

Table 1. Health insurance coverage of the civilian noninstitutionalized population: Percent distribution by type of coverage and selected population characteristics, United States, first half of 1998

Population characteristic	Total population (in thousands)	Percent Distribution		
		Private	Public only	Uninsured
Total <sup>a</sup>	268,297	68.6	15.6	15.8
Total under age 65 <sup>a</sup>	236,214	70.4	11.8	17.8
<b>Age in years</b>				
Under 4	15,817	59.4	27.6	13.1
4-6	11,843	61.6	24.3	14.1
7-12	24,467	66.6	18.7	14.7
13-17	20,032	69.7	14.1	16.2
Total under 18	72,160	65.1	20.3	14.7
18	3,729	67.6	12.3	20.1
19-24	20,779	59.1	9.1	31.8
25-29	18,881	64.5	8.1	27.4
30-34	20,123	71.1	8.1	20.8
35-54	78,598	78.2	6.8	15.1
55-64	21,944	76.2	10.9	12.9
18-64	164,055	72.8	8.1	19.1
65 and over	32,082	55.3	43.8	0.9
<b>Employment status<sup>b</sup></b>				
Employed	133,653	79.4	4.5	16.1
Not Employed	70,133	52.4	31.7	15.9
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	130,999	68.9	13.7	17.4
Female	137,298	68.4	17.4	14.2
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>				
Total Hispanic	30,726	46.9	21.3	31.8
Total Black	33,643	50.2	29.2	20.6
Total White	193,489	75.7	12.1	12.2
Total Other	10,439	61.0	19.8	19.2
Hispanic male	15,700	47.1	19.0	33.9
Black male	15,679	50.0	26.8	23.2
White male	94,638	76.1	10.4	13.6
Other male	4,983	61.0	19.3	19.7
Hispanic female	15,026	46.7	23.7	29.6
Black female	17,964	50.4	31.3	18.3
White female	98,851	75.4	13.8	10.9
Other female	5,456	60.9	20.3	18.8
<b>Marital status<sup>b</sup></b>				
Married	110,197	78.8	9.6	11.6
Widowed	13,544	50.7	43.1	6.2
Divorced	20,859	62.2	18.2	19.6
Separated	4,900	50.6	22.1	27.2
Never married	54,933	61.6	12.8	25.7
<b>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</b>				
MSA	215,524	69.8	15.0	15.3
Non-MSA	52,772	64.0	18.2	17.8
<b>Census region</b>				
Northeast	51,205	70.8	16.5	12.7
Midwest	62,723	76.1	12.4	11.4
South	94,014	64.8	16.4	18.8
West	60,355	65.0	17.0	18.1

<sup>a</sup> Includes persons with unknown employment status and marital status.

<sup>b</sup> For individuals ages 16 and over.

Note: Percents may not add to 100 due to rounding

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, Household Component, 1998.

Table A. Health insurance coverage of the civilian noninstitutionalized population: Standard errors by type of coverage and selected population characteristics, United States, first half of 1998  
Corresponds to Table 1

