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Letter from the Secretary Fred Cerise



I am pleased to provide this overview of the state's Medicaid program. As you will see as you review this report, Medicaid represents one of the largest programs in state government, touching the lives of more than one million citizens, at a cost of \$5 billion.

Throughout the Medicaid program, as well as our entire agency, the focus of our efforts have revolved around the issue of health care reform. But, what does this mean? Simply put, reform means change for the better. It means managing the rising costs of health care in ways that ensure appropriate care for those who rely on the state for care.

Gov. Blanco and I believe that true reform will result in improved health outcomes, in better care for the uninsured, by providing more choices in long-term for our seniors and for people with disabilities, improved administrative efficiencies and a reduction in fraud and abuse.

A key area of our reform effort has been our LaCHIP program, where we continue to find innovative ways to reach out to children who might be eligible and then enroll them into the program. We are also pursuing a program that would allow Medicaid dollars to be used to assist private businesses in the purchase of health care coverage for their employees.

We also have committed ourselves to seeking other funding sources. Each DHH office has shown success at getting federal grants. From several hundred thousand dollars to several million, these grants improve access to care, help more people get substance abuse and mental health care and bring health care clinics into more rural areas.

Finally, we are recommitting ourselves to the aggressive pursuit of those who defraud and abuse the Medicaid program. A new partnership with the Attorney General will allow for improved detection of fraudulent billing practices by some providers. With this evidence, we can more quickly begin an investigation and conclude with a successful prosecution.

I hope you find this report helpful. It provides the most comprehensive and detailed look at our Medicaid program. In addition, the report highlights many of the achievements that were made last fiscal year.

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Frederick P. Cerise, MD, MPH

Dear Reader:

We experienced a smooth transition in administrative leadership during the state fiscal year, which ended June 30, 2004. We spent the past year building on initiatives to improve health care delivery for the more than one million Louisiana residents enrolled in Medicaid or LaCHIP. This included increasing access to primary and preventive care, providing home and community-based alternatives to institutions and delivering quality health care in an efficient manner. All of our initiatives were greatly enhanced by Gov. Blanco's emphasis on health care from the very start of her administration.



Throughout the past year, efforts to reduce the number of uninsured children in Louisiana were successful, with a net addition of more than 45,000 children into the LaCHIP and Medicaid programs. LaCHIP, which allows children in families with incomes higher than traditional Medicaid qualify for no-cost health insurance, reached a major milestone --- as of May 2004, there were more than 100,000 children enrolled in the program.

Another major milestone for the department this year was the successful statewide rollout of CommunityCARE, Medicaid's primary care case management system that links recipients to a health care provider who serves as a "medical home." Through CommunityCARE, providers are paid a monthly management fee and enhanced reimbursement rates for primary care services. This helps ensure patients have access to that provider for health education and necessary referrals to specialists, hospitals or other health services. At year's end, CommunityCARE had a total of 723,834 enrollees, a more than 100 percent increase in size from when the rollout began just three short years earlier.

By linking the majority of Medicaid recipients to a "medical home," we have increased opportunities for interventions to improve the **quality** of care being delivered. During the year, Medicaid developed a disease management surveillance system and a CommunityCARE Quality Control Unit to monitor care being delivered to high-risk/high-cost patients.

We also increased the availability of home and community-based services for the elderly and individuals with disabilities by implementing long-term care personal services in the Medicaid benefit package. Low-income Medicaid recipients who need assistance with daily living to remain in their homes no longer need to wait until Medicaid waiver slots are available. Furthermore, individuals in need of these services who were not income eligible for traditional Medicaid also saw expanded opportunities this year, as the number of community-based Medicaid waivers increased by 266.

I hope you find this report helpful in your work with the Louisiana Medicaid Program. While we are proud of the accomplishments made to date, we know there will be challenges ahead to improve the delivery of crucial health care services to Louisiana residents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Bearden".

Ben Bearden, Medicaid Director

YEAR IN REVIEW

SFY 2003-2004



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Year in Review
2003-2004**

PERSONAL CARE SERVICES PROGRAM LAUNCHED

In January 2004, DHH began enrolling people into a new Medicaid program that allows some elderly people and some people with disabilities to receive in-home care and services.

The Long Term Personal Care Services program provides personal care assistance to qualified Medicaid recipients so that they may continue to live in their own homes. It is designed to supplement existing family and/or community supports and services. The program provides help with one or more of the following activities: eating, grooming and bathing, moving/walking, dressing, and going to the bathroom.

The PCS program furthers DHH's commitment to a health care system that offers options other than institutional care for elderly citizens and for those with disabilities. The program resulted following a lawsuit that alleged Louisiana did not offer aging citizens or those with disabilities anything other than care within an institution.

To qualify for the program, an individual must be a currently eligible Medicaid recipient who is age 65 or older, or age 21 or older with disabilities. In addition, the recipient must meet the medical standards for admission to a nursing facility, be able to participate in his/her care and direct the services provided by the personal care worker independently or through someone designated to act on behalf of the recipient.

LACHIP RESULTS IN FEWER UNINSURED CHILDREN

In December 2004, the Department of Health and Hospitals completed a study to determine how many children in the state were still without health insurance. The study of 10,000 households indicated the number of children without health insurance had declined.

An analysis of the study credited the Louisiana Children's Health Insurance Program as the key factor in the reduction. According to the survey, 21.1 percent of Louisiana residents between the ages of 19 and 65 are uninsured, but for those under age 19, only 11.1 percent are without health care coverage.

For children under age 19 in families who earn less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level, the survey found there are an additional 77,500 (12.9 percent) who remain uninsured. These are children who are currently eligible for LaCHIP. When compared to earlier Census data compiled by the Kaiser Foundation, this continues a downward trend. In 2001, the rate was 21.7 percent, it was 29.9 percent in 2000 and prior to that it was 31.6 percent.

At the time of the study, almost 300,000 more children were covered by either LaCHIP or Medicaid since LaCHIP was implemented in November 1998.

Also, the survey showed more than 561,000 adults in Louisiana still lacked health coverage. Of this number, 402,000 are estimated to have annual incomes less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level.

MEDICAID SPENDING BELOW NATIONAL AVERAGE

A study of spending in the Medicaid program showed an eight-year trend at or below the U.S. growth rate. The study was conducted in the Fall of 2003.

DHH officials credit cost controls in the program with saving Louisiana taxpayers more than \$6 billion since 1996. This comes at a time when the number of children covered by Medicaid nearly doubled.

The report highlights changes in the program's administration that made access easier and more efficient for Medicaid patients. The report also notes the increase of more than 300,000 children receiving services through the Louisiana Children's Health Insurance Program, which began in 1998.

In addition to LaCHIP, about 700,000 Medicaid recipients were enrolled into CommunityCARE, guaranteeing them access to a primary care physician. Reimbursement rates to physicians, dentists, nursing homes, rural hospitals and clinics, outpatient hospital services and many other medical providers also were increased.

LOUISIANA GETS GOOD GRADE FOR FIGHTING FRAUD AND ABUSE

In an audit of Louisiana's ability to fight fraud and abuse in its Medicaid program, the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) concluded the Department of Health and Hospitals' efforts have been successful and the results have been impressive. The review also did not find any potential vulnerability for fraud or abuse in the state's Medicaid program.

The audit was conducted in June 2003. In its Review of Louisiana Medicaid Program Integrity Procedures, the CMS reviewers stated the 1997 passage of Program Integrity Law "has had a significant impact on all Louisiana Medicaid providers. The Law has significantly improved the state's ability to obtain information from providers and to take action against providers who failed to meet the provisions of the law."

The review studied how DHH identified, received and used information about potential fraud and abuse involving Medicaid providers. The reviewers also studied the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit located in the Attorney General's Office. This interagency coordination between DHH and the Attorney General was recognized for improving and strengthening fraud and abuse controls.

MEDICAID PURCHASE HELPS PEOPLE RETURN TO WORK

In January 2004, Louisiana's Medicaid program created a buy-in program that allows people with a disability who work to purchase Medicaid coverage. This initiative helps citizens with severe disabilities remain at work while keeping their Medicaid health care benefits.

Health officials recognized that oftentimes, people with disabilities are ready to work, but will avoid seeking employment because they fear losing their health care coverage. The buy-in program, Medicaid Purchase Plan, helps them obtain or retain health care coverage under Medicaid after they return to the workforce.

The program is part of the federal Ticket to Work program, which is designed to help citizens with a disability go back to work.

LaMOMS REACHES ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

In January 2004, the LaMOMS program celebrated its one-year anniversary. LaMOMS provides prenatal coverage for pregnant women who meet certain income guidelines. The LaMOMS program makes prenatal care available to more women by expanding the eligibility requirements for Medicaid.

Under LaMOMS, a woman with a family of four, including the child she is expecting, can have a household income up to \$3,000 per month and still qualify. One of the first people to get coverage, Adrienne Magendie Zetty, describes her satisfaction with LaMOMS.

Zetty is not the stereotypical Medicaid client. She is a full-time college student scheduled to graduate from Louisiana State University in December 2004. Her husband, Tom, is employed full-time as a partner in a small Baton Rouge business. However, when Adrienne became pregnant late in 2002, she learned her private insurance company did not offer prenatal coverage. This left the Zettys with their only option as paying all prenatal care and childbirth expenses out of pocket. Fortunately, they learned about LaMOMS.

She first learned about LaMOMS during her initial maternity visit at a family health clinic in Baton Rouge. She applied for the program and was ecstatic to learn she had been accepted. She described the enrollment process as “very easy,” and the Medicaid workers as “helpful and friendly.”

The Zettys said that LaMOMS covered three sonograms, the actual birth and paid for a midwife. In addition, when Adrienne needed to change doctors, the Medicaid staff worked with her to let her change care providers and assisted in the transition. On April 29, 2003, the Zettys welcomed a healthy baby girl, Amelia, into the world.

Medicaid and LAMOMS covered a total of 53,701 pregnant women in 2003. In comparison to 2002, the LaMOMS program helped nearly 4,000 more Louisiana women obtain pregnancy-related health coverage.

STATISTICAL ABSTRACT SFY 2003-2004



I. FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Louisiana's Medicaid program expended \$5.1 million for healthcare services to individuals for state fiscal year 2003-2004. Of these expenditures, nearly 95% was spent on payments to healthcare providers for medical services. The remaining 5% of expenditures went to Medicare Buy-In (2%) and program administration (3%).

Table 1: MEDICAID MEANS OF FINANCING SFY 2003-2004

Source	Provider Programs (\$)	Administration	Total
State	1,284,378,557	55,278,396	1,339,656,953
Federal	3,697,786,929	108,723,996	3,806,510,925
Totals	\$4,982,165,486	\$164,002,392	\$5,146,167,878

Source: Medicaid Year End Financial Report, 2003-2004

Table 2: MEDICAID PROGRAM AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES

Program	State Fiscal Year (\$)			Percentage Change	
	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	01/02 - 02/03	02/03 - 03/04
Private Providers	2,756,714,098	2,952,755,849	3,193,155,172	7.11	8.14
Public Providers	392,604,599	537,553,283	650,858,629	36.92	21.08
Medicare Buy-Ins	92,245,813	104,194,158	116,289,337	12.95	11.61
Uncompensated Care	834,867,713	768,333,897	1,021,862,348	-7.97	33.00
Provider Program Totals	\$4,076,432,223	\$4,362,837,187	\$4,982,165,486	7.03	14.20
Administration	131,023,915	149,720,378	164,002,932	14.27	9.54
Total Medicaid	\$4,207,456,138	\$4,512,557,565	\$5,146,168,418	7.25	14.04

Source: Medicaid Year End Financial Report, 2003-2004

Table 3: HISTORICAL CLAIMS/UNCOMPENSATED CARE EXPENDITURES (\$ in Millions)

SFY	CLAIMS (\$)	UNCOMPENSATED CARE (UCC) \$	TOTAL MEDICAID MINUS ADMINISTRATION (\$)	UCC AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL
1996-1997	2,588.4	672.8	3,261.2	20.63
1997-1998	2,406.7	757.4	3,164.1	23.94
1998-1999	2,500.3	784.3	3,284.6	23.88
1999-2000	2,638.8	821.4	3,460.2	23.74
2000-2001	2,821.2	826.9	3,648.1	22.67
2001-2002	3,241.5	834.9	4,076.4	20.48
2002-2003	3,594.5	768.3	4,362.8	17.61
2003-2004	3,960.3	1,021.9	4,982.2	20.51

Source: Medicaid Year End Financial Report, 2003-2004

Table 4: HISTORICAL FEDERAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PERCENTAGE (FMAP)

	1999-2000		2000-2001		2001-2002		2002-2003		2003-2004	
	Title XIX	Title XXI (LaCHIP)	Title XIX	Title XXI (LaCHIP)	Title XIX	Title XXI (LaCHIP)	Title XIX	Title XXI (LaCHIP)	Title XIX	Title XXI (LaCHIP)
State	29.67	20.75	29.52	20.67	29.64	20.75	28.96	20.27	28.46	19.92
Federal	70.33	79.25	70.48	79.33	70.36	79.25	71.04	79.73	71.54	80.08

The FMAP percentages are renewed upon the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) which spans from October 1 through September 30. Because the Louisiana state fiscal year (SFY) spans from July 1 through June 30, the FMAP percentages presented above represent a blend of the two federal fiscal years that are part of Louisiana's state fiscal year.

Table 5: EXPENDITURES BY BUDGET CATEGORY OF SERVICE SFY 2003-2004**PRIVATE PROVIDERS**

Sub-Program	Actual Expenditures (\$)
Pharmaceutical Products and Services	651,306,563
Hospital - Inpatient Services	586,653,241
Nursing Homes	561,155,138
Physicians Services	300,508,425
Waiver - MR/DD (Community Services)	203,500,917
ICF-MR (MR/DD Community Homes)	183,208,375
Hospital - Outpatient Services	176,033,327
EPSDT (Screening and Early Diagnosis)	94,584,649
Laboratory and X-Ray Services	62,827,693
UPL Hospitals	50,639,530
Mental Health Rehabilitation	48,836,830
Durable Medical Equipment	36,139,182
Hemodialysis Services	31,645,153
Home Health Services	27,700,247
Waiver - Elderly & Disabled Adult	26,728,495
Transportation - Emergency-Ambulance	24,732,307
Rural Health Clinics	18,967,662
Hospice Services	17,008,524
Family Planning	11,147,178
Other Private Providers	10,807,067
Case Management Services	10,728,457
Transportation - Non-Emergency Ambulance	9,658,668
Federally Qualified Health Centers	9,538,226
Transportation - Non-Emergency Non-Ambulance	8,065,925
Mental Health - Inpatient Services	8,062,840
Waiver - Children's Choice	6,566,162
Certified RN Anesthetists (CRNAs)	6,375,040
Waiver - Adult Day Health Care	5,694,664
Adult Dentures	4,334,688
Total Private Providers	\$3,193,155,173

PUBLIC PROVIDERS

Sub-Program	Actual Expenditures (\$)
LSU - HCSD	250,584,632
Other Public Providers	2,204,427
State Education	10,082,748
LSUMC - Shreveport (including E.A. Conway)	114,668,703
DHH - State Nursing Homes	19,106,002
DHH - State MR/DD Services	229,854,603
DHH - Office of Public Health	12,697,792
DHH - Community Mental Health	9,916,287
DHH - Public Psychiatric Free Standing Units	1,743,433
Total Public Providers	\$650,858,627

MEDICARE BUY IN

Medicare Buy In	\$116,289,337
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UNCOMPENSATED CARE

LSU - HCSD	337,646,734
LSUMC - Shreveport	134,051,391
Public Psychiatric Free-Standing Units	97,026,117
Private Hospitals	58,614,607
Villa Feliciana	1,862,113
175% Payments	352,661,386
Total Uncompensated Care	\$981,862,348

Total Medical Vendor Program	\$4,942,165,485
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Source: Medicaid Year End Financial Report SFY 03-04

UPL: Upper Payment Limit

II. LOUISIANA'S MEDICAID PROFILE

Louisiana's population for 2004 was 4,515,770. The U. S. Census Bureau estimated that 20.6 percent of the state's residents were at or below 100 percent of poverty.

