

Table 1.

Number and Percentage of People by Type of Health Insurance: 2017 and 2018

(Numbers in thousands. Margins of error in thousands or percentage points as appropriate. Population as of March of the following year. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <<https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/cps/techdocs/cpsmar19.pdf>>)

Coverage type	2017				2018				Change in number	Change in percent
	Number	Margin of error ¹ (±)	Percent	Margin of error ¹ (±)	Number	Margin of error ¹ (±)	Percent	Margin of error ¹ (±)	2018 less 2017	2018 less 2017
Total	322,490	135	X	X	323,668	133	X	X	*1,178	X
Any health plan	296,890	622	92.1	0.2	296,206	641	91.5	0.2	-684	*-0.5
Any private plan ^{2,3}	218,209	1,129	67.7	0.3	217,780	1,222	67.3	0.4	-430	-0.4
Employment-based ²	178,751	1,106	55.4	0.3	178,350	1,283	55.1	0.4	-401	-0.3
Direct-purchase ²	35,499	704	11.0	0.2	34,846	647	10.8	0.2	-653	-0.2
Marketplace coverage ² ..	11,217	380	3.5	0.1	10,743	428	3.3	0.1	-474	-0.2
TRICARE ²	8,207	549	2.5	0.2	8,537	508	2.6	0.2	330	0.1
Any public plan ^{2,4}	112,151	928	34.8	0.3	111,330	962	34.4	0.3	-821	*-0.4
Medicare ²	56,170	361	17.4	0.1	57,720	401	17.8	0.1	*1,550	*0.4
Medicaid ²	59,814	892	18.5	0.3	57,819	891	17.9	0.3	*-1,995	*-0.7
VA or CHAMPVA ^{2,5}	3,229	188	1.0	0.1	3,217	182	1.0	0.1	-12	Z
Uninsured⁶	25,600	596	7.9	0.2	27,462	630	8.5	0.2	*1,862	*0.5

* Changes between the estimates are statistically different from zero at the 90 percent confidence level.

X Not applicable.

Z Represents or rounds to zero.

¹ A margin of error (MOE) is a measure of an estimate's variability. The larger the MOE in relation to the size of the estimate, the less reliable the estimate. This number, when added to and subtracted from the estimate, forms the 90 percent confidence interval. MOEs shown in this table are based on standard errors calculated using replicate weights. For more information, see "Standard Errors and Their Use" at <<https://www2.census.gov/library/publications/2019/demo/p60-267sa.pdf>>.

² The estimates by type of coverage are not mutually exclusive; people can be covered by more than one type of health insurance during the year.

³ Private health insurance includes coverage provided through an employer or union, coverage purchased directly, or TRICARE.

⁴ Public health insurance coverage includes Medicaid, Medicare, CHAMPVA (Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs), and care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the military.

⁵ Includes CHAMPVA, as well as care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the military.

⁶ Individuals are considered to be uninsured if they do not have health insurance coverage for the entire calendar year.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2018 Annual Social and Economic Supplement Bridge File and 2019 Annual Social and Economic Supplement.