11.6 (9.5-13.9)	11.7 (10.1–13.4)	10.6 (9.0-12.4)	9.7 (8.1-11.5)
Greater than 400% FPL	4.2 (3.3–5.2)	3.6 (2.7–4.8)	4.3 (3.3–5.4)	3.5 (2.8–4.4)	3.7 (2.8–4.9)
0–17	4.6 (3.6–5.8)	4.2 (3.1–5.6)	4.2 (3.3–5.3)	3.5 (2.6–4.5)	3.7 (2.8–4.8)
Less than 100% FPL	6.8 (3.5–11.8)	7.0 (3.6–12.0)	6.1 (3.3–10.1)	*	*
100% to less than 200% FPL	6.9 (4.4–10.3)	5.4 (3.1–8.6)	7.0 (4.1–11.0)	3.0 (1.5-5.2)	5.0 (2.9-7.9)
200% to less than or equal					
to 400% FPL	4.5 (3.0-6.5)	4.6 (2.6–7.4)	3.5 (2.0-5.7)	3.8 (2.3-6.0)	3.2 (1.7–5.2)
Greater than 400% FPL	1.6 (0.8–3.0)	1.2 (0.5–2.6)	1.1 (0.5–2.1)	2.1 (1.1–3.7)	3.0 (1.5–5.3)
18–64	13.8 (12.6–15.1)	14.2 (12.7–15.8)	13.0 (12.0–14.1)	13.1 (11.7–14.5)	11.8 (10.3–13.3)
Less than 100% FPL	27.4 (21.8–33.5)	26.5 (21.0–32.6)	21.7 (16.8–27.4)	22.2 (17.8–27.2)	23.2 (17.3–29.9)
100% to less than 200% FPL	21.9 (18.1–26.1)	25.5 (21.5–29.9)	22.3 (18.6–26.4)	24.9 (21.6–28.4)	22.0 (17.9–26.5)
200% to less than or equal					
to 400% FPL	14.6 (12.5–17.0)	14.2 (11.7–17.1)	14.8 (12.7–17.1)	13.3 (11.3–15.6)	12.2 (10.1–14.7)
Greater than 400% FPL	4.9 (3.9–6.1)	4.4 (3.2–5.9)	5.2 (4.0–6.6)	3.9 (3.0–5.0)	3.9 (2.9–5.1)
Public health plan coverage ³					
All ages	40.0 (38.5-41.5)	39.0 (37.4-40.7)	38.8 (37.4-40.2)	40.4 (39.0-41.7)	39.1 (37.7-40.6)
Less than 100% FPL	67.5 (62.6-72.1)	71.7 (67.1–75.9)	67.9 (61.7-73.8)	71.6 (67.8–75.2)	72.6 (68.1–76.8)
100% to less than 200% FPL	62.3 (58.8–65.6)	58.6 (54.9–62.1)	60.5 (57.1–63.7)	57.8 (54.3-61.3)	60.1 (56.1–63.9)
200% to less than or equal	24.4 (21.0. 26.0)	244(210 270)	33.6 (31.4–35.9)	36.6 (34.6–38.6)	26 2 (22 7 20 0)
to 400% FPL Greater than 400% FPL	34.4 (31.9–36.8)	34.4 (31.9–37.0)			36.3 (33.7–39.0)
Greater than 400% FFL	21.4 (19.7–23.1)	20.6 (18.8–22.6)	20.5 (19.1–21.9)	22.6 (20.6–24.7)	22.4 (20.7–24.1)
Under 65	28.3 (26.6–30.0)	27.3 (25.7–29.0)	26.9 (25.3–28.5)	28.4 (27.0–29.9)	27.6 (26.0–29.1)
Less than 100% FPL	64.3 (59.1–69.2)	67.7 (62.5–72.6)	63.9 (56.9–70.5)	68.7 (64.2–72.9)	69.8 (65.0-74.3)
100% to less than 200% FPL	54.4 (50.5-58.3)	50.4 (46.5-54.2)	51.3 (47.5–55.1)	49.7 (46.2-53.3)	52.5 (48.1-56.9)
200% to less than or equal					
to 400% FPL	20.5 (18.5–22.7)	21.4 (19.1–23.9)	20.4 (18.1–22.8)	22.9 (20.6–25.3)	22.2 (19.5–25.0)
Greater than 400% FPL	7.0 (5.8–8.3)	6.6 (5.2–8.3)	7.6 (6.4–8.9)	7.1 (5.7–8.6)	8.1 (6.7–9.6)
0–17	45.6 (42.6–48.6)	43.8 (41.2–46.4)	42.5 (39.9–45.3)	45.4 (42.8–48.0)	44.1 (41.2–47.1)
Less than 100% FPL	87.5 (81.7–92.1)	87.0 (81.2–91.6)	85.2 (79.9–89.6)	89.2 (84.5–92.9)	91.3 (85.9–95.1)
100% to less than 200% FPL	76.4 (71.5–80.8)	78.0 (73.2–82.2)	74.9 (69.0–80.2)	74.0 (68.8–78.7)	73.4 (67.9–78.4)
200% to less than or equal		•			
to 400% FPL	29.2 (25.4–33.2)	28.4 (24.0-33.1)	31.6 (26.9–36.7)	33.5 (28.9–38.3)	30.9 (26.3–35.7)
Greater than 400% FPL	9.6 (7.1–12.5)	7.2 (5.3–9.6)	8.0 (6.1–10.4)	9.8 (7.7–12.4)	9.0 (6.2–12.6)

