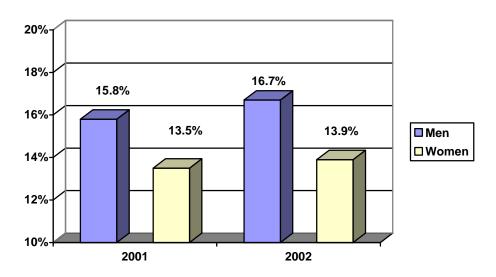
Lack of Health Insurance Hinders Medical Care for Men

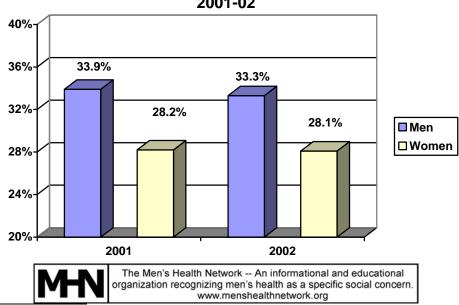
Lack of access to health care partially explains higher rates of mortality among men for the leading causes of death, and their shorter life span. Culturally induced behaviors and dedication to the workplace are other causes. Taking their place among barriers to improved health and longevity are failure of government supported community health centers to recruit male patients, and lack of Medicaid coverage and access to health insurance

Men's Health Network analyzed a 2003 Census Bureau study of health insurance coverage and found that men are significantly less likely to have health insurance than are women, and that the gap is widening.¹ It also found that among people living in poverty, men are much less likely to have access to health insurance.²

Uninsured for the Entire Year: 2001-02



People in Poverty, Uninsured for the Entire Year: 2001-02



U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, P60-223, Health Insurance Coverage in, the United States: 2002, page 2 Found at: http://www.census.gov/prod/2003pubs/p60-223.pdf ibid, page 5

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Highlights

- The share of the population without health insurance rose in 2002, the second consecutive annual increase. An estimated 15.2 percent of the population or 43.6 million people were without health insurance coverage during the entire year in 2002, up from 14.6 percent in 2001, an increase of 2.4 million people.
- The number and percentage of people covered by employment-based health insurance dropped in 2002, from 62.6 percent to 61.3 percent, driving the overall decrease in health insurance coverage.
- The number and percentage of people covered by government health insurance programs rose in 2002, from 25.3 percent to 25.7 percent, largely from an increase in the number and percentage of people covered by medicaid (from 11.2 percent to 11.6 percent).
- The proportion of children who were uninsured did not change, remaining at 11.6 percent of all children, or 8.5 million, in 2002.
- Although medicaid insured 14.0 million people in poverty, 10.5 million other people in poverty had no health insurance in 2002; the latter group represented 30.4 percent of the poverty population, unchanged from 2001.
- Hispanics (67.6 percent) were less likely to be covered by health insurance than non-Hispanic Whites who

Source of Estimates; Statistical Accuracy

The estimates in this report are based on data collected by the 2003 Current Population Survey (CPS) Annual Social and Economic Supplement (ASEC was formerly called the Annual Demographic Supplement or the March Supplement) conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. As with all surveys, the estimates may differ from the actual values because of sampling variation or other factors. All statements in this report have undergone statistical testing, and all comparisons are significant at the 90-percent confidence level unless otherwise noted. For further information about the source and accuracy of the estimates, go to www.census.gov/apsd/techdoc/cps /cps-main.html.

reported a single race (89.3 percent), Blacks who reported a single race (79.8 percent), and Asians who reported a single race (81.6 percent).¹

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¹ Because Hispanics may be of any race, data in this report for Hispanics overlap with data for racial groups. Among householders who reported a single race, Hispanic origin was reported by 11.4 percent of Whites; 3.5 percent of Blacks; 27.3 percent of American Indians or Alaska Natives; 1.4 percent of Asians; and 19.0 percent of Native Hawaiians and Other Pacific Islanders. Data users should exercise caution when interpreting aggregate results for these groups because they consist of many distinct subgroups that differ in socio-economic characteristics, culture, and recency of immigration. Data were first collected for Hispanics in 1972 and Asians and Pacific Islanders in 1987.

Table 1.

