

Methodology

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There are certain data limitations in this report due the significant variability in how states report enrollment data. Where possible, we report total Medicaid enrollment for all ages and groups combined and total child enrollment in Medicaid separately. However, some states provide limited categories or do not clearly describe the populations included in their reports. For example, states may be report adults, children, and aged, blind, and disability as three categories but it is not clear whether children who are blind and disabled are included in the count for children or in the disabled group.

Classifying 19-20 year-olds can be difficult. If a state is a non-expansion state and reports 19-20 year old enrollment data, the counts are included under child enrollment. If a state is an expansion state and we are able to confirm that the state has elected to cover 19-20 year-olds as children in its state plan, we include them in the child count. If we are unable to confirm if an expansion state has elected to cover 19-20 year-olds in children's Medicaid, 19-20 year-olds are not included in the child count. Some states, like Indiana, show 19-20 year-olds under three groups, including their adult expansion population. In these cases, we include only 19-20 year-olds that are not part of the expansion group in the child count.

Some states only report enrollment in managed care plans; these states are noted.

The continuous eligibility and other maintenance of effort provisions in the Families First act applies to Medicaid and CHIP-funded Medicaid expansion groups (known as M-CHIP) but not separate CHIP programs (35 states). We do not include enrollment from separate CHIP programs in either the combined or child counts unless the state includes CHIP and does not report it separately. States where separate CHIP data is included are noted.

State	Child/Adult/Combined	Construction of Population	Endnotes
Alaska	Combined	"Lives covered by all Medicaid,"	
	Child	"Demographics of Medicaid Enrollees" → "18 or less" category	
Arkansas	Combined	"Total" Category	Arkansas posts data on the first and last day of each month. Last day enrollment is included in this analysis.
	Child	"Children" Category	
Arizona	Combined	AHCCCS Population Highlights → "Total Population" minus "AHCCS Complete Care/KidsCare" and "Partial Services"	
California	Combined	Sum of "Non-MAGI Adult," "Non-MAGI Child," "MAGI Adult," "MAGI Child"	
	Child	Sum of "Non-MAGI Child" and "MAGI Child"	
Colorado	Combined	Joint Budget Committee Monthly Premiums Report → "Medicaid Caseload without Retroactivity" (page 4) → "TOTAL"	19-20 year olds are counted in the combined total as expansion adults. Combined total includes non-citizen emergency services.
	Child	Joint Budget Committee Monthly Premiums Report → "Medicaid Caseload without Retroactivity" → Sum of "MAGI Eligible Children," "SB 11-008 Eligible Children," and "Foster Care"	
Connecticut	Combined	Sum "Medicaid" and "MSP"	
District of Columbia	Combined	Medicaid by Age → "Total"	The child count includes children ages 0-20.
	Child	Medicaid by Age → "0-20"	
Florida	Combined	Medicaid Monthly Enrollment Report → tab 5 "agegroup" → regional breakdown → "Total"	19-20 years not treated as expansion adults are counted in the child enrollment total.
	Child	Medicaid Monthly Enrollment Report → tab 5 "agegroup" → regional breakdown → sum of "TANF Children (0-18 and 19-20)," "SSI Medicaid Only Children (0-18 and 19-20)," and "SSI Duals (w/LTC) Children (0-18) and (19-20)"	
Hawaii	Combined	Total Enrollment	Children, CHIP, and Current and Former Foster Care categories are for managed care only, however there are fewer than 50 FFS enrollees, adult and child each month. Former foster care youth may include individuals over the age of 21.
	Child	Sum of "01-Children," "02-CHIP," "03-Current and Former Foster Care"	
Illinois	Combined	"Total Statewide Medical Enrollment by Population" → "Total" line minus partial benefits	
	Child	"Total Statewide Medical Enrollment by Population" → "Children" line	
Indiana	Combined	Statewide Grand Total	19-20 year-olds in Hoosier Healthwise and Hoosier Care Connect are included in the child count. 19-20 year-olds in the Healthy Indiana Plan expansion adults are not included in the child count.
	Child	"Agegroup" tab → sum of Ages 0-20 in Hoosier Healthwise, Hoosier Connect, and FFS columns AND "MCHIP" tab → MCHIP Grand Total	
Iowa	Combined	Sum of Medicaid and IHAWP categories for Amerigroup Iowa Inc, Iowa Total Care, and FFS	
Kansas	Combined	Monthly total ("All medical populations") minus "CHIP" (note: leave in M-CHIP)	
Kentucky	Combined	"Unduplicated Member Count as of Run Date"	
Louisiana	Combined	"Total Unduplicated Enrollees"	
	Child	Sum of "Category F Medicaid," "Category I Medicaid," "Category O Medicaid," "Category V Medicaid," "CHAMP child," "Children's Choice Waiver," "Deemed Eligible Child," "Coordinated System of Care," "Express Lane Eligibility," and "Families Opportunity Act Buy-In"	
Maine	Combined	"OFI Enrollment" → total	
Maryland	Combined	Run eligibility report with age group filter → "Total Eligibles by Age Group for Each Month"	19-20 year-olds are included in the child count.
	Child	Delete all categories for ages 21 and above. Take new sum for month.	
Michigan	Combined	Table 3- "Medicaid Eligible Total" Column	
Minnesota	Combined	"Enrollment Summary by Eligibility Group" tab, statewide total	Data are for managed care enrollment only.
	Child	"Enrollment Summary by Eligibility Group" tab, sum of "MA Children and MnCare Children" in statewide section	
Mississippi	Combined	"Total" Category (light green column header, before the CHIP)	Child count does not include children who qualify based on a disability.
	Child	"Children" Category	
Missouri	Combined	"MHN Enrollees" (Eligibles) Line minus "Women's Health Services"	Child count includes Separate CHIP beneficiaries.
	Child	"Children" Line	
Nebraska	Combined	Sum of total for each MCO plan.	Data are for managed care enrollment only. Nebraska began implementing expansion, extending coverage to adults up to 138% of the Federal Poverty Level in October 2020.
Nevada	Combined	"Total Medicaid Recipients (Excluding Nevada Check Up)" (page 9)	
	Combined	"Grand Total Full Medicaid" Line	
New Hampshire	Combined	Sum of "Low-Income Children- Non-CHIP (Age 0-18)" (Line 1a), "Low-Income Children- CHIP (Age 0-18)" (Line 1b), "Children with Severe Disabilities (Age 0-18)" (Line 2), "Foster Care & Adoption Subsidy (Age 0-25)" (Line 3)	The child population includes former foster care youth through the age of 25.
	Child		
New Jersey	Combined	Total Column, Total Row	The child population includes 19-20 year olds.
	Child	Age <21 Column, Total Row	
New Mexico	Combined	Toggle month → "Click here to run Medicaid Eligibility Reports dynamically" → select "Adults and Children" → Subtract "Family Planning" from "Total"	
	Child	Toggle month → "Click here to run Medicaid Eligibility Reports dynamically" → select "Children <21 only"	
New York	Combined	Total enrollment	
	Combined	Toggle date at top of map, total excluding "Family Planning," "CHIP," and "CHIP Extended Coverage"	

