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**Objectives**

This report presents health statistics from the 2000 National Health Interview Survey for the civilian noninstitutionalized population of the United States, classified by age, sex, race and Hispanic or Latino origin, family income, poverty status, education, place of residence, region of residence, and, where appropriate, health insurance coverage. The topics covered are health status and limitations in activities, special education or early intervention services, injuries and poisonings, health care access and utilization, and health insurance coverage.

**Source of Data**

The NHIS is a household, multistage probability sample survey conducted annually by interviewers of the U.S. Census Bureau for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics. Household interviews were completed for 100,618 persons living in 38,633 households, reflecting a household response rate of 89%.

**Selected Highlights**

Nearly 7 in 10 persons were in excellent or very good health in 2000, and fewer than 1 in 10 were in fair or poor health. About 31 million people (11%) were limited in their usual activities due to one or more chronic health conditions, and about 3 million people (2%) required the help of another person with activities of daily living such as bathing and dressing. Persons with the least education and the lowest incomes were the most likely to be limited in their ability to work. About 5% of children received special education or early intervention services. The three leading causes of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes were falls, being struck by a person or an object, and transportation. Among people under age 65 years, about 40 million (17%) did not have any health insurance coverage.

**Keywords:** health status • activity limitation • ADL • IADL • special education • early intervention services • injuries • poisonings • health care access • health insurance coverage

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## Introduction

This report is one of a set of reports summarizing data from the 2000 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS), a multi-purpose health survey conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS). This report provides national estimates for a broad range of health measures for the U.S. civilian noninstitutionalized population. Two other reports in this set provide data on health measures for children and for adults (1,2). These three data reports are published for each year of the NHIS (3–5) and replace the annual, one-volume Current Estimates series (6).

Estimates are presented for respondent-assessed health status; limitations in activities; special education and early intervention services; injury and poisoning episodes; health care access; utilization; and health insurance coverage. These estimates are derived from the Family Core component of the annual NHIS Basic Module. They are shown in [tables 1–25](#) for various subgroups of the population, including those defined by sex, age, race, Hispanic or Latino origin and race, educational attainment for persons aged 25 years and over, family income, poverty status, health insurance coverage, place of residence, and region

of residence. Estimates for other characteristics of special relevance are also included, where appropriate.

“[Appendix I](#)” contains brief technical notes, and “[Appendix II](#)” contains definitions of terms used in this report.

The NHIS has been an important source of information about health and health care in the United States since it was first conducted in 1957. Given the ever-changing nature of the U.S. population, the NHIS questionnaire has been revised every 10 to 15 years, with the latest revision occurring in 1997. The first design changes were introduced in 1973 and the first procedural changes in 1975 (7). In 1982, the NHIS questionnaire and data preparation procedures of the survey were extensively revised. The basic concepts of the NHIS changed in some cases, and in other cases the concepts were measured in a different way. A more complete explanation of the 1982 changes is in “[Appendix IV](#)” of Series 10, No. 150 (8). In 1985, a new sample design for the NHIS and a different method of presenting sampling errors were introduced (9,10). In 1995, another change in the sample design was introduced, including the oversampling of black and Hispanic persons (11).

The latest revision of the NHIS was implemented in 1997. The 1997 design of the NHIS features both a substantially revised instrument (in terms of content) as well as a new

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means of administration (i.e., computer-assisted personal interviewing). This new design improves the ability of the NHIS to provide important health information. However, comparisons of the 1997 data to data from previous NHIS survey years should not be undertaken without a careful examination of the changes across survey instruments (6,8,10).

In response to the changing demographics of the U.S. population, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued in 1997 the new standards for collecting data on race and Hispanic origin. Most notably, the new standards allow respondents to the census and Federal surveys to indicate more than one group in answering questions on race. Additionally, the category “Asian or Pacific Islander” is now split into two distinct categories, “Asian” and “Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander” (NHOPI), for data collection purposes. Although the NHIS allowed respondents to choose more than one race group for many years, the NHIS became fully compliant with all the new race and ethnicity standards with the fielding of the 1999 survey. The tables in this report reflect these new standards. The text uses shorter versions of the new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms for conciseness, but the tables use the complete terms. For example, the category “Not Hispanic or Latino, black or African American, single race” in the tables is referred to as “non-Hispanic black” in the text. Although the tables contain information for persons of two or more races, the “Selected Highlights” section focuses on persons reporting one race.

## Methods

### Data Source

The main objective of the NHIS is to monitor the health of the U.S. population through the collection and analysis of data on a broad range of health topics. The target population for the NHIS is the civilian noninstitutionalized population of the United States. Persons excluded are

patients in long-term care institutions (e.g., nursing homes; hospitals for the chronically ill, disabled, or retarded; and wards for abused and/or neglected children), correctional facilities (e.g., prisons or jails, juvenile detention centers, and halfway houses), active duty Armed Forces personnel (although their civilian family members are included), and U.S. nationals living in foreign countries. Each year, a representative sample of households across the country is selected for the NHIS using a multistage cluster sample design. Details on sample design are in *Design and Estimation for the National Health Interview Survey, 1995–2004* (11). Trained interviewers from the U.S. Census Bureau visit each selected household and administer the NHIS in person. Detailed interviewer instructions are in the *NHIS Field Representative’s Manual* (12).

The annual NHIS questionnaire, now called the Basic Module or Core, consists of three main components: the Family Core, the Sample Adult Core, and the Sample Child Core. The Family Core, the source of data for this report, collects information for all family members regarding household composition and sociodemographic characteristics, along with basic indicators of health status, activity limitations, and utilization of health care services. All members of the household 17 years of age and over who are at home at the time of the interview are invited to participate and respond for themselves. For children and adults not available during the interview, information is provided by a knowledgeable adult family member (18 years of age or over) residing in the household. Although considerable effort is made to ensure accurate reporting, the information from both proxies and self-respondents may be inaccurate because the respondent is unaware of relevant information, has forgotten it, does not wish to reveal it to an interviewer, or does not understand the intended meaning of the question.

The Sample Adult and Sample Child Cores obtain additional information on the health of one randomly selected adult and child in the family. The sample adult responds for

himself/herself, and a knowledgeable adult in the family provides proxy responses for the sample child. In the rare instances when the sample adult is mentally or physically incapable of responding, proxy responses are accepted for this person.

The interviewed sample for 2000 consisted of 38,633 households, which yielded 100,618 persons in 39,264 families. The total noninterview rate was 11.1%, with 7.3% the result of respondent refusal. The remainder was primarily the result of failure to locate an eligible respondent at home after repeated calls or unacceptable partial interviews (13).

### Estimation Procedures

The data presented in this report are weighted, using the Person Record Weight, to provide national health estimates. For each health measure, both weighted frequencies and percents (or rates) for all persons and for various subgroups of the population are shown. All counts are expressed in thousands. Counts for persons of unknown status with respect to each health characteristic of interest are not shown separately in the tables, nor are they included in the calculation of percentages (and/or rates), to make the presentation of the data more straightforward. For all health measures in this report, the percentages with unknown values are typically small (generally less than 1%) and are shown in “[Appendix I](#).” These unknown cases are, nevertheless, included in the total population counts shown in selected tables. Therefore, it should be noted that the reader may obtain slightly different percentages than those shown in the tables if percentages are calculated based on the frequencies and population counts presented in the tables.

Additionally, some of the sociodemographic variables used to delineate various subgroups of the population have unknown values. Again, for most of these variables, the percentage unknown is small. However, in the case of family income, there is no income information for about 9% of respondents in the 2000 survey, and 18% of respondents stated that their combined family income was \$20,000

or more without providing additional detail. Poverty status, which is based on family income, has a high nonresponse rate as a result. Health estimates for persons with unknown sociodemographic characteristics are not shown in the tables. See “[Appendix I](#)” for more information on the extent of unknown data for income and poverty status.

## Limitations of the Data

Although the data are presented for various age groups, estimates for other sociodemographic subgroups are not age adjusted. Therefore, differences between groups should be interpreted with caution. Also, as mentioned above, the redesigned NHIS is quite different in content, format, and mode of data collection from earlier versions of the survey. These changes can make it more complex to compare 1997–2000 NHIS estimates with those of earlier years.

In addition, it is important to note that frequencies are underestimates due to item nonresponse and unknowns, both of which are excluded from the tables (with the exception of the “All persons” or “Total” columns shown in each table). See “[Appendix I](#)” for more information about the number of unknowns with respect to each health characteristic.

Interpretation of estimates should only be made after reviewing “[Appendix I](#),” which contains important information about the methods used to obtain the estimates, changes in the survey instrument, and measurement issues that are currently being evaluated.

## Variance Estimation and Significance Testing

The NHIS data are based on a sample of the population and are subject to sampling error. Standard errors are reported to indicate the reliability of the estimates. Estimates and standard errors were calculated using SUDAAN software that takes into account the complex sampling design of the NHIS. The Taylor series linearization method was used for variance estimation in SUDAAN (14).

Standard errors are shown for all rates and percentages in the tables (but not for the frequencies). Estimates with relative standard errors of greater than 30% are considered statistically unreliable and are indicated with an asterisk (\*). The statistical significance of differences between point estimates was evaluated using two-sided *t*-tests at the 0.05 level and assuming independence. Terms such as “greater than,” “less than,” “more likely,” “less likely,” “compared with,” or “opposed to” indicate a statistically significant difference between estimates, whereas “similar,” “no difference,” or “comparable” indicate that the estimates are not statistically different. A lack of commentary about any two estimates should not be interpreted to mean that a *t*-test was performed and the difference was found to be not significant. Furthermore, these tests did not take multiple comparisons into account.

## Further Information

Data users can obtain the latest information about the NHIS from the NCHS Web site:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm>.

The Web site features downloadable public-use data and documentation for recent National Health Interview Surveys, as well as important information about any modifications or updates to the data and/or documentation.

Researchers may also wish to join the NHIS electronic mailing list. To do so, go to

<http://www.cdc.gov/subscribe.html>.

Fill in the appropriate information, and click the “National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) researchers” box, followed by the “Subscribe” button at the bottom of the page. The listserve is made up of approximately 3,000 NHIS data users located around the world who receive e-news about NHIS surveys (e.g., new releases of data or modifications to existing data, publications, and conferences).

## Selected Highlights

In the following section, brief, bulleted summaries of the estimates shown in [tables 1–25](#) are presented. All estimates were calculated using the Person Record Weight variable, which is calibrated by NCHS staff to produce numbers consistent with the population estimates of the United States by age, sex, and race/ethnicity, based on projections from the 1990 U.S. census.

## Respondent-Assessed Health Status ([tables 1,2](#))

- Nearly 7 in 10 persons were in excellent or very good health, and fewer than 1 in 10 persons were in fair or poor health.
- About 1 in 3 adults aged 75 years and over were in fair or poor health.
- Asian persons (40%) and white persons (38%) were more likely than black persons (32%) to be in excellent health.
- The percent of persons in excellent health increased steadily with increased levels of education and income.
- College graduates (45%) were three times as likely as persons having less than a high school diploma (15%) to be in excellent health.
- Persons with family incomes of \$75,000 or more (52%) were twice as likely as those with family incomes of less than \$20,000 a year (26%) to be in excellent health.
- Among persons under age 65 years, those with private health insurance (44%) were the most likely to be in excellent health compared with persons who were covered by Medicaid (31%) or some other types of health insurance (29%) and persons who were uninsured (33%).
- Among persons aged 65 years and over, those covered by Medicare and Medicaid combined (22%) and those covered by other, nonprivate health insurance (20%) were 3 to 4 times as likely to be in poor health as persons covered by private health insurance (6%) or by Medicare only (8%).

## Limitation in Usual Activities (tables 3,4)

- About 32.4 million persons (12%) were limited in their usual activities, and 30.9 million persons (11%) were limited due to one or more chronic health conditions.
- Prevalence of limitation in usual activities increased with age: 6% of children under age 12 years had an activity limitation compared with 16% of adults aged 45–64 years and nearly one-half (46%) of adults aged 75 years and over.
- Mexican-American persons were about half as likely as persons not of Hispanic origin to be limited in their usual activities due to a chronic condition.
- Persons with the least education and the lowest incomes were the most likely to have an activity limitation.
- Persons under age 65 years who had Medicaid or some other type of nonprivate health insurance coverage were 4 to 5 times as likely to have an activity limitation as persons who had private health insurance coverage or persons who were uninsured.
- Persons aged 65 years and over who had Medicare and Medicaid combined (64%) were about twice as likely as persons with Medicare only (35%) or with private health insurance coverage (33%) to have an activity limitation.
- Among persons aged 65 years and over, non-Hispanic black women were the most likely to have some type of activity limitation (49%) compared with non-Hispanic black men (38%), non-Hispanic white women (37%), and non-Hispanic white men (33%).
- Poor Hispanic persons were about half as likely as poor non-Hispanic black persons or poor non-Hispanic white persons to be limited in their usual activities.

## Limitations in Activities of Daily Living (ADL) and Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL) (table 5)

- About 3.3 million adults (2%) required the help of another person with ADL such as eating, dressing, or bathing, and 6.9 million (3%) required help with instrumental activities of daily living (IADL) such as household chores or shopping.
- Among adults aged 75 years and over, about 10% of persons required the help of another person with ADL, and about 20% required help with IADL.
- Poor adults were 3 to 4 times as likely as those who were not poor to require help with ADL and IADL.
- Persons under age 65 years who had private health insurance, as well as those who were uninsured, were less likely to need help with ADL or IADL than were persons who had Medicaid or some other type of health insurance.
- Persons aged 65 years and over who had private insurance or who had Medicare only were less likely to need help with ADL and IADL than were persons who had both Medicare and Medicaid or who had some other type of health insurance coverage.
- Women aged 65 years and over were much more likely than men in the same age group to require help with ADL and IADL.
- Among women aged 65 years and over, about 1 in 4 non-Hispanic black women (23%) required help with IADL compared with 15% of non-Hispanic white women and 14% of Hispanic women.
- Among men aged 65 years and over, about 1 in 10 required help with IADL, regardless of race or Hispanic origin.

## Limitation in Work Activity (table 6)

- About 9.1 million adults (5%) aged 18–69 years were unable to work due to health problems, and 5.8 million (3%) were limited in the kind or amount of work they could do because of their health.
- About 3% of Asian adults aged 18–69 years were unable to work for health reasons compared with 5% of white adults and 7% of black adults.
- Persons with the least education and the lowest incomes were the most likely to be unable to work or to be limited in kind or amount of work activity.
- Persons under age 65 years who were covered by private health insurance were less likely to be limited in their work activity than persons who had Medicaid or some other type of health insurance coverage.
- Among persons aged 65–69 years, non-Hispanic black women (23%) were about three times as likely as non-Hispanic white women (8%) and twice as likely as Hispanic women (11%) to be unable to work due to poor health.

## Special Education or Early Intervention Services (table 7)

- About 3.7 million children under age 18 years were receiving special education or early intervention services in 2000.
- Overall, 5% of U.S. children received special education or early intervention services, with boys about twice as likely as girls to receive these services.
- Hispanic children (3%) were less likely than non-Hispanic children (5%) to receive special education or early intervention services.
- Children in families with lower incomes were more likely than children in middle or higher income families to receive special education or early intervention services.

- Children covered by Medicaid (9%) were more likely than children with private health insurance (4%) or children without any health insurance coverage (4%) to receive special education or early intervention services.
- Non-Hispanic white children and non-Hispanic black children who were poor were about twice as likely as those who were not poor to receive special education or early intervention services.
- Among Hispanic children, receiving special education or early intervention services was not significantly associated with poverty status.
- Females had a higher rate of injury resulting from falls than males.
- Compared with females, males had more than twice the rate of injury resulting from being struck by a person or an object.
- The rate of injury due to falls was highest among persons 75 years of age and over.
- The rate of injury due to being struck by a person or an object was highest among youth 12–17 years of age.
- Among adults aged 65 years and over, the rate of injury due to falls was twice as high for females as for males.

## Medically Attended Injury and Poisoning Episodes (table 8)

- In 2000, there were 26.4 million episodes of medically attended injuries and poisonings among the U.S. civilian noninstitutionalized population, a rate of 96 episodes per 1,000 population per year.
- The rate of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes was higher for males than for females.
- Youth aged 12–17 years had the highest rate of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes compared with persons in other age groups.
- The rate of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes among non-Hispanic white persons was about twice the rate of episodes among non-Hispanic black persons and Hispanic persons.

## Causes of Injury and Poisoning Episodes (tables 9,10)

- The three leading external causes of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes were falls (6.9 million episodes in 2000), being struck by a person or object (4.8 million episodes), and transportation (3.7 million episodes).

## Activity at Time of Injury and Poisoning Episodes (tables 11,12)

- About 6.5 million injury and poisoning episodes occurred while engaging in nonsports leisure activities, 4.8 million occurred while working at a job, and 3.8 million episodes occurred while engaging in sports activities.
- The rates of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes that occurred while working at a paid job and while participating in sports were twice as high for males as for females.
- The rate of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes that occurred while working at a paid job were highest for persons 18–44 years of age compared with persons in other age groups.
- The rates of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes that occurred while working at a paid job, engaging in sports, or engaging in leisure activities other than sports were higher for white persons than for black persons.
- The rates of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes that occurred during sports or during leisure activities other than sports among non-Hispanic persons were about triple the rates for Hispanic persons.

- Persons living in the South had the lowest rates of injury and poisoning episodes that occurred while engaging in sports; persons living in the West had the highest rates.

## Place of Occurrence of Injury and Poisoning Episodes (tables 13,14)

- In 2000, 6.2 million injury and poisoning episodes occurred inside the home, and another 4.7 million occurred outside the home.
- Recreation areas (3.9 million episodes) and streets and highways (3.7 million episodes) were the next most common places of occurrence for injury and poisoning episodes, following those occurring in the home.
- The rates of injury and poisoning episodes occurring inside the home were higher for females than for males, whereas the rate of injury and poisoning episodes occurring outside the home were higher for males than for females.
- Rates of injury and poisoning episodes occurring inside the home were highest for persons aged 75 years and over and children under age 12 compared with persons in other age groups.

## Access to Medical Care (table 15)

- About 17.6 million persons (6%) delayed medical care in the past year due to cost, and another 12.2 million (5%) did not receive needed care for this reason.
- Adults aged 18–64 years were more likely than older adults and children to delay or not receive medical care due to cost.
- Persons with the least education were about three times as likely as persons with the most education to have not received needed medical care due to cost, and they were about twice as likely to have delayed care for this reason.

- Persons in the lowest income group were 10 times as likely as persons in the highest income group to have not received needed medical care due to cost, and they were more than five times as likely to have delayed care for this reason.
- Among persons who were poor or near poor, delays in medical care due to cost was most likely for non-Hispanic white persons compared with non-Hispanic black persons and Hispanic persons.
- Among persons who were not poor, access to medical care did not differ significantly among non-Hispanic white persons, non-Hispanic black persons, and Hispanic persons.

## Overnight Hospital Stays (tables 16,17)

- About 17.9 million persons (7%) stayed overnight in the hospital once in the past 12 months, about 3.1 million persons (1%) stayed overnight on two occasions, and almost 2 million persons (less than 1%) had three or more hospital stays during the year.
- Persons aged 65 years and over were more likely than younger persons to have stayed in the hospital overnight in the past 12 months.
- Persons with the least education and the lowest incomes were more likely to have stayed overnight in the hospital than persons with more education and higher incomes.
- Among persons under age 65 years, those with Medicaid or other, nonprivate health insurance coverage were more likely to have been hospitalized in the past year than were persons who had private health insurance and those who were uninsured.

## Type of Health Insurance Coverage (tables 18,19)

- Among persons under age 65 years, 171 million (72%) had private health insurance, 22 million (9%) had Medicaid, and 40 million (17%) were uninsured.

- Children under age 12 years were the most likely to have Medicaid coverage (21%) compared with persons in other age groups, and adults aged 18–44 years were the most likely to be uninsured (22%).
- Among persons under age 65 years, non-Hispanic white persons (79%) were the most likely to have private health insurance coverage, followed by non-Hispanic black persons (56%) and Hispanic persons (48%).
- Among persons living below the poverty threshold, 4 in 10 had Medicaid coverage, and about one-third were uninsured.
- Among persons under age 65 years who were living below the poverty threshold, those of Hispanic origin were more likely to be uninsured than those not of Hispanic origin.
- Among persons under 65 years of age, about one-half of poor non-Hispanic black persons had Medicaid coverage compared with one-third (33%) of poor non-Hispanic white persons and about 4 in 10 poor Hispanic persons.
- Health insurance coverage is nearly universal among persons aged 65 years and over, although the types of coverage vary by demographic characteristics.
- About a half million persons aged 65 years and over were uninsured in 2000.
- Among the 33 million adults aged 65 years and over in 2000, almost two-thirds had private health insurance (63%), and about 1 in 4 (27%) had Medicare alone.
- Among persons aged 65 years and over who were poor, 9 out of 10 were covered by some form of health insurance: private (30%), Medicaid and Medicare combined (29%), or Medicare only (31%).
- Among persons aged 65 years and over who were not poor, 9 out of 10 were covered by health insurance, with 3 out of 4 persons (75%) having private health insurance and 21% having Medicare only.

## Periods Without Health Insurance Coverage Among Currently Insured Persons Under Age 65 Years (tables 20,21)

- Among persons under age 65 years who were currently covered by health insurance, most (187 million) had health insurance continuously over the preceding 12-month period.
- Among currently insured persons under age 65 years, about 5% had been without insurance coverage at some time in the past year—most of these for 6 months or less.
- Currently insured persons aged 45–64 years were less likely than younger persons to have experienced a period without health insurance coverage in the past year.
- Lower income persons who had health insurance coverage were more likely than higher income persons to have been without coverage at some time in the past year.

## Length of Time Since Last Covered by Health Insurance Among Currently Uninsured Persons Under Age 65 Years (tables 22,23)

- Among persons under age 65 years who were uninsured at the time of the interview, nearly 10 million (29%) had been without health insurance for more than 36 months, and nearly 9 million (26%) had never had coverage.
- Uninsured males (29%) were more likely than uninsured females (24%) to have never had health insurance coverage.
- Uninsured children under age 12 years (26%) were the most likely to have been without insurance for 6 months or less compared with older persons.
- Uninsured persons age 45–64 years (44%) were the most likely to have been without health insurance for

more than 36 months compared with younger persons.

- Among persons who were uninsured, Hispanic persons (52%) were more than three times as likely as non-Hispanic persons (15%) to have never had health insurance coverage.

## Reasons for No Health Insurance Coverage Among Currently Uninsured Persons Under Age 65 Years (tables 24,25)

- Among persons under age 65 years who were without health insurance coverage, 17.9 million persons (53%) lacked coverage due to cost, and 8.8 million (26%) lacked coverage due to a change in employment.
- Uninsured females were more than twice as likely as uninsured males to not have coverage due to a change in marital status or death of a parent.
- Persons under 18 years of age were more likely than older persons to not have coverage due to cessation of Medicaid or other public coverage.
- Non-Hispanic persons were about twice as likely as Hispanic persons to be without health insurance coverage due to a loss of a job or a change in employment.
- Persons with a high school diploma or higher education were more likely than persons who had not graduated from high school to be without health insurance coverage due to loss of a job or a change in employment.

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**Table 1. Frequency distributions of respondent-assessed health status by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Respondent-assessed health status <sup>1</sup> |           |           |        |        |       |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|--------|-------|
|                                                 | All persons                                    | Excellent | Very good | Good   | Fair   | Poor  |
| Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>                |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                              | 274,019                                        | 101,506   | 85,196    | 62,018 | 17,967 | 6,090 |
| Sex                                             |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| Male                                            | 133,623                                        | 51,751    | 41,266    | 29,195 | 7,955  | 2,845 |
| Female                                          | 140,396                                        | 49,755    | 43,929    | 32,823 | 10,012 | 3,245 |
| Age                                             |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| Under 12 years                                  | 48,350                                         | 26,647    | 13,443    | 7,311  | 678    | 104   |
| 12–17 years                                     | 23,974                                         | 12,045    | 7,091     | 4,317  | 357    | 72    |
| 18–44 years                                     | 108,472                                        | 42,902    | 37,183    | 22,377 | 4,543  | 958   |
| 45–64 years                                     | 60,530                                         | 15,772    | 19,385    | 16,516 | 6,210  | 2,361 |
| 65–74 years                                     | 17,861                                         | 2,613     | 4,730     | 6,395  | 2,838  | 1,183 |
| 75 years and over                               | 14,832                                         | 1,527     | 3,364     | 5,103  | 3,340  | 1,411 |
| Race                                            |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                             | 270,530                                        | 100,032   | 84,203    | 61,339 | 17,699 | 6,021 |
| White                                           | 215,836                                        | 81,851    | 68,334    | 46,590 | 13,388 | 4,685 |
| Black or African American                       | 33,501                                         | 10,591    | 9,608     | 9,176  | 3,019  | 955   |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 1,943                                          | 611       | 548       | 522    | 204    | 55    |
| Asian                                           | 10,337                                         | 4,136     | 3,262     | 2,310  | 408    | 159   |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | 324                                            | *122      | *92       | 85     | *25    | *—    |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                    | 3,488                                          | 1,474     | 993       | 680    | 267    | 69    |
| Black or African American, white                | 730                                            | 396       | 196       | 111    | *27    | *1    |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 965                                            | 271       | 314       | 206    | 130    | 43    |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 33,052                                         | 11,184    | 10,097    | 8,750  | 2,287  | 674   |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 21,238                                         | 7,118     | 6,484     | 5,904  | 1,300  | 404   |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 240,967                                        | 90,321    | 75,099    | 53,269 | 15,680 | 5,415 |
| White, single race                              | 192,850                                        | 73,945    | 60,986    | 40,896 | 11,861 | 4,200 |
| Black or African American, single race          | 32,911                                         | 10,402    | 9,432     | 9,004  | 2,976  | 944   |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                          |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 29,021                                         | 4,376     | 6,816     | 9,426  | 5,734  | 2,612 |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>         | 52,924                                         | 13,035    | 17,240    | 15,727 | 5,237  | 1,565 |
| Some college                                    | 44,152                                         | 13,966    | 15,175    | 10,754 | 3,157  | 1,011 |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 42,723                                         | 19,050    | 14,547    | 7,153  | 1,526  | 393   |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                      |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 49,464                                         | 12,616    | 13,496    | 14,025 | 6,431  | 2,802 |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 201,347                                        | 82,149    | 64,842    | 41,425 | 9,824  | 2,663 |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 36,873                                         | 11,352    | 11,394    | 10,022 | 3,083  | 964   |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 41,702                                         | 15,935    | 13,503    | 9,499  | 2,164  | 557   |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 30,695                                         | 13,265    | 10,605    | 5,558  | 1,042  | 216   |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 48,719                                         | 25,504    | 14,916    | 6,826  | 1,200  | 249   |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                    |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| Poor                                            | 24,049                                         | 6,896     | 6,577     | 6,514  | 2,757  | 1,274 |
| Near poor                                       | 37,366                                         | 11,147    | 10,670    | 10,263 | 3,761  | 1,464 |
| Not poor                                        | 134,475                                        | 57,695    | 43,522    | 25,675 | 5,964  | 1,532 |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>11</sup>         |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| Private                                         | 171,198                                        | 75,159    | 56,554    | 31,904 | 5,872  | 1,299 |
| Medicaid                                        | 21,585                                         | 6,662     | 5,642     | 5,911  | 2,251  | 1,072 |
| Other                                           | 5,976                                          | 1,724     | 1,431     | 1,355  | 946    | 497   |
| Uninsured                                       | 40,054                                         | 13,178    | 12,684    | 10,658 | 2,612  | 596   |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                                |           |           |        |        |       |
| Private                                         | 20,426                                         | 2,989     | 5,552     | 7,190  | 3,424  | 1,221 |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | 1,863                                          | 63        | 189       | 551    | 635    | 407   |
| Medicare only                                   | 8,603                                          | 943       | 2,022     | 3,187  | 1,700  | 695   |
| Other                                           | 1,037                                          | 68        | 177       | 316    | 262    | 208   |
| Uninsured                                       | 445                                            | 66        | 84        | 149    | 93     | 44    |

See footnotes at end of table.

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| Selected characteristic                         | Respondent-assessed health status <sup>1</sup> |           |           |        |       |       |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|-------|-------|
|                                                 | All persons                                    | Excellent | Very good | Good   | Fair  | Poor  |
| Place of residence                              |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
|                                                 | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>               |           |           |        |       |       |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .               | 131,951                                        | 51,269    | 40,801    | 29,278 | 7,551 | 2,417 |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .               | 87,062                                         | 32,350    | 27,261    | 19,386 | 5,793 | 1,929 |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .              | 55,006                                         | 17,886    | 17,134    | 13,354 | 4,623 | 1,744 |
| Region                                          |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Northeast . . . . .                             | 52,199                                         | 19,704    | 16,838    | 11,424 | 3,116 | 927   |
| Midwest . . . . .                               | 67,577                                         | 25,469    | 21,525    | 15,183 | 3,945 | 1,271 |
| South . . . . .                                 | 96,925                                         | 34,488    | 29,407    | 22,491 | 7,325 | 2,782 |
| West . . . . .                                  | 57,318                                         | 21,845    | 17,426    | 12,920 | 3,582 | 1,109 |
| Sex and age                                     |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Male:                                           |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 24,699                                         | 13,315    | 6,993     | 3,854  | 401   | 62    |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 12,296                                         | 6,350     | 3,499     | 2,150  | 189   | 48    |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 53,442                                         | 22,149    | 18,050    | 10,632 | 1,942 | 439   |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 29,279                                         | 8,027     | 9,300     | 7,774  | 2,869 | 1,143 |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 13,908                                         | 1,910     | 3,424     | 4,785  | 2,554 | 1,153 |
| Female:                                         |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 23,652                                         | 13,333    | 6,450     | 3,457  | 277   | 43    |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 11,679                                         | 5,695     | 3,592     | 2,167  | 168   | *25   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 55,030                                         | 20,753    | 19,133    | 11,744 | 2,601 | 519   |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 31,250                                         | 7,745     | 10,084    | 8,742  | 3,341 | 1,218 |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 18,785                                         | 2,230     | 4,670     | 6,713  | 3,624 | 1,441 |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age   |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                       |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 4,267                                          | 1,822     | 1,338     | 1,006  | 87    | *13   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 1,763                                          | 735       | 498       | 473    | 48    | *9    |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 7,326                                          | 2,608     | 2,404     | 1,875  | 374   | 52    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 2,340                                          | 507       | 658       | 748    | 307   | 110   |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 809                                            | 109       | 130       | 263    | 221   | 83    |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                     |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 4,122                                          | 1,920     | 1,299     | 835    | 58    | *5    |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 1,650                                          | 685       | 530       | 396    | 34    | *6    |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 7,115                                          | 2,248     | 2,381     | 1,968  | 432   | 71    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 2,556                                          | 441       | 690       | 817    | 413   | 189   |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 1,103                                          | 111       | 170       | 370    | 313   | 137   |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| White, single race, male:                       |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 15,244                                         | 9,006     | 4,148     | 1,830  | 161   | *35   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 7,990                                          | 4,517     | 2,241     | 1,055  | 98    | *35   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 36,659                                         | 15,917    | 12,583    | 6,597  | 1,111 | 292   |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 22,915                                         | 6,709     | 7,612     | 5,677  | 1,945 | 826   |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 11,594                                         | 1,668     | 2,987     | 4,014  | 1,972 | 892   |
| White, single race, female:                     |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 14,526                                         | 8,930     | 3,733     | 1,626  | 135   | *24   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 7,572                                          | 3,994     | 2,347     | 1,115  | 73    | *17   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 36,926                                         | 14,808    | 13,072    | 7,032  | 1,476 | 342   |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 23,831                                         | 6,440     | 8,148     | 6,289  | 2,142 | 715   |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 15,593                                         | 1,956     | 4,116     | 5,660  | 2,747 | 1,021 |
| Black or African American, single race, male:   |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 3,513                                          | 1,576     | 1,018     | 757    | 145   | *10   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 1,758                                          | 720       | 534       | 456    | 43    | *2    |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 6,251                                          | 2,332     | 1,995     | 1,503  | 313   | 70    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 2,714                                          | 493       | 639       | 970    | 458   | 145   |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 1,053                                          | 79        | 203       | 342    | 278   | 132   |
| Black or African American, single race, female: |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 3,373                                          | 1,619     | 917       | 739    | 77    | *13   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 1,761                                          | 668       | 545       | 486    | 56    | *2    |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 7,451                                          | 2,347     | 2,443     | 2,006  | 528   | 81    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 3,443                                          | 475       | 853       | 1,236  | 618   | 251   |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 1,594                                          | 93        | 284       | 509    | 461   | 238   |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 1. Frequency distributions of respondent-assessed health status by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | Respondent-assessed health status <sup>1</sup> |           |           |        |       |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|-------|-------|
|                                                     | All persons                                    | Excellent | Very good | Good   | Fair  | Poor  |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>                    |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 6,073                                          | 1,696     | 1,908     | 1,735  | 512   | 220   |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 7,588                                          | 2,386     | 2,257     | 2,121  | 643   | 181   |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 10,934                                         | 4,586     | 3,371     | 2,307  | 573   | 90    |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| White, single race:                                 |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 10,786                                         | 3,145     | 2,886     | 2,723  | 1,304 | 718   |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 21,896                                         | 6,267     | 6,232     | 6,035  | 2,345 | 973   |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 104,941                                        | 45,702    | 34,390    | 19,191 | 4,384 | 1,207 |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                                |           |           |        |       |       |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 5,566                                          | 1,489     | 1,404     | 1,626  | 747   | 286   |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 5,548                                          | 1,636     | 1,487     | 1,502  | 651   | 256   |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 11,566                                         | 4,317     | 3,538     | 2,867  | 692   | 143   |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

– Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Respondent-assessed health status is based on the question, "Would you say (person's) health in general is excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?"

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see "Appendix I"), but they are included in the "All persons" column.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "1 race" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as those below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons age 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. "Not in MSA" consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 2. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of respondent-assessed health status by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                            | Respondent-assessed health status <sup>1</sup> |             |             |             |             |             |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                                    | Total                                          | Excellent   | Very good   | Good        | Fair        | Poor        |
| Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                                 | 100.0                                          | 37.2 (0.30) | 31.2 (0.24) | 22.7 (0.22) | 6.6 (0.11)  | 2.2 (0.06)  |
| Sex                                                |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Male                                               | 100.0                                          | 38.9 (0.35) | 31.0 (0.29) | 21.9 (0.26) | 6.0 (0.12)  | 2.1 (0.08)  |
| Female                                             | 100.0                                          | 35.6 (0.32) | 31.4 (0.27) | 23.5 (0.26) | 7.2 (0.13)  | 2.3 (0.07)  |
| Age                                                |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 12 years                                     | 100.0                                          | 55.3 (0.58) | 27.9 (0.51) | 15.2 (0.38) | 1.4 (0.10)  | 0.2 (0.03)  |
| 12–17 years                                        | 100.0                                          | 50.4 (0.72) | 29.7 (0.65) | 18.1 (0.52) | 1.5 (0.14)  | 0.3 (0.07)  |
| 18–44 years                                        | 100.0                                          | 39.7 (0.38) | 34.4 (0.33) | 20.7 (0.28) | 4.2 (0.12)  | 0.9 (0.06)  |
| 45–64 years                                        | 100.0                                          | 26.2 (0.42) | 32.2 (0.41) | 27.4 (0.38) | 10.3 (0.26) | 3.9 (0.15)  |
| 65–74 years                                        | 100.0                                          | 14.7 (0.56) | 26.6 (0.63) | 36.0 (0.69) | 16.0 (0.53) | 6.7 (0.36)  |
| 75 years and over                                  | 100.0                                          | 10.4 (0.50) | 22.8 (0.73) | 34.6 (0.77) | 22.7 (0.65) | 9.6 (0.48)  |
| Race                                               |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                                | 100.0                                          | 37.1 (0.30) | 31.3 (0.25) | 22.8 (0.22) | 6.6 (0.11)  | 2.2 (0.06)  |
| White                                              | 100.0                                          | 38.1 (0.34) | 31.8 (0.28) | 21.7 (0.24) | 6.2 (0.12)  | 2.2 (0.07)  |
| Black or African American                          | 100.0                                          | 31.8 (0.77) | 28.8 (0.70) | 27.5 (0.65) | 9.1 (0.33)  | 2.9 (0.18)  |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                   | 100.0                                          | 31.5 (3.65) | 28.3 (3.06) | 26.9 (2.41) | 10.5 (1.59) | 2.8 (0.67)  |
| Asian                                              | 100.0                                          | 40.3 (1.44) | 31.7 (1.34) | 22.5 (1.22) | 4.0 (0.42)  | 1.5 (0.28)  |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander          | 100.0                                          | 37.6 (8.06) | 28.3 (6.64) | 26.3 (6.59) | *7.8 (4.24) | *—          |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                       | 100.0                                          | 42.3 (1.93) | 28.5 (1.46) | 19.5 (1.70) | 7.7 (0.93)  | 2.0 (0.43)  |
| Black or African American, white                   | 100.0                                          | 54.2 (3.56) | 26.8 (2.94) | 15.2 (2.35) | 3.6 (1.09)  | *0.1 (0.12) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white            | 100.0                                          | 28.1 (2.94) | 32.6 (3.04) | 21.4 (2.57) | 13.5 (2.27) | 4.5 (1.14)  |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race    |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Hispanic or Latino                                 | 100.0                                          | 33.9 (0.67) | 30.6 (0.67) | 26.5 (0.63) | 6.9 (0.28)  | 2.0 (0.12)  |
| Mexican or Mexican American                        | 100.0                                          | 33.6 (0.88) | 30.6 (0.86) | 27.8 (0.82) | 6.1 (0.29)  | 1.9 (0.15)  |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                             | 100.0                                          | 37.7 (0.32) | 31.3 (0.26) | 22.2 (0.23) | 6.5 (0.11)  | 2.3 (0.07)  |
| White, single race                                 | 100.0                                          | 38.5 (0.36) | 31.8 (0.29) | 21.3 (0.25) | 6.2 (0.12)  | 2.2 (0.08)  |
| Black or African American, single race             | 100.0                                          | 31.8 (0.78) | 28.8 (0.71) | 27.5 (0.65) | 9.1 (0.33)  | 2.9 (0.18)  |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                             |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Less than a high school diploma                    | 100.0                                          | 15.1 (0.41) | 23.5 (0.49) | 32.5 (0.49) | 19.8 (0.44) | 9.0 (0.35)  |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>            | 100.0                                          | 24.7 (0.41) | 32.6 (0.43) | 29.8 (0.40) | 9.9 (0.24)  | 3.0 (0.15)  |
| Some college                                       | 100.0                                          | 31.7 (0.46) | 34.4 (0.44) | 24.4 (0.41) | 7.2 (0.23)  | 2.3 (0.13)  |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                        | 100.0                                          | 44.6 (0.55) | 34.1 (0.49) | 16.8 (0.36) | 3.6 (0.17)  | 0.9 (0.08)  |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                         |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Less than \$20,000                                 | 100.0                                          | 25.6 (0.55) | 27.3 (0.51) | 28.4 (0.47) | 13.0 (0.33) | 5.7 (0.22)  |
| \$20,000 or more                                   | 100.0                                          | 40.9 (0.34) | 32.3 (0.29) | 20.6 (0.25) | 4.9 (0.10)  | 1.3 (0.05)  |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                                  | 100.0                                          | 30.8 (0.65) | 30.9 (0.61) | 27.2 (0.58) | 8.4 (0.29)  | 2.6 (0.16)  |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                                  | 100.0                                          | 38.3 (0.66) | 32.4 (0.59) | 22.8 (0.52) | 5.2 (0.22)  | 1.3 (0.11)  |
| \$55,000–74,999                                    | 100.0                                          | 43.2 (0.81) | 34.6 (0.73) | 18.1 (0.55) | 3.4 (0.22)  | 0.7 (0.10)  |
| \$75,000 or more                                   | 100.0                                          | 52.4 (0.68) | 30.6 (0.59) | 14.0 (0.41) | 2.5 (0.15)  | 0.5 (0.07)  |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                       |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Poor                                               | 100.0                                          | 28.7 (0.84) | 27.4 (0.75) | 27.1 (0.71) | 11.5 (0.41) | 5.3 (0.28)  |
| Near poor                                          | 100.0                                          | 29.9 (0.70) | 28.6 (0.66) | 27.5 (0.59) | 10.1 (0.32) | 3.9 (0.21)  |
| Not poor                                           | 100.0                                          | 42.9 (0.39) | 32.4 (0.33) | 19.1 (0.27) | 4.4 (0.12)  | 1.1 (0.06)  |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>11</sup>            |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 65 years:                                    |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Private                                            | 100.0                                          | 44.0 (0.37) | 33.1 (0.32) | 18.7 (0.25) | 3.4 (0.09)  | 0.8 (0.04)  |
| Medicaid                                           | 100.0                                          | 30.9 (0.86) | 26.2 (0.80) | 27.4 (0.78) | 10.5 (0.40) | 5.0 (0.30)  |
| Other                                              | 100.0                                          | 29.0 (1.72) | 24.0 (1.30) | 22.8 (1.17) | 15.9 (1.06) | 8.4 (0.71)  |
| Uninsured                                          | 100.0                                          | 33.2 (0.64) | 31.9 (0.62) | 26.8 (0.57) | 6.6 (0.24)  | 1.5 (0.11)  |
| 65 years and over:                                 |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Private                                            | 100.0                                          | 14.7 (0.52) | 27.2 (0.63) | 35.3 (0.67) | 16.8 (0.51) | 6.0 (0.33)  |
| Medicare and Medicaid                              | 100.0                                          | 3.4 (0.87)  | 10.2 (1.30) | 29.9 (1.98) | 34.4 (2.11) | 22.1 (1.77) |
| Medicare only                                      | 100.0                                          | 11.0 (0.71) | 23.7 (0.90) | 37.3 (1.05) | 19.9 (0.79) | 8.1 (0.56)  |
| Other                                              | 100.0                                          | 6.6 (1.38)  | 17.2 (2.07) | 30.7 (2.57) | 25.4 (2.40) | 20.2 (2.15) |
| Uninsured                                          | 100.0                                          | 15.1 (3.34) | 19.2 (3.45) | 34.3 (3.95) | 21.4 (3.55) | 10.1 (2.83) |

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**Table 2. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of respondent-assessed health status by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                            | Respondent-assessed health status <sup>1</sup> |             |             |             |             |             |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                                    | Total                                          | Excellent   | Very good   | Good        | Fair        | Poor        |
| Place of residence                                 |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .                  | 100.0                                          | 39.0 (0.42) | 31.1 (0.36) | 22.3 (0.32) | 5.8 (0.13)  | 1.8 (0.07)  |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .                  | 100.0                                          | 37.3 (0.54) | 31.4 (0.43) | 22.4 (0.38) | 6.7 (0.20)  | 2.2 (0.10)  |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .                 | 100.0                                          | 32.7 (0.68) | 31.3 (0.55) | 24.4 (0.52) | 8.4 (0.26)  | 3.2 (0.20)  |
| Region                                             |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Northeast . . . . .                                | 100.0                                          | 37.9 (0.70) | 32.4 (0.57) | 22.0 (0.47) | 6.0 (0.23)  | 1.8 (0.12)  |
| Midwest . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                          | 37.8 (0.55) | 31.9 (0.45) | 22.5 (0.44) | 5.9 (0.19)  | 1.9 (0.11)  |
| South . . . . .                                    | 100.0                                          | 35.7 (0.52) | 30.5 (0.44) | 23.3 (0.39) | 7.6 (0.20)  | 2.9 (0.13)  |
| West . . . . .                                     | 100.0                                          | 38.4 (0.65) | 30.6 (0.52) | 22.7 (0.47) | 6.3 (0.21)  | 1.9 (0.11)  |
| Sex and age                                        |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Male:                                              |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                          | 54.1 (0.69) | 28.4 (0.63) | 15.7 (0.47) | 1.6 (0.14)  | 0.3 (0.06)  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 51.9 (0.92) | 28.6 (0.84) | 17.6 (0.65) | 1.5 (0.19)  | 0.4 (0.11)  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 41.6 (0.46) | 33.9 (0.41) | 20.0 (0.34) | 3.6 (0.15)  | 0.8 (0.08)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 27.6 (0.52) | 31.9 (0.49) | 26.7 (0.47) | 9.9 (0.32)  | 3.9 (0.22)  |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                          | 13.8 (0.55) | 24.8 (0.66) | 34.6 (0.74) | 18.5 (0.60) | 8.3 (0.43)  |
| Female:                                            |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                          | 56.6 (0.70) | 27.4 (0.62) | 14.7 (0.47) | 1.2 (0.12)  | 0.2 (0.05)  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 48.9 (0.91) | 30.8 (0.82) | 18.6 (0.68) | 1.4 (0.19)  | *0.2 (0.07) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 37.9 (0.41) | 34.9 (0.39) | 21.5 (0.35) | 4.8 (0.16)  | 0.9 (0.07)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 24.9 (0.46) | 32.4 (0.50) | 28.1 (0.46) | 10.7 (0.33) | 3.9 (0.19)  |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                          | 11.9 (0.47) | 25.0 (0.59) | 35.9 (0.67) | 19.4 (0.52) | 7.7 (0.36)  |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age      |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                          |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                          | 42.7 (1.33) | 31.4 (1.30) | 23.6 (1.13) | 2.0 (0.30)  | *0.3 (0.11) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 41.7 (1.82) | 28.3 (1.62) | 26.9 (1.67) | 2.7 (0.55)  | *0.5 (0.20) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 35.7 (1.05) | 32.9 (1.02) | 25.6 (0.94) | 5.1 (0.41)  | 0.7 (0.14)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 21.7 (1.19) | 28.2 (1.32) | 32.1 (1.37) | 13.2 (0.96) | 4.7 (0.56)  |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                          | 13.6 (1.78) | 16.1 (1.67) | 32.6 (2.49) | 27.4 (2.40) | 10.4 (1.47) |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                        |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                          | 46.6 (1.37) | 31.5 (1.27) | 20.3 (1.08) | 1.4 (0.25)  | *0.1 (0.07) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 41.5 (1.88) | 32.1 (1.85) | 24.0 (1.61) | 2.1 (0.49)  | *0.3 (0.14) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 31.7 (0.87) | 33.5 (0.89) | 27.7 (0.86) | 6.1 (0.39)  | 1.0 (0.15)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 17.3 (1.03) | 27.1 (1.26) | 32.0 (1.28) | 16.2 (0.94) | 7.4 (0.69)  |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                          | 10.1 (1.32) | 15.5 (1.61) | 33.6 (2.18) | 28.4 (2.31) | 12.4 (1.38) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                             |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| White, single race, male:                          |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                          | 59.3 (0.90) | 27.3 (0.84) | 12.1 (0.59) | 1.1 (0.15)  | *0.2 (0.07) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 56.8 (1.19) | 28.2 (1.11) | 13.3 (0.76) | 1.2 (0.25)  | *0.4 (0.17) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 43.6 (0.57) | 34.5 (0.50) | 18.1 (0.42) | 3.0 (0.17)  | 0.8 (0.11)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 29.5 (0.61) | 33.4 (0.56) | 24.9 (0.52) | 8.5 (0.36)  | 3.6 (0.25)  |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                          | 14.5 (0.61) | 25.9 (0.75) | 34.8 (0.83) | 17.1 (0.64) | 7.7 (0.47)  |
| White, single race, female:                        |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                          | 61.8 (0.93) | 25.8 (0.82) | 11.3 (0.59) | 0.9 (0.15)  | *0.2 (0.06) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 52.9 (1.19) | 31.1 (1.08) | 14.8 (0.81) | 1.0 (0.21)  | *0.2 (0.10) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 40.3 (0.52) | 35.6 (0.50) | 19.1 (0.42) | 4.0 (0.19)  | 0.9 (0.10)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 27.1 (0.55) | 34.3 (0.59) | 26.5 (0.55) | 9.0 (0.37)  | 3.0 (0.20)  |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                          | 12.6 (0.53) | 26.6 (0.66) | 36.5 (0.75) | 17.7 (0.57) | 6.6 (0.37)  |
| Black or African American, single race, male:      |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                          | 45.0 (1.63) | 29.0 (1.49) | 21.6 (1.33) | 4.1 (0.62)  | *0.3 (0.13) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 41.1 (2.21) | 30.4 (2.05) | 26.0 (1.85) | 2.4 (0.55)  | *0.1 (0.12) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 37.5 (1.18) | 32.1 (1.13) | 24.2 (1.00) | 5.0 (0.50)  | 1.1 (0.21)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 18.2 (1.27) | 23.6 (1.37) | 35.8 (1.53) | 16.9 (1.15) | 5.4 (0.68)  |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                          | 7.7 (1.25)  | 19.6 (2.16) | 33.0 (2.55) | 26.9 (2.31) | 12.8 (1.66) |
| Black or African American, single race, female:    |                                                |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                          | 48.1 (1.78) | 27.3 (1.55) | 22.0 (1.37) | 2.3 (0.45)  | *0.4 (0.16) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 38.0 (2.11) | 31.0 (2.25) | 27.7 (2.01) | 3.2 (0.70)  | *0.1 (0.11) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 31.7 (1.00) | 33.0 (0.98) | 27.1 (0.96) | 7.1 (0.50)  | 1.1 (0.18)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                          | 13.8 (0.92) | 24.9 (1.23) | 36.0 (1.29) | 18.0 (1.09) | 7.3 (0.68)  |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                          | 5.9 (0.94)  | 17.9 (1.50) | 32.1 (1.85) | 29.1 (1.97) | 15.0 (1.43) |

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**Table 2. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of respondent-assessed health status by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | Respondent-assessed health status <sup>1</sup> |             |             |             |             |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
|                                                     | Total                                          | Excellent   | Very good   | Good        | Fair        | Poor       |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                                |             |             |             |             |            |
| Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error)  |                                                |             |             |             |             |            |
| Hispanic or Latino: . . . . .                       |                                                |             |             |             |             |            |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0                                          | 27.9 (1.41) | 31.4 (1.56) | 28.6 (1.33) | 8.4 (0.62)  | 3.6 (0.35) |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0                                          | 31.4 (1.31) | 29.7 (1.24) | 27.9 (1.19) | 8.5 (0.59)  | 2.4 (0.27) |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                          | 42.0 (1.03) | 30.9 (0.93) | 21.1 (0.87) | 5.2 (0.37)  | 0.8 (0.14) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                                |             |             |             |             |            |
| White, single race:                                 |                                                |             |             |             |             |            |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0                                          | 29.2 (1.22) | 26.8 (1.13) | 25.3 (1.09) | 12.1 (0.66) | 6.7 (0.50) |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0                                          | 28.7 (0.92) | 28.5 (0.89) | 27.6 (0.79) | 10.7 (0.46) | 4.5 (0.31) |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                          | 43.6 (0.45) | 32.8 (0.38) | 18.3 (0.30) | 4.2 (0.13)  | 1.2 (0.07) |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                                |             |             |             |             |            |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0                                          | 26.8 (1.65) | 25.3 (1.62) | 29.3 (1.64) | 13.5 (0.91) | 5.2 (0.52) |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0                                          | 29.6 (1.65) | 26.9 (1.40) | 27.2 (1.43) | 11.8 (0.86) | 4.6 (0.55) |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                          | 37.4 (1.21) | 30.6 (1.08) | 24.8 (0.98) | 6.0 (0.42)  | 1.2 (0.18) |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

— Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Respondent-assessed health status is based on the question, "Would you say {person's} health in general is excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?"

