# Section 3: <br> Health Conditions <br> and Health Care 

## HC 1.1 Health Insurance Coverage

Children who are covered by health insurance are considerably more likely to have a regular source of health care. Among children covered by private health insurance, 97 percent had a regular source of medical care in 1993, and of those covered by government health insurance, 94 percent had a regular source of medical care. In contrast, 79 percent of children with no health insurance had a regular source of medical care. ${ }^{1}$ Regular care increases the continuity of care, which is important to the maintenance of good health.

Since 1987, the percentage of children who are covered by health insurance has remained stable, ranging from 85 to 87 percent (see Table HC 1.1.A). Government health insurance coverage ${ }^{3}$ for children increased from 19 percent in 1987 to a high of 27 percent in 1993, before declining to 23 percent by 1999 (see Figure HC 1.1). Younger children are considerably more likely to be covered by government health insurance. In 1999, 27 percent of children under age 6 were covered, compared with 19 percent of children ages 12 through 17 (see Table HC 1.1.A).
Differences by Race and Hispanic Origin. ${ }^{2}$ Hispanic children are less likely to be covered than either White or Black children. In 1999, 73 percent of Hispanic children were covered by health insurance, compared with 91 percent of White, non-Hispanics, and 82 percent of Black children (see Table HC 1.1.A).
A large proportion of Black and Hispanic children rely on government health insurance ${ }^{3}$ for their medical coverage. In 1999, 39 percent of Black and 33 percent of Hispanic children were covered by government health insurance, compared with 16 percent of White, nonHispanic children. These percentages are down from highs of 50 and 41 percent, respectively, in 1993. The vast majority of children covered by government health insurance are covered by Medicaid (see Table HC 1.1.C).

Differences by Poverty Status. Poor children have lower rates of health insurance coverage at 77 percent compared to 86 percent for all children in 1999 (see Table HC 1.1.B). They are also much less likely to be covered by private health insurance at 23 percent compared to 69 percent for all children.

[^0]Table HC 1.1.A
Percentage of children under age 18 in the United States who are covered by health insurance, by type of insurance, age, and race and Hispanic origin:: Selected years, 1987-1999

|  | 1987 | 1990 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All health insurance |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All children | 87 | 87 | 86 | 85 | 85 | 85 | 86 |
| Under age 6 | 88 | 89 | 87 | 86 | 86 | 84 | 86 |
| Ages 6-11 | 87 | 87 | 87 | 85 | 86 | 85 | 87 |
| Ages 12-17 | 86 | 85 | 86 | 84 | 83 | 84 | 86 |
| Race and Hispanic origin ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 88 | 87 | 87 | 86 | 86 | 86 | - |
| White, non-Hispanic | 90 |  | 90 | 89 | 89 | 89 | 91 |
| Black ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 83 | 85 | 85 | 81 | 81 | 80 | 82 |
| Hispanic | 72 | 72 | 73 | 71 | 71 | 70 | 73 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | - | - | - | - | 85 | 83 | - |
| Private health insurance |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All children | 74 | 71 | 66 | 66 | 67 | 68 | 69 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under age 6 | 72 | 68 | 60 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 |
| Ages 6-11 | 74 | 73 | 67 | 67 | 68 | 68 | 69 |
| Ages 12-17 | 75 | 73 | 71 | 70 | 70 | 70 | 72 |
| Race and Hispanic origin ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 79 | 76 | 71 | 71 | 71 | 72 | 73 |
| White, non-Hispanic | 83 |  | 78 | 78 | 78 | 79 | 80 |
| Black ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 49 | 49 | 44 | 45 | 48 | 47 | 50 |
| Hispanic | 48 | 45 | 38 | 40 | 42 | 43 | 45 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | - | - | - | - | 70 | 67 | 68 |
| Government health insurance ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All children | 19 | 22 | 26 | 25 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under age 6 | 22 | 28 | 33 | 31 | 29 | 27 | 27 |
| Ages 6-11 | 19 | 20 | 26 | 25 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| Ages 12-17 | 16 | 18 | 21 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 |
| Race and Hispanic origin ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 14 | 17 | 21 | 21 | 20 | 19 | - |
| White, non-Hispanic | 12 | 15 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 16 | 16 |
| Black ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 42 | 45 | 49 | 45 | 40 | 42 | 39 |
| Hispanic | 28 | 32 | 39 | 35 | 34 | 31 | 33 |

a Estimates for Blacks include Hispanics of that race. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Government health insurance for children consists primarily of Medicaid but also includes Medicare and CHAMPUS. Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, as reported in America's Children: Key National Indicators of Well-Being, 2001. Federal Interagency Forum for Child and Family Statistics. Washington, DC, U.S. Government Printing Office (Table ECON5.A). Data for White and Asian/Pacific Islander from U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Reports, Series P-60, No. 211, (Table 8), Washington, DC.