People Without Health Insurance for the Entire Year by Selected Characteristics: 2001 and 2002

(Numbers in thousands. For an explanation of confidence intervals, see "Standard errors and their use" on the Census Bureau's Current Population Survey Web site at www.bls.census.gov/cps/ads/2003/ssrcacc.htm)

		20	001			20	002	Change 2002 less 2001 ¹			
	Uninsured						Uninsured	Uninsured			
Characteristic	Total	Number	Percent ¹	Percent 90-per- cent confi- dence interval (±)	Total	Number	Percent ¹	Percent 90-per- cent confi- dence interval (±)	Number	Percent	Percent 90-per- cent confi- dence interval (±)
People Total	282,082	41,207	14.6	0.2	285,933	43,574	15.2	0.2	*2,367	*0.6	0.2
Sex Male Female	137,871 144,211	21,722 19,485	15.8 13.5	0.3 0.2	139,876 146,057	23,327 20,246	16.7 13.9	0.3 0.2	*1,606 *761	*0.9 *0.4	0.3 0.3
Age Under 18 years 18 to 24 years 25 to 34 years 35 to 44 years 45 to 64 years 65 years and over	72,628 27,312 38,670 44,284 65,419 33,769	8,509 7,673 9,051 7,131 8,571 272	11.7 28.1 23.4 16.1 13.1 0.8	0.3 0.7 0.7 0.5 0.3 0.2	73,312 27,438 39,243 44,074 67,633 34,234	8,531 8,128 9,769 7,781 9,106 258	11.6 29.6 24.9 17.7 13.5 0.8	0.3 0.7 0.7 0.5 0.3 0.2	22 *456 *718 *650 *535 -14	-0.1 *1.5 *1.5 *1.6 0.4 -0.1	0.4 0.9 0.7 0.6 0.4 0.2
Nativity Native Foreign born Naturalized citizen Not a citizen	249,629 32,453 11,962 20,491	30,364 10,843 2,060 8,782	12.2 33.4 17.2 42.9	0.2 0.8 1.0 1.0	252,463 33,471 12,837 20,634	32,388 11,186 2,251 8,935	12.8 33.4 17.5 43.3	0.2 0.8 1.0 1.0	*2,023 343 *191 153	*0.7 - 0.3 0.4	0.2 0.9 1.2 1.2
Region Northeast. Midwest. South. West.	53,300 63,779 100,652 64,351	6,399 6,840 16,712 11,257	12.0 10.7 16.6 17.5	0.3 0.3 0.3 0.5	54,139 64,581 101,800 65,413	7,057 7,533 17,773 11,210	13.0 11.7 17.5 17.1	0.3 0.3 0.3 0.5	*658 *694 *1,061 -46	*1.0 *0.9 *0.9 –0.4	0.4 0.4 0.4 0.5
Household Income Less than \$25,000 \$25,000 to \$49,999 \$50,000 to \$74,999 \$75,000 or more	62,209 76,226 58,114 85,532	14,474 13,516 6,595 6,623	23.3 17.7 11.3 7.7	0.5 0.3 0.3 0.2	62,979 75,927 58,622 88,406	14,776 14,638 6,904 7,256	23.5 19.3 11.8 8.2	0.5 0.3 0.3 0.3	302 *1,122 *309 *633	0.2 *1.5 *0.4 *0.5	0.5 0.4 0.4 0.3
Education (18 years and older) Total	209,454	32,698	15.6	0.2	212,622	35,042	16.5	0.2	*2,344	*0.9	0.3
No high school diploma	35,423	9,776	27.6	0.7	34,829	9,768	28.0	0.7	-8	0.4	0.8
High school graduate only	66,682	11,618	17.4	0.3	67,512	12,671	18.8	0.3	*1,053	*1.3	0.5
Some college, no degree	40,282 16,183	5,815 1,754	14.4 10.8	0.5 0.7	41,319 16,350	6,214 1,981	15.0 12.1	0.5 0.7	*398 *226	*0.6 *1.3	0.6 0.8
higher	50,884	3,734	7.3	0.3	52,612	4,408	8.4	0.3	*674	*1.0	0.4
Work Experience (18 to 64 years old) Total Worked during year Worked full-time Worked part-time Did not work	175,685 142,474 118,776 23,698 33,211	32,426 24,230 19,014 5,216 8,197	18.5 17.0 16.0 22.0 24.7	0.3 0.3 0.3 0.7 0.7	178,388 142,918 118,411 24,506 35,470	34,785 25,679 19,911 5,767 9,106	19.5 18.0 16.8 23.5 25.7	0.3 0.3 0.3 0.7 0.7	*2,359 *1,449 *897 *552 *909	*1.0 *1.0 *0.8 *1.5 *1.0	0.3 0.3 0.3 0.9