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I"). Percents may not add to totals due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. "Not in MSA" consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 3. Frequency distributions of limitation in usual activities, and frequencies of limitations due to one or more chronic conditions, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Limitation in usual activities <sup>1</sup> |             |         | Limited due to one or more chronic conditions <sup>2</sup> |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------|---------|------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                 | All persons                                 | Not limited | Limited |                                                            |
| Number in thousands <sup>3</sup>                |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Total <sup>4</sup>                              | 274,019                                     | 239,618     | 32,438  | 30,907                                                     |
| Sex                                             |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Male                                            | 133,623                                     | 117,408     | 15,267  | 14,551                                                     |
| Female                                          | 140,396                                     | 122,209     | 17,171  | 16,356                                                     |
| Age                                             |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 48,350                                      | 45,365      | 2,745   | 2,550                                                      |
| 12–17 years                                     | 23,974                                      | 21,994      | 1,859   | 1,737                                                      |
| 18–44 years                                     | 108,472                                     | 100,723     | 6,688   | 6,232                                                      |
| 45–64 years                                     | 60,530                                      | 50,558      | 9,572   | 9,162                                                      |
| 65–74 years                                     | 17,861                                      | 13,013      | 4,770   | 4,626                                                      |
| 75 years and over                               | 14,832                                      | 7,965       | 6,805   | 6,601                                                      |
| Race                                            |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| 1 race <sup>5</sup>                             | 270,530                                     | 236,617     | 31,957  | 30,432                                                     |
| White                                           | 215,836                                     | 188,071     | 26,273  | 25,086                                                     |
| Black or African American                       | 33,501                                      | 29,067      | 4,138   | 3,906                                                      |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 1,943                                       | 1,604       | 330     | 306                                                        |
| Asian                                           | 10,337                                      | 9,718       | 562     | 508                                                        |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | 324                                         | 276         | *48     | *48                                                        |
| 2 or more races <sup>6</sup>                    | 3,488                                       | 3,001       | 481     | 476                                                        |
| Black or African American, white                | 730                                         | 658         | 72      | 70                                                         |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 965                                         | 739         | 222     | 220                                                        |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>7</sup> and race |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 33,052                                      | 30,207      | 2,488   | 2,381                                                      |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 21,238                                      | 19,576      | 1,395   | 1,333                                                      |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 240,967                                     | 209,411     | 29,950  | 28,527                                                     |
| White, single race                              | 192,850                                     | 167,062     | 24,533  | 23,421                                                     |
| Black or African American, single race          | 32,911                                      | 28,543      | 4,078   | 3,848                                                      |
| Education <sup>8</sup>                          |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 29,021                                      | 20,347      | 8,417   | 8,153                                                      |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>9</sup>         | 52,924                                      | 44,106      | 8,456   | 8,170                                                      |
| Some college                                    | 44,152                                      | 38,102      | 5,824   | 5,601                                                      |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 42,723                                      | 39,316      | 3,180   | 3,035                                                      |
| Family income <sup>10</sup>                     |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 49,464                                      | 37,226      | 11,880  | 11,428                                                     |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 201,347                                     | 182,401     | 17,724  | 16,905                                                     |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 36,873                                      | 31,792      | 4,895   | 4,722                                                      |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 41,702                                      | 37,458      | 4,032   | 3,860                                                      |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 30,695                                      | 28,492      | 2,025   | 1,954                                                      |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 48,719                                      | 45,721      | 2,778   | 2,616                                                      |
| Poverty status <sup>11</sup>                    |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Poor                                            | 24,049                                      | 19,063      | 4,821   | 4,635                                                      |
| Near poor                                       | 37,366                                      | 30,601      | 6,519   | 6,319                                                      |
| Not poor                                        | 134,475                                     | 122,182     | 11,664  | 11,177                                                     |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>12</sup>         |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Private                                         | 171,198                                     | 159,303     | 10,784  | 10,108                                                     |
| Medicaid                                        | 21,585                                      | 16,445      | 4,966   | 4,766                                                      |
| Other                                           | 5,976                                       | 3,937       | 1,997   | 1,936                                                      |
| Uninsured                                       | 40,054                                      | 36,681      | 2,979   | 2,786                                                      |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Private                                         | 20,426                                      | 13,671      | 6,697   | 6,517                                                      |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | 1,863                                       | 677         | 1,185   | 1,163                                                      |
| Medicare only                                   | 8,603                                       | 5,588       | 2,948   | 2,840                                                      |
| Other                                           | 1,037                                       | 482         | 552     | 544                                                        |
| Uninsured                                       | 445                                         | 351         | 94      | 94                                                         |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 3. Frequency distributions of limitation in usual activities, and frequencies of limitations due to one or more chronic conditions, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                         | Limitation in usual activities <sup>1</sup> |             |         | Limited due to one or more chronic conditions <sup>2</sup> |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------|---------|------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                 | All persons                                 | Not limited | Limited |                                                            |
| Place of residence                              | Number in thousands <sup>3</sup>            |             |         |                                                            |
| Large MSA <sup>13</sup>                         | 131,951                                     | 117,887     | 13,127  | 12,379                                                     |
| Small MSA <sup>13</sup>                         | 87,062                                      | 75,736      | 10,668  | 10,197                                                     |
| Not in MSA <sup>13</sup>                        | 55,006                                      | 45,996      | 8,643   | 8,331                                                      |
| Region                                          |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Northeast                                       | 52,199                                      | 45,982      | 5,874   | 5,564                                                      |
| Midwest                                         | 67,577                                      | 58,801      | 8,340   | 7,988                                                      |
| South                                           | 96,925                                      | 84,879      | 11,418  | 10,939                                                     |
| West                                            | 57,318                                      | 49,956      | 6,806   | 6,416                                                      |
| Sex and age                                     |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Male:                                           |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 24,699                                      | 22,841      | 1,736   | 1,612                                                      |
| 12–17 years                                     | 12,296                                      | 11,018      | 1,219   | 1,149                                                      |
| 18–44 years                                     | 53,442                                      | 49,718      | 3,218   | 2,990                                                      |
| 45–64 years                                     | 29,279                                      | 24,567      | 4,517   | 4,335                                                      |
| 65 years and over                               | 13,908                                      | 9,265       | 4,577   | 4,466                                                      |
| Female:                                         |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 23,652                                      | 22,525      | 1,009   | 938                                                        |
| 12–17 years                                     | 11,679                                      | 10,976      | 640     | 588                                                        |
| 18–44 years                                     | 55,030                                      | 51,005      | 3,470   | 3,242                                                      |
| 45–64 years                                     | 31,250                                      | 25,991      | 5,055   | 4,827                                                      |
| 65 years and over                               | 18,785                                      | 11,713      | 6,998   | 6,760                                                      |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age   |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                       |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 4,267                                       | 4,036       | 215     | 206                                                        |
| 12–17 years                                     | 1,763                                       | 1,628       | 132     | 122                                                        |
| 18–44 years                                     | 7,326                                       | 6,945       | 273     | 252                                                        |
| 45–64 years                                     | 2,340                                       | 1,996       | 308     | 304                                                        |
| 65 years and over                               | 809                                         | 546         | 260     | 256                                                        |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                     |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 4,122                                       | 3,966       | 137     | 128                                                        |
| 12–17 years                                     | 1,650                                       | 1,565       | 77      | 66                                                         |
| 18–44 years                                     | 7,115                                       | 6,662       | 319     | 300                                                        |
| 45–64 years                                     | 2,556                                       | 2,137       | 391     | 374                                                        |
| 65 years and over                               | 1,103                                       | 726         | 377     | 373                                                        |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| White, single race, male:                       |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 15,244                                      | 14,031      | 1,138   | 1,043                                                      |
| 12–17 years                                     | 7,990                                       | 7,104       | 842     | 796                                                        |
| 18–44 years                                     | 36,659                                      | 34,004      | 2,357   | 2,201                                                      |
| 45–64 years                                     | 22,915                                      | 19,353      | 3,418   | 3,280                                                      |
| 65 years and over                               | 11,594                                      | 7,748       | 3,797   | 3,708                                                      |
| White, single race, female:                     |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 14,526                                      | 13,785      | 661     | 610                                                        |
| 12–17 years                                     | 7,572                                       | 7,095       | 438     | 406                                                        |
| 18–44 years                                     | 36,926                                      | 34,160      | 2,458   | 2,313                                                      |
| 45–64 years                                     | 23,831                                      | 19,929      | 3,755   | 3,596                                                      |
| 65 years and over                               | 15,593                                      | 9,854       | 5,670   | 5,470                                                      |
| Black or African American, single race, male:   |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 3,513                                       | 3,213       | 268     | 254                                                        |
| 12–17 years                                     | 1,758                                       | 1,542       | 205     | 191                                                        |
| 18–44 years                                     | 6,251                                       | 5,749       | 423     | 391                                                        |
| 45–64 years                                     | 2,714                                       | 2,160       | 542     | 512                                                        |
| 65 years and over                               | 1,053                                       | 646         | 394     | 382                                                        |
| Black or African American, single race, female: |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 3,373                                       | 3,197       | 157     | 150                                                        |
| 12–17 years                                     | 1,761                                       | 1,652       | 96      | 90                                                         |
| 18–44 years                                     | 7,451                                       | 6,855       | 519     | 467                                                        |
| 45–64 years                                     | 3,443                                       | 2,711       | 703     | 662                                                        |
| 65 years and over                               | 1,594                                       | 819         | 772     | 749                                                        |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 3. Frequency distributions of limitation in usual activities, and frequencies of limitations due to one or more chronic conditions, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | Limitation in usual activities <sup>1</sup> |             |         | Limited due to one or more chronic conditions <sup>2</sup> |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------|---------|------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     | All persons                                 | Not limited | Limited |                                                            |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Number in thousands <sup>3</sup>                    |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 6,073                                       | 5,329       | 683     | 662                                                        |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 7,588                                       | 6,917       | 605     | 591                                                        |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 10,934                                      | 10,282      | 588     | 562                                                        |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| White, single race:                                 |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 10,786                                      | 7,994       | 2,739   | 2,620                                                      |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 21,896                                      | 17,033      | 4,737   | 4,616                                                      |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 104,941                                     | 94,686      | 9,786   | 9,390                                                      |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                             |             |         |                                                            |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 5,566                                       | 4,433       | 1,097   | 1,068                                                      |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 5,548                                       | 4,582       | 923     | 877                                                        |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 11,566                                      | 10,655      | 836     | 798                                                        |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

<sup>1</sup>Limitation in usual activities is based on a series of questions concerning: limitation(s) in a person's ability to engage in work, school, play, or other activities for health reasons; the specific conditions causing the limitation(s); and the duration of these condition(s).

<sup>2</sup>The category "Limited due to one or more chronic conditions" is a subset of the category "Limited." Conditions lasting more than 3 months are classified as chronic; selected conditions (e.g., arthritis, diabetes, cancer, heart conditions, etc.) are considered chronic regardless of duration.

<sup>3</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see "Appendix I"), but they are included in the "All persons" column.

<sup>4</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>5</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "1 race" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>6</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>7</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>8</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>9</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>10</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>11</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>12</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>13</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 4. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of limitation in usual activities, and percent (with standard errors) of persons limited due to one or more chronic conditions, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Limitation in usual activities <sup>1</sup>          |             |              | Limited due to one or more chronic conditions <sup>2</sup> |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                 | Total                                                | Not limited | Limited      |                                                            |
|                                                 | Percent distribution <sup>3,4</sup> (standard error) |             |              | Percent <sup>3</sup> (standard error)                      |
| Total <sup>5</sup>                              | 100.0                                                | 88.1 (0.16) | 11.9 (0.16)  | 11.4 (0.16)                                                |
| Sex                                             |                                                      |             |              |                                                            |
| Male                                            | 100.0                                                | 88.5 (0.19) | 11.5 (0.19)  | 11.0 (0.19)                                                |
| Female                                          | 100.0                                                | 87.7 (0.19) | 12.3 (0.19)  | 11.8 (0.19)                                                |
| Age                                             |                                                      |             |              |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0                                                | 94.3 (0.21) | 5.7 (0.21)   | 5.3 (0.20)                                                 |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 92.2 (0.35) | 7.8 (0.35)   | 7.3 (0.34)                                                 |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 93.8 (0.16) | 6.2 (0.16)   | 5.8 (0.15)                                                 |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 84.1 (0.31) | 15.9 (0.31)  | 15.3 (0.30)                                                |
| 65–74 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 73.2 (0.64) | 26.8 (0.64)  | 26.1 (0.64)                                                |
| 75 years and over                               | 100.0                                                | 53.9 (0.86) | 46.1 (0.86)  | 45.1 (0.86)                                                |
| Race                                            |                                                      |             |              |                                                            |
| 1 race <sup>6</sup>                             | 100.0                                                | 88.1 (0.16) | 11.9 (0.16)  | 11.4 (0.16)                                                |
| White                                           | 100.0                                                | 87.7 (0.19) | 12.3 (0.19)  | 11.7 (0.18)                                                |
| Black or African American                       | 100.0                                                | 87.5 (0.37) | 12.5 (0.37)  | 11.8 (0.36)                                                |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 100.0                                                | 82.9 (2.11) | 17.1 (2.11)  | 16.0 (2.00)                                                |
| Asian                                           | 100.0                                                | 94.5 (0.52) | 5.5 (0.52)   | 5.0 (0.49)                                                 |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | 100.0                                                | 85.2 (4.59) | *14.8 (4.59) | *14.8 (4.59)                                               |
| 2 or more races <sup>7</sup>                    | 100.0                                                | 86.2 (1.08) | 13.8 (1.08)  | 13.7 (1.08)                                                |
| Black or African American, white                | 100.0                                                | 90.2 (1.79) | 9.8 (1.79)   | 9.6 (1.77)                                                 |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 100.0                                                | 76.9 (2.60) | 23.1 (2.60)  | 22.9 (2.60)                                                |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>8</sup> and race |                                                      |             |              |                                                            |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 100.0                                                | 92.4 (0.26) | 7.6 (0.26)   | 7.3 (0.26)                                                 |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 100.0                                                | 93.3 (0.31) | 6.7 (0.31)   | 6.4 (0.30)                                                 |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 100.0                                                | 87.5 (0.18) | 12.5 (0.18)  | 12.0 (0.17)                                                |
| White, single race                              | 100.0                                                | 87.2 (0.20) | 12.8 (0.20)  | 12.3 (0.20)                                                |
| Black or African American, single race          | 100.0                                                | 87.5 (0.37) | 12.5 (0.37)  | 11.9 (0.36)                                                |
| Education <sup>9</sup>                          |                                                      |             |              |                                                            |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 100.0                                                | 70.7 (0.58) | 29.3 (0.58)  | 28.5 (0.57)                                                |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>10</sup>        | 100.0                                                | 83.9 (0.32) | 16.1 (0.32)  | 15.6 (0.31)                                                |
| Some college                                    | 100.0                                                | 86.7 (0.32) | 13.3 (0.32)  | 12.8 (0.32)                                                |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 100.0                                                | 92.5 (0.28) | 7.5 (0.28)   | 7.2 (0.27)                                                 |
| Family income <sup>11</sup>                     |                                                      |             |              |                                                            |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 100.0                                                | 75.8 (0.47) | 24.2 (0.47)  | 23.4 (0.47)                                                |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 100.0                                                | 91.1 (0.15) | 8.9 (0.15)   | 8.5 (0.15)                                                 |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 100.0                                                | 86.7 (0.37) | 13.3 (0.37)  | 12.9 (0.37)                                                |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 100.0                                                | 90.3 (0.30) | 9.7 (0.30)   | 9.3 (0.30)                                                 |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 100.0                                                | 93.4 (0.31) | 6.6 (0.31)   | 6.4 (0.31)                                                 |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 100.0                                                | 94.3 (0.25) | 5.7 (0.25)   | 5.4 (0.24)                                                 |
| Poverty status <sup>12</sup>                    |                                                      |             |              |                                                            |
| Poor                                            | 100.0                                                | 79.8 (0.54) | 20.2 (0.54)  | 19.5 (0.53)                                                |
| Near poor                                       | 100.0                                                | 82.4 (0.46) | 17.6 (0.46)  | 17.1 (0.45)                                                |
| Not poor                                        | 100.0                                                | 91.3 (0.18) | 8.7 (0.18)   | 8.4 (0.18)                                                 |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>13</sup>         |                                                      |             |              |                                                            |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                                      |             |              |                                                            |
| Private                                         | 100.0                                                | 93.7 (0.13) | 6.3 (0.13)   | 6.0 (0.13)                                                 |
| Medicaid                                        | 100.0                                                | 76.8 (0.62) | 23.2 (0.62)  | 22.4 (0.61)                                                |
| Other                                           | 100.0                                                | 66.3 (1.52) | 33.7 (1.52)  | 32.8 (1.51)                                                |
| Uninsured                                       | 100.0                                                | 92.5 (0.26) | 7.5 (0.26)   | 7.0 (0.25)                                                 |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                                      |             |              |                                                            |
| Private                                         | 100.0                                                | 67.1 (0.70) | 32.9 (0.70)  | 32.1 (0.69)                                                |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | 100.0                                                | 36.3 (2.22) | 63.7 (2.22)  | 63.1 (2.23)                                                |
| Medicare only                                   | 100.0                                                | 65.5 (1.02) | 34.5 (1.02)  | 33.6 (1.02)                                                |
| Other                                           | 100.0                                                | 46.6 (2.72) | 53.4 (2.72)  | 53.0 (2.73)                                                |
| Uninsured                                       | 100.0                                                | 78.9 (3.45) | 21.1 (3.45)  | 21.1 (3.45)                                                |

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**Table 4. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of limitation in usual activities, and percent (with standard errors) of persons limited due to one or more chronic conditions, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Limitation in usual activities <sup>1</sup>     |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Selected characteristic                         | Total                                                | Not limited | Limited     | Limited due to one or more chronic conditions <sup>2</sup> |
| Place of residence                              | Percent distribution <sup>3,4</sup> (standard error) |             |             | Percent <sup>3</sup> (standard error)                      |
| Large MSA <sup>14</sup>                         | 100.0                                                | 90.0 (0.19) | 10.0 (0.19) | 9.5 (0.19)                                                 |
| Small MSA <sup>14</sup>                         | 100.0                                                | 87.7 (0.31) | 12.3 (0.31) | 11.8 (0.30)                                                |
| Not in MSA <sup>14</sup>                        | 100.0                                                | 84.2 (0.43) | 15.8 (0.43) | 15.3 (0.43)                                                |
| Region                                          |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Northeast                                       | 100.0                                                | 88.7 (0.31) | 11.3 (0.31) | 10.8 (0.29)                                                |
| Midwest                                         | 100.0                                                | 87.6 (0.35) | 12.4 (0.35) | 11.9 (0.34)                                                |
| South                                           | 100.0                                                | 88.1 (0.28) | 11.9 (0.28) | 11.4 (0.28)                                                |
| West                                            | 100.0                                                | 88.0 (0.35) | 12.0 (0.35) | 11.4 (0.34)                                                |
| Sex and age                                     |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Male:                                           |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0                                                | 92.9 (0.30) | 7.1 (0.30)  | 6.6 (0.29)                                                 |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 90.0 (0.51) | 10.0 (0.51) | 9.4 (0.51)                                                 |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 93.9 (0.22) | 6.1 (0.22)  | 5.7 (0.21)                                                 |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 84.5 (0.42) | 15.5 (0.42) | 15.0 (0.42)                                                |
| 65 years and over                               | 100.0                                                | 66.9 (0.75) | 33.1 (0.75) | 32.4 (0.75)                                                |
| Female:                                         |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0                                                | 95.7 (0.26) | 4.3 (0.26)  | 4.0 (0.25)                                                 |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 94.5 (0.39) | 5.5 (0.39)  | 5.1 (0.38)                                                 |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 93.6 (0.21) | 6.4 (0.21)  | 6.0 (0.20)                                                 |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 83.7 (0.38) | 16.3 (0.38) | 15.6 (0.37)                                                |
| 65 years and over                               | 100.0                                                | 62.6 (0.70) | 37.4 (0.70) | 36.4 (0.70)                                                |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age   |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                       |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0                                                | 94.9 (0.50) | 5.1 (0.50)  | 4.9 (0.49)                                                 |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 92.5 (0.94) | 7.5 (0.94)  | 7.0 (0.90)                                                 |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 96.2 (0.33) | 3.8 (0.33)  | 3.5 (0.33)                                                 |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 86.6 (0.93) | 13.4 (0.93) | 13.2 (0.93)                                                |
| 65 years and over                               | 100.0                                                | 67.8 (2.18) | 32.2 (2.18) | 31.9 (2.18)                                                |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                     |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0                                                | 96.7 (0.42) | 3.3 (0.42)  | 3.1 (0.40)                                                 |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 95.3 (0.70) | 4.7 (0.70)  | 4.1 (0.65)                                                 |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 95.4 (0.41) | 4.6 (0.41)  | 4.3 (0.41)                                                 |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 84.5 (1.00) | 15.5 (1.00) | 14.9 (0.99)                                                |
| 65 years and over                               | 100.0                                                | 65.8 (1.97) | 34.2 (1.97) | 33.9 (1.97)                                                |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| White, single race, male:                       |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0                                                | 92.5 (0.42) | 7.5 (0.42)  | 6.9 (0.39)                                                 |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 89.4 (0.68) | 10.6 (0.68) | 10.1 (0.68)                                                |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 93.5 (0.28) | 6.5 (0.28)  | 6.1 (0.27)                                                 |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 85.0 (0.48) | 15.0 (0.48) | 14.5 (0.48)                                                |
| 65 years and over                               | 100.0                                                | 67.1 (0.84) | 32.9 (0.84) | 32.3 (0.84)                                                |
| White, single race, female:                     |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0                                                | 95.4 (0.36) | 4.6 (0.36)  | 4.2 (0.35)                                                 |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 94.2 (0.53) | 5.8 (0.53)  | 5.4 (0.51)                                                 |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 93.3 (0.27) | 6.7 (0.27)  | 6.3 (0.26)                                                 |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 84.1 (0.44) | 15.9 (0.44) | 15.2 (0.44)                                                |
| 65 years and over                               | 100.0                                                | 63.5 (0.78) | 36.5 (0.78) | 35.5 (0.77)                                                |
| Black or African American, single race, male:   |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0                                                | 92.3 (0.75) | 7.7 (0.75)  | 7.3 (0.73)                                                 |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 88.3 (1.26) | 11.7 (1.26) | 11.0 (1.21)                                                |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 93.1 (0.57) | 6.9 (0.57)  | 6.4 (0.55)                                                 |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 79.9 (1.28) | 20.1 (1.28) | 19.1 (1.26)                                                |
| 65 years and over                               | 100.0                                                | 62.1 (2.50) | 37.9 (2.50) | 37.1 (2.49)                                                |
| Black or African American, single race, female: |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0                                                | 95.3 (0.61) | 4.7 (0.61)  | 4.5 (0.59)                                                 |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 94.5 (0.93) | 5.5 (0.93)  | 5.1 (0.91)                                                 |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 93.0 (0.51) | 7.0 (0.51)  | 6.4 (0.49)                                                 |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0                                                | 79.4 (1.08) | 20.6 (1.08) | 19.6 (1.07)                                                |
| 65 years and over                               | 100.0                                                | 51.5 (1.98) | 48.5 (1.98) | 47.7 (1.99)                                                |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 4. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of limitation in usual activities, and percent (with standard errors) of persons limited due to one or more chronic conditions, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | Limitation in usual activities <sup>1</sup>          |             |             | Limited due to one or more chronic conditions <sup>2</sup> |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     | Total                                                | Not limited | Limited     |                                                            |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status | Percent distribution <sup>3,4</sup> (standard error) |             |             | Percent <sup>3</sup> (standard error)                      |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0                                                | 88.6 (0.70) | 11.4 (0.70) | 11.0 (0.69)                                                |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0                                                | 92.0 (0.50) | 8.0 (0.50)  | 7.9 (0.50)                                                 |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                                | 94.6 (0.35) | 5.4 (0.35)  | 5.2 (0.34)                                                 |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| White, single race:                                 |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0                                                | 74.5 (0.93) | 25.5 (0.93) | 24.6 (0.90)                                                |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0                                                | 78.2 (0.70) | 21.8 (0.70) | 21.3 (0.68)                                                |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                                | 90.6 (0.22) | 9.4 (0.22)  | 9.0 (0.22)                                                 |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                                      |             |             |                                                            |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0                                                | 80.2 (1.03) | 19.8 (1.03) | 19.4 (1.02)                                                |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0                                                | 83.2 (1.01) | 16.8 (1.01) | 16.0 (0.94)                                                |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                                | 92.7 (0.44) | 7.3 (0.44)  | 7.0 (0.43)                                                 |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

<sup>1</sup>Limitation in usual activities is based on a series of questions concerning: limitation(s) in a person's ability to engage in work, school, play, or other activities for health reasons; the specific conditions causing the limitation(s); and the duration of these condition(s).

<sup>2</sup>The category "Limited due to one or more chronic conditions" is a subset of the category "Limited." Conditions lasting more than 3 months are classified as chronic; selected conditions (e.g., arthritis, diabetes, cancer, heart conditions, etc.) are considered chronic regardless of duration.

<sup>3</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I").

<sup>4</sup>Percents may not add to totals due to rounding.

<sup>5</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>6</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>7</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>8</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>9</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>10</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>11</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>12</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>13</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>14</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 5. Frequencies and percents (with standard errors) of persons having limitations in activities of daily living and instrumental activities of daily living among persons 18 years of age and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | All persons<br>18 years of<br>age and over | Limitations in ADLs <sup>1</sup> and IADLs <sup>2</sup> |       |                                       |             |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------|-------------|
|                                                 |                                            | ADLs                                                    |       | IADLs                                 |             |
|                                                 |                                            | ADLs                                                    | IADLs | ADLs                                  | IADLs       |
|                                                 |                                            | Number in thousands <sup>3</sup>                        |       | Percent <sup>4</sup> (standard error) |             |
| Total <sup>5</sup>                              | 201,694                                    | 3,342                                                   | 6,929 | 1.7 (0.05)                            | 3.4 (0.09)  |
| Sex                                             |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Male                                            | 96,629                                     | 1,253                                                   | 2,278 | 1.3 (0.07)                            | 2.4 (0.09)  |
| Female                                          | 105,066                                    | 2,089                                                   | 4,650 | 2.0 (0.08)                            | 4.4 (0.13)  |
| Age                                             |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| 18–44 years                                     | 108,472                                    | 473                                                     | 1,057 | 0.4 (0.04)                            | 1.0 (0.06)  |
| 45–64 years                                     | 60,530                                     | 797                                                     | 1,694 | 1.3 (0.08)                            | 2.8 (0.12)  |
| 65–74 years                                     | 17,861                                     | 618                                                     | 1,226 | 3.5 (0.24)                            | 6.9 (0.35)  |
| 75 years and over                               | 14,832                                     | 1,455                                                   | 2,951 | 9.8 (0.45)                            | 19.9 (0.66) |
| Race                                            |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| 1 race <sup>6</sup>                             | 199,954                                    | 3,317                                                   | 6,870 | 1.7 (0.05)                            | 3.4 (0.09)  |
| White                                           | 162,405                                    | 2,654                                                   | 5,606 | 1.6 (0.06)                            | 3.5 (0.10)  |
| Black or African American                       | 22,796                                     | 494                                                     | 956   | 2.2 (0.16)                            | 4.2 (0.24)  |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 1,288                                      | *24                                                     | *74   | *1.9 (0.87)                           | 5.8 (1.50)  |
| Asian                                           | 7,692                                      | 82                                                      | 132   | 1.1 (0.22)                            | 1.7 (0.30)  |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | 190                                        | *–                                                      | *–    | *–                                    | *–          |
| 2 or more races <sup>7</sup>                    | 1,741                                      | *26                                                     | 59    | *1.5 (0.48)                           | 3.4 (0.67)  |
| Black or African American, white                | 211                                        | *–                                                      | *3    | *–                                    | *1.2 (0.92) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 670                                        | *20                                                     | *25   | *3.0 (1.12)                           | *3.7 (1.24) |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>8</sup> and race |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 21,250                                     | 263                                                     | 442   | 1.2 (0.10)                            | 2.1 (0.15)  |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 13,131                                     | 155                                                     | 254   | 1.2 (0.11)                            | 1.9 (0.18)  |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 180,445                                    | 3,080                                                   | 6,486 | 1.7 (0.06)                            | 3.6 (0.10)  |
| White, single race                              | 147,518                                    | 2,469                                                   | 5,294 | 1.7 (0.07)                            | 3.6 (0.11)  |
| Black or African American, single race          | 22,506                                     | 487                                                     | 943   | 2.2 (0.16)                            | 4.2 (0.24)  |
| Education <sup>9</sup>                          |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 29,021                                     | 1,124                                                   | 2,454 | 3.9 (0.20)                            | 8.5 (0.32)  |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>10</sup>        | 52,924                                     | 947                                                     | 2,026 | 1.8 (0.11)                            | 3.8 (0.16)  |
| Some college                                    | 44,152                                     | 625                                                     | 1,334 | 1.4 (0.10)                            | 3.0 (0.15)  |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 42,723                                     | 294                                                     | 582   | 0.7 (0.08)                            | 1.4 (0.11)  |
| Family income <sup>11</sup>                     |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 36,617                                     | 1,318                                                   | 3,145 | 3.6 (0.18)                            | 8.6 (0.30)  |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 146,920                                    | 1,596                                                   | 2,918 | 1.1 (0.05)                            | 2.0 (0.07)  |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 26,937                                     | 458                                                     | 818   | 1.7 (0.14)                            | 3.0 (0.20)  |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 29,979                                     | 337                                                     | 677   | 1.1 (0.11)                            | 2.3 (0.16)  |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 21,812                                     | 135                                                     | 250   | 0.6 (0.10)                            | 1.1 (0.13)  |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 35,112                                     | 210                                                     | 298   | 0.6 (0.07)                            | 0.8 (0.09)  |
| Poverty status <sup>12</sup>                    |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Poor                                            | 15,219                                     | 515                                                     | 1,148 | 3.4 (0.27)                            | 7.5 (0.42)  |
| Near poor                                       | 25,364                                     | 677                                                     | 1,505 | 2.7 (0.19)                            | 5.9 (0.28)  |
| Not poor                                        | 101,203                                    | 948                                                     | 1,784 | 0.9 (0.06)                            | 1.8 (0.08)  |
| Health insurance <sup>13</sup>                  |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Private                                         | 123,046                                    | 517                                                     | 1,066 | 0.4 (0.03)                            | 0.9 (0.05)  |
| Medicaid/other public                           | 8,351                                      | 448                                                     | 932   | 5.4 (0.45)                            | 11.2 (0.63) |
| Other coverage                                  | 4,406                                      | 193                                                     | 447   | 4.4 (0.59)                            | 10.2 (0.92) |
| Uninsured                                       | 31,128                                     | 104                                                     | 275   | 0.3 (0.06)                            | 0.9 (0.10)  |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Private                                         | 20,426                                     | 995                                                     | 2,162 | 4.9 (0.27)                            | 10.6 (0.44) |
| Medicaid and Medicare                           | 1,863                                      | 366                                                     | 595   | 19.7 (1.57)                           | 32.0 (1.94) |
| Medicare only                                   | 8,603                                      | 543                                                     | 1,137 | 6.3 (0.49)                            | 13.2 (0.70) |
| Other coverage                                  | 1,037                                      | 123                                                     | 206   | 11.9 (1.74)                           | 19.9 (2.12) |
| Uninsured                                       | 445                                        | *17                                                     | *36   | *3.8 (1.78)                           | *8.1 (2.44) |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 5. Frequencies and percents (with standard errors) of persons having limitations in activities of daily living and instrumental activities of daily living among persons 18 years of age and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | All persons<br>18 years of<br>age and over | Limitations in ADLs <sup>1</sup> and IADLs <sup>2</sup> |       |                                       |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------|-------------|
|                                                     |                                            | ADLs                                                    | IADLs | ADLs                                  | IADLs       |
| Place of residence                                  | Number in thousands <sup>3</sup>           |                                                         |       | Percent <sup>4</sup> (standard error) |             |
| Large MSA <sup>14</sup>                             | 96,164                                     | 1,493                                                   | 2,951 | 1.6 (0.08)                            | 3.1 (0.11)  |
| Small MSA <sup>14</sup>                             | 64,399                                     | 1,077                                                   | 2,238 | 1.7 (0.10)                            | 3.5 (0.16)  |
| Not in MSA <sup>14</sup>                            | 41,131                                     | 772                                                     | 1,740 | 1.9 (0.12)                            | 4.2 (0.23)  |
| Region                                              |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Northeast                                           | 39,031                                     | 638                                                     | 1,252 | 1.6 (0.12)                            | 3.2 (0.19)  |
| Midwest                                             | 49,664                                     | 762                                                     | 1,773 | 1.5 (0.11)                            | 3.6 (0.18)  |
| South                                               | 71,613                                     | 1,334                                                   | 2,477 | 1.9 (0.09)                            | 3.5 (0.15)  |
| West                                                | 41,387                                     | 609                                                     | 1,427 | 1.5 (0.11)                            | 3.4 (0.20)  |
| Sex and age                                         |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Male:                                               |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| 18–44 years                                         | 53,442                                     | 239                                                     | 457   | 0.4 (0.06)                            | 0.9 (0.08)  |
| 45–64 years                                         | 29,279                                     | 330                                                     | 590   | 1.1 (0.10)                            | 2.0 (0.14)  |
| 65 years and over                                   | 13,908                                     | 685                                                     | 1,231 | 4.9 (0.34)                            | 8.9 (0.45)  |
| Female:                                             |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| 18–44 years                                         | 55,030                                     | 234                                                     | 600   | 0.4 (0.05)                            | 1.1 (0.09)  |
| 45–64 years                                         | 31,250                                     | 467                                                     | 1,105 | 1.5 (0.12)                            | 3.5 (0.18)  |
| 65 years and over                                   | 18,785                                     | 1,388                                                   | 2,946 | 7.4 (0.34)                            | 15.7 (0.51) |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age       |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                           |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| 18–44 years                                         | 7,326                                      | 25                                                      | 39    | 0.3 (0.10)                            | 0.5 (0.14)  |
| 45–64 years                                         | 2,340                                      | 22                                                      | 36    | 0.9 (0.23)                            | 1.5 (0.34)  |
| 65 years and over                                   | 809                                        | 46                                                      | 79    | 5.6 (1.05)                            | 9.7 (1.31)  |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                         |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| 18–44 years                                         | 7,115                                      | 27                                                      | 47    | 0.4 (0.09)                            | 0.7 (0.17)  |
| 45–64 years                                         | 2,556                                      | 49                                                      | 94    | 1.9 (0.34)                            | 3.7 (0.49)  |
| 65 years and over                                   | 1,103                                      | 95                                                      | 149   | 8.6 (1.12)                            | 13.5 (1.28) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                              |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| White, single race, male:                           |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| 18–44 years                                         | 36,659                                     | 166                                                     | 303   | 0.5 (0.07)                            | 0.8 (0.09)  |
| 45–64 years                                         | 22,915                                     | 235                                                     | 436   | 1.0 (0.11)                            | 1.9 (0.16)  |
| 65 years and over                                   | 11,594                                     | 564                                                     | 1,015 | 4.9 (0.38)                            | 8.8 (0.51)  |
| White, single race, female:                         |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| 18–44 years                                         | 36,926                                     | 148                                                     | 414   | 0.4 (0.06)                            | 1.1 (0.10)  |
| 45–64 years                                         | 23,831                                     | 308                                                     | 769   | 1.3 (0.14)                            | 3.2 (0.21)  |
| 65 years and over                                   | 15,593                                     | 1,049                                                   | 2,358 | 6.7 (0.37)                            | 15.1 (0.56) |
| Black or African American, single race, male:       |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| 18–44 years                                         | 6,251                                      | 39                                                      | 76    | 0.6 (0.16)                            | 1.2 (0.27)  |
| 45–64 years                                         | 2,714                                      | 57                                                      | 86    | 2.1 (0.49)                            | 3.2 (0.58)  |
| 65 years and over                                   | 1,053                                      | 60                                                      | 114   | 5.7 (1.16)                            | 10.8 (1.57) |
| Black or African American, single race, female:     |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| 18–44 years                                         | 7,451                                      | 45                                                      | 115   | 0.6 (0.15)                            | 1.5 (0.27)  |
| 45–64 years                                         | 3,443                                      | 95                                                      | 185   | 2.8 (0.40)                            | 5.4 (0.57)  |
| 65 years and over                                   | 1,594                                      | 191                                                     | 368   | 12.0 (1.18)                           | 23.1 (1.62) |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Poor                                                | 3,336                                      | 77                                                      | 137   | 2.3 (0.31)                            | 4.1 (0.55)  |
| Near poor                                           | 4,569                                      | 58                                                      | 106   | 1.3 (0.21)                            | 2.3 (0.33)  |
| Not poor                                            | 7,641                                      | 48                                                      | 66    | 0.6 (0.12)                            | 0.9 (0.15)  |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| White, single race:                                 |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Poor                                                | 7,743                                      | 304                                                     | 708   | 3.9 (0.44)                            | 9.1 (0.67)  |
| Near poor                                           | 15,761                                     | 452                                                     | 1,086 | 2.9 (0.27)                            | 6.9 (0.40)  |
| Not poor                                            | 80,064                                     | 755                                                     | 1,500 | 0.9 (0.07)                            | 1.9 (0.09)  |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                            |                                                         |       |                                       |             |
| Poor                                                | 3,137                                      | 115                                                     | 219   | 3.7 (0.51)                            | 7.0 (0.73)  |
| Near poor                                           | 3,587                                      | 141                                                     | 267   | 3.9 (0.52)                            | 7.5 (0.75)  |
| Not poor                                            | 8,615                                      | 101                                                     | 169   | 1.2 (0.20)                            | 2.0 (0.27)  |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

– Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>ADL is activities of daily living. Limitation in ADL is based on the question, "Because of a physical, mental, or emotional problem, does {person} need the help of other persons with PERSONAL CARE NEEDS, such as eating, bathing, dressing, or getting around inside the home?"

<sup>2</sup>IADL is instrumental activities of daily living. Limitation in IADL is based on the question, "Because of a physical, mental, or emotional problem, does {person} need the help of other persons in handling ROUTINE NEEDS, such as everyday household chores, doing necessary business, shopping, or getting around for other purposes?"

<sup>3</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see "Appendix I"), but they are included in the "All persons 18 years of age and over" column.

<sup>4</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I").