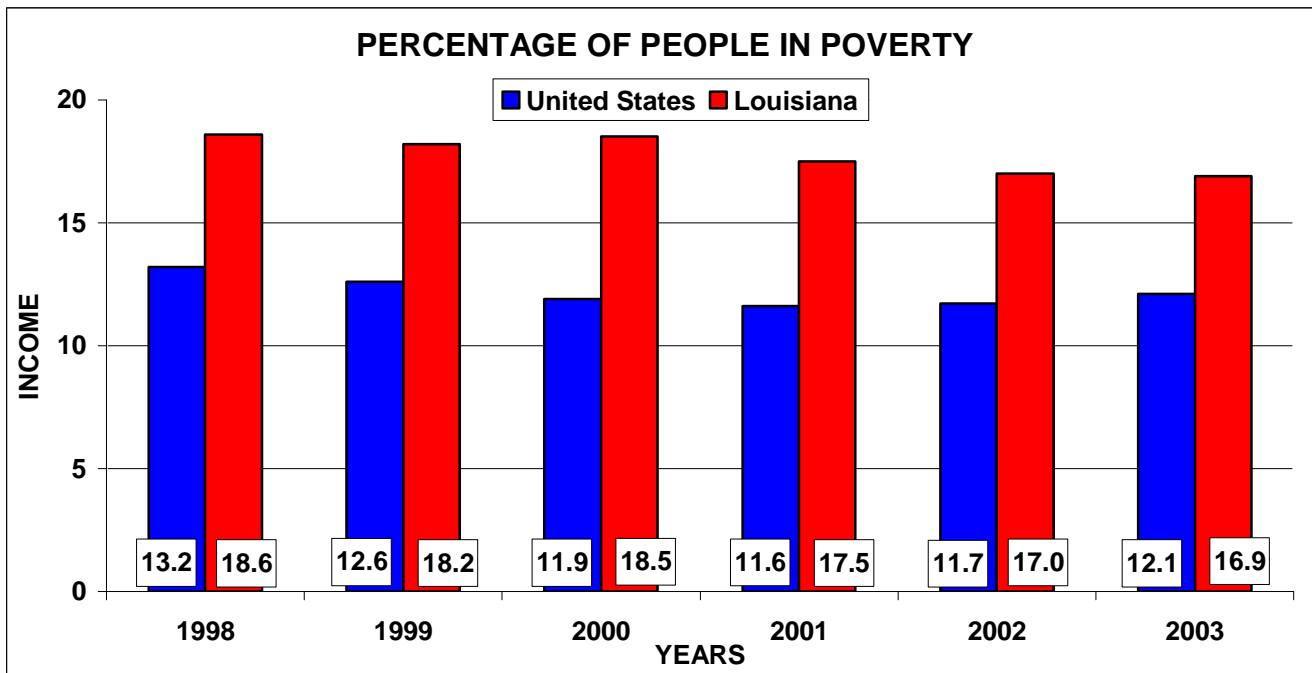
Note: Louisiana population data for parishes had not been released as of the date of publication. All parish level data is repeated from the 2002-2003 Medicaid Annual Report.

Table 6: POVERTY INCOME GUIDELINES

Family Size	Annual Income
1	\$9,310
2	\$12,490
3	\$15,670
4	\$18,850
5	\$22,030
6	\$25,210
7	\$28,390
8	\$31,570

Source: Federal Register, Vol. 69, No. 30, February 13, 2004

Chart 1.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Poverty Reports: 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003

Note: Numbers represent three year averages

Table 7: TOTAL POPULATION VS. MEDICAID ELIGIBLES BY PARISH

PARISH	POPULATION	MEDICAID ELIGIBLES	PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION
Acadia	59,246	16,355	27.61
Allen	25,268	6,235	24.68
Ascension	84,424	13,801	16.35
Assumption	23,269	5,677	24.40
Avoyelles	41,791	13,304	31.83
Beauregard	33,514	7,003	20.90
Bienville	15,320	4,325	28.23
Bossier	101,999	17,178	16.84
Caddo	250,342	60,757	24.27
Calcasieu	183,889	39,441	21.45
Caldwell	10,599	2,710	25.57
Cameron	9,708	1,426	14.69
Catahoula	10,615	3,090	29.11
Claiborne	16,534	4,364	26.39
Concordia	19,730	6,260	31.73
De Soto	25,990	6,090	23.43
East Baton Rouge	412,447	82,559	20.02
East Carroll	8,997	4,074	45.28
East Feliciana	21,095	4,553	21.58
Evangeline	35,149	12,010	34.17
Franklin	20,860	7,103	34.05
Grant	18,887	4,854	25.70
Iberia	74,146	19,946	26.90
Iberville	32,811	8,775	26.74
Jackson	15,259	3,598	23.58
Jefferson	452,459	86,210	19.05
Jefferson Davis	31,113	7,691	24.72
Lafayette	194,239	36,045	18.56
Lafourche	91,281	19,077	20.90
La Salle	14,179	3,285	23.17
Lincoln	42,413	8,844	20.85
Livingston	102,046	18,153	17.79
Madison	13,079	5,032	38.47
Morehouse	30,671	9,921	32.35
Natchitoches	39,002	9,883	25.34
Orleans	469,032	143,556	30.61
Ouachita	147,898	35,703	24.14
Plaquemines	28,025	5,869	20.94
Pointe Coupee	22,564	5,676	25.16
Rapides	127,394	34,256	26.89
Red River	9,524	2,719	28.55
Richland	20,623	6,687	32.42
Sabine	23,406	5,465	23.35
St. Bernard	66,113	12,407	18.77
St. Charles	49,353	8,354	16.93
St. Helena	10,307	2,950	28.62
St. James	21,118	4,844	22.94
St. John the Baptist	44,816	10,622	23.70
St. Landry	89,041	28,109	31.57
St. Martin	49,911	12,683	25.41
St. Mary	52,357	15,621	29.84
St. Tammany	207,743	30,205	14.54
Tangipahoa	103,591	30,762	29.70
Tensas	6,247	2,219	35.52
Terrebonne	106,107	24,742	23.32
Union	22,966	5,276	22.97
Vermilion	54,222	11,857	21.87
Vernon	50,669	8,880	17.53
Washington	43,947	13,980	31.81
Webster	41,404	10,300	24.88
West Baton Rouge	21,717	4,518	20.80
West Carroll	12,236	3,894	31.82
West Feliciana	15,235	1,924	12.63
Winn	16,397	4,346	26.50
TOTALS	4,496,334	1,048,053	25.16

Source: Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau

Release Date: April 2004

Note: Population Data are from April 2004, Eligible Data are from SFY 2003-04

Table 8: LOUISIANA FAMILY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DISTRIBUTION

Income Level	Families	Percentage
Less than \$10,000	115,370	10.02
\$10,000 to \$14,999	82,438	7.16
\$15,000 to \$24,999	154,564	13.42
\$25,000 to \$34,999	125,951	10.94
\$35,000 to \$49,999	186,121	16.16
\$50,000 to \$74,999	225,892	19.62
\$75,000 to \$99,999	129,152	11.21
\$100,000 to \$149,999	89,932	7.81
\$150,000 to \$199,999	22,931	1.99
\$200,000 or more	19,264	1.67
Total Households	1,151,615	100.00

Median Household Income: \$41,831

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Supplementary Survey Profile for Louisiana 2003

Table 9: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES FOR LOUISIANA, SFY 2003-2004

MONTH	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
Jul	2,034,920	1,889,909	145,011	6.7
Aug	2,030,838	1,892,491	138,347	6.5
Sep	2,040,987	1,909,137	131,850	6.1
Oct	2,044,013	1,917,191	126,822	5.9
Nov	2,048,121	1,920,755	127,366	6.0
Dec	2,050,789	1,921,849	128,940	6.0
Jan	2,039,715	1,915,634	124,081	5.8
Feb	2,042,711	1,923,535	119,176	5.7
Mar	2,024,696	1,913,438	111,258	5.5
Apr	2,022,288	1,903,266	119,022	5.7
May	2,024,336	1,899,927	124,409	5.8
Jun	2,031,818	1,910,841	120,977	5.8
TOTAL	2,036,269	1,909,831	126,438	6.0

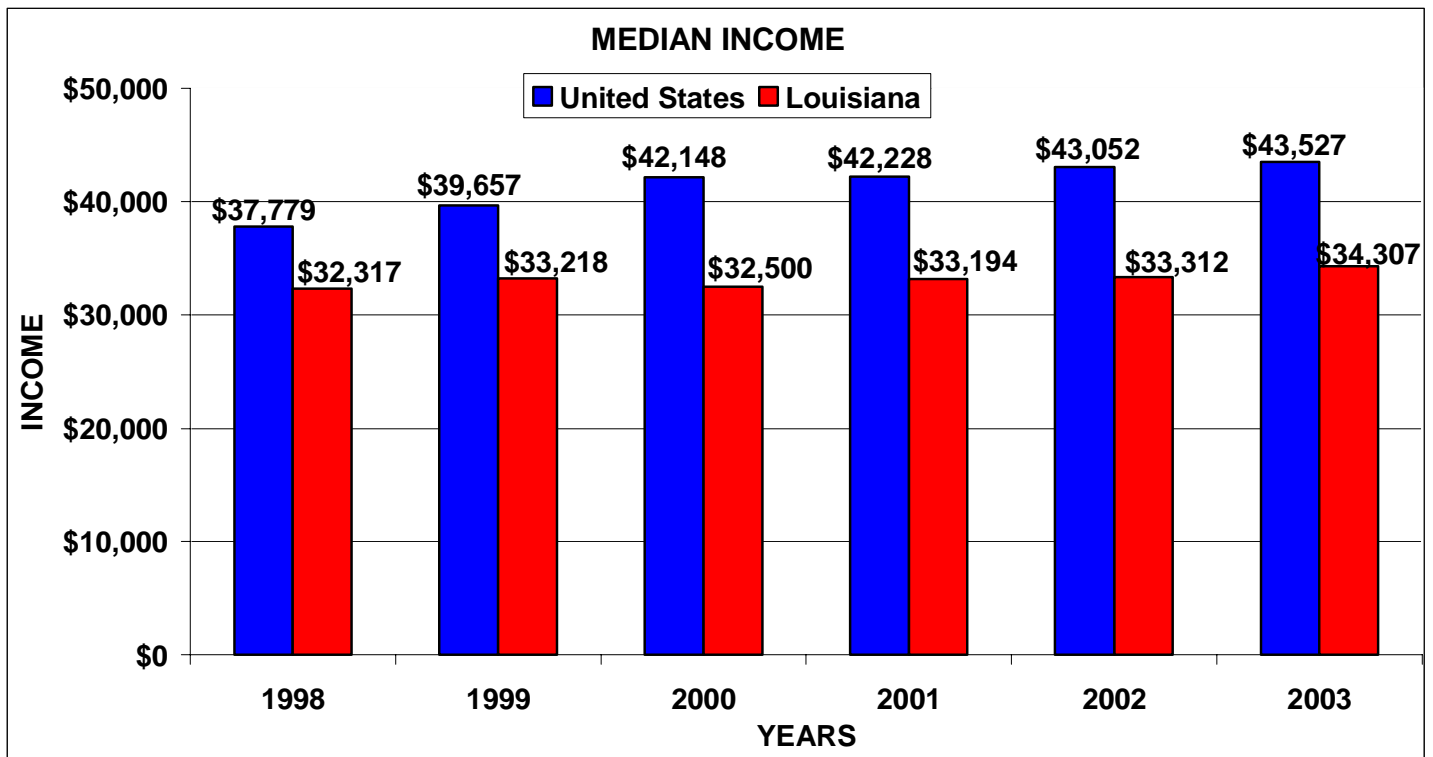
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

**Table 10: WEEKLY AVERAGE WAGES OF LOUISIANA WORKERS
SFY 2003-2004**

SFY	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Weekly Average	SFY Annual Average
2003-2004	\$579	\$627	\$602	\$592	\$600	\$31,200

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
Data Extraction Date February 11, 2005

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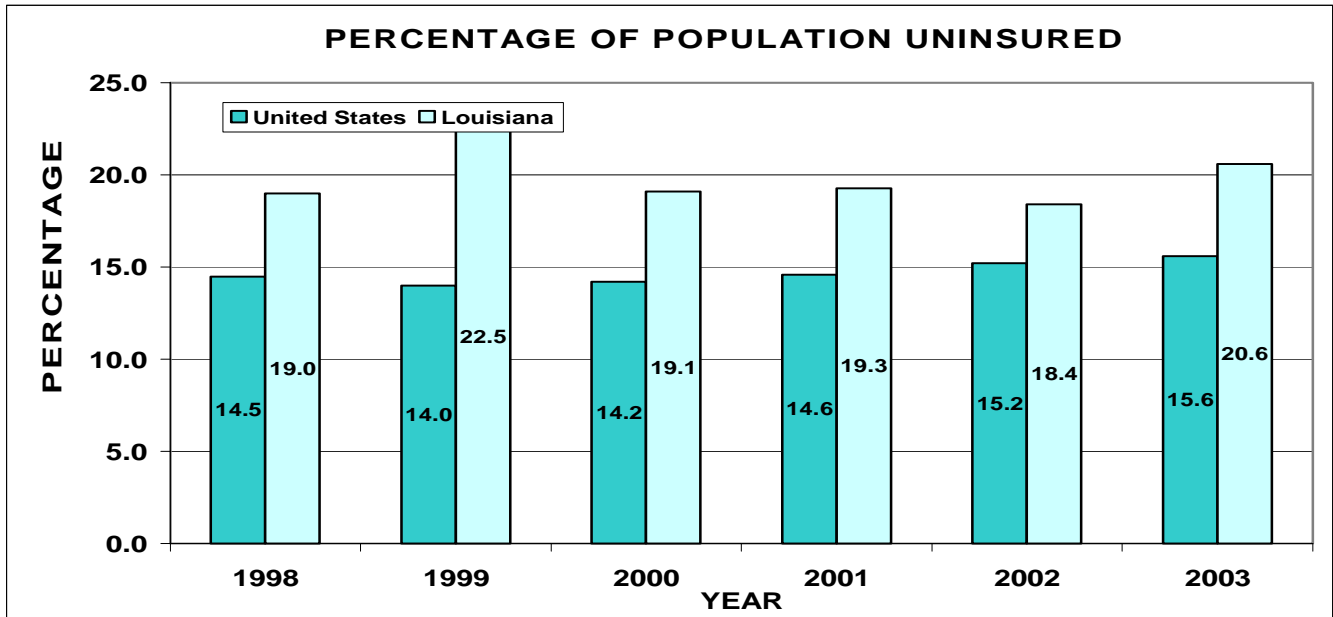
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Income Reports: 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003

Note: Numbers represent three year average

LOUISIANA'S UNINSURED POPULATION

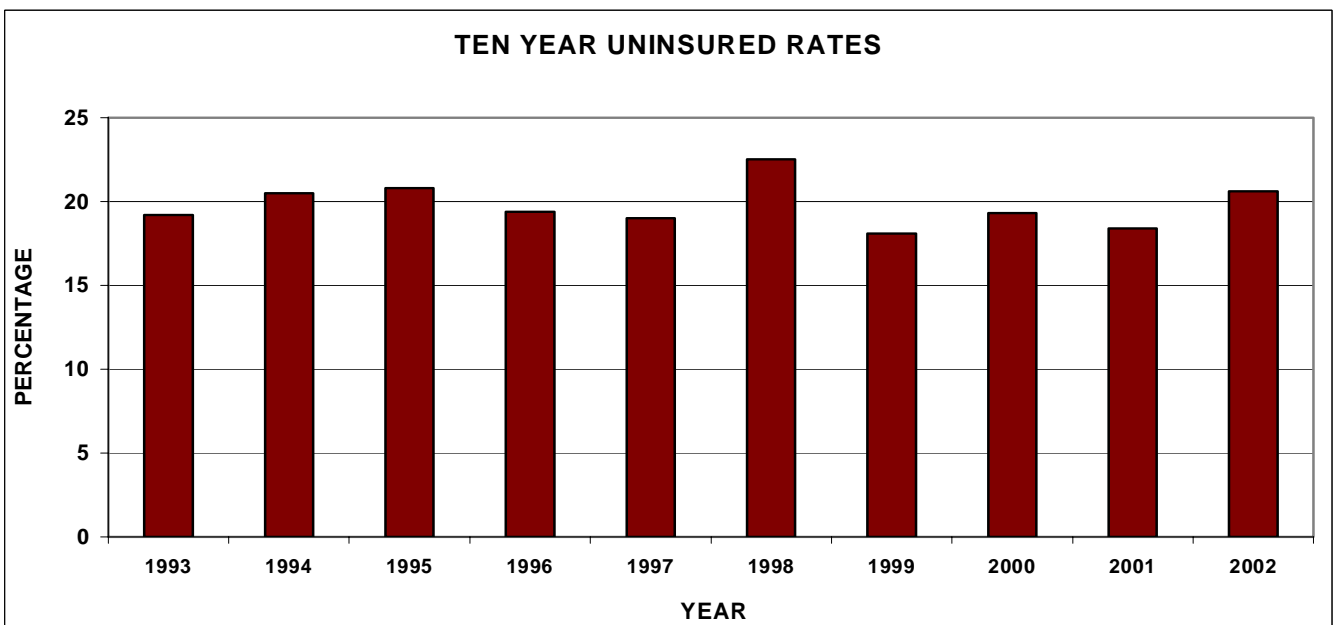
To better determine the number of uninsured citizens in the state of Louisiana, the Department of Health and Hospitals partnered with the LSU Public Policy Research Lab to conduct a comprehensive survey of health coverage for the state. This survey, which included over 10,000 Louisiana households, was conducted from May 15 – October 1, 2003. Previous estimates of the uninsured were based on work done by the U.S. Census Bureau, which used a sample size of about 1,200 Louisiana households. The results of the Louisiana survey and the Census Bureau data are both displayed in the following charts. Each is identified by source notes.

