Family Out-of-Pocket Health Expenses

United States - 1970

Statistics on the annual out-of-pocket health expenses of families and unrelated individuals, by type of expense, type of family unit, proportion of family units with no expense, and intervals of expense. Total family unit expenses are distributed by color and family income. Based on data collected by self-enumeration or personal interview during 1971.

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FOREWORD

Since 1929 when the Committee on the Cost of Medical Care collected the first national data on health care expenditures, the total expenditures for health care in the United States has risen from under \$4 billion to over \$100 billion. The need for information on where the health care dollars are spent has resulted in a number of studies of individual or family health expenditures in an effort to determine who spends how much money on what types of care. The Office of Research and Statistics of the Social Security Administration compiles data and makes annual estimates of total national health expenditures by type of medical care. These data do not provide any information on expenditures of individuals or families by socioeconomic characteristics of the population. The Center for Health Administration Studies of the University of Chicago has collected data on expenditures for personal health services in four national surveys in 1953, 1958, 1964, and 1971. These surveys collected data from a sample of households, from the family's providers of health care and from their health insurance companies.

The National Center for Health Statistics, through the Health Interview Survey, has collected data on personal health expenditures in several different forms over the past 15 years. Information was obtained on total personal health expenditures in 1962. With the increase in third party payments, both private and public, it has become increasingly difficult to obtain these data on total expenditures in a household interview. Therefore, in 1971 only out-of-pocket health expenditure data was collected. No attempt was made to verify the data reported by the household respondents with independent data from providers, as was done with the University of Chicago studies. As may be expected estimates of health expenditures based on different sources of data and different methodologies often disagree. The estimates of out-of-pocket costs shown in this report tend to be somewhat higher for most categories of expenditures than the estimates from the Center for Health Administration Studies data for the same year. While the precise reasons for these differences are not known, it is possible that some respondents to the National Center for Health Statistics survey may have included in their responses health expenditures that were later reimbursed by health insurance. In fact, estimates of out-of-pocket costs for types of care not normally covered by health insurance tend to be more similar in the different surveys.

The importance of the differences in estimates of health expenditures depends to some extent on the use to which the data are put. If the data are to be used to make national projections of the total out-of-pocket outlay for health care, the effect of the differences can be quite severe. However, if the data are to be used to investigate differentials in out-of-pocket health expenditures among socio-

economic groups, the discrepancies in the level of reported expenditures are not as critical.

The National Center for Health Statistics and other researchers are continuing to improve the methods by which more accurate expenditure data can be collected, e.g., through the use of repeated contacts with a household to reduce the recall period, the use of diaries, and subsequent contacts with both the providers of care and third party payers.

In the meantime, the data in this report are presented in the belief that they, along with the data from other sources, will shed some light on the complex problems of health care expenditures. However, readers are urged to use caution in interpretation of these data.

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FAMILY OUT-OF-POCKET HEALTH EXPENSES

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INTRODUCTION

During 1971 a study to measure out-ofpocket health expenses of the civilian population not confined to institutions was conducted by the Division of Health Interview Statistics, National Center for Health Statistics. Results of this study have been published on a person basis in Personal Out-of-Pocket Health Expenses, United States, 1970, Vital and Health Statistics, Series 10, Number 91. Details of the collection procedure are explained in the section on 'Source of Data.' A self-enumeration questionnaire was mailed to some 11,970 households comprising the same sample as that used for the October-December 1970 Health Interview Survey. Information was requested on out-ofpocket spending in 1970 for hospital, doctor, dental, or optical services; prescribed medicine; and other medical expenses for each family member as well as the total amount of health insurance premiums (including Medicare premiums) paid directly by the family. Also requested were the health expenditures for persons not residing in the household (see appendix I). These would include, for instance, health expenses for students away at school, parents or other persons not living with the family, or unrelated individuals for whom some share of responsibility for medical costs is assumed.

In this report information on out-of-pocket health expenses is presented for families and unrelated individuals. A family is defined as two or more persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption who are living together in the same household. Members of the Armed Forces, excluded by definition from the civilian noninstitutionalized population, are not counted in classifying the family group even if they live with the family. Thus the number of families presented here will differ from other family statistics in which these persons are considered family members. Unrelated individuals may be living alone, with other unrelated individuals, or with families to which they are not related.

The average annual out-of-pocket health expense for hospital, doctor, dental, or optical services; prescription medicine; and other medical expenses for a family of two or more members was \$469 (tables A and B). When expense for health insurance premiums is added the total becomes \$628, and when expense for persons not living with the family unit is included the grand total of annual out-of-pocket spending for health rose to \$648. Tables C and D show the three sets of totals and the eight expense items for unrelated individuals. The average unrelated individual had an annual grand total expense of \$331 during 1970.

The annual per family estimate of a health expense item was prepared by summing the reported expenditures for which all members of the family responded with a known amount for each type of expense. That is, each member had a dollar amount or no expense (zero amount) recorded for the particular type of expense. Then by summing the known expense for all families with known amounts and dividing by the number of such families, the average annual expense per family was obtained.

This procedure was used to obtain the average expense per family unit for each of the three

Table A. Out-of-pocket health expense per family per year, by type of expense and size and composition of the family: United States, 1970

| | A11 | types of expense | e | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Size and composition of family | For family members and | For family members only | | | |
| , and the second | persons outside the family unit-including health insur- ance premiums | Including health insurance premiums | Excluding health insurance premiums | | |
| All families | \$648 | \$628 | \$469 | | |
| Husband-wife Child under 17 years No child under 17 years Other family group Male head Female head | 673 722 615 509 811 449 | 657 708 598 465 683 423 | 486 543 419 372 553 336 | | |
| 2 person families | 569 | 548 | 387 | | |
| Husband-wife Other family group Male head Female head | 575 539 438 567 | 556 512 455 528 | 385 396 347 410 | | |
| 3 person families | 642 | 620 | 454 | | |
| Husband-wife Child under 17 years No child under 17 years Other family group Male head Female head | 658 595 762 562 1,489 390 | 641 576 747 513 1,463 | 463 417 540 408 1,369 247 | | |
| 4 person families | 660 | 649 | 495 | | |
| Husband-wife Child under 17 years No child under 17 years Other family group Male head Female head | 706 705 714 334 * 292 | 694 692 706 353 * 323 | 530 534 511 260 * 253 | | |
| 5 person families or more | 752 | 730 | 574 | | |
| Husband-wife Child under 17 years No child under 17 years Other family group Male head Female head | 784 798 553 517 * 407 | 773 788 534 400 * | 600 614 372 369 * 365 | | |

'able B. Out-of-pocket health expense per family per year, by type of expense and size and composition of the family: United States, 1970

| | Heal | th expen | ses of f | amily m | embers | | Health |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| Hos- pital | Doctor | Dental | Pre- scrip- tion medi- cine | Opti- cal | Health insur- ance pre- miums | Other | expenses for persons outside the family unit |
| \$72 | \$164 | \$105 | \$93 | \$35 | \$159 | \$16 | \$20 |
| 74 85 61 57 61 57 | 168 193 139 136 223 119 | 110 130 86 74 87 72 | 95 92 100 79 107 73 | 37 37 37 22 24 21 | 170 159 182 101 113 98 | 15 12 19 20 52 14 | 15 11 19 47 142 28 |
| 60 | 135 | 70 | 96 | 31 | 165 | 20 | 24 |
| 62 55 54 55 | 131 153 97 169 | 71 69 50 75 | 97 93 108 89 | 33 21 24 21 | 177 112 93 118 | 19 26 36 23 | 22 31 8 38 |
| 62 | 167 | 101 | 85 | 33 | 164 | 17 | 19 |
| 65 70 58 45 42 46 | 164 166 161 178 675 92 | 106 83 141 80 205 58 | 87 72 110 76 179 58 | 35 25 49 24 35 22 | 177 160 202 101 110 99 | 14 8 25 30 150 | 15 16 14 39 37 40 |
| 61 | 180 | 123 | 94 | 34 | 148 | 14 | 11 |
| 64 66 56 36 * 28 | 194 199 169 78 * | 129 131 121 80 * 80 | 100 98 113 47 * 51 | 35 33 50 21 * 23 | 156 151 185 90 * 69 | 15 14 24 7 * 9 | 9 10 4 25 * 2 |
| 103 | 188 | 140 | 94 | 42 | 155 | 12 | 20 |
| 104 106 64 96 * | 199 203 137 94 * 90 | 148 153 70 76 * 77 | 96 97 82 76 * 78 | 45 45 48 19 * 19 | 164 164 158 81 * 80 | 13 13 3 5 * | 9 9 17 109 * 17 |
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totals shown in tables A and C. Thus, for instance, the grand total for a three-member family consists of known amounts for all eight types of expenses for each of the three members of the family—a total of 24 items of information with dollar or zero amounts. As may be noted in table E, this condition was met for 80.3 percent of the families in the survey for the grand total of family out-of-pocket health expenses.

While it was necessary to exclude the data for a family for which only one or a few items were missing in producing the total expenses per family, it is not necessary to exclude cases of incomplete reporting when individual types of expenditures are examined. The fact that a family neglected to report any information for dental visits does not imply that the data they reported for the other types of expenses is invalid. Thus when examining a particular type of expense it is legitimate to include the given data for this type of expense. It is also desirable to do so because, as is shown in table F, it makes possible the inclusion of data on between 91.9 and 97.1 percent of the families in the survey for the various types of health expenses. This procedure for obtaining totals by using known

Table C. Out-of-pocket health expense per unrelated individual per year, by type of expense and selected characteristics: United States, 1970

| | All types of expense | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | For unrelated individuals | For unrelated | For unrelated individuals | | | | |
| Characteristic | and persons outside the family unit- including health insur- ance premiums | Including health insurance premiums | Excluding health insurance premiums | | | | |
| All individuals | \$331 | \$288 | \$206 | | | | |
| Age | | | | | | | |
| Under 45 years | 321 372 312 | 264 320 287 | 198 229 197 | | | | |
| Sex | | | | | | | |
| MaleFemale | 246 376 | 220 324 | 143 240 | | | | |
| Living arrangements | | | | | | | |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 329 341 | 280 337 | 195 · 261 | | | | |

Table D. Out-of-pocket health expense per unrelated individual per year, by type of expense and selected characteristics: United States, 1970

| Health expenses | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---|----------------|---|--------------|---|
| Characteristic | Hos- pital | Doctor | Dental | Pre- scrip- tion medi- cine | Opti- cal | Health insur- ance pre- miums | Other | Health expenses for persons outside the family unit |
| All individuals | \$35 | \$66 | \$42 | \$44 | \$18 | \$80 | \$12 | \$42 |
| Age | | | | | | | | |
| Under 45 years | 32 42 32 | 63 71 65 | 54 55 21 | 30 46 58 | 20 21 14 | 61 95 86 | 7 8 20 | 50 54 26 |
| Sex | | | | | | | | |
| MaleFemale | 25 39 | 40 80 | . 36 . 44 | 25 55 | 17 19 | 75 83 | 13 12 | 26 50 |
| Living arrangements | | | | | į | | | |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 30 61 | 65 73 | 40 48 | 45 40 | 16 29 | 82 68 | 13 7 | 48 6 |

Table E. Percent of family units reporting known amounts of out-of-pocket health expenses for all members, by type of health expense and size of family unit: United States, 1970

| | All types of expense | | | | | |
|---------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Size of family unit | For family members and persons outside | For family members only | | | | |
| , | the family unit-including health insur- ance premiums | Including health insurance premiums | Excluding health insurance premiums | | | |
| | | Percent | | | | |
| All sizes | 80.3 | 84.6 | 88.0 | | | |
| 1 person | 78.2 81.3 80.6 80.5 80.6 | 83.9 85.7 84.9 84.6 83.6 | 89.4 87.8 87.9 87.8 87.0 | | | |

Table F. Percent of family units reporting known amounts of out-of-pocket health expenses for all members, by type of health expense and size of family unit: United States, 1970

| | Health expenses of family members | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Size of family unit | Hos- pital | Doctor | Dental | Pre- scrip- tion medi- cine | Opti- cal | Health insur- ance pre- miums | Other | Health expenses for persons outside the family unit |
| | Percent | | | | | , | | |
| All sizes | 96.6 | 96.2 | 97.1 | 96.2 | 95.9 | 94.9 | 91.9 | 92.8 |
| 1 person | 95.9 96.5 96.9 96.9 96.7 | 95.1 96.4 96.3 96.6 96.7 | 96.3 97.5 96.5 97.9 97.5 | 95.5 96.5 96.6 96.6 95.8 | 95.1 95.7 96.1 96.5 96.4 | 92.9 96.5 95.0 95.2 94.7 | 93.1 91.6 90.8 91.6 92.4 | 90.1 93.2 93.4 92.1 94.7 |

data for all items is the same as that used for the report on Personal Out-of-Pocket Health Expenses.

However, using two procedures to calculate the two types of totals (i.e., total family expenses and total expenses for particular items) means that the sum of individual expense items may or may not equal the total for all expense items in tables A, C, and elsewhere. Some portion of the discrepancy results from rounding of computed dollar averages per expense item to the nearest dollar. The remainder of the discrepancy, as discussed in the previous paragraph, results from the use of unequal numbers of records with known or zero amounts for family totals and for the totals for each of the individual expense items.

FAMILIES AND UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS

The civilian noninstitutionalized population during 1970 for which data on out-of-pocket health expenses were reported in Series 10, No. 91 was 200,856,000 persons. Most of these persons were members of some 52,040,000 families and the remaining 13,261,000 persons were classified as unrelated individuals.

These figures differ from those for March 1971 published by the United States Bureau of the Census, as shown below:

| Type of family | Current Population Survey, ¹ March 1971 | Health Interview Statistics, 1970 |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| All families | 51,948,000 | 52,040,000 |
| Husband-wife families | 44,739,000 | 44,002,000 |
| Other family groups | 7,208,000 | 8,038,000 |
| Male head | 1,258,000 | 1,325,000 |
| Female head | 5,950,000 | 6,713,000 |
| Unrelated individuals | 15,721,000 | 13,261,000 |
| Male | 6,153,000 | 4,587,000 |
| Female | 9,569,000 | 8,674,000 |

¹United States Bureau of the Census, "Households and Families, by type: March 1972" Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 237, (table 1, col. 4). Washington, D.C., July 1972.

As previously noted, the sampling frame used for this study was the sample for the Health Interview Survey for October-December 1970 during which time there were an estimated 200,855,000 persons in the civilian noninstitutionalized population (Acute Conditions, Series 10, No. 82). The person data collected in this study were adjusted to the population during October-December 1970 and because of rounding errors resulted in a total of 200,856,000.

From examination of the Current Population Survey data for 1971 it seems likely that a substantial number of unrelated individuals were underreported in the study of out-of-pocket expenses. Some unrelated individuals may have failed to receive a questionnaire in the mail, and some may have failed to respond to the questionnaire. Another possibility is that at some stage in assembling the family units (families and unrelated individuals) some of the unrelated individuals may have been erroneously joined to families.

There are other sources of differences between these sets of data in addition to the probable underreporting of unrelated individuals. The Bureau of the Census includes in its family statistics Armed Forces members living off post or with their families on post. Armed Forces members, regardless of place of residence, are excluded for the Health Interview Survey's sample but members of their families are included. Another difference involves the classification of college students living away from home during the school year. The Bureau of the Census includes such persons as members of the family at the home address for the Current Population Survey, and the Health Interview Survey classifies them as individuals at the students' address at school.

