

Table A-19a. Age-adjusted percent distributions (with standard errors) of unmet dental need due to cost in the past 12 months and of length of time since last visit with dentist or other dental health care professional among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

Selected characteristic	All adults aged 18 and over	Has unmet dental need due to cost ¹	Does not have unmet dental need due to cost ¹	All adults aged 18 and over	6 months or less since last dental visit ¹	More than 6 months, but not more than 1 year since last dental visit ¹	More than 1 year, but not more than 2 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 2 years, but not more than 5 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 5 years (excluding "Never") since last dental visit ¹	Never had dental visit ¹
Total	100.0	11.0 (0.25)	89.0 (0.25)	100.0	46.8 (0.42)	16.7 (0.29)	12.7 (0.27)	11.3 (0.24)	11.6 (0.24)	1.0 (0.08)
Sex										
Male	100.0	9.3 (0.34)	90.7 (0.34)	100.0	44.3 (0.59)	16.2 (0.43)	12.8 (0.38)	12.2 (0.36)	13.5 (0.38)	1.1 (0.12)
Female	100.0	12.6 (0.36)	87.4 (0.36)	100.0	49.2 (0.54)	17.1 (0.39)	12.5 (0.37)	10.4 (0.32)	9.9 (0.30)	0.9 (0.10)
Age (years)										
18–44	100.0	11.6 (0.37)	88.4 (0.37)	100.0	43.9 (0.61)	18.4 (0.46)	14.6 (0.42)	12.8 (0.37)	9.1 (0.32)	1.3 (0.13)
45–64	100.0	12.1 (0.41)	87.9 (0.41)	100.0	50.8 (0.68)	15.4 (0.48)	10.9 (0.38)	10.0 (0.39)	12.2 (0.41)	0.7 (0.10)
65–74	100.0	7.8 (0.52)	92.2 (0.52)	100.0	53.2 (1.15)	12.6 (0.65)	9.3 (0.56)	8.9 (0.53)	15.6 (0.79)	*0.4 (0.11)
75 and over	100.0	5.8 (0.56)	94.2 (0.56)	100.0	44.1 (1.14)	14.3 (0.81)	10.7 (0.74)	8.6 (0.65)	21.7 (0.91)	0.5 (0.15)
Race										
One race ²	100.0	10.9 (0.25)	89.1 (0.25)	100.0	47.0 (0.42)	16.6 (0.29)	12.7 (0.28)	11.2 (0.24)	11.6 (0.25)	1.0 (0.08)
White	100.0	10.8 (0.28)	89.2 (0.28)	100.0	48.4 (0.48)	15.9 (0.32)	12.4 (0.31)	11.1 (0.28)	11.5 (0.29)	0.8 (0.08)
Black or African American	100.0	12.8 (0.67)	87.2 (0.67)	100.0	38.0 (1.02)	19.0 (0.75)	15.9 (0.77)	12.6 (0.63)	13.3 (0.68)	1.1 (0.21)
American Indian or Alaska Native	100.0	19.6 (3.20)	80.4 (3.20)	100.0	33.6 (3.59)	20.2 (3.35)	11.3 (1.77)	15.2 (3.00)	17.7 (2.65)	*
Asian	100.0	7.4 (0.84)	92.6 (0.84)	100.0	47.2 (1.55)	20.6 (1.19)	10.9 (0.95)	9.6 (0.79)	9.3 (0.82)	2.5 (0.41)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	100.0	*15.9 (5.68)	84.1 (5.68)	100.0	39.7 (6.24)	18.6 (4.30)	11.0 (3.07)	10.6 (3.03)	*16.4 (6.31)	*
Two or more races ³	100.0	15.1 (2.08)	84.9 (2.08)	100.0	35.9 (2.65)	19.3 (2.49)	11.1 (1.38)	16.0 (2.03)	17.1 (2.13)	*
Black or African American, white	100.0	*14.7 (4.45)	85.3 (4.45)	100.0	33.7 (7.06)	*21.3 (7.13)	*14.6 (5.06)	18.3 (4.31)	*9.2 (2.88)	*
American Indian or Alaska Native, white	100.0	19.3 (4.15)	80.7 (4.15)	100.0	28.3 (3.93)	23.3 (4.80)	8.8 (1.86)	14.5 (2.66)	24.6 (3.98)	*
Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ and race										
Hispanic or Latino	100.0	14.6 (0.63)	85.4 (0.63)	100.0	35.6 (0.85)	17.4 (0.65)	16.0 (0.65)	13.5 (0.56)	15.1 (0.64)	2.5 (0.28)
Mexican or Mexican American	100.0	16.5 (0.87)	83.5 (0.87)	100.0	32.6 (1.12)	16.2 (0.74)	16.6 (0.85)	14.9 (0.77)	16.9 (0.83)	2.8 (0.37)
Not Hispanic or Latino	100.0	10.4 (0.27)	89.6 (0.27)	100.0	49.0 (0.47)	16.6 (0.33)	12.1 (0.30)	10.8 (0.27)	10.8 (0.26)	0.6 (0.07)
White, single race	100.0	10.1 (0.31)	89.9 (0.31)	100.0	51.3 (0.55)	15.5 (0.37)	11.7 (0.35)	10.5 (0.31)	10.6 (0.31)	0.3 (0.06)
Black or African American, single race	100.0	12.9 (0.69)	87.1 (0.69)	100.0	38.1 (1.06)	19.1 (0.77)	15.7 (0.79)	12.8 (0.65)	13.3 (0.69)	1.1 (0.22)

