

Table 9. Percentages of persons under 65 years of age who delayed needed medical care due to cost during the past 12 months, by interview quarter, age group, and employment status: United States, 1997–June 2008

Year, quarter	Age group			Employment status ¹		
	Under 65 years	0-17 years	18-64 years	Employed	Unemployed	Not in workforce
	Percent (standard error)					
2008 ²						
First 6 months	9.3 (0.25)	4.1 (0.27)	11.3 (0.30)	10.1 (0.29)	24.0 (1.65)	13.9 (0.59)
Quarter 1	9.2 (0.34)	4.2 (0.41)	11.2 (0.40)	10.0 (0.42)	25.2 (2.36)	13.8 (0.83)
Quarter 2	9.3 (0.33)	4.1 (0.37)	11.4 (0.39)	10.2 (0.40)	23.1 (2.12)	14.0 (0.78)
2007						
Annual	8.3 (0.18)	3.3 (0.21)	10.3 (0.21)	9.4 (0.22)	19.9 (1.25)	12.6 (0.43)
Quarter 1	8.3 (0.34)	3.3 (0.41)	10.2 (0.39)	9.2 (0.40)	19.4 (2.20)	13.0 (0.87)
Quarter 2	7.9 (0.28)	3.2 (0.32)	9.7 (0.34)	8.8 (0.36)	19.1 (2.19)	12.1 (0.71)
Quarter 3	9.1 (0.44)	3.5 (0.51)	11.3 (0.52)	10.3 (0.55)	23.5 (3.13)	13.4 (1.05)
Quarter 4	8.1 (0.31)	3.3 (0.36)	10.0 (0.36)	9.3 (0.40)	17.3 (2.00)	11.9 (0.77)
2006						
Annual	8.4 (0.19)	4.0 (0.24)	10.2 (0.22)	9.2 (0.23)	20.6 (1.40)	12.6 (0.43)
Quarter 1	8.0 (0.37)	4.2 (0.42)	9.6 (0.44)	8.8 (0.46)	15.2 (2.08)	11.8 (0.79)
Quarter 2	7.9 (0.30)	3.6 (0.37)	9.6 (0.36)	8.6 (0.36)	20.3 (2.25)	12.3 (0.72)
Quarter 3	9.1 (0.55)	4.3 (0.64)	11.0 (0.62)	10.0 (0.64)	22.3 (3.89)	13.5 (1.18)
Quarter 4	8.6 (0.34)	4.0 (0.41)	10.4 (0.38)	9.2 (0.37)	24.5 (2.37)	12.6 (0.80)
2005						
Annual	8.0 (0.15)	3.7 (0.18)	9.7 (0.17)	8.7 (0.18)	19.0 (0.99)	11.8 (0.35)
Quarter 1	8.6 (0.33)	4.4 (0.42)	10.3 (0.38)	9.3 (0.41)	19.1 (2.16)	12.6 (0.71)
Quarter 2	8.1 (0.29)	3.7 (0.35)	9.9 (0.33)	8.9 (0.36)	20.2 (1.90)	12.3 (0.66)
Quarter 3	8.0 (0.27)	4.0 (0.36)	9.6 (0.31)	8.7 (0.32)	20.4 (1.80)	11.6 (0.65)
Quarter 4	7.1 (0.24)	2.8 (0.27)	8.8 (0.29)	8.1 (0.32)	16.0 (1.77)	10.9 (0.61)
2004						
Annual	8.3 (0.15)	3.8 (0.18)	10.1 (0.18)	9.1 (0.19)	20.1 (0.98)	12.1 (0.37)
Quarter 1	8.4 (0.35)	3.9 (0.39)	10.2 (0.42)	9.0 (0.42)	19.6 (2.00)	12.7 (0.81)
Quarter 2	7.9 (0.31)	3.7 (0.39)	9.6 (0.36)	8.7 (0.36)	20.6 (2.18)	10.9 (0.72)
Quarter 3	8.3 (0.26)	3.7 (0.35)	10.2 (0.30)	9.2 (0.33)	20.0 (1.66)	12.6 (0.58)
Quarter 4	8.4 (0.31)	3.9 (0.34)	10.2 (0.36)	9.3 (0.37)	20.4 (1.94)	12.2 (0.67)
2003						
Annual	7.6 (0.15)	3.6 (0.18)	9.2 (0.17)	8.2 (0.18)	19.7 (0.96)	11.0 (0.35)
Quarter 1	7.3 (0.28)	3.5 (0.33)	8.9 (0.33)	7.9 (0.34)	18.1 (1.81)	10.5 (0.68)
Quarter 2	7.4 (0.32)	3.1 (0.34)	9.1 (0.38)	8.2 (0.42)	18.4 (1.96)	10.8 (0.75)
Quarter 3	7.8 (0.27)	3.7 (0.34)	9.5 (0.32)	8.4 (0.33)	20.8 (1.69)	11.4 (0.63)
Quarter 4	7.9 (0.31)	4.3 (0.39)	9.3 (0.36)	8.1 (0.36)	21.4 (1.92)	11.4 (0.70)
2002						
Annual	7.0 (0.14)	3.4 (0.16)	8.5 (0.16)	7.5 (0.17)	18.5 (0.89)	10.7 (0.34)
Quarter 1	6.8 (0.26)	3.1 (0.29)	8.4 (0.33)	7.4 (0.35)	17.0 (1.87)	10.8 (0.68)
Quarter 2	6.9 (0.27)	3.4 (0.30)	8.4 (0.34)	7.4 (0.35)	15.8 (1.57)	10.8 (0.66)
Quarter 3	7.1 (0.27)	3.4 (0.32)	8.6 (0.32)	7.4 (0.33)	18.0 (1.64)	11.5 (0.74)
Quarter 4	7.1 (0.29)	3.7 (0.37)	8.6 (0.33)	7.6 (0.35)	23.3 (2.01)	9.7 (0.60)
2001						
Annual	7.1 (0.14)	4.1 (0.20)	8.4 (0.16)	7.4 (0.17)	19.6 (1.01)	10.4 (0.34)
Quarter 1	7.1 (0.31)	4.2 (0.41)	8.4 (0.34)	7.6 (0.34)	19.4 (2.35)	10.7 (0.77)
Quarter 2	6.9 (0.26)	3.9 (0.36)	8.2 (0.29)	7.1 (0.30)	20.7 (1.96)	11.1 (0.66)
Quarter 3	7.0 (0.27)	4.1 (0.36)	8.2 (0.29)	7.3 (0.30)	19.8 (2.01)	10.0 (0.66)
Quarter 4	7.2 (0.27)	4.1 (0.35)	8.6 (0.30)	7.8 (0.31)	18.7 (1.90)	10.0 (0.64)
2000						
Annual	6.8 (0.14)	3.9 (0.17)	8.0 (0.17)	7.2 (0.16)	15.7 (1.18)	10.7 (0.36)
Quarter 1	7.2 (0.32)	4.5 (0.43)	8.4 (0.34)	7.5 (0.35)	14.8 (2.48)	11.2 (0.70)
Quarter 2	6.5 (0.26)	3.6 (0.31)	7.8 (0.30)	7.0 (0.32)	13.3 (2.14)	10.6 (0.65)
Quarter 3	6.7 (0.25)	3.9 (0.33)	7.9 (0.29)	7.0 (0.30)	16.1 (2.26)	10.4 (0.61)
Quarter 4	6.7 (0.29)	3.5 (0.34)	8.0 (0.33)	7.2 (0.34)	18.5 (2.45)	10.4 (0.66)
1999						
Annual	6.7 (0.15)	3.6 (0.18)	8.1 (0.17)	7.2 (0.17)	16.2 (1.15)	10.8 (0.35)
Quarter 1	7.3 (0.33)	4.1 (0.42)	8.7 (0.38)	7.8 (0.38)	17.6 (2.53)	10.9 (0.78)
Quarter 2	6.9 (0.26)	3.8 (0.32)	8.2 (0.31)	7.2 (0.32)	16.8 (2.39)	11.1 (0.63)
Quarter 3	6.5 (0.26)	3.3 (0.36)	7.9 (0.29)	6.9 (0.30)	17.2 (2.27)	10.9 (0.66)
Quarter 4	6.2 (0.28)	3.1 (0.32)	7.5 (0.32)	6.7 (0.34)	12.8 (2.09)	10.1 (0.65)