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Table 1. Percentage (and 95% confidence interval) of people who lacked health insurance coverage, had public health plan coverage, and had private health insurance coverage at the time of interview, by age group, family income as a percentage of the federal poverty level and quarter: United States, January 2021–March 2022—cont.

Health insurance coverage status, age group (years) and family income as a percentage of the FPL ¹	Quarter 1, 2021 (Jan–Mar)	Quarter 2, 2021 (Apr–Jun)	Quarter 3, 2021 (Jul–Sep)	Quarter 4, 2021 (Oct–Dec)	Quarter 1, 2022 (Jan–Mar)
Public health plan coverage ³	(sair mar)	(, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	(50. 50)	(000 200)	(24.1. 11.4.)
18–64	22.0 (20.5–23.5)	21.3 (19.5–23.3)	21.1 (19.6–22.7)	22.2 (20.8–23.7)	21.5 (20.2–22.9)
Less than 100% FPL	51.3 (45.4–57.1)	55.8 (48.5–62.9)	52.3 (44.2–60.4)	57.3 (52.2–62.2)	56.0 (49.9–61.9)
100% to less than 200% FPL	42.3 (38.1–46.7)	37.0 (32.4–41.7)	39.1 (35.0–43.3)	37.9 (33.8–42.0)	41.3 (36.4–46.4)
200% to less than or equal	42.5 (50.1–40.7)	37.0 (32.4-41.7)	39.1 (33.0 -1 3.3)	37.9 (33.0-42.0)	T1.5 (50.T-T0.T)
to 400% FPL	17.1 (15.0–19.4)	18.8 (16.1–21.8)	16.1 (14.0–18.3)	18.5 (16.2–21.1)	18.8 (16.0–21.9)
Greater than 400% FPL	6.2 (5.0–7.6)	6.4 (4.9–8.3)	7.4 (6.2–8.8)	6.3 (4.9–8.0)	7.8 (6.4–9.3)
Private health insurance coverage ⁴					
All ages	59.7 (58.0-61.4)	60.6 (59.1-62.0)	61.4 (59.9-62.9)	59.8 (58.2-61.4)	61.8 (60.0-63.6)
Less than 100% FPL	17.0 (13.2-21.5)	15.7 (12.5-19.4)	20.8 (15.4-27.1)	17.3 (13.7-21.4)	16.9 (13.3-21.1)
100% to less than 200% FPL	32.2 (29.1-35.4)	34.2 (31.2-37.4)	34.9 (31.5-38.5)	34.4 (31.0-37.9)	34.9 (30.9-39.0)
200% to less than or equal					
to 400% FPL	66.1 (63.9–68.2)	65.9 (63.5-68.3)	66.8 (64.2-69.2)	63.7 (61.0-66.3)	65.4 (62.6–68.2)
Greater than 400% FPL	85.5 (84.1–86.7)	86.5 (84.6–88.2)	85.0 (83.4–86.5)	85.3 (83.6–86.8)	84.6 (82.9–86.1)
Under 65	62.3 (60.4–64.2)	63.2 (61.6–64.8)	64.2 (62.4–65.9)	62.9 (61.2–64.6)	64.9 (62.8–67.0)
Less than 100% FPL	17.3 (13.2-22.0)	14.8 (11.3-19.0)	21.2 (15.1-28.4)	16.7 (13.2-20.7)	17.4 (13.4-22.0)
100% to less than 200% FPL	31.8 (28.0-35.8)	34.6 (31.2–38.2)	34.4 (30.3–38.6)	35.6 (31.9–39.4)	34.6 (30.0-39.3)
200% to less than or equal					
to 400% FPL	69.6 (66.9–72.2)	69.4 (66.7–71.9)	69.8 (67.1–72.5)	67.9 (65.0–70.8)	70.2 (66.9–73.4)
Greater than 400% FPL	90.5 (89.1–91.8)	90.9 (88.8–92.7)	89.5 (87.6–91.1)	91.0 (89.5–92.3)	89.6 (87.9–91.1)
0–17	52.0 (48.9–55.0)	54.3 (51.6–57.1)	55.5 (52.4–58.5)	53.4 (50.8–56.0)	54.6 (51.4–57.8)
Less than 100% FPL	6.7 (4.0-10.5)	8.0 (4.5-13.0)	10.1 (6.4–15.0)	6.5 (3.7-10.4)	8.1 (4.3-13.6)
100% to less than 200% FPL	20.2 (15.7-25.3)	20.3 (16.1-25.1)	22.6 (17.8-27.9)	26.3 (21.0-32.0)	26.8 (21.6-32.4)
200% to less than or equal					
to 400% FPL	68.3 (64.3–72.1)	70.1 (65.1–74.8)	67.4 (62.2–72.2)	65.1 (60.1–69.9)	67.2 (62.3–71.8)
Greater than 400% FPL	90.8 (87.8–93.3)	92.3 (89.8–94.3)	92.2 (89.9–94.2)	90.3 (87.9–92.4)	88.9 (84.7–92.3)
18–64	66.1 (64.2–68.1)	66.4 (64.7–68.2)	67.3 (65.5–69.1)	66.4 (64.6–68.2)	68.7 (66.6–70.7)
Less than 100% FPL	23.2 (17.4–29.9)	19.0 (14.3-24.5)	27.2 (18.7-37.0)	22.3 (17.6-27.6)	23.4 (17.8-29.7)
100% to less than 200% FPL	38.2 (33.5-43.1)	41.5 (37.4–45.8)	40.5 (35.8-45.2)	40.2 (36.2-44.3)	38.8 (33.7-44.1)
200% to less than or equal					
to 400% FPL	70.2 (67.2–73.0)	69.1 (66.2–71.9)	70.8 (68.2–73.2)	69.1 (65.8–72.2)	71.4 (67.6–75.0)
Greater than 400% FPL	90.4 (88.9–91.8)	90.5 (88.0–92.5)	88.6 (86.6–90.5)	91.1 (89.5–92.6)	89.8 (88.1–91.3)