<sup>5</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>6</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "1 race" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>7</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>8</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>9</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>10</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>11</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>12</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>13</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>14</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 6. Frequencies and percent distributions (with standard errors) of limitation in work activity due to health problems among persons 18–69 years of age, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Limitation in work activity <sup>1</sup> |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
|                                                 | All persons<br>18–69 years<br>of age     | Unable to<br>work | Limited<br>in work | Not limited<br>in work | Total                                              | Unable<br>to work | Limited<br>in work | Not limited<br>in work |
|                                                 | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>         |                   |                    |                        | Percent distribution <sup>3</sup> (standard error) |                   |                    |                        |
| Total <sup>4</sup>                              | 178,124                                  | 9,118             | 5,776              | 162,063                | 100.0                                              | 5.2 (0.12)        | 3.3 (0.09)         | 91.6 (0.15)            |
| Sex                                             |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Male                                            | 86,993                                   | 4,322             | 2,710              | 79,396                 | 100.0                                              | 5.0 (0.16)        | 3.1 (0.11)         | 91.9 (0.20)            |
| Female                                          | 91,131                                   | 4,796             | 3,066              | 82,666                 | 100.0                                              | 5.3 (0.15)        | 3.4 (0.12)         | 91.3 (0.18)            |
| Age                                             |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| 18–44 years                                     | 108,472                                  | 2,976             | 2,256              | 102,379                | 100.0                                              | 2.8 (0.11)        | 2.1 (0.09)         | 95.1 (0.14)            |
| 45–64 years                                     | 60,530                                   | 5,186             | 2,790              | 52,264                 | 100.0                                              | 8.6 (0.23)        | 4.6 (0.16)         | 86.8 (0.28)            |
| 65–69 years                                     | 9,123                                    | 956               | 729                | 7,419                  | 100.0                                              | 10.5 (0.61)       | 8.0 (0.51)         | 81.5 (0.75)            |
| Race                                            |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| 1 race <sup>5</sup>                             | 176,494                                  | 8,963             | 5,672              | 160,696                | 100.0                                              | 5.1 (0.12)        | 3.2 (0.09)         | 91.7 (0.15)            |
| White                                           | 141,570                                  | 6,850             | 4,874              | 128,967                | 100.0                                              | 4.9 (0.13)        | 3.5 (0.10)         | 91.7 (0.17)            |
| Black or African American                       | 20,999                                   | 1,549             | 562                | 18,736                 | 100.0                                              | 7.4 (0.33)        | 2.7 (0.18)         | 89.9 (0.38)            |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 1,193                                    | 129               | 62                 | 992                    | 100.0                                              | 10.9 (2.12)       | 5.2 (1.29)         | 83.9 (2.56)            |
| Asian                                           | 7,203                                    | 177               | 80                 | 6,906                  | 100.0                                              | 2.5 (0.38)        | 1.1 (0.24)         | 96.4 (0.45)            |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | 187                                      | *20               | *11                | 156                    | 100.0                                              | *10.5 (4.42)      | *5.9 (4.11)        | 83.5 (5.35)            |
| 2 or more races <sup>6</sup>                    | 1,630                                    | 155               | 104                | 1,366                  | 100.0                                              | 9.5 (1.19)        | 6.4 (1.02)         | 84.1 (1.52)            |
| Black or African American, white                | 207                                      | *7                | *19                | 182                    | 100.0                                              | *3.3 (1.76)       | *9.0 (3.34)        | 87.8 (3.68)            |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 617                                      | 92                | 63                 | 458                    | 100.0                                              | 15.0 (2.53)       | 10.3 (2.14)        | 74.7 (3.15)            |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>7</sup> and race |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 20,036                                   | 809               | 402                | 18,563                 | 100.0                                              | 4.1 (0.21)        | 2.0 (0.14)         | 93.9 (0.26)            |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 12,507                                   | 440               | 222                | 11,655                 | 100.0                                              | 3.6 (0.26)        | 1.8 (0.16)         | 94.6 (0.32)            |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 158,089                                  | 8,309             | 5,375              | 143,499                | 100.0                                              | 5.3 (0.13)        | 3.4 (0.09)         | 91.3 (0.17)            |
| White, single race                              | 127,609                                  | 6,323             | 4,579              | 115,994                | 100.0                                              | 5.0 (0.15)        | 3.6 (0.11)         | 91.4 (0.19)            |
| Black or African American, single race          | 20,719                                   | 1,538             | 556                | 18,477                 | 100.0                                              | 7.5 (0.34)        | 2.7 (0.18)         | 89.8 (0.39)            |
| Education <sup>8</sup>                          |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 21,542                                   | 3,007             | 1,108              | 17,232                 | 100.0                                              | 14.1 (0.51)       | 5.2 (0.27)         | 80.7 (0.56)            |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>9</sup>         | 45,161                                   | 2,908             | 1,783              | 40,209                 | 100.0                                              | 6.5 (0.22)        | 4.0 (0.18)         | 89.6 (0.28)            |
| Some college                                    | 40,048                                   | 1,914             | 1,530              | 36,433                 | 100.0                                              | 4.8 (0.20)        | 3.8 (0.19)         | 91.4 (0.26)            |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 39,616                                   | 636               | 825                | 37,986                 | 100.0                                              | 1.6 (0.12)        | 2.1 (0.14)         | 96.3 (0.18)            |
| Family income <sup>10</sup>                     |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 28,313                                   | 4,124             | 1,634              | 22,293                 | 100.0                                              | 14.7 (0.45)       | 5.8 (0.26)         | 79.5 (0.56)            |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 134,872                                  | 4,197             | 3,728              | 126,186                | 100.0                                              | 3.1 (0.10)        | 2.8 (0.09)         | 94.1 (0.13)            |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 23,169                                   | 1,306             | 982                | 20,771                 | 100.0                                              | 5.7 (0.29)        | 4.3 (0.25)         | 90.1 (0.37)            |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 27,937                                   | 1,004             | 965                | 25,826                 | 100.0                                              | 3.6 (0.22)        | 3.5 (0.21)         | 92.9 (0.31)            |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 21,032                                   | 409               | 520                | 19,969                 | 100.0                                              | 2.0 (0.17)        | 2.5 (0.20)         | 95.6 (0.26)            |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 33,857                                   | 465               | 597                | 32,631                 | 100.0                                              | 1.4 (0.13)        | 1.8 (0.14)         | 96.8 (0.19)            |
| Poverty status <sup>11</sup>                    |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Poor                                            | 13,417                                   | 2,078             | 649                | 10,564                 | 100.0                                              | 15.6 (0.62)       | 4.9 (0.34)         | 79.5 (0.71)            |
| Near poor                                       | 20,687                                   | 1,885             | 987                | 17,668                 | 100.0                                              | 9.2 (0.41)        | 4.8 (0.32)         | 86.0 (0.52)            |
| Not poor                                        | 93,723                                   | 2,512             | 2,721              | 88,040                 | 100.0                                              | 2.7 (0.11)        | 2.9 (0.11)         | 94.4 (0.15)            |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>12</sup>         |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Private                                         | 123,046                                  | 2,960             | 3,161              | 116,232                | 100.0                                              | 2.4 (0.08)        | 2.6 (0.09)         | 95.0 (0.13)            |
| Medicaid                                        | 8,351                                    | 2,628             | 588                | 5,058                  | 100.0                                              | 31.8 (1.00)       | 7.1 (0.53)         | 61.1 (1.02)            |
| Other                                           | 4,406                                    | 1,407             | 323                | 2,643                  | 100.0                                              | 32.2 (1.53)       | 7.4 (0.73)         | 60.4 (1.64)            |
| Uninsured                                       | 31,128                                   | 1,109             | 930                | 28,798                 | 100.0                                              | 3.6 (0.20)        | 3.0 (0.18)         | 93.4 (0.27)            |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Private                                         | 5,679                                    | 404               | 447                | 4,824                  | 100.0                                              | 7.1 (0.64)        | 7.9 (0.63)         | 85.0 (0.85)            |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | 510                                      | 180               | 72                 | 257                    | 100.0                                              | 35.3 (3.61)       | 14.2 (2.67)        | 50.5 (4.07)            |
| Medicare only                                   | 2,245                                    | 232               | 155                | 1,853                  | 100.0                                              | 10.3 (1.21)       | 6.9 (0.97)         | 82.7 (1.52)            |
| Other                                           | 348                                      | 110               | 42                 | 196                    | 100.0                                              | 31.6 (3.84)       | 12.2 (2.96)        | 56.2 (4.60)            |
| Uninsured                                       | 218                                      | *25               | *10                | 183                    | 100.0                                              | *11.6 (4.00)      | *4.7 (2.17)        | 83.7 (4.43)            |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 6. Frequencies and percent distributions (with standard errors) of limitation in work activity due to health problems among persons 18–69 years of age, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | Limitation in work activity <sup>1</sup> |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
|                                                     | All persons<br>18–69 years<br>of age     | Unable to<br>work | Limited<br>in work | Not limited<br>in work | Total                                              | Unable<br>to work | Limited<br>in work | Not limited<br>in work |
| Place of residence                                  | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>         |                   |                    |                        | Percent distribution <sup>3</sup> (standard error) |                   |                    |                        |
| Large MSA <sup>13</sup>                             | 86,132                                   | 3,589             | 2,216              | 79,775                 | 100.0                                              | 4.2 (0.14)        | 2.6 (0.10)         | 93.2 (0.18)            |
| Small MSA <sup>13</sup>                             | 56,511                                   | 3,025             | 1,961              | 51,091                 | 100.0                                              | 5.4 (0.23)        | 3.5 (0.17)         | 91.1 (0.28)            |
| Not in MSA <sup>13</sup>                            | 35,481                                   | 2,504             | 1,599              | 31,197                 | 100.0                                              | 7.1 (0.36)        | 4.5 (0.21)         | 88.4 (0.45)            |
| Region                                              |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Northeast                                           | 33,815                                   | 1,601             | 868                | 31,139                 | 100.0                                              | 4.8 (0.25)        | 2.6 (0.16)         | 92.7 (0.29)            |
| Midwest                                             | 43,936                                   | 1,980             | 1,525              | 40,172                 | 100.0                                              | 4.5 (0.22)        | 3.5 (0.18)         | 92.0 (0.27)            |
| South                                               | 63,570                                   | 3,688             | 2,002              | 57,504                 | 100.0                                              | 5.8 (0.24)        | 3.2 (0.15)         | 91.0 (0.29)            |
| West                                                | 36,803                                   | 1,848             | 1,381              | 33,248                 | 100.0                                              | 5.1 (0.22)        | 3.8 (0.20)         | 91.1 (0.31)            |
| Sex and age                                         |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Male:                                               |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| 18–44 years                                         | 53,442                                   | 1,382             | 1,110              | 50,541                 | 100.0                                              | 2.6 (0.14)        | 2.1 (0.12)         | 95.3 (0.19)            |
| 45–64 years                                         | 29,279                                   | 2,503             | 1,267              | 25,364                 | 100.0                                              | 8.6 (0.32)        | 4.3 (0.21)         | 87.1 (0.38)            |
| 65–69 years                                         | 4,272                                    | 437               | 333                | 3,491                  | 100.0                                              | 10.2 (0.81)       | 7.8 (0.69)         | 81.9 (1.02)            |
| Female:                                             |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| 18–44 years                                         | 55,030                                   | 1,594             | 1,146              | 51,838                 | 100.0                                              | 2.9 (0.14)        | 2.1 (0.11)         | 95.0 (0.18)            |
| 45–64 years                                         | 31,250                                   | 2,683             | 1,523              | 26,901                 | 100.0                                              | 8.6 (0.27)        | 4.9 (0.23)         | 86.5 (0.35)            |
| 65–69 years                                         | 4,851                                    | 520               | 396                | 3,928                  | 100.0                                              | 10.7 (0.83)       | 8.2 (0.70)         | 81.1 (0.98)            |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age       |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                           |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| 18–44 years                                         | 7,326                                    | 118               | 91                 | 7,022                  | 100.0                                              | 1.6 (0.20)        | 1.3 (0.17)         | 97.1 (0.27)            |
| 45–64 years                                         | 2,340                                    | 190               | 82                 | 2,039                  | 100.0                                              | 8.2 (0.75)        | 3.5 (0.50)         | 88.2 (0.88)            |
| 65–69 years                                         | 310                                      | 41                | *22                | 245                    | 100.0                                              | 13.4 (2.76)       | 7.1 (2.08)         | 79.5 (3.38)            |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                         |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| 18–44 years                                         | 7,115                                    | 165               | 87                 | 6,752                  | 100.0                                              | 2.4 (0.26)        | 1.2 (0.18)         | 96.4 (0.31)            |
| 45–64 years                                         | 2,556                                    | 250               | 86                 | 2,195                  | 100.0                                              | 9.9 (0.82)        | 3.4 (0.52)         | 86.7 (0.94)            |
| 65–69 years                                         | 389                                      | 44                | 33                 | 311                    | 100.0                                              | 11.4 (2.14)       | 8.5 (2.05)         | 80.1 (2.80)            |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                              |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| White, single race, male:                           |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| 18–44 years                                         | 36,659                                   | 929               | 855                | 34,632                 | 100.0                                              | 2.6 (0.17)        | 2.3 (0.16)         | 95.1 (0.24)            |
| 45–64 years                                         | 22,915                                   | 1,826             | 1,011              | 19,974                 | 100.0                                              | 8.0 (0.37)        | 4.4 (0.25)         | 87.6 (0.44)            |
| 65–69 years                                         | 3,443                                    | 333               | 265                | 2,836                  | 100.0                                              | 9.7 (0.89)        | 7.7 (0.79)         | 82.6 (1.18)            |
| White, single race, female:                         |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| 18–44 years                                         | 36,926                                   | 1,063             | 878                | 34,729                 | 100.0                                              | 2.9 (0.18)        | 2.4 (0.16)         | 94.7 (0.23)            |
| 45–64 years                                         | 23,831                                   | 1,830             | 1,265              | 20,642                 | 100.0                                              | 7.7 (0.32)        | 5.3 (0.29)         | 87.0 (0.41)            |
| 65–69 years                                         | 3,835                                    | 342               | 305                | 3,181                  | 100.0                                              | 8.9 (0.89)        | 8.0 (0.78)         | 83.1 (1.09)            |
| Black or African American, single race, male:       |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| 18–44 years                                         | 6,251                                    | 260               | 102                | 5,831                  | 100.0                                              | 4.2 (0.47)        | 1.6 (0.28)         | 94.2 (0.54)            |
| 45–64 years                                         | 2,714                                    | 363               | 96                 | 2,243                  | 100.0                                              | 13.4 (1.08)       | 3.6 (0.55)         | 83.0 (1.20)            |
| 65–69 years                                         | 373                                      | 49                | 43                 | 280                    | 100.0                                              | 13.3 (2.94)       | 11.5 (2.48)        | 75.2 (3.34)            |
| Black or African American, single race, female:     |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| 18–44 years                                         | 7,451                                    | 281               | 132                | 6,982                  | 100.0                                              | 3.8 (0.36)        | 1.8 (0.24)         | 94.4 (0.45)            |
| 45–64 years                                         | 3,443                                    | 473               | 142                | 2,804                  | 100.0                                              | 13.8 (0.91)       | 4.2 (0.50)         | 82.0 (1.00)            |
| 65–69 years                                         | 487                                      | 111               | 41                 | 336                    | 100.0                                              | 22.7 (3.05)       | 8.4 (1.99)         | 69.0 (3.26)            |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Poor                                                | 3,094                                    | 289               | 69                 | 2,681                  | 100.0                                              | 9.5 (0.82)        | 2.3 (0.35)         | 88.2 (0.91)            |
| Near poor                                           | 4,264                                    | 192               | 92                 | 3,923                  | 100.0                                              | 4.6 (0.44)        | 2.2 (0.31)         | 93.3 (0.55)            |
| Not poor                                            | 7,368                                    | 130               | 147                | 7,031                  | 100.0                                              | 1.8 (0.20)        | 2.0 (0.24)         | 96.2 (0.32)            |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| White, single race:                                 |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Poor                                                | 6,580                                    | 1,179             | 423                | 4,935                  | 100.0                                              | 18.0 (1.01)       | 6.5 (0.60)         | 75.5 (1.18)            |
| Near poor                                           | 11,990                                   | 1,283             | 738                | 9,908                  | 100.0                                              | 10.8 (0.61)       | 6.2 (0.49)         | 83.1 (0.77)            |
| Not poor                                            | 73,451                                   | 2,022             | 2,297              | 68,822                 | 100.0                                              | 2.8 (0.13)        | 3.1 (0.13)         | 94.1 (0.18)            |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                          |                   |                    |                        |                                                    |                   |                    |                        |
| Poor                                                | 2,801                                    | 453               | 121                | 2,207                  | 100.0                                              | 16.3 (1.12)       | 4.3 (0.60)         | 79.4 (1.28)            |
| Near poor                                           | 3,118                                    | 345               | 105                | 2,645                  | 100.0                                              | 11.1 (0.94)       | 3.4 (0.50)         | 85.5 (1.15)            |
| Not poor                                            | 8,291                                    | 257               | 168                | 7,806                  | 100.0                                              | 3.1 (0.33)        | 2.0 (0.26)         | 94.8 (0.43)            |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

<sup>1</sup>Limitation in work activity is based on the questions, "Does a physical, mental, or emotional problem NOW keep {family members 18 years of age or older} from working at a job or business?" and for persons not kept from working, "Are {family members 18 years of age and older} limited in the kind or amount of work they can do because of a physical, mental, or emotional problem?"

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see "Appendix I"), but they are included in the "All persons 18–69 years of age" column.

<sup>3</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I"). Percents may not add to totals due to rounding.

<sup>4</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>5</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "1 race" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>6</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>7</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>8</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>9</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>10</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>11</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>12</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>13</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 7. Frequencies and percents (with standard errors) of persons under 18 years of age who were receiving special education or early intervention services, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | All persons<br>under 18 years | Number and percent of persons under 18 years<br>who were receiving special education or early<br>intervention services <sup>1</sup> |                                          |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
|                                                 |                               | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>                                                                                                    | Percent <sup>3</sup><br>(standard error) |
| Total <sup>4</sup>                              | 72,324                        | 3,674                                                                                                                               | 5.1 (0.18)                               |
| Sex                                             |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Male                                            | 36,994                        | 2,426                                                                                                                               | 6.6 (0.25)                               |
| Female                                          | 35,330                        | 1,248                                                                                                                               | 3.5 (0.21)                               |
| Age                                             |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Under 12 years                                  | 48,350                        | 2,118                                                                                                                               | 4.4 (0.18)                               |
| 12–17 years                                     | 23,974                        | 1,556                                                                                                                               | 6.5 (0.32)                               |
| Race                                            |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| 1 race <sup>5</sup>                             | 70,577                        | 3,566                                                                                                                               | 5.1 (0.18)                               |
| White                                           | 53,431                        | 2,787                                                                                                                               | 5.2 (0.21)                               |
| Black or African American                       | 10,705                        | 605                                                                                                                                 | 5.7 (0.42)                               |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 656                           | *44                                                                                                                                 | 6.7 (1.97)                               |
| Asian                                           | 2,645                         | *31                                                                                                                                 | *1.2 (0.43)                              |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | 134                           | *1                                                                                                                                  | *0.7 (0.76)                              |
| 2 or more races <sup>6</sup>                    | 1,748                         | 108                                                                                                                                 | 6.2 (1.15)                               |
| Black or African American, white                | 518                           | *30                                                                                                                                 | *5.8 (1.75)                              |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 295                           | *22                                                                                                                                 | *7.3 (3.17)                              |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>7</sup> and race |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 11,802                        | 405                                                                                                                                 | 3.4 (0.26)                               |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 8,106                         | 230                                                                                                                                 | 2.8 (0.30)                               |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 60,522                        | 3,269                                                                                                                               | 5.4 (0.20)                               |
| White, single race                              | 45,332                        | 2,506                                                                                                                               | 5.5 (0.25)                               |
| Black or African American, single race          | 10,405                        | 585                                                                                                                                 | 5.6 (0.43)                               |
| Family income <sup>8</sup>                      |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 12,848                        | 1,011                                                                                                                               | 7.9 (0.47)                               |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 54,427                        | 2,512                                                                                                                               | 4.6 (0.19)                               |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 9,936                         | 525                                                                                                                                 | 5.3 (0.47)                               |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 11,723                        | 629                                                                                                                                 | 5.4 (0.41)                               |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 8,884                         | 377                                                                                                                                 | 4.3 (0.42)                               |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 13,607                        | 634                                                                                                                                 | 4.7 (0.39)                               |
| Poverty status <sup>9</sup>                     |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Poor                                            | 8,831                         | 648                                                                                                                                 | 7.3 (0.55)                               |
| Near poor                                       | 12,002                        | 753                                                                                                                                 | 6.3 (0.44)                               |
| Not poor                                        | 33,273                        | 1,588                                                                                                                               | 4.8 (0.24)                               |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>10</sup>         |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Private                                         | 48,152                        | 2,052                                                                                                                               | 4.3 (0.20)                               |
| Medicaid                                        | 13,234                        | 1,178                                                                                                                               | 8.9 (0.49)                               |
| Other                                           | 1,570                         | 95                                                                                                                                  | 6.0 (1.29)                               |
| Uninsured                                       | 8,926                         | 342                                                                                                                                 | 3.8 (0.37)                               |
| Place of residence                              |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Large MSA <sup>11</sup>                         | 35,787                        | 1,638                                                                                                                               | 4.6 (0.22)                               |
| Small MSA <sup>11</sup>                         | 22,663                        | 1,274                                                                                                                               | 5.6 (0.37)                               |
| Not in MSA <sup>11</sup>                        | 13,875                        | 762                                                                                                                                 | 5.5 (0.39)                               |
| Region                                          |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Northeast                                       | 13,168                        | 797                                                                                                                                 | 6.1 (0.42)                               |
| Midwest                                         | 17,913                        | 976                                                                                                                                 | 5.5 (0.40)                               |
| South                                           | 25,312                        | 1,208                                                                                                                               | 4.8 (0.29)                               |
| West                                            | 15,931                        | 693                                                                                                                                 | 4.4 (0.33)                               |
| Sex and age                                     |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Male:                                           |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Under 12 years                                  | 24,699                        | 1,358                                                                                                                               | 5.5 (0.27)                               |
| 12–17 years                                     | 12,296                        | 1,068                                                                                                                               | 8.7 (0.47)                               |
| Female:                                         |                               |                                                                                                                                     |                                          |
| Under 12 years                                  | 23,652                        | 760                                                                                                                                 | 3.2 (0.23)                               |
| 12–17 years                                     | 11,679                        | 488                                                                                                                                 | 4.2 (0.35)                               |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 7. Frequencies and percents (with standard errors) of persons under 18 years of age who were receiving special education or early intervention services, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | All persons under 18 years       | Number and percent of persons under 18 years who were receiving special education or early intervention services <sup>1</sup> |                                          |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age       | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup> |                                                                                                                               | Percent <sup>3</sup><br>(standard error) |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                           |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 4,267                            | 145                                                                                                                           | 3.4 (0.39)                               |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,763                            | 115                                                                                                                           | 6.5 (0.89)                               |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                         |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 4,122                            | 79                                                                                                                            | 1.9 (0.30)                               |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,650                            | 66                                                                                                                            | 4.0 (0.64)                               |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                              |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| White, single race, male:                           |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 15,244                           | 916                                                                                                                           | 6.0 (0.37)                               |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 7,990                            | 733                                                                                                                           | 9.2 (0.61)                               |
| White, single race, female:                         |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 14,526                           | 527                                                                                                                           | 3.6 (0.33)                               |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 7,572                            | 331                                                                                                                           | 4.4 (0.47)                               |
| Black or African American, single race, male:       |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 3,513                            | 209                                                                                                                           | 6.0 (0.70)                               |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,758                            | 190                                                                                                                           | 10.8 (1.23)                              |
| Black or African American, single race, female:     |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 3,373                            | 114                                                                                                                           | 3.4 (0.52)                               |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,761                            | 71                                                                                                                            | 4.1 (0.82)                               |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 2,738                            | 104                                                                                                                           | 3.8 (0.51)                               |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 3,019                            | 96                                                                                                                            | 3.2 (0.48)                               |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 3,293                            | 122                                                                                                                           | 3.7 (0.51)                               |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| White, single race:                                 |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 3,043                            | 311                                                                                                                           | 10.3 (1.23)                              |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 6,135                            | 477                                                                                                                           | 7.8 (0.72)                               |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 24,877                           | 1,286                                                                                                                         | 5.2 (0.30)                               |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                  |                                                                                                                               |                                          |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 2,429                            | 202                                                                                                                           | 8.3 (0.98)                               |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 1,961                            | 130                                                                                                                           | 6.6 (1.02)                               |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 2,951                            | 138                                                                                                                           | 4.7 (0.65)                               |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

<sup>1</sup>Receiving special education or early intervention services is based on the question, "Do any of the following {family members under 18 years of age} receive special education or early intervention services?"

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see "Appendix I"), but they are included in the "All persons" under 18 years column.

<sup>3</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I").

<sup>4</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>5</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "1 race" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>6</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>7</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>8</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>9</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>10</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>11</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 8. Annualized frequencies and annualized rates (with standard errors) of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Medically attended injury and poisoning episodes <sup>1</sup> |                                 |                                                         |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                 | All persons <sup>2</sup>                                      | Number <sup>1</sup> of episodes | Rate <sup>1</sup> of episodes                           |
|                                                 |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
|                                                 | Number in thousands                                           |                                 | Rate <sup>1</sup> per 1,000 population (standard error) |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                              | 274,019                                                       | 26,425                          | 96.43 (2.50)                                            |
| Sex                                             |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Male                                            | 133,623                                                       | 14,380                          | 107.62 (3.70)                                           |
| Female                                          | 140,396                                                       | 12,044                          | 85.79 (3.09)                                            |
| Age                                             |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Under 12 years                                  | 48,350                                                        | 4,018                           | 83.10 (5.06)                                            |
| 12–17 years                                     | 23,974                                                        | 3,506                           | 146.23 (9.53)                                           |
| 18–44 years                                     | 108,472                                                       | 11,388                          | 104.99 (3.95)                                           |
| 45–64 years                                     | 60,530                                                        | 5,059                           | 83.58 (5.45)                                            |
| 65–74 years                                     | 17,861                                                        | 1,202                           | 67.29 (6.68)                                            |
| 75 years and over                               | 14,832                                                        | 1,252                           | 84.38 (8.61)                                            |
| Race                                            |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                             | 270,530                                                       | 25,792                          | 95.34 (2.53)                                            |
| White                                           | 215,836                                                       | 22,811                          | 105.69 (3.04)                                           |
| Black or African American                       | 33,501                                                        | 1,947                           | 58.11 (4.71)                                            |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 1,943                                                         | 198                             | 101.78 (25.49)                                          |
| Asian                                           | 10,337                                                        | 418                             | 40.45 (7.84)                                            |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | 324                                                           | *24                             | *73.04 (51.40)                                          |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                    | 3,488                                                         | 632                             | 181.25 (25.30)                                          |
| Black or African American, white                | 730                                                           | *113                            | 154.51 (45.22)                                          |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 965                                                           | 202                             | 209.68 (54.05)                                          |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 33,052                                                        | 1,513                           | 45.76 (3.88)                                            |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 21,238                                                        | 880                             | 41.42 (4.69)                                            |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 240,967                                                       | 24,912                          | 103.38 (2.79)                                           |
| White, single race                              | 192,850                                                       | 21,760                          | 112.83 (3.35)                                           |
| Black or African American, single race          | 32,911                                                        | 1,918                           | 58.29 (4.76)                                            |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                          |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 29,021                                                        | 2,246                           | 77.39 (5.81)                                            |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>         | 52,924                                                        | 4,620                           | 87.29 (5.06)                                            |
| Some college                                    | 44,152                                                        | 4,730                           | 107.12 (5.87)                                           |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 42,723                                                        | 3,723                           | 87.14 (7.01)                                            |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                      |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 49,464                                                        | 4,994                           | 100.96 (5.97)                                           |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 201,347                                                       | 19,829                          | 98.48 (3.07)                                            |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 36,873                                                        | 3,598                           | 97.57 (6.31)                                            |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 41,702                                                        | 4,721                           | 113.20 (8.05)                                           |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 30,695                                                        | 3,157                           | 102.86 (7.17)                                           |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 48,719                                                        | 4,783                           | 98.18 (5.44)                                            |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                    |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Poor                                            | 24,049                                                        | 2,283                           | 94.92 (8.66)                                            |
| Near poor                                       | 37,366                                                        | 3,776                           | 101.05 (6.68)                                           |
| Not poor                                        | 134,475                                                       | 14,286                          | 106.24 (3.85)                                           |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>11</sup>         |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Private                                         | 171,198                                                       | 17,802                          | 103.99 (3.47)                                           |
| Medicaid                                        | 21,585                                                        | 2,038                           | 94.42 (8.26)                                            |
| Other                                           | 5,976                                                         | 743                             | 124.29 (18.00)                                          |
| Uninsured                                       | 40,054                                                        | 3,274                           | 81.74 (5.66)                                            |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Private                                         | 20,426                                                        | 1,610                           | 78.81 (7.26)                                            |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | 1,863                                                         | 139                             | 74.51 (21.83)                                           |
| Medicare only                                   | 8,603                                                         | 589                             | 68.42 (9.87)                                            |
| Other                                           | 1,037                                                         | *86                             | *82.57 (36.93)                                          |
| Uninsured                                       | 445                                                           | *5                              | *10.77 (10.79)                                          |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 8. Annualized frequencies and annualized rates (with standard errors) of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic            | Medically attended injury and poisoning episodes <sup>1</sup> |                                 |                                                         |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
|                                    | All persons <sup>2</sup>                                      | Number <sup>1</sup> of episodes | Rate <sup>1</sup> of episodes                           |
| Place of residence                 | Number in thousands                                           |                                 | Rate <sup>1</sup> per 1,000 population (standard error) |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .  | 131,951                                                       | 11,730                          | 88.90 (3.60)                                            |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .  | 87,062                                                        | 8,977                           | 103.11 (4.40)                                           |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . . | 55,006                                                        | 5,718                           | 103.95 (5.76)                                           |
| Region                             |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Northeast . . . . .                | 52,199                                                        | 5,189                           | 99.41 (5.74)                                            |
| Midwest . . . . .                  | 67,577                                                        | 7,326                           | 108.40 (5.15)                                           |
| South . . . . .                    | 96,925                                                        | 8,666                           | 89.41 (4.27)                                            |
| West . . . . .                     | 57,318                                                        | 5,244                           | 91.48 (5.20)                                            |
| Current health status              |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Excellent . . . . .                | 101,506                                                       | 8,914                           | 87.82 (3.70)                                            |
| Very good . . . . .                | 85,196                                                        | 8,258                           | 96.93 (4.83)                                            |
| Good . . . . .                     | 62,018                                                        | 6,052                           | 97.59 (4.80)                                            |
| Fair . . . . .                     | 17,967                                                        | 2,186                           | 121.67 (10.65)                                          |
| Poor . . . . .                     | 6,090                                                         | 979                             | 160.77 (18.93)                                          |
| Sex and age                        |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Male:                              |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Under 12 years . . . . .           | 24,699                                                        | 2,309                           | 93.48 (7.36)                                            |
| 12–17 years . . . . .              | 12,296                                                        | 2,105                           | 171.19 (14.21)                                          |
| 18–44 years . . . . .              | 53,442                                                        | 6,609                           | 123.67 (5.88)                                           |
| 45–64 years . . . . .              | 29,279                                                        | 2,575                           | 87.95 (8.80)                                            |
| 65 years and over . . . . .        | 13,908                                                        | 782                             | 56.25 (7.42)                                            |
| Female:                            |                                                               |                                 |                                                         |
| Under 12 years . . . . .           | 23,652                                                        | 1,709                           | 72.27 (6.56)                                            |
| 12–17 years . . . . .              | 11,679                                                        | 1,401                           | 119.96 (12.51)                                          |
| 18–44 years . . . . .              | 55,030                                                        | 4,779                           | 86.85 (5.20)                                            |
| 45–64 years . . . . .              | 31,250                                                        | 2,484                           | 79.48 (6.30)                                            |
| 65 years and over . . . . .        | 18,785                                                        | 1,671                           | 88.96 (7.97)                                            |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

<sup>1</sup>Injury and poisoning episodes are based on the questions, "During the past three months was {person} injured or poisoned seriously enough that they got medical advice or treatment?" and "How many times in the past three months did you seek medical advice because you were injured or poisoned?" Counts and rates of episodes have been annualized in this table (see "Appendix I").

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see "Appendix I"), but they are included in the "All persons" column.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, health insurance characteristics, and current health status.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "One race" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 9. Annualized frequencies of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by external cause and selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | External cause of injury or poisoning episode <sup>1</sup> |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
|                                                 | Fall                                                       | Struck by a person or an object | Transportation | Over-exertion | Cutting/piercing instruments | Other causes (injury) <sup>2</sup> | Poisoning |
| Number <sup>1</sup> in thousands                |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                              | 6,929                                                      | 4,759                           | 3,704          | 2,893         | 2,191                        | 5,184                              | 765       |
| Sex                                             |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Male                                            | 3,034                                                      | 3,205                           | 2,028          | 1,511         | 1,466                        | 2,872                              | 264       |
| Female                                          | 3,895                                                      | 1,553                           | 1,676          | 1,382         | 724                          | 2,312                              | 501       |
| Age                                             |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Under 12 years                                  | 1,337                                                      | 680                             | 391            | *86           | 325                          | 945                                | 254       |
| 12–17 years                                     | 698                                                        | 1,310                           | 397            | 252           | 210                          | 526                                | *112      |
| 18–44 years                                     | 2,072                                                      | 2,096                           | 1,856          | 1,593         | 1,172                        | 2,381                              | 217       |
| 45–64 years                                     | 1,559                                                      | 478                             | 732            | 770           | 413                          | 981                                | *127      |
| 65–74 years                                     | 455                                                        | 102                             | 240            | *67           | *58                          | 242                                | *37       |
| 75 years and over                               | 809                                                        | *92                             | *88            | *124          | *12                          | *109                               | *18       |
| Race                                            |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                             | 6,788                                                      | 4,629                           | 3,604          | 2,885         | 2,146                        | 5,030                              | 710       |
| White                                           | 5,984                                                      | 3,995                           | 3,048          | 2,646         | 1,978                        | 4,515                              | 645       |
| Black or African American                       | 603                                                        | 466                             | 359            | *114          | *96                          | 258                                | *50       |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | *50                                                        | *46                             | *18            | *20           | *15                          | *49                                | *—        |
| Asian                                           | *36                                                        | *59                             | *118           | *56           | *51                          | *98                                | *—        |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | *11                                                        | *13                             | *—             | *—            | *—                           | *—                                 | *—        |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                    | 141                                                        | *129                            | *101           | *8            | *44                          | *154                               | *55       |
| Black or African American, white                | *15                                                        | *19                             | *22            | *—            | *17                          | *25                                | *15       |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | *64                                                        | *39                             | *42            | *—            | *—                           | *57                                | *—        |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 410                                                        | 252                             | 239            | 141           | *53                          | 328                                | *90       |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 237                                                        | 106                             | 171            | 86            | *23                          | 185                                | *73       |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 6,519                                                      | 4,507                           | 3,466          | 2,752         | 2,138                        | 4,856                              | 675       |
| White, single race                              | 5,685                                                      | 3,821                           | 2,888          | 2,562         | 1,932                        | 4,301                              | 570       |
| Black or African American, single race          | 603                                                        | 456                             | 341            | *114          | *96                          | 258                                | *50       |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                          |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 755                                                        | 231                             | 304            | 305           | 136                          | 425                                | *90       |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>         | 1,141                                                      | 612                             | 671            | 746           | 276                          | 1,054                              | *119      |
| Some college                                    | 1,383                                                      | 508                             | 749            | 647           | 570                          | 757                                | *116      |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 959                                                        | 617                             | 500            | 557           | 363                          | 682                                | *45       |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                      |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 1,434                                                      | 689                             | 801            | 497           | 414                          | 953                                | 207       |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 4,945                                                      | 3,848                           | 2,646          | 2,181         | 1,712                        | 3,950                              | 547       |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 1,093                                                      | 568                             | 466            | 353           | 327                          | 711                                | *79       |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 1,318                                                      | 965                             | 652            | 432           | 495                          | 771                                | *88       |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 716                                                        | 645                             | 386            | 340           | 210                          | 751                                | *108      |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 991                                                        | 1,127                           | 584            | 578           | 353                          | 982                                | *169      |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                    |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Poor                                            | 537                                                        | 319                             | 327            | 221           | 209                          | 594                                | *76       |
| Near poor                                       | 1,106                                                      | 688                             | 619            | 278           | 282                          | 684                                | *119      |
| Not poor                                        | 3,586                                                      | 2,859                           | 1,785          | 1,600         | 1,239                        | 2,782                              | 436       |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>11</sup>         |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Private                                         | 4,124                                                      | 3,601                           | 2,310          | 2,025         | 1,627                        | 3,590                              | 525       |
| Medicaid                                        | 543                                                        | 348                             | 362            | 133           | 163                          | 407                                | *82       |
| Other                                           | *124                                                       | *101                            | *86            | *163          | *49                          | 191                                | *28       |
| Uninsured                                       | 843                                                        | 489                             | 586            | 381           | 281                          | 620                                | *74       |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Private                                         | 876                                                        | 146                             | 232            | *104          | *25                          | 186                                | *41       |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | *63                                                        | *10                             | *—             | *—            | *24                          | *42                                | *—        |
| Medicare only                                   | 271                                                        | *33                             | *68            | *75           | *21                          | *107                               | *14       |
| Other                                           | *41                                                        | *5                              | *24            | *—            | *—                           | *16                                | *—        |
| Uninsured                                       | *—                                                         | *—                              | *5             | *—            | *—                           | *—                                 | *—        |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 9. Annualized frequencies of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by external cause and selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic  | External cause of injury or poisoning episode <sup>1</sup> |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    | Poisoning |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
|                          | Fall                                                       | Struck by a person or an object | Transportation | Over-exertion | Cutting/piercing instruments | Other causes (injury) <sup>2</sup> |           |
| Place of residence       | Number <sup>1</sup> in thousands                           |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup>  | 3,264                                                      | 2,280                           | 1,579          | 1,173         | 883                          | 2,228                              | 324       |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup>  | 2,090                                                      | 1,557                           | 1,427          | 1,010         | 801                          | 1,787                              | 304       |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup> | 1,575                                                      | 922                             | 698            | 709           | 506                          | 1,170                              | *138      |
| Region                   |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Northeast                | 1,626                                                      | 873                             | 500            | 575           | 387                          | 1,148                              | *81       |
| Midwest                  | 1,848                                                      | 1,334                           | 1,096          | 711           | 725                          | 1,399                              | 212       |
| South                    | 2,308                                                      | 1,506                           | 1,344          | 937           | 665                          | 1,580                              | 326       |
| West                     | 1,148                                                      | 1,045                           | 764            | 670           | 414                          | 1,057                              | *146      |
| Sex and age              |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Male:                    |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Under 12 years           | 749                                                        | 416                             | 236            | *28           | 213                          | 561                                | *106      |
| 12–17 years              | 331                                                        | 908                             | 209            | *133          | 179                          | 334                                | *11       |
| 18–44 years              | 943                                                        | 1,446                           | 1,086          | 885           | 832                          | 1,346                              | *71       |
| 45–64 years              | 680                                                        | 322                             | 364            | 424           | 221                          | 507                                | *57       |
| 65 years and over        | 332                                                        | *114                            | *133           | *40           | *21                          | *124                               | *19       |
| Female:                  |                                                            |                                 |                |               |                              |                                    |           |
| Under 12 years           | 587                                                        | 265                             | 155            | *58           | *112                         | 384                                | *148      |
| 12–17 years              | 367                                                        | 403                             | 188            | *120          | *31                          | 191                                | *101      |
| 18–44 years              | 1,129                                                      | 650                             | 769            | 708           | 341                          | 1,035                              | 146       |
| 45–64 years              | 879                                                        | 156                             | 369            | 345           | 192                          | 474                                | *69       |
| 65 years and over        | 932                                                        | *80                             | 195            | *151          | *49                          | 227                                | *36       |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

— Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Injury and poisoning episodes are based on the questions, “During the past three months was {person} injured or poisoned seriously enough that they got medical advice or treatment?” and “How many times in the past three months did you seek medical advice because you were injured or poisoned?” Injury and poisoning episodes are classified according to the external cause of the episode using categories based on ICD–9–CM external cause codes (E codes). The category “Transportation” includes motor vehicle, bicycle, motorcycle, pedestrian, train, boat, and airplane. The category “Other” includes fire/burn/scald related, animal or insect bite, machinery, and other (not specified). The category “Poisoning” excludes food poisoning and allergic reaction. Counts of episodes have been annualized in this table (see “Appendix I”).

<sup>2</sup>“Other causes (injury)” includes unknown causes.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see “Appendix II”), the category “1 race” refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for “1 race” but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category “1 race” will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category “one race, Black or African American” in the tables is referred to as “black persons” in the text.

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<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

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<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 10. Annualized rates (with standard errors) of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by external cause and selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | External cause of injury or poisoning episodes <sup>1</sup> |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|---------|----------------|---------|-------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|
|                                                 | Fall                                                        |         | Struck by<br>a person<br>or an object |         | Transportation |         | Over-<br>exertion |         | Cutting/<br>piercing<br>instruments |         | Other<br>causes<br>(injury) <sup>2</sup> |         | Poisoning |         |
|                                                 | Rate <sup>1</sup> per 1,000 population (standard error)     |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                              | 25.29                                                       | (1.31)  | 17.37                                 | (1.02)  | 13.52          | (0.87)  | 10.56             | (0.79)  | 7.99                                | (0.67)  | 18.92                                    | (1.03)  | 2.79      | (0.44)  |
| Sex                                             |                                                             |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| Male                                            | 22.71                                                       | (1.95)  | 23.99                                 | (1.64)  | 15.18          | (1.25)  | 11.30             | (1.10)  | 10.97                               | (1.17)  | 21.49                                    | (1.70)  | 1.98      | (0.45)  |
| Female                                          | 27.74                                                       | (1.73)  | 11.06                                 | (1.06)  | 11.94          | (1.13)  | 9.85              | (1.13)  | 5.16                                | (0.71)  | 16.47                                    | (1.27)  | 3.57      | (0.70)  |
| Age                                             |                                                             |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| Under 12 years                                  | 27.64                                                       | (2.78)  | 14.07                                 | (1.90)  | 8.09           | (1.39)  | *1.79             | (0.75)  | 6.72                                | (1.56)  | 19.55                                    | (2.29)  | 5.25      | (1.27)  |
| 12–17 years                                     | 29.11                                                       | (4.08)  | 54.66                                 | (5.70)  | 16.57          | (2.91)  | 10.52             | (2.77)  | 8.76                                | (2.10)  | 21.93                                    | (3.49)  | *4.68     | (2.71)  |
| 18–44 years                                     | 19.10                                                       | (1.59)  | 19.33                                 | (1.76)  | 17.11          | (1.52)  | 14.69             | (1.42)  | 10.81                               | (1.26)  | 21.95                                    | (1.74)  | 2.00      | (0.52)  |
| 45–64 years                                     | 25.75                                                       | (3.81)  | 7.89                                  | (1.34)  | 12.10          | (1.66)  | 12.71             | (1.89)  | 6.82                                | (1.26)  | 16.21                                    | (1.90)  | *2.10     | (0.65)  |
| 65–74 years                                     | 25.47                                                       | (4.26)  | 5.70                                  | (1.70)  | 13.46          | (3.25)  | *3.75             | (1.90)  | *3.27                               | (1.69)  | 13.56                                    | (3.02)  | *2.10     | (1.21)  |
| 75 years and over                               | 54.53                                                       | (6.64)  | *6.22                                 | (2.52)  | *5.92          | (2.25)  | *8.36             | (2.82)  | *0.81                               | (0.81)  | *7.34                                    | (2.58)  | *1.20     | (1.20)  |
| Race                                            |                                                             |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                             | 25.09                                                       | (1.32)  | 17.11                                 | (1.02)  | 13.32          | (0.88)  | 10.66             | (0.80)  | 7.93                                | (0.67)  | 18.59                                    | (1.04)  | 2.62      | (0.43)  |
| White                                           | 27.72                                                       | (1.58)  | 18.51                                 | (1.21)  | 14.12          | (1.02)  | 12.26             | (0.97)  | 9.16                                | (0.81)  | 20.92                                    | (1.24)  | 2.99      | (0.53)  |
| Black or African American                       | 18.01                                                       | (2.51)  | 13.92                                 | (2.15)  | 10.71          | (1.95)  | *3.40             | (1.08)  | *2.87                               | (0.94)  | 7.71                                     | (1.59)  | *1.48     | (0.61)  |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | *25.77                                                      | (11.17) | *23.69                                | (17.27) | *9.08          | (6.60)  | *10.13            | (7.48)  | *7.92                               | (7.84)  | *25.19                                   | (13.46) |           | —       |
| Asian                                           | *3.48                                                       | (1.75)  | *5.70                                 | (2.64)  | *11.45         | (4.61)  | *5.41             | (3.27)  | *4.89                               | (2.90)  | *9.52                                    | (3.51)  |           | —       |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | *33.73                                                      | (32.92) | *39.31                                | (39.83) |                | —       |                   | —       |                                     | —       |                                          | —       |           | —       |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                    | 40.50                                                       | (10.42) | *37.00                                | (11.23) | *28.82         | (8.97)  | *2.32             | (2.32)  | *12.63                              | (6.55)  | *44.09                                   | (13.23) | *15.89    | (8.03)  |
| Black or African American, white                | *20.01                                                      | (14.25) | *26.40                                | (15.81) | *30.69         | (21.82) |                   | —       | *23.03                              | (16.30) | *33.88                                   | (19.52) | *20.50    | (20.48) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | *66.44                                                      | (29.54) | *40.49                                | (23.33) | *43.50         | (22.80) |                   | —       |                                     | —       | *59.26                                   | (29.84) |           | —       |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race |                                                             |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 12.40                                                       | (1.71)  | 7.62                                  | (1.39)  | 7.22           | (1.43)  | 4.27              | (0.98)  | *1.59                               | (0.58)  | 9.93                                     | (1.71)  | *2.72     | (1.32)  |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 11.14                                                       | (1.83)  | 4.97                                  | (1.27)  | 8.07           | (1.94)  | 4.03              | (1.13)  | *1.09                               | (0.57)  | 8.71                                     | (2.04)  | *3.42     | (1.98)  |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 27.05                                                       | (1.46)  | 18.70                                 | (1.14)  | 14.38          | (0.97)  | 11.42             | (0.90)  | 8.87                                | (0.75)  | 20.15                                    | (1.15)  | 2.80      | (0.47)  |
| White, single race                              | 29.48                                                       | (1.75)  | 19.81                                 | (1.34)  | 14.98          | (1.12)  | 13.28             | (1.08)  | 10.02                               | (0.90)  | 22.30                                    | (1.37)  | 2.96      | (0.55)  |
| Black or African American, single race          | 18.33                                                       | (2.56)  | 13.86                                 | (2.18)  | 10.36          | (1.95)  | *3.47             | (1.10)  | *2.93                               | (0.95)  | 7.85                                     | (1.62)  | *1.51     | (0.62)  |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                          |                                                             |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 26.02                                                       | (3.23)  | 7.96                                  | (1.82)  | 10.48          | (2.28)  | 10.51             | (2.43)  | 4.68                                | (1.33)  | 14.63                                    | (2.49)  | *3.11     | (1.43)  |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>         | 21.56                                                       | (2.23)  | 11.57                                 | (1.79)  | 12.68          | (1.76)  | 14.10             | (2.31)  | 5.21                                | (1.17)  | 19.92                                    | (2.38)  | *2.25     | (0.70)  |
| Some college                                    | 31.32                                                       | (3.07)  | 11.50                                 | (1.79)  | 16.96          | (2.35)  | 14.66             | (2.19)  | 12.90                               | (2.23)  | 17.15                                    | (2.28)  | *2.63     | (0.89)  |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 22.45                                                       | (5.00)  | 14.43                                 | (2.45)  | 11.70          | (1.94)  | 13.04             | (2.30)  | 8.50                                | (1.70)  | 15.97                                    | (2.28)  | *1.04     | (0.47)  |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                      |                                                             |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 28.98                                                       | (2.85)  | 13.93                                 | (2.07)  | 16.19          | (2.24)  | 10.04             | (1.79)  | 8.36                                | (1.54)  | 19.27                                    | (2.23)  | 4.18      | (0.94)  |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 24.56                                                       | (1.59)  | 19.11                                 | (1.25)  | 13.14          | (1.00)  | 10.83             | (0.91)  | 8.50                                | (0.82)  | 19.62                                    | (1.25)  | 2.72      | (0.54)  |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 29.65                                                       | (3.43)  | 15.42                                 | (2.34)  | 12.64          | (2.14)  | 9.57              | (2.13)  | 8.86                                | (1.91)  | 19.29                                    | (2.89)  | *2.13     | (0.88)  |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 31.61                                                       | (5.32)  | 23.14                                 | (3.31)  | 15.63          | (2.27)  | 10.36             | (2.02)  | 11.87                               | (2.30)  | 18.49                                    | (2.56)  | *2.10     | (0.73)  |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 23.32                                                       | (3.46)  | 21.02                                 | (3.15)  | 12.59          | (2.63)  | 11.09             | (2.38)  | 6.85                                | (1.85)  | 24.46                                    | (3.27)  | *3.53     | (1.21)  |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 20.34                                                       | (2.55)  | 23.14                                 | (2.56)  | 11.98          | (1.86)  | 11.86             | (1.84)  | 7.24                                | (1.39)  | 20.15                                    | (2.47)  | *3.48     | (1.31)  |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                    |                                                             |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| Poor                                            | 22.32                                                       | (3.48)  | 13.26                                 | (2.65)  | 13.59          | (3.01)  | 9.21              | (2.71)  | 8.70                                | (2.44)  | 24.70                                    | (3.80)  | *3.14     | (1.26)  |
| Near poor                                       | 29.60                                                       | (3.35)  | 18.41                                 | (2.78)  | 16.56          | (2.54)  | 7.44              | (1.78)  | 7.55                                | (1.68)  | 18.31                                    | (2.47)  | *3.18     | (0.99)  |
| Not poor                                        | 26.67                                                       | (2.14)  | 21.26                                 | (1.58)  | 13.28          | (1.23)  | 11.90             | (1.16)  | 9.22                                | (1.05)  | 20.68                                    | (1.54)  | 3.24      | (0.64)  |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>11</sup>         |                                                             |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                                             |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| Private                                         | 24.09                                                       | (1.78)  | 21.03                                 | (1.44)  | 13.49          | (1.12)  | 11.83             | (1.05)  | 9.50                                | (0.93)  | 20.97                                    | (1.40)  | 3.07      | (0.60)  |
| Medicaid                                        | 25.15                                                       | (3.85)  | 16.10                                 | (3.01)  | 16.79          | (3.23)  | 6.17              | (1.79)  | 7.56                                | (2.22)  | 18.83                                    | (3.30)  | *3.82     | (1.48)  |
| Other                                           | *20.82                                                      | (6.46)  | *16.94                                | (6.33)  | *14.39         | (5.23)  | *27.22            | (11.60) | *8.23                               | (4.13)  | 31.94                                    | (8.53)  | *4.73     | (2.74)  |
| Uninsured                                       | 21.04                                                       | (2.62)  | 12.21                                 | (2.19)  | 14.63          | (2.28)  | 9.51              | (1.86)  | 7.01                                | (1.61)  | 15.48                                    | (2.31)  | *1.86     | (0.72)  |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                                             |         |                                       |         |                |         |                   |         |                                     |         |                                          |         |           |         |
| Private                                         | 42.86                                                       | (5.38)  | 7.15                                  | (2.09)  | 11.35          | (2.82)  | *5.09             | (2.02)  | *1.24                               | (0.88)  | 9.09                                     | (2.42)  | *2.03     | (1.20)  |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | *33.58                                                      | (15.36) | *5.41                                 | (5.41)  |                | —       |                   | —       | *12.82                              | (9.06)  | *22.69                                   | (11.58) |           | —       |
| Medicare only                                   | 31.50                                                       | (6.20)  | *3.85                                 | (2.25)  | *7.90          | (3.42)  | *8.68             | (3.74)  | *2.45                               | (2.45)  | *12.44                                   | (4.01)  | *1.60     | (1.60)  |
| Other                                           | *39.78                                                      | (20.65) | *4.70                                 | (4.68)  | *22.68         | (22.46) |                   | —       |                                     | —       | *15.41                                   | (15.32) |           | —       |
| Uninsured                                       |                                                             | —       |                                       | —       | *10.77         | (10.79) |                   | —       |                                     | —       |                                          | —       |           | —       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 10. Annualized rates (with standard errors) of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by external cause and selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic  | External cause of injury or poisoning episodes <sup>1</sup> |                                       |                     |                   |                                     |                                          | Poisoning    |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------|
|                          | Fall                                                        | Struck by<br>a person<br>or an object | Transpor-<br>tation | Over-<br>exertion | Cutting/<br>piercing<br>instruments | Other<br>causes<br>(injury) <sup>2</sup> |              |
| Place of residence       | Rate <sup>1</sup> per 1,000 population (standard error)     |                                       |                     |                   |                                     |                                          |              |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup>  | 24.74 (2.06)                                                | 17.28 (1.48)                          | 11.97 (1.14)        | 8.89 (1.04)       | 6.69 (0.89)                         | 16.88 (1.36)                             | 2.45 (0.64)  |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup>  | 24.00 (1.94)                                                | 17.88 (1.75)                          | 16.39 (1.71)        | 11.61 (1.59)      | 9.20 (1.30)                         | 20.52 (2.01)                             | 3.50 (0.82)  |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup> | 28.64 (2.99)                                                | 16.76 (2.32)                          | 12.68 (2.03)        | 12.89 (1.72)      | 9.20 (1.48)                         | 21.27 (2.43)                             | *2.50 (0.86) |
| Region                   |                                                             |                                       |                     |                   |                                     |                                          |              |
| Northeast                | 31.14 (2.89)                                                | 16.72 (2.42)                          | 9.58 (1.60)         | 11.01 (1.97)      | 7.42 (1.47)                         | 21.99 (2.54)                             | *1.56 (0.60) |
| Midwest                  | 27.35 (2.35)                                                | 19.75 (2.17)                          | 16.23 (1.94)        | 10.52 (1.38)      | 10.72 (1.40)                        | 20.70 (2.08)                             | 3.14 (0.78)  |
| South                    | 23.81 (2.54)                                                | 15.54 (1.67)                          | 13.87 (1.55)        | 9.67 (1.40)       | 6.86 (1.10)                         | 16.30 (1.72)                             | 3.37 (0.87)  |
| West                     | 20.02 (2.53)                                                | 18.24 (2.06)                          | 13.32 (1.80)        | 11.69 (1.65)      | 7.22 (1.49)                         | 18.45 (2.13)                             | *2.54 (1.05) |
| Sex and age              |                                                             |                                       |                     |                   |                                     |                                          |              |
| Male:                    |                                                             |                                       |                     |                   |                                     |                                          |              |
| Under 12 years           | 30.34 (4.01)                                                | 16.83 (2.84)                          | 9.55 (2.09)         | *1.14 (0.68)      | 8.61 (2.37)                         | 22.72 (3.61)                             | *4.28 (1.46) |
| 12–17 years              | 26.90 (5.21)                                                | 73.81 (9.19)                          | 17.02 (3.89)        | *10.80 (3.94)     | 14.59 (3.67)                        | 27.19 (5.45)                             | *0.88 (0.88) |
| 18–44 years              | 17.64 (2.03)                                                | 27.06 (2.93)                          | 20.33 (2.26)        | 16.57 (2.10)      | 15.57 (2.17)                        | 25.18 (2.99)                             | *1.33 (0.61) |
| 45–64 years              | 23.21 (6.87)                                                | 11.00 (2.40)                          | 12.42 (2.31)        | 14.49 (2.49)      | 7.56 (1.92)                         | 17.32 (2.78)                             | *1.96 (0.90) |
| 65 years and over        | 23.87 (4.65)                                                | *8.19 (2.68)                          | *9.55 (3.08)        | *2.88 (1.77)      | *1.51 (1.51)                        | *8.89 (2.72)                             | *1.36 (1.00) |
| Female:                  |                                                             |                                       |                     |                   |                                     |                                          |              |
| Under 12 years           | 24.83 (3.79)                                                | 11.18 (2.49)                          | 6.56 (1.84)         | *2.46 (1.37)      | *4.74 (2.00)                        | 16.23 (2.82)                             | *6.26 (2.10) |
| 12–17 years              | 31.42 (6.37)                                                | 34.50 (5.98)                          | 16.10 (4.25)        | *10.23 (3.89)     | *2.63 (1.91)                        | 16.39 (4.29)                             | *8.69 (5.48) |
| 18–44 years              | 20.52 (2.44)                                                | 11.82 (1.89)                          | 13.98 (1.84)        | 12.87 (2.16)      | 6.19 (1.27)                         | 18.82 (2.24)                             | 2.66 (0.79)  |
| 45–64 years              | 28.13 (3.59)                                                | 4.98 (1.31)                           | 11.79 (2.20)        | 11.05 (2.63)      | 6.13 (1.64)                         | 15.17 (2.57)                             | *2.22 (0.93) |
| 65 years and over        | 49.60 (5.57)                                                | *4.26 (1.62)                          | 10.39 (2.74)        | *8.04 (2.55)      | *2.62 (1.31)                        | 12.11 (2.89)                             | *1.93 (1.19) |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

– Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Injury and poisoning episodes are based on the questions, “During the past three months was {person} injured or poisoned seriously enough that they got medical advice or treatment?” and “How many times in the past three months did you seek medical advice because you were injured or poisoned?” Injury and poisoning episodes are classified according to the external cause of the episode using categories based on ICD–9–CM external cause codes (E codes). The category “Transportation” includes motor vehicle, bicycle, motorcycle, pedestrian, train, boat, and airplane. The category “Other” includes fire/burn/scald related, animal or insect bite, machinery, and other (not specified). The category “Poisoning” excludes food poisoning and allergic reaction. Rates have been annualized (see “Appendix I”).