In March 1971 there were 1,164,000¹ Armed Forces members included in the Current Population Survey data quoted above, of whom 1,003,000 were family heads.² Since these fam-

¹U.S. Bureau of the Census: Household and Family Characteristics: March 1971, Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 233.

²Personal Communication with Mr. Arthur Norton, U.S. Bureau of the Census, co-author of the above report Series P-20, No. 233, February 4, 1975.

ily heads are excluded from Health Interview Survey data, the family status of their wives and children becomes "other family group, female head," or, if there is no child, the wife is classified as an unrelated individual.

College students have less effect on the difference in number of families reported in the two surveys than they do on the difference in numbers of unrelated individuals. For Health Interview Survey data the family is reported as having one less member with a compensating increase in the number of unrelated individuals.

The effect of both of these differences should result in a higher estimate of unrelated individuals in the Health Interview Survey data. But as is shown on page 6, the estimate from the Current Population Survey is approximately 2,460,000 greater. This suggests that the study to measure out-of-pocket health expenses missed even more unrelated individuals than the above estimate indicates.

However, aside from differences which emerge from specific ways of classifying persons, and those associated with any tendency for non-respondents to differ systematically from respondents, the out-of-pocket health expenses should not be affected by an under or over estimate of the population. This follows because in computing the average health expenses the weights which produce the population estimate are cancelled out and do not, therefore, affect the computed averages.

FAMILY OUT-OF-POCKET HEALTH EXPENSES

All Families and Unrelated Individuals

The average annual out-of-pocket expense during 1970 per family for family members and persons outside the family was \$648 (table A). When expense of persons outside the family are deducted the average family paid out \$628 for health expenses, including health insurance premiums, and with health insurance premiums excluded the average was \$469. This latter figure included spending for hospital, doctor, dental, prescription medicine, optical, and other health expenses. As mentioned earlier, because the av-

erage expense for the three types of totals was obtained only from those records with known amounts for all types of expense included in the specific total, the sum of the average expense for individual types of expense does not necessarily add to the average total family expense.

The average family spent \$72 out-of-pocket for hospital bills paid directly by the family (table B). Hospital bills include any hospital outpatient services as well as inpatient services. Doctor bills per family averaged \$164 per year and dental bills \$105. Prescription medicine cost the family an average of \$93. Optical services cost \$35 per family. Optical expense included the fee of an optometrist, but examination by an ophthalmologist was included under 'doctor' expense. Health insurance premiums per family averaged \$159. These include the amount paid directly by the family for private health insurance and to Social Security for Medicare, deducted from pay checks or deducted from Social Security checks. Excluded from health insurance premiums were amounts for insurance that pays only when an accident occurs. Other expense averaged \$16 per family. 'Other' included spending for chiropractor or podiatrist fees; special aids include wheel chair, braces, hearing aids, etc.; physical or speech therapy; and special nursing care, etc. However, spending for nonprescribed medicines was excluded from this item. of expense. The average family spent \$20 for health expense (including health insurance premiums, if any) for persons outside the family unit (see appendix I for the question on "outside" expense). The total of these six expense items is \$485, \$16 more than that of \$469 shown for the third total shown in table A based on records with all six items with known' amounts.

Tables C and D present similar data for unrelated individuals. Out-of-pocket health expenses on a person basis were shown in the report, Series 10, No. 91. With the exception of spending for other persons (included in the first of the three totals), data for unrelated individuals may be compared to that presented for all persons in the population. Since most unrelated individuals are 17 years of age or over, comparison should be limited to this age group. Thus the second total column (including health insur-

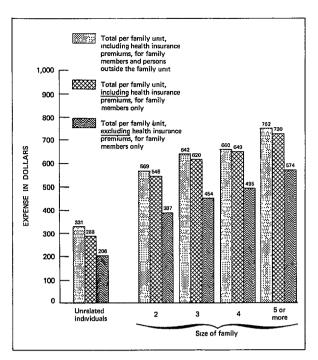


Figure 1. Annual out-of-pocket health expense per family unit and unrelated individual, by type of expense and size of family unit.

ance premiums) in table C can be compared with table 1 in Series 10, No. 91. There is substantial similarity between the figure of \$287 for unrelated individuals aged 65 years and over and the \$299 per capita expense for all persons 65 years and over. Since about one in four of these (26.4 percent) persons is an unrelated individual, the similarity in totals is not unexpected. There is less agreement between the totals for age groups, 17-44 and 45-64 years, but smaller proportions of the population in these age groups are unrelated individuals (6.6 percent of the 73.5 million aged 17-44 years, and 8.2 percent of those 45-64 years).

In general, as size of family increases the average expense rises accordingly for the three types of total expense (figure 1). Tables A and B show the effect of family composition on health spending within size of family. Tables 1-11 show the three types of total expenses and the eight types of expenses for specific items by family characteristics, including the age of the head of the family or of unrelated individuals. Since age is of such importance in determining the need

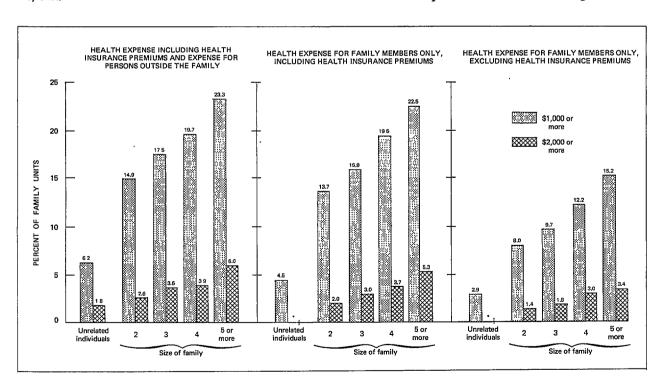


Figure 2. Percent of family units with annual out-of-pocket health expense of \$1,000 and \$2,000 or more, by type of expense and size of family unit.

for medical care, this variable has considerable effect on expense per family unit.

Also shown in these detailed tables is a percent distribution by intervals of expense. Figure 2 shows, for the three types of family totals, the percentage of family units with annual out-of-pocket health expenses of \$1,000 or more and \$2,000 or more by size of unit. As expected, there is a rise in percentage with increased size of the family unit.

Figure 3 summarizes the data for the three types of totals for the percentage of family units with no annual out-of-pocket health expenses. In each detailed table the next to last column is labeled 'Average for family unit with expense.' These figures are prepared by excluding family units with no expense from the computation of average expense per family unit. When there is a substantial percentage with no expense, for example for unrelated individuals, the difference between the average per family unit and the average per family unit with expense is substantial. When there are two or more persons in a family unit there is less chance that all members will have no health expenses. Therefore, the percent-

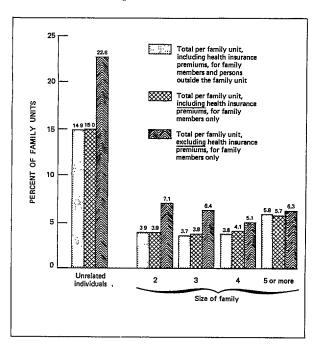


Figure 3. Percent of family units reporting no annual out-ofpocket health expense for the three categories of health care costs, by type of expense and size of family unit.

ages with no health expenses for families, as shown in figure 3, are relatively small.

Tables 12-14 give detailed information for the three types of total out-of-pocket expense by sex of unrelated individuals and sex of the head of other family groups (i.e., excluding husband-wife families). Female unrelated individuals have higher expense totals than do males. However, for other family groups, families with male heads have higher expenses than do families with female heads. The difference is most pronounced for three person other family groups.

Family Income

With increasing family income the out-of-pocket health expense totals rose accordingly (figure 4 and table G), and this relationship holds within each size of family. Health expenses of unrelated individuals, excluding expense for persons outside the unit, were about the same for the two lower income groups and also for the two higher income groups. Tables 15-17 present detailed information about the three types of total expenses for four income groups.

It is interesting that for two person families with income less than \$5,000 the three types of total expenses were approximately equal to or less than the average for all of the other family sizes. It is probable that health spending for aged persons comprising two person families accounts for the larger out-of-pocket spending. The earlier report on Personal Out-of-Pocket Health Expense (Series 10, No. 91) showed that persons 65 years and over spent an average of \$299 per year on all health items including health insurance.

Out-of-pocket health spending takes a larger share of family income within the lower income groups than it does for the higher income groups. For instance, assuming an average income of \$2,500 for the less than \$5,000 group, \$7,500 and \$12,500 as midpoints of the next two groups, and \$20,000 as average for income of \$15,000 and over, the proportionate share of family income may be determined. Examination of table G, grand total for all families, shows that the \$446 expenditure is about 17.8 percent of the average income of the less than \$5,000

Table G. Out-of-pocket health expense per unrelated individual or per family per year, by type of expense, size of family unit, and family income: United States, 1970

| | All types of expense | | | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Size of family unit and family income | For family members and persons outside | For family members only | | | | | |
| and ramply meane | the family unit-including health insur- ance premiums | Including health insurance premiums | Excluding health insurance premiums | | | | |
| Unrelated individuals | | | | | | | |
| All incomes ¹ | \$331 | \$288 | \$206 | | | | |
| Less than \$5,000\$5,000-\$999\$10,000-\$14,999\$15,000 or more | 305 355 430 485 | 281 273 389 392 | 202 198 281 259 | | | | |
| All families All incomes ¹ | 648 | 628 | 469 | | | | |
| Less than \$5,000 \$5,000-\$9,999 | 446 579 740 942 | 437 568 706 911 | 329 422 530 688 | | | | |
| 2 person families All incomes ¹ | 569 | 548 | 387 | | | | |
| Less than \$5,000 \$5,000-\$9,999 \$10,000-\$14,999 | 453 509 647 869 | 449 497 611 804 | 326 346 421 583 | | | | |
| 3 person families | (10 | (0.0 | (5) | | | | |
| All incomes ¹ | 448 557 749 921 | 423 545 717 892 | 454 307 387 537 676 | | | | |
| 4 person families All incomes ¹ | 660 | 6/19 | 495 | | | | |
| Less than \$5,000 | 381 573 667 997 | 357 573 662 977 | 495 295 439 491 759 | | | | |
| 5 person families or more All incomes ¹ | 752 | 730 | 57/ | | | | |
| Less than \$5,000 | 752 455 703 859 986 | 730 460 684 809 980 | 574 383 542 640 746 | | | | |

¹Includes unknown income.

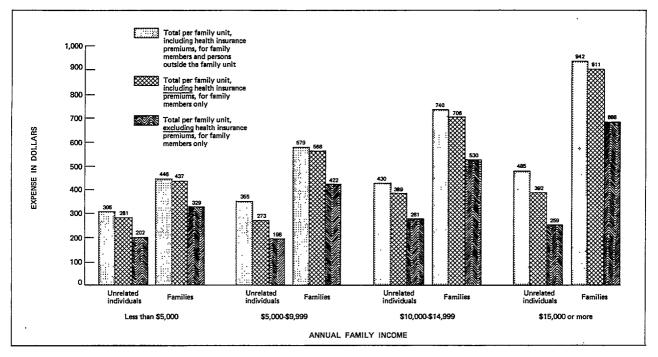


Figure 4. Annual out-of-pocket health expense per family unit, by type of expense and annual family income.

group. In the next group the \$579 total is only 7.7 percent of average income, the \$740 represents 5.9 percent of the next higher group, and \$942 is 4.7 percent of the average income of the highest income level.

Color and Family Income

Figure 5 and table H summarize the health expense totals of tables 18-20. In general white unrelated individuals tend to spend more on

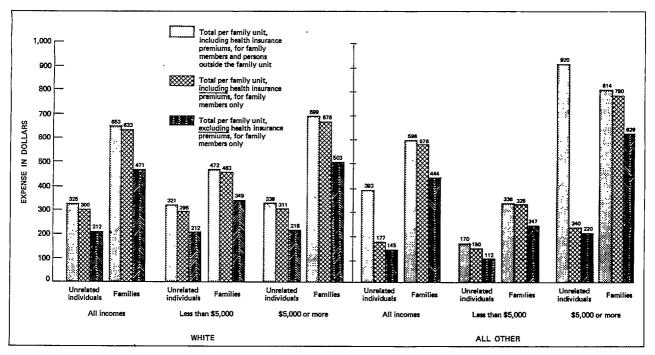


Figure 5. Annual out-of-pocket health expense per family unit, by type of expense, color, and family income.

Table H. Out-of-pocket health expense per unrelated individual or per family per year, by type of expense, size of family unit, color, and family income: United States, 1970

| | All types of expense | | | | | | |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Size of family unit, color, and family income | For family members only and persons | For family members only | | | | | |
| | outside the family unit-including health insurance premiums | Including health insurance premiums | Excluding health insurance premiums | | | | |
| Unrelated individuals | | | | | | | |
| White: All incomes ¹ Less than \$5,000 \$5,000 or more All other: | \$325 | \$300 | \$212 | | | | |
| | 321 | 296 | 212 | | | | |
| | 338 | 311 | 218 | | | | |
| All incomes ¹ | 393 | 177 | 145 | | | | |
| | 170 | 150 | 112 | | | | |
| | 920 | 240 | 220 | | | | |
| All families | | | | | | | |
| White: All incomes Less than \$5,000 \$5,000 or more All other: | 653 | 633 | 471 | | | | |
| | 472 | 463 | . 349 | | | | |
| | 699 | 676 | . 503 | | | | |
| All incomes ¹ | 596 336 814 | · 576 325 790 | 444 247 629 | | | | |
| 2 person families | | | | | | | |
| White: All incomes¹ Less than \$5,000 \$5,000 or more All other: | 569 | 548 | 387 | | | | |
| | 460 | 456 | 329 | | | | |
| | 611 | 582 | 408 | | | | |
| All incomes Less than \$5,000 | 560 | 550 | 388 | | | | |
| | 394 | 389 | 301 | | | | |
| | 737 | 715 | 519 | | | | |
| 3 person families | | | | | | | |
| White: All incomes Less than \$5,000 \$5,000 or more All other: | 663 | 642 | 471 | | | | |
| | 498 | 469 | 349 | | | | |
| | 701 | 679 | 498 | | | | |
| All incomes Less than \$5,000 | 422 | 395 | 276 | | | | |
| | 219 | 215 | 119 | | | | |
| | 609 | 560 | 437 | | | | |
| 4 person families | | | | | | | |
| White: All incomes Less than \$5,000 \$5,000 or more | 674 | 666 | 507 | | | | |
| | 391 | 383 | 312 | | | | |
| | 707 | 700 | 532 | | | | |
| Less than \$5,000\$5,000 or more | 504 | 466 | 369 | | | | |
| | 353 | 300 | 256 | | | | |
| | 588 | 572 | 440 | | | | |
| 5 person families or more | | | | | | | |
| White: All incomes \$5,000 or more | 755 | 729 | 569 | | | | |
| | 522 | 529 | 451 | | | | |
| | 794 | 764 | 594 | | | | |
| All incomes ¹ | 739 | 733 | 602 | | | | |
| | 349 | 347 | 275 | | | | |
| | 1,053 | 1,046 | 875 | | | | |

¹Includes unknown income.

health expense than do other individuals. The large difference in the group having incomes of \$5,000 or more of \$582 between the grand total of \$338 for white individuals and persons other than white of \$920 could have resulted from sampling error.