Population characteristic	Private	Public only	Uninsured
	Standard error		
Total <sup>a</sup>	0.71	0.51	0.46
Total under age 65 <sup>a</sup>	0.74	0.51	0.51
<b>Age in years</b>			
Under 4	1.78	1.55	1.12
4-6	1.87	1.79	1.17
7-12	1.44	1.24	0.98
13-17	1.65	1.12	1.27
Total under 18	1.10	0.97	0.71
18	3.03	2.00	2.46
19-24	1.60	0.85	1.40
25-29	1.65	0.82	1.31
30-34	1.28	0.81	1.18
35-54	0.76	0.40	0.59
55-64	1.20	0.78	0.96
65 and over	1.39	1.38	0.18
<b>Employment status<sup>b</sup></b>			
Employed	0.63	0.27	0.54
Not Employed	1.04	0.91	0.64
<b>Sex</b>			
Male	0.78	0.57	0.50
Female	0.75	0.55	0.49
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>			
Total Hispanic	1.52	1.13	1.31
Total Black	1.59	1.60	0.98
Total White	0.68	0.46	0.51
Total Other	3.59	3.02	2.80
Hispanic male	1.67	1.26	1.42
Black male	2.15	1.94	1.25
White male	0.76	0.52	0.56
Other male	4.03	3.40	3.13
Hispanic female	1.80	1.37	1.51
Black female	1.61	1.65	1.24
White female	0.77	0.55	0.56
Other female	3.90	3.32	2.99
<b>Marital status<sup>b</sup></b>			
Married	0.77	0.44	0.56
Widowed	1.82	1.75	0.81
Divorced	1.27	1.10	1.11
Separated	3.00	2.18	2.39
Never married	1.09	0.71	0.87
<b>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</b>			
MSA	0.82	0.57	0.52
Non-MSA	1.54	0.97	1.23
<b>Census region</b>			
Northeast	1.47	0.97	0.90
Midwest	1.49	0.88	0.96
South	1.22	0.90	0.85
West	1.44	1.15	0.90

<sup>a</sup> Includes persons with unknown employment status and marital status.

<sup>b</sup> For individuals ages 16 and over.

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, Household Component, 1998.

Table 2. Health insurance coverage of the civilian noninstitutionalized population under age 65: Percent distribution by type of coverage and selected population characteristics, United States, first half of 1998

Population characteristic	Total population (in thousands)	Percent Distribution		
		Private	Public only	Uninsured
Total <sup>a</sup>	236,214	70.4	11.8	17.8
<b>Employment status<sup>b</sup></b>				
Employed	129,333	79.9	3.4	16.6
Not Employed	42,453	51.2	23.1	25.6
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	117,475	70.0	10.8	19.3
Female	118,740	70.9	12.8	16.3
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>				
Total Hispanic	29,108	48.2	18.5	33.3
Total Black	30,999	51.8	26.1	22.1
Total White	166,299	78.2	7.7	14.1
Total Other	9,808	63.5	16.4	20.5
Hispanic male	15,019	47.9	16.8	35.3
Black male	14,623	50.7	24.8	24.6
White male	83,064	77.8	6.8	15.4
Other male	4,768	62.3	17.4	20.2
Hispanic female	14,089	48.6	20.2	31.2
Black female	16,375	52.9	27.2	19.9
White female	83,235	78.6	8.5	12.8
Other female	5,040	64.7	15.4	19.9
<b>Marital status<sup>b</sup></b>				
Married	92,575	81.8	4.5	13.7
Widowed	3,071	60.1	16.8	23.1
Divorced	18,655	64.5	13.8	21.7
Separated	4,638	51.8	19.4	28.8
Never married	53,414	62.2	11.4	26.3
<b>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</b>				
MSA	191,011	71.6	11.3	17.1
Non-MSA	45,203	65.5	13.8	20.7
<b>Census region</b>				
Northeast	44,517	73.3	12.4	14.3
Midwest	55,004	77.6	9.4	13.0
South	82,594	66.8	11.9	21.4
West	54,100	66.5	13.5	20.0

<sup>a</sup> Includes persons with unknown employment status and marital status.

<sup>b</sup> For individuals ages 16 and over.

Note: Percents may not add to 100 due to rounding

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, Household Component, 1998 (Round 1).

Table B. Health insurance coverage of the civilian noninstitutionalized population under age 65: Standard errors by type of coverage and selected population characteristics, United States, first half of 1998  
Corresponds to Table 2