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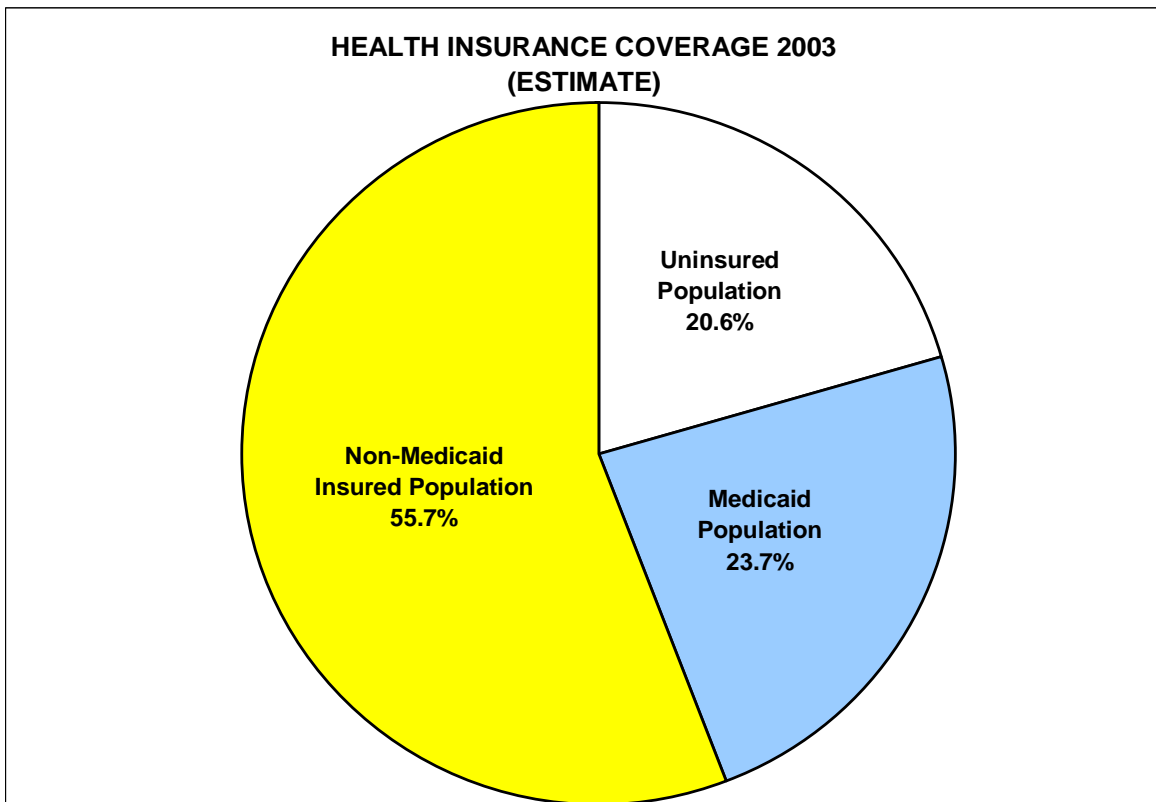
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1988 to 2004, Table HI-5
Current Population Survey, 1988 to 2003 Annual Social and Economic Supplements

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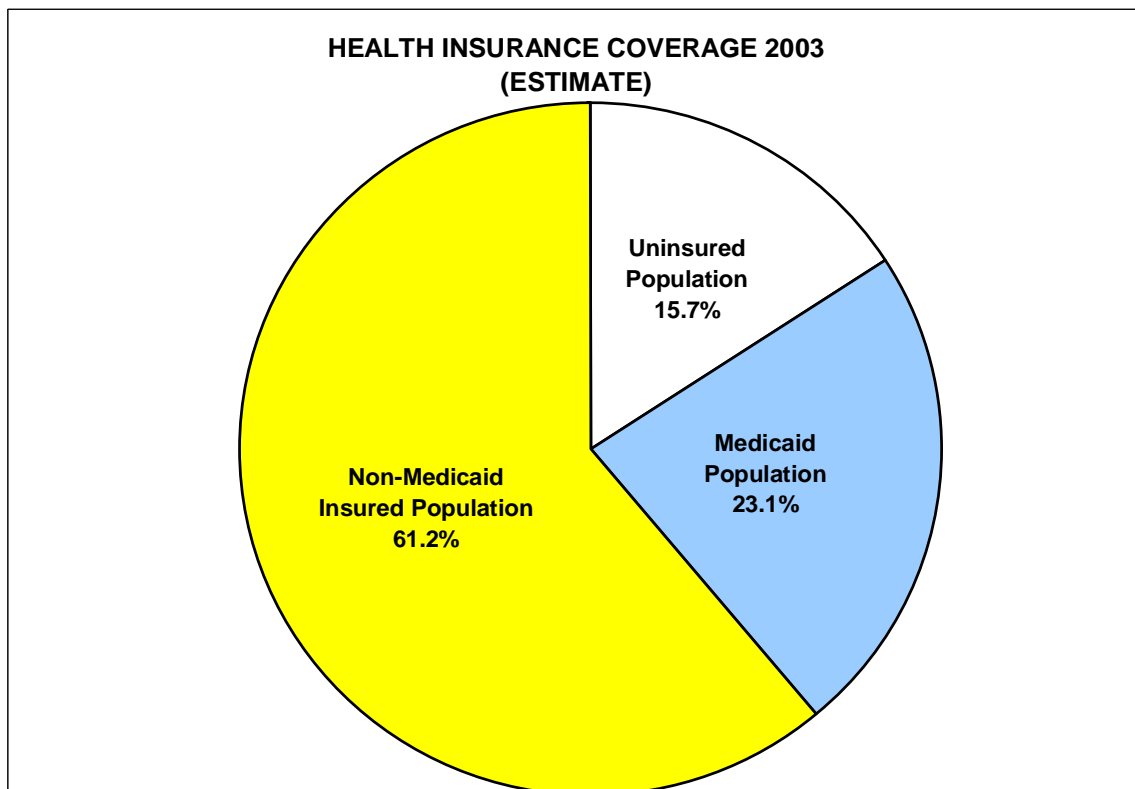
Source: U. S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1988 to 2003

Chart 5:



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1988 to 2004, Table HI-05
DHH 2003-2004 Annual Report Data Set

Chart 6:



Source: Louisiana Uninsured Survey 2003
DHH 2003-2004 Annual Report Data Set

Table 11: MEDICAID STATISTICS BY PARISH SFY 2003-2004

Parish	Parish Population	Eligibles	Recipients	Payments for Parish Recipients (\$)	Payments to Parish Providers (\$)	Percentage of Population Medicaid	Avg. Cost/Elig (\$)	Avg Cost/Rec (\$)	Per Capita (\$)
Acadia	59,246	16,355	16,348	70,678,765	59,533,904	27.61	4,322	4,323	1,193
Allen	25,268	6,235	6,251	22,812,810	19,005,815	24.68	3,659	3,649	903
Ascension	84,424	13,801	13,547	46,035,739	29,808,300	16.35	3,336	3,398	545
Assumption	23,269	5,677	5,700	19,763,807	8,225,190	24.40	3,481	3,467	849
Avoyelles	41,791	13,304	13,352	56,456,955	38,062,211	31.83	4,244	4,228	1,351
Beauregard	33,514	7,003	7,038	21,031,444	14,672,430	20.90	3,003	2,988	628
Bienville	15,320	4,325	4,361	15,484,589	9,341,813	28.23	3,580	3,551	1,011
Bossier	101,999	17,178	17,098	73,966,837	59,143,980	16.84	4,306	4,326	725
Caddo	250,342	60,757	60,414	218,558,626	296,014,876	24.27	3,597	3,618	873
Calcasieu	183,889	39,441	39,809	144,369,839	150,937,127	21.45	3,660	3,627	785
Caldwell	10,599	2,710	2,753	18,190,442	15,441,400	25.57	6,712	6,607	1,716
Cameron	9,708	1,426	1,416	3,987,105	1,120,536	14.69	2,796	2,816	411
Catahoula	10,615	3,090	3,132	11,090,172	7,580,755	29.11	3,589	3,541	1,045
Claiborne	16,534	4,364	4,388	15,912,747	14,024,856	26.39	3,646	3,626	962
Concordia	19,730	6,260	6,305	19,651,735	14,180,069	31.73	3,139	3,117	996
De Soto	25,990	6,090	6,051	19,119,947	11,712,203	23.43	3,140	3,160	736
East Baton Rouge	412,447	82,559	81,454	292,223,660	344,948,631	20.02	3,540	3,588	709
East Carroll	8,997	4,074	4,107	15,331,237	8,914,851	45.28	3,763	3,733	1,704
East Feliciana	21,095	4,553	4,582	30,980,318	23,555,218	21.58	6,804	6,761	1,469
Evangeline	35,149	12,010	12,012	51,544,428	48,699,459	34.17	4,292	4,291	1,466
Franklin	20,860	7,103	7,229	32,394,424	22,544,591	34.05	4,561	4,481	1,553
Grant	18,887	4,854	4,813	16,673,431	4,082,053	25.70	3,435	3,464	883
Iberia	74,146	19,946	19,915	63,728,547	47,528,936	26.90	3,195	3,200	860
Iberville	32,811	8,775	8,760	30,599,667	24,927,502	26.74	3,487	3,493	933
Jackson	15,259	3,598	3,639	16,941,371	10,888,856	23.58	4,709	4,656	1,110
Jefferson	452,459	86,210	82,422	287,527,453	304,606,668	19.05	3,335	3,488	635
Jefferson Davis	31,113	7,691	7,836	30,385,727	22,691,829	24.72	3,951	3,878	977
Lafayette	194,239	36,045	35,763	127,414,991	192,184,080	18.56	3,535	3,563	656
Lafourche	91,281	19,077	19,192	71,315,258	53,546,086	20.90	3,738	3,716	781
LaSalle	14,179	3,285	3,376	15,394,444	10,440,614	23.17	4,686	4,560	1,086
Lincoln	42,413	8,844	8,868	41,282,488	38,945,501	20.85	4,668	4,655	973
Livingston	102,046	18,153	17,846	56,167,094	31,319,654	17.79	3,094	3,147	550
Madison	13,079	5,032	5,075	17,096,791	12,112,764	38.47	3,398	3,369	1,307
Morehouse	30,671	9,921	9,906	39,716,693	29,906,289	32.35	4,003	4,009	1,295
Natchitoches	39,002	9,883	9,899	35,667,657	28,211,398	25.34	3,609	3,603	915
Orleans	469,032	143,551	138,918	459,487,652	586,010,386	30.61	3,201	3,308	980
Ouachita	147,898	35,703	35,417	131,844,795	155,204,268	24.14	3,693	3,723	891
Plaquemines	28,025	5,869	5,617	43,478,384	32,434,715	20.94	7,408	7,740	1,551
Pointe Coupee	22,564	5,676	5,687	19,751,584	12,233,940	25.16	3,480	3,473	875
Rapides	127,394	34,256	34,408	263,558,680	305,917,447	26.89	7,694	7,660	2,069
Red River	9,524	2,719	2,800	9,904,425	8,115,981	28.55	3,643	3,537	1,040
Richland	20,623	6,687	6,777	34,084,378	31,022,113	32.42	5,097	5,029	1,653
Sabine	23,406	5,465	5,529	22,585,690	15,396,408	23.35	4,133	4,085	965
St. Bernard	66,113	12,407	11,975	46,973,726	42,721,437	18.77	3,786	3,923	711
St. Charles	49,353	8,354	8,208	23,758,146	18,238,930	16.93	2,844	2,895	481
St. Helena	10,307	2,950	2,928	9,677,395	5,077,471	28.62	3,280	3,305	939
St. James	21,118	4,844	4,882	12,609,751	6,183,457	22.94	2,603	2,583	597
St. John the Baptist	44,816	10,622	10,527	26,718,267	16,487,546	23.70	2,515	2,538	596
St. Landry	89,041	28,109	28,174	104,659,219	91,646,037	31.57	3,723	3,715	1,175
St. Martin	49,911	12,683	12,763	38,187,932	22,324,262	25.41	3,011	2,992	765
St. Mary	52,357	15,621	15,709	44,711,569	32,647,992	29.84	2,862	2,846	854
St. Tammany	207,743	30,205	29,945	103,964,895	106,784,743	14.54	3,442	3,472	500
Tangipahoa	103,591	30,762	30,839	149,477,650	144,322,086	29.70	4,859	4,847	1,443
Tensas	6,247	2,219	2,251	6,965,413	2,745,296	35.52	3,139	3,094	1,115
Terrebonne	106,107	24,742	24,944	85,120,888	94,753,151	23.32	3,440	3,412	802
Union	22,966	5,276	5,296	20,462,027	13,781,307	22.97	3,878	3,864	891
Vermilion	54,222	11,857	11,830	43,253,157	26,993,624	21.87	3,648	3,656	798
Vernon	50,669	8,880	8,820	29,128,884	21,077,209	17.53	3,280	3,303	575
Washington	43,947	13,980	14,142	53,452,208	36,100,678	31.81	3,823	3,780	1,216
Webster	41,404	10,300	10,240	44,234,587	33,390,487	24.88	4,295	4,320	1,068
West Baton Rouge	21,717	4,518	4,442	14,270,007	7,546,270	20.80	3,158	3,213	657
West Carroll	12,236	3,894	3,884	17,728,927	11,749,647	31.82	4,553	4,565	1,449
West Feliciana	15,235	1,924	1,949	8,834,721	5,121,258	12.63	4,592	4,533	580
Winn	16,397	4,346	4,412	17,031,574	12,735,834	26.50	3,919	3,860	1,039
Other/Non Louisiana			10,239	27,452,620	55,241,966				
Totals	4,496,334	1,048,048	1,048,209	\$3,962,866,389	\$3,962,866,389		\$3,781	\$3,781	\$881

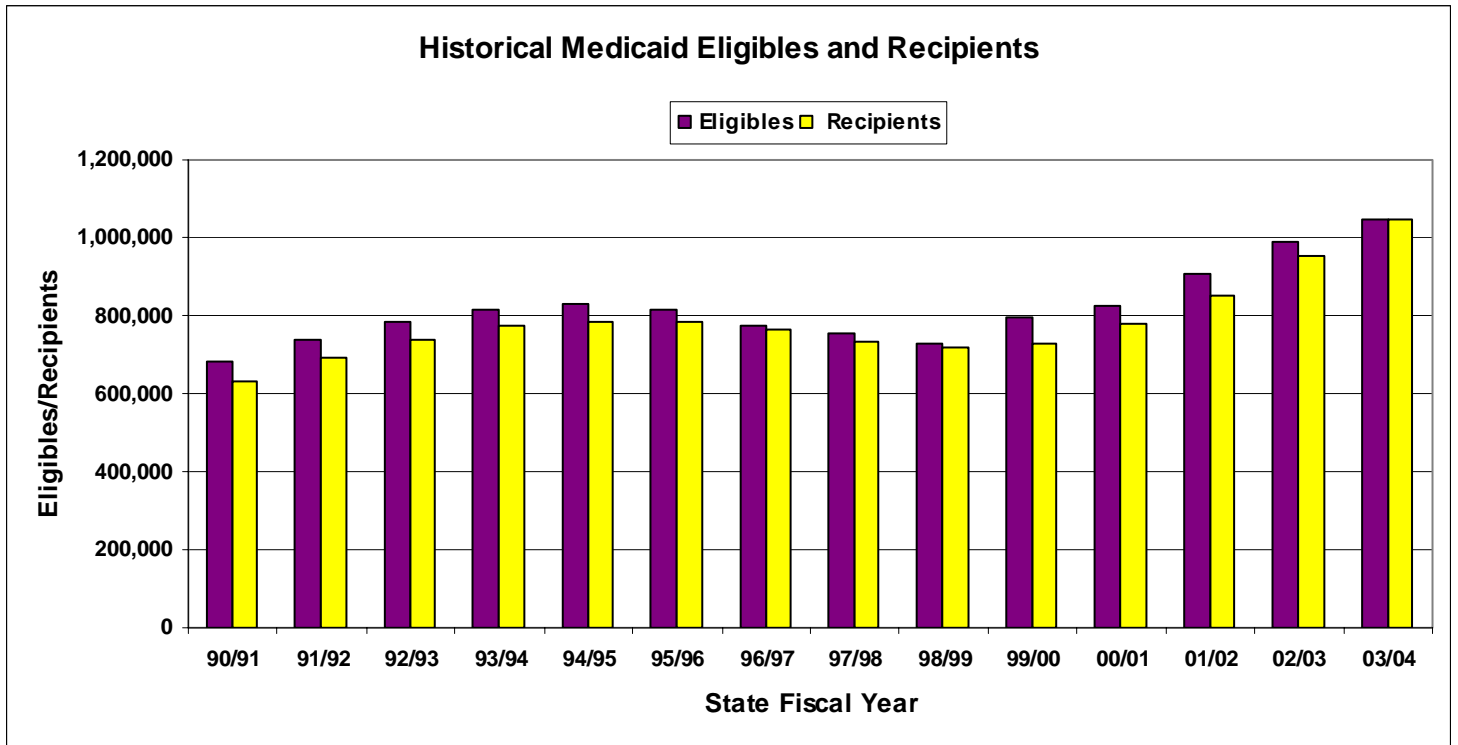
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Notes: 1. Total payments include payments for original and adjusted claims.