⁻ Represents zero or rounds to zero.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2002 and 2003 Annual Social and Economic Supplements.

^{*}Statistically different from zero at the 90-percent confidence level.

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Table 2.

People in Poverty Without Health Insurance for the Entire Year by Selected Characteristics: 2001 and 2002

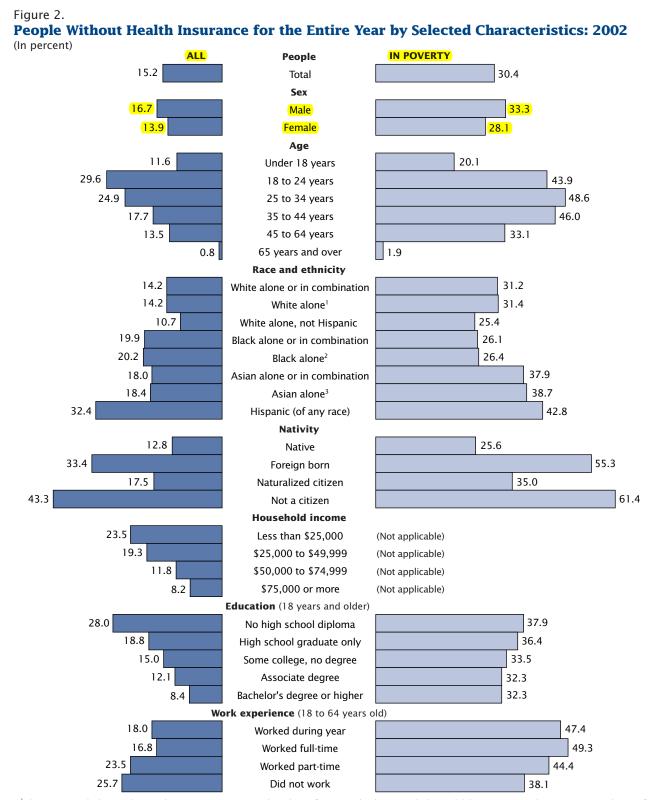
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	Uninsured						Uninsured	Uninsured			
Characteristic	Total	Number	Percent ¹	Percent 90-per- cent confi- dence interval (±)	Total	Number	Percent ¹	Percent 90-per- cent confi- dence interval (±)	Number	Percent	Percent 90-per- cent confi- dence interval (±)
People											
Total	32,907	10,093	30.7	1.0	34,570	10,492	30.4	1.0	*399	-0.3	1.0
Sex Male Female.	14,327 18,580	4,854 5,239	33.9 28.2	1.5 1.3	15,162 19,408	5,042 5,450	33.3 28.1	1.5 1.2	188 211	-0.6 -0.1	1.5 1.3
Age Under 18 years 18 to 24 years 25 to 34 years 35 to 44 years 45 to 64 years 65 years and over	11,733 4,449 4,255 3,822 5,234 3,414	2,497 2,025 2,108 1,703 1,669 91	21.3 45.5 49.5 44.6 31.9 2.7	1.3 1.8 1.8 1.8 1.5	12,133 4,536 4,674 4,087 5,564 3,576	2,434 1,991 2,273 1,882 1,844 67	20.1 43.9 48.6 46.0 33.1 1.9	1.2 1.6 1.6 1.8 1.5 0.5	-62 -34 *165 *178 *175 *-23	-1.2 -1.6 -0.9 1.5 1.2 *-0.8	1.3 1.8 1.8 1.9 1.6 0.6
Nativity Native Foreign born Naturalized citizen Not a citizen	27,698 5,209 1,186 4,023	7,223 2,870 377 2,493	26.1 55.1 31.8 62.0	1.0 3.0 5.8 3.3	29,012 5,558 1,285 4,273	7,418 3,074 449 2,625	25.6 55.3 35.0 61.4	1.0 2.8 5.8 3.3	196 204 72 132	-0.5 0.2 3.2 -0.5	1.0 3.1 6.1 3.4
Region Northeast Midwest South West	5,687 5,966 13,515 7,739	1,504 1,546 4,366 2,677	26.4 25.9 32.3 34.6	2.1 2.0 1.6 2.3	5,871 6,616 14,019 8,064	1,394 1,798 4,617 2,682	23.7 27.2 32.9 33.3	2.0 2.0 1.6 2.1	-110 *252 252 5	*-2.7 1.3 0.6 -1.3	2.1 2.1 1.7 2.3
Education (18 years and older) Total	21,174 8,033 7,029 3,392	7,596 2,992 2,523 1,194	35.9 37.2 35.9 35.2	1.3 2.0 2.1 3.1	22,437 8,221 7,487 3,678	8,058 3,113 2,728 1,231	35.9 37.9 36.4 33.5	1.2 2.0 2.1 3.0	*461 122 *205 37	0.6 0.5 -1.7	1.3 2.1 2.2 3.2
Associate degree Bachelor's degree or higher	886 1,832	314 574	35.4 31.3	6.1 4.1	929 2,122	301 684	32.3 32.3	5.8 3.8	-13 *110	-3.1 0.9	6.2 4.2
Work Experience (18 to 64 years old) Total Worked during year Worked full-time Worked part-time Did not work	17,760 8,172 5,121 3,051 9,588	7,506 3,978 2,575 1,403 3,528	42.3 48.7 50.3 46.0 36.8	1.5 2.1 2.6 3.5 1.8	18,861 8,608 5,277 3,331 10,253	7,990 4,080 2,603 1,477 3,910	42.4 47.4 49.3 44.4 38.1	1.3 2.0 2.6 3.3 1.8	*485 102 28 74 *382	0.1 -1.3 -1.0 -1.6 1.3	1.4 2.2 2.7 3.5 1.9