Out-of-pocket health expenses per family of white families were about the same as those for families of other races. This was especially true for families with two members and for those with five or more members. Among families with three or four members, white families had larger out-of-pocket health expenses than did families other than white.

SOURCE OF DATA

The information contained in this report was obtained primarily from responses to a questionnaire on out-of-pocket health expenditures during 1970 which was mailed to households included in the regular Health Interview Survey sample for the fourth quarter of 1970. For that quarter, the HIS sample, which is a probability sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population of the United States, included 10,799 completed household interviews; 424 noninterviews due to refusals, no one at home during the interview period; and 2,611 housing units which were vacant, demolished, or occupied by persons whose usual place of residence was elsewhere. A description of the design of the survey and an illustration of the questionnaire used in the original household interviews is presented in the Current Estimates report for 1970 (Series 10, Number 72).

Prior to mailing the questionnaire on out-of-pocket health expenditures, the name of the family head, if known, and mailing address were copied from each of the 13,834 questionnaires used in the original sample. In some instances, such as for the vacant or demolished housing units, a mailing address was not obtained. In April 1971 questionnaires were mailed to 11,970 households at this first mailing. Appendix I shows copies of the letters sent to households interviewed in the regular HIS sample or to households not interviewed which had an adequate mailing address. The questionnaire is also

illustrated in the appendix. When the questionnaire was completed and returned, the 'thank you' card was mailed. If the questionnaire was not returned, three followups were sent at intervals; these are also illustrated. The first followup was a reminder card, the second and third were letters and contained a copy of the questionnaire. The followup card was mailed 2 weeks after the original mailing. The second followup was 4 weeks after the original mailing, and the third was sent 7 weeks after the original mailing.

After the third followup, a total of 7,175 households had returned completed questionnaires. After 716 vacant or demolished housing units had been deleted there were 11,254 households to which questionnaires were sent. Thus 63.8 percent of the occupied households responded to the mail questionnaires.

In an attempt to reduce nonresponse bias, a subsample of the households not responding in the mail survey was selected and assigned to be followed up by personal interview. The noninterviewed households were grouped by original segment number and one in four of the segments with at least one nonresponding household was chosen by a systematic process. (An "original segment" is a cluster of about six households). This resulted in a subsample of 868 occupied households for which 746 interviews were completed. The effective response rate for the survey was 94.4 percent when the weighted interview results from the subsample are combined with the responses from the mail component.

A total of 7,921 households supplied information either through the mail questionnaire or by direct interview about the 23,690 persons living in these households in 1971.

In addition to the data on out-of-pocket medical expenses for household members, information was also obtained on the family's out-ofpocket medical expenses for persons outside the household such as children away at school, elderly parents, or deceased family members.

Since the data presented in this report are based on a sample rather than the entire population, they are subject to sampling error. Charts from which approximate sampling errors may be estimated and instructions for their use are presented in appendix II. In order to account for the double-sampling method, it is necessary to inflate each relative sampling error by 40 percent (1.4 times the relative sampling error) to obtain the standard error.

Definitions of certain terms used in this re-

port are explained in appendix III. Since many of the terms have special meanings for the purpose of this study, familiarity with these definitions will help the reader to interpret the data.



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Table 1. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members and for persons outside the family unit, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

| Family characteristic votal families components of the families components | | Number | | | He | alth ex | enses | |] | <u> </u> |
|---|--|--|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Total, individuals and families | Family characteristic | of indi- viduals and families in thou- | | than | \$100- | \$250- | \$500- | or | for family unit with | family |
| All individuals | | • | · Percent distribution | | | | | Expense | in dollars | |
| Living alone, all ages | Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 6.4 | 10.8 | 16.3 | 24.0 | 26.3 | 16.1 | 626 | 585 |
| Living witch nonrelatives, all ages———————————————————————————————————— | All individuals | 13,261 | 14.9 | 19.6 | 25.3 | 22.4 | 11.5 | 6.2 | 389 | 331 |
| Living with nonvelatives, under 45 years | Living alone, all ages | 3,358 3,166 | 19.9 18.6 | 26.3 12.6 | 22.9 23.7 | 16.2 22.1 | 8.8 16.0 | 5.8 7.0 | 394 451 | 329 315 367 314 |
| ### All 2 person families ### 17,997 3.9 11.2 17.1 27.6 25.4 14.9 592 566 #### ### ### ### ### ### ### ### ### | Living with nonrelatives, under 45 yearsLiving with nonrelatives, 45-64 years | 1,460 231 | * | 22.5 | 22.7 | 31.7 * | * | * | 371 529 | 341 337 466 285 |
| Busband-wife, head under 45 years | All families | 52,040 | 4.3 | 8.7 | 14.1 | 24.4 | 30.0 | 18.5 | 677 | 648 |
| State Cheer family group, head under 45 years 1,388 * 24.6 17.9 16.9 1.6 10.8 578 | | 17,997 | 3.9 | 11.2 | 17.1 | 27.6 | 25.4 | 14.9 | 592 | 569 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | Husband-wife, head under 45 years | 14,575 3,706 6,389 4,480 | 5.3 * | 17.4 9.2 | 26.3 13.1 | 30.6 25.5 | 15.1 28.8 | 5.3 20.7 | 379 675 | 575 359 657 651 |
| All 3 person families 10,940 3.7 7.9 12.2 26.4 32.3 17.5 667 648 | Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 years | 1,358 1,189 | * | 24.6 | 17.3 20.9 | 24.6 21.8 | 16.9 28.1 | 16.8 | 366 833 | 539 324 803 524 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17, head d5-64 years | All 3 person families | 10,940 | 3.7 | 7.9 | 12.2 | 26.4 | 32.3 | 17.5 | | 642 |
| Rusband-wife, no child under 17, head under 45 years | Husband-wife, child under 17, head under 45 years Husband-wife, child under 17, head 45-64 years | 4,079 | * * | 10.3 | 12.7 | 31.4 25.7 | 33.7 35.2 | 9.9 | 535 824 | 595 524 815 * |
| Other family group, head dy-64 years———————————————————————————————————— | Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 350 2,488 | * | * | 12.4 | * | 36.5 | 25.1 | 607 807 | 762 • 607 793 720 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 years | 1,030 672 | 26.3 | 21.6 | * | 28.7 | 20.5 | * | 935 | 562 330 924 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | All 4 person families | 9,810 | 3.8 | 7.2 | 14.3 | 24.4 | 30.5 | 19.7 | 686 | 660 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | Husband-wife, child under 17 years | T, 909 | * | 4.3 | 13.8 12.9 | 27.1 18.7 | 32.9 39.2 | 20.5 | 703 | 705 692 748 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 714 * 746 * |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | Other family group, head under 45 years | 906 266 | * | 36.0 | 22.9 | * | * | * | 298 418 | 334 244 407 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | All 5 person families or more | 13,292 | 5.8 | 7.0 | 11.4 | 18.6 | 34.0 | 23.3 | 799 | 752 |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 7.782 | * | 6.3 | 9.1 | 19.6 | 39.0 | 21.4 | 809 | 798 791 834 * |
| Other family group | | 579 | * | * | * | * | 36.0 | * | 552 | 553 * 544 * |
| | Other family group, head under 45 years. | 367 | 29.8 | 16.6 | * | * | 16.2 | 14.5 | 764 493 | 517 537 395 * |

Table 2. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

| | Number | | | | 1th exp | enses | | Average | |
|---|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Family characteristic | of indi- viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500- \$999 | \$1,000 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | | Pe | rcent d | istribu | tion | | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 6.5 | 11.2 | 16.5 | 24.6 | 26.4 | 14.9 | 598 | 560 |
| All individuals | 13,261 | 15.0 | 20.8 | 25.0 | 23.3 | 11.5 | 4.5 | 339 | 288 |
| Living alone, all ages | 11,180 3,358 3,166 4,656 | 15.9 19.4 19.3 11.0 | 20.5 28.6 14.6 18.7 | 25.6 21.7 22.8 30.6 | 22.0 16.6 23.9 24.7 | 11.5 10.6 14.3 10.1 | 4.5 * 5.2 5.0 | 333 290 389 326 | 280 234 314 290 |
| Living with nonrelatives, all ages | 2,081 1,460 231 390 | 9.1 * * | 22.6 20.9 * | 20.9 21.1 * * | 30.9 31.0 * | 11.7 13.7 * | * * * | 371 382 495 261 | 337 346 421 252 |
| All families | 52,040 | 4.4 | 8.7 | 14.3 | 24.9 | 30.2 | 17.5 | 657 | 628 |
| All 2 person families | 17,997 | 3.9 | 11.1 | 17.1 | 27.7 | 26.6 | 13.7 | 570 | 548 |
| Husband-wife | 14,575 3,706 6,389 4,480 | 3.2 5.2 2.6 | 9.8 16.8 9.2 4.3 | 16.3 25.7 13.4 12.1 | 28.6 30.7 25.5 31.3 | 27.8 16.5 31.3 32.9 | 14.3 5.0 18.0 17.1 | 574 375 647 643 | 556 355 630 630 |
| Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 yearsOther family group, head 65 years and over | 3,423 1,358 1,189 876 | 6.9 11.1 * | 16.5 23.1 * | 20.6 19.6 21.1 21.7 | 23.6 22.0 24.0 26.0 | 21.4 16.3 27.1 21.6 | 11.0 * 14.5 * | 549 380 760 505 | 512 338 730 488 |
| All 3 person families | 10,940 | 3.8 | 8.1 | 12.8 | 27.5 | 31.9 | 15.9 | 645 | 620 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 5,515 4,079 1,396 * | * * * | 8.7 10.6 * | 11.6 12.7 * | 31.4 32.2 28.0 | 33.4 33.4 34.1 * | 13.3 9.3 26.3 | 586 529 764 * | 576 519 757 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 3,530 350 2,488 | * * | * * | 13.2 * 11.9 | 23.6 | 34.2 * 35.5 | 23.9 * 24.4 | 756 600 795 | 747 600 782 685 |
| and over | 693 | * | * | | 23.7 | 32.5 | 8.9 | 685 606 | 513 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years Other family group, head 45-64 years Other family group, head 65 years and over | 1,895 1,030 672 * | 15.4 26.4 * | 14.2 | 15.5 | 22.9 13.1 34.1 * | 23.0 22.6 28.0 * | * * | 378 883 | 278 873 * |
| All 4 person families | 9,810 | 4.1 | 7.3 | 14.7 | 24.6 | 29.8 | 19.5 | 677 | 649 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 7,217 5,236 1,959 * | * * * | 4.3 4.5 * | 13.9 14.2 13.1 | 25.6 27.8 19.6 | 33.6 31.9 38.8 * | 20.6 20.1 22.4 * | 706 694 743 * | 692 684 723 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 1,345 * 1,005 | * * | * | * * | 29.6 * 32.5 | 28.3 * 26.3 | 21.8 * 24.6 | 738 * 748 | 706 * 737 |
| and over | * | * | | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 yearsOther family group, head 65 years and over | 1,249 906 266 * | 15.8 21.0 * | 31.3 | 24.3 22.0 * | 13.9 * * | * * * | * * | 419 355 426 * | 353 281 · 414 * |
| All 5 person families or more | 13,292 | 5.7 | 7.1 | 11.5 | 19.0 | 34.1 | 22.5 | 774 | 730 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 11,027 7,782 3,159 | 3.1 2.3 * | 5.8 6.3 * | 11.0 11.1 10.5 * | 18.7 20.0 15.6 | 36.9 38.8 32.5 | 24.5 21.5 33.1 * | 813 804 841 * | 788 786 807 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 795 * 579 * | * * * | * | * * | 26.0 | 28.3 * 34.2 * | * * * | 545 * 525 | 534 * 518 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years Other family group, head 45-64 years Other family group, head 65 years and over | 1,471 1,035 367 * | 26.4 29.6 * | 19.3 | 13.6 | 17.8 16.2 * | 16.5 14.3 * | 11.2 * * | 545 525 490 * | 400 370 396 * |

Table 3. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, excluding health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

| | Number of indi- | | | Hea | ılth exp | enses | | Average | |
|--|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250- \$499 | \$500- \$999 | \$1,000 or more | expense for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | | Pe | rcent d | listribu | tion | | Expense i | n dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 9.7 | 17.6 | 23.3 | 22.7 | 17.4 | 9.3 | 459 | 415 |
| All individuals and families | 13,261 | 22.6 | 29.4 | 23.3 | 14.3 | 7.6 | 2.9 | 265 | 206 |
| Living alone, all ages | 11,180 3,358 3,166 4,656 | 23.8 24.9 24.4 22.6 | 29.3 35.3 24.9 28.0 | 23.8 18.6 27.0 25.5 | 13.7 13.7 12.9 14.3 | 6.7 5.6 8.9 6.0 | 2.6 * * 3.7 | 257 226 288 257 | 195 170 218 199 |
| Living with nonrelatives, all agesLiving with nonrelatives, under 45 yearsLiving with nonrelatives, 45-64 yearsLiving with nonrelatives, 65 years and over | 2,081 1,460 231 390 | 15.9 * * | 29.6 33.6 * | 20.1 21.3 * | 17.8 17.6 * | 12.5 14.4 * | * * * | .310 294 476 269 | 261 264 382 167 |
| All families | 52,040 | 6.4 | 14.5 | 23.3 | 24.9 | 19.9 | 11.0 | 501 | 469 |
| All 2 person families | 17,997 | 7.1 | 18.6 | 27.0 | 22.9 | 16.3 | 8.0 | 417 | 387 |
| Husband-wife, head under 45 years | 14,575 3,706 6,389 4,480 | 6.0 8.7 4.9 5.2 | 18.2 26.3 17.1 12.3 | 27.1 32.8 24.6 25.3 | 23.7 18.8 24.4 27.0 | 16.7 8.7 19.0 20.9 | 8.3 4.6 9.9 9.4 | 410 305 445 451 | 385 278 423 427 |
| Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 yearsOther family group, head 65 years and over | 3,423 1,358 1,189 876 | 12.1 14.1 * | 20.4 24.4 14.4 22.3 | 26.7 24.8 28.4 27.4 | 19.8 21.5 22.0 * | 14.6 11.5 17.0 16.8 | 6.4 * * | 451 309 647 395 | 396 266 584 346 |
| All 3 person families | 10,940 | 6.4 | 14.1 | 22.8 | 27.2 | 19.8 | 9.7 | 485 | 454 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 5,515 4,079 1,396 * | 3.7 3.5 * | 12.8 14.3 * | 24.4 24.4 25.3 | 31.7 33.1 27.5 | 18.5 17.9 21.2 | 8.8 6.8 14.8 | 433 396 543 * | 417 382 523 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 3,530 350 2,488 693 | 4.6 * * | 12.8 * 12.1 * | 20.2 * 18.0 * | 23.6 * 23.8 25.4 | 25.7 * 26.1 22.4 | 13.1 * 14.7 * | 566 462 599 487 | 540 444 567 476 |
| Other family group. head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 yearsOther family group, head 65 years and over | 1,895 1,030 672 * | 18.2 28.2 * | 20.6 28.0 * | 22.5 * 37.1 * | 19.9 21.8 * | 12.4 * * | * * * | 499 273 785 * | 408 196 754 * |
| All 4 person families | 9,810 | 5.1 | 12.8 | 21.1 | 27.6 | 21.3 | 12.2 | 521 | 495 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 7,217 5,236 1,959 | * * * | 8.7 8.1 10.2 | 21.5 21.9 20.5 * | 31.8 34.0 26.2 | 22.7 21.1 27.4 * | 12.9 13.2 12.3 | 547 547 550 * | 534 537 532 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 1,345 * 1,005 * | * * * | * * * | 17.9 * 18.0 * | 25.6 * 29.5 * | 25.4 * 22.2 * | 13.8 * 15.3 * | 563 * 561 * | 511 * 515 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,249 906 266 * | 16.0 20.4 * | 40.8 44.8 * | 21.9 15.5 * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 309 273 271 * | 260 217 257 * |
| All 5 person families or more | 13,292 | 6.3 | 10.6 | 20.5 | 23.6 | 23.8 | 15.2 | 612 | 574 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 11,027 7,782 3,159 | 3.7 2.7 5.0 * | 8.2 8.6 6.6 | 20.6 21.5 18.6 * | 25.5 26.5 23.4 * | 26.0 26.0 26.5 | 16.1 14.7 19.9 | 638 641 634 * | 614 624 602 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 795 * 579 * | * * * | 36.7 * 50.0 * | * * * | 24.0 * * | * * * | * * * | 380 * 338 * | 372 * 334 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,471 1,035 367 * | 26.7 28.8 * | 16.4 21.5 * | 22.7 17.5 * * | 10.3 * * | 12.6 * * * | 11.2 12.9 * * | 504 520 408 * | 369 371 318 * |