Population characteristic	Private	Public only	Uninsured
	Standard error		
Total <sup>a</sup>	0.74	0.51	0.51
<b>Employment status<sup>b</sup></b>			
Employed	0.62	0.25	0.55
Not Employed	1.28	1.02	0.93
<b>Sex</b>			
Male	0.81	0.56	0.55
Female	0.78	0.56	0.55
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>			
Total Hispanic	1.60	1.17	1.37
Total Black	1.65	1.62	1.04
Total White	0.71	0.44	0.58
Total Other	3.71	3.07	2.89
Hispanic male	1.71	1.25	1.47
Black male	2.21	2.01	1.35
White male	0.80	0.47	0.62
Other male	4.22	3.56	3.28
Hispanic female	1.90	1.41	1.60
Black female	1.70	1.61	1.30
White female	0.78	0.52	0.66
Other female	3.96	3.18	3.10
<b>Marital status<sup>b</sup></b>			
Married	0.77	0.34	0.65
Widowed	3.69	2.40	2.88
Divorced	1.32	1.05	1.22
Separated	3.11	2.15	2.50
Never married	1.09	0.66	0.88
<b>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</b>			
MSA	0.86	0.57	0.56
Non-MSA	1.61	0.99	1.43
<b>Census region</b>			
Northeast	1.57	1.02	1.01
Midwest	1.51	0.90	1.11
South	1.33	0.93	0.91
West	1.46	1.11	0.98

<sup>a</sup> Includes persons with unknown employment status and marital status.

<sup>b</sup> For individuals ages 16 and over.

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, Household Component, 1998.

Table 3. Health insurance coverage of the civilian noninstitutionalized population: Percent by types of coverage and perceived health status, United States, first half of 1998

Population characteristic	Total population (in thousands)	Percent Distribution		
		Private	Public only	Uninsured
Total < age 65 <sup>a</sup>	236,214	70.4	11.8	17.8
Total age 65+ <sup>a</sup>	32,082	55.3	43.8	0.9
<b>Perceived health status, &lt; age 65</b>				
Excellent	88,319	74.8	9.3	15.9
Very good	74,463	74.5	9.1	16.3
Good	52,443	65.3	13.8	20.8
Fair	15,459	53.8	23.1	23.2
Poor	5,283	41.2	36.0	22.8
<b>Perceived health status, age 65 +</b>				
Excellent	5,724	59.1	40.1	*0.8
Very good	8,213	61.4	37.6	*1.0
Good	9,597	55.5	43.3	*1.2
Fair	5,419	49.0	50.7	*0.3
Poor	2,567	42.7	55.9	*1.4

<sup>a</sup> 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 Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey Household Component, 1998.

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 1998  
Corresponds to Table 3

Population characteristic	Private	Public only	Uninsured
	Standard error		
Total < age 65 <sup>a</sup>	0.74	0.51	0.51
Total age 65+ <sup>a</sup>	1.39	1.38	0.18
<b>Perceived health status, &lt; age 65</b>			
Excellent	0.91	0.60	0.67
Very good	0.88	0.57	0.76
Good	1.14	0.80	0.88
Fair	1.75	1.37	1.56
Poor	2.52	2.48	2.09
<b>Perceived health status, age 65 +</b>			
Excellent	3.19	3.22	*0.48
Very good	2.42	2.40	*0.40
Good	2.28	2.27	*0.39
Fair	3.01	3.02	*0.23
Poor	2.94	2.92	*0.67

<sup>a</sup> Includes persons with unknown perceived health status.

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

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey Household Component, 1998.



Table 4. Percent distribution of uninsured persons under age 65 by selected population characteristics, United States, first half of 1998