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2002 and 2003 Annual Social and Economic Supplements.

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2003 Annual Social and Economic Supplement.

Black alone refers to people who reported Black or African American and did not report any other race category.

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Table A-2. Health Insurance Coverage for the Entire Year and Type of Coverage by Selected Characteristics: 2002

(Numbers in thousands)

		Covered by private or government health insurance								
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Characteristic	Total people	Total	Total	Employ- ment based	Direct- pur- chase	Total	Medicaid	Medi- care	Military health care ¹	Not covered
NUMBERS People Total	285,933	242,360	198,973	175,296	26,639	73,624	33,246	38,448	10,063	43,574
Sex Male Female.	139,876 146,057	116,549 125,811	97,364 101,609	87,036 88,260	12,098 14,541	33,079 40,545	14,668 18,578	16,647 21,801	5,363 4,699	23,327 20,246
Race and Ethnicity White alone or in combination . White alone ² White alone, not Hispanic . Black alone or in combination . Black alone ³ Asian alone or in combination . Asian alone ⁴ Hispanic (of any race)	235,036	201,715	169,833	148,656	23,775	58,369	23,073	33,404	8,305	33,320
	230,809	198,103	167,151	146,210	23,511	57,072	22,171	33,135	8,065	32,706
	194,421	173,639	150,422	130,801	22,128	47,736	14,984	30,718	7,465	20,782
	37,350	29,921	20,231	18,837	1,621	12,624	8,744	3,851	1,342	7,429
	35,806	28,578	19,347	18,002	1,571	12,058	8,289	3,776	1,268	7,228
	12,504	10,256	8,639	7,576	1,194	2,341	1,322	1,008	347	2,248
	11,558	9,426	7,939	6,932	1,137	2,132	1,202	988	270	2,132
	39,384	26,627	18,108	16,714	1,469	10,280	7,946	2,535	724	12,756
Age Under 18 years 18 to 24 years 25 to 34 years 35 to 44 years 45 to 64 years 65 years and over	73,312	64,781	49,473	46,182	3,864	19,662	17,526	524	2,148	8,531
	27,438	19,310	16,562	13,429	1,566	3,738	2,909	183	779	8,128
	39,243	29,474	26,492	24,800	2,098	3,944	2,801	455	922	9,769
	44,074	36,292	33,240	31,180	2,817	4,240	2,728	881	1,121	7,781
	67,633	58,527	52,520	48,122	6,158	9,227	3,999	3,775	2,833	9,106
	34,234	33,976	20,685	11,583	10,135	32,813	3,283	32,631	2,259	258