Table 4. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket hospital expense, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

| | Number | | н | ospital | expens | es | Average | |
|---|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Family characteristic | of indi- viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | Pe | ercent distribution | | | | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 71.8 | 15.5 | 5.8 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 228 | 64 |
| All individuals | 13,261 | 85.9 | 7.8 | 2.9 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 247 | 35 |
| Living alone, all agesLiving alone, under 45 years | 11,180 3,358 3,166 4,656 | 87.5 89.9 89.1 84.7 | 7.0 * 5.2 10.0 | 2.6 * * * | * * | 1.7 | 238 161 382 205 | 30 16 42 31 |
| Living with nonrelatives, all ages | 2,081 1,460 231 390 | 77.7 75.0 90.2 80.6 | 11.7 14.1 * | * * | * * * * | * * * | 272 273 541 183 | 61 68 53 36 |
| All families | 52,040 | 68.3 | 17.5 | 6.5 | 3.7 | 4.0 | 226 | 72 |
| All 2 person families | 17,997 | 74.9 | 13.7 | 5.7 | 2.2 | 3.6 | 241 | 60 |
| Husband-wife, head under 45 years | 14,575 3,706 6,389 4,480 | 73.9 77.9 75.6 68.0 | 14.4 13.7 12.8 17.3 | 6.1 4.5 5.6 8.4 | 2.1 * * * | 3.5 4.3 3.5 | 236 158 281 231 | 62 35 69 74 |
| Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 yearsOther family group, head 65 years and over | 3,423 1,358 1,189 876 | 79.5 77.2 80.8 81.3 | 10.6 15.1 * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 269 111 · 494 261 | 55 25 95 49 |
| All 3 person families | 10,940 | 67.3 | 17.3 | 6.8 | 4.9 | 3.7 | 189 | 62 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 5,515 4,079 1,396 | 63.8 60.8 72.5 | | 6.8 7.9 * | 6.3 7.7 * | 4.1 * * | 192 180 245 * | 70 71 67 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 3,530 350 2,488 693 | 69.6 65.5 70.3 68.9 | * | 6.8 * * | * * * | * * * | 192 161 176 261 | 58 56 52 81 |
| Other family group | 1,895 1,030 672 * | 73.7 74.2 68.6 * | 14.4 17.9 * | 7.1 * * | * * * | * * * | 172 90 253 * | 45 23 79 * |
| All 4 person families | 9,810 | 67.0 | 19.1 | 6.1 | 4.4 | 3.4 | 184 | 61 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 7,217 5,236 1,959 | 64.3 62.9 67.6 * | 20.4 | 6.6 6.8 * | 5.5 6.3 * | 3.6 3.6 * | 185 188 175 * | 66 70 57 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | | 75.4 * 73.0 * | 15.7 * 18.3 * | * * * | * * * | * * | 226 * 210 * | 56 * 57 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 yearsOther family group, head 65 years and over | 1,249 906 266 * | 73.8 71.3 84.3 | 21.1 | * * * | * * * | * * * | 136 88 153 * | 36 25 25 * |
| All 5 person families or more | 13,292 | 61.1 | 21.6 | 7.7 | 4.2 | 5.4 | 264 | 103 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 11,027 7,782 3,159 * | 58.9 57.7 61.0 | | 8.8 7.6 12.1 * | 4.1 4.8 * | 5.2 6.1 * | 258 291 170 * | 106 123 66 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 795 * 579 * | 67.8 * 68.4 * | * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 199 * 193 * | 64 * 61 * |
| Other family group | 1,471 1,035 367 * | 74.4 75.5 70.2 * | * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 374 455 227 * | 96 112 68 * |

Table 5. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket doctor expense, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

[Data are based on household interviews of the civilian, noninstitutionalized population. The survey design, general qualifications, and information on the reliability of the estimates are given in appendix I. Definitions of terms are given in appendix II]

| Number N | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Paully characteristic Paul | | of indi- | | | Doctor | expense | : | | Por |
| Total, individuals and families——————————————————————————————————— | Family characteristic | and families in thou- | | than | | \$250- \$499 | or | unit with | family |
| All individuals | | | r | Percent distribution | | | | Expense | in dollars |
| Living alone, all spees | Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 20.7 | 36.1 | 25.9 | 11.7 | 5.6 | 182 | 144 |
| Living with nonrelatives, of syers and over | All individuals | 13,261 | 41.1 | 37.0 | 15.2 | 4.7 | 2.0 | 112 | 66 |
| Living with nonrelatives, under 19 years 126 | Living alone, under 45 years | 3,358 3,166 | 41.4 44.8 | 37.8 31.6 | 14.5 17.6 | * | * | 104 122 | 65 61 67 65 |
| 17,997 | Living with nonrelatives, under 45 years | 1,460 231 | 30.0 | 49.8 | * | * | * | 96 191 | 67 126 |
| Husband-wife 14,576 17.9 43.0 24.3 10.6 4.2 156 133 134 135 136 | All families | 52,040 | 15.6 | 35.9 | 28.6 | 13.4 | 6.5 | 194 | 164 |
| Rusband-wife, head dunder 45 years | All 2 person families | 17,997 | 18.7 | 43.1 | 23.3 | 10.2 | 4.8 | 166 | 135 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | Husband-wife, head under 45 years | 3,706 6,389 | 18.2 18.5 | 54.1 40.0 | 18.2 25.4 | 7.2 11.8 | 4.4 | 125 169 | 103 137 |
| ## All 3 person families | Other family group | 1,358 | 22.5 17.5 | 50.6 39.9 | 11.7 | * | 11.9 | 148 268 | 221 |
| Rusband-wife; child under 17, head under 45 years 4,079 1, 32.3 35.8 16.1 4.7 178 162 Rusband-wife; child under 17, head 45-64 years and over 1,396 35.4 35.9 4 10.8 200 181 181 182 182 181 182 181 182 | | 10,940 | 14.0 | 34.1 | 32.1 | 14.1 | 5.7 | 1.94 | 167 |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17, head under 45 years | Husband-wife, child under 17, head under 45 years | 4,079 | 9.1 | 32.3 | 35.8 35.9 | 18.1 | 4.7 10.8 | 178 200 | 162 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years 1,030 42.9 25.6 18.6 * * 152 87 Other family group, head 65-64 years 672 * 36.7 29.4 * * * 398 333 All 4 person families 9,810 13.3 32.9 30.9 15.8 7.0 207 180 Husband-wife, child under 17, bead under 45 years 5,236 5.4 30.1 39.2 17.3 8.0 226 214 Husband-wife, child under 17, bead under 45 years 1,959 9.8 42.7 24.1 17.3 8.0 226 214 Husband-wife, child under 17, head 65 years and over 1,959 9.8 42.7 24.1 17.3 8.0 226 214 Husband-wife, no child under 17, head 45-64 years 1,959 9.8 42.7 24.1 17.3 8.0 226 14 Husband-wife, no child under 17, head under 45 years 1,345 19.2 33.7 22.5 16.3 * 299 169 Husband-wife, no child under 17, head under 45 years 1,005 20.0 36.7 1 | - Wushand-wife no child under 17, head under 45 vears | 350 2,488 | 11.7 | 36.7 | 31.0 | 13.7 | 6.9 | 165 193 | 139 170 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,030 672 | 42.9 | 25.6 | 18.6 | * | * | 152 | 87 |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | | 9,810 | 13.3 | 32.9 | 30.9 | 15.8 | | | |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 5,236 | 5.4 | 30.1 | 39.2 24.1 | 17.3 | 8.0 | 226 | 214 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 years | 906 266 | 53.5 | 28.5 | * | * | * | 128 | 59 |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | • | 13,292 | 14.4 | 29.8 | 31.3 | 15.4 | 9.1 | 219 | 188 |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 11,027 7,782 3,159 | 10.7 | 30.5 31.4 | 34.0 33.1 | 17.0 16.4 | 10.4 8.4 | 234 197 | 215 176 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | | * | 31.3 | * | * | * | * | * 171 | 118 |
| | Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,035 | 53.8 | 25.9 | * | * | * | 195 169 | 90 |

Table 6. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket dental expense, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

[Data are based on household interviews of the civilian, noninstitutionalized population. The survey design, general qualifications, and information on the reliability of the estimates are given in appendix II. Definitions of terms are given in appendix II]

| | Number | | | Dental | expense | | Average | |
|---|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Family characteristic | of indi- viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | P | ercent | distri | bution | | Expense | in dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 39.0 | 35.2 | 14.3 | 7.4 | 4.1 | 151 | 92 |
| All individuals | 13,261 | 62.0 | 26.3 | 7.2 | 3.1 | 1.4 | 110 | 42 |
| Living alone, all ages | 11,180 3,358 3,166 4,656 | 64.7 48.0 64.5 76.8 | 24.1 36.5 22.1 16.5 | 6.7 9.3 7.6 4.3 | 2.9 * * * | 1.6 * * | 114 105 149 93 | 40 55 53 21 |
| Living with nonrelatives, all ages | 2,081 1,460 231 390 | 47.5 41.0 * 77.5 | 38.1 41.8 * | 9.5 11.4 * | * * * | * * * | 92 87 152 48 | 48 51 89 11 |
| All families | 52,040 | 33.2 | 37.5 | 16.0 | 8.5 | 4.7 | 156 | 105 |
| All 2 person families | 17,997 | 43.7 | 36.1 | 11.4 | 6.2 | 2.5 | • 125 | 70 |
| Husband-wife | 14,575 3,706 6,389 4,480 | 43.2 36.4 39.3 54.6 | 36.8 44.0 37.4 29.7 | 11.1 11.5 11.8 9.5 | 6.4 6.5 6.8 5.8 | 2.6 * 4.6 * | 124 103 146 107 | 71 66 89 49 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 3,423 1,358 1,189 876 | 46.2 38.4 45.2 60.3 | 33.0 38.6 33.0 24.3 | 13.1 15.4 13.1 * | 5.3 * * | * * * | 129 94 166 144 | 69 58 91 57 |
| All 3 person families | 10,940 | 32.6 | 39.2 | 17.4 | 6.5 | 4.3 | 150 | 101 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 5,515 4,079 1,396 * | 30.2 33.0 22.0 * | 44.6 47.0 37.7 | 16.3 13.3 25.5 | 5.3 4.6 * | 3.6 * * | 119 101 164 * | 83 67 128 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 3,530 350 2,488 693 | 30.7 * 27.7 46.2 | 34.6 * 35.1 31.5 | 18.9 * 19.9 * | 9.7 * 10.3 * | 6.0 * 7.1 * | 204 145 216 188 | 141 113 156 101 |
| Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head d5-64 yearsOther family group, head 65 years and over | 1,895 1,030 672 * | 43.4 49.7 33.7 * | 31.9 24.9 38.8 * | 17.6 21.2 * | * * * | * * * | 141 113 180 * | 80 57 119 * |
| All 4 person families | 9,810 | 24.8 | 41.5 | 17.8 | 10.1 | 5.8 | 164 | 123 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 7,217 5,236 1,959 * | 22.1 22.3 21.3 * | 42.7 44.6 37.8 * | 18.2 18.2 18.4 * | 10.7 8.3 17.1 | 6.3 6.6 * | 168 161 185 * | 131 125 146 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 1,345 * 1,005 * | 27.1 * 27.0 * | 32.6 * 28.6 * | 24.7 * · 25.6 * | 11.6 * 14.4 * | * * * | 166 * 177 * | 121 * 129 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,249 906 266 * | 42.3 | 41.8 | * * * | * * * | * * * | 130 145 85 * | 80 84 61 * |
| All 5 person families or more | 13,292 | 25.6 | 35.1 | 19.9 | 12.2 | 7.2 | 188 | 140 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 11,027 7,782 3,159 * | 22.8 24.2 18.6 * | 34.4 | 21.6 22.8 19.3 | 13.4 12.2 16.7 | 7.8 6.3 11.4 * | 198 184 230 * | 153 140 187 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 795 * 579 * | 23.3 | 48.8 | * * * | * * * | * * * | 96 * 104 * | * |
| Other family group | 1,471 1,035 367 * | 51.6 | 26.8 | 10.4 * * | * | * * * | 142 155 107 * | 75 67 |