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Selected characteristic	All adults aged 18 and over	Has unmet dental need due to cost ¹	Does not have unmet dental need due to cost ¹	All adults aged 18 and over	6 months or less since last dental visit ¹	More than 6 months, but not more than 1 year since last dental visit ¹	More than 1 year, but not more than 2 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 2 years, but not more than 5 years ago since last dental visit ¹	More than 5 years (excluding "Never") since last dental visit ¹	Never had dental visit ¹
Education⁵										
Less than a high school diploma	100.0	18.2 (0.88)	81.8 (0.88)	100.0	24.5 (0.93)	15.3 (0.81)	14.9 (0.82)	15.6 (0.78)	26.9 (0.93)	2.9 (0.34)
High school diploma or GED ⁶	100.0	12.9 (0.57)	87.1 (0.57)	100.0	36.6 (0.84)	16.8 (0.64)	14.0 (0.60)	13.5 (0.59)	18.0 (0.64)	1.1 (0.17)
Some college	100.0	13.3 (0.50)	86.7 (0.50)	100.0	45.7 (0.75)	16.1 (0.50)	13.8 (0.51)	12.4 (0.49)	11.4 (0.44)	0.5 (0.11)
Bachelor's degree or higher	100.0	6.1 (0.32)	93.9 (0.32)	100.0	64.4 (0.68)	15.4 (0.51)	9.4 (0.39)	6.5 (0.33)	4.0 (0.25)	0.3 (0.07)
Current employment status⁷										
Employed	100.0	8.8 (0.30)	91.2 (0.30)	100.0	50.3 (0.62)	16.4 (0.43)	12.2 (0.36)	10.7 (0.36)	9.6 (0.37)	0.8 (0.08)
Full-time	100.0	7.7 (0.30)	92.3 (0.30)	100.0	50.5 (0.79)	16.3 (0.52)	11.7 (0.41)	11.2 (0.59)	9.4 (0.49)	0.8 (0.10)
Part-time	100.0	13.7 (0.82)	86.3 (0.82)	100.0	48.9 (1.28)	16.8 (0.94)	13.0 (0.79)	10.7 (0.70)	9.6 (0.65)	0.9 (0.18)
Not employed but has worked previously	100.0	16.9 (0.63)	83.1 (0.63)	100.0	42.0 (0.85)	17.4 (0.67)	13.1 (0.56)	12.6 (0.53)	14.3 (0.49)	0.6 (0.10)
Not employed and has never worked	100.0	11.3 (1.07)	88.7 (1.07)	100.0	34.8 (1.64)	18.6 (1.42)	13.9 (1.13)	12.8 (1.07)	16.6 (1.21)	3.4 (0.61)
Family income⁸										
Less than \$35,000	100.0	20.0 (0.54)	80.0 (0.54)	100.0	29.9 (0.63)	15.8 (0.46)	14.9 (0.47)	16.6 (0.53)	21.1 (0.52)	1.8 (0.18)
\$35,000 or more	100.0	7.3 (0.28)	92.7 (0.28)	100.0	54.4 (0.54)	16.8 (0.39)	11.6 (0.33)	8.9 (0.28)	7.8 (0.27)	0.6 (0.08)
\$35,000–\$49,999	100.0	14.4 (0.80)	85.6 (0.80)	100.0	39.4 (1.14)	16.7 (0.89)	15.2 (0.86)	13.6 (0.77)	13.9 (0.76)	1.1 (0.25)
\$50,000–\$74,999	100.0	11.1 (0.64)	88.9 (0.64)	100.0	45.6 (1.00)	18.3 (0.78)	13.2 (0.66)	10.7 (0.61)	11.2 (0.60)	1.0 (0.22)
\$75,000–\$99,999	100.0	5.7 (0.54)	94.3 (0.54)	100.0	54.9 (1.17)	17.0 (0.83)	11.5 (0.74)	8.8 (0.67)	7.2 (0.61)	*0.7 (0.22)
\$100,000 or more	100.0	3.1 (0.32)	96.9 (0.32)	100.0	66.4 (0.87)	15.3 (0.65)	9.1 (0.51)	5.9 (0.42)	3.3 (0.32)	*0.1 (0.03)
Poverty status⁹										
Poor	100.0	21.5 (0.84)	78.5 (0.84)	100.0	27.9 (0.93)	14.7 (0.70)	14.9 (0.71)	16.5 (0.77)	23.6 (0.81)	2.3 (0.30)
Near poor	100.0	19.7 (0.70)	80.3 (0.70)	100.0	29.5 (0.81)	16.5 (0.62)	15.9 (0.65)	16.5 (0.66)	19.9 (0.67)	1.6 (0.23)
Not poor	100.0	7.1 (0.27)	92.9 (0.27)	100.0	54.5 (0.52)	17.0 (0.38)	11.3 (0.32)	9.0 (0.28)	7.7 (0.25)	0.5 (0.07)

