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 ^a Total age 65+ ^a	236,214 32,082	70.4 55.3	11.8 43.8	17.8 0.9
Perceived health status, < age 65 Excellent Very good Good Fair Poor	88,319 74,463 52,443 15,459 5,283	74.8 74.5 65.3 53.8 41.2	9.3 9.1 13.8 23.1 36.0	15.9 16.3 20.8 23.2 22.8
Perceived health status, age 65 + Excellent Very good Good Fair Poor	5,724 8,213 9,597 5,419 2,567	59.1 61.4 55.5 49.0 42.7	40.1 37.6 43.3 50.7 55.9	*0.8 *1.0 *1.2 *0.3 *1.4

^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 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 ^a Total age 65+ ^a	0.74 1.39	0.51 1.38	0.51 0.18
Perceived health status, < age 65 Excellent Very good Good Fair Poor	0.91 0.88 1.14 1.75 2.52	0.60 0.57 0.80 1.37 2.48	0.67 0.76 0.88 1.56 2.09
Perceived health status, age 65 + Excellent Very good Good Fair Poor	3.19 2.42 2.28 3.01 2.94	3.22 2.40 2.27 3.02 2.92	*0.48 *0.40 *0.39 *0.23 *0.67

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

 ^a Includes persons with unknown perceived health status.
* Relative standard error is greater than or equal to 30 percent.