North Carolina	Child	Toggle date at top of map, use "Ctrl" key to delete extraneous categories, child population includes "TANF (AFDC) 20 and Under," "Infants and Children," "MCHIP," and "Other Child"	Child count includes 19 and 20 year olds.
Ohio	Combined	"Full Medicaid Benefits" Category → "Total" Category → "Actual" Column	
	Child	"Children" Category → "Actual" Column	
Oklahoma	Combined	Use sliding bar to toggle to month → graph point will show total enrollment	
	Child	Use sliding bar to toggle to month → child enrollment listed on bar graph on side	
Oregon	Combined	Use "Physical Health Service Delivery by Age Group" report → Grand Total	Oregon's child enrollment data include children not eligible for federal match due to immigration status.
	Child	Use "Physical Health Service Delivery by Age Group" report → Sum of "00-01," "02-05," and "06-18"	
Pennsylvania	Combined	"MAchildren&adults" tab → total column, total row	
	Child	"MAchildren&adults" tab → children section, total row	
South Dakota	Combined	"Total Eligibles"	
	Child	"Children"	
Tennessee	Combined	"Grand Total"	Tennessee's child enrollment data includes 19 and 20 year olds.
	Child	Sum of "Female 0-18," "Female 19-20," "Male 0-18," "Male 19-20"	
Texas	Combined	"Medicaid Caseload" Column	
	Child	"Caseload by Age" → "Medicaid Clients Under 21"	
Utah	Combined	"Medicaid Trends" Report → "Medicaid Persons" row	
	Combined	"Medicaid Population" Total Column (purple)	
Virginia	Child	Sum of "Low-Income Adults and Children" Section "Children" column and CHIP population's "Children" "Medicaid Crossover (Age 6-19 109-143%FPL)" column	
	Combined	"Total Eligible Clients" minus "Family Planning"	Washington includes Title XXI/CHIP kids in its enrollment data for combined total and child enrollment. The "child total" also includes a small number of adults who are likely former foster care youth.
Washington	Child	"Apple Health for Kids" → "Total Eligible Clients"	
West Virginia	Combined	"Total" Line	
Wisconsin Report 1	Combined	"Monthly Enrollment by Category" Report → Grand total line minus "Family Planning Only" Category	
	Report 2	Child	Sum of 1. "Monthly Enrollment by Category" Report: "Katie Beckett Program," "Foster Care," "Subsidized Adoption" AND 2. "BadgerCare Plus-Statewide" Report "Children," "Pregnant Women," "Express Children," "Extensions"