## Table HC 1.1.B

Percentage of poor children under age 18 in the United States who are covered by health insurance, by type of insurance, age, and race and Hispanic origin:a 1999

|  | All health insurance | Private health <br> insurance | Government health <br> insuranceb |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All poor children | 77 | 23 | 60 |
| Age | 76 |  |  |
| $\quad$ Under age 6 | 77 | 20 | 64 |
| Ages 6-11 | 70 | 23 | 60 |
| Ages 12-17 |  |  | 52 |
| Race and Hispanic origina | 72 | 25 |  |
| White | - | 32 | 55 |
| White, non-Hispanic | 79 | 19 | - |
| Black | 67 | 16 | 66 |
| Hispanic | 83 | 29 | 55 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander |  |  | 62 |

a Estimates for Blacks include Hispanics of that race. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Government health insurance for children consists primarily of Medicaid but also includes Medicare and CHAMPUS. Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Report, Series P-60, No. 211, (Detailed Tables 7 and 9), and unpublished tabulations.

## Figure HC 1.1

Percentage of children under age 18 in the United States who are covered by health insurance, by type of insurance:a 1987-1999


[^1]Table HC 1.1.C
Percentage of children under age 18 in the United States who are covered by Medicaid, by age and by race and Hispanic origin:: Selected years, 1987-1999

|  | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total all children <br> Age | 15 | 16 | 16 | 19 | 23 | 22 | 21 | 20 | 20 |
| Under age 6 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 24 | 30 | 28 | 26 | 24 | 24 |
| Ages 6-11 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 17 | 23 | 22 | 20 | 20 | 20 |
| Ages 12-17 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 14 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Race and Hispanic origina |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 11 | 11 | 11 | 14 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 16 | 17 |
| White, non-Hispanic | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 13 |
| Black | 38 | 38 | 37 | 42 | 45 | 41 | 37 | 39 | 36 |
| Hispanic | 26 | 25 | 25 | 30 | 37 | 34 | 32 | 30 | 31 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18 | 19 | 17 |
| Poor children | 56 | 57 | 57 | 62 | 65 | 63 | 61 | 58 | 59 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under age 6 | 61 | 63 | 63 | 71 | 73 | 71 | 67 | 63 | 65 |
| Ages 6-11 | 56 | 57 | 56 | 59 | 65 | 63 | 62 | 59 | 59 |
| Ages 12-17 | 48 | 48 | 47 | 52 | 53 | 51 | 52 | 51 | 52 |
| Race and Hispanic origina |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 49 | 49 | 49 | 56 | 59 | 59 | 57 | 54 | 55 |
| White, non-Hispanic | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 56 |
| Black | 67 | 69 | 69 | 73 | 76 | 70 | 68 | 65 | 67 |
| Hispanic | 53 | 48 | 50 | 58 | 64 | 60 | 60 | 61 | 55 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | - | - | - | - | - | - | 63 | 54 | 51 |

a Estimates for Blacks include Hispanics of that race. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Report, Series P-60, No. 211, Detailed (Tables 10 and 11 and previous issues of same report).

## HC 1.2 Prenatal Care

Early Prenatal Care

Prenatal care in the first trimester of a pregnancy allows women and their health care providers to identify and treat or correct health problems and health-compromising behaviors that can be particularly damaging during the initial stages of fetal development. Increasing the percentage of women who receive prenatal care, and who do so early in their pregnancies, can improve birth outcomes and lower health care costs by reducing the likelihood of complications during pregnancy and childbirth. 4 The percentage of women receiving prenatal care in the first trimester has increased from 68.0 percent in 1970 to 83.2 percent in 1999 (see Table HC 1.2.A).
Differences by Race and Hispanic Origin. ${ }^{5}$ The percentage of women receiving prenatal care during the first 3 months of pregnancy has increased over the past two decades for women of all races and ethnicities. American Indian/Alaska Native and Mexican women have consistently had the lowest percentage of women receiving early prenatal care, while White, non-Hispanic, Chinese, Japanese, and Cuban women are most likely to receive prenatal care in their first trimester (see Table HC 1.2.A). Among Hispanics there are important subgroup disparities. In 1999, 91.4 percent of Cuban women received early prenatal care, compared with 73.1 percent of Mexican American women.