<sup>2</sup>Other causes (injury) includes unknown causes.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see “Appendix II”), the category “1 race” refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for “1 race” but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category “one race, Black or African American” in the tables is referred to as “black persons” in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category “2 or more races” refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category “Not Hispanic or Latino” refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories “Less than \$20,000” and “\$20,000 or more” include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see “Appendix I”). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau’s poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. “Poor” persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. “Near poor” persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. “Not poor” persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category “private” includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, “private” includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category “Uninsured” includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see “Appendix II”).

<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 11. Annualized frequencies of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by activity engaged in at the time of the episode and selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Activity at time of injury or poisoning episode <sup>1</sup> |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|------------------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
|                                                 | Driving <sup>2</sup>                                         | Working at paid job | Working around house or yard | Attending school | Sports | Leisure activities (excluding sports) | Other <sup>3</sup> |
|                                                 | Number <sup>1</sup> in thousands                             |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Total <sup>4</sup>                              | 2,486                                                        | 4,806               | 3,200                        | 744              | 3,774  | 6,465                                 | 4,794              |
| Sex                                             |                                                              |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Male                                            | 1,153                                                        | 3,178               | 1,572                        | 441              | 2,627  | 3,316                                 | 2,011              |
| Female                                          | 1,333                                                        | 1,627               | 1,628                        | 302              | 1,146  | 3,149                                 | 2,783              |
| Age                                             |                                                              |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Under 12 years                                  | *112                                                         | *—                  | *62                          | 298              | 567    | 2,191                                 | 795                |
| 12–17 years                                     | 212                                                          | 50                  | 159                          | 343              | 1,387  | 972                                   | 388                |
| 18–44 years                                     | 1,394                                                        | 3,503               | 1,254                        | *103             | 1,460  | 1,796                                 | 1,826              |
| 45–64 years                                     | 544                                                          | 1,172               | 1,047                        | *—               | 303    | 901                                   | 1,005              |
| 65–74 years                                     | 165                                                          | *65                 | 352                          | *—               | *44    | 289                                   | 261                |
| 75 years and over                               | *59                                                          | *15                 | 326                          | *—               | *12    | 316                                   | 518                |
| Race                                            |                                                              |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| 1 race <sup>5</sup>                             | 2,424                                                        | 4,734               | 3,169                        | 712              | 3,711  | 6,241                                 | 4,648              |
| White                                           | 1,961                                                        | 4,214               | 2,942                        | 642              | 3,268  | 5,644                                 | 4,029              |
| Black or African American                       | 307                                                          | 304                 | *94                          | *59              | 310    | 402                                   | 439                |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | *7                                                           | *41                 | *52                          | *—               | *25    | *39                                   | *32                |
| Asian                                           | *100                                                         | *99                 | *67                          | *—               | *41    | *61                                   | *39                |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | *—                                                           | *—                  | *—                           | *—               | *24    | *—                                    | *—                 |
| 2 or more races <sup>6</sup>                    | *63                                                          | *72                 | *31                          | *31              | *62    | 223                                   | 146                |
| Black or African American, white                | *13                                                          | *17                 | *—                           | *6               | *15    | *48                                   | *13                |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | *14                                                          | *31                 | *—                           | *25              | *12    | *69                                   | *59                |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>7</sup> and race |                                                              |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 166                                                          | 301                 | 130                          | *59              | 182    | 327                                   | 345                |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 107                                                          | 181                 | *68                          | *38              | 74     | 192                                   | 220                |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 2,320                                                        | 4,504               | 3,070                        | 685              | 3,591  | 6,138                                 | 4,449              |
| White, single race                              | 1,871                                                        | 3,988               | 2,843                        | 594              | 3,135  | 5,420                                 | 3,800              |
| Black or African American, single race          | 289                                                          | 304                 | *94                          | *59              | 305    | 397                                   | 439                |
| Education <sup>8</sup>                          |                                                              |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 241                                                          | 542                 | 384                          | *—               | *71    | 347                                   | 690                |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>9</sup>         | 462                                                          | 1,515               | 802                          | *—               | 154    | 710                                   | 968                |
| Some college                                    | 601                                                          | 1,203               | 810                          | *12              | 352    | 730                                   | 960                |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 377                                                          | 574                 | 711                          | *—               | 667    | 724                                   | 612                |
| Family income <sup>10</sup>                     |                                                              |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 560                                                          | 714                 | 462                          | *101             | 325    | 1,561                                 | 1,183              |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 1,738                                                        | 3,888               | 2,535                        | 577              | 3,270  | 4,527                                 | 3,319              |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 343                                                          | 802                 | 468                          | *86              | 417    | 872                                   | 636                |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 415                                                          | 1,031               | 572                          | *123             | 654    | 1,139                                 | 735                |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 229                                                          | 710                 | 265                          | *76              | 534    | 749                                   | 679                |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 318                                                          | 672                 | 646                          | 219              | 1,134  | 1,195                                 | 644                |
| Poverty status <sup>11</sup>                    |                                                              |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Poor                                            | 228                                                          | 226                 | 195                          | *31              | *128   | 815                                   | 563                |
| Near poor                                       | 384                                                          | 652                 | 374                          | *115             | 471    | 1,081                                 | 733                |
| Not poor                                        | 1,139                                                        | 2,934               | 1,753                        | 424              | 2,373  | 3,358                                 | 2,411              |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>12</sup>         |                                                              |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                                              |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Private                                         | 1,477                                                        | 3,479               | 2,034                        | 558              | 3,159  | 4,210                                 | 2,840              |
| Medicaid                                        | 224                                                          | *113                | *90                          | *35              | 189    | 810                                   | 552                |
| Other                                           | *63                                                          | *108                | *65                          | *38              | *107   | *139                                  | 210                |
| Uninsured                                       | 471                                                          | 1,012               | 309                          | *113             | 262    | 689                                   | 401                |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                                              |                     |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Private                                         | *138                                                         | *49                 | 416                          | *—               | *36    | 405                                   | 528                |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | *10                                                          | *—                  | *70                          | *—               | *—     | *39                                   | *30                |
| Medicare only                                   | *53                                                          | *16                 | 172                          | *—               | *12    | *144                                  | 191                |
| Other                                           | *24                                                          | *16                 | *7                           | *—               | *8     | *5                                    | *26                |
| Uninsured                                       | *—                                                           | *—                  | *—                           | *—               | *—     | *—                                    | *5                 |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 11. Annualized frequencies of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by activity engaged in at the time of the episode and selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic  | Activity at time of injury or poisoning episode <sup>1</sup> |                                  |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
|                          | Driving <sup>2</sup>                                         | Working at paid job              | Working around house or yard | Attending school | Sports | Leisure activities (excluding sports) | Other <sup>3</sup> |
| Place of residence       |                                                              | Number <sup>1</sup> in thousands |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Large MSA <sup>13</sup>  | 1,120                                                        | 1,899                            | 1,230                        | 322              | 1,951  | 2,814                                 | 2,227              |
| Small MSA <sup>13</sup>  | 901                                                          | 1,521                            | 1,146                        | 287              | 1,074  | 2,371                                 | 1,577              |
| Not in MSA <sup>13</sup> | 465                                                          | 1,385                            | 824                          | *135             | 749    | 1,280                                 | 991                |
| Region                   |                                                              |                                  |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Northeast                | 354                                                          | 1,088                            | 551                          | 199              | 751    | 1,100                                 | 1,069              |
| Midwest                  | 727                                                          | 1,267                            | 865                          | 223              | 919    | 2,055                                 | 1,310              |
| South                    | 910                                                          | 1,506                            | 1,215                        | 181              | 968    | 2,317                                 | 1,490              |
| West                     | 496                                                          | 945                              | 570                          | *140             | 1,135  | 993                                   | 925                |
| Sex and age              |                                                              |                                  |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Male:                    |                                                              |                                  |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Under 12 years           | *51                                                          | *—                               | *56                          | 169              | 404    | 1,296                                 | 343                |
| 12–17 years              | *97                                                          | 50                               | *77                          | 231              | 894    | 527                                   | 187                |
| 18–44 years              | 700                                                          | 2,362                            | 652                          | *42              | 1,094  | 799                                   | 904                |
| 45–64 years              | 236                                                          | 713                              | 557                          | *—               | 212    | 479                                   | 376                |
| 65 years and over        | *69                                                          | *53                              | 229                          | *—               | *23    | 215                                   | 202                |
| Female:                  |                                                              |                                  |                              |                  |        |                                       |                    |
| Under 12 years           | *62                                                          | *—                               | *6                           | *129             | 163    | 895                                   | 452                |
| 12–17 years              | *116                                                         | *—                               | *82                          | *112             | 494    | 445                                   | 202                |
| 18–44 years              | 694                                                          | 1,141                            | 602                          | *61              | 366    | 996                                   | 922                |
| 45–64 years              | 307                                                          | 459                              | 490                          | *—               | *92    | 422                                   | 629                |
| 65 years and over        | *155                                                         | *27                              | 449                          | *—               | *32    | 391                                   | 577                |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

— Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Activity at time of injury or poisoning episode is based on the question, "What was [person] doing when the injury/poisoning happened?" Respondents could indicate up to two activities. Counts of episodes have been annualized (see "Appendix I").

<sup>2</sup>"Driving" includes both drivers and passengers.

<sup>3</sup>"Other" includes unpaid work such as housework, shopping, volunteer work, sleeping, resting, eating, drinking, cooking, hands-on care from another person, and other unspecified activities.

<sup>4</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>5</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "1 race" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>6</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>7</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>8</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>9</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>10</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>11</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>12</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, private includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>13</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 12. Annualized rates (with standard errors) of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by activity engaged in at the time of the episode and selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Activity at time of injury or poisoning episode <sup>1</sup>         |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|------------------------------|---------|------------------|---------|--------|---------|---------------------------------------|---------|--------------------|---------|
|                                                 | Driving <sup>2</sup>                                                 |         | Working at paid job |         | Working around house or yard |         | Attending school |         | Sports |         | Leisure activities (excluding sports) |         | Other <sup>3</sup> |         |
|                                                 | Rate <sup>1</sup> per 1,000 population <sup>4</sup> (standard error) |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| Total <sup>5</sup>                              | 9.08                                                                 | (0.73)  | 17.54               | (0.97)  | 11.68                        | (0.86)  | 2.72             | (0.37)  | 13.77  | (0.91)  | 23.60                                 | (1.24)  | 17.50              | (0.99)  |
| Sex                                             |                                                                      |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| Male                                            | 8.63                                                                 | (0.93)  | 23.79               | (1.61)  | 11.77                        | (1.39)  | 3.30             | (0.55)  | 19.67  | (1.51)  | 24.82                                 | (1.76)  | 15.06              | (1.32)  |
| Female                                          | 9.50                                                                 | (1.02)  | 11.59               | (1.17)  | 11.60                        | (1.05)  | 2.15             | (0.48)  | 8.17   | (0.92)  | 22.44                                 | (1.56)  | 19.83              | (1.47)  |
| Age                                             |                                                                      |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| Under 12 years                                  | *2.32                                                                | (0.79)  |                     | *—      | *1.28                        | (0.60)  | 6.16             | (1.22)  | 11.73  | (1.85)  | 45.32                                 | (3.68)  | 16.45              | (2.08)  |
| 12–17 years                                     | 8.85                                                                 | (2.19)  | 2.08                | (0.62)  | 6.64                         | (1.97)  | 14.31            | (2.76)  | 57.90  | (5.93)  | 40.56                                 | (5.45)  | 16.21              | (3.02)  |
| 18–44 years                                     | 12.85                                                                | (1.32)  | 32.30               | (2.25)  | 11.56                        | (1.26)  | *0.95            | (0.35)  | 13.46  | (1.51)  | 16.56                                 | (1.52)  | 16.84              | (1.58)  |
| 45–64 years                                     | 8.99                                                                 | (1.49)  | 19.37               | (1.93)  | 17.31                        | (2.70)  |                  | *—      | 5.01   | (1.08)  | 14.89                                 | (2.14)  | 16.62              | (2.09)  |
| 65–74 years                                     | 9.24                                                                 | (2.70)  | *3.66               | (1.67)  | 19.71                        | (3.43)  |                  | *—      | *2.46  | (1.25)  | 16.18                                 | (3.40)  | 14.61              | (2.97)  |
| 75 years and over                               | *4.00                                                                | (1.81)  | *1.02               | (1.02)  | 22.00                        | (4.82)  |                  | *—      | *0.80  | (0.80)  | 21.34                                 | (4.69)  | 34.96              | (5.62)  |
| Race                                            |                                                                      |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| 1 race <sup>6</sup>                             | 8.96                                                                 | (0.73)  | 17.50               | (0.97)  | 11.72                        | (0.87)  | 2.63             | (0.37)  | 13.72  | (0.92)  | 23.08                                 | (1.23)  | 17.19              | (0.99)  |
| White                                           | 9.09                                                                 | (0.84)  | 19.53               | (1.15)  | 13.64                        | (1.06)  | 2.98             | (0.45)  | 15.15  | (1.10)  | 26.16                                 | (1.50)  | 18.67              | (1.16)  |
| Black or African American                       | 9.17                                                                 | (1.86)  | 9.08                | (1.74)  | *2.80                        | (0.91)  | *1.78            | (0.84)  | 9.26   | (1.72)  | 12.01                                 | (2.10)  | 13.10              | (2.10)  |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | *3.82                                                                | (3.85)  | *21.34              | (10.30) | *26.81                       | (15.92) |                  | *—      | *13.07 | (13.09) | *20.05                                | (13.40) | *16.70             | (11.80) |
| Asian                                           | *9.71                                                                | (4.26)  | *9.61               | (3.82)  | *6.48                        | (2.76)  |                  | *—      | *3.95  | (2.37)  | *5.91                                 | (2.48)  | *3.75              | (2.26)  |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       |                                                                      | *—      |                     | *—      |                              | *—      |                  | *—      | *73.04 | (51.40) |                                       | *—      |                    | *—      |
| 2 or more races <sup>7</sup>                    | *17.93                                                               | (7.85)  | *20.55              | (8.71)  | *8.82                        | (5.12)  | *8.99            | (5.39)  | *17.79 | (7.57)  | 64.06                                 | (15.29) | 41.96              | (11.86) |
| Black or African American, white                | *17.59                                                               | (17.51) | *23.03              | (16.30) |                              | *—      | *8.54            | (8.53)  | *21.04 | (14.90) | *65.86                                | (30.21) | *18.47             | (14.15) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | *14.03                                                               | (9.78)  | *32.14              | (22.38) |                              | *—      | *26.05           | (18.13) | *12.84 | (12.86) | *72.01                                | (32.76) | *60.73             | (27.68) |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>8</sup> and race |                                                                      |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 5.02                                                                 | (1.15)  | 9.11                | (1.70)  | 3.95                         | (0.97)  | *1.79            | (0.63)  | 5.51   | (1.19)  | 9.89                                  | (1.63)  | 10.44              | (1.71)  |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 5.03                                                                 | (1.48)  | 8.50                | (2.22)  | *3.20                        | (0.96)  | *1.80            | (0.77)  | 3.48   | (0.98)  | 9.04                                  | (2.01)  | 10.37              | (2.05)  |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 9.63                                                                 | (0.82)  | 18.70               | (1.07)  | 12.74                        | (0.97)  | 2.84             | (0.42)  | 14.91  | (1.02)  | 25.48                                 | (1.39)  | 18.47              | (1.10)  |
| White, single race                              | 9.71                                                                 | (0.93)  | 20.68               | (1.27)  | 14.75                        | (1.18)  | 3.08             | (0.49)  | 16.26  | (1.22)  | 28.11                                 | (1.65)  | 19.71              | (1.29)  |
| Black or African American, single race          | 8.79                                                                 | (1.85)  | 9.24                | (1.77)  | *2.85                        | (0.92)  | *1.81            | (0.85)  | 9.27   | (1.74)  | 12.07                                 | (2.12)  | 13.34              | (2.14)  |
| Education <sup>9</sup>                          |                                                                      |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 8.29                                                                 | (1.98)  | 18.69               | (2.98)  | 13.23                        | (2.32)  |                  | *—      | *2.46  | (1.01)  | 11.95                                 | (2.28)  | 23.76              | (3.31)  |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>10</sup>        | 8.74                                                                 | (1.50)  | 28.63               | (3.02)  | 15.16                        | (2.02)  |                  | *—      | 2.90   | (0.83)  | 13.43                                 | (1.94)  | 18.29              | (2.45)  |
| Some college                                    | 13.63                                                                | (2.08)  | 27.26               | (3.19)  | 18.35                        | (2.37)  | *0.26            | (0.26)  | 7.97   | (1.79)  | 16.54                                 | (2.26)  | 21.74              | (2.59)  |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 8.83                                                                 | (1.72)  | 13.43               | (2.28)  | 16.65                        | (3.58)  |                  | *—      | 15.62  | (2.50)  | 16.94                                 | (2.87)  | 14.32              | (2.36)  |
| Family income <sup>11</sup>                     |                                                                      |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 11.32                                                                | (1.93)  | 14.44               | (2.04)  | 9.34                         | (1.53)  | *2.03            | (0.73)  | 6.58   | (1.44)  | 31.58                                 | (3.18)  | 23.93              | (2.71)  |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 8.63                                                                 | (0.82)  | 19.31               | (1.21)  | 12.59                        | (1.06)  | 2.87             | (0.44)  | 16.24  | (1.16)  | 22.49                                 | (1.38)  | 16.49              | (1.12)  |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 9.30                                                                 | (1.86)  | 21.75               | (3.14)  | 12.69                        | (2.31)  | *2.32            | (0.87)  | 11.32  | (1.98)  | 23.64                                 | (2.99)  | 17.25              | (2.45)  |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 9.96                                                                 | (1.89)  | 24.73               | (3.19)  | 13.71                        | (3.54)  | *2.96            | (0.92)  | 15.69  | (2.79)  | 27.32                                 | (3.39)  | 17.64              | (2.51)  |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 7.48                                                                 | (2.22)  | 23.12               | (3.32)  | 8.63                         | (1.75)  | *2.46            | (1.09)  | 17.40  | (2.82)  | 24.41                                 | (3.34)  | 22.12              | (3.28)  |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 6.54                                                                 | (1.40)  | 13.80               | (1.98)  | 13.25                        | (1.94)  | 4.49             | (1.14)  | 23.29  | (2.61)  | 24.52                                 | (2.75)  | 13.22              | (2.02)  |
| Poverty status <sup>12</sup>                    |                                                                      |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| Poor                                            | 9.47                                                                 | (2.58)  | 9.38                | (2.61)  | 8.13                         | (2.06)  | *1.29            | (0.82)  | *5.31  | (1.63)  | 33.91                                 | (4.77)  | 23.43              | (4.15)  |
| Near poor                                       | 10.27                                                                | (2.23)  | 17.46               | (2.71)  | 10.01                        | (1.92)  | *3.08            | (1.00)  | 12.61  | (2.36)  | 28.95                                 | (3.11)  | 19.61              | (2.58)  |
| Not poor                                        | 8.47                                                                 | (0.99)  | 21.82               | (1.60)  | 13.04                        | (1.47)  | 3.15             | (0.56)  | 17.65  | (1.40)  | 24.97                                 | (1.69)  | 17.93              | (1.42)  |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>13</sup>         |                                                                      |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                                                      |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| Private                                         | 8.63                                                                 | (0.92)  | 20.32               | (1.33)  | 11.88                        | (1.20)  | 3.26             | (0.51)  | 18.46  | (1.40)  | 24.59                                 | (1.59)  | 16.59              | (1.23)  |
| Medicaid                                        | 10.37                                                                | (2.53)  | *5.23               | (1.75)  | *4.19                        | (1.39)  | *1.64            | (0.97)  | 8.77   | (2.13)  | 37.54                                 | (5.47)  | 25.59              | (4.39)  |
| Other                                           | *10.53                                                               | (4.53)  | *18.09              | (11.67) | *10.81                       | (5.35)  | *6.31            | (3.57)  | *17.98 | (6.65)  | 23.27                                 | (6.95)  | 35.24              | (8.35)  |
| Uninsured                                       | 11.77                                                                | (2.11)  | 25.26               | (3.11)  | 7.73                         | (1.66)  | *2.83            | (0.99)  | 6.54   | (1.39)  | 17.20                                 | (2.33)  | 10.02              | (1.81)  |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                                                      |         |                     |         |                              |         |                  |         |        |         |                                       |         |                    |         |
| Private                                         | *6.78                                                                | (2.21)  | *2.40               | (1.22)  | 20.35                        | (3.78)  |                  | *—      | *1.78  | (1.02)  | 19.81                                 | (3.93)  | 25.84              | (4.14)  |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | *5.19                                                                | (5.19)  |                     | *—      | *37.44                       | (15.31) |                  | *—      |        | *—      | *21.19                                | (11.44) | *15.88             | (10.74) |
| Medicare only                                   | *6.13                                                                | (2.92)  | *1.82               | (1.82)  | 20.02                        | (5.03)  |                  | *—      | *1.35  | (1.35)  | *16.74                                | (5.78)  | 22.24              | (5.73)  |
| Other                                           | *22.68                                                               | (22.46) | *15.41              | (15.32) | *7.07                        | (7.09)  |                  | *—      | *7.56  | (7.51)  | *4.70                                 | (4.68)  | *25.16             | (18.05) |
| Uninsured                                       |                                                                      | *—      |                     | *—      |                              | *—      |                  | *—      |        | *—      |                                       | *—      | *10.77             | (10.79) |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 12. Annualized rates (with standard errors) of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by activity engaged in at the time of the episode and selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic  | Activity at time of injury or poisoning episode <sup>1</sup> |        |                     |        |                                                                      |        |                  |        |        |        |                                       |        |                    |        |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------|--------------------|--------|
|                          | Driving <sup>2</sup>                                         |        | Working at paid job |        | Working around house or yard                                         |        | Attending school |        | Sports |        | Leisure activities (excluding sports) |        | Other <sup>3</sup> |        |
| Place of residence       |                                                              |        |                     |        | Rate <sup>1</sup> per 1,000 population <sup>4</sup> (standard error) |        |                  |        |        |        |                                       |        |                    |        |
| Large MSA <sup>14</sup>  | 8.49                                                         | (0.98) | 14.39               | (1.29) | 9.32                                                                 | (1.33) | 2.44             | (0.49) | 14.79  | (1.47) | 21.33                                 | (1.67) | 16.88              | (1.38) |
| Small MSA <sup>14</sup>  | 10.36                                                        | (1.43) | 17.48               | (1.87) | 13.17                                                                | (1.44) | 3.29             | (0.76) | 12.34  | (1.49) | 27.25                                 | (2.44) | 18.11              | (1.67) |
| Not in MSA <sup>14</sup> | 8.46                                                         | (1.65) | 25.19               | (2.26) | 14.99                                                                | (1.73) | *2.46            | (0.82) | 13.62  | (1.64) | 23.28                                 | (2.73) | 18.02              | (2.46) |
| Region                   |                                                              |        |                     |        |                                                                      |        |                  |        |        |        |                                       |        |                    |        |
| Northeast                | 6.79                                                         | (1.34) | 20.84               | (2.36) | 10.55                                                                | (1.81) | 3.82             | (1.13) | 14.40  | (2.38) | 21.07                                 | (2.40) | 20.49              | (2.45) |
| Midwest                  | 10.76                                                        | (1.66) | 18.76               | (2.00) | 12.80                                                                | (1.51) | 3.30             | (0.83) | 13.61  | (1.69) | 30.42                                 | (2.63) | 19.39              | (2.34) |
| South                    | 9.39                                                         | (1.31) | 15.54               | (1.56) | 12.53                                                                | (1.74) | 1.87             | (0.46) | 9.99   | (1.40) | 23.91                                 | (2.36) | 15.38              | (1.48) |
| West                     | 8.65                                                         | (1.42) | 16.49               | (2.04) | 9.95                                                                 | (1.50) | *2.45            | (0.76) | 19.80  | (2.19) | 17.34                                 | (2.22) | 16.15              | (1.86) |
| Sex and age              |                                                              |        |                     |        |                                                                      |        |                  |        |        |        |                                       |        |                    |        |
| Male:                    |                                                              |        |                     |        |                                                                      |        |                  |        |        |        |                                       |        |                    |        |
| Under 12 years           | *2.05                                                        | (1.01) |                     | *—     | *2.27                                                                | (1.16) | 6.83             | (1.74) | 16.38  | (3.11) | 52.45                                 | (5.49) | 13.89              | (2.52) |
| 12–17 years              | *7.86                                                        | (2.74) | 4.05                | (1.21) | *6.29                                                                | (2.42) | 18.79            | (4.33) | 72.73  | (9.61) | 42.92                                 | (7.15) | 15.19              | (4.15) |
| 18–44 years              | 13.10                                                        | (1.83) | 44.21               | (3.66) | 12.20                                                                | (2.00) | *0.79            | (0.47) | 20.48  | (2.59) | 14.96                                 | (1.87) | 16.92              | (2.22) |
| 45–64 years              | 8.08                                                         | (1.93) | 24.36               | (3.17) | 19.03                                                                | (4.89) |                  | *      | 7.23   | (1.89) | 16.37                                 | (3.31) | 12.85              | (2.43) |
| 65 years and over        | *4.99                                                        | (2.07) | *3.84               | (1.96) | 16.49                                                                | (3.96) |                  | *—     | *1.69  | (1.19) | 15.43                                 | (4.42) | 14.50              | (3.84) |
| Female:                  |                                                              |        |                     |        |                                                                      |        |                  |        |        |        |                                       |        |                    |        |
| Under 12 years           | *2.60                                                        | (1.23) |                     | *—     | *0.24                                                                | (0.17) | *5.46            | (1.71) | 6.87   | (1.95) | 37.87                                 | (4.71) | 19.11              | (3.34) |
| 12–17 years              | *9.89                                                        | (3.46) |                     | *—     | *7.01                                                                | (3.16) | *9.61            | (3.36) | 42.29  | (6.56) | 38.08                                 | (8.30) | 17.28              | (4.54) |
| 18–44 years              | 12.61                                                        | (1.71) | 20.74               | (2.60) | 10.94                                                                | (1.66) | *1.11            | (0.52) | 6.65   | (1.46) | 18.11                                 | (2.29) | 16.77              | (2.23) |
| 45–64 years              | 9.84                                                         | (2.05) | 14.70               | (2.50) | 15.69                                                                | (2.50) |                  | *—     | *2.94  | (1.00) | 13.50                                 | (2.71) | 20.15              | (3.35) |
| 65 years and over        | *8.25                                                        | (2.50) | *1.44               | (1.03) | 23.91                                                                | (4.33) |                  | *—     | *1.72  | (1.01) | 20.81                                 | (4.07) | 30.76              | (4.52) |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

— Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Activity at time of injury or poisoning episodes is based on the question, What was [person] doing when the injury/poisoning happened? Respondents could indicate up to two activities. Rates have been annualized (see "Appendix I").

<sup>2</sup>"Driving" includes both drivers and passengers.

<sup>3</sup>"Other" includes unpaid work such as housework, shopping, volunteer work, sleeping, resting, eating, drinking, cooking, hands-on care from another person, and other unspecified activities.

<sup>4</sup>Unknowns were excluded from the denominator when calculating rates.

<sup>5</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>6</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>7</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

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<sup>9</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>10</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>11</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>12</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>13</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, private includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>14</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 13. Annualized frequencies of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by place of occurrence and selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                             | Place of occurrence of injury or poisoning episode <sup>1</sup> |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|                                                     | Home (inside)                                                   | Home (outside) | School/child care center/preschool | Hospital/residential institution | Street/highway/parking lot | Sport facility/recreation area/lake/river/pool | Industrial/construction/farm | Trade/service area | Other public bldg. | Other (unspecified) |
|                                                     | Number <sup>1</sup> in thousands                                |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Total <sup>2</sup> . . . . .                        | 6,227                                                           | 4,676          | 1,814                              | 410                              | 3,706                      | 3,872                                          | 1,832                        | 1,457              | 520                | 1,634               |
| Sex                                                 |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Male . . . . .                                      | 2,441                                                           | 2,779          | 1,044                              | *73                              | 1,865                      | 2,635                                          | 1,527                        | 744                | 238                | 925                 |
| Female . . . . .                                    | 3,786                                                           | 1,897          | 770                                | 337                              | 1,841                      | 1,237                                          | 306                          | 714                | 282                | 709                 |
| Age                                                 |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 1,464                                                           | 1,089          | 481                                | *—                               | 220                        | 582                                            | *14                          | *84                | *20                | *91                 |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 456                                                             | 582            | 900                                | *—                               | 350                        | 918                                            | *12                          | *77                | *32                | *135                |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 1,992                                                           | 1,372          | 376                                | 214                              | 2,048                      | 1,895                                          | 1,306                        | 878                | 297                | 930                 |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 1,203                                                           | 1,058          | *57                                | *124                             | 722                        | 438                                            | 463                          | 368                | *99                | 389                 |
| 65–74 years . . . . .                               | 423                                                             | 326            | *—                                 | *5                               | 305                        | *38                                            | *22                          | *28                | *16                | *13                 |
| 75 years and over . . . . .                         | 689                                                             | 249            | *—                                 | *68                              | *61                        | *—                                             | *15                          | *23                | *56                | *76                 |
| Race                                                |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| 1 race <sup>3</sup> . . . . .                       | 6,072                                                           | 4,546          | 1,737                              | 410                              | 3,615                      | 3,803                                          | 1,800                        | 1,428              | 500                | 1,594               |
| White . . . . .                                     | 5,464                                                           | 3,959          | 1,610                              | 346                              | 3,008                      | 3,458                                          | 1,648                        | 1,260              | 428                | 1,401               |
| Black or African American . . . . .                 | 379                                                             | 405            | *110                               | *49                              | 405                        | 223                                            | *88                          | *63                | *35                | *127                |
| American Indian or Alaska Native . . . . .          | *34                                                             | *69            | *—                                 | *10                              | *18                        | *25                                            | *—                           | *24                | *21                | *8                  |
| Asian . . . . .                                     | *76                                                             | *60            | *—                                 | *—                               | *119                       | *38                                            | *31                          | *60                | *9                 | *26                 |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander . . . . . | *—                                                              | *—             | *—                                 | *—                               | *11                        | *13                                            | *—                           | *—                 | *—                 | *—                  |
| 2 or more races <sup>4</sup> . . . . .              | 155                                                             | 130            | *77                                | *—                               | *91                        | *69                                            | *32                          | *29                | *20                | *41                 |
| Black or African American, white . . . . .          | *24                                                             | *16            | *30                                | *—                               | *13                        | *18                                            | *9                           | *8                 | *4                 | *—                  |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white . . . . .   | *11                                                             | *71            | *25                                | *—                               | *42                        | *24                                            | *15                          | *—                 | *16                | *14                 |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>5</sup> and race     |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Hispanic or Latino . . . . .                        | 422                                                             | 180            | *88                                | *17                              | 248                        | 202                                            | *111                         | *49                | *62                | 112                 |
| Mexican or Mexican American . . . . .               | 282                                                             | 111            | *54                                | *12                              | 157                        | 80                                             | *97                          | *19                | *31                | *26                 |
| Not Hispanic or Latino . . . . .                    | 5,805                                                           | 4,496          | 1,726                              | 393                              | 3,458                      | 3,670                                          | 1,721                        | 1,409              | 457                | 1,523               |
| White, single race . . . . .                        | 5,175                                                           | 3,832          | 1,549                              | 335                              | 2,843                      | 3,307                                          | 1,571                        | 1,232              | 373                | 1,328               |
| Black or African American, single race . . . . .    | 379                                                             | 400            | *110                               | *49                              | 387                        | 217                                            | *88                          | *63                | *35                | *127                |
| Education <sup>6</sup>                              |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Less than a high school diploma . . . . .           | 770                                                             | 359            | *9                                 | *61                              | 392                        | *98                                            | 256                          | *100               | *33                | 150                 |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>7</sup> . . . . .   | 1,137                                                           | 773            | *50                                | *111                             | 642                        | 321                                            | 716                          | 372                | 179                | 266                 |
| Some college . . . . .                              | 1,095                                                           | 739            | *50                                | *143                             | 884                        | 438                                            | 464                          | 365                | *91                | 389                 |
| Bachelor's degree or higher . . . . .               | 807                                                             | 770            | *112                               | *67                              | 580                        | 744                                            | *124                         | 194                | *66                | 247                 |
| Family income <sup>8</sup>                          |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Less than \$20,000 . . . . .                        | 1,394                                                           | 917            | 190                                | *111                             | 862                        | 514                                            | 263                          | 235                | *137               | 174                 |
| \$20,000 or more . . . . .                          | 4,459                                                           | 3,423          | 1,469                              | 295                              | 2,626                      | 3,150                                          | 1,517                        | 1,156              | 371                | 1,377               |
| \$20,000–\$34,999 . . . . .                         | 835                                                             | 708            | 167                                | *38                              | 574                        | 354                                            | 336                          | 291                | *74                | 232                 |
| \$35,000–\$54,999 . . . . .                         | 953                                                             | 861            | 368                                | *134                             | 584                        | 606                                            | 535                          | 172                | *87                | 367                 |
| \$55,000–\$74,999 . . . . .                         | 664                                                             | 448            | 239                                | *75                              | 518                        | 497                                            | 206                          | 194                | *100               | 249                 |
| \$75,000 or more . . . . .                          | 1,096                                                           | 889            | 440                                | *9                               | 425                        | 1,142                                          | 255                          | 225                | *64                | 301                 |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 13. Annualized frequencies of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by place of occurrence and selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                 | Place of occurrence of injury or poisoning episode <sup>1</sup> |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|                                         | Home (inside)                                                   | Home (outside) | School/child care center/preschool | Hospital/residential institution | Street/highway/parking lot | Sport facility/recreation area/lake/river/pool | Industrial/construction/farm | Trade/service area | Other public bldg. | Other (unspecified) |
| Poverty status <sup>9</sup>             | Number <sup>1</sup> in thousands                                |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Poor . . . . .                          | 692                                                             | 421            | *87                                | *40                              | 364                        | 268                                            | *72                          | *71                | *42                | *78                 |
| Near poor . . . . .                     | 885                                                             | 704            | 222                                | *29                              | 665                        | 449                                            | 333                          | 191                | *74                | 182                 |
| Not poor . . . . .                      | 3,131                                                           | 2,519          | 1,057                              | 256                              | 1,765                      | 2,323                                          | 1,159                        | 828                | 293                | 1,037               |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>10</sup> |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Under 65 years:                         |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Private . . . . .                       | 3,724                                                           | 3,081          | 1,467                              | 234                              | 2,190                      | 3,305                                          | 1,247                        | 958                | 361                | 1,203               |
| Medicaid . . . . .                      | 699                                                             | 317            | *109                               | *62                              | 437                        | 178                                            | *32                          | *80                | *23                | *71                 |
| Other . . . . .                         | 200                                                             | *103           | *65                                | *14                              | *113                       | *106                                           | *80                          | *24                | *14                | *8                  |
| Uninsured . . . . .                     | 468                                                             | 600            | 172                                | *28                              | 572                        | 238                                            | 435                          | 330                | *50                | 263                 |
| 65 years and over:                      |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Private . . . . .                       | 725                                                             | 362            | *—                                 | *42                              | 247                        | *38                                            | *37                          | *35                | *19                | *75                 |
| Medicare and Medicaid . . . . .         | *55                                                             | *79            | *—                                 | *5                               | *—                         | *—                                             | *—                           | *—                 | *—                 | *—                  |
| Medicare only . . . . .                 | 306                                                             | *109           | *—                                 | *26                              | *84                        | *—                                             | *—                           | *—                 | *53                | *—                  |
| Other . . . . .                         | *26                                                             | *12            | *—                                 | *—                               | *31                        | *—                                             | *—                           | *16                | *—                 | *—                  |
| Uninsured . . . . .                     | *—                                                              | *—             | *—                                 | *—                               | *5                         | *—                                             | *—                           | *—                 | *—                 | *—                  |
| Place of residence                      |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Large MSA <sup>11</sup> . . . . .       | 2,802                                                           | 1,879          | 654                                | 202                              | 1,758                      | 1,958                                          | 573                          | 711                | 217                | 762                 |
| Small MSA <sup>11</sup> . . . . .       | 2,017                                                           | 1,695          | 812                                | *73                              | 1,316                      | 1,287                                          | 520                          | 429                | 211                | 531                 |
| Not in MSA <sup>11</sup> . . . . .      | 1,408                                                           | 1,102          | 348                                | 135                              | 632                        | 627                                            | 740                          | 317                | *91                | 342                 |
| Region                                  |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Northeast . . . . .                     | 1,353                                                           | 792            | 380                                | *66                              | 688                        | 746                                            | 396                          | 310                | *84                | 331                 |
| Midwest . . . . .                       | 1,707                                                           | 1,207          | 540                                | *122                             | 1,041                      | 995                                            | 571                          | 397                | 214                | 520                 |
| South . . . . .                         | 2,039                                                           | 1,879          | 448                                | *138                             | 1,161                      | 1,231                                          | 527                          | 441                | *129               | 547                 |
| West . . . . .                          | 1,128                                                           | 798            | 445                                | *84                              | 816                        | 900                                            | 339                          | 310                | *93                | 236                 |
| Sex and age                             |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Male:                                   |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                | 794                                                             | 614            | 299                                | *—                               | *136                       | 362                                            | *—                           | *37                | *20                | *63                 |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                   | 149                                                             | 417            | 551                                | *—                               | 158                        | 634                                            | *—                           | *62                | *5                 | *64                 |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                   | 826                                                             | 839            | *170                               | *45                              | 1,093                      | 1,356                                          | 1,086                        | 449                | *156               | 540                 |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                   | 404                                                             | *653           | *24                                | *—                               | 351                        | 264                                            | 417                          | 167                | *42                | 233                 |
| 65 years and over . . . . .             | 269                                                             | 257            | *—                                 | *28                              | *127                       | *19                                            | *24                          | *28                | *15                | *25                 |
| Female:                                 |                                                                 |                |                                    |                                  |                            |                                                |                              |                    |                    |                     |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                | 670                                                             | 475            | 181                                | *—                               | *84                        | 220                                            | *14                          | *47                | *—                 | *28                 |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                   | 307                                                             | *165           | 350                                | *—                               | 192                        | 285                                            | *12                          | *16                | *27                | *71                 |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                   | 1,166                                                           | 533            | 205                                | 169                              | 955                        | 538                                            | *221                         | 428                | 141                | 390                 |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                   | 799                                                             | 405            | *33                                | *124                             | 371                        | *174                                           | *46                          | 200                | *57                | 156                 |
| 65 years and over . . . . .             | 844                                                             | 318            | *—                                 | *45                              | 240                        | *19                                            | *13                          | *23                | *57                | *63                 |

