Health Insurance Coverage
Early Release of Estimates from the NHIS

- Health Insurance Early Release Report
  - August 12, 2015
  - New format
  - Estimates for the 1st quarter of 2015

- Quarterly estimates
  - Additional age groups, race/ethnicity, sex, poverty
  - Exchange plan enrollment

- Preliminary microdata files
  - Quarter 1, 2015
  - 4 times a year
In the first 3 months of 2015:

- 29.0 million persons of all ages (9.2%) were uninsured at the time of interview.
- Seven million fewer persons lacked health insurance coverage in the first 3 months of 2015 when compared to 2014 (36 million, 11.5%)
Percentages of persons of all ages without health insurance using three measures of uninsurance: United States, 2013–March 2015

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Number (millions) of persons of all ages without health insurance using three measures of uninsurance: United States, 2013–March 2015

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Percentage of adults aged 18–64 who were uninsured or who had private or public coverage at the time of interview, 1997–March 2015

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, Family Core Component, 1997-2015
Percentage of children aged 0–17 years who were uninsured or who had private or public coverage at the time of interview, 1997–March 2015

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Private Coverage

• Among persons under age 65:

  ▪ In the first 3 months of 2015, 66.5% (179.1 million) were covered by private health insurance at the time of interview.
  ▪ This includes 3.6% (9.7 million) covered by private plans through the Health Insurance Marketplace or state-based exchanges at the time of interview between January and March 2015.
Percentage of persons under age 65 with private health insurance obtained through the Health Insurance Marketplace or state-based exchanges, by age group and selected quarters: United States, January 2014–March 2015

NOTES: Includes persons who have purchased a private health insurance plan through the Health Insurance Marketplace or state-based exchanges that were established as part of the Affordable Care Act of 2010 (P.L. 111–148, P.L. 111–152). All persons who have exchange-based coverage are considered to have private health insurance. SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2014 and 2015, Family Core component.
Percentage of persons aged 18-64 years with private health insurance obtained through the Health Insurance Marketplace or state-based exchanges, by race and ethnicity and selected quarters: United States, January 2014–March 2015

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Among persons under age 65:

- Decrease in the uninsured (all three measures)
- No change in public coverage
- Increase in private coverage
- 1st quarter 2015 –9.7 million covered by exchange plans
Summary of changes between 2014 and quarter 1 2015

• Increase in exchange coverage for:
  ▪ Children and adults aged 18–64
  ▪ Hispanic, Non-Hispanic white, and Non-Hispanic black adults aged 18–64
  ▪ Poor, near poor, and not poor adults 18–64
Reference