Table 7. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket prescription medicine expense, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

| | Number of indi- | | | escriptio | | Average for | |
|---|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 or more | family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | P | ercent dis | tribution | | Expense i | n dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 22.9 | 49.7 | 19.1 | 8.3 | 108 | 83 |
| All individuals | 13,261 | 41.4 | 43.6 | 11.5 | 3.4 | 76 | 44 |
| Living alone, all ages | 11,180 3,358 3,166 4,656 | 42.7 50.6 44.9 35.4 | 41.9 41.2 41.4 42.6 | 12.1 7.0 10.3 17.1 | 3.3 * * 4.9 | 79 57 80 91 | 45 28 44 59 |
| Living with nonrelatives, all ages | 2,081 1,460 231 390 | 34.5 32.4 * | 53.1 58.6 * | 8.4 * * | * * * | 61 50 95 89 | 40 34 69 47 |
| All families | 52,040 | 18.2 | 51.2 | 21.0 | 9.6 | 113 | 93 |
| All 2 person families | 17,997 | 21.1 | 46.0 | 22.2 | 10.6 | 122 | 96 |
| Husband-wife, head under 45 years | 14.575 3,706 6,389 4,480 | 19.4 26.1 20.1 12.7 | 47.0 60.9 42.5 41.7 | 23.0 11.1 25.4 29.5 | 10.6 * 11.9 16.1 | 120 58 132 149 | 97 43 105 130 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 3,423 1,358 1,189 876 | 28.7 26.5 30.1 30.3 | 41.9 52.2 36.1 33.0 | 18.9 16.3 20.2 21.1 | 10.6 * 13.7 15.5 | 131 74 171 174 | 93 55 119 121 |
| All 3 person families | 10,940 | 16.7 | 56.2 | 19.1 | 8.0 | 102 | 85 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 5,515 4,079 1,396 | 12.0 9.7 17.9 * | 66.8 74.4 45.3 * | 16.0 12.5 26.5 * | 5.2 3.3 10.4 * | 82 69 122 * | 72 63 100 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 3,530 350 2,488 693 | 51.9 * 16.1 * | 46.2 * 45.3 49.6 | 24.7 * 24.9 20.1 | 13.1 * 13.7 * | 131 102 130 146 | 110 82 109 126 |
| Other family groupOther family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 yearsOther family group, head 65 years and over | 1,895 1,030 672 * | 32.5 43.5 * | 43.8 44.6 46.6 * | 17.3 * 27.6 * | * * * | 113 78 419 * | 76 44 129 * |
| All 4 person families | 9,810 | 15.9 | 54.8 | 19.9 | 9.4 | 112 | 94 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 7,217 5,236 1,959 | 9.7 8.3 12.6 * | 59.5 62.5 52.2 * | 21.3 21.2 21.5 * | 9.5 8.0 13.7 * | 108 103 123 * | 98 95 107 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 1,345 * 1,005 * | 19.8 * 21.8 * | 45.6 * 46.4 * | 21.7 * 20.9 * | 12.9 * * * | 141 * 132 * | 113 * 103 * |
| Other family group | 1,249 906 266 * | 49.5 54.0 * | 36.2 31.9 * | * * * | * * * | 93 95 57 * | 47 44 35 * |
| All 5 person families or more | 13,292 | 17.1 | 51.5 | 21.8 | 9.6 | 113 | 94 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 11,027 7,782 3,159 * | 14.1 13.5 14.6 * | 52.3 54.4 47.5 * | 24.1 21.8 30.2 * | 9.5 10.3 7.8 * | 113 113 114 * | 97 98 98 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 795 * 579 * | 21.9 * 28.2 * | 53.6 * 54.4 * | * * * | * * * | 104 * 93 * | 82 * 67 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,471 1,035 367 * | 37.3 42.8 * | 44.5 40.6 62.9 * | * * * | * * * | 121 109 73 * | 76 62 55 * |

Table 8. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket optical expense, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

| | Number | | Optical | expense | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| Family characteristic | of indi- viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100 or more | Average for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | Perce | nt distrib | ution | Expense i | n dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 54.0 | 37.2 | 8.8 | 68 | 31 |
| All individuals | 13,261 | 65.3 | 31.4 | 3.3 | 52 | 18 |
| Living alone, all ages | 11,180 3,358 3,166 4,656 | 69.0 72.9 65.7 68.5 | 28.8 24.6 31.4 30.0 | 2.2 * * * | 52 55 59 45 | 16 15 20 14 |
| Living with nonrelatives, all ages | 2,081 1,460 231 390 | 44.4 35.9 * 77.8 | 46.0 52.8 * | 9.6 11.4 * * | 52 50 70 44 | 29 32 38 10 |
| All families | 52,040 | 51.1 | 38.7 | 10.2 | 71 | 35 |
| All 2 person families | 17,997 | 49.7 | 42.5 | 7.8 | 61 | 31 |
| Husband-wife, head under 45 years | 14,575 3,706 6,389 4,480 3,423 | 47.4 59.4 41.3 45.9 60.0 | 44.1 34.6 48.2 46.3 35.5 | 8.5 6.0 10.5 7.9 | 62 56 64 64 53 | 33 23 38 35 21 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years Other family group, head 45-64 years Other family group, head 65 years and over | 1,358 1,189 876 | 73.1 44.8 59.7 | 25.2 47.9 35.0 | * * * | 44 59 52 | 12 33 21 |
| All 3 person families | 10,940 | 52.8 | 37.4 | 9.8 | 69 | 33 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 5,515 4,079 1,396 * | 57.4 64.3 38.1 * | 37.0 33.1 47.5 * | 5.6 * 14.5 * | 60 51 74 * | 25 18 46 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 3,530 350 2,488 693 | 38.3 * 37.8 42.3 | 43.8 * 41.8 49.0 | 17.9 * 20.4 * | 80 78 81 76 | 49 52 50 44 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,895 1,030 672 * | 66.2 73.4 57.9 | 26.5 20.4 32.9 * | * * * | 71 68 81 * | 24 18 34 * |
| All 4 person families | 9,810 | 54.4 | 35.0 | 10.6 | 73 | 34 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 7,217 5,236 1,959 * | 54.2 60.2 38.0 * | 36.3 31.9 48.6 * | 9.4 8.0 13.5 * | 71 69 75 * | 33 27 46 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 1,345 * 1,005 | 43.1 * 39.0 | 35.2 * 39.0 | 21.8 * 21.9 * | 88 * 84 * | 50 * 51 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17, head 65 years and over- Other family group, head under 45 years Other family group, head 45-64 years Other family group, head 65 years and over | 1,249 906 266 * | 67.8 78.2 * | 26.8 17.8 * | * * * * | 66 67 65 * | 21 15 47 * |
| All 5 person families or more | 13,292 | 49.3 | 37.3 | 13.4 | 83 | 42 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 11,027 7,782 3,159 * | 47.7 54.9 28.9 * | 37.9 35.4 44.1 * | 14.5 9.6 27.0 * | 86 77 100 * | 45 35 71 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 795 * 579 * | 40.4 * 46.6 * | 44.4 * 36.1 * | * * * | 81 * 89 * | 48 * 48 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 yearsOther family group, head 65 years and over | 1,471 1,035 367 * | 66.0 67.9 62.4 | 29.6 28.2 * | * * * | 57 56 60 * | 19 18 22 * |

Table 9. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health insurance premiums, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

| · | · | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Number of indi- | | Healt | h insura | nce pre | niums | Average for | |
| Family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100 - \$249 | \$250 ~ \$499 | \$500 or more | family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | | Percent | : distrib | ution | | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 33.7 | 16.8 | 26.9 | 18.7 | 3.9 | 216 | 143 |
| All individuals | 13,261 | 37.7 | 29.7 | 26.4 | 5.6 | * | 128 | 80 |
| Living alone, all ages | 11,180 3,358 3,166 4,656 | 37.2 58.2 37.8 22.0 | 28.8 19.4 20.2 41.3 | 27.4 15.1 32.4 32.6 | 5.9 5.7 9.1 3.8 | * * * | 131 151 152 111 | 82 63 94 87 |
| Living with nonrelatives, all ages | 2,081 1,460 231 390 | 40.6 47.9 * | 34.7 32.7 * | 20.6 16.2 * | * * * | * * * | 114 109 181 98 | 68 57 109 82 |
| All families | 52,040 | 32.7 | 13.7 | 27.0 | 21.9 | 4.7 | 236 | 159 |
| All 2 person families | 17,997 | 26.9 | 15.2 | 31.7 | 21.9 | 4.2 | 226 | 165 |
| Husband-wife, head under 45 years | 14,575 3,706 6,389 4,480 | 24.4 40.3 25.5 10.0 | 14.1 18.6 11.9 13.6 | 32.9 25.6 27.9 46.1 | 23.8 14.4 27.3 26.5 | 4.7 * 7.4 3.8 | 235 184 - 273 218 | 177 110 203 196 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 3,423 1,358 1,189 876 | 37.8 52.8 34.6 19.4 | 19.7 16.7 16.0 29.2 | 26.5 21.6 26.5 33.7 | 13.8 * 19.2 * | * * * | 181 153 212 171 | 112 72 138 137 |
| All 3 person families | 10,940 | 32.6 | 12.8 | 26.7 | 22.8 | 5.2 | 243 | 164 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 5,515 4,079 1,396 * | 30.5 34.1 20.1 * | 14.2 14.4 12.7 | 28.4 28.1 30.1 * | 22.9 19.2 34.0 * | 4.0 4.1 * | 231 219 258 * | 160 144 206 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 3,530 350 2,488 693 | 23.2 * 25.3 * | 12.3 * 12.2 * | 29.9 * 29.1 28.5 | 27.2 * 24.2 39.6 | 7.5 * 9.2 * | 264 222 276 242 | 202 163 206 208 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,895 1,030 672 * | 56.9 65.8 52.7 * | 9.3 * * | 15.4 * * | 13.9 * * | * * * | 235 254 226 * | 101 87 107 * |
| All 4 person families | 9,810 | 38.1 | 13.6 | 24.5 | 18.8 | 5.1 | 238 | 148 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 7,217 5,236 1,959 | 35.4 35.3 35.0 * | 14.4 15.9 10.6 | 26.3 27.4 23.7 * | 19.2 18.3 22.0 | 4.6 3.1 8.8 * | 233 213 286 * | 151 138 186 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 1,345 * 1,005 * | 30.0 * 29.1 * | 13.2 * 14.4 * | 24.2 * 20.2 * | 24.0 * 25.7 * | * * * | 264 * 276 * | 185 * 196 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,249 90.6 266 * | 62.3 68.5 * | * * * | 13.9 * * | * * * | * * * | 239 189 347 * | 90 60 148 * |
| All 5 person families or more | 13,292 | 36.8 | 12.4 | 22.8 | 23.6 | 4.5 | 245 | 155 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 11,027 7,782 3,159 | 33.4 33.3 33.3 * | 12.3 13.1 9.7 | 24.7 25.9 21.7 | 24.9 24.3 27.1 * | 4.7 3.4 8.2 * | 247 232 287 * | 164 155 191 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 795 * 579 * | 39.6 * 33.5 * | * * * | 19.4 * * | 28.2 * 34.8 * | * * * | 262 * 275 * | 158 * 183 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,471 1,035 367 | 60.5 68.7 * | 14.9 * * | * * * | 12.0 * * * | * * * | 205 196 189 * | 81 61 109 * |
| | L | <u> </u> | | | L | <u>'</u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

Table 10. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket other medical expenses for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

| | Number | | Other m | edical ex | pense | Average | |
|---|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Family characteristic | of indi- viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | P | ercent di | stributio | n. | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 87.1 | 9.4 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 118 | 15 |
| All individual | 13,261 | 90.7 | 6.7 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 133 | 12 |
| Living alone, all ages | 11,180 3,358 3,166 4,656 | 90.1 96.3 92.5 83.9 | 7.1 * 5.0 11.9 | * * * | 1.6 * * * | 134 210 108 130 | 13 8 8 21 |
| Living with nonrelatives, all ages | 2,081 1,460 231 390 | 94.1 93.1 94.9 98.4 | * * * | * * * | * * * | 121 86 49 806 | 7 6 3 15 |
| All families | 52,040 | 86.1 | 10.0 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 116 | 16 |
| All 2 person families | 17,997 | 84.7 | 10.4 | 2.6 | 2.3 | 130 | 20 |
| Husband-wife, head under 45 years | 14,575 3,706 6,389 4,480 | 84.3 91.7 84.5 77.5 | 10.9 5.7 11.4 14.7 | 2.6 * 3.0 3.7 | 2.2 * * 4.1 | 118 179 94 124 | 19 15 15 28 |
| Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 years | 3,423 1,358 1,189 876 | 86.6 94.6 79.8 82.7 | 8.3 * * | * * * | * * * | 191 53 258 150 | 26 3 52 26 |
| All 3 person family | 10,940 | 87.2 | 10.0 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 133 | 1.7 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 5,515 4,079 1,396 * | 88.8 91.4 81.6 * | 9.0 7.3 13.9 * | * * * | * * * | 72 50 95 * | 8 4 17 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 3,530 350 2,488 693 | 84.2 96.3 83.4 81.3 | 12.4 * 13.0 * | * * * | * * * | 155 250 171 94 | 25 9 28 18 |
| Other family group | 1,895 1,030 672 * | 88.2 85.6 90.3 | 8.5 * * | * * * | * * * | 260 85 640 * | 30 12 62 * |
| All 4 person families | 9,810 | 85.6 | 10.5 | 2.4 | * | 98 | 14 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 7,217 5,236 1,959 | 84.0 85.3 80.3 * | 12.1 11.7 13.3 * | 2.9 * * | * * * | 85 73 111 * | 14 11 22 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 1,345 * 1,005 * | 83.6 * 80.6 * | * * * * | * * * | * * * | 145 * 141 * | 24 * 27 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 yearsOther family group, head 45-64 years | 1,249 906 266 * | 96.6 98.1 92.9 * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 220 * * * | 7 * * |
| All 5 person families or more | 13,292 | 87.4 | 9.3 | 2.3 | * | 93 | 1.2 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 11,027 7,782 3,159 | 86.2 87.1 83.6 * | 10.0 10.5 9.2 * | 2.7 2.2 * | * * * | 96 57 173 * | 13 7 28 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 795 * 579 * | 96.8 * 96.7 * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 79 * * * | 3 * * |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,471 1,035 367 * | 92.0 92.7 88.6 * | * * * * | * * * * | * * * | 60 75 33 * | 5 5 4 * |

Table 11. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses for persons outside the family unit, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics: United States, 1970

| | 1 | ga uppe | T | | 1 | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | Number of indi- | | Outside | expense | Average for | _ |
| Family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100 or more | family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | Perce | nt distrib | ution | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 65,300 | 93.0 | 3.2 | 3.9 | 342 | 24 |
| All individuals | 13,261 | 92.4 | 2.7 | 4.9 | 549 | 42 |
| Living alone, all agesLiving alone, under 45 yearsLiving alone, 45-64 yearsLiving alone, 65 years and over | 11,180 3,358 3,166 4,656 | 91.8 91.8 87.8 94.4 | 2.8 * 5.0 * | 5.4 5.2 7.2 4.4 | 587 864 470 468 | 48 70 57 26 |
| Living with nonrelatives, all ages | 2,081 1,460 231 390 | 95.8 96.8 * 92.3 | * * * | * * * | 138 137 17 207 | 6 4 1 15 |
| All families | 52,040 | 93.1 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 285 | 20 |
| All 2 person families | 17,997 | 93.1 | 2.4 | 4.5 | 343 | 24 |
| Husband-wife, head under 45 years | 14,575 3,706 6,389 4,480 | 92.7 94.8 89.3 96.1 | 2.7 * 3.7 * | 4.6 * 7.0 * | 304 196 282 513 | 22 10 30 20 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years Other family group, head 45-64 years Other family group, head 65 years and over All 3 person families | 3,423 1,358 1,189 876 | 94.4 93.4 93.8 96.6 91.1 | * * * * | * * * * | 565 152 869 1,012 218 | 31 10 54 34 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 5,515 4,079 1,396 | 91.8 94.0 85.4 * | 3.6 * * | 4.6 * * | 198 109 306 * | 16 7 45 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 3,530 350 2,488 693 | 90.4 86.4 89.3 96.5 | 5.2 * * | 4.5 * 5.8 * | 149 53 170 111 | 14 7 18 4 |
| Other family group, head under 45 years Other family group, head 45-64 years Other family group, head 65 years and over | 1,895 1,030 672 * | 90.1 90.2 87.1 * | * * * | * * * | 395 447 334 * | 39 44 43 * |
| All 4 person families | 9,810 | 94.9 | 3.0 | 2.1 | 216 | 11 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 7,217 5,236 1,959 | 94.5 94.6 94.3 * | 3.2 3.3 * | 2.3 * * | 182 154 251 * | 10 8 14 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 1,345 * 1,005 * | 97.3 * 96.5 * | * * * | * * * | 147 * 147 * | 4 * 5 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,249 906 266 * | 94.6 93.3 97.5 * | * * * | * * * | 469 474 428 * | 25 32 11 * |
| All 5 person families or more | 13,292 | 93.6 | 3.8 | 2.6 | 317 | 20 |
| Husband-wife, child under 17 years | 11,027 7,782 3,159 * | 94.1 95.2 91.3 * | 3.9 3.8 * | 2.0 * * | 145 122 170 * | 9 6 15 * |
| Husband-wife, no child under 17 years | 795 * 579 * | 92.6 * 92.0 * | * * * | * * * | 227 * 239 * | 17 * 19 * |
| Other family group, head under 45 years | 1,471 1,035 367 * | 90.8 88.2 96.9 * | * * * | * * * | 1,185 1,275 220 * | 109 151 7 * |