III. ELIGIBLES, RECIPIENTS, PAYMENTS & EXPENDITURES

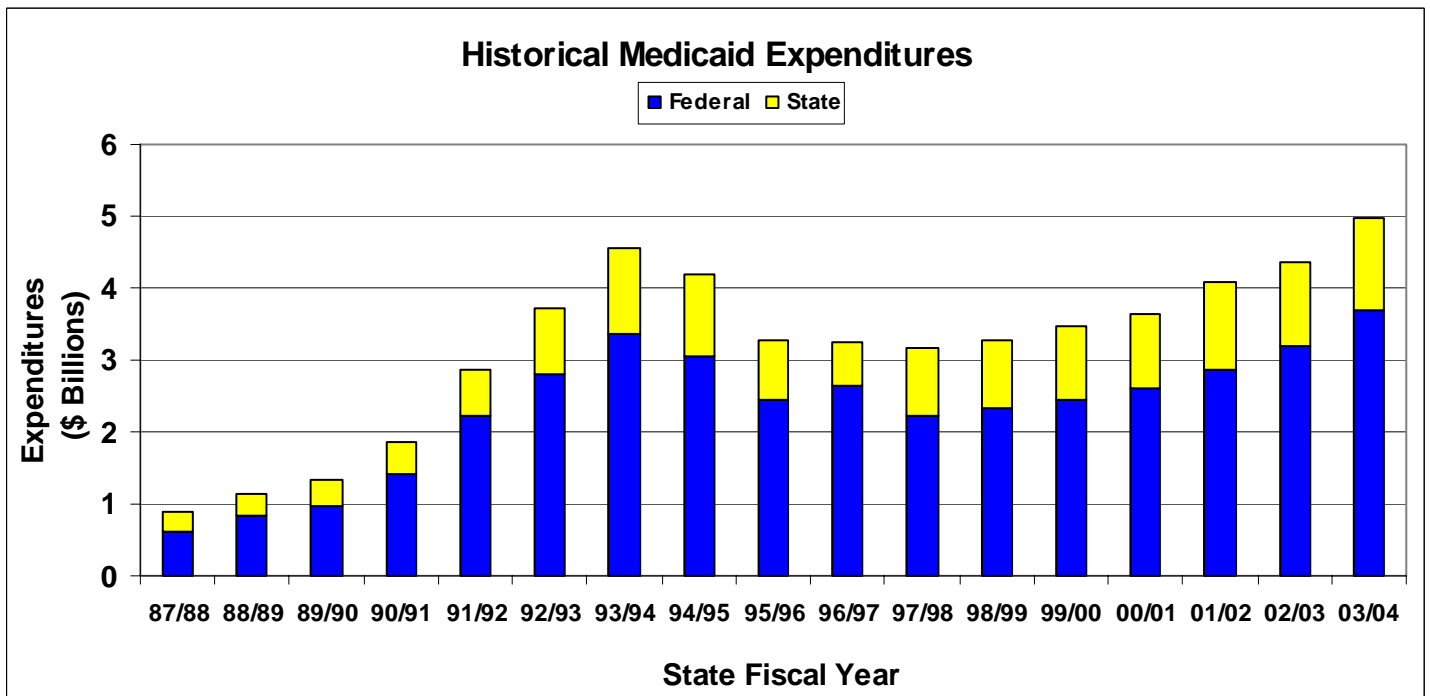
During SFY 2003-2004, there were 1,048,048 citizens eligible for Medicaid at least one month. There were 1,048,209 individuals with a paid service during the same period.

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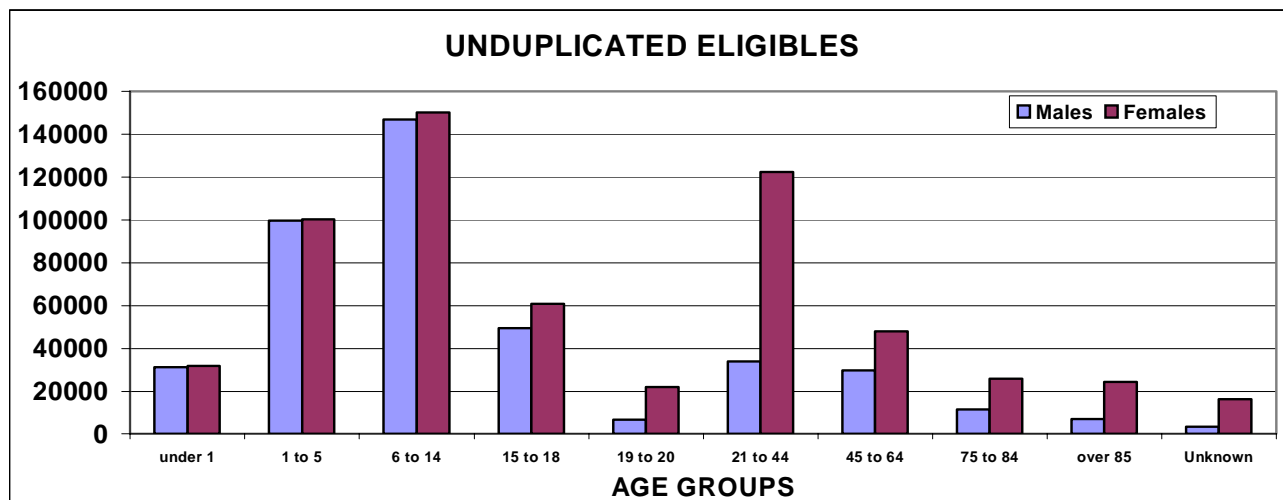
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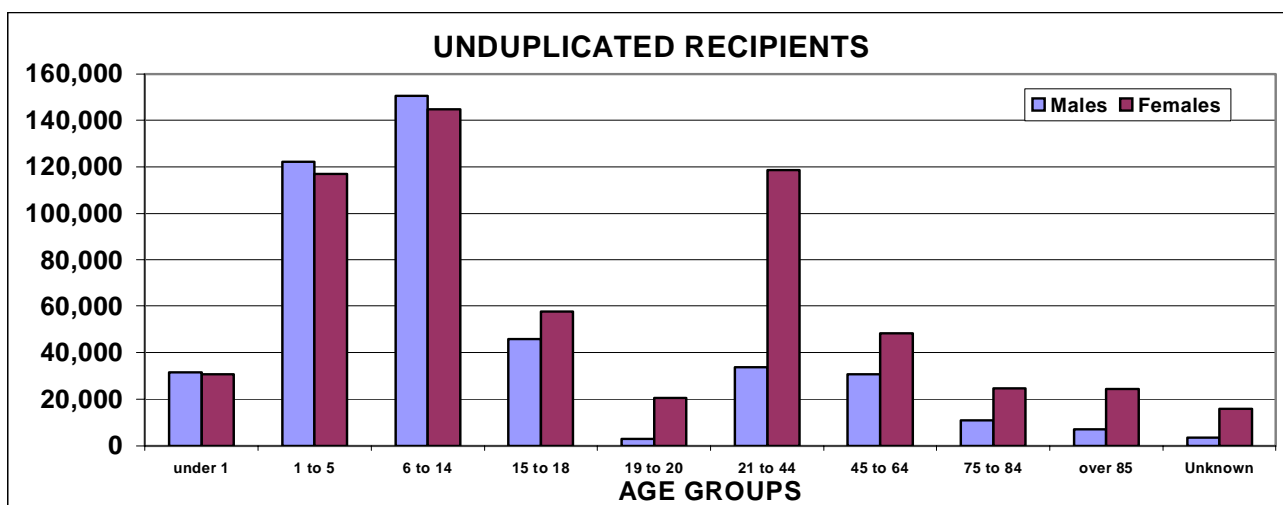
LOUISIANA'S MEDICAID POPULATION BY AGE AND GENDER SFY 2003-2004

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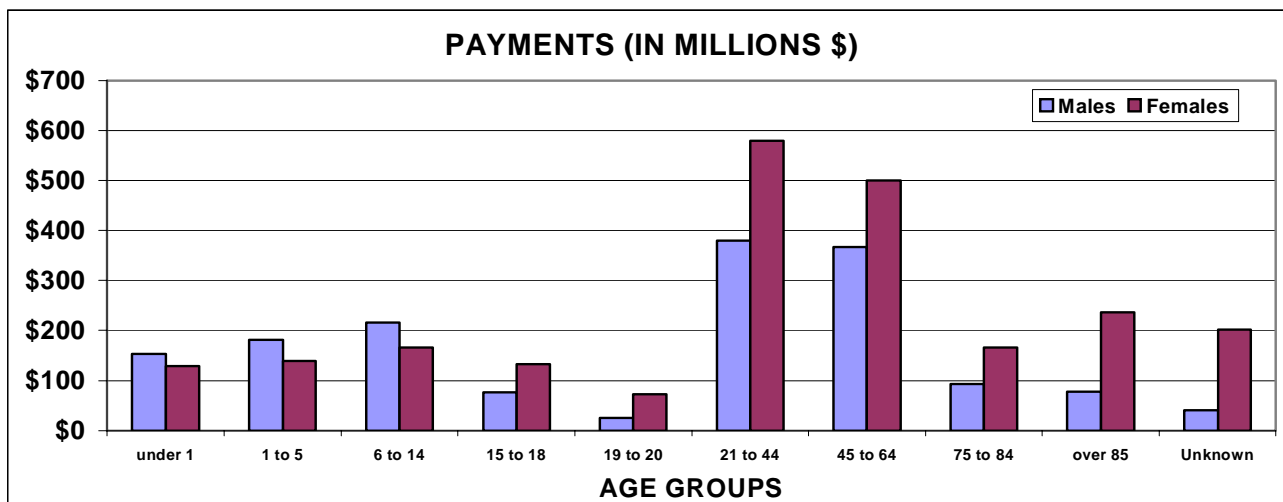
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Chart 10:



Unknown and Missing = 7,717

Chart 11:



Payments to unknown and missing = \$27,662,887

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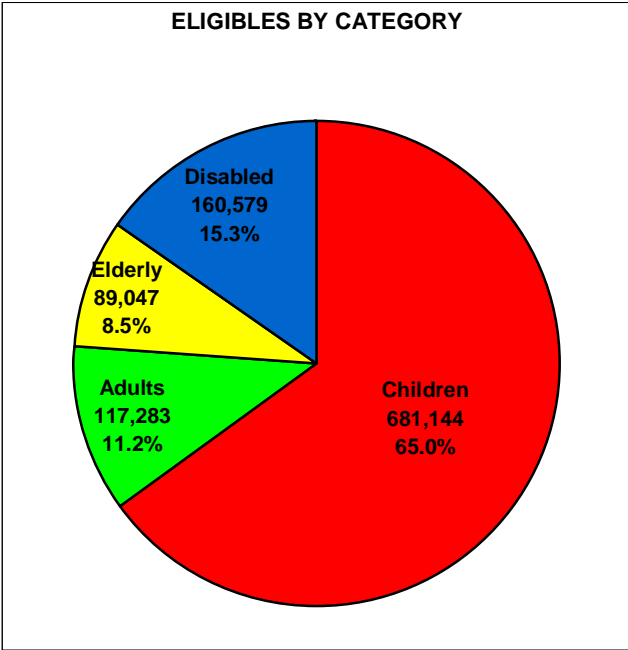
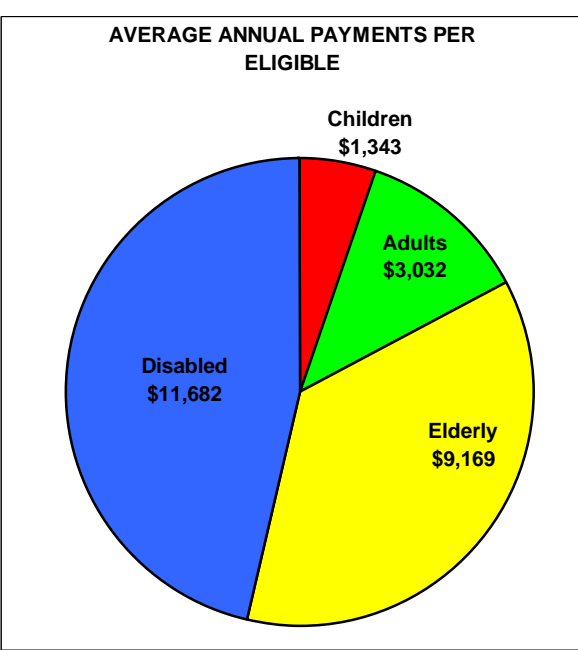


Chart 13:



Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

LEGEND	
Disabled	= All Disabled, All Ages
Children	= All children under 21, non-disabled
Adults	= All adults ages 21 to 64, non-disabled
Elderly	= All adults ages 65 and over, non-disabled

Chart 14:

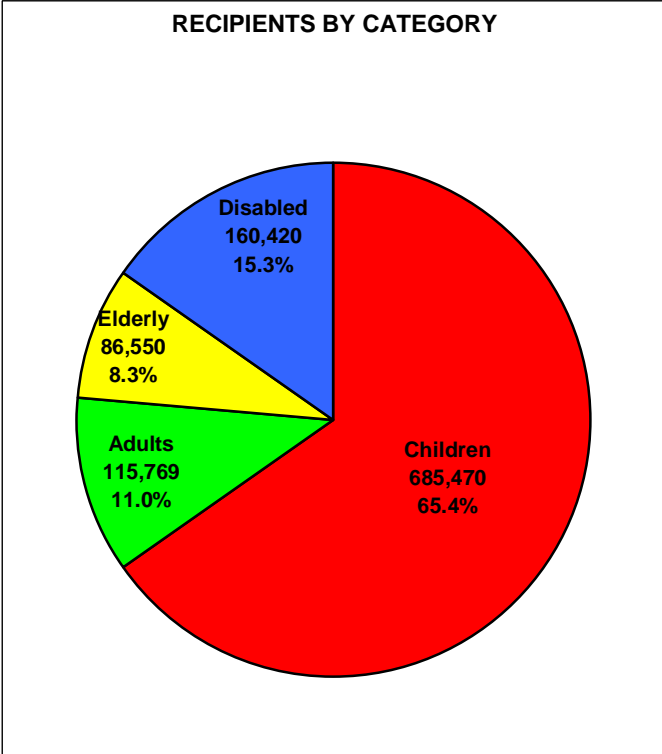
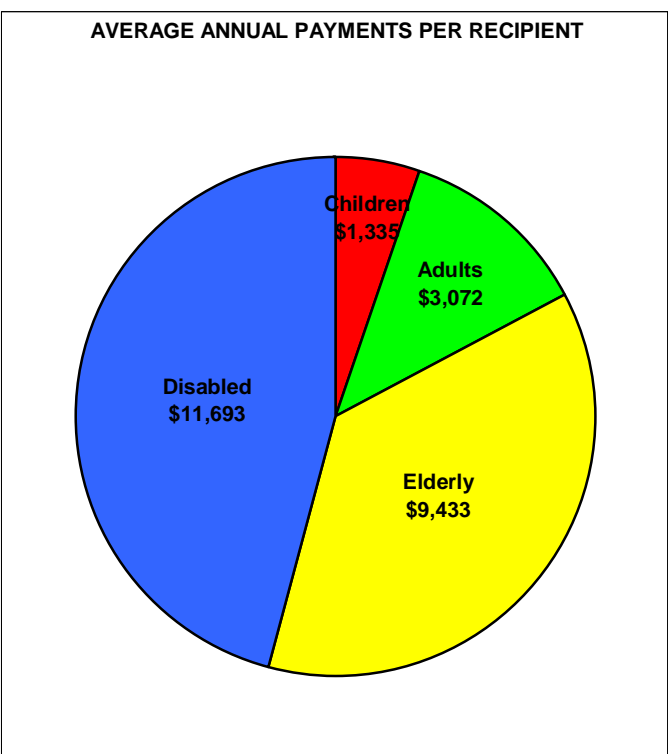