## Late or № Prenatal Care

Receiving prenatal care late in a pregnancy, or receiving no prenatal care at all, can lead to negative health outcomes for mother and child. Women who receive care late in their pregnancy, or who do not receive care at all, are at increased risk of bearing infants who are of low birthweight, who are stillborn, or who die within the first year of life. ${ }^{6}$ Between 1970 and 1999, the percentage of women receiving late or no prenatal care declined from 7.9 percent to 3.8 percent (see Table HC 1.2.B).
Differences by Race and Hispanic Origin. ${ }^{7}$ The percentage of women who receive late or no prenatal care has declined substantially for women in all racial and ethnic groups (see Table HC 1.2.B). Specifically, American Indian/Alaska Native women and Black women have seen the most dramatic improvements, with the percentages receiving late or no prenatal care dropping by more than two-thirds for American Indian women and by more than half for Black women since 1970 (see Table HC 1.2.B).

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## Adequacy of Prenatal Care

Receiving early and consistent prenatal care increases the likelihood of a healthy birth outcome. Adequate prenatal care is determined by both the early receipt of prenatal care (within the first trimester) and the receipt of an appropriate number of prenatal care visits for each stage of a pregnancy. Women whose prenatal care fails to meet these standards are at a greater risk for pregnancy complications and negative birth outcomes.
According to the Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization Index, there has been a sharp decline in the percentage of women receiving inadequate prenatal care - from 18 percent in 1989 to 11.7 percent in 1999 (see Table HC 1.2.C). The proportion of women with intensive use of care (women for whom the number of visits exceeded the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists' recommendations by a ratio of observed to expected visits of at least 110 percent) rose from 24.1 to 31.6 percent during the same time period.

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Table HC 1.2.A
Percentage of womend in the United States receiving prenatal care in the first trimester, by race and Hispanic origin of mother: Selected years, 1970-1999

|  | 1970 | 1980 | 1985 | $1990^{\mathrm{b}}$ | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 68.0 | 76.3 | 76.2 | 75.8 | 81.3 | 81.9 | 82.5 | 82.8 | 83.2 |
| Race and Hispanic origin |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White $^{\text {b }}$ | 72.3 | 79.2 | 79.3 | 83.3 | 87.1 | 87.4 | 87.9 | 87.9 | 88.4 |
| Black $^{\text {b }}$ | 44.2 | 62.4 | 61.5 | 60.7 | 70.4 | 71.5 | 72.3 | 73.3 | 74.1 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 38.2 | 55.8 | 57.5 | 57.9 | 66.7 | 67.7 | 68.1 | 68.8 | 69.5 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 67.3 | 73.7 | 74.1 | 75.1 | 79.9 | 81.2 | 82.1 | 83.1 | 83.7 |
| $\quad$ Chinese | 71.8 | 82.6 | 82.0 | 81.3 | 85.7 | 86.8 | 87.4 | 88.5 | 88.5 |
| $\quad$ Japanese | 78.1 | 86.1 | 84.7 | 87.0 | 89.7 | 89.3 | 89.3 | 90.2 | 90.7 |
| $\quad$ Filipino | 60.6 | 77.3 | 76.5 | 77.1 | 80.9 | 82.5 | 83.3 | 84.2 | 84.2 |
| $\quad$ Hawaiian | - | 68.8 | 67.7 | 65.8 | 75.9 | 78.5 | 78.0 | 78.8 | 79.6 |
| $\quad$ Other Asian or Pacific Islander | 54.9 | 67.6 | 69.7 | 71.9 | 77.0 | 78.4 | 79.7 | 80.9 | 81.8 |
| Hispanic origin | - | 60.2 | 61.2 | 60.2 | 70.8 | 72.2 | 73.7 | 74.3 | 74.4 |
| $\quad$ Mexican American | - | 59.6 | 60.0 | 57.8 | 69.1 | 70.7 | 72.1 | 72.8 | 73.1 |
| Puerto Rican | - | 55.1 | 58.3 | 63.5 | 74.0 | 75.0 | 76.5 | 76.9 | 77.7 |
| Cuban | - | 82.7 | 82.5 | 84.8 | 89.2 | 89.2 | 90.4 | 91.8 | 91.4 |
| Central and South American | - | 58.8 | 60.6 | 61.5 | 73.2 | 75.0 | 76.9 | 78.0 | 77.6 |
| $\quad$ Unknown Hispanic | - | 66.4 | 65.8 | 66.4 | 74.3 | 74.6 | 76.0 | 74.8 | 74.8 |