Table 12. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members and for persons outside the family unit, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics and sex of head: United States, 1970

| | Number of indi- | | F | lealth e | xpenses | ; | Average | |
|---|---|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Family characteristic and sex of individual or head of other family group | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250- \$499 | \$500 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | P€ | Percent distribution | | | | | e in ars |
| All individuals | 13,261 | 14.9 | 19.6 | 25.3 | 22.4 | 17.8 | 389 | 331 |
| MaleFemale | 4,587 8,674 | 23.4 10.5 | 21.2 18.7 | 20.7 27.7 | 22.1 22.5 | 12.5 20.6 | 322 420 | 246 376 |
| Living alone | 11,180 | 15.9 | 19.3 | 25.8 | 20.8 | 18.3 | 392 | 329 |
| MaleFemale | 3,523 7,657 | 26.2 11.2 | 19.4 19.2 | 20.8 28.0 | 19.1 21.6 | 14.5 20.0 | 340 412 | 251 366 |
| Living with nonrelatives | 2,081 | * | 21.6 | 22.3 | 32.8 | 14.7 | 373 | 341 |
| MaleFemale | 1,064 1,017 | * | 27.9 | 20.3 24.6 | 33.6 31.7 | 25 . 9 | 262 495 | 228 478 |
| All other family groups 1 | 8,038 | 13.6 | 16.8 | 18.6 | 20.1 | 30.9 | 589 | 509 |
| Male headFemale head | 1,325 6,713 | * 14.7 | 14.4 17.3 | 18.0 18.7 | 20.2 20.1 | 39.1 29.2 | 885 526 | 811 449 |
| 2 person other family group | 3,423 | 6.9 | 16.9 | 19.9 | 24.0 | 32.4 | 578 | 539 |
| Male headFemale head | 748 2,675 | 6.6 | 25.8 14.3 | 20.7 19.6 | 26.9 | 32.1 32.5 | 475 607 | 438 567 |
| 3 person other family group | 1,895 | 14.6 | 13.4 | 15.9 | 20.5 | 35.5 | 658 | 562 |
| Male headFemale head | 278 1,618 | 17.3 | * 15.9 | 14.1 | 20.1 | 32.4 | 1,489 472 | 1,489 390 |
| 4 person other family group | 1,249 | 13.6 | 27.5 | 25.1 | 15.7 | 18.2 | 386 | 334 |
| Male headFemale head | 1,075 | * 14.6 | 32.4 | 28.8 | * | * 15.2 | * 342 | * 292 |
| 5 person other family group or more | 1,471 | 26.8 | 12.5 | 13.8 | 15.0 | 31.8 | 706 | 517 |
| Male headFemale head | 1,346 | 26.3 | 13.5 | * 14.4 | 15.7 | 29.8 | * 554 | * 407 |

¹Exclusive of husband-wife families.

Table 13. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual outof-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics and sex of head: United States, 1970

| Family characteristic and sex of individual or head of other family group | Number of indi- viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Health expenses | | | | Average for | |
|---|---|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| | | Percent distribution | | | | | Expense in dollars | |
| All individuals | 13,261 | 15.0 | 20.8 | 25.0 | 23.3 | 16.0 | 339 | 288 |
| MaleFemale | 4,587 8,674 | 23.6 10.5 | 23.2 19.5 | 19.8 27.6 | 22.7 23.5 | 10.6 18.8 | 287 361 | 220 324 |
| Living alone | 11,180 | 15.9 | 20.5 | 25.6 | 22.0 | 15.9 | 333 | 280 |
| MaleFemale | 3,523 7,657 | 26.3 11.1 | 21.7 19.9 | 20.0 28.3 | 19.8 23.1 | 12.3 17.6 | 296 347 | 218 309 |
| Living with nonrelatives | 2,081 | 9.1 | 22.6 | 20.9 | 30.9 | 16.5 | 371 | 337 |
| MaleFemale | 1,064 1,017 | 13.0 | 28.9 16.2 | 19.5 22.3 | 34.4 27.4 | 29.0 | 259 476 | 225 452 |
| All other family groups | 8,038 | 14.0 | 16.9 | 18.7 | 20.8 | 29.5 | 541 | 465 |
| Male headFemale head | 1,325 6,713 | * 15.1 | 17.4 16.9 | 17.9 18.9 | 21.2 20.7 | 35.5 28.4 | 742 499 | 683 423 |
| 2 person other family group | 3,423 | 6.9 | 16.5 | 20.6 | 23.6 | 32.4 | 549 | 512 |
| Male headFemale head | 748 2,675 | * 6.7 | 26.4 13.8 | 21.1 | 25 . 9 | 32.2 32.5 | 491 566 | 455 528 |
| 3 person other family group | 1,895 | 15.4 | 14.2 | 15.5 | 22.9 | 31.9 | 606 | 513 |
| Male headFemale head | 278 1,618 | * 18.1 | * 16.7 | * 13.4 | 23.0 | * 28.8 | 1,463 423 | 1,463 347 |
| 4 person other family group | 1,249 | 15.8 | 24.9 | 24.3 | 13.9 | 21.0 | 419 | 353 |
| Male headFemale head | 1,075 | * 17.1 | 28.8 | 26.8 | * | 19.3 | * 390 | * 323 |
| 5 person other family group or more | 1,471 | 26.4 | 14.3 | 13.6 | 17.8 | 27.7 | 545 | 400 |
| Male headFemale head | * 1,346 | 26 . 0 | * 13.3 | * 14.2 | 18.9 | 27 . 6 | * 529 | * 392 |

Table 14. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual outof-pocket health expenses, excluding health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family characteristics and sex of head: United States, 1970

| | Number of indi- | | | Health | expense | s | Average | |
|---|---|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Family characteristic and sex of individual or head of other family group | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | with | Per family unit |
| | | Pe | rcent | distrib | oution | | Expens do11 | |
| All individuals | 13,261 | 22.6 | 29.4 | 23.3 | 14.3 | 10.4 | 265 | 206 |
| MaleFemale | 4,587 8,674 | 31.6 17.7 | 32.7 27.6 | 14.5 28.0 | 16.9 12.9 | 4.3 13.8 | 209 291 | 143 240 |
| Living alone | 11,180 | 23.8 | 29.3 | 23.8 | 13.7 | 9.3 | 257 | 195 |
| MaleFemale | 3,523 7,657 | 35.2 18.5 | 30.0 29.0 | 15.7 27.6 | 15.1 13.1 | * 11.8 | 212 273 | 138 223 |
| Living with nonrelatives | 2,081 | 15.9 | 29.6 | 20.1 | 17.8 | 16.6 | 310 | 261 |
| MaleFemale | 1,064 1,017 | 20.0 | 41.4 15.8 | 31 . 2 | 22.7 | 30.1 | 201 425 | 161 378 |
| All other family groups | 8,038 | 17.0 | 23.0 | 24.2 | 15.7 | 20.2 | 448 | 372 |
| Male headFemale head | 1,325 6,713 | * 18.3 | 30.1 21.6 | 21.4 24.7 | 12.6 16.3 | 25.6 19.1 | 616 412 | 553 336 |
| 2 person other family group | 3,423 | 12.1 | 20.4 | 26.7 | 19.8 | 21.0 | 451 | 396 |
| Male headFemale head | 748 2,675 | * 12.7 | 33.6 16.5 | 29.2 | 20.7 | 21.6 20.8 | 387 469 | 347 410 |
| 3 person other family group | 1,895 | 18.2 | 20.6 | 22.5 | 19.9 | 18.6 | 499 | 408 |
| Male headFemale head | 278 1,618 | 20 . 9 | 22.9 | 20 . 0 | * 22 . 1 | * 14.2 | 1,406 312 | 1,369 247 |
| 4 person other family group | 1,249 | 16.0 | 40.8 | 21.9 | * | 15.9 | 309 | 260 |
| Male headFemale head | 1,075 | * 17.4 | * 39.8 | 21.8 | * * | * 16.5 | * 307 | * 253 |
| 5 person other family group or more | 1,471 | 26.7 | 16.4 | 22.7 | 10.3 | 23.8 | 504 | 369 |
| Male headFemale head | * 1,346 | * 26.3 | * 15.2 | * 24.1 | * 11.1 | * 23.4 | * 495 | * 365 |

Table 15. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members and for persons outside the family unit, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family income and family characteristics: United States, 1970

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|--|---|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|--|
| | Number of indi- | | н | ealth e | xpenses | | Average | | | |
| Family income and family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250- \$499 | \$500 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit | | |
| Less than \$5,000 | | Pe | rcent | distrib | ution | | Expense in | dollars | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 18,998 | 13.8 | 15.2 | 22.9 | 22.1 | 25.9 | 448 | 387 | | |
| All individuals | 7,992 | 16.6 | 17.9 | 27.2 | 22.1 | 16.3 | 365 | 305 | | |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 6,584 1,408 | 18.0 * | 17.3 20.8 | 27.6 25.1 | 19.8 34.9 | 17.3 10.8 | 364 369 | 298 338 | | |
| All families | 11,006 | 11.8 | 13.3 | 19.8 | 22.2 | 32.9 | 506 | 446 | | |
| All 2 person families | 5,656 4,076 1,580 | 6.9 6.4 * | 12.9 9.6 22.3 | 19.7 18.2 24.0 | 27.3 31.0 17.1 | 33.1 34.8 28.2 | 487 523 384 | 453 490 352 | | |
| All 3 person families | 2,201 757 679 765 | 10.6 * * 22.9 | 14.6 21.6 * | 16.7 * 24.7 20.1 | 20.6 25.5 26.3 | 37.5 38.6 42.9 31.5 | 501 471 565 461 | 448 433 565 356 | | |
| All 4 person families | 1,075 491 * 489 | 18.4 * * | 17.8 * * | 24.9 * * * | * * * | 27.9 * * * | 467 565 * 294 | 381 491 * 218 | | |
| All 5 person families or more | 2,074 1,208 * 746 | 23.1 16.3 * 34.3 | 10.9 | 21.1 25.2 * | 15.4 13.8 * | 29.5 35.3 * 21.5 | 592 672 * 489 | 455 562 * 321 | | |
| \$5,000-\$9,999 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 21,793 | 5.1 | 11.4 | 17.6 | 27.1 | 38.9 | 574 | 544 | | |
| All individuals | 3,402 | 13.6 | 21.1 | 24.7 | 23.4 | 17.1 | 411 | 355 | | |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 2,908 495 | 14.0 * | 21.2 | 25.7 * | 22.9 | 16.2 | 412 404 | 354 364 | | |
| All families | 18,391 | 3.6 | 9.6 | 16.2 | 27.7 | 42.9 | 601 | 579 | | |
| All 2 person families | 6,097 5,122 975 | 3.7 * * | 12.9 13.2 * | 16.8 17.2 14.8 | 30.2 29.2 35.2 | 36.4 37.6 30.4 | 529 525 546 | 509 511 501 | | |
| All 3 person families | 3,870 2,187 1,005 678 | * * * | 6.6 6.7 * | 15.8 19.1 * | 30.9 33.7 25.0 29.9 | 43.4 39.3 58.2 36.5 | 576 539 730 481 | 557 533 708 432 | | |
| All 4 person families | 3,687 3,007 306 374 | * * * | 7.6 * * | 20.0 20.5 * | 27.8 28.6 * | 41.3 45.4 * | 592 634 501 311 | 573 623 421 290 | | |
| All 5 person families or more Husband-wife, child under 17 years Husband-wife, no child under 17 years Other family group | 4,737 4,097 251 388 | 3.9 * * * | 9.0 8.4 * | 12.6 12.5 * | 21.5 20.9 * | 53.0 55.3 * | 732 749 534 638 | 703 727 509 554 | | |

Table 15. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members and for persons outside the family unit, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family income and family characteristics: United States, 1970—Con.

| | Number of indi- | | I | Health e | expense | s | Average for | |
|--|---|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Family income and family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | family | Per family unit |
| <u>\$10,000-\$14,999</u> | | P€ | ercent | distrib | oution | | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 13,726 | 1.0 | 7.8 | 11.8 | 24.5 | 54.9 | 728 | 721 |
| All individuals | 825 | * | 26.3 | 20.2 | 24.6 | 25.6 | 444 | 430 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 715 * | * * | 26.0 | 21.0 | 25.3 * | 25.7 | 454 * | 445 |
| All families | 12,902 | * | 6.6 | 11.2 | 24.5 | 56.8 | 747 | 740 |
| All 2 person families | 3,272 2,870 402 | * * * | 7.7 6.5 * | 17.6 16.8 | 27.7 28.5 * | 45.9 47.1 * | 655 672 532 | 647 664 522 |
| All 3 person families | 2,843 1,707 941 * | * * * | 6.6 * * | 8.1 * * * | 30.1 32.4 31.0 * | 54.5 53.6 57.8 | 755 674 677 * | 749 674 672 * |
| All 4 person families | 2,798 2,211 380 207 | * * * * | 7.6 * * | 8.8 9.2 * | 24.5 22.9 * | 58.1 64.0 * | 674 705 603 434 | 667 700 594 417 |
| All 5 person families or more | 3,989 3,668 * | * * * | 5.0 * * | 9.9 8.4 * | 18.0 19.1 * | 66.5 68.0 * | 863 851 * * | 859 847 * * |
| \$15,000 or more | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 8,300 | * | 3.9 | 6.5 | 21.3 | 67.2 | 927 | 916 |
| All individuals | 404 | * | * | * | * | 7.5 | 515 | 485 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 393 * | * | * * | * * | * | * * | 520 * | 488 * |
| All families | 7,896 | * | 2.7 | 6.1 | 21.2 | 69.1 | 950 | 942 |
| All 2 person families Husband-wife Other family group | 2,227 2,016 211 | * * * | 6.7 * * | 11.3 10.2 * | 21.9 23.1 * | 59.1 61.0 * | 877 786 1,806 | 869 781 1,743 |
| All 3 person families | 1,636 751 755 * | * * * * | * * * | * * * | 20.7 23.1 * | 71.3 68.9 80.2 * | 924 756 1,167 | 921 756 1,158 * |
| All 4 person families | 1,924 1,319 511 * | * * * * | * * * * | * * * * | 24.7 22.9 * | 69.0 72.9 61.7 * | 1,000 1,013 973 * | 997 1,007 973 * |
| All 5 person families or more Husband-wife, child under 17 years Husband-wife, no child under 17 years Other family group | 2,109 1,823 205 * | * * * * | * * * * | * * * * | 17.6 15.9 * | 78.2 81.4 * | 1,003 1,033 709 * | 986 1,033 709 * |