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Health insurance coverage ¹⁰										
Under 65:										
Private	100.0	6.8 (0.27)	93.2 (0.27)	100.0	54.6 (0.57)	17.7 (0.42)	11.9 (0.36)	9.1 (0.31)	6.2 (0.25)	0.5 (0.06)
Medicaid	100.0	19.0 (0.85)	81.0 (0.85)	100.0	33.0 (1.08)	17.2 (0.88)	16.9 (0.92)	15.7 (0.89)	15.9 (0.78)	1.2 (0.23)
Other coverage	100.0	16.6 (1.53)	83.4 (1.53)	100.0	39.1 (2.32)	17.8 (1.76)	15.6 (1.68)	15.1 (1.63)	12.1 (1.17)	*
Uninsured	100.0	28.1 (1.02)	71.9 (1.02)	100.0	18.9 (0.93)	15.2 (0.80)	16.0 (0.80)	20.4 (0.90)	25.5 (1.02)	4.0 (0.44)
65 and over:										
Private	100.0	4.5 (0.46)	95.5 (0.46)	100.0	57.7 (1.21)	12.6 (0.79)	8.4 (0.60)	7.8 (0.63)	13.4 (0.77)	*
Medicare and Medicaid	100.0	15.7 (1.73)	84.3 (1.73)	100.0	21.9 (2.10)	13.9 (1.75)	11.8 (1.65)	12.3 (1.51)	38.8 (2.66)	*1.3 (0.58)
Medicare Advantage	100.0	6.5 (0.70)	93.5 (0.70)	100.0	49.1 (1.56)	13.5 (1.02)	11.3 (1.00)	9.3 (0.82)	16.4 (1.12)	*0.4 (0.20)
Medicare only	100.0	9.6 (1.17)	90.4 (1.17)	100.0	40.7 (1.99)	15.1 (1.32)	10.6 (1.12)	9.4 (1.05)	23.6 (1.66)	*0.6 (0.25)
Other coverage	100.0	5.5 (1.14)	94.5 (1.14)	100.0	44.9 (2.92)	13.4 (1.68)	11.5 (1.76)	7.7 (1.29)	21.9 (2.24)	*
Uninsured	100.0	24.8 (7.42)	75.2 (7.42)	100.0	*	*8.8 (3.96)	*7.3 (3.38)	*14.1 (5.93)	49.0 (9.36)	*
Marital status										
Married	100.0	8.9 (0.32)	91.1 (0.32)	100.0	51.2 (0.60)	16.3 (0.40)	12.1 (0.39)	9.6 (0.33)	9.9 (0.33)	0.9 (0.10)
Widowed	100.0	16.2 (4.86)	83.8 (4.86)	100.0	50.3 (5.79)	7.8 (1.86)	10.3 (2.72)	11.0 (2.53)	19.8 (5.41)	*
Divorced or separated	100.0	16.5 (0.80)	83.5 (0.80)	100.0	40.8 (1.12)	17.0 (0.84)	13.3 (0.84)	14.1 (0.85)	14.1 (0.76)	0.7 (0.17)
Never married	100.0	11.4 (0.54)	88.6 (0.54)	100.0	42.1 (0.92)	17.9 (0.74)	13.0 (0.58)	12.6 (0.57)	13.1 (0.70)	1.2 (0.19)
Living with a partner	100.0	16.7 (1.15)	83.3 (1.15)	100.0	38.3 (1.59)	15.1 (1.11)	14.4 (1.10)	14.4 (1.08)	16.8 (1.21)	1.1 (0.31)
Place of residence ¹¹										
Large MSA	100.0	10.6 (0.34)	89.4 (0.34)	100.0	48.2 (0.56)	17.6 (0.41)	12.9 (0.36)	10.5 (0.31)	9.6 (0.31)	1.1 (0.11)
Small MSA	100.0	10.7 (0.45)	89.3 (0.45)	100.0	47.7 (0.79)	15.5 (0.50)	12.4 (0.52)	11.3 (0.46)	12.3 (0.43)	0.7 (0.12)
Not in MSA	100.0	13.1 (0.73)	86.9 (0.73)	100.0	39.7 (1.07)	15.2 (0.69)	12.3 (0.66)	14.3 (0.71)	17.7 (0.80)	0.8 (0.23)
Region										
Northeast	100.0	8.5 (0.58)	91.5 (0.58)	100.0	50.5 (1.11)	18.5 (0.84)	12.1 (0.72)	9.7 (0.67)	8.5 (0.51)	0.9 (0.19)
Midwest	100.0	10.2 (0.49)	89.8 (0.49)	100.0	48.6 (0.84)	16.4 (0.55)	12.2 (0.55)	11.1 (0.54)	11.1 (0.50)	0.6 (0.11)
South	100.0	11.9 (0.44)	88.1 (0.44)	100.0	42.8 (0.74)	16.4 (0.47)	12.9 (0.45)	12.4 (0.40)	14.2 (0.46)	1.3 (0.16)
West	100.0	12.1 (0.53)	87.9 (0.53)	100.0	48.8 (0.78)	16.0 (0.58)	13.2 (0.53)	10.7 (0.43)	10.4 (0.44)	0.9 (0.13)

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Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ , race, and sex										
Hispanic or Latino, male	100.0	13.1 (0.90)	86.9 (0.90)	100.0	32.2 (1.28)	16.4 (0.96)	16.7 (0.97)	14.0 (0.84)	17.8 (1.02)	2.9 (0.43)
Hispanic or Latina, female	100.0	16.0 (0.82)	84.0 (0.82)	100.0	39.1 (1.11)	18.4 (0.91)	15.4 (0.83)	12.9 (0.74)	12.2 (0.78)	2.0 (0.34)
Not Hispanic or Latino:										
White, single race, male	100.0	8.2 (0.41)	91.8 (0.41)	100.0	48.7 (0.77)	15.6 (0.56)	12.0 (0.50)	11.3 (0.46)	12.1 (0.46)	0.3 (0.07)
White, single race, female	100.0	12.1 (0.48)	87.9 (0.48)	100.0	53.8 (0.72)	15.5 (0.49)	11.4 (0.48)	9.8 (0.42)	9.1 (0.38)	0.4 (0.08)
Black or African American, single race, male	100.0	10.6 (0.92)	89.4 (0.92)	100.0	36.5 (1.63)	16.8 (1.14)	15.4 (1.18)	15.2 (1.07)	15.1 (1.15)	*1.0 (0.30)
Black or African American, single race, female	100.0	14.7 (0.96)	85.3 (0.96)	100.0	39.4 (1.30)	21.0 (1.06)	15.9 (1.00)	10.8 (0.74)	11.8 (0.77)	1.2 (0.31)

* Estimates are considered unreliable. Data preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error (RSE) greater than 30% and less than or equal to 50% and should be used with caution. Data not shown have an RSE greater than 50%.
 - Quantity zero.

¹Based on separate questions that asked respondents, "During the past 12 months, was there any time when you needed any of the following but didn't get it because you couldn't afford it: Dental care (including check-ups)?" and "About how long has it been since you last saw a dentist?" Regarding the second question, respondents were instructed to include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists. Response categories for the question were 6 months or less; more than 6 months, but not more than 1 year ago; more than 1 year, but not more than 2 years ago; more than 2 years, but not more than 5 years ago; more than 5 years ago; and never.

²Refers to persons who indicated only a single race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin.