a The data refer to those women who had live births.
b Includes persons of Hispanic origin until 1990. After 1990 persons of Hispanic origin are not included.
c Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. Figures for Hispanic women are based on data from 22 states that reported Hispanic origin on the birth certificate in 1980; 23 states and the District of Columbia in 1985, 48 states and the District of Columbia in 1990, 49 states and the District of Columbia in 1992, and 50 states and the District of Columbia since 1993.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics, 1998, (Table 6); Ventura et al., 2001, Births, (Tables 24, 25 and 33); Ventura et al., 2000, Births, (Tables 24, 25, and 33).

## Table HC 1.2.B

Percentage of women ${ }^{\text {a }}$ in the United States receiving late or no prenatal care, by race and Hispanic origin of mother and by age: Selected years, 1970-1999

|  | 1970 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 7.9 | 5.1 | 5.7 | 6.1 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.8 |
| Race and Hispanic origin |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 6.3 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.3 |
| Black ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 16.6 | 8.9 | 10.2 | 11.3 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.0 | 6.6 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 28.9 | 15.2 | 12.9 | 12.9 | 9.5 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 8.5 | 8.2 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 6.8 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 5.8 | 4.3 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.5 |
| Chinese | 6.5 | 3.7 | 4.4 | 3.4 | 3.0 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 2.0 |
| Japanese | 4.1 | 2.1 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| Filipino | 7.2 | 4.0 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.1 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.1 | 2.8 |
| Hawaiian | - | 6.7 | 7.4 | 8.7 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 5.4 | 4.7 | 4.0 |
| Other Asian or Pacific Islander | - | 9.0 | 8.1 | 7.1 | 5.0 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.1 |
| Hispanic originc, d | - | 12.0 | 12.4 | 12.0 | 7.4 | 6.7 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.3 |
| Mexican American | - | 11.8 | 12.9 | 13.2 | 8.1 | 7.2 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.7 |
| Puerto Rican | - | 16.2 | 15.5 | 10.6 | 5.5 | 5.7 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 5.0 |
| Cuban | - | 3.9 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Central and South American | - | 13.1 | 12.5 | 10.9 | 6.1 | 5.5 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 5.2 |
| Unknown Hispanic | - | 9.2 | 9.4 | 8.5 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.3 | 6.0 | 6.3 |

a The data refer to those women who had live births.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Late prenatal care is defined as seventh month or later.
c Includes persons of Hispanic origin until 1993. After 1993, persons of Hispanic origin are not included. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.
d Figures for Hispanic women are based on data from 22 states that reported Hispanic origin on the birth certificate in 1980; 23 states and the District of Columbia in 1985, 48 states and the District of Columbia in 1990, 49 states and the District of Columbia in 1992, and 50 states and the District of Columbia since 1993.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics, 1998, (Table 6); Ventura et al., 2001, Births, (Tables 24, 25 and 33); Ventura et al., 2000, Births, (Tables 24, 25, and 33).