Table 16. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family income and family characteristics: United States, 1970

| the estimates are given in appendix 1. Definitions of terms are given in appendix 11 | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--|-----------------------|--|
| | Number of indi- | | H | lealth e | xpenses | ı | Average | | | |
| Family income and family characteristic . | L and I | viduals No and expense in thou- | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100 - \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit | |
| Less than \$5,000 | | Pe | rcent | Expense in | dollars | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 18,998 | 13.8 | 15.8 | 22.8 | 22.5 | 25.1 | 430 | 371 | | |
| All individuals | 7,992 | 16.5 | 19.2 | 27.4 | 22.4 | 14.6 | 336 | 281 | | |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 6,584 1,408 | 17.9 * | 18.4 23.7 | 27.9 24.2 | 20.5 32.8 | 15.3 10.6 | | 274 320 | | |
| All families | 11,006 | 11.9 | 13.4 | 19.4 | 22.5 | 32.9 | 496 | 437 | | |
| · All 2 person families Husband-wife Other family group | 5,656 4,076 1,580 | 6.8 6.2 8.2 | 12.8 9.5 21.6 | 19.2 17.8 22.9 | 28.0 31.5 18.2 | 33.3 34.8 29.1 | 482 513 395 | 449 481 363 | | |
| All 3 person families | 2,201 757 679 765 | 10.6 * 22.7 | 15.1 21.4 * | 16.8 * 25.9 19.2 | 20.6 26.1 26.6 | 36.8 38.3 41.7 30.9 | 473 469 555 384 | 423 430 555 297 | | |
| All 4 person families | 1,075 491 * 489 | 21.7 | 17.6 * * * | 24.7 * * | * * * | 26.0 * * * | 455 546 * 284 | 357 477 * 193 | | |
| All 5 person families or more | 2,074 1,208 * 746 | 22.4 15.5 * 34.0 | 10.9 * * | 20.2 23.4 * | 15.9 14.3 * | 30.6 37.1 * 22.1 | 593 681 * 471 | 460 575 * 311 | | |
| \$5,000-\$9,999 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 21,793 | 5.0 | 11.5 | 17.5 | 28.0 | 38.0 | 548 | 521 | | |
| All individuals | 3,402 | 13.3 | 22.1 | 24.0 | 24.5 | 16.0 | 314 | 273 | | |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 2,908 495 | 13.6 | 23.0 | 25.7 | 24.1 | 13.7 | 294 455 | 254 406 | | |
| All families | 18,391 | 3.4 | 9.5 | 16.3 | 28.6 | 42.2 | 588 | 568 | | |
| All 2 person families Husband-wife Other family group | 6,097 5,122 975 | 3.6 * * | 12.7 12.9 * | 16.6 16.8 15.3 | 30.3 29.4 34.6 | 36.8 38.1 30.2 | 516 524 475 | 497 510 435 | | |
| All 3 person families | 3,870 2,187 1,005 678 | * * * | 6.7 7.1 * | 16.0 19.1 * | 32.4 33.8 26.3 36.5 | 41.8 38.8 56.4 30.6 | 562 532 702 456 | 545 525 683 411 | | |
| All 4 person families | 3,687 3,007 306 374 | * * * | 7.8 * * | 20.1 20.5 * | 29.0 30.1 * | 40.1 43.6 * | 591 629 504 330 | 573 620 427 309 | | |
| All 5 person families or more | 4,737 4,097 251 388 | 3.7 * * | 8.9 8.4 * | 12.8 12.6 * | 22.5 21.4 * | 52.0 54.8 * | 710 728 514 606 | 684 708 491 527 | | |

Table 16. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family income and family characteristics: United States, 1970—Con.

| | Number of indi- | | ŀ | lealth e | xpenses | Averag | | |
|---|---|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Family income and family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | .\$500 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| \$10,000-\$14,999 | | Pe | rcent | distrib | ution | <u> </u> | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 13,726 | 1.0 | 8.4 | 12.1 | 24.9 | 53.6 | . 693 | 686 |
| All individuals | 825 | * | 29.6 | * | 26.0 | 25.3 | 404 | 389 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 715 | * * | 28.8 | * * | 26.8 | 25.3 | 412 * | 401 * |
| All families | 12,902 | * | 6.9 | 11.9 | 24.9 | 55.5 | 712 | 706 |
| All 2 person families | 3,272 2,870 402 | * * * | 7.8 6.8 | 17.7 16.9 * | 28.5 29.0 * | 44.9 46.2 * | 618 633 510 | 611 626 501 |
| All 3 person families | 2,843 1,707 941 * | * * * * | 7.0 * * | 9.1 * * | 31.6 35.4 29.5 * | 51.5 50.3 55.9 | 722 643 651 * | 717 643 646 * |
| All 4 person families | 2,798 2,211 380 207 | * * * | 7.5 * * | 9.3 10.0 * | 24.1 23.0 * | 58.2 62.8 * | 668 687 602 581 | 662 683 591 563 |
| All 5 person families or more | 3,989 3,668 * | * * * | 5.8 * * * | 10.7 9.3 * | 17.6 18.3 * | 65.5 68.0 * | 813 839 * | 809 834 * |
| \$15,000 or more | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 8,300 | ** | 3.8 | 7.0 | 22.0 | 65.8 | 896 | 883 |
| All individuals | 404 | * | * | * | . * | * | 423 | 392 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 393 * | * * | * * | * * | * | * | 430 * | 397 * |
| All families | 7,896 | * | 2.7 | 6.6 | 21.5 | 68.1 | 921 | 911 |
| All 2 person families | 2,227 2,016 211 | * * * | 6.7 * | 12.0 11.0 * | 21.5 22.4 * | 58.7 60.6 * | 813 722 1,756 | 804 715 1,706 |
| All 3 person families | 1,636 751 755 * | * * * * | * * * * | * * * | 21.5 23.3 * | 68.9 66.9 77.4 | 899 716 1,148 * | 892 716 1,138 * |
| All 4 person families | 1,924 1,319 511 * | * * * * | * * * * | * * * | 24.8 23.2 27.7 | 68.8 72.8 60.9 | 980 991 956 * | 977 986 956 * |
| All 5 person families or more | 2,109 1,823 205 * | * * * * | * * * | * * * * | 18.7 17.3 * | 76.9 79.8 * | 999 1,034 673 * | 980 1,030 673 * |

Table 17. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, excluding health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family income and family characteristics: United States, 1970

| | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Tantlu tasana and family | Number of indi- | | H | ealth e | xpenses | 3 | Average for | . |
| Family income and family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250- \$499 | \$500 or more | family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| Less than \$5,000 | | Pe | rcent | distrib | ution | | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 18,998 | 19.2 | 23.2 | 23.6 | 17.3 | 16.7 | 340 | 274 |
| All individuals | 7,992 | 24.6 | 27.8 | 24.6 | 12.8 | 10.2 | 268 | 202 |
| Living alone Living with nonrelatives | 6,584 1,408 | 26.5 16.1 | 27.4 29.7 | 24.3 25.6 | 12.1 16.3 | 9.8 12.3 | 263 288 | 194 242 |
| All families | 11,006 | 15.1 | 19.7 | 22.9 | 20.7 | 21.6 | 388 | 329 |
| All 2 person families Husband-wife Other family group | 5,656 4,076 1,580 | 10.9 9.8 14.0 | 19.5 19.3 20.1 | 26.4 25.0 30.5 | 22.3 25.2 14.4 | 20.8 20.8 20.8 | 366 382 318 | 326 345 273 |
| All 3 person families | 2,201 757 679 765 | 15.5 * 26.8 | 23.9 29.8 * 24.0 | 12.4 * * | 27.3 32.2 30.9 | 20.9 22.7 26.0 * | 363 354 431 303 | 307 326 383 222 |
| All 4 person families | 1,075 491 * 489 | 20.9 * * * | 21.3 * * | 22.4 * * | 16.3 * * * | 19.3 * * | 373 442 * 226 | 295 392 * 153 |
| All 5 person families or more | 2,074 1,208 * 746 | 23.2 16.9 * 33.8 | 14.6 12.8 * | 25.2 25.9 * 27.1 | 11.1 12.1 * | 25.9 32.2 * 18.0 | 498 535 * 463 | 383 445 * 307 |
| \$5,000-\$9,999 | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 21,793 | 7.4 | 18.6 | 26.7 | 22.5 | 24.8 | 417 | 386 |
| All individuals | 3,402 | 18.1 | 33.0 | 22.3 | 15.8 | 10.7 | 242 | 198 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 2,908 495 | 18.3 | 34.4 | 24.6 | 15.0 * | 7.7 | 216 416 | 176 347 |
| All families | 18,391 | 5.4 | 15.9 | 27.5 | 23.8 | 27.5 | 446 | 422 |
| All 2 person families | 6,097 5,122 975 | 6.6 5.1 13.8 | 21.6 21.9 20.1 | 26.8 28.5 18.3 | 23.7 22.1 31.4 | 21.3 22.3 16.5 | 370 371 368 | 346 352 317 |
| All 3 person families | 3,870 2,187 1,005 678 | 4.8 * * * | 11.2 11.4 * | 35.7 39.0 29.6 33.0 | 21.0 20.0 23.3 21.6 | 27.2 25.9 34.7 20.6 | 406 397 471 340 | 387 382 455 303 |
| All 4 person families | 3,687 3,007 306 374 | 5.5 * * | 15.7 10.0 * * | 23.2 25.6 * | 27.6 31.8 * | 28.0 30.3 * | 465 498 387 240 | 439 486 252 224 |
| All 5 person families or more | 4,737 4,097 251 388 | 4.1 * * * | 12.1 11.0 * | 25.1 25.1 * * | 22.9 23.0 * * | 35.7 37.6 * | 565 578 383 507 | 542 559 369 441 |

Table 17. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, excluding health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to family income and family characteristics: United States, 1970—Con.

| | Number of indi- | | ŀ | Tealth e | xpenses | | Average | |
|---|---|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Family income and family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| \$10,000-\$14,999 | | Pe | rcent | distrib | ution | | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 13,726 | 2.1 | 13.0 | 23.1 | 28.0 | 33.7 | 525 | 514 |
| All individuals | 825 | * | 33.0 | 25.3 | * | * | 311 | 281 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 715 * | * | 32.2 | 27.7 | * | * | 318 * | 287 * |
| All families | 12,902 | 1.6 | 11.7 | 23.0 | 28.8 | 34.9 | 538 | 530 |
| All 2 person families | 3,272 2,870 402 | * * * | 15.7 15.0 * | 32.5 32.0 * | 21.4 21.8 * | 27.1 28.0 * | 435 447 349 | 421 433 339 |
| All 3 person families | 2,843 1,707 941 * | * * * | 13.4 10.7 15.5 * | 18.3 16.7 20.8 | 35.9 45.3 22.3 * | 31.1 27.0 39.2 * | 544 460 475 * | 537 458 465 * |
| All 4 person families | 2,798 2,211 380 207 | * * * | 11.3 7.9 * | 21.8 21.6 * | 30.5 32.4 * | 35.3 37.3 * | 496 515 422 428 | 491 511 414 417 |
| All 5 person families or more Husband-wife, child under 17 years Husband-wife, no child under 17 years Other family group | 3,989 3,668 * | * * * | 7.5 5.7 * | 19.2 18.7 * | 28.8 30.4 * | 43.8 44.5 * | 645 662 * * | 640 657 * * |
| \$15,000 or more | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 8,300 | 3.1 | 8.1 | 16.2 | 29.4 | 43.3 | 686 | 665 |
| All individuals | 404 | * | * | * | * | * | 318 | 259 |
| Living alone | 393 * | * | * | * | * | * | 322 * | 267 * |
| All families | 7,896 | 2.2 | 6.9 | 16.2 | 29.4 | 45.2 | 703 | 688 |
| All 2 person families | 2,227 2,016 211 | * * * | 12.0 11.0 * | 23.8 23.3 * | 26.9 28.6 * | 35.4 35.4 * | 595 494 1,668 | 583 485 1,621 |
| All 3 person families | 1,636 751 755 * | * * * | * * * | 17.0 19.5 * | 30.2 37.1 23.2 | 41.9 33.6 54.1 * | 713 550 936 * | 676 515 896 * |
| All 4 person families | 1,924 1,319 511 * | * * * * | * * | 12.8 | 31.4 34.1 30.3 * | 51.6 51.7 53.0 * | 761 784 717 * | 759 780 717 * |
| All 5 person families or more | 2,109 1,823 205 * | * * * | * * * * | 10.6 11.9 * | 29.8 30.6 * | 52.6 55.1 * | 760 791 440 * | 746 788 440 * |

Table 18. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members and for persons outside the family unit, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to color, family income, and family characteristics: United States, 1970

| the estimates are given | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | | | |
|---|---|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Color, family income, and family characteristic | Number of indi- viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250- \$499 | \$500 or more | Average for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| White, all incomes | | Pe | rcent | distrib | ution | | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 58,807 | 5.2 | 10.4 | 16.4 | 24.9 | 43.2 | 621 | 588 |
| All individuals | 11,949 | 12.7 | 19.7 | 25.8 | 23.9 | 17.9 | 372 | 325 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 10,062 1,888 | 14.1 | 19.2 23.0 | 26.1 24.1 | 22.0 35.7 | 18.6 13.1 | 373 366 | 321 351 |
| All families | 46,857 | 3.3 | 8.1 | 14.0 | 25.1 | 49.5 | 676 | 653 |
| All 2 person families | 16,750 13,910 2,840 | 3.5 3.2 5.6 | 10.8 10.0 14.6 | 17.4 16.6 21.2 | 28.1 28.2 27.5 | 40.2 42.0 31.2 | 590 588 603 | 569 569 569 |
| All 3 person family | 9,887 5,237 3,179 1,471 | 2.6 * * | 7.2 8.2 * 12.7 | 11.6 11.7 10.3 13.8 | 27.1 30.1 23.1 24.6 | 51.5 48.4 62.4 39.7 | 681 598 809 716 | 663 589 798 650 |
| All 4 person families | 8,881 6,758 1,184 939 | 2.4 | 6.7 3.6 * 27.6 | 14.2 13.4 * 28.3 | 25.2 25.0 32.0 19.0 | 51.4 56.0 51.8 19.4 | 691 727 732 376 | 674 712 719 355 |
| All 5 person families or more | 11,339 10,017 608 715 | 4.3 3.0 * 24.3 | 5.9 5.4 * | 11.0 10.4 * | 18.8 19.0 * | 60.0 62.2 47.6 39.6 | 789 790 576 973 | 755 767 562 736 |
| White, less than \$5,000 | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 15,949 | 11.7 | 14.1 | 23.3 | 24.0 | 26.8 | 458 | 405 |
| All individuals | 7,158 | 14.3 | 17.9 | 27.5 | 23.6 | 16.7 | 374 | 321 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 5,858 1,300 | 16.2 * | 17.3 21.2 | 27.7 26.6 | 21.0 37.2 | 17.8 | 375 371 | 314 355 |
| All families | 8,792 | 9.6 | 11.0 | 20.0 | 24.4 | 35.0 | 522 | 472 |
| All 2 person families | 5,039 3,817 1,222 | 6.2 6.3 * | 11.2 9.1 18.4 | 20.3 18.2 27.4 | 28.8 31.1 21.0 | 33.6 35.3 27.5 | 491 524 378 | 460 491 356 |
| All 3 person families | 1,789 677 533 579 | 8.1 * * | 12.8 * * | 13.6 * * | 22.7 23.5 * * | 42.6 42.2 45.9 | 542 502 608 517 | 498 461 608 435 |
| All 4 person families | 704 368 * 263 | * * * | * * * | 32.1 * * | * * * | 27.9 * * | 444 576 * 224 | 391 477 * 204 |
| All 5 person families or more Husband-wife, child under 17 years Husband-wife, no child under 17 years Other family group | 1,259 911 * 286 | 24.2 19.1 * | * * * | 21.2 22.1 * | 14.7 * * | 33.1 37.5 * | 689 732 * 545 | 522 592 * 329 |