³Refers to persons who indicated more than one race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin. Only two combinations of multiple race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

⁴Refers to persons who are of Hispanic or Latino origin and may be of any race or combination of races. "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

⁵Shown only for adults aged 25 and over. Estimates are age adjusted to the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population using four age groups: 25-44, 45-64, 65-74, and 75 and over.

⁶GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

⁷"Full-time" employment is 35 or more hours per week. "Part-time" employment is 34 or fewer hours per week.

⁸Includes persons in families that reported either a dollar amount or would not provide a dollar amount but provided an income interval.

⁹"Poor" persons live in families defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons live in families with incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons live in families with incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

¹⁰Based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Adults with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. "Uninsured" includes adults 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.

¹¹MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1 million or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1 million. "Not in MSA" consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

NOTES: Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population. This table is based on data from the Sample Adult file and was weighted using the Sample Adult weight. Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percentages. Percentages may not add to totals due to rounding. "Total" includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics. Unless otherwise specified, estimates are age-adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using four age groups: 18-44, 45-64, 65-74, and 75 and over. Estimates for age groups are not age-adjusted. For more information on the data source, methods, and definitions used for this table, refer to Technical Notes for Summary Health Statistics Tables: National Health Interview Survey (available from <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>). Suggested citation: Blackwell DL, Villarreal MA. Tables of Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Adults: 2015 National Health Interview Survey. National Center for Health Statistics. 2016. Available from: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2015.

Table A-19b. Frequency distributions (in thousands) of unmet dental need due to cost in the past 12 months and of length of time since last visit with dentist or other dental health care professional among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

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Total	242,501	26,147	213,610	242,501	112,960	39,111	29,596	26,367	28,414	2,189
Sex										
Male	116,875	10,740	104,713	116,875	51,489	18,290	14,373	13,796	15,715	1,180
Female	125,625	15,407	108,897	125,625	61,471	20,821	15,223	12,571	12,699	1,009
Age (years)										
18–44	112,760	12,929	98,368	112,760	48,638	20,434	16,140	14,139	10,076	1,426
45–64	83,239	9,995	72,336	83,239	41,714	12,601	8,943	8,195	10,032	568
65–74	27,297	2,123	24,940	27,297	14,276	3,383	2,484	2,398	4,200	*94
75 and over	19,204	1,100	17,966	19,204	8,332	2,694	2,029	1,634	4,106	100
Race										
One race ²	238,301	25,550	210,031	238,301	111,445	38,294	29,130	25,707	27,744	2,165
White	191,218	20,111	169,029	191,218	92,525	29,216	22,630	20,292	22,256	1,425
Black or African American	29,796	3,867	25,561	29,796	11,224	5,602	4,640	3,687	3,777	314
American Indian or Alaska Native	2,307	425	1,867	2,307	784	465	264	313	394	*
Asian	14,360	1,044	13,060	14,360	6,656	2,915	1,524	1,342	1,216	356
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	619	*103	514	619	256	*95	*72	*73	*101	*
Two or more races ³	4,200	597	3,579	4,200	1,516	818	466	660	670	*
Black or African American, white	851	*79	761	851	277	*138	115	*187	*86	*
American Indian or Alaska Native, white	1,647	310	1,338	1,647	466	350	150	247	424	*
Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ and race										
Hispanic or Latino	37,755	5,426	31,920	37,755	13,174	6,587	5,958	5,099	5,451	965
Mexican or Mexican American	22,992	3,686	19,089	22,992	7,273	3,809	3,756	3,501	3,715	667
Not Hispanic or Latino	204,746	20,721	181,690	204,746	99,787	32,524	23,639	21,267	22,963	1,224
White, single race	157,410	15,324	140,398	157,410	80,721	23,330	17,326	15,635	17,523	491
Black or African American, single race	28,418	3,709	24,341	28,418	10,688	5,356	4,355	3,557	3,605	309

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Education ⁵										
Less than a high school diploma	26,648	4,566	21,751	26,648	6,288	3,790	3,781	4,035	7,615	656
High school diploma or GED ⁶	50,847	6,104	44,154	50,847	19,117	8,144	6,614	6,416	9,177	491
Some college	61,605	8,060	52,932	61,605	28,149	9,808	8,216	7,425	6,910	298
Bachelor's degree or higher	72,373	4,438	67,090	72,373	46,144	10,903	6,612	4,579	2,819	231
Current employment status ⁷										
Employed	148,914	13,728	133,359	148,914	73,314	24,400	18,522	15,801	13,202	1,344
Full-time	121,609	9,900	110,199	121,609	60,402	19,951	14,752	12,732	10,733	1,095
Part-time	25,508	3,576	21,651	25,508	12,153	4,238	3,447	2,760	2,323	238
Not employed but has worked previously	79,530	10,973	67,775	79,530	34,725	12,060	9,116	8,814	13,139	386
Not employed and has never worked	13,899	1,445	12,348	13,899	4,888	2,622	1,942	1,748	2,049	459
Family income ⁸										
Less than \$35,000	66,342	12,728	52,853	66,342	19,538	10,061	9,548	10,628	14,393	1,091
\$35,000 or more	148,656	10,799	136,489	148,656	80,890	24,375	16,656	12,893	11,243	852
\$35,000–\$49,999	25,114	3,526	21,305	25,114	9,839	4,116	3,718	3,330	3,454	273
\$50,000–\$74,999	37,018	3,999	32,684	37,018	16,879	6,629	4,758	3,837	4,136	335
\$75,000–\$99,999	27,607	1,543	25,910	27,607	15,134	4,628	3,139	2,403	1,917	*202
\$100,000 or more	58,917	1,731	56,590	58,917	39,037	9,002	5,041	3,323	1,736	*
Poverty status ⁹										
Poor	28,022	5,922	21,727	28,022	7,809	4,178	4,171	4,543	6,125	658
Near poor	42,375	8,141	33,860	42,375	12,334	6,833	6,550	6,841	8,585	671
Not poor	159,450	11,080	146,721	159,450	87,096	26,195	17,286	13,762	12,301	738