^{*}Estimate is not shown, as it does not meet NCHS standards of reliability.

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¹FPL is federal poverty level. The percentage of respondents in the unknown FPL category in the first quarter of 2021 was 13.3%, in the second quarter of 2021 was 12.5%, in the third quarter of 2021 was 12.4%, in the fourth quarter of 2021 was 12.6% and in the first quarter of 2022 was 13.7%. Estimates may differ from estimates that are based on both reported and imputed income.

People were defined as uninsured if they 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. People were also defined as uninsured if they 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.

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Health insurance coverage status and age group (years)	Quarter 1, 2021 (Jan–Mar)	Quarter 2, 2021 (Apr–Jun)	Quarter 3, 2021 (Jul–Sep)	Quarter 4, 2021 (Oct–Dec)	Quarter 1, 2022 (Jan–Mar)
Uninsured ¹					
All ages	30.8	31.4	29.0	28.7	26.4
Under 65	30.6	31.0	28.7	28.2	26.1
0–17	3.3	3.0	3.0	2.5	2.7
18–64	27.3	28.0	25.7	25.7	23.4
Public health plan coverage ²					
All ages	130.0	126.9	126.2	131.5	128.2
Under 65	76.3	73.6	72.3	76.5	74.9
0–17	33.0	31.7	30.7	32.7	32.2
18-64	43.3	42.0	41.6	43.8	42.7
Private health insurance coverage ³					
All ages	194.1	197.0	199.9	195.0	202.6
Under 65	168.0	170.2	172.7	169.3	176.4
0–17	37.6	39.3	40.1	38.5	39.9
18–64	130.4	130.9	132.6	130.8	136.6

