

Total Health Services^a-Median and Mean Expenses per Person With Expense and Distribution of Expenses by Source of Payment: United States, 1996

Population Characteristic	Population (in thousands)	Percent with expense	Per person with an expense		Total Expenses (in millions)	Percent distribution of total expenses by source of payment				
			Median	Mean		Out of pocket	Private insurance ^b	Medicare	Medicaid	Other ^c
Total	268,905	85.3	567	2,389	548,045	17.7	44.6	21.3	8.6	7.9
<u>Age in years</u>										
Under 65	234,856	83.8	461	1,855	365,193	18.9	57.5	3.6	10.9	9.1
Under 6	23,861	89.0	233	1,183	25,107	9.4	61.2	0.2*	25.9	3.2*
6-17	47,634	82.5	279	918	36,044	27.7	50.9	0.5*	15.0	6.0*
18-44	109,149	80.5	476	1,751	153,782	18.6	61.4	2.3	10.4	7.2
45-64	54,212	89.5	1,018	3,096	150,260	18.8	54.4	6.3	7.8	12.7
65 and over	34,050	95.5	1,965	5,622	182,852	15.3	18.8	56.6	4.0	5.4
<u>Sex</u>										
Male	131,527	81.2	468	2,316	247,271	15.8	45.5	20.4	7.2	11.2
Female	137,379	89.3	688	2,453	300,774	19.3	43.8	22.0	9.7	5.1
<u>Race/ethnicity</u>										
White and Other	205,258	88.6	638	2,506	455,739	18.8	46.9	21.8	5.9	6.6
Black	33,668	75.9	352	2,180	55,690	10.6	30.6	20.1	24.2	14.4*
Hispanic	29,979	73.5	320	1,663	36,615	15.3	37.2	16.7	17.5	13.2
<u>Health insurance status^d</u>										
<65, Any private	174,231	87.8	522	1,904	291,354	19.5	72.0	1.3	1.2	5.9
<65, Public only	27,845	84.4	382	2,327	54,671	7.3	0.1	17.5	65.8	9.3
<65, Uninsured	32,780	62.1	228	941	19,168	43.2	0.2	0.0*	0.1*	56.5
65+, Medicare only	7,535	91.5	1,576	4,644	32,019	19.7	0.1*	65.1	0.1*	14.9
65+, Medicare and private	22,811	97.5	2,006	5,626	125,137	16.2	27.4	53.2	0.4*	2.8
65+, Medicare and other public	3,555	94.1	2,748	7,672	25,671	5.3	0.1*	62.2	26.5	5.9
65+, Missing	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Poverty status^e</u>										
Negative or Poor	38,298	79.3	400	2,998	90,998	9.9	18.5	28.0	28.4	15.2
Near-poor	12,946	79.7	556	2,812	29,000	14.5	16.9	43.9	17.8	7.0
Low income	40,460	80.1	521	2,523	81,725	16.3	32.8	30.7	11.1	9.1
Middle income	88,262	86.2	515	2,131	162,112	19.5	52.9	20.0	2.7	5.0
High income	88,939	90.3	708	2,295	184,209	21.2	59.7	11.4	1.4	6.4
<u>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</u>										
MSA	213,752	85.4	570	2,245	409,659	18.7	48.9	17.1	8.2	7.2
Non-MSA	52,419	85.1	527	2,323	103,606	18.3	35.7	28.4	10.8	6.8
Missing	2,734	83.5	6,139	15,235	34,781	4.7*	20.3	49.5	6.8*	18.7*
<u>Census Region</u>										
Northeast	51,965	87.3	593	2,526	114,522	16.8	46.1	21.5	11.2	4.4
Midwest	62,673	89.5	581	2,638	147,873	15.6	48.1	23.3	6.2	6.8
South	93,901	83.2	561	2,295	179,241	20.0	38.6	22.4	9.2	9.8
West	60,366	82.6	545	2,133	106,409	17.8	48.2	16.3	7.8	9.8

Standard Errors for Total Health Services^a-Median and Mean Expenses per Person With Expense and Distribution of Expenses by Source of Payment: United States, 1996