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<sup>11</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 14. Annualized rates (with standard errors) of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by place of occurrence and selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Place of occurrence of injury or poisoning episode <sup>1</sup>      |         |                |         |                                    |         |                                  |        |                            |         |                                                |         |                              |         |                    |         |                    |         |                     |         |        |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----------------|---------|------------------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|--------|----------------------------|---------|------------------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|---------|--------------------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|--------|
|                                                 | Home (inside)                                                        |         | Home (outside) |         | School/child care center/preschool |         | Hospital/residential institution |        | Street/highway/parking lot |         | Sport facility/recreation area/lake/river/pool |         | Industrial/construction/farm |         | Trade/service area |         | Other public bldg. |         | Other (unspecified) |         |        |
|                                                 | Rate <sup>1</sup> per 1,000 population <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |         |                |         |                                    |         |                                  |        |                            |         |                                                |         |                              |         |                    |         |                    |         |                     |         |        |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                              | 22.73                                                                | (1.09)  | 17.07          | (1.17)  | 6.62                               | (0.60)  | 1.50                             | (0.26) | 13.53                      | (0.90)  | 14.13                                          | (0.94)  | 6.69                         | (0.67)  | 5.32               | (0.54)  | 1.90               | (0.31)  | 5.97                | (0.56)  |        |
| Sex                                             |                                                                      |         |                |         |                                    |         |                                  |        |                            |         |                                                |         |                              |         |                    |         |                    |         |                     |         |        |
| Male                                            | 18.27                                                                | (1.41)  | 20.80          | (2.00)  | 7.82                               | (0.89)  | *0.54                            | (0.23) | 13.96                      | (1.25)  | 19.73                                          | (1.50)  | 11.43                        | (1.21)  | 5.57               | (0.75)  | 1.78               | (0.46)  | 6.92                | (0.85)  |        |
| Female                                          | 26.97                                                                | (1.67)  | 13.52          | (1.20)  | 5.49                               | (0.76)  | 2.40                             | (0.45) | 13.12                      | (1.20)  | 8.81                                           | (1.00)  | 2.18                         | (0.62)  | 5.09               | (0.74)  | 2.01               | (0.41)  | 5.05                | (0.75)  |        |
| Age                                             |                                                                      |         |                |         |                                    |         |                                  |        |                            |         |                                                |         |                              |         |                    |         |                    |         |                     |         |        |
| Under 12 years                                  | 30.28                                                                | (2.79)  | 22.53          | (2.57)  | 9.94                               | (1.54)  |                                  |        | *—                         | 4.54    | (1.08)                                         | 12.03   | (1.80)                       | *0.29   | (0.29)             | *1.74   | (0.68)             | *0.40   | (0.29)              | *1.88   | (0.67) |
| 12–17 years                                     | 19.01                                                                | (4.00)  | 24.27          | (3.95)  | 37.57                              | (4.44)  |                                  |        | *—                         | 14.60   | (2.79)                                         | 38.33   | (4.80)                       | *0.49   | (0.49)             | *3.22   | (1.14)             | *1.35   | (0.88)              | *5.65   | (1.76) |
| 18–44 years                                     | 18.37                                                                | (1.55)  | 12.65          | (1.29)  | 3.47                               | (0.75)  | 1.97                             | (0.44) | 18.89                      | (1.65)  | 17.48                                          | (1.62)  | 12.05                        | (1.45)  | 8.09               | (1.09)  | 2.74               | (0.57)  | 8.58                | (1.13)  |        |
| 45–64 years                                     | 19.88                                                                | (2.19)  | 17.49          | (3.54)  | *0.94                              | (0.43)  | *2.04                            | (0.68) | 11.93                      | (1.65)  | 7.25                                           | (1.31)  | 7.65                         | (1.30)  | 6.08               | (1.21)  | *1.63              | (0.65)  | 6.43                | (1.19)  |        |
| 65–74 years                                     | 23.71                                                                | (4.07)  | 18.25          | (3.68)  |                                    |         | *—                               | *0.27  | (0.27)                     | 17.11   | (3.63)                                         | *2.14   | (1.32)                       | *1.25   | (0.90)             | *1.57   | (1.12)             | *0.88   | (0.88)              | *0.71   | (0.71) |
| 75 years and over                               | 46.48                                                                | (6.42)  | 16.79          | (3.96)  |                                    |         | *—                               | *4.56  | (2.06)                     | *4.15   | (1.86)                                         |         | *—                           | *1.02   | (1.02)             | *1.55   | (1.12)             | *3.80   | (1.83)              | *5.13   | (2.33) |
| Race                                            |                                                                      |         |                |         |                                    |         |                                  |        |                            |         |                                                |         |                              |         |                    |         |                    |         |                     |         |        |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                             | 22.45                                                                | (1.09)  | 16.81          | (1.18)  | 6.42                               | (0.60)  | 1.52                             | (0.26) | 13.37                      | (0.90)  | 14.06                                          | (0.95)  | 6.66                         | (0.67)  | 5.28               | (0.54)  | 1.85               | (0.30)  | 5.89                | (0.57)  |        |
| White                                           | 25.32                                                                | (1.31)  | 18.35          | (1.42)  | 7.46                               | (0.73)  | 1.61                             | (0.31) | 13.94                      | (1.04)  | 16.03                                          | (1.15)  | 7.64                         | (0.80)  | 5.84               | (0.63)  | 1.98               | (0.36)  | 6.49                | (0.67)  |        |
| Black or African American                       | 11.33                                                                | (1.82)  | 12.09          | (2.21)  | *3.28                              | (1.07)  | *1.45                            | (0.67) | 12.09                      | (2.05)  | 6.65                                           | (1.42)  | *2.61                        | (1.07)  | *1.89              | (0.74)  | *1.06              | (0.48)  | *3.80               | (1.32)  |        |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | *17.56                                                               | (10.89) | *35.38         | (23.43) |                                    | *—      | *5.27                            | (5.30) | *9.08                      | (6.60)  | *13.07                                         | (13.09) |                              | *—      | *12.14             | (8.20)  | *10.62             | (10.91) | *3.94               | (3.91)  |        |
| Asian                                           | *7.40                                                                | (3.15)  | *5.79          | (2.57)  |                                    | *—      |                                  | *—     | *11.47                     | (4.44)  | *3.67                                          | (2.16)  | *2.95                        | (2.31)  | *5.82              | (2.93)  | *0.83              | (0.83)  | *2.51               | (1.91)  |        |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       |                                                                      | *—      |                | *—      |                                    | *—      |                                  | *—     | *33.73                     | (32.92) | *39.31                                         | (39.83) |                              | *—      |                    | *—      |                    | *—      |                     | *—      |        |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                    | 44.34                                                                | (12.56) | 37.40          | (11.15) | *22.20                             | (8.07)  |                                  | *—     | *26.08                     | (9.65)  | *19.80                                         | (8.19)  | *9.30                        | (5.59)  | *8.32              | (5.24)  | *5.63              | (4.62)  | *11.70              | (7.20)  |        |
| Black or African American, white                | *32.49                                                               | (23.49) | *21.63         | (15.63) | *41.04                             | (20.56) |                                  | *—     | *17.59                     | (17.51) | *24.82                                         | (17.52) | *12.22                       | (12.19) | *10.81             | (10.82) | *5.37              | (5.36)  |                     | *—      |        |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | *11.05                                                               | (11.10) | *73.96         | (33.37) | *26.05                             | (18.13) |                                  | *—     | *43.50                     | (22.80) | *25.09                                         | (17.74) | *15.86                       | (15.68) |                    | *—      | *16.28             | (16.22) | *14.17              | (14.19) |        |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race |                                                                      |         |                |         |                                    |         |                                  |        |                            |         |                                                |         |                              |         |                    |         |                    |         |                     |         |        |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 12.76                                                                | (2.18)  | 5.43           | (0.95)  | *2.68                              | (0.81)  | *0.50                            | (0.25) | 7.52                       | (1.49)  | 6.11                                           | (1.24)  | *3.37                        | (1.16)  | *1.48              | (0.52)  | *1.89              | (0.72)  | 3.39                | (0.83)  |        |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 13.26                                                                | (2.80)  | 5.24           | (1.16)  | *2.55                              | (0.90)  | *0.55                            | (0.32) | 7.41                       | (1.88)  | 3.77                                           | (1.05)  | *4.56                        | (1.73)  | *0.89              | (0.45)  | *1.44              | (0.75)  | *1.21               | (0.54)  |        |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 24.10                                                                | (1.20)  | 18.67          | (1.33)  | 7.16                               | (0.67)  | 1.63                             | (0.29) | 14.35                      | (1.00)  | 15.24                                          | (1.05)  | 7.14                         | (0.75)  | 5.85               | (0.61)  | 1.90               | (0.34)  | 6.32                | (0.63)  |        |
| White, single race                              | 26.84                                                                | (1.43)  | 19.88          | (1.58)  | 8.03                               | (0.81)  | 1.74                             | (0.34) | 14.75                      | (1.15)  | 17.16                                          | (1.26)  | 8.15                         | (0.89)  | 6.39               | (0.71)  | 1.94               | (0.38)  | 6.89                | (0.74)  |        |
| Black or African American, single race          | 11.53                                                                | (1.86)  | 12.15          | (2.25)  | *3.34                              | (1.09)  | *1.47                            | (0.68) | 11.76                      | (2.04)  | 6.61                                           | (1.44)  | *2.66                        | (1.09)  | *1.92              | (0.75)  | *1.08              | (0.49)  | *3.87               | (1.34)  |        |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                          |                                                                      |         |                |         |                                    |         |                                  |        |                            |         |                                                |         |                              |         |                    |         |                    |         |                     |         |        |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 26.54                                                                | (3.33)  | 12.37          | (2.14)  | *0.30                              | (0.22)  | *2.11                            | (0.92) | 13.50                      | (2.65)  | *3.39                                          | (1.51)  | 8.83                         | (2.20)  | *3.43              | (1.15)  | *1.15              | (0.72)  | 5.17                | (1.41)  |        |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>         | 21.50                                                                | (2.64)  | 14.61          | (2.01)  | *0.94                              | (0.47)  | *2.11                            | (0.73) | 12.13                      | (1.78)  | 6.06                                           | (1.30)  | 13.53                        | (2.29)  | 7.03               | (1.34)  | 3.39               | (1.00)  | 5.02                | (1.13)  |        |
| Some college                                    | 24.80                                                                | (2.71)  | 16.74          | (2.19)  | *1.13                              | (0.60)  | *3.23                            | (1.01) | 20.03                      | (2.56)  | 9.93                                           | (1.82)  | 10.52                        | (1.95)  | 8.26               | (1.75)  | *2.06              | (0.72)  | 8.83                | (1.79)  |        |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 18.89                                                                | (2.56)  | 18.02          | (4.85)  | *2.62                              | (0.84)  | *1.56                            | (0.70) | 13.58                      | (2.37)  | 17.41                                          | (2.47)  | *2.91                        | (0.93)  | 4.53               | (1.26)  | *1.55              | (0.80)  | 5.78                | (1.28)  |        |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                      |                                                                      |         |                |         |                                    |         |                                  |        |                            |         |                                                |         |                              |         |                    |         |                    |         |                     |         |        |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 28.20                                                                | (2.71)  | 18.54          | (2.43)  | 3.84                               | (1.03)  | *2.25                            | (0.73) | 17.44                      | (2.54)  | 10.41                                          | (1.94)  | 5.32                         | (1.28)  | 4.76               | (1.14)  | *2.77              | (0.85)  | 3.53                | (0.98)  |        |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 22.15                                                                | (1.29)  | 17.01          | (1.39)  | 7.30                               | (0.72)  | 1.47                             | (0.32) | 13.04                      | (1.01)  | 15.65                                          | (1.18)  | 7.54                         | (0.85)  | 5.74               | (0.66)  | 1.84               | (0.37)  | 6.84                | (0.69)  |        |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 22.64                                                                | (2.93)  | 19.21          | (2.74)  | 4.52                               | (1.35)  | *1.02                            | (0.60) | 15.56                      | (2.35)  | 9.61                                           | (1.90)  | 9.11                         | (2.00)  | 7.90               | (1.94)  | *2.02              | (0.75)  | 6.29                | (1.57)  |        |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 22.86                                                                | (2.76)  | 20.64          | (5.02)  | 8.82                               | (1.62)  | *3.23                            | (1.05) | 14.01                      | (2.45)  | 14.53                                          | (2.56)  | 12.84                        | (2.65)  | 4.13               | (1.09)  | *2.08              | (0.89)  | 8.81                | (1.88)  |        |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 21.63                                                                | (2.94)  | 14.58          | (2.42)  | 7.77                               | (1.80)  | *2.43                            | (1.05) | 16.87                      | (3.00)  | 16.18                                          | (2.83)  | 6.70                         | (1.74)  | 6.33               | (1.74)  | *3.26              | (1.34)  | 8.11                | (1.81)  |        |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 22.50                                                                | (2.83)  | 18.24          | (2.29)  | 9.04                               | (1.60)  | *0.19                            | (0.19) | 8.73                       | (1.56)  | 23.44                                          | (2.65)  | 5.24                         | (1.15)  | 4.62               | (1.17)  | *1.32              | (0.55)  | 6.18                | (1.40)  |        |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 14. Annualized rates (with standard errors) of medically attended injury and poisoning episodes by place of occurrence and selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                 | Place of occurrence of injury or poisoning episode <sup>1</sup>      |                |                                      |                                   |                              |                                                  |                                |                     |                    |                     |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|--|
|                                         | Home (inside)                                                        | Home (outside) | School/ child care center/ preschool | Hospital/ residential institution | Street/ highway/ parking lot | Sport facility/ recreation area/lake/ river/pool | Industrial/ construction/ farm | Trade/ service area | Other public bldg. | Other (unspecified) |  |  |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>            | Rate <sup>1</sup> per 1,000 population <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |                |                                      |                                   |                              |                                                  |                                |                     |                    |                     |  |  |
| Poor . . . . .                          | 28.81 (3.79)                                                         | 17.51 (3.27)   | *3.64 (1.44)                         | *1.65 (0.90)                      | 15.13 (3.45)                 | 11.16 (2.74)                                     | *3.00 (1.22)                   | *2.96 (1.49)        | *1.74 (1.04)       | *3.25 (1.32)        |  |  |
| Near poor . . . . .                     | 23.68 (3.01)                                                         | 18.84 (2.75)   | 5.95 (1.47)                          | *0.79 (0.43)                      | 17.81 (2.84)                 | 12.02 (2.39)                                     | 8.92 (2.01)                    | 5.11 (1.33)         | *1.99 (0.69)       | 4.87 (1.33)         |  |  |
| Not poor . . . . .                      | 23.29 (1.60)                                                         | 18.74 (1.94)   | 7.86 (0.90)                          | 1.91 (0.44)                       | 13.12 (1.24)                 | 17.28 (1.44)                                     | 8.62 (1.05)                    | 6.16 (0.85)         | 2.18 (0.50)        | 7.71 (0.92)         |  |  |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>11</sup> |                                                                      |                |                                      |                                   |                              |                                                  |                                |                     |                    |                     |  |  |
| Under 65 years:                         |                                                                      |                |                                      |                                   |                              |                                                  |                                |                     |                    |                     |  |  |
| Private . . . . .                       | 21.76 (1.45)                                                         | 18.00 (1.64)   | 8.57 (0.87)                          | 1.36 (0.33)                       | 12.79 (1.08)                 | 19.31 (1.42)                                     | 7.29 (0.86)                    | 5.60 (0.68)         | 2.11 (0.42)        | 7.03 (0.77)         |  |  |
| Medicaid . . . . .                      | 32.39 (4.17)                                                         | 14.70 (3.04)   | *5.05 (1.54)                         | *2.90 (1.30)                      | 20.26 (3.93)                 | 8.23 (2.20)                                      | *1.46 (0.87)                   | *3.72 (1.45)        | *1.05 (0.54)       | *3.31 (1.49)        |  |  |
| Other . . . . .                         | 33.43 (8.21)                                                         | *17.23 (6.12)  | *10.97 (4.85)                        | *2.31 (2.32)                      | *18.94 (6.23)                | *17.71 (6.54)                                    | *13.47 (10.79)                 | *4.06 (2.37)        | *2.32 (2.33)       | *1.39 (1.39)        |  |  |
| Uninsured . . . . .                     | 11.68 (1.92)                                                         | 14.99 (2.33)   | 4.30 (1.21)                          | *0.69 (0.43)                      | 14.28 (2.36)                 | 5.93 (1.27)                                      | 10.88 (2.13)                   | 8.25 (1.76)         | *1.26 (0.67)       | 6.56 (1.54)         |  |  |
| 65 years and over:                      |                                                                      |                |                                      |                                   |                              |                                                  |                                |                     |                    |                     |  |  |
| Private . . . . .                       | 35.52 (4.83)                                                         | 17.75 (3.38)   | *—                                   | *2.03 (1.18)                      | 12.11 (2.98)                 | *1.87 (1.15)                                     | *1.83 (1.08)                   | *1.71 (1.00)        | *0.95 (0.67)       | *3.69 (1.68)        |  |  |
| Medicare and Medicaid . . . . .         | *29.49 (13.38)                                                       | *42.44 (17.16) | *—                                   | *2.57 (2.57)                      | *—                           | *—                                               | *—                             | *—                  | *—                 | *—                  |  |  |
| Medicare only . . . . .                 | 35.60 (6.73)                                                         | *12.64 (4.38)  | *—                                   | *3.04 (2.17)                      | *9.73 (3.45)                 | *—                                               | *—                             | *—                  | *6.11 (3.28)       | *—                  |  |  |
| Other . . . . .                         | *25.16 (18.05)                                                       | *11.77 (8.50)  | *—                                   | *—                                | *30.24 (23.57)               | *—                                               | *—                             | *15.41 (15.32)      | *—                 | *—                  |  |  |
| Uninsured . . . . .                     | *—                                                                   | *—             | *—                                   | *—                                | *10.77 (10.79)               | *—                                               | *—                             | *—                  | *—                 | *—                  |  |  |
| Place of residence                      |                                                                      |                |                                      |                                   |                              |                                                  |                                |                     |                    |                     |  |  |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .       | 21.24 (1.53)                                                         | 14.24 (1.79)   | 4.96 (0.69)                          | 1.53 (0.40)                       | 13.33 (1.27)                 | 14.84 (1.45)                                     | 4.34 (0.76)                    | 5.39 (0.75)         | 1.65 (0.37)        | 5.78 (0.81)         |  |  |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .       | 23.17 (2.07)                                                         | 19.48 (1.99)   | 9.33 (1.23)                          | *0.83 (0.36)                      | 15.12 (1.71)                 | 14.79 (1.53)                                     | 5.97 (1.11)                    | 4.93 (0.98)         | 2.43 (0.68)        | 6.10 (1.01)         |  |  |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .      | 25.61 (2.27)                                                         | 20.04 (2.45)   | 6.32 (1.48)                          | 2.46 (0.66)                       | 11.50 (1.82)                 | 11.40 (2.03)                                     | 13.45 (2.26)                   | 5.76 (1.24)         | *1.66 (0.70)       | 6.22 (1.20)         |  |  |
| Region                                  |                                                                      |                |                                      |                                   |                              |                                                  |                                |                     |                    |                     |  |  |
| Northeast . . . . .                     | 25.92 (2.54)                                                         | 15.17 (2.20)   | 7.28 (1.47)                          | *1.26 (0.54)                      | 13.18 (1.90)                 | 14.30 (2.34)                                     | 7.59 (1.69)                    | 5.94 (1.43)         | *1.61 (0.61)       | 6.33 (1.33)         |  |  |
| Midwest . . . . .                       | 25.27 (2.47)                                                         | 17.87 (2.03)   | 8.00 (1.44)                          | *1.80 (0.55)                      | 15.41 (1.91)                 | 14.72 (1.87)                                     | 8.45 (1.29)                    | 5.87 (1.05)         | 3.16 (0.87)        | 7.70 (1.35)         |  |  |
| South . . . . .                         | 21.05 (1.77)                                                         | 19.40 (2.52)   | 4.63 (0.77)                          | *1.42 (0.44)                      | 11.99 (1.48)                 | 12.70 (1.55)                                     | 5.44 (1.12)                    | 4.55 (0.80)         | *1.33 (0.46)       | 5.65 (0.91)         |  |  |
| West . . . . .                          | 19.69 (2.02)                                                         | 13.92 (1.87)   | 7.78 (1.30)                          | *1.47 (0.55)                      | 14.24 (1.99)                 | 15.71 (1.96)                                     | 5.91 (1.42)                    | 5.41 (1.24)         | *1.62 (0.54)       | 4.12 (0.89)         |  |  |
| Sex and age                             |                                                                      |                |                                      |                                   |                              |                                                  |                                |                     |                    |                     |  |  |
| Male:                                   |                                                                      |                |                                      |                                   |                              |                                                  |                                |                     |                    |                     |  |  |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                | 32.14 (4.13)                                                         | 24.85 (3.63)   | 12.12 (2.35)                         | *—                                | *5.50 (1.68)                 | 14.64 (2.86)                                     | *—                             | *1.52 (0.88)        | *0.79 (0.58)       | *2.54 (1.02)        |  |  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                   | 12.12 (3.46)                                                         | 33.92 (6.27)   | 44.84 (7.33)                         | *—                                | 12.86 (3.36)                 | 51.60 (7.87)                                     | *—                             | *5.01 (1.84)        | *0.44 (0.44)       | *5.20 (2.21)        |  |  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                   | 15.46 (2.15)                                                         | 15.71 (2.11)   | *3.19 (0.98)                         | *0.84 (0.46)                      | 20.46 (2.49)                 | 25.40 (2.71)                                     | 20.33 (2.62)                   | 8.41 (1.47)         | *2.92 (0.90)       | 10.11 (1.69)        |  |  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                   | 13.80 (2.48)                                                         | *22.30 (6.81)  | *0.81 (0.57)                         | *—                                | 12.00 (2.27)                 | 9.03 (1.95)                                      | 14.23 (2.57)                   | 5.72 (1.66)         | *1.43 (1.07)       | 7.97 (1.92)         |  |  |
| 65 years and over . . . . .             | 19.32 (4.36)                                                         | 18.45 (4.26)   | *—                                   | *1.98 (1.41)                      | *9.13 (2.80)                 | *1.36 (1.36)                                     | *1.73 (1.26)                   | *2.01 (1.43)        | *1.10 (1.10)       | *1.82 (1.29)        |  |  |
| Female:                                 |                                                                      |                |                                      |                                   |                              |                                                  |                                |                     |                    |                     |  |  |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                | 28.33 (3.94)                                                         | 20.11 (3.61)   | 7.67 (2.00)                          | *—                                | *3.54 (1.35)                 | 9.31 (2.12)                                      | *0.59 (0.59)                   | *1.97 (1.04)        | *—                 | *1.20 (0.76)        |  |  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                   | 26.27 (7.31)                                                         | *14.12 (4.48)  | 29.93 (5.46)                         | *—                                | 16.43 (4.24)                 | 24.37 (5.14)                                     | *1.00 (1.00)                   | *1.34 (1.33)        | *2.31 (1.75)       | *6.12 (2.74)        |  |  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                   | 21.20 (2.28)                                                         | 9.69 (1.54)    | 3.74 (1.05)                          | 3.07 (0.76)                       | 17.35 (2.11)                 | 9.79 (1.77)                                      | *4.01 (1.43)                   | 7.79 (1.49)         | 2.57 (0.72)        | 7.10 (1.54)         |  |  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                   | 25.59 (3.55)                                                         | 12.98 (2.35)   | *1.07 (0.63)                         | *3.96 (1.32)                      | 11.87 (2.19)                 | *5.58 (1.82)                                     | *1.48 (0.78)                   | 6.41 (1.76)         | *1.82 (0.77)       | 4.99 (1.44)         |  |  |
| 65 years and over . . . . .             | 44.94 (5.71)                                                         | 16.95 (3.47)   | *—                                   | *2.39 (1.27)                      | 12.78 (3.12)                 | *1.03 (0.75)                                     | *0.71 (0.71)                   | *1.22 (0.88)        | *3.02 (1.46)       | *3.38 (1.71)        |  |  |

\*Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

— Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Place of occurrence of injury and poisoning episodes is based on the question, "Where was {person} when the injury/poisoning happened?" Respondents could indicate up to two places. Rates have been annualized (see "Appendix I").

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns were excluded from the denominator when calculating rates.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 15. Frequencies and percents (with standard errors) of persons who did not receive medical care or who delayed medical care in the past year due to cost, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Selected measures of health care access |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                                                 | All persons                             | Did not receive medical care due to cost <sup>1</sup> | Delayed medical care due to cost <sup>2</sup> | Did not receive medical care due to cost <sup>1</sup> | Delayed medical care due to cost <sup>2</sup> |
|                                                 |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Number in thousands                             |                                         | Percent <sup>3</sup> (standard error)                 |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Total <sup>4</sup>                              | 274,019                                 | 12,169                                                | 17,560                                        | 4.5 (0.11)                                            | 6.4 (0.13)                                    |
| Sex                                             |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Male                                            | 133,623                                 | 5,254                                                 | 7,494                                         | 3.9 (0.12)                                            | 5.6 (0.15)                                    |
| Female                                          | 140,396                                 | 6,915                                                 | 10,066                                        | 4.9 (0.13)                                            | 7.2 (0.16)                                    |
| Age                                             |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Under 12 years                                  | 48,350                                  | 1,059                                                 | 1,673                                         | 2.2 (0.15)                                            | 3.5 (0.18)                                    |
| 12–17 years                                     | 23,974                                  | 758                                                   | 1,116                                         | 3.2 (0.24)                                            | 4.7 (0.29)                                    |
| 18–44 years                                     | 108,472                                 | 6,285                                                 | 8,857                                         | 5.8 (0.17)                                            | 8.2 (0.20)                                    |
| 45–64 years                                     | 60,530                                  | 3,292                                                 | 4,659                                         | 5.5 (0.19)                                            | 7.7 (0.22)                                    |
| 65 years and over                               | 32,693                                  | 776                                                   | 1,255                                         | 2.4 (0.18)                                            | 3.9 (0.22)                                    |
| Race                                            |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| 1 race <sup>5</sup>                             | 270,530                                 | 11,912                                                | 17,179                                        | 4.4 (0.11)                                            | 6.4 (0.13)                                    |
| White                                           | 215,836                                 | 9,281                                                 | 13,932                                        | 4.3 (0.13)                                            | 6.5 (0.15)                                    |
| Black or African American                       | 33,501                                  | 1,816                                                 | 2,158                                         | 5.4 (0.26)                                            | 6.5 (0.30)                                    |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 1,943                                   | 136                                                   | 170                                           | 7.0 (1.36)                                            | 8.8 (1.50)                                    |
| Asian                                           | 10,337                                  | 244                                                   | 364                                           | 2.4 (0.38)                                            | 3.5 (0.46)                                    |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | 324                                     | *14                                                   | *27                                           | *4.2 (2.76)                                           | *8.4 (4.76)                                   |
| 2 or more races <sup>6</sup>                    | 3,488                                   | 258                                                   | 381                                           | 7.4 (0.95)                                            | 10.9 (1.19)                                   |
| Black or African American, white                | 730                                     | 47                                                    | 75                                            | 6.5 (1.58)                                            | 10.2 (2.00)                                   |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 965                                     | 101                                                   | 168                                           | 10.5 (2.19)                                           | 17.4 (3.02)                                   |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>7</sup> and race |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 33,052                                  | 1,578                                                 | 1,904                                         | 4.8 (0.23)                                            | 5.8 (0.25)                                    |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 21,238                                  | 951                                                   | 1,121                                         | 4.5 (0.28)                                            | 5.3 (0.30)                                    |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 240,967                                 | 10,591                                                | 15,656                                        | 4.4 (0.12)                                            | 6.5 (0.15)                                    |
| White, single race                              | 192,850                                 | 8,206                                                 | 12,661                                        | 4.3 (0.14)                                            | 6.6 (0.17)                                    |
| Black or African American, single race          | 32,911                                  | 1,790                                                 | 2,125                                         | 5.5 (0.26)                                            | 6.5 (0.31)                                    |
| Education <sup>8</sup>                          |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 29,021                                  | 2,270                                                 | 2,725                                         | 7.8 (0.33)                                            | 9.4 (0.36)                                    |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>9</sup>         | 52,924                                  | 2,741                                                 | 4,011                                         | 5.2 (0.20)                                            | 7.6 (0.25)                                    |
| Some college                                    | 44,152                                  | 2,461                                                 | 3,578                                         | 5.6 (0.22)                                            | 8.1 (0.27)                                    |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 42,723                                  | 1,116                                                 | 1,936                                         | 2.6 (0.16)                                            | 4.5 (0.21)                                    |
| Family income <sup>10</sup>                     |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 49,464                                  | 5,086                                                 | 6,177                                         | 10.3 (0.32)                                           | 12.5 (0.37)                                   |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 201,347                                 | 6,272                                                 | 10,232                                        | 3.1 (0.11)                                            | 5.1 (0.14)                                    |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 36,873                                  | 2,616                                                 | 3,772                                         | 7.1 (0.35)                                            | 10.2 (0.40)                                   |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 41,702                                  | 1,562                                                 | 2,604                                         | 3.7 (0.23)                                            | 6.2 (0.29)                                    |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 30,695                                  | 608                                                   | 1,240                                         | 2.0 (0.19)                                            | 4.0 (0.33)                                    |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 48,719                                  | 558                                                   | 1,079                                         | 1.1 (0.13)                                            | 2.2 (0.18)                                    |
| Poverty status <sup>11</sup>                    |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Poor                                            | 24,049                                  | 2,487                                                 | 2,807                                         | 10.4 (0.46)                                           | 11.7 (0.54)                                   |
| Near poor                                       | 37,366                                  | 3,070                                                 | 4,269                                         | 8.2 (0.36)                                            | 11.4 (0.43)                                   |
| Not poor                                        | 134,475                                 | 3,948                                                 | 6,638                                         | 2.9 (0.11)                                            | 4.9 (0.16)                                    |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>12</sup>         |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Private                                         | 171,198                                 | 3,424                                                 | 6,295                                         | 2.0 (0.08)                                            | 3.7 (0.12)                                    |
| Medicaid                                        | 21,585                                  | 1,086                                                 | 1,421                                         | 5.0 (0.31)                                            | 6.6 (0.41)                                    |
| Other                                           | 5,976                                   | 393                                                   | 517                                           | 6.6 (0.65)                                            | 8.7 (0.84)                                    |
| Uninsured                                       | 40,054                                  | 6,437                                                 | 7,991                                         | 16.2 (0.49)                                           | 20.1 (0.55)                                   |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Private                                         | 20,426                                  | 301                                                   | 518                                           | 1.5 (0.19)                                            | 2.5 (0.23)                                    |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | 1,863                                   | 66                                                    | 122                                           | 3.6 (0.78)                                            | 6.6 (1.02)                                    |
| Medicare only                                   | 8,603                                   | 328                                                   | 507                                           | 3.8 (0.38)                                            | 5.9 (0.47)                                    |
| Other                                           | 1,037                                   | 34                                                    | 58                                            | 3.3 (0.92)                                            | 5.6 (1.19)                                    |
| Uninsured                                       | 445                                     | 38                                                    | 44                                            | 8.6 (2.29)                                            | 10.1 (2.41)                                   |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 15. Frequencies and percents (with standard errors) of persons who did not receive medical care or who delayed medical care in the past year due to cost, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                       | All persons         | Selected measures of health care access               |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                                               |                     | Did not receive medical care due to cost <sup>1</sup> | Delayed medical care due to cost <sup>2</sup> | Did not receive medical care due to cost <sup>1</sup> | Delayed medical care due to cost <sup>2</sup> |
| Place of residence                            | Number in thousands |                                                       |                                               | Percent <sup>3</sup> (standard error)                 |                                               |
| Large MSA <sup>13</sup>                       | 131,951             | 5,051                                                 | 7,238                                         | 3.8 (0.13)                                            | 5.5 (0.16)                                    |
| Small MSA <sup>13</sup>                       | 87,062              | 4,269                                                 | 6,110                                         | 4.9 (0.22)                                            | 7.0 (0.26)                                    |
| Not in MSA <sup>13</sup>                      | 55,006              | 2,850                                                 | 4,212                                         | 5.2 (0.26)                                            | 7.7 (0.36)                                    |
| Region                                        |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Northeast                                     | 52,199              | 1,844                                                 | 2,656                                         | 3.5 (0.20)                                            | 5.1 (0.23)                                    |
| Midwest                                       | 67,577              | 2,512                                                 | 4,050                                         | 3.7 (0.22)                                            | 6.0 (0.25)                                    |
| South                                         | 96,925              | 5,118                                                 | 6,954                                         | 5.3 (0.20)                                            | 7.2 (0.26)                                    |
| West                                          | 57,318              | 2,695                                                 | 3,901                                         | 4.7 (0.25)                                            | 6.8 (0.29)                                    |
| Current health status                         |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Excellent, very good, good                    | 248,720             | 8,998                                                 | 13,634                                        | 3.6 (0.10)                                            | 5.5 (0.13)                                    |
| Fair or poor                                  | 24,057              | 3,109                                                 | 3,843                                         | 13.0 (0.45)                                           | 16.0 (0.48)                                   |
| Sex and age                                   |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Male:                                         |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Under 12 years                                | 24,699              | 556                                                   | 854                                           | 2.3 (0.20)                                            | 3.5 (0.23)                                    |
| 12–17 years                                   | 12,296              | 356                                                   | 522                                           | 2.9 (0.30)                                            | 4.3 (0.33)                                    |
| 18–44 years                                   | 53,442              | 2,734                                                 | 3,826                                         | 5.1 (0.20)                                            | 7.2 (0.24)                                    |
| 45–64 years                                   | 29,279              | 1,326                                                 | 1,898                                         | 4.5 (0.22)                                            | 6.5 (0.26)                                    |
| 65 years and over                             | 13,908              | 282                                                   | 394                                           | 2.0 (0.25)                                            | 2.8 (0.27)                                    |
| Female:                                       |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Under 12 years                                | 23,652              | 503                                                   | 819                                           | 2.1 (0.18)                                            | 3.5 (0.23)                                    |
| 12–17 years                                   | 11,679              | 402                                                   | 595                                           | 3.5 (0.33)                                            | 5.1 (0.41)                                    |
| 18–44 years                                   | 55,030              | 3,551                                                 | 5,032                                         | 6.5 (0.21)                                            | 9.2 (0.25)                                    |
| 45–64 years                                   | 31,250              | 1,966                                                 | 2,760                                         | 6.3 (0.25)                                            | 8.9 (0.28)                                    |
| 65 years and over                             | 18,785              | 494                                                   | 860                                           | 2.6 (0.23)                                            | 4.6 (0.29)                                    |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                     |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Under 12 years                                | 4,267               | 105                                                   | 144                                           | 2.5 (0.36)                                            | 3.4 (0.44)                                    |
| 12–17 years                                   | 1,763               | 75                                                    | 77                                            | 4.2 (0.65)                                            | 4.3 (0.66)                                    |
| 18–44 years                                   | 7,326               | 325                                                   | 409                                           | 4.4 (0.36)                                            | 5.6 (0.41)                                    |
| 45–64 years                                   | 2,340               | 135                                                   | 146                                           | 5.8 (0.67)                                            | 6.3 (0.71)                                    |
| 65 years and over                             | 809                 | *17                                                   | 25                                            | *2.2 (0.71)                                           | 3.1 (0.81)                                    |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                   |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Under 12 years                                | 4,122               | 106                                                   | 145                                           | 2.6 (0.38)                                            | 3.5 (0.44)                                    |
| 12–17 years                                   | 1,650               | 85                                                    | 87                                            | 5.1 (0.76)                                            | 5.3 (0.72)                                    |
| 18–44 years                                   | 7,115               | 469                                                   | 569                                           | 6.6 (0.42)                                            | 8.0 (0.47)                                    |
| 45–64 years                                   | 2,556               | 216                                                   | 251                                           | 8.5 (0.74)                                            | 9.8 (0.79)                                    |
| 65 years and over                             | 1,103               | 46                                                    | 51                                            | 4.2 (0.81)                                            | 4.6 (0.93)                                    |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                       |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| White, single race, male:                     |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Under 12 years                                | 15,244              | 292                                                   | 503                                           | 1.9 (0.26)                                            | 3.3 (0.32)                                    |
| 12–17 years                                   | 7,990               | 212                                                   | 324                                           | 2.7 (0.39)                                            | 4.1 (0.42)                                    |
| 18–44 years                                   | 36,659              | 1,911                                                 | 2,819                                         | 5.2 (0.25)                                            | 7.7 (0.31)                                    |
| 45–64 years                                   | 22,915              | 973                                                   | 1,481                                         | 4.3 (0.25)                                            | 6.5 (0.30)                                    |
| 65 years and over                             | 11,594              | 209                                                   | 313                                           | 1.8 (0.27)                                            | 2.7 (0.31)                                    |
| White, single race, female:                   |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Under 12 years                                | 14,526              | 270                                                   | 468                                           | 1.9 (0.25)                                            | 3.2 (0.31)                                    |
| 12–17 years                                   | 7,572               | 243                                                   | 383                                           | 3.2 (0.43)                                            | 5.1 (0.54)                                    |
| 18–44 years                                   | 36,926              | 2,414                                                 | 3,631                                         | 6.6 (0.27)                                            | 9.9 (0.32)                                    |
| 45–64 years                                   | 23,831              | 1,311                                                 | 2,040                                         | 5.5 (0.28)                                            | 8.6 (0.32)                                    |
| 65 years and over                             | 15,593              | 371                                                   | 701                                           | 2.4 (0.24)                                            | 4.5 (0.32)                                    |
| Black or African American, single race, male: |                     |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Under 12 years                                | 3,513               | 108                                                   | 144                                           | 3.1 (0.52)                                            | 4.1 (0.63)                                    |
| 12–17 years                                   | 1,758               | 46                                                    | 91                                            | 2.6 (0.66)                                            | 5.2 (1.02)                                    |
| 18–44 years                                   | 6,251               | 368                                                   | 394                                           | 5.9 (0.50)                                            | 6.4 (0.53)                                    |
| 45–64 years                                   | 2,714               | 144                                                   | 159                                           | 5.3 (0.66)                                            | 5.9 (0.70)                                    |
| 65 years and over                             | 1,053               | 45                                                    | 48                                            | 4.2 (0.96)                                            | 4.6 (1.01)                                    |

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| Selected characteristic                             | Selected measures of health care access |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                                                     | All persons                             | Did not receive medical care due to cost <sup>1</sup> | Delayed medical care due to cost <sup>2</sup> | Did not receive medical care due to cost <sup>1</sup> | Delayed medical care due to cost <sup>2</sup> |
|                                                     |                                         | Number in thousands                                   | Percent <sup>3</sup> (standard error)         |                                                       |                                               |
| Black or African American, single race, female:     |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 3,373                                   | 104                                                   | 154                                           | 3.1 (0.53)                                            | 4.6 (0.71)                                    |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,761                                   | 48                                                    | 92                                            | 2.7 (0.72)                                            | 5.3 (1.01)                                    |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 7,451                                   | 526                                                   | 598                                           | 7.1 (0.50)                                            | 8.1 (0.51)                                    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 3,443                                   | 333                                                   | 359                                           | 9.7 (0.76)                                            | 10.5 (0.79)                                   |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                         | 1,594                                   | 68                                                    | 86                                            | 4.3 (0.81)                                            | 5.4 (0.83)                                    |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 6,073                                   | 431                                                   | 474                                           | 7.1 (0.62)                                            | 7.8 (0.70)                                    |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 7,588                                   | 491                                                   | 582                                           | 6.5 (0.55)                                            | 7.7 (0.58)                                    |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 10,934                                  | 333                                                   | 444                                           | 3.0 (0.26)                                            | 4.1 (0.35)                                    |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| White, single race:                                 |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 10,786                                  | 1,394                                                 | 1,631                                         | 12.9 (0.78)                                           | 15.1 (0.93)                                   |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 21,896                                  | 1,951                                                 | 2,914                                         | 8.9 (0.54)                                            | 13.3 (0.62)                                   |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 104,941                                 | 3,041                                                 | 5,385                                         | 2.9 (0.13)                                            | 5.1 (0.18)                                    |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                         |                                                       |                                               |                                                       |                                               |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 5,566                                   | 529                                                   | 544                                           | 9.5 (0.81)                                            | 9.8 (0.85)                                    |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 5,548                                   | 480                                                   | 568                                           | 8.7 (0.77)                                            | 10.2 (0.90)                                   |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 11,566                                  | 363                                                   | 496                                           | 3.1 (0.31)                                            | 4.3 (0.42)                                    |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

<sup>1</sup>Did not receive medical care due to cost is based on the question, "During the past 12 months, was there any time when {person} needed medical care but did not get it because {person} could not afford it?" (Excludes dental care.)

<sup>2</sup>Delayed medical care due to cost is based on the question, "During the past 12 months has {person} delayed seeking medical care because of worry about the cost?" (Excludes dental care.)

<sup>3</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I").

<sup>4</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, health insurance characteristics, and current health status.

<sup>5</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "1 race" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>6</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>7</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>8</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>9</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>10</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>11</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>12</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>13</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 16. Frequency distributions of number of overnight hospital stays during the past 12 months, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Number of overnight hospital stays <sup>1</sup> |         |        |       |               |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------|--------|-------|---------------|
|                                                 | All persons                                     | None    | One    | Two   | Three or more |
|                                                 | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>                |         |        |       |               |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                              | 274,019                                         | 249,187 | 17,882 | 3,123 | 1,858         |
| Sex                                             |                                                 |         |        |       |               |
| Male                                            | 133,623                                         | 123,775 | 6,857  | 1,269 | 802           |
| Female                                          | 140,396                                         | 125,411 | 11,025 | 1,854 | 1,056         |
| Age                                             |                                                 |         |        |       |               |
| Under 12 years                                  | 48,350                                          | 44,088  | 3,528  | 307   | 164           |
| 12–17 years                                     | 23,974                                          | 23,306  | 443    | 49    | 34            |
| 18–44 years                                     | 108,472                                         | 100,266 | 6,245  | 798   | 446           |
| 45–64 years                                     | 60,530                                          | 55,035  | 3,673  | 861   | 461           |
| 65 years and over                               | 32,693                                          | 26,492  | 3,993  | 1,108 | 753           |
| Race                                            |                                                 |         |        |       |               |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                             | 270,530                                         | 246,085 | 17,560 | 3,086 | 1,835         |
| White                                           | 215,836                                         | 196,184 | 14,191 | 2,531 | 1,439         |
| Black or African American                       | 33,501                                          | 30,299  | 2,171  | 425   | 304           |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 1,943                                           | 1,796   | 122    | *7    | *11           |
| Asian                                           | 10,337                                          | 9,647   | 470    | 64    | *29           |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander       | 324                                             | 291     | 33     | *—    | *—            |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                    | 3,488                                           | 3,101   | 322    | 37    | *23           |
| Black or African American, white                | 730                                             | 630     | 81     | *2    | *15           |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 965                                             | 847     | 96     | *18   | *—            |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race |                                                 |         |        |       |               |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 33,052                                          | 30,564  | 1,979  | 227   | 172           |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 21,238                                          | 19,625  | 1,326  | 143   | 75            |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 240,967                                         | 218,623 | 15,903 | 2,896 | 1,686         |
| White, single race                              | 192,850                                         | 174,819 | 12,922 | 2,368 | 1,326         |
| Black or African American, single race          | 32,911                                          | 29,763  | 2,123  | 425   | 298           |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                          |                                                 |         |        |       |               |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 29,021                                          | 25,088  | 2,626  | 742   | 480           |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>         | 52,924                                          | 47,991  | 3,522  | 745   | 542           |
| Some college                                    | 44,152                                          | 39,991  | 3,212  | 563   | 289           |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 42,723                                          | 39,203  | 2,736  | 462   | 223           |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                      |                                                 |         |        |       |               |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 49,464                                          | 43,519  | 4,169  | 997   | 676           |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 201,347                                         | 185,496 | 12,335 | 1,903 | 980           |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 36,873                                          | 33,427  | 2,597  | 512   | 317           |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 41,702                                          | 38,392  | 2,681  | 402   | 221           |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 30,695                                          | 28,608  | 1,701  | 264   | 89            |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 48,719                                          | 45,509  | 2,713  | 334   | 135           |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                    |                                                 |         |        |       |               |
| Poor                                            | 24,049                                          | 21,413  | 1,911  | 432   | 276           |
| Near poor                                       | 37,366                                          | 33,435  | 2,851  | 582   | 469           |
| Not poor                                        | 134,475                                         | 124,390 | 8,167  | 1,282 | 565           |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>11</sup>         |                                                 |         |        |       |               |
| Under 65 years:                                 |                                                 |         |        |       |               |
| Private                                         | 171,198                                         | 159,348 | 9,337  | 1,250 | 531           |
| Medicaid                                        | 21,585                                          | 18,575  | 2,230  | 377   | 339           |
| Other                                           | 5,976                                           | 5,179   | 542    | 142   | 91            |
| Uninsured                                       | 40,054                                          | 37,606  | 1,686  | 236   | 142           |
| 65 years and over:                              |                                                 |         |        |       |               |
| Private                                         | 20,426                                          | 16,538  | 2,613  | 702   | 467           |
| Medicare and Medicaid                           | 1,863                                           | 1,343   | 292    | 135   | 77            |
| Medicare only                                   | 8,603                                           | 7,213   | 910    | 196   | 154           |
| Other                                           | 1,037                                           | 804     | 133    | 59    | 41            |
| Uninsured                                       | 445                                             | 400     | *22    | *4    | *9            |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16. Frequency distributions of number of overnight hospital stays during the past 12 months, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                         | Number of overnight hospital stays <sup>1</sup> |         |       |       |               |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------|-------|-------|---------------|
|                                                 | All persons                                     | None    | One   | Two   | Three or more |
| Place of residence                              |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
|                                                 | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>                |         |       |       |               |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .               | 131,951                                         | 120,622 | 8,158 | 1,298 | 808           |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .               | 87,062                                          | 79,122  | 5,726 | 1,005 | 561           |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .              | 55,006                                          | 49,443  | 3,999 | 820   | 490           |
| Region                                          |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Northeast . . . . .                             | 52,199                                          | 47,886  | 3,241 | 514   | 303           |
| Midwest . . . . .                               | 67,577                                          | 61,290  | 4,626 | 858   | 522           |
| South . . . . .                                 | 96,925                                          | 87,396  | 6,603 | 1,228 | 791           |
| West . . . . .                                  | 57,318                                          | 52,615  | 3,412 | 523   | 242           |
| Sex and age                                     |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Male:                                           |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 24,699                                          | 22,522  | 1,765 | 178   | 87            |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 12,296                                          | 11,996  | 188   | *17   | *18           |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 53,442                                          | 51,452  | 1,320 | 223   | 112           |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 29,279                                          | 26,670  | 1,733 | 395   | 249           |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 13,908                                          | 11,134  | 1,852 | 456   | 336           |
| Female:                                         |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 23,652                                          | 21,565  | 1,764 | 128   | 78            |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 11,679                                          | 11,310  | 256   | 33    | *16           |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 55,030                                          | 48,814  | 4,925 | 575   | 334           |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 31,250                                          | 28,365  | 1,940 | 465   | 212           |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 18,785                                          | 15,358  | 2,141 | 652   | 417           |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age   |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                       |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 4,267                                           | 3,892   | 326   | 30    | *8            |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 1,763                                           | 1,727   | 25    | *2    | *4            |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 7,326                                           | 7,119   | 165   | *13   | *11           |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 2,340                                           | 2,186   | 110   | 20    | *10           |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 809                                             | 661     | 90    | 20    | 31            |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                     |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 4,122                                           | 3,789   | 289   | 21    | *11           |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 1,650                                           | 1,601   | 38    | *5    | *1            |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 7,115                                           | 6,291   | 700   | 59    | 42            |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 2,556                                           | 2,365   | 134   | 21    | 27            |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 1,103                                           | 933     | 102   | 35    | *28           |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| White, single race, male:                       |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 15,244                                          | 13,890  | 1,076 | 120   | 63            |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 7,990                                           | 7,793   | 127   | *12   | *10           |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 36,659                                          | 35,250  | 969   | 166   | 65            |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 22,915                                          | 20,858  | 1,368 | 308   | 188           |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 11,594                                          | 9,257   | 1,596 | 379   | 265           |
| White, single race, female:                     |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 14,526                                          | 13,193  | 1,158 | 68    | *31           |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 7,572                                           | 7,346   | 155   | *22   | *10           |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 36,926                                          | 32,821  | 3,230 | 390   | 225           |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 23,831                                          | 21,680  | 1,438 | 355   | 140           |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 15,593                                          | 12,730  | 1,804 | 548   | 329           |
| Black or African American, single race, male:   |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 3,513                                           | 3,211   | 234   | *19   | *10           |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 1,758                                           | 1,725   | *19   | *–    | *4            |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 6,251                                           | 5,995   | 134   | *30   | *23           |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 2,714                                           | 2,417   | 183   | 57    | 42            |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 1,053                                           | 845     | 112   | 41    | 37            |
| Black or African American, single race, female: |                                                 |         |       |       |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                        | 3,373                                           | 3,095   | 198   | 36    | *24           |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                           | 1,761                                           | 1,692   | 50    | *2    | *5            |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                           | 7,451                                           | 6,505   | 717   | 98    | 58            |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                           | 3,443                                           | 3,008   | 282   | 83    | 44            |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                     | 1,594                                           | 1,272   | 194   | 59    | 50            |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16. Frequency distributions of number of overnight hospital stays during the past 12 months, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | Number of overnight hospital stays <sup>1</sup> |        |       |       |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|---------------|
|                                                     | All persons                                     | None   | One   | Two   | Three or more |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>                |        |       |       |               |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                                 |        |       |       |               |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 6,073                                           | 5,526  | 433   | 59    | 49            |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 7,588                                           | 7,029  | 464   | 47    | 48            |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 10,934                                          | 10,252 | 575   | 75    | 31            |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                                 |        |       |       |               |
| White, single race:                                 |                                                 |        |       |       |               |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 10,786                                          | 9,422  | 949   | 265   | 140           |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 21,896                                          | 19,340 | 1,800 | 414   | 325           |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 104,941                                         | 96,866 | 6,522 | 1,063 | 445           |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                                 |        |       |       |               |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 5,566                                           | 4,951  | 456   | 88    | 72            |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 5,548                                           | 4,924  | 449   | 97    | 79            |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 11,566                                          | 10,697 | 661   | 119   | 71            |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

— Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Number of hospital stays is based on the questions: "During the past 12 months was {person} a patient in a hospital overnight?" and "How many different times did {person} stay in any hospital overnight or longer during the past 12 months?" Hospital stays due to childbirth are included but overnight stays in an emergency room are excluded.