Chart 15:



Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY TABLE BY PROGRAM

PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	INCOME LIMIT
LIFC--Section 1931	Children & families	13% of poverty; <i>no assets test</i>
LIFC--Section 1931 "PAP"	Children & families	13% of poverty with income of sibling, step-parent, and grandparent of minor child disregarded (anyone not legally responsible for child); <i>no assets test</i>
AFDC-Related Medically Needy	Children & families	19% of poverty (individuals and couples); <i>no assets test</i>
AFDC-Related Spend down Medically Needy	Children & families	All income over 19% of poverty considered available to meet medical expenses for quarter
TANF (FITAP) Recipients	Recipients of cash assistance as determined by DSS Office of Family Support	19% of poverty; assets below \$2,000
Transitional Medicaid	Former LIFC Recipients with earnings now exceeding 15% of poverty; Former TANF recipients with earnings now exceeding 19% of poverty	185% of poverty for coverage in seventh through twelfth month of transitional eligibility period
CHAMP-Pregnant Woman	Verified Pregnancy, 2-Month post-partum period	200% of poverty; <i>no assets test</i>
Deemed Eligible Child	Child under age 1 born to Medicaid eligible mother	No income limit; <i>no assets test</i>
Presumptive Eligible Pregnant Woman	Provides ambulatory pre-natal services to pregnant women as determined eligible by a qualified provider	200% of poverty; <i>no assets test</i>
CHAMP-Low-Income Children	Ages 0-5;	133% of poverty; <i>no assets test</i>
	Age 6 and up but born no earlier than 10/1/83	100% of poverty; <i>no assets test</i>
	Age 6 and up but born no earlier than 10/1/83	100% of poverty; <i>no assets test</i>
MCHIP--Title 21 Children Not Eligible for Title XIX Medicaid (LaCHIP)	Ages 0-5	>133% poverty to 150% of poverty <i>no assets test</i>
	Age 6 and up but born no earlier than 10/1/83	>100% poverty to 150% of poverty; <i>no assets test</i>
	Born before 10/1/83 to age 19	150% of poverty <i>no assets test</i>
Section 4913 Child (SSI-PSP)	Individuals under age 18 denied SSI cash because of an SSI provision that is prohibited in Medicaid.	74% of poverty (+ \$20) <i>Assets limit: \$2000 for individual</i>

MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY TABLE BY PROGRAM

PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	INCOME LIMIT
Early Widows/Widowers	Individuals who lost SSI because of receipt of Social Security widow/widowers benefits.	74% of poverty (+ \$20) <i>Assets limit: \$2000 individual; \$3000 couple</i>
Personal Care Attendant	Aged and disabled recipients who meet medical criteria for institutional level of care	219% of Poverty <i>Assets limit: \$2000 individual; \$3000 couple</i>
Qualified Disabled Working Individual	Provides Medicare Part A Buy-In for non-aged individuals who lost SS disability benefits and premium free Part A	Equal to or below 200% of Poverty <i>Assets limit: \$4,000 individual; \$6,000 for couple</i>
SSI Recipients	Aged and disabled recipients of federal SSI cash payments as determined by Social Security Administration	74% of Poverty (+ \$20) <i>Assets limit: \$2000 individual; \$3000 couple</i>
SSI-Related Spend-down Medically Needy	Aged and disabled recipients with income above 74% of poverty (+ \$20)	All income over 12% of Poverty (+ \$20) is considered available to meet medical expenses for quarter <i>Assets limit: \$2000 individual; \$3000 couple</i>
Disabled Adult Child	Individuals over age 18 who become blind or disabled before age 22 and lost SSI eligibility on or before 7/1/87, as a result of entitlement to or increase in Social Security benefits.	Social Security benefits are disregarded in determining countable income with limit 74% of Poverty (+ \$20); <i>Assets limit: \$2000 individual; \$3000 couple</i>
Disabled Widows/Widowers	Restores Medicaid eligibility to disabled widows/widowers who would be eligible for SSI	74% of Poverty (+ \$20) <i>Assets limit: \$2000 individual; \$3000 couple</i>
Long-Term Care	Aged and disabled recipients who meet medical criteria for institutional level of care	219% of Poverty <i>Assets limit: \$2000 individual; \$3000 couple</i>
Home & Community-Based Waivers: Adult Day Health, Elderly & Disabled, MR/DD	Aged and disabled recipients who meet medical criteria for institutional level of care	219% of Poverty <i>Assets limit: \$2000 individual; \$3000 couple</i>
Extended Medicaid (Pickle)	Former SSI Recipients Who Lost Eligibility Due to annual SSA cost-of-living increase	All cost-of-living raises are disregarded in calculating countable income with limit 74% of Poverty (+\$20) <i>Assets limit: \$2000 individual; \$3000 couple</i>
Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary	Pays Part B Medicare premium only.	100 % and less than 120% of Poverty <i>Assets limit: \$4,000 individual; \$6,000 couple</i>
Qualified Individual Category 1	Pays Part B Medicare premium only.	120% and less than 135% of poverty <i>Assets limit: \$4,000 individual; \$6,000 couple</i>
Qualified Individual Category 2	Pays a portion of Part B premium.	135% and less than 175% of Poverty <i>Assets limit: \$4,000 for individual; \$6,000 for couple</i>
Qualified Medicare Beneficiary	Pays Medicare premiums, deductibles and co-insurance for Medicare covered	Below 100% of Poverty <i>Asset limit: \$4,000 individual; \$6,000 couple</i>
Tuberculosis-Infected Individual	Persons who have been diagnosed as, or are suspected of, being infected with tuberculosis.	74% of Poverty (+ \$20) <i>Assets limit \$2000 individual</i>

IV. MEDICAID CHILDREN AND LaCHIP

During the 2003-2004 SFY, the Louisiana Medicaid Program had 722,430 eligible children enrolled for services. Included in this number are 114,559 children enrolled in LaCHIP.

Table 12: ALL MEDICAID CHILDREN (Title XIX and Title XXI)

Age	Eligibles	Recipients	Payments (\$)
Under 1	64,733	62,231	282,589,247
1 to 5	205,131	240,400	323,557,046
6 to 14	307,072	297,123	384,950,358
15 to 18	115,768	104,350	211,671,355
Total (18 and Under)	692,704	704,104	\$1,202,768,006
19 to 20	29,726	23,670	99,027,460
Grand Total	722,430	727,774	\$1,301,795,465

Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

Note: The count of unduplicated recipients in the Medicaid Annual Report is based on the number of individuals who had a medical service paid for by the Medicaid program during the state fiscal year regardless of their period of eligibility.

Table 13: LaCHIP CHILDREN (Title XXI)

Age	Eligibles	Recipients	Payments (\$)
Under 1	1,853	1,248	3,200,634
1 to 5	20,423	24,349	27,630,819
6 to 14	64,667	62,836	59,719,719
15 to 18	27,616	20,644	24,091,752
Total	114,559	109,077	\$114,642,924

Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

Table 14: LaCHIP CHILDREN (Title XXI) BY SFY

Age	Eligibles			Recipients			Payments (\$)		
	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004
Under 1	1,636	1,868	1,853	1,208	1,370	1,248	2,800,340	3,464,656	3,200,634
1 to 5	13,625	17,672	20,423	15,590	20,547	24,349	16,246,368	22,766,594	27,630,819
6 to 14	46,135	57,069	64,667	40,876	52,657	62,836	34,304,328	47,534,583	59,719,719
15 to 18	26,203	25,384	27,615	19,047	18,571	20,644	21,171,453	20,612,525	24,091,729
Total	87,599	101,993	114,558	76,721	93,145	109,077	74,522,489	94,378,357	114,642,901

Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

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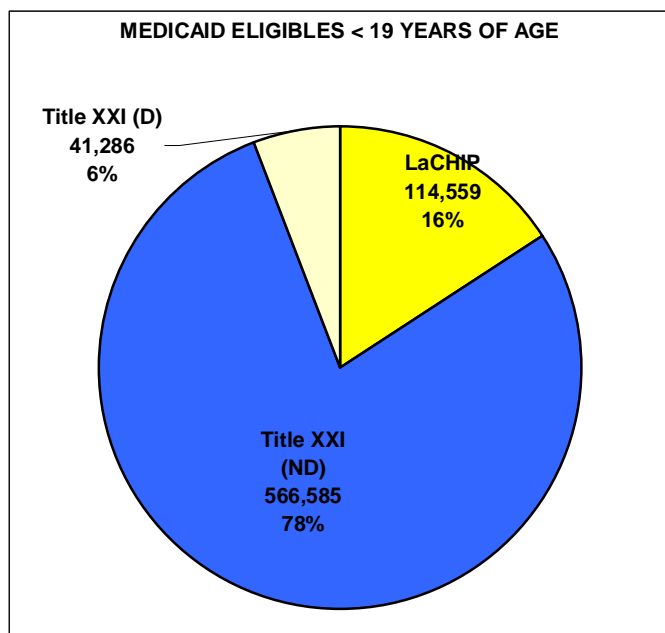
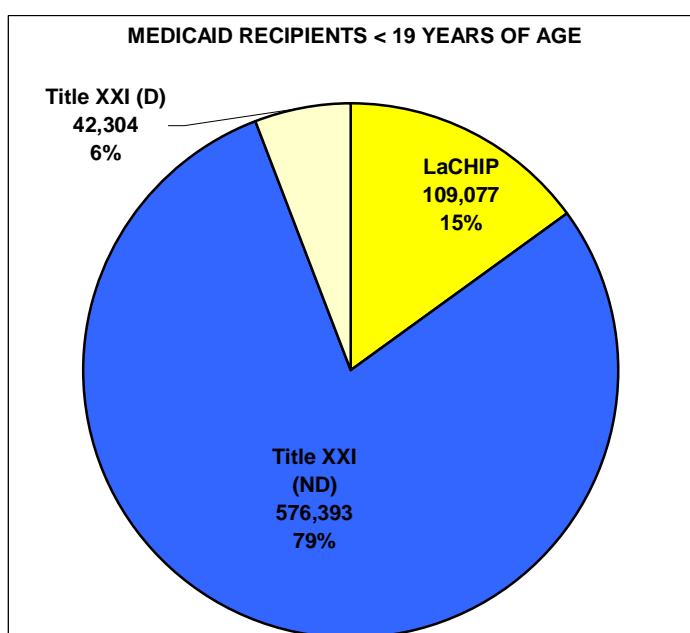


Chart 17:



Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

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Title XIX (D) = Regular Medicaid Children with Disabilities

Title XIX (ND) = Regular Medicaid Children without Disabilities

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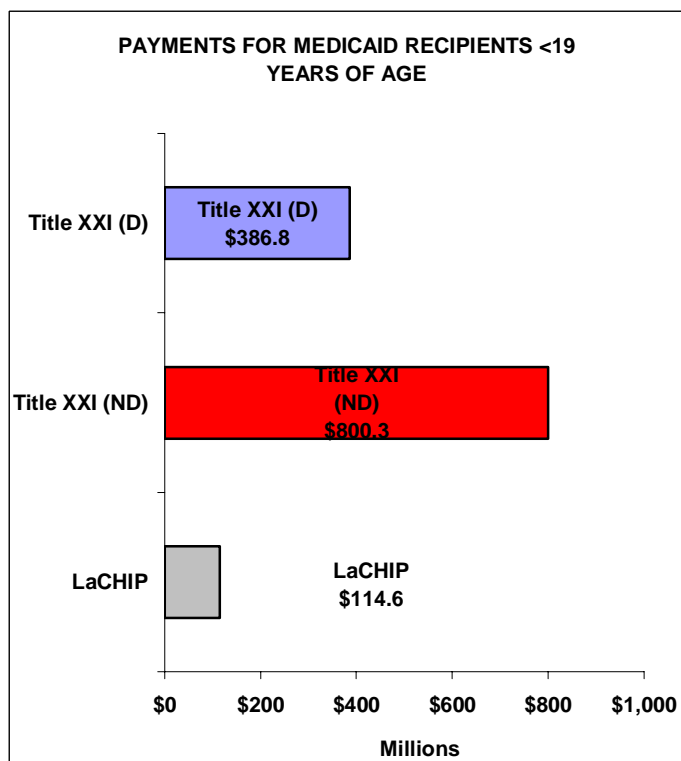
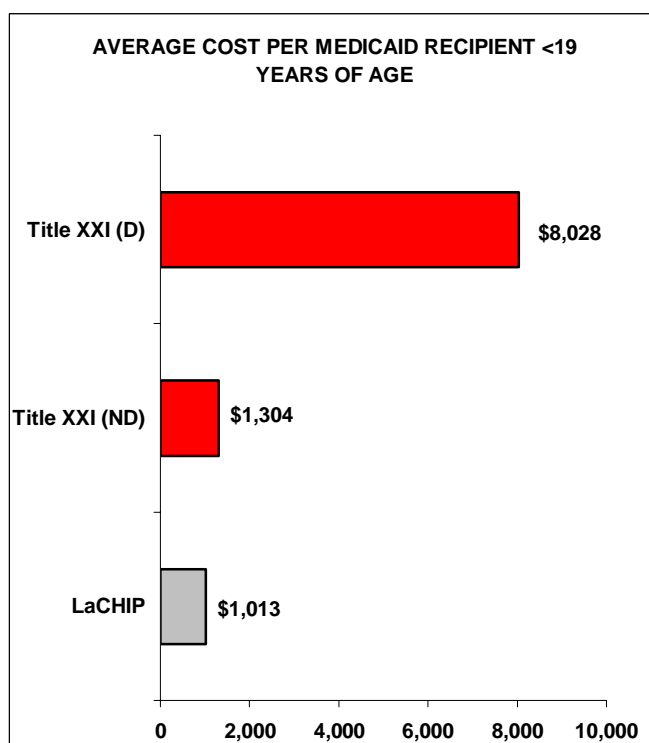


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Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

Table 15: LaCHIP ELIGIBLES/RECIPIENTS/PAYMENTS BY PARISH

PARISH	ELIGIBLES	RECIPIENTS	PAYMENTS (\$)	AVG. COST/ELIG (\$)	AVG. COST/REC (\$)
Acadia	1,926	1,866	2,555,303	1,327	1,369
Allen	676	691	715,518	1,058	1,035
Ascension	1,979	1,872	2,157,472	1,090	1,152
Assumption	630	628	851,967	1,352	1,357
Avoyelles	1,411	1,403	1,760,505	1,248	1,255
Beauregard	1,062	1,006	1,083,312	1,020	1,077
Bienville	419	391	360,044	859	921
Bossier	1,997	1,926	1,776,699	890	922
Caddo	5,751	5,451	5,653,226	983	1,037
Calcasieu	5,027	4,825	5,564,149	1,107	1,153
Caldwell	341	323	498,782	1,463	1,544
Cameron	266	265	361,586	1,359	1,364
Catahoula	339	343	451,249	1,331	1,316
Claiborne	445	432	404,897	910	937
Concordia	639	636	734,405	1,149	1,155
De Soto	621	587	556,465	896	948
East Baton Rouge	7,986	7,657	6,315,270	791	825
East Carroll	322	313	457,429	1,421	1,461
East Feliciana	617	615	616,812	1,000	1,003
Evangeline	1,129	1,101	1,388,865	1,230	1,261
Franklin	764	738	898,192	1,176	1,217
Grant	631	629	724,254	1,148	1,151
Iberia	2,102	1,991	2,309,833	1,099	1,160
Iberville	931	878	948,591	1,019	1,080
Jackson	377	357	337,532	895	945
Jefferson	10,628	9,773	9,195,153	865	941
Jefferson Davis	1,071	1,061	1,173,829	1,096	1,106
Lafayette	4,320	4,046	3,868,576	896	956
Lafourche	2,363	2,335	2,834,358	1,199	1,214
LaSalle	427	399	525,833	1,231	1,318
Lincoln	947	915	807,562	853	883
Livingston	2,957	2,806	3,555,328	1,202	1,267
Madison	408	383	440,059	1,079	1,149
Morehouse	937	896	998,952	1,066	1,115
Natchitoches	985	983	961,328	976	978
Orleans	12,248	11,303	9,245,689	755	818
Ouachita	3,311	3,196	3,231,424	976	1,011
Plaquemines	683	649	589,324	863	908
Pointe Coupee	695	650	718,110	1,033	1,105
Rapides	3,507	3,327	3,646,364	1,040	1,096
Red River	325	320	350,360	1,078	1,095
Richland	674	674	840,963	1,248	1,248
Sabine	589	582	765,245	1,299	1,315
St. Bernard	1,512	1,405	1,597,098	1,056	1,137
St. Charles	1,093	1,028	921,757	843	897
St. Helena	336	291	459,266	1,367	1,578
St. James	531	520	498,786	939	959
St. John the Baptist	1,233	1,183	975,742	791	825
St. Landry	2,860	2,739	3,069,093	1,073	1,121
St. Martin	1,634	1,535	1,394,653	854	909
St. Mary	1,787	1,658	2,225,450	1,245	1,342
St. Tammany	4,367	4,227	4,659,126	1,067	1,102
Tangipahoa	3,185	3,025	3,262,960	1,024	1,079
Tensas	195	208	251,211	1,288	1,208
Terrebonne	2,698	2,607	3,196,173	1,185	1,226
Union	665	636	796,891	1,198	1,253
Vermilion	1,218	1,172	1,475,637	1,212	1,259
Vernon	1,314	1,282	1,247,044	949	973
Washington	1,417	1,392	1,562,293	1,103	1,122
Webster	1,041	994	999,004	960	1,005
West Baton Rouge	557	529	1,017,288	1,826	1,923
West Carroll	530	512	847,817	1,600	1,656
West Feliciana	352	353	347,570	987	985
Winn	571	559	607,227	1,063	1,086
STATE TOTALS/AVG	114,559	109,077	\$114,642,901	\$1,001	\$1,051

Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

V. PROVIDERS

State fiscal year 2003-2004 saw pharmaceutical products and services become the number one in expenditures by budget category of service, replacing inpatient hospitals. In the top ten providers by provider type, dentist moved ahead one place, replacing mental health rehabilitation, while supervised independent living fell from the top ten. Ambulance transportation entered the top ten at the tenth position.