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			Median	Mean		Out of pocket	Private insurance ^b	Medicare	Medicaid	Other ^c
Total	†	0.3	14	80	19,296	0.7	1.8	1.3	0.8	0.9
<u>Age in years</u>										
Under 65	†	0.4	10	81	16,782	0.9	2.0	0.5	1.2	1.2
Under 6	†	1.0	11	178	3,924	1.4	6.6	0.1*	6.0	1.2*
6-17	†	0.8	9	70	2,953	2.2	3.2	0.3*	2.7	2.7*
18-44	†	0.5	14	148	13,289	1.6	3.4	0.6	1.4	1.2
45-64	†	0.5	35	174	9,508	1.1	2.3	1.1	1.4	2.6
65 and over	†	0.4	82	264	10,720	1.0	1.4	1.6	0.4	0.7
<u>Sex</u>										
Male	†	0.5	14	148	15,958	1.1	3.2	2.0	1.2	1.8
Female	†	0.4	19	85	11,758	0.7	1.5	1.4	0.9	0.6
<u>Race/ethnicity</u>										
White and Other	†	0.4	17	95	18,855	0.8	1.9	1.5	0.7	0.6
Black	†	1.0	21	244	7,266	1.2	3.6	3.8	4.0	6.1*
Hispanic	†	1.0	15	140	3,520	1.4	4.0	3.1	2.0	3.5
<u>Health insurance status^d</u>										
<65, Any private	4,618	0.4	12	103	16,312	1.1	1.7	0.3	0.3	1.5
<65, Public only	1,401	0.9	24	182	5,084	0.8	0.0	2.9	3.1	1.4
<65, Uninsured	1,394	1.1	12	102	2,198	4.4	0.1	0.0*	0.1*	4.5
65+, Medicare only	480	1.3	164	593	4,671	2.5	0.1*	4.4	0.0*	2.9
65+, Medicare and private	906	0.4	104	327	9,039	1.3	1.7	1.8	0.1*	0.7
65+, Medicare and other public	271	1.4	371	726	3,094	0.8	0.0*	3.0	2.3	1.2
65+, Missing	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Poverty status^e</u>										
Negative or Poor	†	0.9	26	292	9,295	1.2	4.7	3.2	3.7	4.2
Near-poor	†	1.7	78	383	3,874	2.1	3.6	7.1	3.7	1.6
Low income	†	0.9	27	158	5,660	1.2	2.4	2.6	1.7	1.3
Middle income	†	0.5	16	92	8,469	1.1	2.0	1.8	0.5	0.6
High income	†	0.5	23	163	13,336	1.6	2.7	1.6	0.3	1.0
<u>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</u>										
MSA	†	0.4	16	88	16,245	0.8	2.0	1.2	0.9	0.7
Non-MSA	†	0.8	25	140	8,693	1.2	2.3	3.2	1.5	0.9
Missing	†	2.9	1,300	2,864	7,405	1.9*	4.7	8.8	2.6*	9.2*
<u>Census Region</u>										
Northeast	†	0.7	30	154	7,456	1.0	2.2	2.1	1.8	0.6
Midwest	†	0.6	33	240	12,976	1.6	4.8	2.8	1.6	1.0
South	†	0.6	22	119	11,127	1.3	2.1	2.3	1.2	2.2
West	†	0.8	31	140	7,146	1.3	3.2	1.8	1.1	2.1

a Inpatient hospital and physician services, ambulatory physician and nonphysician services, prescribed medicines, home health services, dental services, and various other medical equipment and services that were purchased or rented during the year are included. Over-the-counter medications, alternative care services, and telephone contacts are excluded.

b Private insurance includes CHAMPUS and CHAMPVA (Armed-Forces-related coverage).

c Other includes other public programs such as Department of Veterans Affairs (except CHAMPVA); other Federal sources (Indian Health Service, military treatment facilities, and other care provided by the Federal Government); other State and local sources (community and neighborhood clinics, State and local health departments, and State programs other than Medicaid); and other public (Medicaid payments reported for persons who were not enrolled in the Medicaid program at any time during the year). Other also includes Worker's Compensation; other unclassified sources (e.g., automobile, homeowner's, liability, and other miscellaneous or unknown sources); and other private insurance (any type of private insurance payments reported for persons without private health insurance coverage during the year, as defined in MEPS).

d Uninsured refers to persons uninsured during the entire year. Public and private health insurance categories refer to individuals with public or private insurance at any time during the period; individuals with both public and private insurance and those with CHAMPUS or CHAMPVA (Armed-Forces-related coverage) are classified as having insurance.

e Poor refers to incomes below the Federal poverty line; near poor, over the poverty line through 125 percent of the poverty line; low income, over 125 percent through 200 percent of the poverty line; middle income, over 200 percent to 400 percent of the poverty line; and high income, over 400 percent of the poverty line.

† Standard error approximately zero because of poststratification to Census Bureau population control tables.

-- Less than 100 sample cases.

* Relative standard error equal to or greater than 30%.

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, 1996.