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see "Appendix I"), but they are included in the "All persons" column.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "1 race" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 17. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of number of overnight hospital stays during the past 12 months, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                            | Number of overnight hospital stays <sup>1</sup> |             |             |             |               |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
|                                                    | All persons                                     | None        | One         | Two         | Three or more |
| Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                                 | 100.0                                           | 91.6 (0.11) | 6.6 (0.09)  | 1.1 (0.04)  | 0.7 (0.03)    |
| Sex                                                |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Male                                               | 100.0                                           | 93.3 (0.13) | 5.2 (0.11)  | 1.0 (0.05)  | 0.6 (0.04)    |
| Female                                             | 100.0                                           | 90.0 (0.16) | 7.9 (0.14)  | 1.3 (0.06)  | 0.8 (0.04)    |
| Age                                                |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Under 12 years                                     | 100.0                                           | 91.7 (0.23) | 7.3 (0.22)  | 0.6 (0.07)  | 0.3 (0.05)    |
| 12–17 years                                        | 100.0                                           | 97.8 (0.17) | 1.9 (0.15)  | 0.2 (0.05)  | 0.1 (0.04)    |
| 18–44 years                                        | 100.0                                           | 93.0 (0.14) | 5.8 (0.13)  | 0.7 (0.05)  | 0.4 (0.04)    |
| 45–64 years                                        | 100.0                                           | 91.7 (0.20) | 6.1 (0.17)  | 1.4 (0.08)  | 0.8 (0.07)    |
| 65 years and over                                  | 100.0                                           | 81.9 (0.40) | 12.3 (0.34) | 3.4 (0.18)  | 2.3 (0.16)    |
| Race                                               |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                                | 100.0                                           | 91.6 (0.11) | 6.5 (0.09)  | 1.1 (0.04)  | 0.7 (0.03)    |
| White                                              | 100.0                                           | 91.5 (0.13) | 6.6 (0.11)  | 1.2 (0.04)  | 0.7 (0.03)    |
| Black or African American                          | 100.0                                           | 91.3 (0.29) | 6.5 (0.25)  | 1.3 (0.10)  | 0.9 (0.09)    |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                   | 100.0                                           | 92.7 (1.04) | 6.3 (1.06)  | *0.4 (0.23) | *0.6 (0.26)   |
| Asian                                              | 100.0                                           | 94.5 (0.48) | 4.6 (0.43)  | 0.6 (0.14)  | *0.3 (0.10)   |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander          | 100.0                                           | 89.9 (2.78) | 10.1 (2.78) | *—          | *—            |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                       | 100.0                                           | 89.0 (0.84) | 9.3 (0.82)  | 1.0 (0.24)  | *0.7 (0.25)   |
| Black or African American, white                   | 100.0                                           | 86.6 (2.06) | 11.2 (1.96) | *0.2 (0.23) | *2.0 (0.95)   |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white            | 100.0                                           | 88.1 (1.88) | 10.0 (1.79) | *1.9 (0.60) | *—            |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race    |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Hispanic or Latino                                 | 100.0                                           | 92.8 (0.21) | 6.0 (0.19)  | 0.7 (0.06)  | 0.5 (0.06)    |
| Mexican or Mexican American                        | 100.0                                           | 92.7 (0.26) | 6.3 (0.24)  | 0.7 (0.07)  | 0.4 (0.05)    |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                             | 100.0                                           | 91.4 (0.12) | 6.7 (0.10)  | 1.2 (0.04)  | 0.7 (0.03)    |
| White, single race                                 | 100.0                                           | 91.3 (0.14) | 6.7 (0.12)  | 1.2 (0.05)  | 0.7 (0.04)    |
| Black or African American, single race             | 100.0                                           | 91.3 (0.29) | 6.5 (0.25)  | 1.3 (0.10)  | 0.9 (0.09)    |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                             |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Less than a high school diploma                    | 100.0                                           | 86.7 (0.35) | 9.1 (0.28)  | 2.6 (0.16)  | 1.7 (0.13)    |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>            | 100.0                                           | 90.9 (0.23) | 6.7 (0.20)  | 1.4 (0.09)  | 1.0 (0.08)    |
| Some college                                       | 100.0                                           | 90.8 (0.24) | 7.3 (0.22)  | 1.3 (0.09)  | 0.7 (0.07)    |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                        | 100.0                                           | 92.0 (0.24) | 6.4 (0.21)  | 1.1 (0.09)  | 0.5 (0.06)    |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                         |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Less than \$20,000                                 | 100.0                                           | 88.2 (0.28) | 8.4 (0.22)  | 2.0 (0.12)  | 1.4 (0.09)    |
| \$20,000 or more                                   | 100.0                                           | 92.4 (0.13) | 6.1 (0.11)  | 0.9 (0.04)  | 0.5 (0.03)    |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                                  | 100.0                                           | 90.7 (0.31) | 7.0 (0.26)  | 1.4 (0.11)  | 0.9 (0.09)    |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                                  | 100.0                                           | 92.1 (0.27) | 6.4 (0.25)  | 1.0 (0.08)  | 0.5 (0.07)    |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                                  | 100.0                                           | 93.3 (0.30) | 5.5 (0.27)  | 0.9 (0.09)  | 0.3 (0.06)    |
| \$75,000 or more                                   | 100.0                                           | 93.5 (0.24) | 5.6 (0.22)  | 0.7 (0.07)  | 0.3 (0.04)    |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                       |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Poor                                               | 100.0                                           | 89.1 (0.39) | 8.0 (0.32)  | 1.8 (0.16)  | 1.1 (0.11)    |
| Near poor                                          | 100.0                                           | 89.5 (0.32) | 7.6 (0.27)  | 1.6 (0.12)  | 1.3 (0.11)    |
| Not poor                                           | 100.0                                           | 92.5 (0.15) | 6.1 (0.14)  | 1.0 (0.05)  | 0.4 (0.03)    |
| Health insurance coverage <sup>11</sup>            |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Under 65 years:                                    |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Private                                            | 100.0                                           | 93.5 (0.13) | 5.5 (0.11)  | 0.7 (0.04)  | 0.3 (0.03)    |
| Medicaid                                           | 100.0                                           | 86.3 (0.46) | 10.4 (0.41) | 1.8 (0.16)  | 1.6 (0.14)    |
| Other                                              | 100.0                                           | 87.0 (0.88) | 9.1 (0.77)  | 2.4 (0.37)  | 1.5 (0.27)    |
| Uninsured                                          | 100.0                                           | 94.8 (0.22) | 4.2 (0.19)  | 0.6 (0.08)  | 0.4 (0.06)    |
| 65 years and over:                                 |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Private                                            | 100.0                                           | 81.4 (0.52) | 12.9 (0.43) | 3.5 (0.23)  | 2.3 (0.20)    |
| Medicare and Medicaid                              | 100.0                                           | 72.7 (1.85) | 15.8 (1.47) | 7.3 (1.13)  | 4.2 (0.78)    |
| Medicare only                                      | 100.0                                           | 85.1 (0.69) | 10.7 (0.59) | 2.3 (0.27)  | 1.8 (0.26)    |
| Other                                              | 100.0                                           | 77.6 (2.32) | 12.8 (1.86) | 5.7 (1.35)  | 3.9 (1.03)    |
| Uninsured                                          | 100.0                                           | 91.9 (2.30) | *5.1 (1.87) | *1.0 (0.68) | *2.1 (1.27)   |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 17. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of number of overnight hospital stays during the past 12 months, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                            | Number of overnight hospital stays <sup>1</sup> |             |             |             |               |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
|                                                    | All persons                                     | None        | One         | Two         | Three or more |
| Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Place of residence                                 |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .                  | 100.0                                           | 92.2 (0.15) | 6.2 (0.13)  | 1.0 (0.05)  | 0.6 (0.04)    |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .                  | 100.0                                           | 91.6 (0.19) | 6.6 (0.16)  | 1.2 (0.07)  | 0.6 (0.05)    |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup> . . . . .                 | 100.0                                           | 90.3 (0.29) | 7.3 (0.22)  | 1.5 (0.11)  | 0.9 (0.08)    |
| Region                                             |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Northeast . . . . .                                | 100.0                                           | 92.2 (0.26) | 6.2 (0.23)  | 1.0 (0.08)  | 0.6 (0.06)    |
| Midwest . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                           | 91.1 (0.22) | 6.9 (0.19)  | 1.3 (0.08)  | 0.8 (0.06)    |
| South . . . . .                                    | 100.0                                           | 91.0 (0.19) | 6.9 (0.16)  | 1.3 (0.07)  | 0.8 (0.06)    |
| West . . . . .                                     | 100.0                                           | 92.6 (0.22) | 6.0 (0.20)  | 0.9 (0.07)  | 0.4 (0.04)    |
| Sex and age                                        |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Male:                                              |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                           | 91.7 (0.32) | 7.2 (0.30)  | 0.7 (0.10)  | 0.4 (0.07)    |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 98.2 (0.20) | 1.5 (0.18)  | *0.1 (0.05) | *0.1 (0.06)   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 96.9 (0.14) | 2.5 (0.12)  | 0.4 (0.05)  | 0.2 (0.04)    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 91.8 (0.30) | 6.0 (0.25)  | 1.4 (0.12)  | 0.9 (0.10)    |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                           | 80.8 (0.63) | 13.4 (0.54) | 3.3 (0.27)  | 2.4 (0.24)    |
| Female:                                            |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                           | 91.6 (0.33) | 7.5 (0.31)  | 0.5 (0.09)  | 0.3 (0.06)    |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 97.4 (0.26) | 2.2 (0.24)  | 0.3 (0.08)  | *0.1 (0.06)   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 89.3 (0.24) | 9.0 (0.22)  | 1.1 (0.08)  | 0.6 (0.06)    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 91.6 (0.27) | 6.3 (0.24)  | 1.5 (0.13)  | 0.7 (0.08)    |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                           | 82.7 (0.51) | 11.5 (0.44) | 3.5 (0.24)  | 2.2 (0.19)    |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age      |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                          |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                           | 91.4 (0.55) | 7.7 (0.53)  | 0.7 (0.16)  | *0.2 (0.09)   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 98.2 (0.41) | 1.4 (0.38)  | *0.1 (0.08) | *0.2 (0.15)   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 97.4 (0.26) | 2.3 (0.24)  | *0.2 (0.06) | *0.2 (0.07)   |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 93.9 (0.69) | 4.7 (0.62)  | 0.9 (0.23)  | *0.4 (0.19)   |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                           | 82.4 (1.78) | 11.2 (1.43) | 2.5 (0.70)  | 3.8 (1.00)    |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                        |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                           | 92.2 (0.57) | 7.0 (0.55)  | 0.5 (0.15)  | *0.3 (0.09)   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 97.3 (0.63) | 2.3 (0.55)  | *0.3 (0.16) | *0.0 (0.04)   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 88.7 (0.49) | 9.9 (0.46)  | 0.8 (0.15)  | 0.6 (0.11)    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 92.9 (0.65) | 5.2 (0.59)  | 0.8 (0.23)  | 1.1 (0.27)    |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                           | 85.0 (1.61) | 9.3 (1.21)  | 3.2 (0.65)  | *2.5 (0.78)   |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                             |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| White, single race, male:                          |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                           | 91.7 (0.45) | 7.1 (0.41)  | 0.8 (0.14)  | 0.4 (0.11)    |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 98.1 (0.26) | 1.6 (0.24)  | *0.2 (0.08) | *0.1 (0.07)   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 96.7 (0.17) | 2.7 (0.16)  | 0.5 (0.07)  | 0.2 (0.04)    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 91.8 (0.35) | 6.0 (0.30)  | 1.4 (0.14)  | 0.8 (0.12)    |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                           | 80.5 (0.71) | 13.9 (0.61) | 3.3 (0.29)  | 2.3 (0.26)    |
| White, single race, female:                        |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                           | 91.3 (0.45) | 8.0 (0.44)  | 0.5 (0.11)  | *0.2 (0.07)   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 97.5 (0.32) | 2.1 (0.30)  | *0.3 (0.11) | *0.1 (0.07)   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 89.5 (0.30) | 8.8 (0.28)  | 1.1 (0.10)  | 0.6 (0.08)    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 91.8 (0.32) | 6.1 (0.29)  | 1.5 (0.16)  | 0.6 (0.09)    |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                           | 82.6 (0.58) | 11.7 (0.50) | 3.6 (0.28)  | 2.1 (0.21)    |
| Black or African American, single race, male:      |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                           | 92.4 (0.72) | 6.7 (0.68)  | *0.6 (0.19) | *0.3 (0.13)   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 98.7 (0.43) | *1.1 (0.36) | *—          | *0.2 (0.24)   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 97.0 (0.37) | 2.2 (0.31)  | *0.5 (0.16) | *0.4 (0.13)   |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 89.6 (0.93) | 6.8 (0.74)  | 2.1 (0.44)  | 1.5 (0.43)    |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                           | 81.6 (2.05) | 10.8 (1.60) | 4.0 (0.93)  | 3.6 (0.93)    |
| Black or African American, single race, female:    |                                                 |             |             |             |               |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                           | 100.0                                           | 92.3 (0.76) | 5.9 (0.67)  | 1.1 (0.29)  | *0.7 (0.25)   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 96.7 (0.81) | 2.8 (0.78)  | *0.1 (0.14) | *0.3 (0.21)   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 88.2 (0.65) | 9.7 (0.59)  | 1.3 (0.21)  | 0.8 (0.19)    |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                              | 100.0                                           | 88.0 (0.78) | 8.3 (0.66)  | 2.4 (0.40)  | 1.3 (0.28)    |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                        | 100.0                                           | 80.8 (1.52) | 12.3 (1.17) | 3.7 (0.76)  | 3.2 (0.74)    |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 17. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of number of overnight hospital stays during the past 12 months, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | Number of overnight hospital stays <sup>1</sup>    |             |            |            |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|---------------|
|                                                     | All persons                                        | None        | One        | Two        | Three or more |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status | Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |             |            |            |               |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                                    |             |            |            |               |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0                                              | 91.1 (0.54) | 7.1 (0.48) | 1.0 (0.14) | 0.8 (0.16)    |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0                                              | 92.6 (0.48) | 6.1 (0.43) | 0.6 (0.11) | 0.6 (0.14)    |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                              | 93.8 (0.35) | 5.3 (0.33) | 0.7 (0.10) | 0.3 (0.07)    |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                                    |             |            |            |               |
| White, single race:                                 |                                                    |             |            |            |               |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0                                              | 87.4 (0.66) | 8.8 (0.53) | 2.5 (0.32) | 1.3 (0.20)    |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0                                              | 88.4 (0.45) | 8.2 (0.37) | 1.9 (0.17) | 1.5 (0.16)    |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                              | 92.3 (0.18) | 6.2 (0.16) | 1.0 (0.06) | 0.4 (0.04)    |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                                    |             |            |            |               |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0                                              | 88.9 (0.78) | 8.2 (0.65) | 1.6 (0.28) | 1.3 (0.22)    |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0                                              | 88.7 (0.79) | 8.1 (0.68) | 1.7 (0.29) | 1.4 (0.26)    |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0                                              | 92.6 (0.42) | 5.7 (0.39) | 1.0 (0.16) | 0.6 (0.14)    |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

— Quantity zero.

0.0 Figure does not meet standard of reliability or precision and quantity more than zero but less than 0.05.

<sup>1</sup>Number of hospital stays is based on the questions: "During the past 12 months was {person} a patient in a hospital overnight?" and "How many different times did {person} stay in any hospital overnight or longer during the past 12 months?" Hospital stays due to childbirth are included but overnight stays in an emergency room are excluded.

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I"). Percents may not add to totals due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 18. Frequency distributions of type of health insurance coverage for persons under age 65 years and for persons 65 years of age and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> by age |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------|----------|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------------|-------|-----------|
|                                                 | Under age 65 years                            |         |          |       |           | 65 years of age and over             |         |                       |               |       |           |
|                                                 | All persons under 65 years of age             | Private | Medicaid | Other | Uninsured | All persons 65 years of age and over | Private | Medicare and Medicaid | Medicare only | Other | Uninsured |
| Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>                |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                              | 241,326                                       | 171,198 | 21,585   | 5,976 | 40,054    | 32,693                               | 20,426  | 1,863                 | 8,603         | 1,037 | 445       |
| Sex                                             |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Male                                            | 119,715                                       | 85,194  | 9,177    | 3,028 | 21,013    | 13,908                               | 8,854   | 552                   | 3,557         | 616   | 189       |
| Female                                          | 121,611                                       | 86,004  | 12,409   | 2,948 | 19,041    | 18,785                               | 11,572  | 1,311                 | 5,046         | 420   | 256       |
| Age                                             |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Under 12 years                                  | 48,350                                        | 31,453  | 9,867    | 1,035 | 5,763     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 12–17 years                                     | 23,974                                        | 16,699  | 3,367    | 536   | 3,164     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 18–44 years                                     | 108,472                                       | 76,003  | 5,790    | 1,805 | 23,547    | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 45–64 years                                     | 60,530                                        | 47,043  | 2,561    | 2,600 | 7,581     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 65 years and over                               | ...                                           | ...     | ...      | ...   | ...       | 32,693                               | 20,426  | 1,863                 | 8,603         | 1,037 | 445       |
| Race                                            |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                             | 237,980                                       | 169,144 | 20,986   | 5,851 | 39,494    | 32,551                               | 20,334  | 1,851                 | 8,568         | 1,032 | 445       |
| White                                           | 187,217                                       | 140,905 | 12,337   | 4,187 | 28,126    | 28,619                               | 18,964  | 1,212                 | 7,151         | 744   | 278       |
| Black or African American                       | 30,834                                        | 16,906  | 6,161    | 1,193 | 5,967     | 2,667                                | 955     | 385                   | 1,035         | 196   | 66        |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 1,828                                         | 789     | 268      | *59   | 700       | 116                                  | *25     | *31                   | 30            | *9    | *17       |
| Asian                                           | 9,609                                         | 6,822   | 708      | 269   | 1,667     | 728                                  | 307     | 96                    | 202           | 60    | 51        |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander       | 317                                           | 134     | *84      | *14   | 86        | 6                                    | *2      | *–                    | *4            | *–    | *–        |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                    | 3,346                                         | 2,055   | 599      | 125   | 560       | 143                                  | 92      | *11                   | 35            | *4    | *–        |
| Black or African American, white                | 725                                           | 398     | 201      | *20   | 106       | 5                                    | *3      | *–                    | *2            | *–    | *–        |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 893                                           | 530     | 106      | *29   | 221       | 72                                   | 52      | *2                    | *18           | *–    | *–        |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 31,139                                        | 14,820  | 4,756    | 493   | 10,808    | 1,913                                | 469     | 428                   | 756           | 123   | 127       |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 20,245                                        | 9,173   | 2,791    | 237   | 7,889     | 993                                  | 214     | 214                   | 414           | 63    | 84        |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 210,186                                       | 156,378 | 16,830   | 5,483 | 29,246    | 30,781                               | 19,958  | 1,435                 | 7,848         | 914   | 318       |
| White, single race                              | 165,663                                       | 130,421 | 9,353    | 3,860 | 20,545    | 27,187                               | 18,596  | 929                   | 6,565         | 650   | 184       |
| Black or African American, single race          | 30,263                                        | 16,627  | 5,996    | 1,176 | 5,861     | 2,647                                | 948     | 381                   | 1,028         | 194   | 66        |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                          |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 19,184                                        | 8,661   | 2,588    | 857   | 6,948     | 9,837                                | 4,989   | 1,192                 | 2,938         | 460   | 202       |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>         | 42,219                                        | 31,038  | 2,027    | 1,282 | 7,502     | 10,705                               | 7,186   | 307                   | 2,759         | 274   | 107       |
| Some college                                    | 38,229                                        | 30,672  | 1,160    | 1,188 | 5,012     | 5,922                                | 4,155   | 189                   | 1,346         | 147   | 59        |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 38,011                                        | 34,532  | 332      | 582   | 2,438     | 4,712                                | 3,552   | 103                   | 926           | 88    | *27       |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                      |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 38,891                                        | 12,339  | 12,154   | 1,477 | 12,595    | 10,573                               | 5,283   | 1,336                 | 3,243         | 507   | 168       |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 183,490                                       | 147,510 | 7,924    | 4,020 | 23,046    | 17,857                               | 12,825  | 404                   | 3,914         | 424   | 196       |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 31,559                                        | 18,214  | 3,637    | 1,117 | 8,399     | 5,314                                | 3,889   | 126                   | 1,093         | 125   | 60        |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 38,563                                        | 30,426  | 1,597    | 1,037 | 5,358     | 3,138                                | 2,289   | 42                    | 676           | 84    | 39        |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 29,355                                        | 26,242  | 621      | 451   | 2,011     | 1,341                                | 1,000   | *34                   | 235           | 42    | *30       |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 46,658                                        | 43,618  | 447      | 606   | 1,848     | 2,061                                | 1,428   | 47                    | 502           | 60    | *16       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 18. Frequency distributions of type of health insurance coverage for persons under age 65 years and for persons 65 years of age and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                       | Health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> by age |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------|----------|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------------|-------|-----------|
|                                               | Under age 65 years                            |         |          |       |           | 65 years of age and over             |         |                       |               |       |           |
|                                               | All persons under 65 years of age             | Private | Medicaid | Other | Uninsured | All persons 65 years of age and over | Private | Medicare and Medicaid | Medicare only | Other | Uninsured |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                  | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>              |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Poor . . . . .                                | 21,647                                        | 5,384   | 8,495    | 668   | 6,979     | 2,403                                | 724     | 693                   | 744           | 152   | 77        |
| Near poor . . . . .                           | 31,343                                        | 15,287  | 4,956    | 1,250 | 9,661     | 6,023                                | 3,245   | 495                   | 1,855         | 312   | 91        |
| Not poor . . . . .                            | 123,258                                       | 107,137 | 2,454    | 2,491 | 10,830    | 11,217                               | 8,338   | 184                   | 2,312         | 257   | 96        |
| Place of residence                            |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Large MSA <sup>11</sup> . . . . .             | 118,133                                       | 84,839  | 10,159   | 2,368 | 19,260    | 13,818                               | 7,778   | 751                   | 4,367         | 522   | 231       |
| Small MSA <sup>11</sup> . . . . .             | 76,112                                        | 54,681  | 6,175    | 2,516 | 12,126    | 10,950                               | 7,241   | 554                   | 2,643         | 296   | 110       |
| Not in MSA <sup>11</sup> . . . . .            | 47,080                                        | 31,678  | 5,252    | 1,091 | 8,668     | 7,926                                | 5,407   | 558                   | 1,593         | 218   | 105       |
| Region                                        |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Northeast . . . . .                           | 45,173                                        | 34,205  | 4,453    | 647   | 5,375     | 7,026                                | 4,637   | 360                   | 1,687         | 213   | 64        |
| Midwest . . . . .                             | 59,636                                        | 46,567  | 4,412    | 829   | 7,230     | 7,942                                | 5,984   | 245                   | 1,408         | 177   | 67        |
| South . . . . .                               | 85,478                                        | 56,689  | 7,620    | 3,133 | 17,236    | 11,447                               | 6,606   | 871                   | 3,300         | 377   | 163       |
| West . . . . .                                | 51,040                                        | 33,738  | 5,100    | 1,367 | 10,213    | 6,278                                | 3,199   | 386                   | 2,209         | 270   | 150       |
| Current health status                         |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Excellent, very good, good . . . . .          | 224,989                                       | 163,618 | 18,214   | 4,511 | 36,520    | 23,731                               | 15,731  | 803                   | 6,151         | 561   | 299       |
| Fair or poor . . . . .                        | 15,284                                        | 7,171   | 3,323    | 1,443 | 3,208     | 8,773                                | 4,645   | 1,042                 | 2,396         | 470   | 137       |
| Sex and age                                   |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Male:                                         |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                      | 24,699                                        | 16,277  | 4,879    | 520   | 2,924     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                         | 12,296                                        | 8,645   | 1,641    | 294   | 1,612     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                         | 53,442                                        | 37,477  | 1,647    | 764   | 12,801    | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                         | 29,279                                        | 22,795  | 1,010    | 1,450 | 3,676     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                   | ...                                           | ...     | ...      | ...   | ...       | 13,908                               | 8,854   | 552                   | 3,557         | 616   | 189       |
| Female:                                       |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                      | 23,652                                        | 15,177  | 4,988    | 514   | 2,839     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                         | 11,679                                        | 8,054   | 1,727    | 242   | 1,552     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                         | 55,030                                        | 38,526  | 4,143    | 1,041 | 10,746    | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                         | 31,250                                        | 24,248  | 1,551    | 1,150 | 3,905     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                   | ...                                           | ...     | ...      | ...   | ...       | 18,785                               | 11,572  | 1,311                 | 5,046         | 420   | 256       |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                     |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                      | 4,267                                         | 1,848   | 1,358    | 71    | 972       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                         | 1,763                                         | 867     | 335      | *24   | 526       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                         | 7,326                                         | 3,460   | 275      | 38    | 3,474     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                         | 2,340                                         | 1,357   | 158      | 77    | 732       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                   | ...                                           | ...     | ...      | ...   | ...       | 809                                  | 230     | 147                   | 316           | 58    | 53        |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                   |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                      | 4,122                                         | 1,759   | 1,245    | 64    | 1,021     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                         | 1,650                                         | 757     | 342      | 27    | 511       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                         | 7,115                                         | 3,421   | 756      | 103   | 2,764     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                         | 2,556                                         | 1,351   | 287      | 88    | 807       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                   | ...                                           | ...     | ...      | ...   | ...       | 1,103                                | 239     | 281                   | 440           | 64    | 74        |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 18. Frequency distributions of type of health insurance coverage for persons under age 65 years and for persons 65 years of age and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | Health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> by age |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------|----------|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------------|-------|-----------|
|                                                     | Under age 65 years                            |         |          |       |           | 65 years of age and over             |         |                       |               |       |           |
|                                                     | All persons under 65 years of age             | Private | Medicaid | Other | Uninsured | All persons 65 years of age and over | Private | Medicare and Medicaid | Medicare only | Other | Uninsured |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                              | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>              |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| White, single race, male:                           |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Under 12 years                                      | 15,244                                        | 11,798  | 1,795    | 303   | 1,310     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 12–17 years                                         | 7,990                                         | 6,342   | 674      | 189   | 732       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 18–44 years                                         | 36,659                                        | 28,249  | 886      | 474   | 6,603     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 45–64 years                                         | 22,915                                        | 18,768  | 582      | 1,043 | 2,261     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 65 years and over                                   | ...                                           | ...     | ...      | ...   | ...       | 11,594                               | 7,995   | 274                   | 2,714         | 422   | 77        |
| White, single race, female:                         |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Under 12 years                                      | 14,526                                        | 10,989  | 1,991    | 322   | 1,178     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 12–17 years                                         | 7,572                                         | 5,958   | 743      | 127   | 696       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 18–44 years                                         | 36,926                                        | 28,522  | 1,898    | 671   | 5,522     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 45–64 years                                         | 23,831                                        | 19,796  | 785      | 730   | 2,244     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 65 years and over                                   | ...                                           | ...     | ...      | ...   | ...       | 15,593                               | 10,601  | 655                   | 3,851         | 228   | 107       |
| Black or African American, single race, male:       |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Under 12 years                                      | 3,513                                         | 1,573   | 1,418    | 100   | 378       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 12–17 years                                         | 1,758                                         | 951     | 481      | 61    | 236       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 18–44 years                                         | 6,251                                         | 3,608   | 365      | 203   | 1,913     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 45–64 years                                         | 2,714                                         | 1,753   | 182      | 265   | 453       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 65 years and over                                   | ...                                           | ...     | ...      | ...   | ...       | 1,053                                | 425     | 85                    | 393           | 109   | *25       |
| Black or African American, single race, female:     |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Under 12 years                                      | 3,373                                         | 1,441   | 1,407    | 83    | 397       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 12–17 years                                         | 1,761                                         | 913     | 515      | 56    | 241       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 18–44 years                                         | 7,451                                         | 4,198   | 1,260    | 178   | 1,660     | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 45–64 years                                         | 3,443                                         | 2,192   | 368      | 232   | 583       | ...                                  | ...     | ...                   | ...           | ...   | ...       |
| 65 years and over                                   | ...                                           | ...     | ...      | ...   | ...       | 1,594                                | 522     | 296                   | 635           | 85    | 41        |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Poor                                                | 5,711                                         | 739     | 2,216    | 95    | 2,632     | 363                                  | 28      | 154                   | 117           | 37    | 26        |
| Near poor                                           | 7,129                                         | 2,811   | 1,058    | 123   | 3,099     | 459                                  | 82      | 110                   | 197           | 25    | 44        |
| Not poor                                            | 10,450                                        | 8,005   | 334      | 135   | 1,938     | 484                                  | 184     | 45                    | 210           | *20   | *20       |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| White, single race:                                 |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Poor                                                | 9,311                                         | 3,328   | 3,041    | 313   | 2,574     | 1,475                                | 620     | 351                   | 403           | 65    | *27       |
| Near poor                                           | 17,154                                        | 9,258   | 2,489    | 780   | 4,542     | 4,742                                | 2,936   | 253                   | 1,304         | 200   | *25       |
| Not poor                                            | 95,154                                        | 84,776  | 1,480    | 1,780 | 6,927     | 9,787                                | 7,600   | 79                    | 1,860         | 182   | *44       |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                               |         |          |       |           |                                      |         |                       |               |       |           |
| Poor                                                | 5,094                                         | 969     | 2,565    | 162   | 1,371     | 472                                  | 65      | 155                   | 193           | 42    | *12       |
| Near poor                                           | 4,892                                         | 2,165   | 1,080    | 257   | 1,335     | 656                                  | 179     | 100                   | 304           | 65    | *8        |
| Not poor                                            | 11,001                                        | 8,763   | 552      | 414   | 1,189     | 565                                  | 358     | 36                    | 138           | 23    | *7        |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

... Category not applicable.

— Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Health insurance coverage is based on the question, "What kind of health insurance or health care coverage does {person} have? INCLUDE those that pay for only one type of service (nursing home care, accidents, or dental care), exclude private plans that only provide extra cash while hospitalized." Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see “Appendix I”), but they are included in the “All persons under 65 years” of age column.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and current health status.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see “Appendix II”), the category “1 race” refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for “1 race” but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category “1 race” will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category “one race, Black or African American” in the tables is referred to as “black persons” in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category “2 or more races” refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category “2 or more races” will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category “Not Hispanic or Latino” refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories “Less than \$20,000” and “\$20,000 or more” include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see “Appendix I”). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau’s poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. “Poor” persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. “Near poor” persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. “Not poor” persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 19. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of type of health insurance coverage for persons under age 65 years and for persons 65 years of age and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                            | Health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> by age |             |              |             |             |                          |               |                       |               |             |              |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
|                                                    | Under 65 years of age                         |             |              |             |             | 65 years of age and over |               |                       |               |             |              |
|                                                    | Total                                         | Private     | Medicaid     | Other       | Uninsured   | Total                    | Private       | Medicare and Medicaid | Medicare only | Other       | Uninsured    |
| Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |                                               |             |              |             |             |                          |               |                       |               |             |              |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                                 | 100.0                                         | 71.7 (0.35) | 9.0 (0.21)   | 2.5 (0.12)  | 16.8 (0.25) | 100.0                    | 63.1 (0.65)   | 5.8 (0.29)            | 26.6 (0.58)   | 3.2 (0.18)  | 1.4 (0.12)   |
| Sex                                                |                                               |             |              |             |             |                          |               |                       |               |             |              |
| Male                                               | 100.0                                         | 71.9 (0.38) | 7.7 (0.21)   | 2.6 (0.12)  | 17.7 (0.29) | 100.0                    | 64.3 (0.82)   | 4.0 (0.33)            | 25.8 (0.73)   | 4.5 (0.31)  | 1.4 (0.18)   |
| Female                                             | 100.0                                         | 71.4 (0.38) | 10.3 (0.25)  | 2.4 (0.15)  | 15.8 (0.26) | 100.0                    | 62.2 (0.70)   | 7.0 (0.37)            | 27.1 (0.63)   | 2.3 (0.18)  | 1.4 (0.15)   |
| Age                                                |                                               |             |              |             |             |                          |               |                       |               |             |              |
| Under 12 years                                     | 100.0                                         | 65.4 (0.61) | 20.5 (0.53)  | 2.2 (0.23)  | 12.0 (0.37) | 100.0                    | ...           | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...          |
| 12–17 years                                        | 100.0                                         | 70.3 (0.70) | 14.2 (0.53)  | 2.3 (0.23)  | 13.3 (0.47) | 100.0                    | ...           | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...          |
| 18–44 years                                        | 100.0                                         | 70.9 (0.39) | 5.4 (0.16)   | 1.7 (0.10)  | 22.0 (0.33) | 100.0                    | ...           | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...          |
| 45–64 years                                        | 100.0                                         | 78.7 (0.38) | 4.3 (0.16)   | 4.3 (0.18)  | 12.7 (0.29) | 100.0                    | ...           | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...          |
| 65 years and over                                  | 100.0                                         | ...         | ...          | ...         | ...         | 100.0                    | 63.1 (0.65)   | 5.8 (0.29)            | 26.6 (0.58)   | 3.2 (0.18)  | 1.4 (0.12)   |
| Race                                               |                                               |             |              |             |             |                          |               |                       |               |             |              |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                                | 100.0                                         | 71.8 (0.35) | 8.9 (0.21)   | 2.5 (0.12)  | 16.8 (0.25) | 100.0                    | 63.1 (0.65)   | 5.7 (0.29)            | 26.6 (0.58)   | 3.2 (0.18)  | 1.4 (0.12)   |
| White                                              | 100.0                                         | 75.9 (0.37) | 6.6 (0.20)   | 2.3 (0.12)  | 15.2 (0.27) | 100.0                    | 66.9 (0.66)   | 4.3 (0.25)            | 25.2 (0.61)   | 2.6 (0.18)  | 1.0 (0.11)   |
| Black or African American                          | 100.0                                         | 55.9 (0.87) | 20.4 (0.73)  | 3.9 (0.30)  | 19.7 (0.59) | 100.0                    | 36.2 (1.68)   | 14.6 (1.27)           | 39.2 (1.80)   | 7.4 (0.80)  | 2.5 (0.58)   |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                   | 100.0                                         | 43.5 (4.16) | 14.7 (2.72)  | *3.2 (1.01) | 38.6 (3.99) | 100.0                    | *22.4 (6.75)  | *27.6 (10.07)         | 26.7 (6.65)   | *7.9 (5.82) | *15.5 (8.95) |
| Asian                                              | 100.0                                         | 72.1 (1.70) | 7.5 (1.12)   | 2.8 (0.57)  | 17.6 (1.28) | 100.0                    | 42.9 (4.39)   | 13.5 (2.82)           | 28.2 (3.81)   | 8.3 (2.11)  | 7.1 (1.77)   |
| Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander          | 100.0                                         | 42.2 (9.26) | *26.6 (8.37) | *4.3 (4.11) | 26.9 (6.11) | 100.0                    | *28.3 (26.02) | *–                    | *71.7 (26.02) | *–          | *–           |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                       | 100.0                                         | 61.5 (2.21) | 17.9 (1.91)  | 3.7 (0.89)  | 16.8 (1.43) | 100.0                    | 64.6 (6.52)   | *8.0 (5.11)           | 24.5 (6.12)   | *2.9 (2.04) | *–           |
| Black or African American, white                   | 100.0                                         | 54.9 (3.84) | 27.8 (3.43)  | *2.7 (1.25) | 14.6 (2.31) | 100.0                    | *65.0 (27.88) | *–                    | *35.0 (27.88) | *–          | *–           |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white            | 100.0                                         | 59.7 (4.00) | 12.0 (2.19)  | *3.3 (1.18) | 25.0 (3.62) | 100.0                    | 72.4 (8.92)   | *3.0 (2.97)           | *24.6 (8.68)  | *–          | *–           |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race    |                                               |             |              |             |             |                          |               |                       |               |             |              |
| Hispanic or Latino                                 | 100.0                                         | 48.0 (0.86) | 15.4 (0.52)  | 1.6 (0.17)  | 35.0 (0.78) | 100.0                    | 24.6 (1.92)   | 22.5 (2.27)           | 39.7 (2.05)   | 6.4 (0.78)  | 6.7 (0.94)   |
| Mexican or Mexican American                        | 100.0                                         | 45.7 (1.03) | 13.9 (0.65)  | 1.2 (0.15)  | 39.3 (0.94) | 100.0                    | 21.6 (2.22)   | 21.6 (2.20)           | 41.9 (2.52)   | 6.4 (1.05)  | 8.5 (1.40)   |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                             | 100.0                                         | 75.2 (0.36) | 8.1 (0.22)   | 2.6 (0.13)  | 14.1 (0.24) | 100.0                    | 65.5 (0.66)   | 4.7 (0.26)            | 25.8 (0.60)   | 3.0 (0.19)  | 1.0 (0.12)   |
| White, single race                                 | 100.0                                         | 79.4 (0.37) | 5.7 (0.21)   | 2.4 (0.13)  | 12.5 (0.26) | 100.0                    | 69.1 (0.67)   | 3.4 (0.24)            | 24.4 (0.62)   | 2.4 (0.18)  | 0.7 (0.10)   |
| Black or African American, single race             | 100.0                                         | 56.1 (0.88) | 20.2 (0.73)  | 4.0 (0.30)  | 19.8 (0.60) | 100.0                    | 36.2 (1.69)   | 14.6 (1.28)           | 39.3 (1.81)   | 7.4 (0.80)  | 2.5 (0.58)   |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                             |                                               |             |              |             |             |                          |               |                       |               |             |              |
| Less than a high school diploma                    | 100.0                                         | 45.5 (0.78) | 13.6 (0.46)  | 4.5 (0.28)  | 36.5 (0.73) | 100.0                    | 51.0 (1.10)   | 12.2 (0.73)           | 30.0 (0.97)   | 4.7 (0.36)  | 2.1 (0.26)   |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>            | 100.0                                         | 74.2 (0.46) | 4.8 (0.21)   | 3.1 (0.16)  | 17.9 (0.39) | 100.0                    | 67.6 (0.99)   | 2.9 (0.30)            | 25.9 (0.91)   | 2.6 (0.29)  | 1.0 (0.18)   |
| Some college                                       | 100.0                                         | 80.6 (0.41) | 3.1 (0.16)   | 3.1 (0.20)  | 13.2 (0.35) | 100.0                    | 70.5 (1.16)   | 3.2 (0.46)            | 22.8 (1.07)   | 2.5 (0.37)  | 1.0 (0.24)   |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                        | 100.0                                         | 91.2 (0.30) | 0.9 (0.09)   | 1.5 (0.13)  | 6.4 (0.26)  | 100.0                    | 75.6 (1.40)   | 2.2 (0.44)            | 19.7 (1.26)   | 1.9 (0.37)  | *0.6 (0.23)  |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                         |                                               |             |              |             |             |                          |               |                       |               |             |              |
| Less than \$20,000                                 | 100.0                                         | 32.0 (0.74) | 31.5 (0.74)  | 3.8 (0.25)  | 32.7 (0.66) | 100.0                    | 50.1 (1.05)   | 12.7 (0.72)           | 30.8 (0.95)   | 4.8 (0.36)  | 1.6 (0.24)   |
| \$20,000 or more                                   | 100.0                                         | 80.8 (0.33) | 4.3 (0.15)   | 2.2 (0.14)  | 12.6 (0.25) | 100.0                    | 72.2 (0.78)   | 2.3 (0.21)            | 22.0 (0.72)   | 2.4 (0.23)  | 1.1 (0.15)   |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                                  | 100.0                                         | 58.1 (0.83) | 11.6 (0.54)  | 3.6 (0.28)  | 26.8 (0.69) | 100.0                    | 73.5 (1.32)   | 2.4 (0.36)            | 20.6 (1.22)   | 2.4 (0.39)  | 1.1 (0.26)   |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                                  | 100.0                                         | 79.2 (0.62) | 4.2 (0.28)   | 2.7 (0.27)  | 13.9 (0.48) | 100.0                    | 73.1 (1.65)   | 1.3 (0.34)            | 21.6 (1.54)   | 2.7 (0.53)  | 1.3 (0.35)   |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                                  | 100.0                                         | 89.5 (0.56) | 2.1 (0.25)   | 1.5 (0.23)  | 6.9 (0.43)  | 100.0                    | 74.6 (2.49)   | *2.6 (0.85)           | 17.5 (2.18)   | 3.1 (0.93)  | *2.2 (0.84)  |
| \$75,000 or more                                   | 100.0                                         | 93.8 (0.38) | 1.0 (0.14)   | 1.3 (0.21)  | 4.0 (0.26)  | 100.0                    | 69.6 (2.40)   | 2.3 (0.65)            | 24.5 (2.26)   | 2.9 (0.81)  | *0.8 (0.30)  |

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**Table 19. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of type of health insurance coverage for persons under age 65 years and for persons 65 years of age and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                       | Health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> by age      |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |            |            |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------|------------|------------|
|                                               | Under 65 years of age                              |             |             |             |             | 65 years of age and over |             |                       |               |            |            |
|                                               | Total                                              | Private     | Medicaid    | Other       | Uninsured   | Total                    | Private     | Medicare and Medicaid | Medicare only | Other      | Uninsured  |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                  | Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |            |            |
| Poor . . . . .                                | 100.0                                              | 25.0 (1.01) | 39.5 (1.06) | 3.1 (0.31)  | 32.4 (0.89) | 100.0                    | 30.3 (1.94) | 29.0 (1.98)           | 31.1 (1.82)   | 6.4 (0.82) | 3.2 (0.63) |
| Near poor . . . . .                           | 100.0                                              | 49.1 (0.89) | 15.9 (0.57) | 4.0 (0.31)  | 31.0 (0.74) | 100.0                    | 54.1 (1.33) | 8.3 (0.75)            | 30.9 (1.21)   | 5.2 (0.52) | 1.5 (0.26) |
| Not poor . . . . .                            | 100.0                                              | 87.2 (0.29) | 2.0 (0.11)  | 2.0 (0.15)  | 8.8 (0.23)  | 100.0                    | 74.5 (0.90) | 1.6 (0.22)            | 20.7 (0.85)   | 2.3 (0.29) | 0.9 (0.16) |
| Place of residence                            |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |            |            |
| Large MSA <sup>11</sup> . . . . .             | 100.0                                              | 72.7 (0.47) | 8.7 (0.28)  | 2.0 (0.12)  | 16.5 (0.35) | 100.0                    | 57.0 (0.98) | 5.5 (0.39)            | 32.0 (0.90)   | 3.8 (0.31) | 1.7 (0.21) |
| Small MSA <sup>11</sup> . . . . .             | 100.0                                              | 72.4 (0.62) | 8.2 (0.37)  | 3.3 (0.31)  | 16.1 (0.43) | 100.0                    | 66.8 (1.19) | 5.1 (0.55)            | 24.4 (1.05)   | 2.7 (0.31) | 1.0 (0.17) |
| Not in MSA <sup>11</sup> . . . . .            | 100.0                                              | 67.8 (0.96) | 11.2 (0.56) | 2.3 (0.18)  | 18.6 (0.63) | 100.0                    | 68.6 (1.16) | 7.1 (0.65)            | 20.2 (1.00)   | 2.8 (0.30) | 1.3 (0.27) |
| Region                                        |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |            |            |
| Northeast . . . . .                           | 100.0                                              | 76.6 (0.74) | 10.0 (0.46) | 1.4 (0.15)  | 12.0 (0.48) | 100.0                    | 66.6 (1.39) | 5.2 (0.79)            | 24.2 (1.22)   | 3.1 (0.38) | 0.9 (0.21) |
| Midwest . . . . .                             | 100.0                                              | 78.9 (0.65) | 7.5 (0.40)  | 1.4 (0.13)  | 12.2 (0.45) | 100.0                    | 75.9 (1.09) | 3.1 (0.37)            | 17.9 (0.98)   | 2.2 (0.29) | 0.8 (0.18) |
| South . . . . .                               | 100.0                                              | 66.9 (0.60) | 9.0 (0.35)  | 3.7 (0.29)  | 20.4 (0.44) | 100.0                    | 58.4 (1.15) | 7.7 (0.54)            | 29.2 (0.99)   | 3.3 (0.32) | 1.4 (0.24) |
| West . . . . .                                | 100.0                                              | 66.9 (0.86) | 10.1 (0.51) | 2.7 (0.23)  | 20.3 (0.59) | 100.0                    | 51.5 (1.51) | 6.2 (0.62)            | 35.5 (1.47)   | 4.3 (0.49) | 2.4 (0.35) |
| Current health status                         |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |            |            |
| Excellent, very good, good . . . . .          | 100.0                                              | 73.4 (0.35) | 8.2 (0.21)  | 2.0 (0.12)  | 16.4 (0.25) | 100.0                    | 66.8 (0.71) | 3.4 (0.22)            | 26.1 (0.65)   | 2.4 (0.18) | 1.3 (0.13) |
| Fair or poor . . . . .                        | 100.0                                              | 47.4 (0.83) | 21.9 (0.66) | 9.5 (0.44)  | 21.2 (0.66) | 100.0                    | 53.5 (1.12) | 12.0 (0.76)           | 27.6 (0.99)   | 5.4 (0.44) | 1.6 (0.25) |
| Sex and age                                   |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |            |            |
| Male:                                         |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |            |            |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                      | 100.0                                              | 66.2 (0.69) | 19.8 (0.60) | 2.1 (0.24)  | 11.9 (0.45) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                         | 100.0                                              | 70.9 (0.89) | 13.5 (0.64) | 2.4 (0.31)  | 13.2 (0.62) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                         | 100.0                                              | 71.1 (0.45) | 3.1 (0.15)  | 1.4 (0.10)  | 24.3 (0.41) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                         | 100.0                                              | 78.8 (0.46) | 3.5 (0.19)  | 5.0 (0.24)  | 12.7 (0.35) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                   | 100.0                                              | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...         | 100.0                    | 64.3 (0.82) | 4.0 (0.33)            | 25.8 (0.73)   | 4.5 (0.31) | 1.4 (0.18) |
| Female:                                       |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |            |            |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                      | 100.0                                              | 64.5 (0.73) | 21.2 (0.63) | 2.2 (0.28)  | 12.1 (0.43) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                         | 100.0                                              | 69.6 (0.87) | 14.9 (0.67) | 2.1 (0.28)  | 13.4 (0.61) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                         | 100.0                                              | 70.7 (0.43) | 7.6 (0.23)  | 1.9 (0.16)  | 19.7 (0.34) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                         | 100.0                                              | 78.6 (0.43) | 5.0 (0.22)  | 3.7 (0.19)  | 12.7 (0.34) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                   | 100.0                                              | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...         | 100.0                    | 62.2 (0.70) | 7.0 (0.37)            | 27.1 (0.63)   | 2.3 (0.18) | 1.4 (0.15) |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |            |            |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                     |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |            |            |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                      | 100.0                                              | 43.5 (1.37) | 32.0 (1.28) | 1.7 (0.35)  | 22.9 (1.10) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                         | 100.0                                              | 49.5 (1.98) | 19.1 (1.49) | *1.4 (0.46) | 30.1 (1.70) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                         | 100.0                                              | 47.7 (1.20) | 3.8 (0.33)  | 0.5 (0.12)  | 47.9 (1.24) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                         | 100.0                                              | 58.4 (1.58) | 6.8 (0.68)  | 3.3 (0.50)  | 31.5 (1.46) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...        | ...        |
| 65 years and over . . . . .                   | 100.0                                              | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...         | 100.0                    | 28.6 (2.43) | 18.2 (2.76)           | 39.3 (2.64)   | 7.3 (1.31) | 6.6 (1.25) |

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**Table 19. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of type of health insurance coverage for persons under age 65 years and for persons 65 years of age and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | Health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> by age      |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                                     | Under 65 years of age                              |             |             |             |             | 65 years of age and over |             |                       |               |             |             |
|                                                     | Total                                              | Private     | Medicaid    | Other       | Uninsured   | Total                    | Private     | Medicare and Medicaid | Medicare only | Other       | Uninsured   |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                         | Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
| Under 12 years                                      | 100.0                                              | 43.0 (1.38) | 30.4 (1.25) | 1.6 (0.41)  | 25.0 (1.13) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 12–17 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 46.2 (1.93) | 20.9 (1.53) | 1.7 (0.50)  | 31.2 (1.78) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 18–44 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 48.6 (1.00) | 10.7 (0.54) | 1.5 (0.27)  | 39.2 (1.00) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 45–64 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 53.3 (1.55) | 11.3 (0.88) | 3.5 (0.50)  | 31.9 (1.41) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 65 years and over                                   | 100.0                                              | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...         | 100.0                    | 21.7 (2.07) | 25.6 (2.32)           | 40.1 (2.24)   | 5.8 (0.92)  | 6.7 (1.19)  |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                              |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
| White, single race, male:                           |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
| Under 12 years                                      | 100.0                                              | 77.6 (0.81) | 11.8 (0.64) | 2.0 (0.29)  | 8.6 (0.54)  | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 12–17 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 79.9 (1.03) | 8.5 (0.72)  | 2.4 (0.39)  | 9.2 (0.73)  | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 18–44 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 78.0 (0.48) | 2.4 (0.18)  | 1.3 (0.11)  | 18.2 (0.44) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 45–64 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 82.8 (0.48) | 2.6 (0.19)  | 4.6 (0.26)  | 10.0 (0.38) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 65 years and over                                   | 100.0                                              | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...         | 100.0                    | 69.6 (0.85) | 2.4 (0.28)            | 23.6 (0.77)   | 3.7 (0.33)  | 0.7 (0.14)  |
| White, single race, female:                         |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
| Under 12 years                                      | 100.0                                              | 75.9 (0.86) | 13.7 (0.74) | 2.2 (0.32)  | 8.1 (0.50)  | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 12–17 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 79.2 (0.97) | 9.9 (0.73)  | 1.7 (0.31)  | 9.2 (0.70)  | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 18–44 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 77.9 (0.49) | 5.2 (0.24)  | 1.8 (0.17)  | 15.1 (0.39) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 45–64 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 84.0 (0.45) | 3.3 (0.22)  | 3.1 (0.21)  | 9.5 (0.37)  | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 65 years and over                                   | 100.0                                              | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...         | 100.0                    | 68.7 (0.75) | 4.2 (0.33)            | 24.9 (0.69)   | 1.5 (0.17)  | 0.7 (0.13)  |
| Black or African American, single race, male:       |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
| Under 12 years                                      | 100.0                                              | 45.3 (1.71) | 40.9 (1.81) | 2.9 (0.52)  | 10.9 (1.08) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 12–17 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 55.0 (2.21) | 27.8 (2.11) | 3.5 (1.02)  | 13.7 (1.58) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 18–44 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 59.3 (1.24) | 6.0 (0.54)  | 3.3 (0.39)  | 31.4 (1.11) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 45–64 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 66.1 (1.47) | 6.9 (0.74)  | 10.0 (0.92) | 17.1 (1.09) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 65 years and over                                   | 100.0                                              | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...         | 100.0                    | 41.0 (2.50) | 8.2 (1.49)            | 37.9 (2.84)   | 10.5 (1.52) | *2.4 (0.90) |
| Black or African American, single race, female:     |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
| Under 12 years                                      | 100.0                                              | 43.3 (1.71) | 42.3 (1.73) | 2.5 (0.60)  | 11.9 (1.17) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 12–17 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 52.9 (2.29) | 29.9 (2.06) | 3.2 (0.90)  | 13.9 (1.52) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 18–44 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 57.5 (1.13) | 17.3 (0.86) | 2.4 (0.31)  | 22.8 (0.86) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 45–64 years                                         | 100.0                                              | 64.9 (1.35) | 10.9 (0.78) | 6.9 (0.74)  | 17.3 (1.03) | 100.0                    | ...         | ...                   | ...           | ...         | ...         |
| 65 years and over                                   | 100.0                                              | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...         | 100.0                    | 33.1 (1.83) | 18.7 (1.57)           | 40.2 (1.88)   | 5.4 (0.80)  | 2.6 (0.65)  |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
| Poor                                                | 100.0                                              | 13.0 (1.08) | 39.0 (1.57) | 1.7 (0.34)  | 46.3 (1.58) | 100.0                    | 7.8 (1.99)  | 42.6 (4.46)           | 32.4 (3.56)   | 10.1 (2.29) | 7.1 (2.03)  |
| Near poor                                           | 100.0                                              | 39.6 (1.37) | 14.9 (0.88) | 1.7 (0.37)  | 43.7 (1.33) | 100.0                    | 17.8 (2.88) | 24.1 (4.40)           | 43.0 (4.26)   | 5.5 (1.27)  | 9.6 (2.15)  |
| Not poor                                            | 100.0                                              | 76.9 (0.98) | 3.2 (0.34)  | 1.3 (0.21)  | 18.6 (0.89) | 100.0                    | 38.4 (4.20) | 9.5 (2.28)            | 43.8 (4.02)   | *4.2 (1.41) | *4.2 (1.46) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
| White, single race:                                 |                                                    |             |             |             |             |                          |             |                       |               |             |             |
| Poor                                                | 100.0                                              | 36.0 (1.76) | 32.9 (1.61) | 3.4 (0.41)  | 27.8 (1.34) | 100.0                    | 42.3 (2.60) | 23.9 (2.39)           | 27.5 (2.28)   | 4.4 (0.96)  | *1.9 (0.66) |
| Near poor                                           | 100.0                                              | 54.2 (1.31) | 14.6 (0.85) | 4.6 (0.44)  | 26.6 (1.04) | 100.0                    | 62.2 (1.51) | 5.4 (0.70)            | 27.6 (1.34)   | 4.2 (0.56)  | *0.5 (0.21) |
| Not poor                                            | 100.0                                              | 89.3 (0.31) | 1.6 (0.12)  | 1.9 (0.15)  | 7.3 (0.24)  | 100.0                    | 77.8 (0.95) | 0.8 (0.18)            | 19.0 (0.91)   | 1.9 (0.28)  | *0.5 (0.14) |

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**Table 19. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of type of health insurance coverage for persons under age 65 years and for persons 65 years of age and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                 | Health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> by age      |             |             |            |             |       |                          |                       |               |            |             |  |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|--|
|                                         | Under 65 years of age                              |             |             |            |             |       | 65 years of age and over |                       |               |            |             |  |
|                                         | Total                                              | Private     | Medicaid    | Other      | Uninsured   | Total | Private                  | Medicare and Medicaid | Medicare only | Other      | Uninsured   |  |
| Black or African American, single race: | Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error) |             |             |            |             |       |                          |                       |               |            |             |  |
| Poor . . . . .                          | 100.0                                              | 19.1 (1.50) | 50.6 (1.90) | 3.2 (0.71) | 27.1 (1.58) | 100.0 | 13.9 (2.97)              | 33.2 (3.93)           | 41.2 (3.90)   | 9.0 (2.05) | *2.7 (1.17) |  |
| Near poor . . . . .                     | 100.0                                              | 44.8 (1.74) | 22.3 (1.42) | 5.3 (0.68) | 27.6 (1.47) | 100.0 | 27.3 (2.83)              | 15.3 (2.45)           | 46.3 (3.40)   | 9.8 (1.96) | *1.2 (0.61) |  |
| Not poor . . . . .                      | 100.0                                              | 80.3 (0.98) | 5.1 (0.52)  | 3.8 (0.57) | 10.9 (0.67) | 100.0 | 63.6 (3.33)              | 6.5 (1.66)            | 24.5 (3.04)   | 4.2 (1.20) | *1.3 (0.68) |  |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

. . . Category not applicable.

— Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Health insurance coverage is based on the question, "What kind of health insurance or health care coverage does {person} have? INCLUDE those that pay for only one type of service (nursing home care, accidents, or dental care), exclude private plans that only provide extra cash while hospitalized." Classification of health insurance coverage is based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. Persons under age 65 years and those aged 65 years and over were classified separately due to the prominence of Medicare coverage in the older population. The category "private" includes persons who had any type of private coverage either alone or in combination with other coverage. For example, for persons aged 65 years and over, "private" includes persons with only private or private in combination with Medicare. The category "Uninsured" includes persons who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care (see "Appendix II").