## Table HC 1.2.C

Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization Index ${ }^{\text {U United States: Selected years, 1989-1999 }}$

|  | 1989 | $1990^{\mathrm{a}}$ | $1995^{\mathrm{a}}$ | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 24.1 | 24.6 | 28.8 | 29.3 | 30.7 | 31.0 | 31.6 |
| Intensive use | 42.0 | 42.3 | 43.7 | 43.6 | 43.3 | 43.3 | 43.1 |
| Adequate | 15.9 | 15.7 | 14.7 | 14.7 | 14.0 | 13.8 | 13.6 |
| Intermediate | 18.0 | 17.4 | 12.8 | 12.4 | 12.0 | 11.9 | 11.7 |
| Inadequate |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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## HC 1.3 Immunization

Vaccines are one of the most successful disease prevention strategies in the history of public health. Childhood vaccinations can prevent diseases that killed or permanently impaired many children in past decades. Vaccination coverage is particularly important before children enter preschool to prevent the spread of disease. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that 80 percent of all routine childhood vaccinations be administered within the first 2 years of life. Today, at least 95 percent of children are adequately vaccinated by the time they enter kindergarten. ${ }^{8}$ In 1998, the National Center for Health Statistics implemented the response propensity scoring method to determine the percentages of children ages 19 to 35 months who received routinely recommended vaccinations.
Even with the increases of recent years, more than 1 million preschool children remain unvaccinated for serious preventable diseases. ${ }^{9}$ Unnecessary morbidity and mortality due to vaccine-preventable diseases such as hepatitis B, measles and varicella continue to occur in the U.S. (data not shown). However, there were substantial increases in the proportion of children vaccinated between 1991 and 1994 for each of the recommended vaccines (data not shown). Coverage continued to increase during the period from 1995 to 1998. However, in both 1999 and 2000, there was a small decline in the number of children who received the combined series 4:3:1:3, 4:3:1, DTP, Measles, and HiB vaccinations (see Table HC 1.3).
Differences by Race and Hispanic Origin. ${ }^{10}$ Non-Hispanic White infants ages 19 months to 35 months have higher percentages of vaccination receipt than do non-Hispanic Black children or children of Hispanic origin (see Table HC 1.3). This disparity in vaccination levels has narrowed somewhat as the vaccination levels of non-Hispanic Black and Hispanic children have improved. By preschool, the vaccination levels of children across racial and ethnic groups are nearly the same, narrowing a gap that once was as wide as 26 percentage points for specific vaccinations. ${ }^{11}$ Differences in vaccination rates among racial and ethnic groups are partly accounted for by poverty level.
Differences by Poverty Status. Eighty-eight percent of Hispanic children in 2000 at or below the poverty level received the Hepatitis B shot compared with 70 percent in 1995. Although vaccination levels have increased substantially between 1995 and 2000 among children in households at or above the poverty level, poor children are still less likely to have received recommended vaccinations ${ }^{12}$ (see Table HC 1.3).

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## Figure HC 1.3

Percentage of children ages 19 months to 35 months in the United States who have received vaccinations for routinely recommended vaccines: 2000

a The combined series 4:3:1:3 consists of four doses of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTP) vaccine, three doses of polio vaccine, one dose of a measles-containing vaccine, and three doses of Haemophilus influenzae type $b$ (HiB) vaccine. The combined series 4:3:1 consists of four doses of DTP vaccine, three doses of polio vaccine, and one dose of a measlescontaining vaccine.
Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. National Center for Health Statistics and National Immunization Program, 2000, (Table 73); U.S. National Immunization Survey. 1999.

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Table HC 1.3
Percentage of children ages 19 months to 35 months in the United States who have received routinely recommended vaccinations, by poverty status" and race and Hispanic originb: 1995-2000