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Table 3. Percentage (and 95% confidence interval) of adults aged 18–64 who lacked health insurance coverage, had public health plan coverage, and had private health insurance coverage at the time of interview, by race and ethnicity, and quarter: United States, January 2021–March 2022

Health insurance coverage status, age group (years) and race and ethnicity ¹	Quarter 1, 2021 (Jan–Mar)	Quarter 2, 2021 (Apr–Jun)	Quarter 3, 2021 (Jul–Sep)	Quarter 4, 2021 (Oct–Dec)	Quarter 1, 2022 (Jan–Mar)
Uninsured ²					
Total	13.8 (12.6-15.1)	14.2 (12.7-15.8)	13.0 (12.0-14.1)	13.1 (11.7–14.5)	11.8 (10.3-13.3)
Hispanic	31.1 (27.6-34.8)	31.7 (26.1-37.8)	28.5 (25.2-31.9)	29.2 (24.2-34.5)	25.7 (22.1-29.5)
Non-Hispanic White	8.7 (7.7–9.8)	9.3 (7.8–10.9)	8.7 (7.4–10.2)	8.1 (7.0-9.2)	6.9 (5.7–8.1)
Non-Hispanic Black	14.7 (11.7–18.2)	14.7 (11.5–18.3)	11.5 (8.8–14.8)	15.3 (11.9–19.3)	14.8 (10.4–20.0)
Non-Hispanic Asian	7.6 (4.5–11.9)	4.6 (2.4–7.9)	6.4 (3.4–10.9)	6.7 (4.4–9.8)	7.9 (4.6–12.6)
Non-Hispanic, other races					
and multiple races	14.0 (8.4–21.4)	17.2 (10.6–25.7)	18.3 (11.0–27.7)	12.4 (6.6–20.8)	15.3 (9.0–23.7)
Public health plan coverage ³					
Total	22.0 (20.5–23.5)	21.3 (19.5–23.3)	21.1 (19.6–22.7)	22.2 (20.8–23.7)	21.5 (20.2–22.9)
Hispanic	23.6 (20.2–27.3)	22.3 (17.9–27.1)	24.2 (20.6–28.1)	24.8 (21.5-28.2)	23.5 (20.7–26.5)
Non-Hispanic White	19.0 (17.3–20.7)	18.7 (16.9–20.6)	17.2 (15.5–19.1)	19.0 (17.4–20.6)	18.3 (16.6–20.1)
Non-Hispanic Black	30.6 (25.9-35.6)	31.4 (26.1-37.1)	34.8 (29.9-39.8)	33.9 (29.4-38.7)	33.1 (29.1-37.3)
Non-Hispanic Asian	19.1 (14.8-24.2)	17.7 (12.6-23.8)	16.4 (11.1-23.0)	18.8 (15.0-23.0)	19.5 (15.4-24.2)
Non-Hispanic, other races					
and multiple races	38.7 (29.4–48.7)	31.7 (20.4–44.9)	32.2 (20.3–46.1)	30.6 (21.6–40.8)	28.3 (20.1–37.9)
Private health insurance coverage⁴					
Total	66.1 (64.2-68.1)	66.4 (64.7-68.2)	67.3 (65.5-69.1)	66.4 (64.6-68.2)	68.7 (66.6-70.7)
Hispanic	46.9 (43.0-50.8)	47.5 (43.1-51.9)	48.3 (44.6-52.0)	47.1 (42.6-51.7)	51.7 (47.4-55.9)
Non-Hispanic White	74.2 (72.2-76.1)	74.4 (72.3-76.3)	75.8 (73.5-77.9)	74.8 (72.9-76.6)	77.3 (75.1-79.3)
Non-Hispanic Black	56.8 (52.1-61.3)	56.1 (50.5-61.6)	55.2 (50.2-60.2)	53.7 (48.6-58.6)	54.0 (48.8-59.2)
Non-Hispanic Asian	74.1 (68.3-79.3)	77.7 (71.8-82.9)	77.1 (70.8–82.7)	74.9 (70.3-79.1)	73.1 (66.9–78.7)
Non-Hispanic, other races and multiple races	53.2 (42.8–63.3)	51.8 (37.9–65.5)	52.5 (39.0–65.8)	59.5 (49.2–69.3)	58.5 (48.0–68.5)