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I"). Percents may not add to totals due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and current health status.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "1 race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 20. Frequency distributions of any period without health insurance coverage during the past 12 months and frequencies of persons who were without coverage for 6 months or less or 7–12 months, among currently insured persons under age 65 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | All currently insured persons under age 65 | Any period without coverage <sup>1</sup> |        | Duration of period without coverage <sup>2</sup> |             |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|
|                                                 |                                            | No                                       | Yes    | 6 months or less                                 | 7–12 months |
| Number in thousands <sup>3</sup>                |                                            |                                          |        |                                                  |             |
| Total <sup>4</sup>                              | 198,759                                    | 187,131                                  | 10,189 | 6,700                                            | 3,338       |
| Sex                                             |                                            |                                          |        |                                                  |             |
| Male                                            | 97,399                                     | 91,795                                   | 4,853  | 3,232                                            | 1,550       |
| Female                                          | 101,361                                    | 95,335                                   | 5,336  | 3,468                                            | 1,788       |
| Age                                             |                                            |                                          |        |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years                                  | 42,355                                     | 39,940                                   | 2,197  | 1,465                                            | 704         |
| 12–17 years                                     | 20,602                                     | 19,597                                   | 904    | 548                                              | 340         |
| 18–44 years                                     | 83,598                                     | 77,029                                   | 5,816  | 3,862                                            | 1,866       |
| 45–64 years                                     | 52,205                                     | 50,565                                   | 1,272  | 825                                              | 428         |
| Race                                            |                                            |                                          |        |                                                  |             |
| 1 race <sup>5</sup>                             | 195,980                                    | 184,573                                  | 9,972  | 6,546                                            | 3,275       |
| White                                           | 157,430                                    | 148,552                                  | 7,815  | 5,172                                            | 2,526       |
| Black or African American                       | 24,260                                     | 22,696                                   | 1,377  | 870                                              | 486         |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 1,116                                      | 1,042                                    | *69    | *50                                              | *15         |
| Asian                                           | 7,799                                      | 7,357                                    | 318    | 210                                              | 101         |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander       | 232                                        | 232                                      | *–     | *–                                               | *–          |
| 2 or more races <sup>6</sup>                    | 2,779                                      | 2,558                                    | 217    | 155                                              | 63          |
| Black or African American, white                | 619                                        | 572                                      | 45     | *31                                              | *14         |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 666                                        | 592                                      | 74     | *53                                              | *21         |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>7</sup> and race |                                            |                                          |        |                                                  |             |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 20,069                                     | 18,561                                   | 1,324  | 741                                              | 556         |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 12,200                                     | 11,254                                   | 813    | 434                                              | 362         |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 178,690                                    | 168,570                                  | 8,866  | 5,959                                            | 2,782       |
| White, single race                              | 143,634                                    | 135,746                                  | 6,951  | 4,717                                            | 2,140       |
| Black or African American, single race          | 23,800                                     | 22,259                                   | 1,354  | 859                                              | 475         |
| Education <sup>8</sup>                          |                                            |                                          |        |                                                  |             |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 12,106                                     | 11,286                                   | 753    | 410                                              | 322         |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>9</sup>         | 34,347                                     | 32,573                                   | 1,593  | 996                                              | 578         |
| Some college                                    | 33,020                                     | 31,255                                   | 1,638  | 1,126                                            | 495         |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 35,446                                     | 34,169                                   | 1,133  | 880                                              | 243         |
| Family income <sup>10</sup>                     |                                            |                                          |        |                                                  |             |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 25,970                                     | 23,121                                   | 2,688  | 1,507                                            | 1,140       |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 159,454                                    | 151,755                                  | 7,041  | 4,947                                            | 2,000       |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 22,969                                     | 20,680                                   | 2,223  | 1,435                                            | 766         |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 33,060                                     | 30,969                                   | 2,000  | 1,487                                            | 508         |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 27,314                                     | 26,203                                   | 1,060  | 831                                              | 224         |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 44,671                                     | 43,656                                   | 934    | 669                                              | 242         |
| Poverty status <sup>11</sup>                    |                                            |                                          |        |                                                  |             |
| Poor                                            | 14,547                                     | 12,957                                   | 1,517  | 879                                              | 620         |
| Near poor                                       | 21,494                                     | 19,060                                   | 2,321  | 1,365                                            | 929         |
| Not poor                                        | 112,083                                    | 107,262                                  | 4,615  | 3,475                                            | 1,105       |
| Place of residence                              |                                            |                                          |        |                                                  |             |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup>                         | 97,366                                     | 91,763                                   | 4,769  | 3,092                                            | 1,587       |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup>                         | 63,372                                     | 59,606                                   | 3,353  | 2,321                                            | 1,008       |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup>                        | 38,021                                     | 35,762                                   | 2,068  | 1,287                                            | 744         |
| Region                                          |                                            |                                          |        |                                                  |             |
| Northeast                                       | 39,305                                     | 37,341                                   | 1,704  | 1,200                                            | 470         |
| Midwest                                         | 51,808                                     | 49,186                                   | 2,391  | 1,587                                            | 784         |
| South                                           | 67,442                                     | 63,323                                   | 3,649  | 2,340                                            | 1,248       |
| West                                            | 40,205                                     | 37,281                                   | 2,445  | 1,574                                            | 837         |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 20. Frequency distributions of any period without health insurance coverage during the past 12 months and frequencies of persons who were without coverage for 6 months or less or 7–12 months, among currently insured persons under age 65 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | All currently insured persons under age 65 | Any period without coverage <sup>1</sup> |       | Duration of period without coverage <sup>2</sup> |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|
|                                                     |                                            | No                                       | Yes   | 6 months or less                                 | 7–12 months |
| Sex and age                                         |                                            | Number in thousands <sup>3</sup>         |       |                                                  |             |
| Male:                                               |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 21,676                                     | 20,427                                   | 1,136 | 787                                              | 332         |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 10,580                                     | 10,119                                   | 400   | 244                                              | 149         |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 39,887                                     | 36,815                                   | 2,700 | 1,777                                            | 887         |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 25,255                                     | 24,435                                   | 617   | 425                                              | 181         |
| Female:                                             |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 20,679                                     | 19,513                                   | 1,061 | 678                                              | 371         |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 10,022                                     | 9,478                                    | 504   | 304                                              | 191         |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 43,711                                     | 40,214                                   | 3,116 | 2,085                                            | 979         |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 26,950                                     | 26,130                                   | 655   | 401                                              | 247         |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age       |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                           |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 3,278                                      | 3,005                                    | 235   | 136                                              | 99          |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,226                                      | 1,162                                    | 51    | 24                                               | 26          |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 3,774                                      | 3,452                                    | 270   | 148                                              | 116         |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 1,592                                      | 1,497                                    | 80    | 43                                               | 34          |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                         |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 3,068                                      | 2,847                                    | 210   | 124                                              | 78          |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,127                                      | 1,058                                    | 61    | 30                                               | 31          |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 4,280                                      | 3,893                                    | 356   | 208                                              | 143         |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 1,725                                      | 1,648                                    | 61    | 30                                               | 31          |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                              |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| White, single race, male:                           |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 13,896                                     | 13,166                                   | 683   | 494                                              | 177         |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 7,205                                      | 6,929                                    | 244   | 148                                              | 90          |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 29,609                                     | 27,339                                   | 2,029 | 1,383                                            | 622         |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 20,394                                     | 19,800                                   | 446   | 321                                              | 119         |
| White, single race, female:                         |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 13,301                                     | 12,593                                   | 640   | 404                                              | 233         |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 6,827                                      | 6,511                                    | 304   | 195                                              | 102         |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 31,090                                     | 28,664                                   | 2,157 | 1,483                                            | 640         |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 21,311                                     | 20,744                                   | 449   | 289                                              | 157         |
| Black or African American, single race, male:       |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 3,091                                      | 2,898                                    | 170   | 121                                              | 45          |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,492                                      | 1,412                                    | 71    | 54                                               | *18         |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 4,175                                      | 3,849                                    | 284   | 162                                              | 117         |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 2,200                                      | 2,113                                    | 65    | 42                                               | *23         |
| Black or African American, single race, female:     |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 2,931                                      | 2,768                                    | 149   | 109                                              | 40          |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,484                                      | 1,365                                    | 107   | 60                                               | *45         |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 5,636                                      | 5,177                                    | 411   | 259                                              | 144         |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 2,791                                      | 2,677                                    | 96    | 53                                               | 42          |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 3,050                                      | 2,730                                    | 310   | 159                                              | 144         |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 3,992                                      | 3,566                                    | 376   | 185                                              | 188         |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 8,474                                      | 8,054                                    | 405   | 288                                              | 115         |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| White, single race:                                 |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 6,682                                      | 5,836                                    | 808   | 458                                              | 341         |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 12,526                                     | 11,052                                   | 1,431 | 877                                              | 544         |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 88,036                                     | 84,276                                   | 3,605 | 2,733                                            | 846         |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                            |                                          |       |                                                  |             |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 3,696                                      | 3,361                                    | 322   | 230                                              | 88          |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 3,502                                      | 3,141                                    | 348   | 205                                              | 132         |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 9,729                                      | 9,330                                    | 385   | 277                                              | 108         |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

– Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Any period without coverage is based on the question (asked of persons who currently had health insurance coverage) "In the PAST 12 MONTHS, was there any time when {person} did NOT have ANY health insurance or coverage?"

<sup>2</sup>Duration of period without coverage is based on the question (asked of persons who currently had health insurance coverage), "In the PAST 12 MONTHS, about how many months was {person} without coverage?"

<sup>3</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see "Appendix I"), but they are included in the "All persons under age 65 years with health insurance" column and unknowns for duration of noncoverage are included in the "Yes" column.

<sup>4</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, and poverty status. Percents are percent of all currently insured persons under age 65 years.

<sup>5</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category One race will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>6</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>7</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>8</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>9</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>10</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>11</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 21. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of any period without health insurance coverage during the past 12 months and percents (with standard errors) of persons who were without coverage for 6 months or less or 7–12 months, among currently insured persons under age 65 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Total | Any period without coverage                        |                  | Duration of period without coverage <sup>2</sup> |             |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|
|                                                 |       | No                                                 | Yes <sup>1</sup> | 6 months or less                                 | 7–12 months |
|                                                 |       | Percent distribution <sup>3</sup> (standard error) |                  | Percent <sup>4</sup> (standard error)            |             |
| Total <sup>5</sup>                              | 100.0 | 94.8 (0.15)                                        | 5.2 (0.15)       | 3.4 (0.12)                                       | 1.7 (0.08)  |
| Sex                                             |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Male                                            | 100.0 | 95.0 (0.17)                                        | 5.0 (0.17)       | 3.3 (0.14)                                       | 1.6 (0.09)  |
| Female                                          | 100.0 | 94.7 (0.17)                                        | 5.3 (0.17)       | 3.4 (0.13)                                       | 1.8 (0.09)  |
| Age                                             |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0 | 94.8 (0.27)                                        | 5.2 (0.27)       | 3.5 (0.22)                                       | 1.7 (0.16)  |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0 | 95.6 (0.32)                                        | 4.4 (0.32)       | 2.7 (0.25)                                       | 1.7 (0.20)  |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0 | 93.0 (0.21)                                        | 7.0 (0.21)       | 4.7 (0.17)                                       | 2.3 (0.11)  |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0 | 97.5 (0.13)                                        | 2.5 (0.13)       | 1.6 (0.11)                                       | 0.8 (0.08)  |
| Race                                            |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| 1 race <sup>6</sup>                             | 100.0 | 94.9 (0.15)                                        | 5.1 (0.15)       | 3.4 (0.12)                                       | 1.7 (0.08)  |
| White                                           | 100.0 | 95.0 (0.16)                                        | 5.0 (0.16)       | 3.3 (0.13)                                       | 1.6 (0.09)  |
| Black or African American                       | 100.0 | 94.3 (0.35)                                        | 5.7 (0.35)       | 3.6 (0.28)                                       | 2.0 (0.21)  |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 100.0 | 93.8 (2.11)                                        | *6.2 (2.11)      | *4.5 (2.02)                                      | *1.4 (0.59) |
| Asian                                           | 100.0 | 95.9 (0.70)                                        | 4.1 (0.70)       | 2.7 (0.61)                                       | 1.3 (0.37)  |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander       | 100.0 | 100 (0.00)                                         | *—               | *—                                               | *—          |
| 2 or more races <sup>7</sup>                    | 100.0 | 92.2 (1.00)                                        | 7.8 (1.00)       | 5.6 (0.82)                                       | 2.3 (0.57)  |
| Black or African American, white                | 100.0 | 92.8 (1.66)                                        | 7.2 (1.66)       | 5.0 (1.45)                                       | *2.3 (0.95) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 100.0 | 88.9 (2.61)                                        | 11.1 (2.61)      | 8.0 (2.33)                                       | *3.1 (1.31) |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>8</sup> and race |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 100.0 | 93.3 (0.39)                                        | 6.7 (0.39)       | 3.7 (0.28)                                       | 2.8 (0.25)  |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 100.0 | 93.3 (0.50)                                        | 6.7 (0.50)       | 3.6 (0.34)                                       | 3.0 (0.34)  |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 100.0 | 95.0 (0.15)                                        | 5.0 (0.15)       | 3.4 (0.13)                                       | 1.6 (0.08)  |
| White, single race                              | 100.0 | 95.1 (0.17)                                        | 4.9 (0.17)       | 3.3 (0.14)                                       | 1.5 (0.10)  |
| Black or African American, single race          | 100.0 | 94.3 (0.35)                                        | 5.7 (0.35)       | 3.6 (0.29)                                       | 2.0 (0.21)  |
| Education <sup>9</sup>                          |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 100.0 | 93.7 (0.40)                                        | 6.3 (0.40)       | 3.4 (0.32)                                       | 2.7 (0.28)  |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>10</sup>        | 100.0 | 95.3 (0.22)                                        | 4.7 (0.22)       | 2.9 (0.19)                                       | 1.7 (0.13)  |
| Some college                                    | 100.0 | 95.0 (0.24)                                        | 5.0 (0.24)       | 3.4 (0.21)                                       | 1.5 (0.13)  |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 100.0 | 96.8 (0.20)                                        | 3.2 (0.20)       | 2.5 (0.18)                                       | 0.7 (0.09)  |
| Family income <sup>11</sup>                     |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 100.0 | 89.6 (0.49)                                        | 10.4 (0.49)      | 5.8 (0.35)                                       | 4.4 (0.32)  |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 100.0 | 95.6 (0.16)                                        | 4.4 (0.16)       | 3.1 (0.13)                                       | 1.3 (0.08)  |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 100.0 | 90.3 (0.52)                                        | 9.7 (0.52)       | 6.3 (0.42)                                       | 3.3 (0.29)  |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 100.0 | 93.9 (0.38)                                        | 6.1 (0.38)       | 4.5 (0.33)                                       | 1.5 (0.16)  |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 100.0 | 96.1 (0.38)                                        | 3.9 (0.38)       | 3.0 (0.33)                                       | 0.8 (0.19)  |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 100.0 | 97.9 (0.21)                                        | 2.1 (0.21)       | 1.5 (0.18)                                       | 0.5 (0.10)  |
| Poverty status <sup>12</sup>                    |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Poor                                            | 100.0 | 89.5 (0.69)                                        | 10.5 (0.69)      | 6.1 (0.51)                                       | 4.3 (0.46)  |
| Near poor                                       | 100.0 | 89.1 (0.59)                                        | 10.9 (0.59)      | 6.4 (0.47)                                       | 4.3 (0.35)  |
| Not poor                                        | 100.0 | 95.9 (0.17)                                        | 4.1 (0.17)       | 3.1 (0.15)                                       | 1.0 (0.08)  |
| Place of residence                              |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Large MSA <sup>13</sup>                         | 100.0 | 95.1 (0.20)                                        | 4.9 (0.20)       | 3.2 (0.16)                                       | 1.6 (0.12)  |
| Small MSA <sup>13</sup>                         | 100.0 | 94.7 (0.26)                                        | 5.3 (0.26)       | 3.7 (0.21)                                       | 1.6 (0.14)  |
| Not in MSA <sup>13</sup>                        | 100.0 | 94.5 (0.38)                                        | 5.5 (0.38)       | 3.4 (0.31)                                       | 2.0 (0.20)  |
| Region                                          |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Northeast                                       | 100.0 | 95.6 (0.28)                                        | 4.4 (0.28)       | 3.1 (0.25)                                       | 1.2 (0.13)  |
| Midwest                                         | 100.0 | 95.4 (0.28)                                        | 4.6 (0.28)       | 3.1 (0.23)                                       | 1.5 (0.16)  |
| South                                           | 100.0 | 94.6 (0.26)                                        | 5.4 (0.26)       | 3.5 (0.19)                                       | 1.9 (0.14)  |
| West                                            | 100.0 | 93.8 (0.37)                                        | 6.2 (0.37)       | 4.0 (0.29)                                       | 2.1 (0.21)  |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 21. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of any period without health insurance coverage during the past 12 months and percents (with standard errors) of persons who were without coverage for 6 months or less or 7–12 months, among currently insured persons under age 65 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | Total | Any period without coverage                        |                  | Duration of period without coverage <sup>2</sup> |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|
|                                                     |       | No                                                 | Yes <sup>1</sup> | 6 months or less                                 | 7–12 months |
| Sex and age                                         |       | Percent distribution <sup>3</sup> (standard error) |                  | Percent <sup>4</sup> (standard error)            |             |
| Male:                                               |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 94.7 (0.33)                                        | 5.3 (0.33)       | 3.6 (0.28)                                       | 1.5 (0.18)  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 96.2 (0.37)                                        | 3.8 (0.37)       | 2.3 (0.30)                                       | 1.4 (0.22)  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 93.2 (0.25)                                        | 6.8 (0.25)       | 4.5 (0.21)                                       | 2.2 (0.15)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 97.5 (0.17)                                        | 2.5 (0.17)       | 1.7 (0.14)                                       | 0.7 (0.09)  |
| Female:                                             |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 94.8 (0.33)                                        | 5.2 (0.33)       | 3.3 (0.24)                                       | 1.8 (0.20)  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 95.0 (0.43)                                        | 5.0 (0.43)       | 3.0 (0.34)                                       | 1.9 (0.28)  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 92.8 (0.25)                                        | 7.2 (0.25)       | 4.8 (0.20)                                       | 2.3 (0.13)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 97.6 (0.16)                                        | 2.4 (0.16)       | 1.5 (0.13)                                       | 0.9 (0.11)  |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age       |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                           |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 92.8 (0.83)                                        | 7.2 (0.83)       | 4.2 (0.61)                                       | 3.1 (0.54)  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 95.8 (0.83)                                        | 4.2 (0.83)       | 1.9 (0.57)                                       | 2.1 (0.62)  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 92.7 (0.58)                                        | 7.3 (0.58)       | 4.0 (0.44)                                       | 3.1 (0.39)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 94.9 (0.89)                                        | 5.1 (0.89)       | 2.7 (0.68)                                       | 2.1 (0.58)  |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                         |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 93.1 (0.78)                                        | 6.9 (0.78)       | 4.0 (0.55)                                       | 2.6 (0.49)  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 94.6 (0.98)                                        | 5.4 (0.98)       | 2.7 (0.62)                                       | 2.7 (0.74)  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 91.6 (0.57)                                        | 8.4 (0.57)       | 4.9 (0.46)                                       | 3.4 (0.37)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 96.4 (0.61)                                        | 3.6 (0.61)       | 1.7 (0.41)                                       | 1.8 (0.43)  |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                              |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| White, single race, male:                           |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 95.1 (0.43)                                        | 4.9 (0.43)       | 3.6 (0.37)                                       | 1.3 (0.24)  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 96.6 (0.44)                                        | 3.4 (0.44)       | 2.1 (0.34)                                       | 1.3 (0.26)  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 93.1 (0.31)                                        | 6.9 (0.31)       | 4.7 (0.25)                                       | 2.1 (0.17)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 97.8 (0.19)                                        | 2.2 (0.19)       | 1.6 (0.16)                                       | 0.6 (0.10)  |
| White, single race, female:                         |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 95.2 (0.43)                                        | 4.8 (0.43)       | 3.1 (0.32)                                       | 1.8 (0.27)  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 95.5 (0.51)                                        | 4.5 (0.51)       | 2.9 (0.43)                                       | 1.5 (0.31)  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 93.0 (0.30)                                        | 7.0 (0.30)       | 4.8 (0.24)                                       | 2.1 (0.16)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 97.9 (0.18)                                        | 2.1 (0.18)       | 1.4 (0.14)                                       | 0.7 (0.12)  |
| Black or African American, single race, male:       |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 94.5 (0.78)                                        | 5.5 (0.78)       | 3.9 (0.66)                                       | 1.5 (0.40)  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 95.2 (1.03)                                        | 4.8 (1.03)       | 3.6 (0.93)                                       | *1.2 (0.47) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 93.1 (0.67)                                        | 6.9 (0.67)       | 3.9 (0.53)                                       | 2.8 (0.45)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 97.0 (0.53)                                        | 3.0 (0.53)       | 1.9 (0.45)                                       | *1.1 (0.33) |
| Black or African American, single race, female:     |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 94.9 (0.76)                                        | 5.1 (0.76)       | 3.7 (0.67)                                       | 1.4 (0.38)  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 92.7 (1.39)                                        | 7.3 (1.39)       | 4.1 (1.03)                                       | *3.1 (0.96) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 92.6 (0.57)                                        | 7.4 (0.57)       | 4.6 (0.48)                                       | 2.6 (0.33)  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 96.5 (0.52)                                        | 3.5 (0.52)       | 1.9 (0.38)                                       | 1.5 (0.34)  |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0 | 89.8 (1.14)                                        | 10.2 (1.14)      | 5.2 (0.80)                                       | 4.7 (0.80)  |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0 | 90.5 (1.05)                                        | 9.5 (1.05)       | 4.7 (0.74)                                       | 4.8 (0.74)  |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0 | 95.2 (0.46)                                        | 4.8 (0.46)       | 3.4 (0.39)                                       | 1.4 (0.23)  |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| White, single race:                                 |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0 | 87.8 (1.13)                                        | 12.2 (1.13)      | 6.9 (0.80)                                       | 5.1 (0.78)  |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0 | 88.5 (0.85)                                        | 11.5 (0.85)      | 7.0 (0.67)                                       | 4.4 (0.49)  |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0 | 95.9 (0.20)                                        | 4.1 (0.20)       | 3.1 (0.17)                                       | 1.0 (0.10)  |
| Black or African American, single race:             |       |                                                    |                  |                                                  |             |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0 | 91.3 (1.17)                                        | 8.7 (1.17)       | 6.2 (1.03)                                       | 2.4 (0.61)  |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0 | 90.0 (1.12)                                        | 10.0 (1.12)      | 5.9 (0.94)                                       | 3.8 (0.61)  |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0 | 96.0 (0.42)                                        | 4.0 (0.42)       | 2.8 (0.37)                                       | 1.1 (0.20)  |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

– Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Any period without coverage is based on the question (asked of persons who currently had health insurance) “In the PAST 12 MONTHS, was there any time when {person} did NOT have ANY health insurance or coverage?”

<sup>2</sup>Duration of period without coverage is based on the question (asked of persons who currently had health insurance), "In the PAST 12 MONTHS, about how many months was {person} without coverage?"

<sup>3</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I"). Percents may not add to totals due to rounding.

<sup>4</sup>Persons having any period without health insurance coverage includes persons with unknown duration of period without coverage.

<sup>5</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, and poverty status.

<sup>6</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>7</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>8</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category Not Hispanic or Latino refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>9</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>10</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>11</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>12</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>13</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 22. Frequency distributions of length of time since last had health insurance coverage among currently uninsured persons under age 65 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | All currently uninsured persons under 65 years | Length of time since last had health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> |             |              |                     |       |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                                 |                                                | 6 months or less                                                     | 7–12 months | 13–36 months | More than 36 months | Never |
| Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>                |                                                |                                                                      |             |              |                     |       |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                              | 40,054                                         | 5,681                                                                | 3,403       | 5,965        | 9,835               | 8,857 |
| Sex                                             |                                                |                                                                      |             |              |                     |       |
| Male                                            | 21,013                                         | 2,677                                                                | 1,715       | 3,064        | 5,204               | 5,056 |
| Female                                          | 19,041                                         | 3,004                                                                | 1,688       | 2,900        | 4,631               | 3,801 |
| Age                                             |                                                |                                                                      |             |              |                     |       |
| Under 12 years                                  | 5,763                                          | 1,212                                                                | 610         | 871          | 745                 | 1,321 |
| 12–17 years                                     | 3,164                                          | 475                                                                  | 224         | 426          | 762                 | 716   |
| 18–44 years                                     | 23,547                                         | 3,314                                                                | 2,178       | 3,823        | 5,670               | 5,316 |
| 45–64 years                                     | 7,581                                          | 681                                                                  | 392         | 845          | 2,658               | 1,503 |
| Race                                            |                                                |                                                                      |             |              |                     |       |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                             | 39,494                                         | 5,569                                                                | 3,360       | 5,887        | 9,693               | 8,812 |
| White                                           | 28,126                                         | 4,211                                                                | 2,431       | 4,299        | 7,286               | 5,806 |
| Black or African American                       | 5,967                                          | 880                                                                  | 614         | 1,046        | 1,571               | 887   |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 700                                            | *19                                                                  | *18         | 41           | 57                  | 83    |
| Asian                                           | 1,667                                          | 185                                                                  | 127         | 164          | 278                 | 601   |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander       | 86                                             | *13                                                                  | *1          | *10          | *25                 | *22   |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                    | 560                                            | 112                                                                  | 43          | 77           | 141                 | 45    |
| Black or African American, white                | 106                                            | *21                                                                  | *11         | *17          | *21                 | *10   |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 221                                            | *26                                                                  | *13         | *28          | 57                  | *11   |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race |                                                |                                                                      |             |              |                     |       |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 10,808                                         | 994                                                                  | 592         | 1,302        | 1,872               | 5,182 |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 7,889                                          | 679                                                                  | 393         | 914          | 1,343               | 3,963 |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 29,246                                         | 4,687                                                                | 2,811       | 4,663        | 7,962               | 3,675 |
| White, single race                              | 20,545                                         | 3,529                                                                | 2,027       | 3,356        | 5,945               | 2,127 |
| Black or African American, single race          | 5,861                                          | 868                                                                  | 606         | 1,029        | 1,537               | 857   |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                          |                                                |                                                                      |             |              |                     |       |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 6,948                                          | 513                                                                  | 413         | 778          | 1,999               | 2,768 |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>         | 7,502                                          | 907                                                                  | 660         | 1,161        | 2,539               | 1,232 |
| Some college                                    | 5,012                                          | 823                                                                  | 385         | 850          | 1,687               | 569   |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 2,438                                          | 361                                                                  | 228         | 357          | 622                 | 273   |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                      |                                                |                                                                      |             |              |                     |       |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 12,595                                         | 1,539                                                                | 1,036       | 2,097        | 3,357               | 3,493 |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 23,046                                         | 3,743                                                                | 2,200       | 3,498        | 5,724               | 4,484 |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 8,399                                          | 1,316                                                                | 874         | 1,428        | 2,180               | 2,068 |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 5,358                                          | 1,019                                                                | 564         | 803          | 1,408               | 1,007 |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 2,011                                          | 480                                                                  | 216         | 339          | 483                 | 213   |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 1,848                                          | 347                                                                  | 226         | 273          | 425                 | 201   |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                    |                                                |                                                                      |             |              |                     |       |
| Poor                                            | 6,979                                          | 817                                                                  | 618         | 1,080        | 1,700               | 2,234 |
| Near poor                                       | 9,661                                          | 1,437                                                                | 896         | 1,687        | 2,554               | 2,459 |
| Not poor                                        | 10,830                                         | 2,138                                                                | 1,242       | 1,735        | 2,901               | 1,480 |
| Place of residence                              |                                                |                                                                      |             |              |                     |       |
| Large MSA <sup>11</sup>                         | 19,260                                         | 2,530                                                                | 1,552       | 2,792        | 4,261               | 5,055 |
| Small MSA <sup>11</sup>                         | 12,126                                         | 1,916                                                                | 1,083       | 1,967        | 3,040               | 2,209 |
| Not in MSA <sup>11</sup>                        | 8,668                                          | 1,235                                                                | 768         | 1,206        | 2,534               | 1,593 |
| Region                                          |                                                |                                                                      |             |              |                     |       |
| Northeast                                       | 5,375                                          | 781                                                                  | 552         | 754          | 1,283               | 1,101 |
| Midwest                                         | 7,230                                          | 1,221                                                                | 756         | 1,205        | 1,766               | 906   |
| South                                           | 17,236                                         | 2,300                                                                | 1,418       | 2,466        | 4,505               | 4,034 |
| West                                            | 10,213                                         | 1,379                                                                | 677         | 1,540        | 2,281               | 2,816 |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 22. Frequency distributions of length of time since last had health insurance coverage among currently uninsured persons under age 65 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic                             | All currently<br>uninsured<br>persons under<br>65 years | Length of time since last had health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> |                |                 |                        |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------|
|                                                     |                                                         | 6 months<br>or less                                                  | 7–12<br>months | 13–36<br>months | More than<br>36 months | Never |
| Sex and age                                         |                                                         | Number in thousands <sup>2</sup>                                     |                |                 |                        |       |
| Male:                                               |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 2,924                                                   | 626                                                                  | 311            | 432             | 374                    | 660   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,612                                                   | 248                                                                  | 115            | 235             | 358                    | 371   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 12,801                                                  | 1,492                                                                | 1,107          | 1,989           | 3,222                  | 3,249 |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 3,676                                                   | 311                                                                  | 183            | 408             | 1,250                  | 776   |
| Female:                                             |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 2,839                                                   | 586                                                                  | 298            | 439             | 371                    | 662   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 1,552                                                   | 227                                                                  | 109            | 191             | 404                    | 345   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 10,746                                                  | 1,822                                                                | 1,072          | 1,834           | 2,448                  | 2,067 |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 3,905                                                   | 369                                                                  | 209            | 436             | 1,408                  | 727   |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age       |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                           |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 972                                                     | 142                                                                  | 70             | 125             | 151                    | 390   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 526                                                     | 54                                                                   | *16            | 48              | 96                     | 274   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 3,474                                                   | 186                                                                  | 156            | 371             | 531                    | 1,985 |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 732                                                     | 43                                                                   | 26             | 74              | 167                    | 342   |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                         |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 1,021                                                   | 152                                                                  | 69             | 166             | 139                    | 400   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 511                                                     | 59                                                                   | 25             | 50              | 108                    | 233   |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 2,764                                                   | 312                                                                  | 204            | 379             | 473                    | 1,200 |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 807                                                     | 46                                                                   | 25             | 88              | 206                    | 358   |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                              |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| White, single race, male:                           |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 1,310                                                   | 340                                                                  | 172            | 217             | 160                    | 180   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 732                                                     | 140                                                                  | 62             | 141             | 192                    | 47    |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 6,603                                                   | 1,030                                                                | 691            | 1,162           | 2,011                  | 768   |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 2,261                                                   | 222                                                                  | 127            | 251             | 896                    | 246   |
| White, single race, female:                         |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 1,178                                                   | 298                                                                  | 164            | 200             | 154                    | 155   |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 696                                                     | 128                                                                  | 47             | 98              | 215                    | 50    |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 5,522                                                   | 1,129                                                                | 625            | 1,035           | 1,403                  | 490   |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 2,244                                                   | 243                                                                  | 139            | 252             | 914                    | 192   |
| Black or African American, single race, male:       |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 378                                                     | 112                                                                  | 56             | 56              | 36                     | 49    |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 236                                                     | 44                                                                   | *26            | 39              | 56                     | 41    |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 1,913                                                   | 210                                                                  | 207            | 370             | 535                    | 275   |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 453                                                     | 40                                                                   | 24             | 71              | 124                    | 105   |
| Black or African American, single race, female:     |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 397                                                     | 101                                                                  | 53             | 55              | 54                     | 63    |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 241                                                     | 33                                                                   | 33             | 35              | 63                     | 38    |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 1,660                                                   | 270                                                                  | 175            | 327             | 447                    | 190   |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 583                                                     | 58                                                                   | 32             | 75              | 222                    | 96    |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 2,632                                                   | 188                                                                  | 138            | 313             | 384                    | 1,488 |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 3,099                                                   | 291                                                                  | 196            | 400             | 632                    | 1,435 |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 1,938                                                   | 254                                                                  | 157            | 299             | 407                    | 674   |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| White, single race:                                 |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 2,574                                                   | 423                                                                  | 312            | 435             | 834                    | 352   |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 4,542                                                   | 815                                                                  | 507            | 907             | 1,456                  | 607   |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 6,927                                                   | 1,548                                                                | 836            | 1,154           | 2,024                  | 560   |
| Black or African American, single race:             |                                                         |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |       |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 1,371                                                   | 164                                                                  | 148            | 298             | 416                    | 252   |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 1,335                                                   | 236                                                                  | 159            | 286             | 331                    | 211   |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 1,189                                                   | 235                                                                  | 152            | 205             | 304                    | 100   |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

<sup>1</sup>Length of time since last had health insurance coverage is based on the question (asked of persons currently without health insurance coverage), "Not including Single Service Plans, about how long has it been since (person) last had health care coverage?"

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see "Appendix I"), but they are included in the "All persons under age 65 years without coverage" column.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, and poverty status.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "1 race" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "one race, Black or African American" in the tables is referred to as "black persons" in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 23. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of length of time since last had health insurance coverage among currently uninsured persons under age 65 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Total | Length of time since last had health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> |              |              |                     |               |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------|
|                                                 |       | 6 months or less                                                     | 7–12 months  | 13–36 months | More than 36 months | Never         |
|                                                 |       | Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error)                   |              |              |                     |               |
| Total <sup>3</sup>                              | 100.0 | 16.8 (0.54)                                                          | 10.1 (0.40)  | 17.7 (0.49)  | 29.1 (0.61)         | 26.3 (0.73)   |
| Sex                                             |       |                                                                      |              |              |                     |               |
| Male                                            | 100.0 | 15.1 (0.58)                                                          | 9.7 (0.45)   | 17.3 (0.60)  | 29.4 (0.72)         | 28.5 (0.85)   |
| Female                                          | 100.0 | 18.7 (0.69)                                                          | 10.5 (0.53)  | 18.1 (0.62)  | 28.9 (0.73)         | 23.7 (0.76)   |
| Age                                             |       |                                                                      |              |              |                     |               |
| Under 12 years                                  | 100.0 | 25.5 (1.45)                                                          | 12.8 (1.15)  | 18.3 (1.26)  | 15.7 (1.06)         | 27.8 (1.50)   |
| 12–17 years                                     | 100.0 | 18.2 (1.59)                                                          | 8.6 (1.11)   | 16.4 (1.49)  | 29.3 (1.84)         | 27.5 (1.72)   |
| 18–44 years                                     | 100.0 | 16.3 (0.56)                                                          | 10.7 (0.46)  | 18.8 (0.55)  | 27.9 (0.67)         | 26.2 (0.82)   |
| 45–64 years                                     | 100.0 | 11.2 (0.81)                                                          | 6.4 (0.62)   | 13.9 (0.82)  | 43.7 (1.20)         | 24.7 (1.04)   |
| Race                                            |       |                                                                      |              |              |                     |               |
| 1 race <sup>4</sup>                             | 100.0 | 16.7 (0.54)                                                          | 10.1 (0.41)  | 17.7 (0.49)  | 29.1 (0.62)         | 26.4 (0.74)   |
| White                                           | 100.0 | 17.5 (0.67)                                                          | 10.1 (0.49)  | 17.9 (0.59)  | 30.3 (0.75)         | 24.2 (0.84)   |
| Black or African American                       | 100.0 | 17.6 (1.44)                                                          | 12.3 (1.07)  | 20.9 (1.11)  | 31.4 (1.41)         | 17.7 (1.36)   |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 100.0 | *8.7 (3.85)                                                          | *8.3 (4.64)  | 18.8 (4.96)  | 26.0 (5.26)         | 38.3 (6.56)   |
| Asian                                           | 100.0 | 13.7 (2.74)                                                          | 9.3 (2.26)   | 12.1 (2.75)  | 20.5 (2.98)         | 44.4 (4.30)   |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander       | 100.0 | *18.0 (8.74)                                                         | *1.2 (1.20)  | *14.7 (7.22) | *35.1 (11.09)       | *31.1 (12.40) |
| 2 or more races <sup>5</sup>                    | 100.0 | 26.7 (4.80)                                                          | 10.4 (2.57)  | 18.5 (3.57)  | 33.8 (5.07)         | 10.7 (2.86)   |
| Black or African American, white                | 100.0 | *26.2 (8.52)                                                         | *13.9 (7.01) | *20.7 (7.13) | *26.7 (8.43)        | *12.5 (5.53)  |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 100.0 | *19.6 (7.51)                                                         | *9.3 (4.33)  | *20.8 (7.02) | 42.4 (10.03)        | *7.9 (4.05)   |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>6</sup> and race |       |                                                                      |              |              |                     |               |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 100.0 | 10.0 (0.62)                                                          | 6.0 (0.50)   | 13.1 (0.67)  | 18.8 (0.88)         | 52.1 (1.31)   |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 100.0 | 9.3 (0.69)                                                           | 5.4 (0.58)   | 12.5 (0.80)  | 18.4 (1.09)         | 54.4 (1.60)   |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 100.0 | 19.7 (0.71)                                                          | 11.8 (0.53)  | 19.6 (0.62)  | 33.5 (0.76)         | 15.4 (0.68)   |
| White, single race                              | 100.0 | 20.8 (0.86)                                                          | 11.9 (0.64)  | 19.8 (0.75)  | 35.0 (0.93)         | 12.5 (0.73)   |
| Black or African American, single race          | 100.0 | 17.7 (1.47)                                                          | 12.4 (1.09)  | 21.0 (1.12)  | 31.4 (1.41)         | 17.5 (1.37)   |
| Education <sup>7</sup>                          |       |                                                                      |              |              |                     |               |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 100.0 | 7.9 (0.59)                                                           | 6.4 (0.54)   | 12.0 (0.69)  | 30.9 (1.12)         | 42.8 (1.21)   |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>8</sup>         | 100.0 | 14.0 (0.89)                                                          | 10.2 (0.77)  | 17.9 (0.93)  | 39.1 (1.15)         | 19.0 (0.94)   |
| Some college                                    | 100.0 | 19.1 (1.13)                                                          | 8.9 (0.79)   | 19.7 (1.13)  | 39.1 (1.39)         | 13.2 (0.87)   |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 100.0 | 19.6 (1.82)                                                          | 12.4 (1.47)  | 19.4 (1.82)  | 33.8 (2.18)         | 14.8 (1.59)   |
| Family income <sup>9</sup>                      |       |                                                                      |              |              |                     |               |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 100.0 | 13.4 (0.74)                                                          | 9.0 (0.58)   | 18.2 (0.80)  | 29.1 (1.04)         | 30.3 (1.22)   |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 100.0 | 19.0 (0.74)                                                          | 11.2 (0.58)  | 17.8 (0.67)  | 29.1 (0.82)         | 22.8 (0.82)   |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 100.0 | 16.7 (1.11)                                                          | 11.1 (0.90)  | 18.2 (1.05)  | 27.7 (1.19)         | 26.3 (1.28)   |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 100.0 | 21.2 (1.57)                                                          | 11.7 (1.25)  | 16.7 (1.30)  | 29.3 (1.60)         | 21.0 (1.48)   |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 100.0 | 27.7 (2.97)                                                          | 12.5 (2.05)  | 19.6 (2.51)  | 27.9 (2.87)         | 12.3 (2.09)   |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 100.0 | 23.6 (2.62)                                                          | 15.4 (2.40)  | 18.6 (2.59)  | 28.8 (3.12)         | 13.7 (2.00)   |
| Poverty status <sup>10</sup>                    |       |                                                                      |              |              |                     |               |
| Poor                                            | 100.0 | 12.7 (0.98)                                                          | 9.6 (0.82)   | 16.7 (1.03)  | 26.4 (1.27)         | 34.6 (1.66)   |
| Near poor                                       | 100.0 | 15.9 (1.12)                                                          | 9.9 (0.86)   | 18.7 (0.92)  | 28.3 (1.21)         | 27.2 (1.28)   |
| Not poor                                        | 100.0 | 22.5 (0.99)                                                          | 13.1 (0.85)  | 18.3 (0.88)  | 30.5 (1.08)         | 15.6 (0.89)   |
| Place of residence                              |       |                                                                      |              |              |                     |               |
| Large MSA <sup>11</sup>                         | 100.0 | 15.6 (0.74)                                                          | 9.6 (0.58)   | 17.2 (0.72)  | 26.3 (0.86)         | 31.2 (1.08)   |
| Small MSA <sup>11</sup>                         | 100.0 | 18.8 (0.99)                                                          | 10.6 (0.73)  | 19.3 (0.85)  | 29.8 (1.09)         | 21.6 (1.14)   |
| Not in MSA <sup>11</sup>                        | 100.0 | 16.8 (1.29)                                                          | 10.5 (0.90)  | 16.4 (1.09)  | 34.5 (1.40)         | 21.7 (1.74)   |
| Region                                          |       |                                                                      |              |              |                     |               |
| Northeast                                       | 100.0 | 17.5 (1.67)                                                          | 12.3 (1.14)  | 16.9 (1.27)  | 28.7 (1.60)         | 24.6 (1.87)   |
| Midwest                                         | 100.0 | 20.9 (1.36)                                                          | 12.9 (1.07)  | 20.6 (1.36)  | 30.2 (1.50)         | 15.5 (1.50)   |
| South                                           | 100.0 | 15.6 (0.79)                                                          | 9.6 (0.60)   | 16.7 (0.74)  | 30.6 (0.99)         | 27.4 (1.20)   |
| West                                            | 100.0 | 15.9 (1.03)                                                          | 7.8 (0.74)   | 17.7 (0.88)  | 26.2 (1.06)         | 32.4 (1.38)   |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23. Percent distributions (with standard errors) of length of time since last had health insurance coverage among currently uninsured persons under age 65 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

|                                                     |       | Length of time since last had health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> |                |                 |                        |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Selected characteristic                             | Total | 6 months<br>or less                                                  | 7–12<br>months | 13–36<br>months | More than<br>36 months | Never       |
| Sex and age                                         |       | Percent distribution <sup>2</sup> (standard error)                   |                |                 |                        |             |
| Male:                                               |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 26.1 (1.83)                                                          | 13.0 (1.38)    | 18.0 (1.58)     | 15.6 (1.36)            | 27.5 (1.69) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 18.7 (2.17)                                                          | 8.7 (1.49)     | 17.7 (2.03)     | 27.0 (2.34)            | 28.0 (2.22) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 13.5 (0.61)                                                          | 10.0 (0.56)    | 18.0 (0.70)     | 29.1 (0.85)            | 29.4 (1.03) |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 10.6 (0.99)                                                          | 6.2 (0.76)     | 14.0 (1.08)     | 42.7 (1.57)            | 26.5 (1.37) |
| Female:                                             |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 24.9 (1.77)                                                          | 12.7 (1.44)    | 18.6 (1.60)     | 15.7 (1.35)            | 28.1 (1.83) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 17.8 (1.93)                                                          | 8.5 (1.43)     | 15.0 (1.78)     | 31.7 (2.47)            | 27.0 (2.22) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 19.7 (0.79)                                                          | 11.6 (0.62)    | 19.8 (0.76)     | 26.5 (0.83)            | 22.4 (0.84) |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 11.7 (0.99)                                                          | 6.6 (0.77)     | 13.8 (1.04)     | 44.7 (1.45)            | 23.1 (1.21) |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, sex, and age       |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Hispanic or Latino, male:                           |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 16.2 (1.78)                                                          | 8.0 (1.47)     | 14.2 (1.70)     | 17.2 (1.94)            | 44.3 (2.60) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 11.0 (2.22)                                                          | *3.3 (1.15)    | 9.8 (1.78)      | 19.8 (2.66)            | 56.2 (3.57) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 5.8 (0.63)                                                           | 4.8 (0.60)     | 11.5 (0.85)     | 16.5 (1.02)            | 61.4 (1.54) |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 6.6 (1.36)                                                           | 3.9 (1.13)     | 11.4 (1.76)     | 25.6 (2.33)            | 52.5 (2.75) |
| Hispanic or Latina, female:                         |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 16.4 (1.85)                                                          | 7.4 (1.45)     | 18.0 (2.30)     | 15.0 (1.78)            | 43.2 (2.78) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 12.4 (1.95)                                                          | 5.3 (1.58)     | 10.6 (1.88)     | 22.7 (2.85)            | 49.0 (3.46) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 12.2 (0.89)                                                          | 8.0 (0.73)     | 14.8 (0.96)     | 18.4 (1.11)            | 46.7 (1.57) |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 6.4 (1.19)                                                           | 3.5 (0.88)     | 12.2 (1.70)     | 28.5 (2.18)            | 49.5 (2.39) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                              |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| White, single race, male:                           |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 31.8 (3.40)                                                          | 16.1 (2.52)    | 20.3 (2.84)     | 14.9 (2.31)            | 16.9 (2.52) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 24.1 (3.95)                                                          | 10.6 (2.63)    | 24.3 (3.67)     | 33.0 (4.25)            | 8.1 (2.04)  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 18.2 (1.01)                                                          | 12.2 (0.89)    | 20.5 (1.06)     | 35.5 (1.31)            | 13.6 (1.05) |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 12.7 (1.43)                                                          | 7.3 (1.13)     | 14.4 (1.50)     | 51.5 (2.15)            | 14.1 (1.55) |
| White, single race, female:                         |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 30.7 (3.11)                                                          | 16.9 (2.72)    | 20.6 (2.74)     | 15.9 (2.36)            | 16.0 (2.67) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 23.7 (3.74)                                                          | 8.8 (2.56)     | 18.1 (3.43)     | 40.0 (4.57)            | 9.4 (2.40)  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 24.1 (1.23)                                                          | 13.4 (1.00)    | 22.1 (1.20)     | 30.0 (1.28)            | 10.5 (0.92) |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 14.0 (1.53)                                                          | 8.0 (1.21)     | 14.5 (1.60)     | 52.5 (2.22)            | 11.0 (1.22) |
| Black or African American, single race, male:       |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 36.2 (5.08)                                                          | 18.1 (4.21)    | 18.2 (3.82)     | 11.6 (2.90)            | 15.9 (3.80) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 21.5 (5.44)                                                          | *12.6 (3.95)   | 18.7 (5.41)     | 27.1 (5.39)            | 20.1 (5.38) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 13.2 (1.56)                                                          | 12.9 (1.46)    | 23.2 (1.73)     | 33.5 (2.20)            | 17.2 (1.95) |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 11.0 (2.91)                                                          | 6.5 (1.91)     | 19.6 (3.09)     | 34.2 (3.88)            | 28.7 (3.84) |
| Black or African American, single race, female:     |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Under 12 years . . . . .                            | 100.0 | 31.0 (5.99)                                                          | 16.3 (3.86)    | 16.8 (3.79)     | 16.6 (3.69)            | 19.3 (4.31) |
| 12–17 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 16.4 (4.38)                                                          | 16.3 (4.16)    | 17.5 (4.67)     | 31.0 (5.49)            | 18.8 (5.05) |
| 18–44 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 19.2 (2.08)                                                          | 12.4 (1.54)    | 23.2 (1.79)     | 31.7 (2.18)            | 13.5 (1.50) |
| 45–64 years . . . . .                               | 100.0 | 12.1 (2.23)                                                          | 6.6 (1.58)     | 15.6 (2.25)     | 45.8 (3.07)            | 19.9 (3.16) |
| Hispanic or Latino origin, race, and poverty status |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Hispanic or Latino:                                 |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0 | 7.5 (0.94)                                                           | 5.5 (0.85)     | 12.5 (1.28)     | 15.3 (1.34)            | 59.3 (2.29) |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0 | 9.8 (1.08)                                                           | 6.6 (1.16)     | 13.5 (1.25)     | 21.4 (1.72)            | 48.6 (2.24) |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0 | 14.2 (1.61)                                                          | 8.7 (1.35)     | 16.7 (1.52)     | 22.7 (2.11)            | 37.6 (2.48) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino:                             |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| White, single race:                                 |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0 | 17.9 (2.09)                                                          | 13.2 (1.65)    | 18.5 (1.92)     | 35.4 (2.39)            | 14.9 (1.98) |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0 | 19.0 (1.82)                                                          | 11.8 (1.37)    | 21.1 (1.48)     | 33.9 (1.95)            | 14.1 (1.49) |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0 | 25.3 (1.31)                                                          | 13.7 (1.11)    | 18.9 (1.17)     | 33.1 (1.44)            | 9.1 (0.87)  |
| Black or African American, single race:             |       |                                                                      |                |                 |                        |             |
| Poor . . . . .                                      | 100.0 | 12.8 (2.30)                                                          | 11.6 (1.97)    | 23.3 (2.44)     | 32.5 (2.73)            | 19.7 (2.59) |
| Near poor . . . . .                                 | 100.0 | 19.3 (3.18)                                                          | 13.0 (2.38)    | 23.4 (2.64)     | 27.1 (2.68)            | 17.2 (2.38) |
| Not poor . . . . .                                  | 100.0 | 23.6 (2.86)                                                          | 15.2 (2.29)    | 20.6 (2.34)     | 30.5 (2.94)            | 10.1 (1.72) |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

<sup>1</sup>Length of time since last had health insurance coverage is based on the question (asked of persons currently without health insurance coverage), "Not including Single Service Plans, about how long has it been since {person} last had health care coverage?"