**Table 16: TOP TEN MEDICAID PRIVATE PROVIDERS
BY BUDGET CATEGORY OF SERVICE**

BUDGET CATEGORY	EXPENDITURES (\$)
Pharmaceutical Products and Services	651,306,563
Hospital - Inpatient Services	586,653,241
Nursing Homes	561,155,138
Physicians Services	300,508,425
Waiver - MR/DD (Community Services)	203,500,917
ICF-MR (MR/DD Community Homes)	183,208,375
Hospital - Outpatient Services	176,033,327
EPSDT (Screening and Early Diagnosis)	94,584,649
Laboratory and X-Ray Services	62,827,693
Mental Health Rehabilitation	48,836,830
Top Ten Provider Total	\$2,868,615,158
<i>All Other Private Provider Categories</i>	<i>324,540,015</i>
Private Provider Totals	\$3,193,155,173

Source: Medicaid Year-End Financial Report SFY 2003-04

**Table 17: TOP TEN MEDICAID PROVIDERS BY PROVIDER TYPE
(PUBLIC AND PRIVATE)**

PROVIDER TYPE	PAYMENTS (\$)
Hospital (Inpatient & Outpatient)	1,016,894,907
Pharmacy (Gross Payments)	894,405,232
Nursing Homes (LTC)	579,606,146
ICF(MR)	409,209,005
Physicians (MD)	409,060,123
Personal Care Attendant (PCA)	177,135,673
Dentists	49,098,304
Mental Health Rehabilitation	49,053,441
DME Providers	40,213,936
Ambulance Transportation	33,076,521
Top Ten Total - In State	\$3,657,753,287
<i>All Other Provider Payments</i>	<i>305,113,102</i>
Total All Payments	\$3,962,866,389

Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

Table 18: PARISH AND OUT-OF-STATE PAYMENTS TO TOP TEN PROVIDERS BY PROVIDER TYPE

PARISH	Hospitals	Pharmacy	Long Term Care Facilities	ICF/MR	Physicians	Personal Care Attendant (PCA)	Dentists	Mental Health Rehabilitation	DME Providers	Ambulance Transportation	Grand Total
Acadia	6,858,919	20,542,959	10,859,783	10,017,677	4,937,232	63,113	752,225	1,349,068	44,566		55,425,542
Allen	2,504,477	5,788,944	6,676,509		1,885,007		105,985		34,711	65,983	17,061,617
Ascension	3,545,523	12,333,649	4,482,935	267,856	3,231,013	1,656,808	363,544	1,093,229	88,665		27,063,223
Assumption	479,982	3,106,986	2,274,740	692,918	663,450	525,811	7,252		0		7,751,139
Avoyelles	2,981,253	13,092,436	14,887,405	264,111	2,654,869		911,340	1,193,651	51,881		36,036,945
Beauregard	2,977,045	3,748,366	4,127,028	663,370	2,169,424	112,354	313,651		24,963		14,136,201
Bienville	12,135	2,905,305	4,530,426		706,738		7,835				8,162,439
Bossier	2,794,408	9,177,312	10,633,021	26,743,378	2,300,230	2,075,538	212,700	1,117,776	169,700	357,093	55,581,156
Caddo	108,604,762	52,773,085	39,736,858	10,228,687	31,977,088	9,933,642	3,609,820	5,937,589	7,658,821	1,741,986	272,202,338
Calcasieu	36,810,519	34,676,781	21,363,434	12,274,767	16,732,756	7,565,260	2,151,107	2,926,285	1,228,484		135,729,393
Caldwell	2,046,474	4,502,058	2,037,166	4,639,074	1,147,256	2,657			4,076		14,378,762
Cameron	274,673	349,397	60,142		121,459					25,104	830,774
Catahoula		3,706,962	2,096,140		501,894	715,278	201,913	89,250	38		7,311,475
Claiborne	2,239,530	3,534,848	3,607,342		826,181	2,367,909	68,864		5,706	190,642	12,841,022
Concordia	2,477,103	4,436,048	3,918,273		1,375,495	247,655	465,974	341,872		241,580	13,503,999
De Soto	1,566,939	3,794,233	3,456,307	521,545	287,835	123,267	373,334	953,091		62,641	11,139,192
East Baton Rouge	113,986,956	72,446,806	41,559,385	12,587,216	42,945,177	16,234,439	4,740,125	5,838,010	3,181,149	1,165,624	314,684,888
East Carroll	1,029,372	2,868,255	2,882,607		1,251,065		349,509				8,380,807
East Feliciana	153,813	4,298,290	15,046,928	2,513,926	407,765		89,192	314,102	55,816		22,879,832
Evangeline	8,883,610	17,702,537	8,825,739	2,145,124	4,667,650	1,075,350	599,333	510,174	240,391		44,649,907
Franklin	1,731,894	6,290,605	9,105,636	1,892,525	837,272		455,098		1,742	868,635	21,183,407
Grant		1,003,499	2,336,931	280,403	349,481		33,885				4,004,199
Iberia	3,327,569	15,435,589	10,142,468	2,220,991	8,793,589	3,154,523	303,024	208,693	56,396		43,642,841
Iberville	4,154,703	7,578,012	5,213,871		3,120,020	671,137	322,266	1,501,660	663,775		23,225,444
Jackson	756,430	3,562,077	5,157,269		422,727	270,634	8,042	340,403	7,872	111,573	10,637,027
Jefferson	53,793,200	88,863,557	25,203,931	26,215,819	41,457,404	27,503,895	3,694,868	2,552,826	6,258,385	2,043,242	277,587,128
Jefferson Davis	2,458,656	8,072,373	6,943,729	282,988	2,591,680	558,965	124,739	559,867	18,829		21,611,827
Lafayette	55,673,596	28,546,836	19,087,770	5,030,221	20,277,893	15,783,975	2,348,133	903,617	5,033,872	17,591,418	170,277,333
LaFourche	8,113,043	12,020,552	8,394,152	7,863,564	4,612,833	5,645,106	629,334	19,002	41,175	163,999	47,502,759
LaSalle	2,411,818	3,439,288	3,681,742		513,473		7,659	179,354	8,525		10,241,859
Lincoln	8,310,671	6,248,379	5,823,102	12,721,866	2,890,988	749,416	717,489		27,700	78,517	37,568,129
Livingston	657,783	13,373,575	10,726,021	1,264,825	1,039,049	1,803,622	922,049	245,066	167,615		30,199,606
Madison	1,312,123	3,668,277	3,072,120	1,891,681	710,601	198,659	62,205		160		10,915,826
Morehouse	3,581,477	8,843,052	9,574,275	628,881	4,065,058	898,175	259,933		9,473	457,609	28,317,933
Natchitoches	4,684,490	10,701,575	5,821,885		3,162,911	1,368,277	282,108				26,021,246
Orleans	302,806,175	81,213,409	51,174,433	12,312,098	64,206,505	11,380,309	6,884,373	8,602,513	805,682	3,710,758	543,096,254
Ouachita	48,006,295	26,717,799	16,377,656	8,248,216	13,981,659	15,083,978	3,812,509	4,036,236	953,377	1,045,769	138,263,494
Plaquemines		1,621,627	2,181,572	27,169,026	340,486		148,874	644,502		170,347	32,276,434
Pointe Coupee	1,380,661	4,007,235	3,896,596		1,052,031	122,206	37,342	547,400	73,762		11,117,232
Rapides	45,311,344	51,452,658	22,657,086	133,379,634	16,939,085	11,753,485	2,009,448	2,151,763	1,212,170	517,970	287,384,642
Red River	1,368,579	2,956,464	2,662,916		555,038	52,374	4,142		18,252	4,702	7,622,466
Richland	2,094,601	8,075,370	6,395,253	7,259,272	2,534,910	2,217,030	334,382	176,803	21,838		29,109,428
Sabine	1,204,374	5,004,756	5,902,885	1,757,133	1,166,183		73,116		905		15,109,353
St. Bernard	6,821,688	12,858,029	6,230,473	1,646,810	4,376,555	6,904,359	607,447	387,512	61,305		39,894,178
St. Charles	1,749,878	5,665,283	3,721,065	260,506	2,174,713	1,358,047	114,914	140,909		111,405	15,296,719
St. Helena	769,219	1,516,409	1,503,769	443,416	472,377		164,402				4,869,592
St. James	760,718	2,066,889	1,729,095		1,133,603		2,109				5,692,414
St. John the Baptist	2,876,508	4,182,038	1,885,013	933,073	2,734,780	1,684,150	819,953		2		15,115,517
St. Landry	16,035,392	32,001,178	17,114,977	2,427,617	15,444,869	1,289,609	719,717	1,261,836	958,798		87,253,993
St. Martin	722,907	8,185,196	5,239,434	1,008,251	791,766	4,433,030	29,771		12,278		20,422,632
St. Mary	5,323,841	10,849,245	6,366,346	582,706	4,541,491	617,151	176,442	248,237	489,592		29,195,051
St. Tammany	26,991,730	26,709,267	20,155,309	2,744,949	17,258,511	1,894,560	3,050,179	712,913	1,547,212	17,322	101,081,952
Tangipahoa	26,515,633	24,093,783	10,557,789	46,451,907	12,252,519	11,958,148	1,861,384	876,370	461,554		135,029,088
Tensas		1,194,225	1,240,118		47,028						2,481,371
Terrebonne	32,271,008	21,911,111	10,184,435	1,704,558	14,468,082	3,138,243	1,156,964	165,280	4,897,764		89,897,445
Union	1,165,697	5,152,586	5,323,077	302,021	736,119		44,973		45,818	303,335	13,073,625
Vermilion	2,887,735	8,340,696	10,959,534	660,618	1,948,750	178,259	588,485		28,835		25,592,911
Vernon	3,156,368	5,718,618	3,729,912	5,513,916	2,528,239			43,179	25,723		20,715,955
Washington	7,961,505	13,414,590	6,347,838		3,087,962	1,254,570	526,757	420,615	37,821	661,924	33,713,582
Webster	6,168,542	4,806,413	10,092,903	4,758,120	3,326,355	414,075	124,715	39,616	135,979	1,065,656	30,932,374
West Baton Rouge		3,745,154	2,293,366	653,594	269,921	53,609	185,553				7,201,197
West Carroll	1,731,507	3,930,843	3,838,588	312,603	1,193,523				42,660	115,002	11,164,725
West Feliciana	788,674	977,757	2,472,042	281,181	375,413	43,015	93,099		9,514		5,040,693
Winn	2,036,075	3,761,757	4,025,626	1,215,061	797,282		20,200	423,170	33,538	51,439	12,364,149
Total in State	\$1,000,101,597	\$875,562,884	\$579,606,146	\$405,879,700	\$406,370,318	\$177,135,673	\$49,085,783	\$49,053,441	\$36,958,868	\$32,941,274	\$3,612,695,685
Texas	3,427,303	2,946,191			293,614		1,381		230,042	19	6,898,551
Arkansas	4,781,061	1,984,113			1,953,479		11,140		248,980	79,258	9,058,031
Mississippi	2,272,229	200,021			241,027				24,876		2,738,152
Total in Out of State	\$10,480,594	\$5,130,325	\$0	\$0	\$2,488,119	\$0	\$12,521	\$0	\$503,899	\$79,277	\$18,694,734
Other	6,312,716	13,712,023		3,329,305	201,686				2,751,168	55,970	26,362,868
Totals	\$1,016,894,907	\$894,405,232	\$579,606,146	\$409,209,005	\$409,060,123	\$177,135,673	\$49,098,304	\$49,053,441	\$40,213,936	\$33,076,521	\$3,657,753,287

Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

Table 19: PROVIDER PARTICIPATION RATIOS

Parish	Payments to In- Parish Providers (\$)	Payments for Resident Medicaid Recipients (\$)	Ratio
Acadia	59,533,904	70,678,765	84.23
Allen	19,005,815	22,812,810	83.31
Ascension	29,808,300	46,035,739	64.75
Assumption	8,225,190	19,763,807	41.62
Avoyelles	38,062,211	56,456,955	67.42
Beauregard	14,672,430	21,031,444	69.76
Bienville	9,341,813	15,484,589	60.33
Bossier	59,143,980	73,966,837	79.96
Caddo	296,014,876	218,558,626	135.44
Calcasieu	150,937,127	144,369,839	104.55
Caldwell	15,441,400	18,190,442	84.89
Cameron	1,120,536	3,987,105	28.10
Catahoula	7,580,755	11,090,172	68.36
Claiborne	14,024,856	15,912,747	88.14
Concordia	14,180,069	19,651,735	72.16
De Soto	11,712,203	19,119,947	61.26
East Baton Rouge	344,948,631	292,223,660	118.04
East Carroll	8,914,851	15,331,237	58.15
East Feliciana	23,555,218	30,980,318	76.03
Evangeline	48,699,459	51,544,428	94.48
Franklin	22,544,591	32,394,424	69.59
Grant	4,082,053	16,673,431	24.48
Iberia	47,528,936	63,728,547	74.58
Iberville	24,927,502	30,599,667	81.46
Jackson	10,888,856	16,941,371	64.27
Jefferson	304,606,668	287,527,453	105.94
Jefferson Davis	22,691,829	30,385,727	74.68
Lafayette	192,184,080	127,414,991	150.83
Lafourche	53,546,086	71,315,258	75.08
LaSalle	10,440,614	15,394,444	67.82
Lincoln	38,945,501	41,282,488	94.34
Livingston	31,319,654	56,167,094	55.76
Madison	12,112,764	17,096,791	70.85
Morehouse	29,906,289	39,716,693	75.30
Natchitoches	28,211,398	35,667,657	79.10
Orleans	586,010,386	459,487,652	127.54
Ouachita	155,204,268	131,844,795	117.72
Plaquemines	32,434,715	43,478,384	74.60
Pointe Coupee	12,233,940	19,751,584	61.94
Rapides	305,917,447	263,558,680	116.07
Red River	8,115,981	9,904,425	81.94
Richland	31,022,113	34,084,378	91.02
Sabine	15,396,408	22,585,690	68.17
St. Bernard	42,721,437	46,973,726	90.95
St. Charles	18,238,930	23,758,146	76.77
St. Helena	5,077,471	9,677,395	52.47
St. James	6,183,457	12,609,751	49.04
St. John the Baptist	16,487,546	26,718,267	61.71
St. Landry	91,646,037	104,659,219	87.57
St. Martin	22,324,262	38,187,932	58.46
St. Mary	32,647,992	44,711,569	73.02
St. Tammany	106,784,743	103,964,895	102.71
Tangipahoa	144,322,086	149,477,650	96.55
Tensas	2,745,296	6,965,413	39.41
Terrebonne	94,753,151	85,120,888	111.32
Union	13,781,307	20,462,027	67.35
Vermilion	26,993,624	43,253,157	62.41
Vernon	21,077,209	29,128,884	72.36
Washington	36,100,678	53,452,208	67.54
Webster	33,390,487	44,234,587	75.49
West Baton Rouge	7,546,270	14,270,007	52.88
West Carroll	11,749,647	17,728,927	66.27
West Feliciana	5,121,258	8,834,721	57.97
Winn	12,735,834	17,031,574	74.78

HOW TO READ THIS TABLE

This table reports Medicaid payments made to participating providers in each parish. It also reports payments made on behalf of Medicaid recipients residing in each parish, regardless of where they received services. The "Provider Payments/Recipient Payments Ratio" interval shows the ratio of provider payments to resident recipient payments times 100. A ratio of 100 indicates that provider payments and recipient payments in a parish are the same. A ratio of less than 100 means that recipient payments are greater than provider payments in the parish and indicates a net loss of recipient payments to other parishes. A ratio greater than 100 implies that providers realize a net gain of Medicaid payments from services provided to recipients from other parishes. The ratios are not provided to imply a shortage or over-supply of providers in a parish. However, ratios may be used to help identify parishes that may need to consider if there are measures that could be taken to meet the health care needs of the patients (recipients) in their respective communities.