| Vaccination type | All Races |  |  | White, non-Hispanic |  |  | Black, non-Hispanic |  |  | Hispanic |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Below poverty | At or above poverty | Total | Below poverty | At or above poverty | Total | Below poverty | At or above poverty | Total | Below poverty | At or above poverty |
| Combined series$(4: 3: 1: 3)^{c}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1995 | 74 | 67 | 77 | 76 | 69 | 78 | 70 | 70 | 73 | 68 | 63 | 72 |
| 1996 | 76 | 69 | 79 | 78 | 68 | 80 | 74 | 69 | 79 | 71 | 68 | 73 |
| 1997 | 76 | 71 | 79 | 79 | 72 | 80 | 73 | 71 | 77 | 73 | 70 | 77 |
| 1998 | 79 | 74 | 82 | 82 | 77 | 83 | 73 | 72 | 74 | 75 | 73 | 79 |
| 1999 | 78 | 73 | 81 | 81 | 76 | 82 | 74 | 72 | 77 | 75 | 73 | 78 |
| 2000 | 76 | 70 | 78 | 79 | 73 | 80 | 71 | 68 | 68 | 73 | 70 | 74 |
| Combined series (4:3:1) ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1995 | 76 | 69 | 78 | 78 | 71 | 80 | 72 | 72 | 75 | 72 | 65 | 75 |
| 1996 | 78 | 72 | 81 | 80 | 70 | 82 | 77 | 72 | 81 | 74 | 71 | 75 |
| 1997 | 78 | 72 | 80 | 80 | 73 | 82 | 74 | 72 | 78 | 74 | 71 | 77 |
| 1998 | 81 | 76 | 83 | 83 | 79 | 84 | 74 | 74 | 76 | 77 | 75 | 80 |
| 1999 | 80 | 75 | 82 | 82 | 77 | 83 | 75 | 74 | 78 | 77 | 76 | 80 |
| 2000 | 78 | 72 | 79 | 80 | 74 | 81 | 72 | 70 | 73 | 75 | 73 | 75 |
| DTP (3 doses or more) ${ }^{\mathbf{e}}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1995 | 95 | 91 | 96 | 95 | 94 | 96 | 92 | 94 | 91 | 93 | 88 | 97 |
| 1996 | 95 | 91 | 96 | 96 | 92 | 96 | 93 | 90 | 95 | 94 | 92 | 94 |
| 1997 | 95 | 93 | 96 | 96 | 93 | 97 | 94 | 95 | 96 | 93 | 92 | 95 |
| 1998 | 96 | 94 | 96 | 97 | 94 | 97 | 92 | 93 | 92 | 94 | 95 | 95 |
| 1999 | 96 | 94 | 97 | 97 | 95 | 97 | 94 | 94 | 96 | 95 | 94 | 97 |
| 2000 | 94 | 95 | 92 | 95 | 93 | 95 | 92 | 91 | 93 | 93 | 92 | 94 |
| DTP (4 doses or more) ${ }^{\mathbf{e}}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1995 | 78 | 71 | 81 | 80 | 73 | 82 | 74 | 74 | 77 | 75 | 67 | 77 |
| 1996 | 81 | 73 | 84 | 83 | 72 | 85 | 79 | 74 | 83 | 77 | 74 | 78 |
| 1997 | 81 | 76 | 84 | 84 | 76 | 85 | 77 | 76 | 80 | 78 | 75 | 81 |
| 1998 | 84 | 79 | 86 | 87 | 81 | 88 | 77 | 77 | 79 | 80 | 79 | 83 |
| 1999 | 83 | 79 | 85 | 85 | 81 | 86 | 79 | 78 | 82 | 80 | 78 | 82 |
| 2000 | 82 | 76 | 84 | 84 | 78 | 85 | 76 | 75 | 78 | 79 | 76 | 80 |
| Polio (3 doses or more) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1995 | 88 | 84 | 89 | 89 | 86 | 89 | 84 | 82 | 83 | 87 | 85 | 89 |
| 1996 | 91 | 88 | 92 | 92 | 88 | 93 | 90 | 87 | 93 | 89 | 88 | 90 |
| 1997 | 91 | 89 | 91 | 92 | 90 | 92 | 89 | 89 | 90 | 90 | 88 | 90 |
| 1998 | 91 | 90 | 92 | 92 | 91 | 93 | 88 | 88 | 87 | 89 | 90 | 90 |
| 1999 | 90 | 87 | 90 | 90 | 88 | 91 | 87 | 86 | 88 | 89 | 89 | 90 |
| 2000 | 90 | 87 | 90 | 91 | 88 | 91 | 87 | 85 | 87 | 88 | 88 | 87 |

Table HC 1.3
Percentage of children ages 19 months to 35 months in the United States who have received routinely recommended vaccinations, by poverty statusa and race and Hispanic originb: 1995-2000