<sup>2</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I"). Percents may not add to totals due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, and poverty status.

<sup>4</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see “Appendix II”), the category “1 race” refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for “1 race” but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category “Not Hispanic or Latino” black or African American, single race in the tables is referred to as non-Hispanic black in the text.

<sup>5</sup>The category “2 or more races” refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>6</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category “Not Hispanic or Latino” refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>7</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>8</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>9</sup>The categories “Less than \$20,000” and “\$20,000 or more” include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see “Appendix I”). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>10</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau’s poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. “Poor” persons are defined as below the poverty threshold “Near poor” persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. “Not poor” persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>11</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 24. Frequencies of currently uninsured persons under age 65 years by selected reasons for no health insurance coverage and selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Selected reasons for no health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------|------------------|--------------------|
|                                                 | All currently uninsured persons under 65 years                 | Lost job or change in employment | Change in marital status or death of parent | Ineligible due to age/left school | Employer didn't offer/insurance company refused | Cost   | Medicaid stopped | Other <sup>2</sup> |
| Number in thousands <sup>3</sup>                |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
| Total <sup>4</sup>                              | 40,054                                                         | 8,757                            | 1,119                                       | 2,689                             | 5,194                                           | 17,929 | 3,459            | 2,234              |
| Sex                                             |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
| Male                                            | 21,013                                                         | 4,647                            | 327                                         | 1,692                             | 3,048                                           | 9,495  | 1,223            | 1,236              |
| Female                                          | 19,041                                                         | 4,111                            | 792                                         | 997                               | 2,146                                           | 8,434  | 2,236            | 998                |
| Age                                             |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
| Under 12 years                                  | 5,763                                                          | 1,143                            | 167                                         | 54                                | 353                                             | 2,253  | 1,064            | 371                |
| 12–17 years                                     | 3,164                                                          | 638                              | 100                                         | *40                               | 226                                             | 1,432  | 382              | 200                |
| 18–44 years                                     | 23,547                                                         | 5,201                            | 551                                         | 2,580                             | 3,676                                           | 10,334 | 1,782            | 1,201              |
| 45–64 years                                     | 7,581                                                          | 1,775                            | 301                                         | *16                               | 939                                             | 3,910  | 231              | 462                |
| Race                                            |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
| 1 race <sup>5</sup>                             | 39,494                                                         | 8,637                            | 1,102                                       | 2,622                             | 5,132                                           | 17,697 | 3,390            | 2,210              |
| White                                           | 28,126                                                         | 6,609                            | 919                                         | 1,974                             | 3,762                                           | 12,997 | 2,230            | 1,312              |
| Black or African American                       | 5,967                                                          | 1,355                            | 132                                         | 487                               | 727                                             | 2,383  | 784              | 244                |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 700                                                            | *70                              | *2                                          | *8                                | *26                                             | 125    | *21              | *9                 |
| Asian                                           | 1,667                                                          | 229                              | *11                                         | 57                                | 162                                             | 756    | *60              | 257                |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander       | 86                                                             | *18                              | *–                                          | *–                                | *13                                             | *46    | *12              | *8                 |
| 2 or more races <sup>6</sup>                    | 560                                                            | 120                              | *16                                         | 67                                | 62                                              | 232    | *69              | *24                |
| Black or African American, white                | 106                                                            | *15                              | *–                                          | *22                               | *6                                              | 37     | *18              | *5                 |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 221                                                            | *37                              | *7                                          | *14                               | *27                                             | 90     | *40              | *3                 |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>7</sup> and race |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 10,808                                                         | 1,475                            | 118                                         | 320                               | 1,771                                           | 5,760  | 1,033            | 832                |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 7,889                                                          | 1,012                            | 81                                          | 214                               | 1,276                                           | 4,322  | 785              | 544                |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 29,246                                                         | 7,282                            | 1,001                                       | 2,369                             | 3,422                                           | 12,169 | 2,426            | 1,402              |
| White, single race                              | 20,545                                                         | 5,549                            | 843                                         | 1,760                             | 2,477                                           | 8,732  | 1,504            | 895                |
| Black or African American, single race          | 5,861                                                          | 1,326                            | 131                                         | 480                               | 709                                             | 2,359  | 773              | 219                |
| Education <sup>8</sup>                          |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 6,948                                                          | 1,253                            | 174                                         | 118                               | 1,192                                           | 4,037  | 506              | 470                |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>9</sup>         | 7,502                                                          | 2,188                            | 266                                         | 207                               | 1,159                                           | 3,650  | 467              | 328                |
| Some college                                    | 5,012                                                          | 1,599                            | 238                                         | 201                               | 732                                             | 2,457  | 276              | 240                |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 2,438                                                          | 603                              | 56                                          | 169                               | 323                                             | 906    | 86               | 196                |
| Family income <sup>10</sup>                     |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 12,595                                                         | 2,382                            | 478                                         | 857                               | 1,786                                           | 6,265  | 1,641            | 778                |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 23,046                                                         | 5,824                            | 578                                         | 1,669                             | 2,981                                           | 10,335 | 1,565            | 1,204              |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 8,399                                                          | 2,221                            | 232                                         | 483                               | 1,234                                           | 4,137  | 857              | 511                |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 5,358                                                          | 1,553                            | 122                                         | 414                               | 712                                             | 2,486  | 383              | 287                |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 2,011                                                          | 589                              | 74                                          | 194                               | 241                                             | 874    | 67               | 66                 |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 1,848                                                          | 465                              | *64                                         | 208                               | 210                                             | 751    | 55               | 106                |
| Poverty status <sup>11</sup>                    |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
| Poor                                            | 6,979                                                          | 1,163                            | 213                                         | 442                               | 875                                             | 3,481  | 1,122            | 395                |
| Near poor                                       | 9,661                                                          | 2,392                            | 296                                         | 500                               | 1,395                                           | 4,896  | 1,155            | 595                |
| Not poor                                        | 10,830                                                         | 3,191                            | 366                                         | 1,054                             | 1,506                                           | 4,818  | 434              | 556                |
| Place of residence                              |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup>                         | 19,260                                                         | 3,898                            | 406                                         | 1,081                             | 2,796                                           | 8,229  | 1,576            | 1,333              |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup>                         | 12,126                                                         | 2,753                            | 358                                         | 1,009                             | 1,506                                           | 5,696  | 1,058            | 526                |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup>                        | 8,668                                                          | 2,106                            | 354                                         | 599                               | 892                                             | 4,004  | 824              | 376                |
| Region                                          |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |        |                  |                    |
| Northeast                                       | 5,375                                                          | 1,043                            | 155                                         | 457                               | 760                                             | 2,280  | 410              | 375                |
| Midwest                                         | 7,230                                                          | 1,958                            | 309                                         | 720                               | 1,019                                           | 2,956  | 543              | 305                |
| South                                           | 17,236                                                         | 3,831                            | 442                                         | 994                               | 1,853                                           | 8,016  | 1,539            | 1,032              |
| West                                            | 10,213                                                         | 1,926                            | 213                                         | 518                               | 1,563                                           | 4,678  | 966              | 522                |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 24. Frequencies of currently uninsured persons under age 65 years by selected reasons for no health insurance coverage and selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic  | Selected reasons for no health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |       |                  |                    |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------|------------------|--------------------|
|                          | All currently uninsured persons under 65 years                 | Lost job or change in employment | Change in marital status or death of parent | Ineligible due to age/left school | Employer didn't offer/insurance company refused | Cost  | Medicaid stopped | Other <sup>2</sup> |
| Sex and age              | Number in thousands <sup>3</sup>                               |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |       |                  |                    |
| Male:                    |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |       |                  |                    |
| Under 12 years . . . . . | 2,924                                                          | 596                              | 78                                          | *25                               | 177                                             | 1,139 | 519              | 182                |
| 12–17 years . . . . .    | 1,612                                                          | 329                              | 42                                          | *27                               | 116                                             | 733   | 173              | 102                |
| 18–44 years . . . . .    | 12,801                                                         | 2,871                            | 141                                         | 1,630                             | 2,233                                           | 5,727 | 428              | 701                |
| 45–64 years . . . . .    | 3,676                                                          | 851                              | 67                                          | *10                               | 522                                             | 1,896 | 103              | 250                |
| Female:                  |                                                                |                                  |                                             |                                   |                                                 |       |                  |                    |
| Under 12 years . . . . . | 2,839                                                          | 547                              | 89                                          | *29                               | 176                                             | 1,114 | 545              | 189                |
| 12–17 years . . . . .    | 1,552                                                          | 309                              | 58                                          | *12                               | 110                                             | 699   | 209              | 98                 |
| 18–44 years . . . . .    | 10,746                                                         | 2,330                            | 410                                         | 950                               | 1,443                                           | 4,606 | 1,353            | 499                |
| 45–64 years . . . . .    | 3,905                                                          | 924                              | 234                                         | *6                                | 416                                             | 2,015 | 128              | 212                |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

– Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Reasons for no health insurance coverage are based on the question, "Which of these are reasons (person) stopped being covered or does not have health insurance?" Persons may report more than one reason.

<sup>2</sup>Other includes: moved, self-employed, never had coverage, did not want or need coverage, and other unspecified reasons.

<sup>3</sup>Unknowns for the columns are not included in the frequencies (see "Appendix I"), but they are included in the "All persons under age 65 years without coverage" column.

<sup>4</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, and poverty status.

<sup>5</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Therefore, the frequencies for the category One race will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific groups shown separately. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino black or African American, single race" in the tables is referred to as "non-Hispanic black" in the text.

<sup>6</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations. Therefore, the frequencies for the category "2 or more races" will be greater than the sum of the frequencies for the specific combinations shown separately.

<sup>7</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>8</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>9</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>10</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>11</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

**Table 25. Percents (with standard errors) of currently uninsured persons under age 65 years by selected reasons for no health insurance coverage and selected characteristics: United States, 2000**

| Selected characteristic                         | Selected reasons for no health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|--|
|                                                 | Lost job or change in employment                               | Change in marital status or death of parent | Ineligible due to age/left school | Employer didn't offer/insurance company refused | Cost         | Medicaid stopped | Other <sup>2</sup> |  |
|                                                 | Percent <sup>3</sup> (standard error)                          |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
| Total <sup>4</sup>                              | 26.0 (0.65)                                                    | 3.3 (0.24)                                  | 8.0 (0.35)                        | 15.4 (0.55)                                     | 53.3 (0.77)  | 10.3 (0.43)      | 6.6 (0.37)         |  |
| Sex                                             |                                                                |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
| Male                                            | 26.3 (0.75)                                                    | 1.9 (0.20)                                  | 9.6 (0.47)                        | 17.3 (0.70)                                     | 53.7 (0.88)  | 6.9 (0.42)       | 7.0 (0.42)         |  |
| Female                                          | 25.7 (0.75)                                                    | 5.0 (0.37)                                  | 6.2 (0.39)                        | 13.4 (0.58)                                     | 52.8 (0.88)  | 14.0 (0.60)      | 6.2 (0.43)         |  |
| Age                                             |                                                                |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
| Under 12 years                                  | 24.3 (1.54)                                                    | 3.5 (0.66)                                  | 1.1 (0.29)                        | 7.5 (0.88)                                      | 47.8 (1.66)  | 22.6 (1.49)      | 7.9 (0.94)         |  |
| 12–17 years                                     | 25.0 (1.87)                                                    | 3.9 (0.77)                                  | *1.6 (0.61)                       | 8.9 (1.15)                                      | 56.1 (2.00)  | 15.0 (1.38)      | 7.8 (1.09)         |  |
| 18–44 years                                     | 25.6 (0.71)                                                    | 2.7 (0.22)                                  | 12.7 (0.52)                       | 18.1 (0.68)                                     | 50.8 (0.85)  | 8.8 (0.39)       | 5.9 (0.37)         |  |
| 45–64 years                                     | 29.3 (1.17)                                                    | 5.0 (0.51)                                  | *0.3 (0.10)                       | 15.5 (0.83)                                     | 64.6 (1.20)  | 3.8 (0.44)       | 7.6 (0.65)         |  |
| Race                                            |                                                                |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
| 1 race <sup>5</sup>                             | 26.0 (0.65)                                                    | 3.3 (0.24)                                  | 7.9 (0.35)                        | 15.4 (0.55)                                     | 53.3 (0.78)  | 10.2 (0.43)      | 6.7 (0.37)         |  |
| White                                           | 27.6 (0.80)                                                    | 3.8 (0.31)                                  | 8.3 (0.41)                        | 15.7 (0.63)                                     | 54.4 (0.92)  | 9.3 (0.48)       | 5.5 (0.38)         |  |
| Black or African American                       | 26.7 (1.53)                                                    | 2.6 (0.40)                                  | 9.6 (0.90)                        | 14.3 (1.26)                                     | 46.9 (1.67)  | 15.4 (1.28)      | 4.8 (0.62)         |  |
| American Indian or Alaska Native                | 32.9 (7.34)                                                    | *0.9 (0.88)                                 | *3.8 (2.36)                       | *12.2 (4.10)                                    | 58.7 (6.13)  | *9.6 (3.53)      | *4.0 (2.30)        |  |
| Asian                                           | 17.0 (3.05)                                                    | *0.9 (0.51)                                 | 4.2 (1.07)                        | 12.0 (2.61)                                     | 56.0 (4.23)  | *4.4 (1.33)      | 19.1 (3.45)        |  |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander       | *24.2 (14.98)                                                  | —                                           | —                                 | *17.9 (7.68)                                    | 60.6 (14.52) | *16.2 (11.69)    | *10.8 (7.61)       |  |
| 2 or more races <sup>6</sup>                    | 28.9 (5.12)                                                    | *3.9 (1.75)                                 | 16.2 (3.36)                       | 14.9 (3.91)                                     | 55.7 (5.62)  | 16.4 (4.47)      | *5.8 (2.48)        |  |
| Black or African American, white                | *18.7 (6.76)                                                   | —                                           | 26.4 (7.60)                       | *7.5 (4.40)                                     | 44.7 (9.13)  | *21.8 (7.77)     | *5.7 (3.98)        |  |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white         | 27.1 (7.72)                                                    | *4.8 (3.39)                                 | *9.9 (4.48)                       | *19.3 (6.23)                                    | 65.3 (10.53) | *29.2 (10.72)    | *2.4 (2.35)        |  |
| Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>7</sup> and race |                                                                |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
| Hispanic or Latino                              | 15.1 (0.83)                                                    | 1.2 (0.19)                                  | 3.3 (0.30)                        | 18.1 (1.14)                                     | 59.0 (1.40)  | 10.6 (0.66)      | 8.5 (0.75)         |  |
| Mexican or Mexican American                     | 14.2 (0.97)                                                    | 1.1 (0.23)                                  | 3.0 (0.34)                        | 17.9 (1.41)                                     | 60.6 (1.67)  | 11.0 (0.80)      | 7.6 (0.79)         |  |
| Not Hispanic or Latino                          | 30.5 (0.82)                                                    | 4.2 (0.32)                                  | 9.9 (0.46)                        | 14.3 (0.59)                                     | 51.0 (0.89)  | 10.2 (0.53)      | 5.9 (0.40)         |  |
| White, single race                              | 32.7 (1.01)                                                    | 5.0 (0.42)                                  | 10.4 (0.55)                       | 14.6 (0.67)                                     | 51.4 (1.07)  | 8.9 (0.59)       | 5.3 (0.44)         |  |
| Black or African American, single race          | 26.6 (1.54)                                                    | 2.6 (0.41)                                  | 9.6 (0.90)                        | 14.2 (1.28)                                     | 47.4 (1.69)  | 15.5 (1.30)      | 4.4 (0.56)         |  |
| Education <sup>8</sup>                          |                                                                |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
| Less than a high school diploma                 | 19.5 (1.01)                                                    | 2.7 (0.34)                                  | 1.8 (0.28)                        | 18.6 (0.90)                                     | 63.0 (1.20)  | 7.9 (0.55)       | 7.3 (0.63)         |  |
| High school diploma or GED <sup>9</sup>         | 33.5 (1.25)                                                    | 4.1 (0.43)                                  | 3.2 (0.41)                        | 17.8 (0.90)                                     | 55.9 (1.25)  | 7.1 (0.58)       | 5.0 (0.53)         |  |
| Some college                                    | 37.1 (1.39)                                                    | 5.5 (0.62)                                  | 4.7 (0.58)                        | 17.0 (1.05)                                     | 57.1 (1.51)  | 6.4 (0.69)       | 5.6 (0.63)         |  |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                     | 33.2 (2.08)                                                    | 3.1 (0.79)                                  | 9.3 (1.34)                        | 17.8 (1.64)                                     | 49.9 (2.24)  | 4.7 (0.93)       | 10.8 (1.41)        |  |
| Family income <sup>10</sup>                     |                                                                |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
| Less than \$20,000                              | 20.7 (0.86)                                                    | 4.2 (0.43)                                  | 7.5 (0.57)                        | 15.6 (0.78)                                     | 54.6 (1.14)  | 14.3 (0.79)      | 6.8 (0.58)         |  |
| \$20,000 or more                                | 29.7 (0.89)                                                    | 2.9 (0.29)                                  | 8.5 (0.43)                        | 15.2 (0.67)                                     | 52.8 (1.00)  | 8.0 (0.51)       | 6.1 (0.45)         |  |
| \$20,000–\$34,999                               | 28.4 (1.36)                                                    | 3.0 (0.41)                                  | 6.2 (0.59)                        | 15.8 (1.01)                                     | 52.9 (1.51)  | 11.0 (0.98)      | 6.5 (0.73)         |  |
| \$35,000–\$54,999                               | 32.5 (1.82)                                                    | 2.6 (0.52)                                  | 8.6 (0.80)                        | 14.9 (1.27)                                     | 51.9 (1.96)  | 8.0 (1.06)       | 6.0 (0.97)         |  |
| \$55,000–\$74,999                               | 34.4 (2.96)                                                    | 4.3 (1.16)                                  | 11.3 (1.52)                       | 14.1 (1.91)                                     | 51.0 (3.33)  | 3.9 (1.02)       | 3.8 (0.83)         |  |
| \$75,000 or more                                | 31.9 (3.15)                                                    | *4.4 (1.53)                                 | 14.3 (1.93)                       | 14.4 (2.22)                                     | 51.6 (3.61)  | 3.8 (0.99)       | 7.3 (1.44)         |  |
| Poverty status <sup>11</sup>                    |                                                                |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
| Poor                                            | 18.1 (1.08)                                                    | 3.3 (0.58)                                  | 6.9 (0.73)                        | 13.6 (1.05)                                     | 54.3 (1.55)  | 17.5 (1.19)      | 6.2 (0.78)         |  |
| Near poor                                       | 26.6 (1.30)                                                    | 3.3 (0.42)                                  | 5.6 (0.51)                        | 15.5 (0.90)                                     | 54.4 (1.40)  | 12.8 (0.97)      | 6.6 (0.71)         |  |
| Not poor                                        | 33.9 (1.17)                                                    | 3.9 (0.46)                                  | 11.2 (0.67)                       | 16.0 (0.88)                                     | 51.1 (1.31)  | 4.6 (0.51)       | 5.9 (0.56)         |  |
| Place of residence                              |                                                                |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
| Large MSA <sup>12</sup>                         | 24.2 (0.90)                                                    | 2.5 (0.27)                                  | 6.7 (0.41)                        | 17.4 (0.83)                                     | 51.1 (1.11)  | 9.8 (0.58)       | 8.3 (0.58)         |  |
| Small MSA <sup>12</sup>                         | 26.8 (1.21)                                                    | 3.5 (0.46)                                  | 9.8 (0.70)                        | 14.6 (1.05)                                     | 55.4 (1.40)  | 10.3 (0.79)      | 5.1 (0.62)         |  |
| Not in MSA <sup>12</sup>                        | 29.1 (1.39)                                                    | 4.9 (0.65)                                  | 8.3 (0.87)                        | 12.3 (0.91)                                     | 55.2 (1.68)  | 11.4 (1.00)      | 5.2 (0.72)         |  |
| Region                                          |                                                                |                                             |                                   |                                                 |              |                  |                    |  |
| Northeast                                       | 23.3 (1.49)                                                    | 3.5 (0.69)                                  | 10.2 (0.99)                       | 17.0 (1.65)                                     | 50.9 (1.86)  | 9.2 (1.07)       | 8.4 (1.04)         |  |
| Midwest                                         | 33.4 (1.67)                                                    | 5.3 (0.76)                                  | 12.3 (0.90)                       | 17.4 (1.20)                                     | 50.5 (1.94)  | 9.3 (0.92)       | 5.2 (0.80)         |  |
| South                                           | 26.0 (1.04)                                                    | 3.0 (0.33)                                  | 6.7 (0.53)                        | 12.6 (0.82)                                     | 54.4 (1.22)  | 10.4 (0.69)      | 7.0 (0.61)         |  |
| West                                            | 22.4 (1.12)                                                    | 2.5 (0.37)                                  | 6.0 (0.58)                        | 18.2 (1.11)                                     | 54.5 (1.44)  | 11.3 (0.83)      | 6.1 (0.64)         |  |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 25. Percents (with standard errors) of currently uninsured persons under age 65 years by selected reasons for no health insurance coverage and selected characteristics: United States, 2000—Con.**

| Selected characteristic  | Selected reasons for no health insurance coverage <sup>1</sup> |                                                      |                                         |                                                       |             |                     |                    |  |  |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|--|--|
|                          | Lost job<br>or change<br>in employment                         | Change in<br>marital status<br>or death<br>of parent | Ineligible due<br>to age/left<br>school | Employer didn't<br>offer/insurance<br>company refused | Cost        | Medicaid<br>stopped | Other <sup>2</sup> |  |  |
| Sex and age              | Percent <sup>3</sup> (standard error)                          |                                                      |                                         |                                                       |             |                     |                    |  |  |
| Male:                    |                                                                |                                                      |                                         |                                                       |             |                     |                    |  |  |
| Under 12 years . . . . . | 25.2 (1.88)                                                    | 3.3 (0.77)                                           | *1.1 (0.33)                             | 7.5 (1.06)                                            | 48.1 (2.00) | 21.9 (1.80)         | 7.7 (1.04)         |  |  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .    | 25.6 (2.41)                                                    | 3.2 (0.78)                                           | *2.1 (1.10)                             | 9.0 (1.45)                                            | 57.0 (2.61) | 13.5 (1.72)         | 7.9 (1.41)         |  |  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .    | 25.9 (0.88)                                                    | 1.3 (0.20)                                           | 14.7 (0.70)                             | 20.1 (0.88)                                           | 51.6 (1.04) | 3.9 (0.33)          | 6.3 (0.46)         |  |  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .    | 29.1 (1.48)                                                    | 2.3 (0.50)                                           | *0.3 (0.16)                             | 17.9 (1.21)                                           | 64.8 (1.49) | 3.5 (0.59)          | 8.6 (0.91)         |  |  |
| Female:                  |                                                                |                                                      |                                         |                                                       |             |                     |                    |  |  |
| Under 12 years . . . . . | 23.4 (1.85)                                                    | 3.8 (0.87)                                           | *1.2 (0.39)                             | 7.5 (1.10)                                            | 47.5 (2.04) | 23.3 (1.83)         | 8.1 (1.30)         |  |  |
| 12–17 years . . . . .    | 24.4 (2.45)                                                    | 4.6 (1.13)                                           | *1.0 (0.41)                             | 8.7 (1.51)                                            | 55.3 (2.49) | 16.6 (1.93)         | 7.7 (1.26)         |  |  |
| 18–44 years . . . . .    | 25.2 (0.81)                                                    | 4.4 (0.40)                                           | 10.3 (0.63)                             | 15.6 (0.72)                                           | 49.8 (0.99) | 14.6 (0.66)         | 5.4 (0.45)         |  |  |
| 45–64 years . . . . .    | 29.6 (1.41)                                                    | 7.5 (0.84)                                           | *0.2 (0.10)                             | 13.3 (1.02)                                           | 64.4 (1.48) | 4.1 (0.59)          | 6.8 (0.73)         |  |  |

\* Estimates preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error of greater than 30% and should be used with caution as they do not meet the standard of reliability or precision.

– Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Reasons for no health insurance coverage are based on the question, "Which of these are reasons (person) stopped being covered or does not have health insurance?" Persons may report more than one reason. In columns that include more than one reason, persons are counted only once.

<sup>2</sup>Other includes: moved, self-employed, never had coverage, did not want or need coverage, and other unspecified reasons.

<sup>3</sup>Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percents (see "Appendix I").

<sup>4</sup>Total includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, and poverty status.

<sup>5</sup>In accordance with the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and Hispanic or Latino origin (see "Appendix II"), the category "1 race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. Persons who indicated a single race other than the groups shown are included in the total for "1 race" but not shown separately due to small sample sizes. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. The tables in this report use the complete new OMB race and Hispanic origin terms, and the text uses shorter versions of these terms for conciseness. For example, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino black or African American, single race" in the tables is referred to as "non-Hispanic black" in the text.

<sup>6</sup>The category "2 or more races" refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. Only two combinations of multiple-race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>7</sup>Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race or combination of races. Similarly, the category "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to all persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>8</sup>Education is shown only for persons aged 25 years and over.

<sup>9</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>10</sup>The categories "Less than \$20,000" and "\$20,000 or more" include both persons reporting dollar amounts and persons reporting only that their incomes were within one of these two categories (see "Appendix I"). The indented categories include only those persons who reported dollar amounts.

<sup>11</sup>Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds for the previous calendar year. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>12</sup>MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1,000,000 or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1,000,000. Not in MSA consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

DATA SOURCE: National Health Interview Survey, 2000.

# Appendix I

## Technical Notes on Methods

This report is one of a set of statistical reports published by the staff of the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS). It is based on data contained in the 2000 inhouse Person File, which is derived from the Family Core component of the National Health Interview Survey (NHIS). All estimates were weighted using the Person Record Weight and the inhouse data file. All data used in the report are also available from the public-use data files with the exception of more detailed information on race and Hispanic origin and on the sample design. The detailed sample design information was used to produce the most accurate variance estimates possible. Detailed sample design variables and detailed information on race and Hispanic origin cannot be made available on the public-use file due to potential disclosure of confidential information. Standard errors, produced by using the SUDAAN statistical package, are shown for all percentages and rates in the tables (14). Rates or percentages with relative standard errors greater than 30% are considered unreliable and are indicated with an asterisk (\*), as are the

associated frequencies. The relative standard errors are calculated as follows:

$$\text{Relative standard error} = (\text{SE}/\text{Est})100,$$

where SE is the standard error of the estimate, and Est is the estimate (percentage, rate, or frequency). The reliability of frequencies and the reliability of the corresponding percentages (or rates) are determined independently, so that it is possible for a particular frequency to be reliable and its associated percentage (or rate) unreliable (and vice versa). In most instances, however, both estimates were reliable (or unreliable) simultaneously.

In the tables, all unknown values (respondents coded as “refused,” “don’t know,” or “not ascertained”) with respect to each table’s variables of interest were removed from the denominators when calculating row percentages (or rates). In most instances, the overall number of unknowns is quite small and would not have supported disaggregation by the demographic characteristics included in the table. Because these unknowns are not shown separately, users calculating their own percentages based on the frequencies and population counts presented in the tables may obtain slightly different results. To aid users’ understanding of the data, weighted counts and percentages of unknowns (with respect to the variables of interest in each table) are shown in [tables I and II](#).

Unknowns with respect to the demographic characteristics used in each table are not shown due to small cell counts. However, unknowns for both family income and poverty status typically include a sizable number of persons regardless of the health outcome shown in the table. Because it is difficult to interpret the relationship between “unknown” income (or poverty status) and the health outcomes displayed in the tables, counts of persons in these unknown categories are not shown in the tables. [Table III](#) shows weighted counts of persons in the U.S. population with unknown values for family income and poverty status, as well as education and health insurance coverage.

The “Income and Assets” section in the Family Core of the NHIS instrument allowed respondents to report their family income in several ways. Respondents were first asked to provide their family’s total combined income before taxes from all sources for the previous calendar year in a dollar amount (from \$0 to \$999,995). Those respondents who did not know or refused to state an amount were then asked if their family’s combined income in the previous calendar year was \$20,000 or more or less than \$20,000. If they again refused to answer or said that they did not know, they were not asked any more questions about their family

**Table I. Weighted counts and percents of persons with unknown information for selected health variables: National Health Interview Survey, 2000**

| Variable                                                                                                                                      | Weighted count<br>(in thousands) | Weighted<br>percent of<br>persons |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Respondent-assessed health status ( <a href="#">tables 1,2</a> )                                                                              | 1,242                            | 0.45                              |
| Limitation in usual activities ( <a href="#">tables 3,4</a> )                                                                                 | 1,963                            | 0.72                              |
| Limitation in usual activities caused by chronic conditions ( <a href="#">tables 3,4</a> )                                                    | 982                              | 0.36                              |
| Limitation in activities of daily living (ADL) ( <a href="#">table 5</a> )                                                                    | 85                               | 0.04                              |
| Limitation in instrumental activities of daily living (IADL) ( <a href="#">table 5</a> )                                                      | 50                               | 0.02                              |
| Limitation in work activity ( <a href="#">table 6</a> )                                                                                       | 1,167                            | 0.66                              |
| Special education or early intervention services ( <a href="#">table 7</a> )                                                                  | 215                              | 0.30                              |
| Medical care not received due to cost ( <a href="#">table 15</a> )                                                                            | 1,174                            | 0.43                              |
| Medical care delayed due to cost ( <a href="#">table 15</a> )                                                                                 | 1,142                            | 0.42                              |
| Number of overnight hospital stays ( <a href="#">tables 16,17</a> )                                                                           | 130                              | 0.05                              |
| Health insurance coverage for persons under age 65 years ( <a href="#">tables 18,19</a> )                                                     | 2,512                            | 1.04                              |
| Health insurance coverage for persons 65 years of age and over ( <a href="#">tables 18,19</a> )                                               | 319                              | 0.98                              |
| Any period without health insurance coverage among currently insured persons under age 65 years ( <a href="#">tables 20,21</a> )              | 1,439                            | 0.72                              |
| Duration of period without health insurance coverage among currently insured persons under age 65 years ( <a href="#">tables 20,21</a> )      | 151                              | 0.08                              |
| Length of time since last had health insurance coverage among currently uninsured persons under age 65 years ( <a href="#">tables 22,23</a> ) | 6,314                            | 15.76                             |
| Reasons for no health insurance coverage among currently uninsured persons under age 65 years ( <a href="#">tables 24,25</a> )                | 6,409                            | 16.00                             |

**Table II. Weighted counts and percents of injury and poisoning episodes with unknown information: National Health Interview Survey, 2000**

| Variable                                                                            | Weighted count<br>(in thousands) | Weighted<br>percent of<br>episodes |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Injury and poisoning episodes by activity at time of episode (tables 11,12) . . . . | 494                              | 1.84                               |
| Injury and poisoning episodes by place of occurrence (tables 13,14) . . . . .       | 582                              | 2.18                               |

**Table III. Weighted counts and percents of persons with unknown information on selected sociodemographic characteristics: National Health Interview Survey, 2000**

| Variable                                                               | Weighted count<br>(in thousands) | Weighted<br>percent<br>of persons |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Family income . . . . .                                                | 23,208                           | 8.47                              |
| Poverty status . . . . .                                               | 78,129                           | 28.51                             |
| Education (persons aged 25 years and over) . . . . .                   | 6,398                            | 3.65                              |
| Health insurance coverage for persons under age 65 years . . . . .     | 2,512                            | 1.04                              |
| Health insurance coverage for persons aged 65 years and over . . . . . | 319                              | 0.98                              |

income. Those respondents who did reply to the “above-below \$20,000” question were then handed one of two cards with a list of detailed income categories on it (top-coded at \$75,000 or more) and asked to pick the interval containing their best estimate of their family’s combined income. NHIS respondents thus fall into one of four categories with respect to income information: those who supplied a dollar amount (68% of the 2000 sample), those who indicated their income from a fairly detailed set of intervals (3% of the sample), those who said that their family’s income was either \$20,000 or more or less than \$20,000 (20% of the sample), and those who provided no income information (9% of the sample). Respondents who stated that their family income was below \$20,000 are included in the “Less than \$20,000” category under “Family Income” in the tables, along with respondents who gave a dollar amount or an interval estimate that was less than \$20,000. Likewise, respondents who stated that their family income was at or above \$20,000 are included in the “\$20,000 or more” category under “Family Income,” along with respondents who gave a dollar amount or an interval estimate that was \$20,000 or more. The counts for the detailed (indented) amounts do not sum to the count shown for “\$20,000 or more.”

A re-coded poverty status variable is formed for respondents who supplied

either a dollar amount or an interval estimate for their family’s income. This variable is the ratio of the family’s income in the previous calendar year to the appropriate 2000 poverty threshold (given the family’s size and number of children) defined by the U.S. Census Bureau (15). Persons who are categorized as “poor” had a ratio less than 1.0 (that is, their family income was strictly below the poverty threshold). The “near poor” category includes those persons with family incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. Lastly, “not poor” persons have family incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater. The remaining groups of respondents—those who would only indicate that they were at or above \$20,000 or below \$20,000, as well as those who refused to provide any income information—are, by necessity, coded as “unknown” with respect to poverty status. Family income information is missing for 8.5% of the U.S. population, and poverty status information is missing for 28.5% of the U.S. population (weighted results). About 8.5% of the NHIS sample is missing information on income, and 28.4% of the NHIS sample is missing information on poverty status (unweighted results).

All questions in the injury and poisoning section of the family core questionnaire have a 3-month reference period. Frequencies presented in

tables 8, 9, 11, and 13 were annualized by multiplying the counts for the 3-month period by 4 to produce annualized frequencies. Rates presented in tables 8, 10, 12, and 14 were calculated using the annualized frequencies.

## Changes to the Survey Instrument

*Injury and Poisoning Episodes—* Estimates of injury and poisoning episodes by their cause are derived from ICD-9-CM external codes (i.e., E codes) that describe the cause of the episode. A person may experience multiple injury and/or poisoning episodes.

In 2000, the question on the occurrence of injury and poisoning episodes, asked in the family core questionnaire, was inadvertently changed from “How many different times in the past three months were you injured or poisoned seriously enough to seek medical advice or treatment?” to “How many times in the past three months did you seek medical advice because you were injured or poisoned?” (The question was returned to the original wording in 2001.)

The effect of the inadvertent wording change on the estimates of injuries and poisonings is unknown. However, researchers familiar with the NHIS injury/poisoning data are undoubtedly aware of the continual decline in the overall number of injuries and poisonings reported since the injury and poisoning section was added to the NHIS in 1997. This downward trend continued in 2000. These declines may be at least partially attributable to underreporting of injuries and poisonings, declining response rates, other changes in the section, and/or reluctance on the part of respondents to answer detailed questions about injuries and poisonings. Currently, an evaluation of the 3-month recall is under way to investigate the distribution of injuries and poisonings, especially those occurring in the early part of the recall period. If respondents underreport injuries and poisonings during the early part of the recall period, it will artificially lower the annual number of

injuries and poisonings. The results of this evaluation will be published, and appropriate modifications to the estimation procedures will be implemented.

## Changes in Data Presentation

*Health insurance coverage*—Due to nearly universal health insurance coverage among persons aged 65 years and over, beginning in 2000, all tables showing data related to lack of health insurance coverage are restricted to persons under 65 years of age.

*Reasons for no health insurance coverage*—Presentation of data concerning the reasons for no health insurance coverage (tables 24,25) has changed beginning with data year 2000. Reasons are presented in terms of a percentage of persons who were not covered by health insurance at the time of the NHIS interview, which is the denominator for the question. For data years 1997–99, the data on reasons for no health insurance coverage were presented in terms of rates per 1,000 population. The question wording did not change.

## Hypothesis Tests

Two-tailed tests of significance were performed on all the comparisons mentioned in the “Selected Highlights” section of this report (no adjustments were made for multiple comparisons). The test statistic used to determine statistical significance of the difference between two percents was

$$Z = \frac{|X_a - X_b|}{\sqrt{S_a^2 + S_b^2}}$$

where  $X_a$  and  $X_b$  are the two percents being compared, and  $S_a$  and  $S_b$  are the SUDAAN-calculated standard errors of those percents. The critical value used for two-sided tests at the 0.05 level of significance was 1.96.

## Appendix II

### Definitions of Selected Terms

#### Sociodemographic Characteristics

**Age**—The age recorded for each person is the age at the last birthday. Age is recorded in single years and grouped using a variety of age categories depending on the purpose of the table.

**Education**—The categories of education are based on the years of school completed or highest degree obtained for persons aged 25 years and over. Only years completed in a school that advances a person toward an elementary or high school diploma, General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma (GED), college, university, or professional degree are included. Education in other schools or home schooling is counted only if the credits are accepted in a regular school system.

**Family income**—Each member of a family is classified according to the total income of all family members. Family members are all persons within the household related to each other by blood, marriage, cohabitation, or adoption. The income recorded is the total income received by all family members in the previous calendar year. Income from all sources—wages, salaries, military pay (when an Armed Forces member lived in the household), pensions, government payments, child support/alimony, dividends, help from relatives, etc.—is included. Unrelated individuals living in the same household (e.g., roommates) are considered to be separate families and are classified according to their own incomes.

**Health insurance coverage**—NHIS respondents were asked about their health insurance coverage at the time of interview. Respondents reported whether they were covered by private insurance (obtained through the employer or workplace, purchased directly, or through a local or community program), Medicare, Medicaid (supplemental

Medicare coverage), Medicaid, State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), Indian Health Service (IHS), military coverage (including VA, TRICARE, or CHAMP-VA), a State-sponsored health plan, another government program, and/or any single service plans. This information was used to form two health insurance hierarchies: one for those under age 65 years and another for those persons aged 65 years and over.

For persons under age 65 years, a health insurance hierarchy of four mutually exclusive categories was developed (16,17). Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy listed below:

**Private coverage**—Includes persons who had any comprehensive private insurance plan (including health maintenance organizations and preferred provider organizations). These plans include those obtained through an employer and those purchased directly or through local or community programs.

**Medicaid**—Includes persons who do not have private coverage, but who have Medicaid and/or other State-sponsored health plans, including SCHIP.

**Other coverage**—Includes persons who do not have private coverage or Medicaid (or other public coverage), but who have any type of military health plan (includes VA, TRICARE, and CHAMP-VA) and/or Medicare. This category also includes persons who are covered by other government programs.

**Uninsured**—Includes persons who have not indicated at the time of the interview that they are covered under private health insurance (from employer or workplace, purchased directly, or through a State, local government, or community program), Medicare, Medicaid, SCHIP, a State-sponsored health plan, other government programs, or military health plan (includes VA, TRICARE, and CHAMP-VA). This

category also includes persons who are only covered by IHS or only have a plan that pays for one type of service such as accidents or dental care.

For persons 65 years and over, a health insurance hierarchy of five mutually exclusive categories was developed (18). Persons with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy listed below:

**Private coverage**—Includes older persons who have both Medicare and any comprehensive private health insurance plan (including health maintenance organizations and preferred provider organizations). These plans include those obtained through a current or former employer, purchased directly or through local or community programs. This category also includes persons with private insurance only.

**Medicare and Medicaid**—Includes older persons who do not have any private coverage, but who have both Medicare and Medicaid and/or other State-sponsored health plans, including SCHIP.

**Medicare only**—Includes older persons who have only Medicare coverage.

**Other coverage**—Includes older persons who have not been previously classified as having private, Medicare and Medicaid, or Medicare only coverage. Includes older persons who have only Medicaid, other State-sponsored health plans, or SCHIP. Also includes persons who have any type of military health plan (VA, TRICARE, and CHAMP-VA) with or without Medicare.

**Uninsured**—Includes persons who have not indicated at the time of the interview that they are covered under private health insurance (from employer or workplace, purchased directly, or through a State, local government, or community program), Medicare, Medicaid,

State Children's Health Insurance Program, a State-sponsored health plan, other government programs, or military health plan (VA, TRICARE, and CHAMP-VA). This category also includes persons who are covered by only IHS or who only have a plan that pays for one type of service such as accidents or dental care.

*Hispanic or Latino origin and race*—Hispanic or Latino origin and race are two separate and distinct concepts. Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race. Hispanic or Latino origin includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central and South American, or Spanish origins. All tables show Mexicans or Mexican Americans as a subset of Hispanic or Latino. Other groups are not shown for reasons of confidentiality or statistical reliability.

In the 1997 and 1998 Summary Health Statistics reports, Hispanic ethnicity was shown as a part of a race/ethnicity variable, which also included categories for non-Hispanic white, non-Hispanic black, and non-Hispanic other. (Some tables showed Mexican Americans as a subset of Hispanics.) Beginning in 1999, the categories for race were expanded to be consistent with the 1997 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Federal guidelines (19), and a distinction was made between the characteristics of race and of Hispanic or Latino origin and race. The latter characteristic includes subcategories for "Hispanic or Latino" and "Not Hispanic or Latino." The "Not Hispanic or Latino" category is further divided into "White, single race" and "Black or African American, single race." Persons in these categories indicated only a single race group. (See the definition of race in this appendix for more information.) Data are not shown for other "Not Hispanic or Latino single race" or "multiple race persons" due to statistical unreliability as measured by the relative standard errors of the estimates (but are included in the total for "Not Hispanic or Latino"). The text in this report uses shorter versions of the new OMB race and Hispanic or Latino origin terms for

conciseness, and the tables use the complete terms. For example, the category "not Hispanic or Latino, black or African American, single race" in the tables is referred to as "non-Hispanic black" in the text.

*Place of residence*—Place of residence is classified as inside a metropolitan statistical area (MSA) or outside an MSA. Generally, an MSA consists of a county or group of counties containing at least one city or twin cities with a population of 50,000 or more, plus adjacent counties that are metropolitan in character and are economically and socially integrated with the central city. In New England, towns and cities rather than counties are the units used in defining MSAs. The number of adjacent counties included in an MSA is not limited, and boundaries may cross State lines. The metropolitan populations in this report are based on MSAs as defined in the 1990 census. In the tables for this report, place of residence is based on a variable in the 2000 Person data file indicating MSA size. This variable is collapsed into three categories: MSAs with a population of 1,000,000 or more, MSAs with a population of less than 1,000,000, and non-MSA areas.

*Poverty status*—Poverty status is based on family income and family size using the U.S. Census Bureau's poverty thresholds. "Poor" persons are defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater. Please refer to ["Appendix I"](#) in this report for more information on the measurement of family income and poverty status.

*Race*—In the 1997 and 1998 Summary Health Statistics reports, race/ethnicity consisted of four categories: non-Hispanic white, non-Hispanic black, non-Hispanic other, and Hispanic (some tables showed Mexican Americans as a subset of Hispanics). Beginning in 1999, the categories for race were expanded to be consistent with the 1997 OMB Federal guidelines (19), which now distinguish persons of "one race" from persons of "two or more races." The category

"one race" refers to persons who indicated only a single race group, and it includes subcategories for white, black or African American, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, and Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander. The category "two or more races" refers to persons who indicated more than one race group. Data for multiple race combinations can only be reported to the extent that the estimates meet the requirements for confidentiality and statistical reliability. In this report, three categories are shown for multiple race individuals (a summary category and two multiple-race categories: black or African American and white; American Indian or Alaska Native and white). Other combinations are not shown separately due to statistical unreliability as measured by the relative standard errors of the estimates (but they are included in the total for "two or more races").

The text in this report uses shorter versions of the new OMB race terms for conciseness, and the tables use the complete terms. For example, the category "Black or African American, single race" in the tables is referred to as "Black" in the text.

*Region*—In the geographic classification of the U.S. population, States are grouped into the following four regions used by the U.S. Census Bureau:

| <i>Region</i> | <i>States included</i>                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
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## Health Characteristics

*Limitation in activities of daily living (ADLs)*—ADLs include such activities as bathing, eating, dressing, getting in or out of a bed or chair, using the toilet, or getting around inside the home. Persons were limited in ADLs if they required the help of other persons with any of these activities due to a physical, mental, or emotional problem. Data in this report are shown only for persons aged 18 years and over, although the questions were asked of or about persons aged 3 years and over. Persons with a limitation in ADLs (table 5) are a subset of persons who were limited in usual activities (tables 3,4).

*Limitation in instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs)*—IADLs include everyday household chores, doing necessary business, or shopping. Persons aged 18 years and over were classified as limited in IADLs if they required the help of other persons with any of these activities due to a physical, mental, or emotional problem. Persons with a limitation in IADLs (table 5) are a subset of persons who were limited in usual activities (tables 3,4).

*Limitation in usual activities*—Limitation in usual activities is an overall measure of limitation. It includes limitations of any type and for any reason.

*Not limited* describes persons who were not limited in their usual, age-appropriate work, school, or play activities, ADLs, IADLs, or in any other way due to a physical, mental, or emotional problem.

*Limited* describes persons who were limited in some way due to a physical, mental, or emotional problem, including age-appropriate work, school, or play activities, ADLs, or IADLs. It also includes children who were receiving special

education or early intervention services and persons of any age who had difficulty walking or difficulty remembering.

*Limited due to one or more chronic conditions* describes persons whose limitation was due to at least one condition that is considered chronic; this category is a subset of the “limited” category.

*Limitation in work activity*—Limitation in work activity status is based on a series of questions about the ability of adults aged 18–69 years to engage in work activity, regardless of whether or not they currently held a job. Persons with a limitation in work activity (table 6) are a subset of persons who were limited in usual activities (tables 3,4).

*Unable to work* describes adults who were not able to work at a job or business due to a physical, mental, or emotional problem.

*Limited in work* describes adults who were able to work, but were limited in the kind or amount of work they could do due to a physical, mental, or emotional problem.

*Not limited in work* describes adults who did not report any limitation in their ability to work at a job or business.

*Chronic condition*—A condition is considered chronic if (a) its onset was more than 3 months before the date of interview, or (b) it is a type of condition that ordinarily lasts more than 3 months. Examples of conditions considered chronic regardless of onset are diabetes, emphysema, and arthritis.

*Early intervention services*—Early intervention services are services designed to meet the needs of very young children with special needs and/or disabilities. They may include, but are not limited to, medical and social services, parental counseling, and therapy. Services may be provided at the child’s home, a medical center, a day care center, or other location. They are provided by the State or school system at no cost to the parent.

*Health status*—See “Respondent-assessed health status.”

*Injury and poisoning episodes*—Injury episode refers to a traumatic event in which the person experienced one or more injuries due to an external cause (e.g., a fall down a flight of stairs, motor vehicle traffic accident, etc.). Poisoning episode refers to the ingestion of or contact with harmful substances, as well as overdoses or misuse of any drug or medication. Medically attended injury or poisoning episode refers to an injury or poisoning episode for which a health care professional was contacted either in person or by telephone for advice or treatment. Calls to a poison control center are also considered to be a contact with a health care professional.

*Instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs)*—See “Limitation in instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs).”

*Overnight hospital stay*—An overnight hospital stay is a measure of the number of times a person was hospitalized in the previous 12 months. Visits to a hospital emergency room that did not result in admission to the hospital are not included. Overnight hospital stays for the birth of a child are counted for both the mother and the child.

*Period without health insurance coverage*—A period without health insurance coverage may be of any duration and for any reason. Information on the number of months without coverage was collected for persons who had health insurance coverage at the time of interview. Number of months without coverage was collapsed into two categories for this report.

*Reasons for no health insurance coverage*—Persons without health insurance coverage at the time of interview were asked the reasons for not having coverage. A maximum of five reasons could be reported. Persons who reported more than one reason within a category were counted only once for that category. Unknown reasons were included in the “other” category.

*Respondent-assessed health status*—Respondent-assessed health status was based on the question, “Would you say your health, in general,

was excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?” Information was obtained from all respondents, with proxy responses allowed for adults not taking part in the interview and all children 17 years of age and under.

*Special education*—Special education is teaching designed to meet the needs of a child with special needs and/or disabilities. It is paid for by the public school system and may take place at a regular school, a special school, a private school, at home, or at a hospital. It is designed for children 3 to 21 years of age, although data collected in the NHIS are limited to children 17 years of age and under.

*Time since last had health insurance coverage*—Time since last had health insurance coverage was asked of persons who were not insured at the time of interview. Responses were reported in single months and collapsed for presentation in this report. “One month” includes durations of 1 month or less.

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