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Health insurance coverage ¹⁰										
Under 65:										
Private	135,220	9,238	124,427	135,220	73,592	23,248	15,472	11,776	8,514	610
Medicaid	25,313	4,719	20,250	25,313	8,213	4,304	4,203	3,894	3,903	310
Other coverage	9,086	1,741	7,206	9,086	3,384	1,533	1,141	1,421	1,436	*
Uninsured	24,896	6,953	17,670	24,896	4,612	3,760	3,988	5,031	6,089	1,007
65 and over:										
Private	19,581	884	18,540	19,581	11,310	2,417	1,597	1,523	2,486	*
Medicare and Medicaid	3,267	510	2,745	3,267	700	446	379	394	1,245	*43
Medicare Advantage	11,634	768	10,755	11,634	5,680	1,545	1,306	1,073	1,855	*42
Medicare only	7,890	768	7,070	7,890	3,210	1,138	791	720	1,798	*52
Other coverage	3,808	212	3,562	3,808	1,645	486	414	285	796	*
Uninsured	249	*67	175	249	*	*	*18	*38	104	*
Marital status										
Married	128,583	11,044	116,262	128,583	66,835	20,221	14,485	11,651	12,675	964
Widowed	14,720	1,458	13,059	14,720	6,004	1,766	1,685	1,534	3,304	*86
Divorced or separated	27,858	4,594	22,961	27,858	11,313	4,345	3,433	3,638	4,484	199
Never married	53,374	6,059	46,595	53,374	22,405	9,928	7,338	6,933	5,069	692
Living with a partner	17,665	2,955	14,482	17,665	6,296	2,821	2,590	2,591	2,837	230
Place of residence ¹¹										
Large MSA	134,062	14,014	118,270	134,062	64,009	22,964	16,729	13,653	12,777	1,420
Small MSA	74,299	7,870	65,873	74,299	35,462	11,241	8,851	8,154	9,275	511
Not in MSA	34,140	4,264	29,468	34,140	13,489	4,907	4,016	4,559	6,362	258
Region										
Northeast	42,320	3,552	38,197	42,320	21,249	7,461	4,840	3,876	3,739	337
Midwest	54,367	5,412	48,327	54,367	26,280	8,632	6,382	5,836	6,074	308
South	90,015	10,422	78,546	90,015	38,353	14,290	11,195	10,810	12,928	1,062
West	55,798	6,761	48,541	55,798	27,078	8,728	7,179	5,844	5,673	482

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Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ , race, and sex										
Hispanic or Latino, male	18,798	2,412	16,193	18,798	5,791	3,092	3,082	2,701	3,311	587
Hispanic or Latina, female	18,957	3,014	15,727	18,957	7,383	3,496	2,876	2,398	2,139	379
Not Hispanic or Latino:										
White, single race, male	76,483	6,105	69,491	76,483	37,241	11,364	8,540	8,149	9,625	216
White, single race, female	80,927	9,219	70,907	80,927	43,480	11,966	8,787	7,486	7,898	275
Black or African American, single race, male	12,771	1,380	11,181	12,771	4,595	2,111	1,914	1,904	1,830	127
Black or African American, single race, female	15,647	2,328	13,160	15,647	6,093	3,245	2,441	1,653	1,775	182

* Estimates are considered unreliable. Data preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error (RSE) greater than 30% and less than or equal to 50% and should be used with caution. Data not shown have an RSE greater than 50%.

- Quantity zero.

¹Based on separate questions that asked respondents, "During the past 12 months, was there any time when you needed any of the following but didn't get it because you couldn't afford it: Dental care (including check-ups)?" and "About how long has it been since you last saw a dentist?" Regarding the second question, respondents were instructed to include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists. Response categories for the question were 6 months or less; more than 6 months, but not more than 1 year ago; more than 1 year, but not more than 2 years ago; more than 2 years, but not more than 5 years ago; more than 5 years ago; and never.

²Refers to persons who indicated only a single race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin.

³Refers to persons who indicated more than one race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin. Only two combinations of multiple race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

⁴Refers to persons who are of Hispanic or Latino origin and may be of any race or combination of races. "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

⁵Shown only for adults aged 25 and over.

⁶GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

⁷"Full-time" employment is 35 or more hours per week. "Part-time" employment is 34 or fewer hours per week.

⁸Includes persons in families that reported either a dollar amount or would not provide a dollar amount but provided an income interval.

⁹"Poor" persons live in families defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons live in families with incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons live in families with incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

¹⁰Based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Adults with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. "Uninsured" includes adults 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.

¹¹MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1 million or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1 million. "Not in MSA" consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

NOTES: Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population. This table is based on data from the Sample Adult file and was weighted using the Sample Adult weight. Unknowns for the columns were not included in the frequencies, but they are included in the "All adults aged 18 and over" column. "Total" includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics. For more information on the data source, methods, and definitions used for this table, refer to Technical Notes for Summary Health Statistics Tables: National Health Interview Survey (available from <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>). Suggested citation: Blackwell DL, Villarreal MA. Tables of Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Adults: 2015 National Health Interview Survey. National Center for Health Statistics. 2016. Available from: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2015.