Nativity Native	252,463	220,075	181,503	159,900	24,269	66,951	29,741	34,651	9,564	32,388
	33,471	22,285	17,470	15,396	2,369	6,672	3,505	3,798	499	11,186
	12,837	10,586	8,319	7,227	1,254	3,548	1,263	2,658	317	2,251
	20,634	11,699	9,151	8,169	1,115	3,124	2,242	1,139	181	8,935
Region Northeast. Midwest. South. West. PERCENTS	54,139	47,083	38,805	34,693	4,568	14,077	6,582	7,964	974	7,057
	64,581	57,048	49,316	43,499	6,470	15,030	6,272	8,578	1,387	7,533
	101,800	84,027	67,098	58,994	9,303	27,892	12,023	14,303	5,019	17,773
	65,413	54,203	43,753	38,109	6,298	16,624	8,370	7,604	2,683	11,210
People TotalSex	100.0	84.8	69.6	61.3	9.3	25.7	11.6	13.4	3.5	15.2
Male	100.0	83.3	69.6	62.2	8.6	23.6	10.5	11.9	3.8	16.7
	100.0	86.1	69.6	60.4	10.0	27.8	12.7	14.9	3.2	13.9
Race and Ethnicity White alone or in combination White alone ² White alone, not Hispanic Black alone or in combination Black alone ³ Asian alone or in combination Asian alone ⁴ Hispanic (of any race)	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	85.8 85.8 89.3 80.1 79.8 82.0 81.6 67.6	72.3 72.4 77.4 54.2 54.0 69.1 68.7 46.0	63.2 63.3 67.3 50.4 50.3 60.6 60.0 42.4	10.1 10.2 11.4 4.3 4.4 9.5 9.8 3.7	24.8 24.7 24.6 33.8 33.7 18.7 26.1	9.8 9.6 7.7 23.4 23.1 10.6 10.4 20.2	14.2 14.4 15.8 10.3 10.5 8.1 8.5 6.4	3.5 3.5 3.8 3.6 3.5 2.8 2.3	14.2 14.2 10.7 19.9 20.2 18.0 18.4 32.4
Age Under 18 years 18 to 24 years 25 to 34 years 35 to 44 years 45 to 64 years 65 years and over	100.0	88.4	67.5	63.0	5.3	26.8	23.9	0.7	2.9	11.6
	100.0	70.4	60.4	48.9	5.7	13.6	10.6	0.7	2.8	29.6
	100.0	75.1	67.5	63.2	5.3	10.1	7.1	1.2	2.3	24.9
	100.0	82.3	75.4	70.7	6.4	9.6	6.2	2.0	2.5	17.7
	100.0	86.5	77.7	71.2	9.1	13.6	5.9	5.6	4.2	13.5
	100.0	99.2	60.4	33.8	29.6	95.8	9.6	95.3	6.6	0.8
Nativity Native	100.0	87.2	71.9	63.3	9.6	26.5	11.8	13.7	3.8	12.8
	100.0	66.6	52.2	46.0	7.1	19.9	10.5	11.3	1.5	33.4
	100.0	82.5	64.8	56.3	9.8	27.6	9.8	20.7	2.5	17.5
	100.0	56.7	44.4	39.6	5.4	15.1	10.9	5.5	0.9	43.3
Region Northeast	100.0	87.0	71.7	64.1	8.4	26.0	12.2	14.7	1.8	13.0
	100.0	88.3	76.4	67.4	10.0	23.3	9.7	13.3	2.1	11.7
	100.0	82.5	65.9	58.0	9.1	27.4	11.8	14.1	4.9	17.5
	100.0	82.9	66.9	58.3	9.6	25.4	12.8	11.6	4.1	17.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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(Numbers in thousands)