'Hispanic origin and race are two separate and distinct categories. People of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Hispanic or Latino origin includes people of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central and South American, or Spanish origin. Race is based on respondents' descriptions of their own racial background. More than one race may be reported. For conciseness, this table uses shorter versions of the 1997 office of Management and Budget terms for race and Hispanic or Latino origin. For example, the category "not Hispanic, Black or African American, single race" is referred to as "non-Hispanic Black" in the tables. Estimates for non-Hispanic people of races other than White only, Black only, and Asian only, or of multiple races, are combined into the "non-Hispanic, other races and multiple races" category.

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Table 4. Percentage (and 95% confidence interval) of adults aged 18–64 who lacked health insurance coverage, had public health plan coverage, and had private health insurance coverage at the time of interview, by region, and quarter: United States, January 2021–March 2022

Health insurance coverage status, age group (years) and region ¹	Quarter 1, 2021 (Jan–Mar)	Quarter 2, 2021 (Apr–Jun)	Quarter 3, 2021 (Jul–Sep)	Quarter 4, 2021 (Oct–Dec)	Quarter 1, 2022 (Jan–Mar)
Uninsured ²					
Total	13.8 (12.6-15.1)	14.2 (12.7–15.8)	13.0 (12.0-14.1)	13.1 (11.7–14.5)	11.8 (10.3-13.3)
Northeast	7.5 (5.8-9.4)	9.3 (6.7-12.5)	6.8 (5.0-9.1)	7.6 (5.3-10.4)	7.8 (6.0-9.9)
Midwest	8.7 (6.5-11.3)	11.8 (9.2-14.8)	8.9 (7.1–10.9)	9.2 (7.3–11.5)	9.3 (7.5–11.4)
South	20.1 (18.0-22.2)	18.5 (16.2–21.1)	18.7 (16.9–20.6)	18.2 (15.6–21.1)	15.7 (12.6–19.2)
West	13.4 (10.9–16.3)	13.0 (9.8–16.8)	12.3 (10.3–14.5)	12.4 (9.9–15.2)	10.5 (8.0-13.6)
Public health plan coverage ³					
Total	22.0 (20.5-23.5)	21.3 (19.5-23.3)	21.1 (19.6-22.7)	22.2 (20.8-23.7)	21.5 (20.2-22.9)
Northeast	20.4 (17.8-23.3)	22.9 (17.7-28.9)	26.3 (21.4-31.6)	23.9 (20.8-27.2)	21.9 (18.9-25.2)
Midwest	20.6 (17.7-23.8)	21.8 (18.1-26.0)	19.2 (16.5-22.1)	21.1 (18.1-24.4)	21.1 (18.6-23.9)
South	20.9 (18.4-23.6)	18.5 (15.7-21.5)	18.9 (16.7-21.3)	21.5 (19.3-23.9)	20.5 (18.3-22.9)
West	26.0 (22.3-29.8)	24.1 (20.7-27.7)	22.6 (19.5-26.0)	23.0 (19.6-26.8)	23.1 (20.2-26.2)
Private health insurance coverage⁴					
Total	66.1 (64.2-68.1)	66.4 (64.7-68.2)	67.3 (65.5-69.1)	66.4 (64.6-68.2)	68.7 (66.6-70.7)
Northeast	73.1 (70.0-76.0)	68.6 (65.0-72.1)	68.2 (63.7-72.5)	70.3 (66.4-74.0)	72.5 (69.2-75.6)
Midwest	72.9 (69.1–76.6)	69.1 (64.8-73.1)	73.6 (69.9–77.0)	71.2 (68.3-73.9)	71.8 (68.6-74.9)
South	61.5 (58.6-64.3)	64.9 (61.7-68.0)	64.2 (61.4-66.9)	61.8 (58.2-65.4)	65.8 (61.8-69.5)
West	62.2 (56.8-67.4)	65.0 (62.0-68.0)	66.2 (61.8-70.3)	66.6 (62.9-70.1)	67.8 (62.7-72.6)

In the geographic classification of the U.S. population, states are grouped into four regions used by the U.S. Census Bureau. Northeast includes Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. Midwest includes Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, North Dakota, Nebraska, and Kansas. South includes Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas. West includes Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Nevada, Washington, Oregon, California, Alaska, and Hawaii

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