Population Characteristic	Total population (in thousands)	Percent Distribution of Population	Percent Uninsured	Percent Distribution of Uninsured Population
Total <sup>a</sup>	236,214	100	17.8	100
<b>Age in years</b>				
< 4	15,817	6.7	13.1	4.9
4-6	11,843	5.0	14.1	4.0
7-12	24,467	10.4	14.7	8.6
13-17	20,032	8.5	16.2	7.7
Total under 18	72,160	30.5	14.7	25.2
18	3,729	1.6	20.1	1.8
19-24	20,779	8.8	31.8	15.7
25-29	18,881	8.0	27.4	12.3
30-34	20,123	8.5	20.8	10.0
35-54	78,598	33.3	15.1	28.2
55-64	21,944	9.3	12.9	6.8
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	117,475	49.7	19.3	54.0
Female	118,740	50.3	16.3	46.0
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>				
Total Hispanic	29,108	12.3	33.3	23.1
Total Black	30,999	13.1	22.1	16.3
Total White	166,299	70.4	14.1	55.9
Total Other	9,808	4.2	20.1	4.7
Hispanic male	15,019	6.4	35.3	12.6
Black male	14,623	6.2	24.6	8.6
White male	83,064	35.2	15.4	30.5
Other male	4,768	2.0	20.2	2.3
Hispanic female	14,089	6.0	31.2	10.5
Black female	16,375	6.9	19.9	7.8
White female	83,235	35.2	12.8	25.4
Other female	5,040	2.1	19.9	2.4
<b>Marital status<sup>b</sup></b>				
Married	92,575	39.2	13.7	30.3
Widowed	3,071	1.3	23.1	1.7
Divorced	18,655	7.9	21.7	9.7
Separated	4,638	2.0	28.8	3.2
Never married	53,414	22.6	26.3	33.5
<b>Census region</b>				
Northeast	44,517	18.8	14.3	15.2
Midwest	55,004	23.3	13.0	17.0
South	82,594	35.0	21.4	42.0
West	54,100	22.9	20.0	25.8
<b>Perceived health status</b>				
Excellent	88,319	37.4	15.9	33.5
Very good	74,463	31.6	16.3	29.0
Good	52,443	22.2	20.8	26.0
Fair	15,459	6.6	23.2	8.6
Poor	5,283	2.2	22.8	2.9

<sup>a</sup> Total includes persons with unknown perceived health status and marital status

<sup>b</sup> For individuals age 16 and over. Excludes unknown marital status. As a result, percents do not sum to 100.

Note: Percent distributions may not add to 100 due to rounding.

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey Household Component, 1998.

Table D. Total population and uninsured persons under age 65:  
Standard errors by selected population characteristics, United States,  
first half of 1998  
Corresponds to Table 4

Population Characteristic	Percent Distribution of Population	Percent Uninsured	Percent Distribution of Uninsured Population
	Standard error		
Total <sup>a</sup>	--	0.51	--
<b>Age in years</b>			
< 4	0.20	1.12	0.39
4-6	0.17	1.17	0.32
7-12	0.24	0.98	0.54
13-17	0.23	1.27	0.58
Total under 18	0.39	0.71	0.89
18	0.12	2.46	0.24
19-24	0.26	1.40	0.75
25-29	0.31	1.31	0.65
30-34	0.26	1.18	0.57
35-54	0.40	0.59	0.79
55-64	0.35	0.96	0.52
<b>Sex</b>			
Male	0.33	0.55	.72
Female	0.33	0.55	.72
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>			
Total Hispanic	0.57	1.37	1.32
Total Black	0.82	1.04	1.24
Total White	0.99	0.58	1.62
Total Other	0.38	2.89	0.76
Hispanic male	0.31	1.47	0.77
Black male	0.39	1.35	0.73
White male	0.58	0.62	1.09
Other male	0.22	3.48	0.41
Hispanic female	0.28	1.60	0.67
Black female	0.46	1.30	0.69
White female	0.59	0.66	1.00
Other female	0.20	3.10	0.44
<b>Marital status<sup>b</sup></b>			
Married	0.45	0.65	1.00
Widowed	0.10	2.88	0.23
Divorced	0.26	1.22	0.65
Separated	0.14	2.50	0.33
Never married	0.39	0.88	1.05
<b>Census region</b>			
Northeast	1.09	1.01	1.37
Midwest	0.96	1.11	1.42
South	1.22	0.91	1.78
West	1.08	0.98	1.33
<b>Perceived health status</b>			
Excellent	0.64	0.67	1.16
Very good	0.51	0.76	1.07
Good	0.48	0.88	1.09
Fair	0.19	1.56	0.64
Poor	0.12	2.09	0.31

<sup>a</sup> Total includes persons with unknown perceived health status and marital status

<sup>b</sup> For individuals age 16 and over.