Table A-19c. Crude percent distributions (with standard errors) of unmet dental need due to cost in the past 12 months and of length of time since last visit with dentist or other dental health care professional among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

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Total	100.0	10.9 (0.25)	89.1 (0.25)	100.0	47.3 (0.42)	16.4 (0.28)	12.4 (0.26)	11.0 (0.24)	11.9 (0.25)	0.9 (0.07)
Sex										
Male	100.0	9.3 (0.33)	90.7 (0.33)	100.0	44.8 (0.59)	15.9 (0.42)	12.5 (0.37)	12.0 (0.35)	13.7 (0.39)	1.0 (0.11)
Female	100.0	12.4 (0.35)	87.6 (0.35)	100.0	49.7 (0.53)	16.8 (0.37)	12.3 (0.36)	10.2 (0.31)	10.3 (0.31)	0.8 (0.09)
Age (years)										
18–44	100.0	11.6 (0.37)	88.4 (0.37)	100.0	43.9 (0.61)	18.4 (0.46)	14.6 (0.42)	12.8 (0.37)	9.1 (0.32)	1.3 (0.13)
45–64	100.0	12.1 (0.41)	87.9 (0.41)	100.0	50.8 (0.68)	15.4 (0.48)	10.9 (0.38)	10.0 (0.39)	12.2 (0.41)	0.7 (0.10)
65–74	100.0	7.8 (0.52)	92.2 (0.52)	100.0	53.2 (1.15)	12.6 (0.65)	9.3 (0.56)	8.9 (0.53)	15.6 (0.79)	*0.4 (0.11)
75 and over	100.0	5.8 (0.56)	94.2 (0.56)	100.0	44.1 (1.14)	14.3 (0.81)	10.7 (0.74)	8.6 (0.65)	21.7 (0.91)	0.5 (0.15)
Race										
One race ²	100.0	10.8 (0.25)	89.2 (0.25)	100.0	47.5 (0.42)	16.3 (0.28)	12.4 (0.27)	11.0 (0.24)	11.8 (0.25)	0.9 (0.07)
White	100.0	10.6 (0.27)	89.4 (0.27)	100.0	49.1 (0.47)	15.5 (0.31)	12.0 (0.29)	10.8 (0.27)	11.8 (0.29)	0.8 (0.08)
Black or African American	100.0	13.1 (0.69)	86.9 (0.69)	100.0	38.4 (1.03)	19.2 (0.76)	15.9 (0.77)	12.6 (0.63)	12.9 (0.68)	1.1 (0.21)
American Indian or Alaska Native	100.0	18.5 (3.25)	81.5 (3.25)	100.0	34.6 (4.09)	20.5 (3.64)	11.6 (1.93)	13.8 (2.94)	17.4 (2.57)	*
Asian	100.0	7.4 (0.85)	92.6 (0.85)	100.0	47.5 (1.57)	20.8 (1.21)	10.9 (0.96)	9.6 (0.80)	8.7 (0.82)	2.5 (0.42)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	100.0	*16.7 (6.23)	83.3 (6.23)	100.0	41.4 (6.67)	15.3 (4.31)	11.7 (3.07)	11.8 (3.46)	*16.3 (6.16)	*
Two or more races ³	100.0	14.3 (1.97)	85.7 (1.97)	100.0	36.5 (2.74)	19.7 (2.54)	11.2 (1.39)	15.9 (2.07)	16.1 (2.06)	*
Black or African American, white	100.0	*9.4 (3.31)	90.6 (3.31)	100.0	33.9 (7.37)	16.9 (5.07)	14.1 (3.54)	22.9 (6.20)	*10.5 (3.16)	*
American Indian or Alaska Native, white	100.0	18.8 (3.89)	81.2 (3.89)	100.0	28.3 (3.82)	21.2 (4.59)	9.1 (2.00)	15.0 (2.78)	25.8 (4.13)	*
Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ and race										
Hispanic or Latino	100.0	14.5 (0.63)	85.5 (0.63)	100.0	35.4 (0.86)	17.7 (0.67)	16.0 (0.65)	13.7 (0.58)	14.6 (0.61)	2.6 (0.30)
Mexican or Mexican American	100.0	16.2 (0.85)	83.8 (0.85)	100.0	32.0 (1.08)	16.8 (0.79)	16.5 (0.84)	15.4 (0.78)	16.4 (0.80)	2.9 (0.40)
Not Hispanic or Latino	100.0	10.2 (0.26)	89.8 (0.26)	100.0	49.5 (0.46)	16.1 (0.31)	11.7 (0.28)	10.6 (0.25)	11.4 (0.27)	0.6 (0.06)
White, single race	100.0	9.8 (0.29)	90.2 (0.29)	100.0	52.1 (0.53)	15.0 (0.34)	11.2 (0.32)	10.1 (0.29)	11.3 (0.32)	0.3 (0.06)
Black or African American, single race	100.0	13.2 (0.71)	86.8 (0.71)	100.0	38.4 (1.06)	19.2 (0.78)	15.6 (0.78)	12.8 (0.64)	12.9 (0.70)	1.1 (0.22)