Source: Medicaid Annual Report Data Set, September 2004

VI. HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES

During the 2003-2004 state fiscal year, there were 8,537 individuals eligible for the state's five waiver programs.

Chart 20:

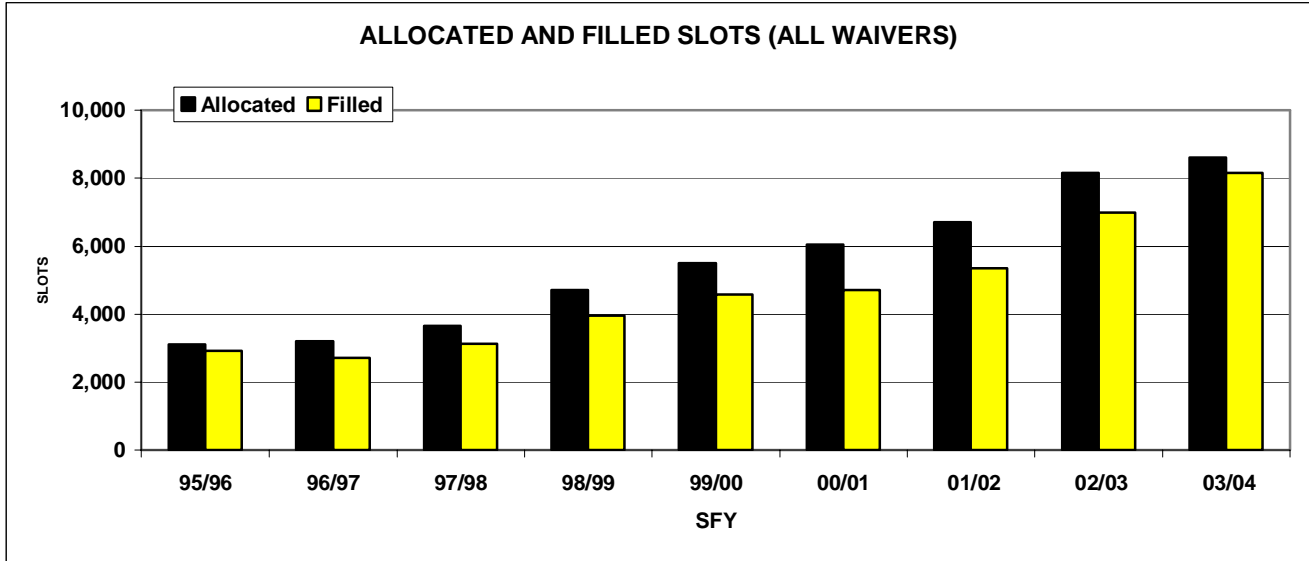
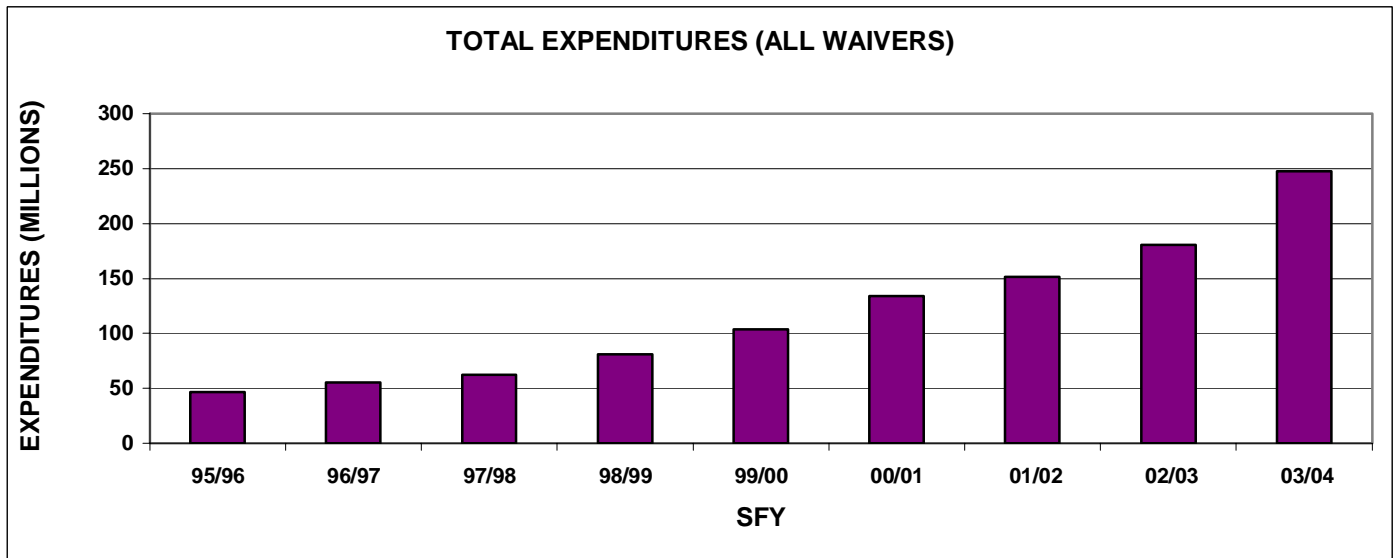


Chart 21:



HISTORICAL HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE WAIVER SLOTS FILLED

Chart 22:

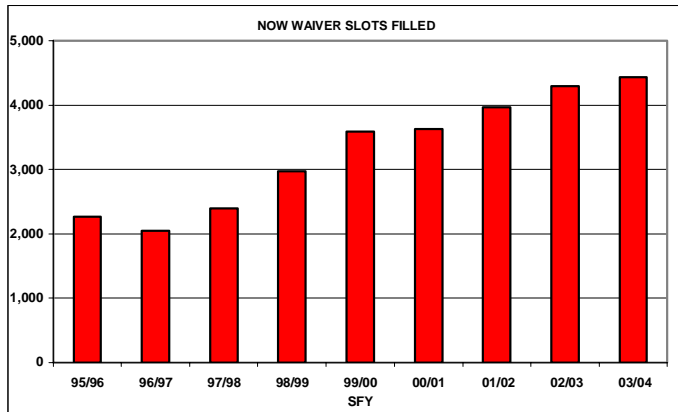


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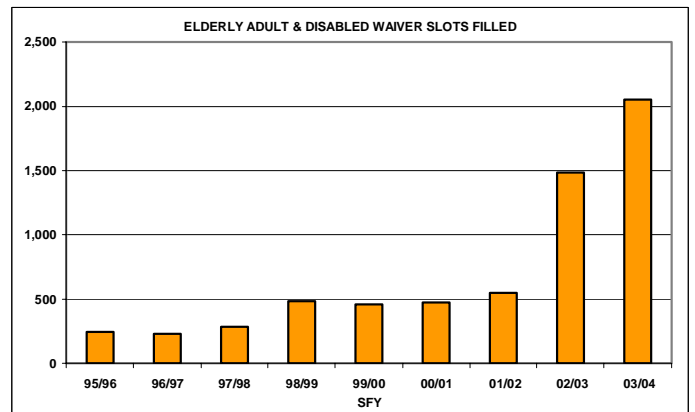


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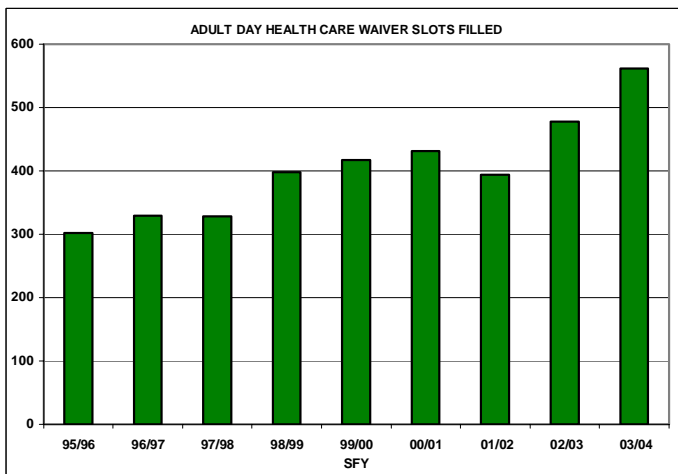


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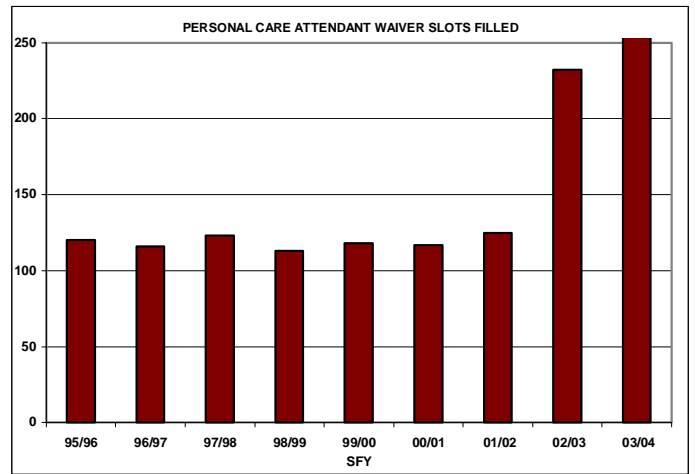


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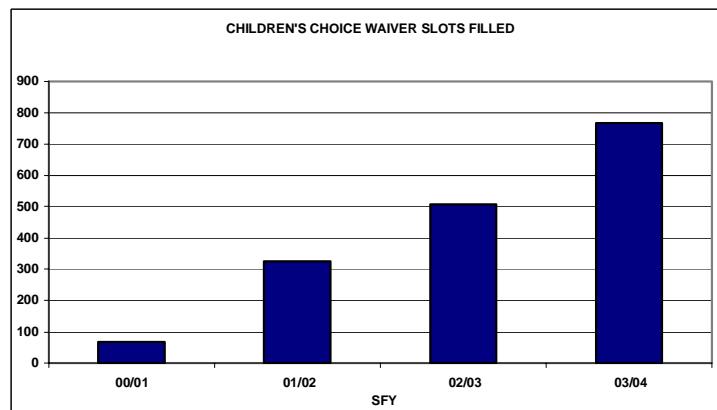


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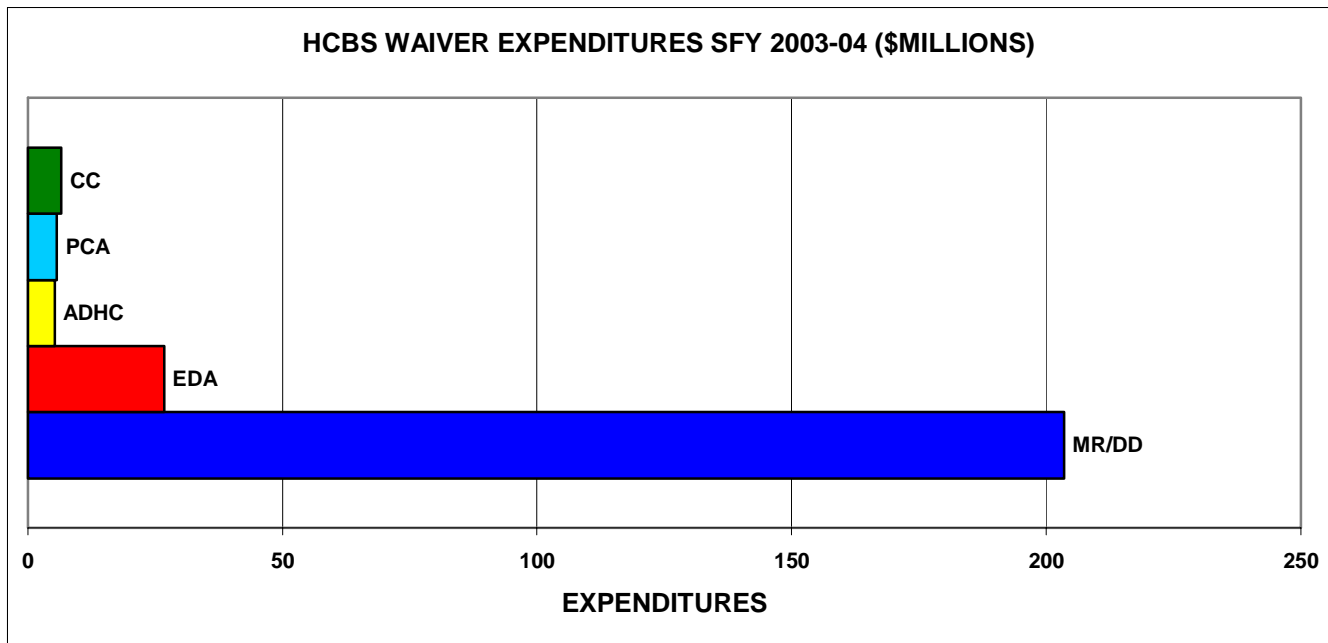
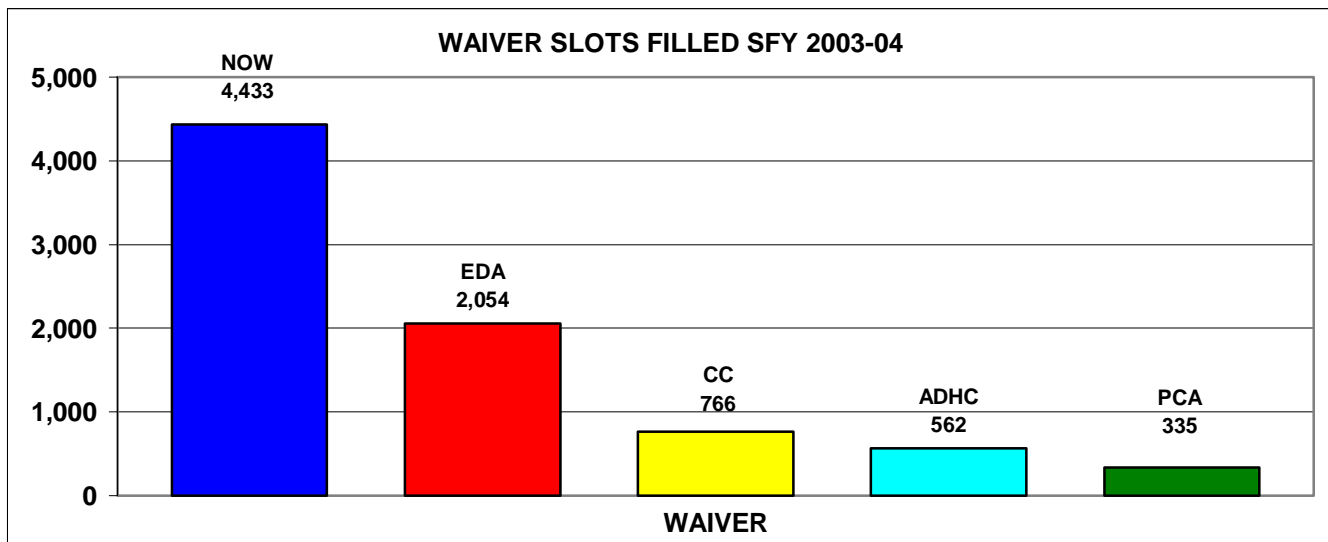


Chart 28:



Key

CC – Children’s Choice Waiver
 PCA – Personal Care Attendant Waiver
 ADHC – Adult Day Health Care Waiver
 EDA – Elderly and Disabled Adult Waiver
 NOW – New Opportunities Waiver

GLOSSARY

CHAMP Child

Child Health and Maternity Program (CHAMP) is for poverty-level children under the age of 19 who are eligible for Medicaid if they meet all the requirements for the program.

