

Table 3. Health insurance coverage of the civilian noninstitutionalized population: Percent by types of coverage and perceived health status, United States, first half of 1997

Population characteristic	Total population (in thousands)	Percent Distribution		
		Private	Public only	Uninsured
Total < age 65 ^a	234,049	69.2	11.9	18.9
Total age 65+ ^a	31,877	60.5	38.4	1.0
Perceived health status, < age 65				
Excellent	87,698	74.0	9.7	16.3
Very good	74,056	72.5	9.4	18.1
Good	51,741	63.4	13.6	22.9
Fair	15,118	54.2	22.4	23.4
Poor	5,184	39.3	39.5	21.2
Perceived health status, age 65 +				
Excellent	5,203	65.5	33.1	*1.3
Very good	8,084	64.2	35.1	*0.7
Good	10,156	63.3	35.9	*0.8
Fair	5,525	55.5	43.5	*1.1
Poor	2,522	42.6	55.7	*1.7

^a Total includes persons with unknown perceived health status.

* Relative standard error is greater than or equal to 30 percent.

Note: Percents may not add to 100 due to rounding.

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey Household Component, 1997.

Table C. Health insurance coverage of the civilian noninstitutionalized population: Standard errors by type of coverage and perceived health status, United States, first half of 1997
Corresponds to Table 3

Population characteristic	Private	Public only	Uninsured
	Standard error		
Total < age 65 ^a	0.68	0.46	0.44
Total age 65+ ^a	1.20	1.19	0.19
Perceived health status, < age 65			
Excellent	0.83	0.57	0.59
Very good	0.89	0.54	0.61
Good	0.92	0.64	0.78
Fair	1.44	1.11	1.11
Poor	2.20	2.28	1.87
Perceived health status, age 65 +			
Excellent	2.51	2.48	*0.57
Very good	2.24	2.20	*0.33
Good	1.90	1.88	*0.29
Fair	2.28	2.28	*0.40
Poor	3.36	3.38	*0.99

^a Includes persons with unknown perceived health status.

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