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Education⁵										
Less than a high school diploma	100.0	17.3 (0.81)	82.7 (0.81)	100.0	24.0 (0.90)	14.5 (0.73)	14.5 (0.77)	15.4 (0.73)	29.1 (0.95)	2.5 (0.29)
High school diploma or GED ⁶	100.0	12.1 (0.51)	87.9 (0.51)	100.0	38.3 (0.81)	16.3 (0.60)	13.2 (0.54)	12.8 (0.54)	18.4 (0.62)	1.0 (0.15)
Some college	100.0	13.2 (0.49)	86.8 (0.49)	100.0	46.3 (0.75)	16.1 (0.51)	13.5 (0.50)	12.2 (0.48)	11.4 (0.44)	0.5 (0.11)
Bachelor's degree or higher	100.0	6.2 (0.33)	93.8 (0.33)	100.0	64.7 (0.68)	15.3 (0.50)	9.3 (0.39)	6.4 (0.32)	4.0 (0.25)	0.3 (0.07)
Current employment status⁷										
Employed	100.0	9.3 (0.29)	90.7 (0.29)	100.0	50.0 (0.53)	16.6 (0.37)	12.6 (0.34)	10.8 (0.30)	9.0 (0.28)	0.9 (0.09)
Full-time	100.0	8.2 (0.30)	91.8 (0.30)	100.0	50.5 (0.56)	16.7 (0.41)	12.3 (0.35)	10.6 (0.32)	9.0 (0.31)	0.9 (0.10)
Part-time	100.0	14.2 (0.84)	85.8 (0.84)	100.0	48.3 (1.28)	16.8 (0.94)	13.7 (0.85)	11.0 (0.72)	9.2 (0.63)	0.9 (0.19)
Not employed but has worked previously	100.0	13.9 (0.46)	86.1 (0.46)	100.0	44.4 (0.67)	15.4 (0.47)	11.7 (0.40)	11.3 (0.39)	16.8 (0.47)	0.5 (0.08)
Not employed and has never worked	100.0	10.5 (0.96)	89.5 (0.96)	100.0	35.7 (1.59)	19.1 (1.40)	14.2 (1.14)	12.8 (1.07)	14.9 (1.06)	3.3 (0.58)
Family income⁸										
Less than \$35,000	100.0	19.4 (0.52)	80.6 (0.52)	100.0	29.9 (0.61)	15.4 (0.44)	14.6 (0.45)	16.3 (0.51)	22.1 (0.54)	1.7 (0.17)
\$35,000 or more	100.0	7.3 (0.27)	92.7 (0.27)	100.0	55.1 (0.53)	16.6 (0.38)	11.3 (0.32)	8.8 (0.28)	7.7 (0.26)	0.6 (0.08)
\$35,000–\$49,999	100.0	14.2 (0.79)	85.8 (0.79)	100.0	39.8 (1.13)	16.6 (0.87)	15.0 (0.84)	13.5 (0.76)	14.0 (0.76)	1.1 (0.24)
\$50,000–\$74,999	100.0	10.9 (0.62)	89.1 (0.62)	100.0	46.2 (1.00)	18.1 (0.76)	13.0 (0.64)	10.5 (0.59)	11.3 (0.60)	0.9 (0.20)
\$75,000–\$99,999	100.0	5.6 (0.52)	94.4 (0.52)	100.0	55.2 (1.15)	16.9 (0.82)	11.4 (0.73)	8.8 (0.66)	7.0 (0.59)	*0.7 (0.23)
\$100,000 or more	100.0	3.0 (0.31)	97.0 (0.31)	100.0	67.1 (0.81)	15.5 (0.62)	8.7 (0.47)	5.7 (0.38)	3.0 (0.28)	*
Poverty status⁹										
Poor	100.0	21.4 (0.87)	78.6 (0.87)	100.0	28.4 (0.97)	15.2 (0.74)	15.2 (0.74)	16.5 (0.79)	22.3 (0.85)	2.4 (0.31)
Near poor	100.0	19.4 (0.69)	80.6 (0.69)	100.0	29.5 (0.79)	16.3 (0.60)	15.7 (0.63)	16.4 (0.64)	20.5 (0.69)	1.6 (0.23)
Not poor	100.0	7.0 (0.26)	93.0 (0.26)	100.0	55.3 (0.51)	16.6 (0.36)	11.0 (0.31)	8.7 (0.26)	7.8 (0.25)	0.5 (0.07)

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Health insurance coverage ¹⁰										
Under 65:										
Private	100.0	6.9 (0.26)	93.1 (0.26)	100.0	55.2 (0.56)	17.5 (0.40)	11.6 (0.35)	8.8 (0.30)	6.4 (0.25)	0.5 (0.07)
Medicaid	100.0	18.9 (0.86)	81.1 (0.86)	100.0	33.1 (1.09)	17.3 (0.89)	16.9 (0.93)	15.7 (0.89)	15.7 (0.80)	1.2 (0.23)
Other coverage	100.0	19.5 (1.48)	80.5 (1.48)	100.0	37.9 (1.97)	17.2 (1.49)	12.8 (1.23)	15.9 (1.40)	16.1 (1.34)	*
Uninsured	100.0	28.2 (1.04)	71.8 (1.04)	100.0	18.8 (0.92)	15.4 (0.79)	16.3 (0.82)	20.5 (0.90)	24.9 (0.99)	4.1 (0.47)
65 and over:										
Private	100.0	4.5 (0.45)	95.5 (0.45)	100.0	58.4 (1.21)	12.5 (0.77)	8.3 (0.59)	7.9 (0.62)	12.8 (0.74)	*
Medicare and Medicaid	100.0	15.7 (1.74)	84.3 (1.74)	100.0	21.8 (2.09)	13.9 (1.75)	11.8 (1.66)	12.3 (1.51)	38.8 (2.65)	*1.3 (0.57)
Medicare Advantage	100.0	6.7 (0.71)	93.3 (0.71)	100.0	49.4 (1.58)	13.4 (1.03)	11.4 (1.01)	9.3 (0.83)	16.1 (1.12)	*0.4 (0.18)
Medicare only	100.0	9.8 (1.16)	90.2 (1.16)	100.0	41.6 (2.03)	14.8 (1.28)	10.3 (1.11)	9.3 (1.01)	23.3 (1.67)	*0.7 (0.28)
Other coverage	100.0	5.6 (1.21)	94.4 (1.21)	100.0	45.1 (2.95)	13.3 (1.70)	11.4 (1.67)	7.8 (1.31)	21.9 (2.26)	*
Uninsured	100.0	27.7 (7.78)	72.3 (7.78)	100.0	*15.4 (7.05)	*11.9 (5.60)	*7.6 (3.59)	*15.8 (6.10)	42.8 (8.66)	*
Marital status										
Married	100.0	8.7 (0.30)	91.3 (0.30)	100.0	52.7 (0.58)	15.9 (0.38)	11.4 (0.36)	9.2 (0.31)	10.0 (0.32)	0.8 (0.08)
Widowed	100.0	10.0 (0.79)	90.0 (0.79)	100.0	41.8 (1.23)	12.3 (0.76)	11.7 (0.84)	10.7 (0.74)	23.0 (1.02)	*0.6 (0.19)
Divorced or separated	100.0	16.7 (0.66)	83.3 (0.66)	100.0	41.3 (0.93)	15.8 (0.68)	12.5 (0.61)	13.3 (0.64)	16.4 (0.76)	0.7 (0.16)
Never married	100.0	11.5 (0.53)	88.5 (0.53)	100.0	42.8 (0.86)	19.0 (0.69)	14.0 (0.59)	13.2 (0.55)	9.7 (0.44)	1.3 (0.19)
Living with a partner	100.0	16.9 (1.07)	83.1 (1.07)	100.0	36.3 (1.36)	16.2 (1.06)	14.9 (0.99)	14.9 (1.05)	16.3 (1.09)	1.3 (0.33)
Place of residence ¹¹										
Large MSA	100.0	10.6 (0.33)	89.4 (0.33)	100.0	48.7 (0.56)	17.5 (0.40)	12.7 (0.36)	10.4 (0.30)	9.7 (0.32)	1.1 (0.10)
Small MSA	100.0	10.7 (0.44)	89.3 (0.44)	100.0	48.3 (0.79)	15.3 (0.48)	12.0 (0.50)	11.1 (0.45)	12.6 (0.43)	0.7 (0.11)
Not in MSA	100.0	12.6 (0.67)	87.4 (0.67)	100.0	40.2 (1.00)	14.6 (0.62)	12.0 (0.60)	13.6 (0.67)	18.9 (0.81)	0.8 (0.20)
Region										
Northeast	100.0	8.5 (0.57)	91.5 (0.57)	100.0	51.2 (1.06)	18.0 (0.78)	11.7 (0.68)	9.3 (0.62)	9.0 (0.55)	0.8 (0.17)
Midwest	100.0	10.1 (0.47)	89.9 (0.47)	100.0	49.1 (0.83)	16.1 (0.53)	11.9 (0.54)	10.9 (0.53)	11.4 (0.51)	0.6 (0.11)
South	100.0	11.7 (0.42)	88.3 (0.42)	100.0	43.3 (0.73)	16.1 (0.45)	12.6 (0.43)	12.2 (0.39)	14.6 (0.46)	1.2 (0.15)
West	100.0	12.2 (0.54)	87.8 (0.54)	100.0	49.2 (0.78)	15.9 (0.57)	13.1 (0.53)	10.6 (0.42)	10.3 (0.45)	0.9 (0.13)