CHAMP Pregnant Woman

Medicaid eligibility for a CHAMP Pregnant Woman may begin at any time during a medically verified pregnancy and as early as three months prior to the month of the application if all requirements of the program are met.

Children's Choice

A 1915 (c) support waiver initiated in February 2001 to provide home and community-based services to children less than 19 years of age with developmental disabilities.

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

The federal agency charged with overseeing and approving states' implementation and administration of the Medicaid and Medicare programs. Formerly known as HCFA.

CommunityCARE Program

This is a primary care case management program for Medicaid recipients. It operates under a waiver of Freedom of Choice under the authority of Section 1915(b) (1) of the Social Security Act and under a waiver of statewideness {Section 1902(a) (1) of the Social Security Act}. This program, which links Medicaid recipients to primary care physicians, operates in 20 rural parishes across the state.

Cost Reports

For any institutional provider where payment is made on a retrospective basis, there is an initial payment for the services provided, and then a process to determine the actual (audited) cost reports. If the interim payment has not covered all the approved costs, Medicaid owes the provider for the difference, and vice versa.

Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

DHHS administers many of the "social" programs at the federal level dealing with the health and welfare of citizens of the United States. It is the federal department responsible for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) formerly known as the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA).

Disproportionate Share (DSH) - Uncompensated Care

Compensation for the care of individuals in hospitals who do not qualify for Medicaid, but are not financially capable of paying for medical services received. Hospitals must qualify in order to receive DSH payments for administering indigent medical care.

Deemed Newborn

A child born to a woman who is determined eligible for Medicaid benefits is deemed Medicaid eligible from the date of birth through the child's first birthday, regardless of income.

Disabled Adult Child

Covers individuals over the age of 18 who became blind or disabled before the age of 22 and have lost SSI eligibility on or after July 1, 1987 as the result of entitlement to or increase in RSDI.

Disabled Widows/Widowers

Covers disabled widows/widowers (between the ages of 50 and 59) who would be eligible for SSI had there been no elimination of the reduction factor in the federal formula and no subsequent cost-of-living adjustments.

Eligible

For this report, an eligible is a person who has qualified for and enrolled in Medicaid, who may or may not have received any type of measurable Medicaid service.

Expenditure

In this report, refers to fiscal information derived from the financial system of the Integrated State Information System (ISIS). ISIS reports the program expenditures after all claims and financial adjustments have been taken into account.

Extended Medicaid

Medicaid coverage is protected for certain applicants/recipients who lose Supplemental Security Income eligibility and who continue to meet all eligibility requirements.

Federal Fiscal Year (FFY)

The FFY starts October 1 and ends September 30 of the next calendar year.

FITAP

In Louisiana, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) is provided under a program known as the Family Independence Temporary Assistance Program (FITAP). This program provides temporary assistance for needy pregnant women and families with minor children under Title IV-A of the Social Security Act. The program provides eligible individuals with cash assistance and supportive services if those families meet eligibility requirements and are otherwise complying with FITAP requirements.

HCFA (Health Care Financing Administration) – see CMS

Inflation

Inflation has been defined as a process of continuously rising prices, or equivalently, of a continuously falling value of money.

LaMOMS

LaMOMS is a Medicaid expansion program that provides pregnancy-related services, delivery and care up to 60 days after delivery for pregnant women with incomes up to 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

Long-Term Care (LTC)

An applicant/recipient may be eligible for Medicaid services in the LTC program if he/she requires medical assistance for a defined activity of daily living (ADL) such as dressing, eating, bathing, ambulation, etc. These services may be provided in an institution or home and community-based setting.

Louisiana Children's Health Insurance Program (LaCHIP)

A federal and state initiative to address the growing number of uninsured children in United States. As a result of the Federal Balanced Budget Act of 1997 and the Social Security Act, the federal government has provided states with funding for a state children's health insurance program with enhanced FMAP. In Louisiana, the program is called LaCHIP. LaCHIP is a Medicaid expansion that covers children less than 19 years of age up to 200 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL).

Low-Income Families with Children (LIFC) - formerly known as AFDC-M

Provides Medicaid-only coverage to individuals and families who would have been eligible for cash assistance under rules of the state's AFDC Program on August 12, 1996 (Section 1931 Eligibility Group).

Medically Needy Program (MNP)

Provides Medicaid coverage when income and resources of the individual or family are sufficient to meet basic needs in a categorical assistance program but are not sufficient to meet medical needs according to MNP standards.

Medicare Buy-Ins and Supplemental (Buy-In Program)

Allows states to enroll people with disabilities and seniors in Medicare and pay their premiums. It has the effect of transferring some medical costs for this population from the Title XIX Medicaid program, which is partially state financed, to the Title XVIII program, which is financed by the federal government. Federal matching money is available through the Medicaid program to assist the states with the premium payments for certain buy-in enrollees. Premiums may be either Part A or Part B. (See definitions below.)

Outcome

The result of the performance (or non-performance) of a policy, process or function.

Part A

Part A is the hospital insurance portion of Medicare. Part A covers inpatient hospital care, skilled nursing facility care, some home health agency services and hospice care.

Part B

Part B is the supplementary or "physicians" insurance portion of Medicare. Part B covers services of physicians/other suppliers, outpatient care, medical equipment and supplies and other medical services not covered by the hospital insurance part of Medicare.

Payment

In this report, payment refers to information derived from the claims-based data sets produced by the Medicaid program's fiscal intermediary, Unisys. The Unisys data set was drawn from the claims reporting system, which reports paid claims to providers before the application of certain financial adjustments.

Presumptive Eligibility

Provides limited and temporary coverage for pregnant women whose eligibility is determined by a qualified provider prior to an agency determination of Medicaid eligibility.

Prior Authorization

A management tool to verify that the treatment being proposed is appropriate for the patient. It may also be used to determine if the care that is proposed has a more economical alternative with the same (or better) expected clinical outcomes.

Prohibited AFDC Provisions

Provides Medicaid to children and/or their parents denied LIFC because of an AFDC-related provision that is prohibited in Medicaid.

Provider

A person, group or agency that provides a covered Medicaid service to a Medicaid recipient.

Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB-Dual)

Individuals who are entitled to Medicare Part A have incomes of 100 percent of the FPL or less and resources that do not exceed twice the limit for SSI eligibility, and are eligible for full Medicaid benefits. Medicaid pays their Medicare Part A premiums, if any, Medicare Part B premiums, and, to the extent consistent with the Medicaid State Plan, Medicare deductibles and coinsurance, and provides full Medicaid benefits. Federal financial participation (FFP) equals the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP).

Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB-Pure)

Individuals who are entitled to Medicare Part A have income of 100 percent of the FPL or less and resources that do not exceed twice the limit for SSI eligibility, and are not otherwise eligible for full Medicaid. Medicaid pays their Medicare Part A premiums, if any, Medicare Part B premiums, and to the extent consistent with the Medicaid State plan, Medicare deductibles and coinsurance for Medicare services provided by Medicare providers. FFP equals FMAP.

Qualifying Individuals (1)

Qualifying individuals (QI-1) went into effect January 1, 1998 and will be effective until December 31, 2002. There is an annual cap on the amount of money available, which may limit the number of individuals in the group. These individuals are entitled to Medicare Part A, have income of 120 percent to 135 percent of federal poverty level, resources that do not exceed twice the limit for SSI eligibility, and are not otherwise eligible for Medicaid.

Quality

Quality, as defined by the Institute of Medicine, is the degree to which health services for individuals and populations increase the likelihood of desired outcomes and are consistent with current professional knowledge.

Recipient

The data for this report is based on a claim's date of payment (DOP) and not on its date of service. Therefore, a person is counted as a 'recipient' if any financial/claims related transaction(s) occurred on that person's behalf during 2001-02. This means that a Medicaid eligible person who received a service during the fiscal year, but for whom no financial/claims related transaction occurred, is not counted. Similarly, every recipient included in this count did not necessarily receive a service during the fiscal year.

Resource Utilization Groupings (RUGS)

A system used to classify residents of intermediate care facilities into groups that utilize similar quantities of resources defined as nursing time, therapy time and nursing assistant time.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

A federal cash assistance program for low-income aged, blind and disabled individuals established by Title XVI of the Social Security Act. States may use SSI income limits to establish Medicaid eligibility.

Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB)

Provides for Medicare Part B Premium only. The eligibility requirements are the same as for the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) except that income exceeds the QMB income limit of 100 percent of the FPL.

State Fiscal Year (SFY)

The SFY is a 12-month calendar period that begins July 1 and ends June 30 of the following year.

State Plan

The State Plan is the formal agreement between Louisiana and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding the policies governing the administration of the state's Medicaid program. Amendments to the State Plan must be submitted to CMS for review and approval no later than the end of the quarter in which the amendment becomes effective. Federal financial participation (FFP) is not available to the state until the amendment is approved.

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), commonly known as welfare, is the monthly cash assistance program for poor families with children under age 18. The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA) (Pub. L. 104-193), as amended, is the welfare reform law that established the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program.

Unduplicated (Eligible/Recipient)

An unduplicated eligible/recipient is a Medicaid-qualified individual who has only been counted once per reporting period.

Upper Payment Limit (UPL)

The upper payment limit is a Medicaid rate setting rule that allows states to pay nursing homes, hospitals and other facilities, in aggregate, as much as Medicare would pay for the same services.

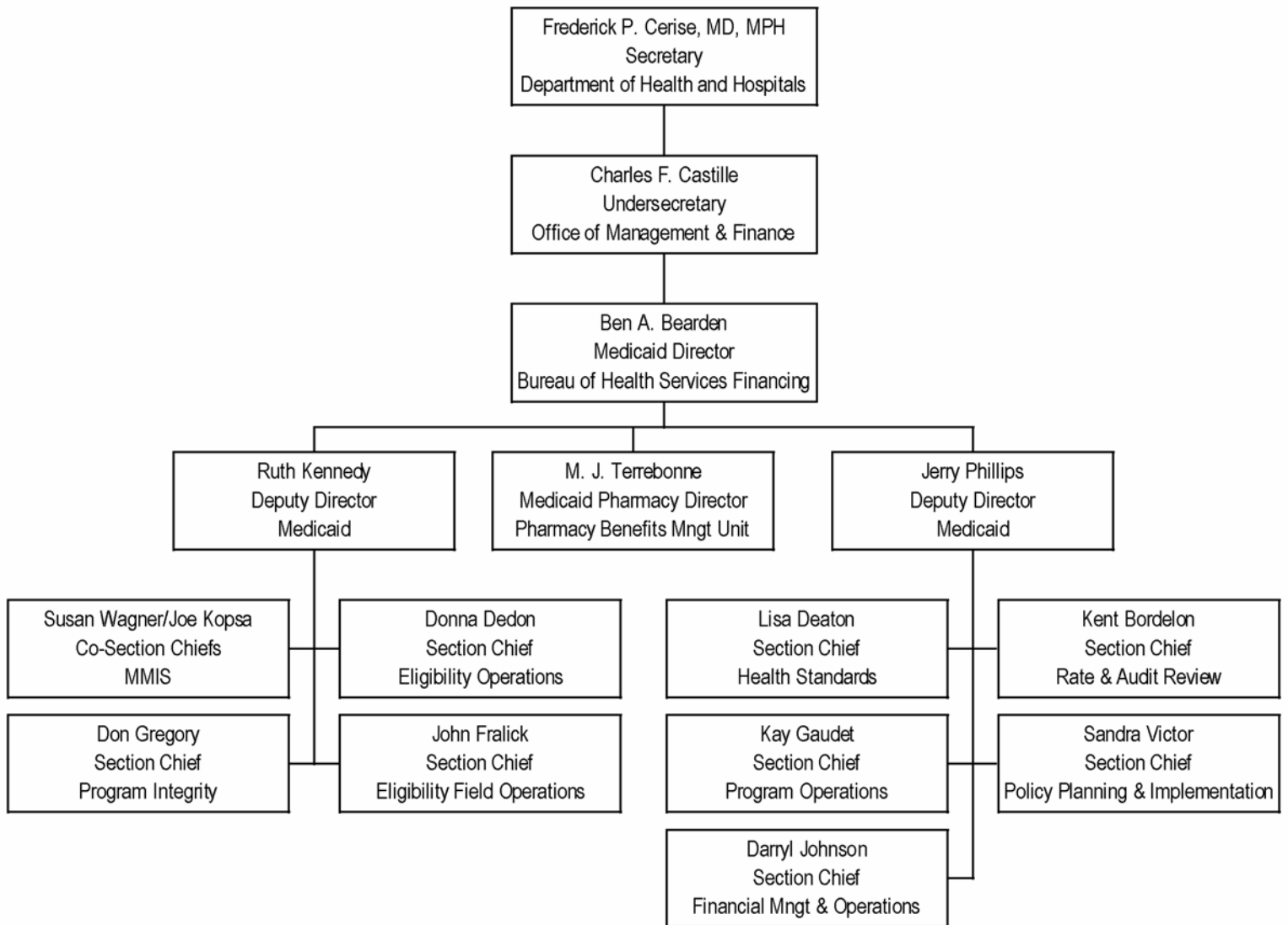
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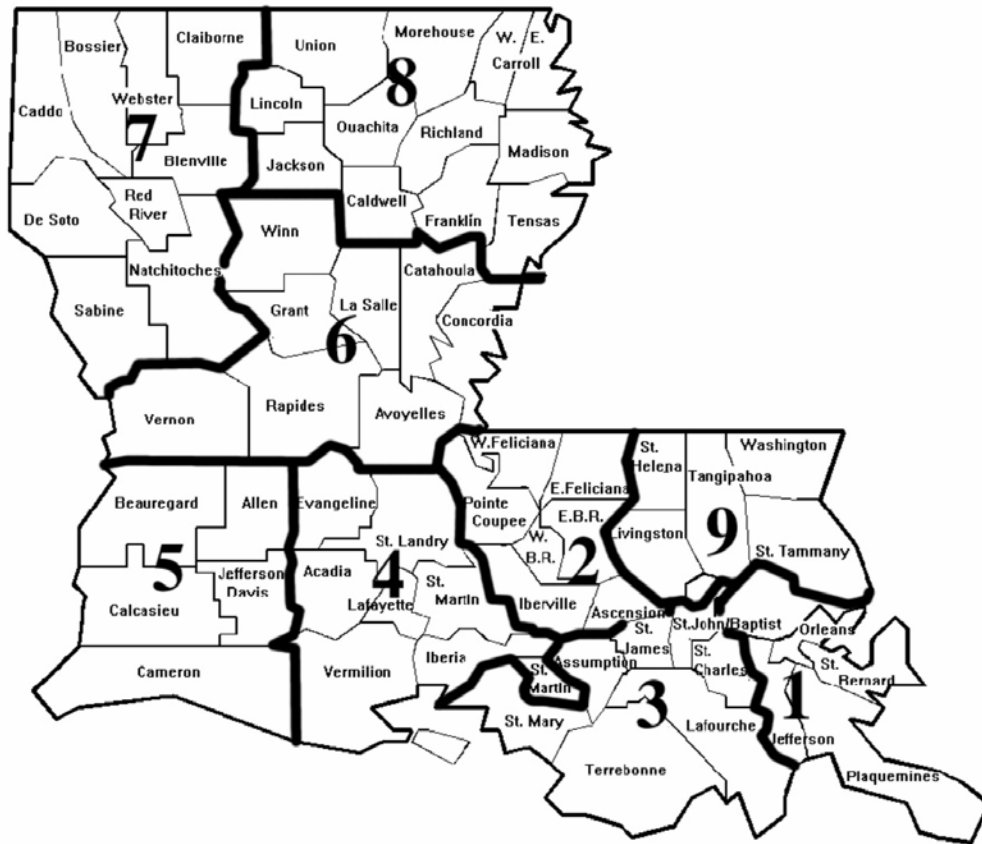
The extent to which members of a covered group use a program or obtain a particular service, or category of procedures, over a given period of time. Usually expressed as the number of services used per year or per number of persons eligible for the services.

Waiver

A Medicaid waiver is when the federal government allows or grants states permission to waive certain federal requirements in order to operate a specific kind of program. Federal law allows states to enact two types of Medicaid waivers: 1) Program Waivers [1915 (b), 1915(c)] and 2) Research and Demonstration Waivers [1115].

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