1998						
Annual	7.0 (0.15)	3.8 (0.18)	8.3 (0.17)	7.5 (0.18)	15.8 (1.11)	10.8 (0.33)
Quarter 1	6.6 (0.28)	3.3 (0.36)	8.0 (0.33)	7.3 (0.34)	13.2 (1.99)	10.1 (0.68)
Quarter 2	7.2 (0.28)	4.0 (0.35)	8.7 (0.32)	7.7 (0.33)	16.0 (2.16)	11.5 (0.63)
Quarter 3	7.2 (0.27)	3.7 (0.32)	8.7 (0.32)	7.8 (0.33)	17.9 (2.34)	11.1 (0.64)
Quarter 4	6.8 (0.28)	4.1 (0.34)	8.0 (0.32)	7.2 (0.33)	16.3 (2.42)	10.3 (0.62)
1997						
Annual	7.7 (0.14)	3.7 (0.17)	9.5 (0.17)	8.6 (0.18)	19.9 (1.13)	11.5 (0.32)
Quarter 1	8.3 (0.29)	3.6 (0.31)	10.4 (0.34)	9.6 (0.36)	21.2 (2.19)	12.3 (0.69)
Quarter 2	8.4 (0.27)	3.4 (0.30)	10.6 (0.32)	9.6 (0.34)	22.2 (2.23)	12.6 (0.64)
Quarter 3	7.2 (0.27)	4.1 (0.39)	8.5 (0.30)	7.6 (0.31)	17.0 (2.13)	10.9 (0.62)
Quarter 4	7.0 (0.25)	3.7 (0.32)	8.4 (0.29)	7.6 (0.31)	18.2 (2.03)	10.3 (0.60)

¹Employment status is assessed at the time of interview and is obtained for persons aged 18 years and over. In these tables it is presented only for persons aged 18–64 years. In 2001, the question used for coding employment status increased from four possible responses to five possible responses.

²The 2008 health insurance estimates are being released prior to final data editing and final weighting, to provide access to the most recent information from NHIS. The resulting estimates for persons without health insurance are generally 0.1-0.3 percentage points lower than those based on the editing procedures used for the final data files. Occasionally, due to decisions made for the final data editing and weighting, estimates based on preliminary editing procedures may differ by more than 0.3 percentage points from estimates based on final files.

Data source: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 1997–2008. Estimates for 2008 are based on data collected from January - June 2008. Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population.