Table A-19c. Crude percent distributions (with standard errors) of unmet dental need due to cost in the past 12 months and of length of time since last visit with dentist or other dental health care professional among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

Selected characteristic	All adults aged 18 and over	Has unmet dental need due to cost ¹	Does not have unmet dental need due to cost ¹	All adults aged 18 and over	6 months or less since last dental visit ¹	More than 6 months, but not more than 1 year since last dental visit ¹	More than 1 year, but not more than 2 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 2 years, but not more than 5 years ago since last dental visit ¹	More than 5 years (excluding "Never") since last dental visit ¹	Never had dental visit ¹
Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ , race, and sex										
Hispanic or Latino, male	100.0	13.0 (0.90)	87.0 (0.90)	100.0	31.2 (1.28)	16.7 (0.97)	16.6 (0.97)	14.6 (0.87)	17.8 (1.03)	3.2 (0.48)
Hispanic or Latina, female	100.0	16.1 (0.80)	83.9 (0.80)	100.0	39.5 (1.14)	18.7 (0.95)	15.4 (0.84)	12.8 (0.75)	11.5 (0.73)	2.0 (0.35)
Not Hispanic or Latino:										
White, single race, male	100.0	8.1 (0.39)	91.9 (0.39)	100.0	49.6 (0.74)	15.1 (0.53)	11.4 (0.46)	10.8 (0.42)	12.8 (0.48)	0.3 (0.08)
White, single race, female	100.0	11.5 (0.44)	88.5 (0.44)	100.0	54.4 (0.68)	15.0 (0.45)	11.0 (0.44)	9.4 (0.39)	9.9 (0.39)	0.3 (0.08)
Black or African American, single race, male	100.0	11.0 (0.96)	89.0 (0.96)	100.0	36.8 (1.66)	16.9 (1.15)	15.3 (1.17)	15.3 (1.07)	14.7 (1.16)	1.0 (0.30)
Black or African American, single race, female	100.0	15.0 (0.98)	85.0 (0.98)	100.0	39.6 (1.29)	21.1 (1.06)	15.9 (1.00)	10.7 (0.74)	11.5 (0.78)	1.2 (0.31)

* Estimates are considered unreliable. Data preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error (RSE) greater than 30% and less than or equal to 50% and should be used with caution. Data not shown have an RSE greater than 50%.
 - Quantity zero.

¹Based on separate questions that asked respondents, "During the past 12 months, was there any time when you needed any of the following but didn't get it because you couldn't afford it: Dental care (including check-ups)?" and "About how long has it been since you last saw a dentist?" Regarding the second question, respondents were instructed to include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists. Response categories for the question were 6 months or less; more than 6 months, but not more than 1 year ago; more than 1 year, but not more than 2 years ago; more than 2 years, but not more than 5 years ago; more than 5 years ago; and never.

²Refers to persons who indicated only a single race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin.

³Refers to persons who indicated more than one race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin. Only two combinations of multiple race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

⁴Refers to persons who are of Hispanic or Latino origin and may be of any race or combination of races. "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

⁵Shown only for adults aged 25 and over.

⁶GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

⁷"Full-time" employment is 35 or more hours per week. "Part-time" employment is 34 or fewer hours per week.

⁸Includes persons in families that reported either a dollar amount or would not provide a dollar amount but provided an income interval.

⁹"Poor" persons live in families defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons live in families with incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons live in families with incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

¹⁰Based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Adults with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. "Uninsured" includes adults 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.

¹¹MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1 million or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1 million. "Not in MSA" consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

NOTES: Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population. This table is based on data from the Sample Adult file and was weighted using the Sample Adult weight. Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percentages. Percentages may not add to totals due to rounding. "Total" includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics. For more information on the data source, methods, and definitions used for this table, refer to Technical Notes for Summary Health Statistics Tables: National Health Interview Survey (available from <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>). Suggested citation: Blackwell DL, Villarreal MA. Tables of Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Adults: 2015 National Health Interview Survey. National Center for Health Statistics. 2016. Available from: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2015.