| Vaccination type | All Races |  |  | White, non-Hispanic |  |  | Black, non-Hispanic |  |  | Hispanic |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Below poverty | At or above poverty | Total | Below poverty | At or above poverty | Total | Below poverty | At or above poverty | Total | Below poverty | At or above poverty |
| Measlescontaining $f$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1995 | 90 | 86 | 91 | 91 | 86 | 92 | 87 | 85 | 86 | 88 | 84 | 91 |
| 1996 | 91 | 87 | 92 | 91 | 85 | 93 | 90 | 88 | 91 | 88 | 88 | 89 |
| 1997 | 91 | 86 | 92 | 92 | 85 | 93 | 90 | 88 | 92 | 87 | 85 | 90 |
| 1998 | 92 | 90 | 93 | 93 | 91 | 94 | 89 | 89 | 90 | 91 | 90 | 93 |
| 1999 | 92 | 90 | 93 | 93 | 90 | 93 | 90 | 90 | 91 | 91 | 91 | 91 |
| 2000 | 90 | 91 | 90 | 92 | 88 | 92 | 88 | 88 | 87 | 90 | 90 | 90 |
| HiB (3 doses or more) g |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1995 | 91 | 88 | 93 | 93 | 89 | 93 | 88 | 88 | 90 | 89 | 85 | 93 |
| 1996 | 91 | 87 | 93 | 93 | 87 | 94 | 89 | 86 | 93 | 89 | 87 | 90 |
| 1997 | 92 | 90 | 94 | 94 | 90 | 95 | 91 | 91 | 94 | 90 | 89 | 92 |
| 1998 | 93 | 91 | 95 | 95 | 92 | 96 | 90 | 90 | 90 | 92 | 92 | 93 |
| 1999 | 94 | 91 | 95 | 95 | 92 | 95 | 92 | 91 | 94 | 92 | 91 | 95 |
| 2000 | 93 | 90 | 95 | 95 | 92 | 95 | 93 | 92 | 93 | 91 | 95 | 93 |
| Hepatitis B (3 doses or more) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1995 | 68 | 65 | 69 | 68 | 59 | 68 | 65 | 66 | 69 | 70 | 69 | 68 |
| 1996 | 82 | 78 | 83 | 82 | 76 | 83 | 82 | 78 | 85 | 81 | 80 | 81 |
| 1997 | 84 | 81 | 85 | 85 | 80 | 85 | 82 | 82 | 84 | 82 | 79 | 84 |
| 1998 | 87 | 85 | 88 | 88 | 87 | 88 | 84 | 86 | 83 | 86 | 83 | 88 |
| 1999 | 88 | 87 | 89 | 89 | 88 | 89 | 87 | 86 | 90 | 87 | 87 | 89 |
| 2000 | 90 | 87 | 91 | 91 | 88 | 92 | 89 | 90 | 89 | 88 | 87 | 90 |

a Poverty status is based on family income and family size using U.S. Census Bureau poverty thresholds.
b Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.
c The combined series 4:3:1:3 consists of four doses of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTP) vaccine, three doses of polio vaccine, one dose of a measlescontaining vaccine, and three doses of Haemophilus influenzae type $\mathrm{b}(\mathrm{HiB})$ vaccine.
d The combined series 4:3:1 consists of four doses of DTP vaccine, three doses of polio vaccine, and one dose of a measles-containing vaccine.
e Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis vaccine.
f Any vaccination containing measles vaccine.

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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Simpson G., Bloom B., Cohen R.A., and Parsons P.E. 1997. Access to Health Care. Part 1: Children. Vital and Health Statistics, 10(196). National Center for Health Statistics.
    2 Estimates for Whites, Blacks, and Asians and Pacific Islanders include Hispanics of those races. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.
    ${ }^{3}$ Government health insurance for children consists primarily of Medicaid but also includes Medicare and CHAMPUS.

[^1]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Government health insurance for children consists primarily of Medicaid but also includes Medicare and CHAMPUS. Sources: U.S. Census Bureau data as published in America's Children: Key National Indicators of Well-Being, 2001. Federal Interagency Forum on Child and Family Statistics. Washington, DC. U.S. Government Printing Office. (Table ECON5.A).

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    5 Includes persons of Hispanic origin until 1990. After 1990 persons of Hispanic origin are not included. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.
    6 U.S. Public Health Service, 1989.
    ${ }^{7}$ Includes persons of Hispanic origin until 1993. After 1993 persons of Hispanic origin are not included. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

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    Sources: Unpublished data from the National Immunization Survey, National Center for Health Statistics and National Immunization Program, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 1998; (Table 1); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1998,
    (Table 1) and text; National Center for Health Statistics, 1997, (Table 55); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1997, (Tables 1 and 2); National
    Center for Health Statistics, 1998. (Table 52); U.S. National Immunization Survey, 1999. (Table 32).