			Cov	ered by priv	ate or gov	ernment h	nment health insurance				
			Private	health insu	ırance	Gov					
Characteristic	Total people	Total	Total	Employ- ment based	Direct- pur- chase	Total	Medicaid	Medi- care	Military health care ¹	Not covered	
NUMBERS											
Household Income Less than \$25,000. \$25,000 to \$49,999. \$50,000 to \$74,999. \$75,000 or more	62,979 75,927 58,622 88,406	48,203 61,289 51,718 81,150	23,725 49,791 47,671 77,786	15,332 43,038 44,007 72,918	7,837 7,234 4,633 6,935	34,308 21,708 8,913 8,694	18,656 9,234 3,033 2,323	18,036 11,533 4,529 4,350	2,058 2,949 2,200 2,855	14,776 14,638 6,904 7,256	
Education (18 years and older)											
Total	212,622 34,829 67,512 41,319 16,350 52,612	177,579 25,060 54,841 35,105 14,369 48,204	149,500 15,022 44,917 31,066 13,020 45,476	129,114 11,598 38,340 26,545 11,727 40,903	22,775 3,558 7,376 4,274 1,597 5,970	53,961 14,981 19,466 8,334 2,995 8,184	15,720 6,063 5,442 2,359 702 1,153	37,924 10,951 13,838 5,145 1,872 6,119	7,914 723 2,571 1,959 805 1,857	35,042 9,768 12,671 6,214 1,981 4,408	
Work Experience											
(18 to 64 years old) Total Worked during year Worked full-time Worked part-time Did not work	178,388 142,918 118,411 24,506 35,470	143,603 117,239 98,500 18,739 26,364	128,815 111,533 94,893 16,640 17,281	117,531 103,228 89,353 13,875 14,303	12,640 9,862 7,607 2,255 2,778	21,149 9,799 6,862 2,937 11,350	12,437 5,277 3,292 1,986 7,160	5,294 781 378 403 4,513	5,656 4,105 3,370 735 1,551	34,785 25,679 19,911 5,767 9,106	
PERCENTS								·		•	
Household Income Less than \$25,000. \$25,000 to \$49,999. \$50,000 to \$74,999. \$75,000 or more.	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	76.5 80.7 88.2 91.8	37.7 65.6 81.3 88.0	24.3 56.7 75.1 82.5	12.4 9.5 7.9 7.8	54.5 28.6 15.2 9.8	29.6 12.2 5.2 2.6	28.6 15.2 7.7 4.9	3.3 3.9 3.8 3.2	23.5 19.3 11.8 8.2	
Education											
(18 years and older) Total No high school diploma High school graduate only Some college, no degree Associate degree Bachelor's degree or higher	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	83.5 72.0 81.2 85.0 87.9 91.6	70.3 43.1 66.5 75.2 79.6 86.4	60.7 33.3 56.8 64.2 71.7 77.7	10.7 10.2 10.9 10.3 9.8 11.3	25.4 43.0 28.8 20.2 18.3 15.6	7.4 17.4 8.1 5.7 4.3 2.2	17.8 31.4 20.5 12.5 11.4 11.6	3.7 2.1 3.8 4.7 4.9 3.5	16.5 28.0 18.8 15.0 12.1 8.4	
Work Experience											
(18 to 64 years old) Total Worked during year Worked full-time Worked part-time Did not work	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	80.5 82.0 83.2 76.5 74.3	72.2 78.0 80.1 67.9 48.7	65.9 72.2 75.5 56.6 40.3	7.1 6.9 6.4 9.2 7.8	11.9 6.9 5.8 12.0 32.0	7.0 3.7 2.8 8.1 20.2	3.0 0.5 0.3 1.6 12.7	3.2 2.9 2.8 3.0 4.4	19.5 18.0 16.8 23.5 25.7	

¹Military health care includes: CHAMPUS (Comprehensive Health and Medical Plan for Uniformed Services)/Tricare and CHAMPVA (Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs), as well as care provided by the Veterans Administration and the military.

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