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey Household Component, 1998.

Table 5. Health insurance coverage of the civilian noninstitutionalized population: Population estimates by type of coverage and selected population characteristics, United States, first half of 1998

Population characteristic	Total population	Any coverage	Any private coverage	Public only	Uninsured
Number in thousands					
Total <sup>a</sup>	268,297	226,032	184,144	41,888	42,264
Total under age 65 <sup>a</sup>	236,214	194,249	166,400	27,848	41,966
<b>Age in years</b>					
Under 4	15,817	13,752	9,393	4,359	2,066
4-6	11,843	10,170	7,292	2,878	1,673
7-12	24,467	20,870	16,295	4,575	3,597
13-17	20,032	16,787	13,972	2,815	3,245
Total under 18	72,160	61,579	46,953	14,626	10,580
18	3,729	2,978	2,520	---	---
19-24	20,779	14,180	12,279	1,900	6,600
25-29	18,881	13,703	12,172	1,531	5,178
30-34	20,123	15,945	14,314	1,631	4,178
35-54	78,598	66,753	61,453	5,317	11,846
55-64	21,944	19,111	16,726	2,384	2,834
65 and over	32,082	31,783	17,744	14,040	---
<b>Employment status<sup>b</sup></b>					
Employed	133,653	112,074	106,106	5,969	21,578
Not Employed	70,133	58,994	36,737	22,257	11,139
<b>Sex</b>					
Male	130,999	108,235	90,260	17,975	22,764
Female	137,298	117,797	93,884	23,913	19,501
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>					
Total Hispanic	30,726	20,960	14,420	6,540	9,766
Total Black	33,643	26,724	16,897	9,827	6,919
Total White	193,489	169,915	146,461	23,454	23,573
Total Other	10,439	8,433	6,367	2,067	2,006
<b>Census region</b>					
Northeast	51,205	44,703	36,257	8,446	6,502
Midwest	62,723	55,543	47,746	7,797	7,180
South	94,014	76,336	60,931	15,405	17,678
West	60,355	49,450	39,211	10,239	10,905

<sup>a</sup> Includes persons with unknown employment status and marital status.

<sup>b</sup> For individuals ages 16 and over.

<sup>c</sup> Sample size too small to produce reliable estimates.

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, Household Component, 1998.

Table E. Health insurance coverage of the civilian noninstitutionalized population: Standard errors by type of coverage and selected population characteristics, United States, first half of 1998  
Corresponds to Table 5

Population characteristic	Any coverage	Any private coverage	Public only	Uninsured
Standard Error (in thousands)				
Total <sup>a</sup>	5,654	5,221	1,447	1,469
Total under age 65 <sup>a</sup>	5,093	4,845	1,249	1,461
<b>Age in years</b>				
Under 4	577	499	278	184
4-6	498	416	246	157
7-12	708	675	311	261
13-17	656	621	236	267
Total under 18	1,814	1,635	756	555
18	258	235	—	—
19-24	634	612	181	385
25-29	771	743	161	332
30-34	704	657	173	277
35-54	1,899	1,840	329	532
55-64	874	804	191	221
65 and over	1,149	822	632	—
<b>Employment status<sup>b</sup></b>				
Employed	3,271	3,192	373	833
Not Employed	1,623	1,251	837	520
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	2,905	2,723	783	812
Female	2,933	2,662	825	775
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>				
Total Hispanic	1,061	740	521	591
Total Black	1,669	1,089	867	579
Total White	5,216	4,689	1,080	1,122
Total Other	832	727	349	344
<b>Census region</b>				
Northeast	2,921	2,506	699	644
Midwest	2,499	2,331	619	658
South	3,114	2,919	850	1,002
West	2,913	2,714	674	602

<sup>a</sup> Includes persons with unknown employment status and marital status.

<sup>b</sup> For individuals ages 16 and over.

— Sample size too small to produce reliable estimates.

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, Household Component, 1998.