Table 18. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, <u>including health insurance premiums</u>, for family members and for persons outside the family unit, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to color, family income, and family characteristics: United States, 1970—Con.

| the estimates are given in appendix 1. Definitions of terms are given in appendix 11] | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| | Number of indi- | | Н | ealth e | xpenses | i | Average | | | |
| Color, family income, and family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250- \$499 | \$500 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit | | |
| White, \$5,000 or more | | Pe | rcent | distrib | ution | | Expense in | dollars | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 40,750 | 2.5 | 8.8 | 13.7 | 25.5 | 49.5 | 677 | 661 | | |
| All individuals | 4,222 | 8.7 | 22.5 | 23.6 | 25.3 | 19.8 | 370 | 338 | | |
| Living alone Living with nonrelatives | 3,692 531 | 9.3 | 22.1 | 24.1 | 24.8 | 19.7 * | 371 363 | 337 351 | | |
| All families | 36,527 | 1.7 | 7.1 | 12.6 | 25.5 | 53.0 | 711 | 699 | | |
| All 2 person families | 11,055 9,619 1,436 | 2.4 1.8 * | 10.3 9.8 13.3 | 16.3 16.0 18.0 | 27.9 27.5 30.9 | 43.1 44.8 31.9 | 626 611 728 | 611 600 684 | | |
| All 3 person families | 7,820 4,448 2,526 846 | * * * | 5.8 6.4 * | 11.3 12.6 9.0 | 28.7 31.7 21.8 33.0 | 53.0 48.9 65.3 39.9 | 709 611 854 832 | 701 608 840 799 | | |
| All 4 person families | 7,884 6,201 1,065 619 | * * * | 6.3 3.2 * 33.7 | 12.3 12.9 * | 26.2 25.3 34.4 21.7 | 53.9 57.5 48.9 25.5 | 716 739 734 454 | 707 731 724 435 | | |
| All 5 person families or more | 9,768 8,892 470 406 | 1.7 * * | 5.2 5.0 * | 9.5 8.8 * | 19.5 19.5 * | 64.1 65.4 * | 808 802 622 1,190 | 794 792 612 1,047 | | |
| All other, all incomes | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 6,494 | 18.5 | 15.2 | 15.9 | 15.9 | 34.5 | 682 | 556 | | |
| All individuals | 1,311 | 36.3 | 18.2 | 20.4 | * | 17.0 | 617 | 393 | | |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 1,118 | 33.8 | 19.5 | 22.7 | * * | * | 627 * | 415 * | | |
| All families | 5,183 | 14.1 | 14.5 | 14.7 | 17.8 | 38.8 | 694 | 596 | | |
| All 2 person families | 1,247 665 582 | * * | 17.6 * * | 12.4 | 20.1 31.4 * | 41.1 43.0 * | 614 744 443 | 560 705 384 | | |
| All 3 person families | 1,053 278 351 424 | 15.4 | 14.7 * * | 19.1 * * * | 18.9 * * | 31.8 | 498 767 418 319 | 422 727 418 202 | | |
| All 4 person families | 929 459 * 310 | 19.6 * * | * * * | 16.0 * * | * * * * | 36.5 * * | 627 598 * 470 | 504 587 * 233 | | |
| All 5 person families or more | 1,953 1,011 * 756 | 14.6 * 29.1 | 13.0 * * * | 13.5 15.0 * | 17.2 * * 18.3 | 41.7 56.7 * 25.0 | 865 1,165 * 458 | 739 1,117 * 325 | | |

Table 18. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members and for persons outside the family unit, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to color, family income, and family characteristics: United States, 1970—Con.

| | Number of indi- | | I | Health e | expenses | 3 | Average, for | | | | | |
|---|---|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Color, family income, and family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | family unit with expense | Per family unit | | | | |
| All other, less than \$5,000 | | Pe | ercent | distrib | oution | | Expense in | dollars | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 3,049 | 25.1 | 21.5 | 20.8 | 11.8 | 20.8 | 386 | 289 | | | | |
| All individuals | 834 | 35.3 | * | 24.8 | * | * | 263 | 170 | | | | |
| Living alone Living with nonrelatives | 726 * | 32.9 * | * | 26.9 * | * | * | 259 * | 174 * | | | | |
| All families | 2,215 | 21.0 | 23.1 | 19.2 | 12.7 | 23.9 | 426 | 336 | | | | |
| All 2 person familiesHusband-wifeOther family group | 617 259 358 | * * * | 27.4 * * | * * * | * * * | 29.2 * * | 455 514 408 | 394 470 339 | | | | |
| All 3 person families | 412 * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 281 * * * | 219 * * * | | | | |
| All 4 person families | 371 * * 226 | * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 550 * * 561 | 353 * * 244 | | | | |
| All 5 person families or more | 815 298 * 460 | 21.3 * * * | 17.5 * * | 20.9 * * * | * * * | 23.9 | 444 476 * 458 | 349 448 * 316 | | | | |
| All other, \$5,000 or more | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 3,070 | 10.9 | 9.4 | 11.6 | 20.4 | 47.7 | 928 | 827 | | | | |
| All individuals | 409 | * | * | * | * | * | 1,467 | 920 | | | | |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 324 * | * | * | * | * | * | 1,578 * | 1,039 * | | | | |
| All families | 2,661 | 7.3 | 7.7 | 11.8 | 22.7 | 50.5 | 878 | 814 | | | | |
| All 2 person families | 541 389 * | * * * | * * | * * * | 27.1 * * | 49.9 * * | 767 895 * | 737 861 * | | | | |
| All 3 person families | 529 * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 26.9 * * * | 48.6 * * | 687 * * * | 609 * * * | | | | |
| All 4 person families | 525 336 * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 40.7 * * * | 654 614 * * | 588 600 * * | | | | |
| All 5 person families or more | 1,067 696 * 242 | * * * | * * * | * * * | 18.3 * * * | 56.1 66.3 * | 1,119 1,377 * 437 | 1,053 1,338 * 369 | | | | |

Table 19. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to color, family income, and family characteristics: United States, 1970

| | | | | | - | | 1 | |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Number of indi- | : | H | lealth e | xpenses | 1 | Average for | |
| Color, family income, and family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| White, all incomes | | Pe | ercent | distrib | ution | | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 58,807 | 5.2 | 10.7 | 16.5 | 25.5 | 42.1 | 597 | 566 |
| All individuals | 11,949 | 12.7 | 21.1 | 25.5 | 24.7 | 16.0 | 343 | 300 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 10,062 1,888 | 13.9 | 20.6 24.0 | 26.0 22.8 | 23.2 34.1 | 16.4 13.9 | 339 365 | 292 346 |
| All families | 46,857 | 3.3 | 8.1 | 14.2 | 25.7 | 48.7 | 655 | 633 |
| All 2 person families | 16,750 13,910 2,840 | 3.5 3.0 5.7 | 10.6 9.8 14.4 | 17.4 16.5 22.0 | 28.2 28.6 26.6 | 40.2 42.0 31.1 | 568 568 567 | 548 550 535 |
| All 3 person families | 9,887 5,237 3,179 1,471 | 2.6 * * | 7.4 8.4 * 13.7 | 11.9 12.0 10.9 13.4 | 28.6 31.5 24.4 27.1 | 49.5 46.6 60.5 36.1 | 659 582 791 657 | 642 573 781 593 |
| All 4 person families | 8,881 6,758 1,184 939 | 2.3 * * | 6.7 3.7 * 25.4 | 14.6 13.8 * 28.1 | 25.6 25.9 31.4 17.6 | 50.7 54.6 52.0 23.8 | 682 714 723 419 | 666 700 710 398 |
| All 5 person families or more | 11,339 10,017 608 715 | 4.3 3.0 * 23.8 | 6.2 5.5 * | 11.2 10.6 * | 19.2 19.1 24.1 * | 59.1 61.8 47.5 30.9 | 762 780 556 636 | 729 757 542 484 |
| White, less than \$5,000 | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 15,949 | 11.4 | 14.8 | 23.2 | 24.4 | 26.1 | 438 | 388 |
| All individuals | 7,158 | 13.9 | 19.3 | 27.9 | 23.8 | 15.1 | 344 | 296 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 5,858 1,300 | 15.6 * | 18.4 23.9 | 28.3 25.6 | 21.7 34.8 | 16.0 | 342 353 | 289 335 |
| All families | 8,792 | 9.3 | 11.2 | 19.5 | 24.9 | 35.1 | 511 | 463 |
| All 2 person families | 5,039 3,817 1,222 | 5.9 5.9 * | 11.1 9.1 18.0 | 19.7 17.9 25.5 | 29.5 31.8 22.0 | 33.8 35.4 28.6 | 485 513 392 | 456 482 369 |
| All 3 person families | 1,789 677 533 579 | 8.3 * * | 13.3 * * | 13.6 * * * | 22.9 24.2 32.8 * | 41.9 41.9 44.2 39.9 | 511 499 594 431 | 469 459 594 360 |
| All 4 person families | 704 368 * 263 | * * * | * * * * | 33.0 * * * | * * * * | 27.1 | 433 548 * 224 | 383 459 * 204 |
| All 5 person families or more | 1,259 911 * 286 | 23.2 18.0 * | * * * * | 19.8 20.2 * | 15.1 * * | 34.9 39.6 * | 689 741 * 491 | 529 608 * 297 |

Table 19. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to color, family income, and family characteristics: United States, 1970—Con.

| | Number of indi- | | H | (ealth e | xpenses | 3 | Average | | | |
|---|---|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|--|
| Color, family income, and family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit | | |
| White, \$5,000 or more | | Pe | rcent | distrib | ution | | Expense in | dollars | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 40,750 | 2.5 | 9.0 | 13.9 | 26.3 | 48.3 | 653 | 637 | | |
| All individuals | 4,222 | 9.0 | 24.1 | 22.2 | 27.0 | 17.8 | 342 | 311 | | |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 3,692 531 | 9.4 | 24.1 | 22.8 | 26.6 30.8 | 17.1 | 334 403 | 303 381 | | |
| All families | 36,527 | 1.7 | 7.2 | 12.9 | 26.2 | 52.0 | 688 | 676 | | |
| All 2 person families | 11,055 9,619 1,436 | 2.4 1.8 * | 10.2 9.7 13.1 | 16.4 16.0 18.5 | 28.2 27.7 31.2 | 42.9 44.7 31.0 | 596 586 664 | 582 576 623 | | |
| All 3 person families | 7,820 4,448 2,526 846 | * * * | 6.0 6.8 * | 11.6 13.0 9.4 * | 30.5 33.0 23.5 37.5 | 50.6 46.8 63.4 33.7 | 688 592 833 790 | 679 589 820 753 | | |
| All 4 person families | 7,884 6,201 1,065 619 | . * * * | 6.2 3.3 * 30.0 | 12.7 13.3 * | 26.7 26.3 33.9 * | 53.2 56.1 49.6 31.7 | 709 726 . 727 510 | 700 719 718 490 | | |
| All 5 person families or more | 9,768 8,892 470 406 | 1.7 * * | 5.5 5.0 * | 9.9 9.2 * | 20.0 19.7 * | 62.9 64.8 * | 778 790 595 695 | 764 780 588 614 | | |
| All other; all incomes | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 6,494 | 19.5 | 15.4 | 16.1 | 15.7 | 33.4 | 613 | 494 | | |
| All individuals | 1,311 | 36.8 | 18.4 | 19.8 | * | 16.0 | 280 | 177 | | |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 1,118 | 35.7 * | 19.8 | 22.7 | * | * | 251 * | 161 * | | |
| All families | 5,183 | 15.0 | 14.6 | 15.1 | 17.4 | 37.9 | 677 | 576 | | |
| All 2 person families | 1,247 665 582 | * * * | 17.7 * 27.7 | 12.0 * * | 20.0 30.5 * | 41.1 42.6 39.0 | 606 729 445 | 550 683 388 | | |
| All 3 person families | 1,053 278 351 424 | 15.9 * * * | 14.6 * * | 22.3 * * | 16.4 * * | 30.8 * * | 470 688 409 334 | 395 650 409 212 | | |
| All 4 person families | 929 459 * 310 | 23.1 * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * * | 34.5 * * | 605 579 * 423 | 466 570 * 182 | | |
| All 5 person families or more Husband-wife, child under 17 years Husband-wife, no child under 17 years Other family group | 1,953 1,011 * 756 | 14.5 * 28.9 | 13.0 * * * | 13.5 15.0 * | 17.9 14.7 * 18.9 | 41.3 56.7 * | 858 1,157 * 457 | 733 1,109 * 326 | | |

Table 19. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, including health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to color, family income, and family characteristics: United States, 1970—Con.

| | Number | | Health expenses | | | | Average | |
|---|---|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Color, family income, and family characteristic | of indi- viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | Average for family unit with eexpense | Per family unit |
| All other, less than \$5,000 | | P€ | rcent | distrib | ution | , | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 3,049 | 27.2 | 21.4 | 20.1 | 11.8 | 19.4 | 376 | 274 |
| All individuals | 834 | 37.6 | 18.5 | 23.0 | * | * | 241 | 150 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 726 * | 36.0 * | * | 24.9 | * | * * | 237 * | 152 * |
| All families | 2,215 | 22.9 | 22.7 | 18.9 | 12.4 | 23.1 | 422 | 325 |
| All 2 person families Husband-wife Other family group | 617 259 358 | * * * | 27.1 | * * * | % % % | 28.8 * * | 455 514 408 | 389 456 339 |
| All 3 person families | 412 * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * * | * * * * | * * * * | 273 * * * | 215 * * * |
| All 4 person families | 371 * * 226 | * * * | * * * | * * * * | * * * | * * * * | 532 * * 481 | 300 * * 178 |
| All 5 person families or more | 815 298 * 460 | 21.1 | 17.4 * * | 20.7 * * | * * * | 23.6 * * | 440 469 * 461 | 347 442 * 319 |
| A11 other, \$5,000 or more | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 3,070 | 10.5 | 9.7 | 12.8 | 19.9 | 47.2 | 805 | 720 |
| All individuals | 409 | * | * | * | * | * | 362 | 240 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 324 * | * | * | ** * | * | * * | 286 * | 190 * |
| All families | 2,661 | 7.1 | 8.3 | 12.8 | 22.0 | 49.8 | 851 | 790 |
| All 2 person families | 541 389 * | * * * | * * | * * | 26.9 * * | 50.0 * * | 743 862 * | 715 834 * |
| All 3 person families Husband-wife, child under 17 years Husband-wife, no child under 17 years Other family group | 529 * * * | * * * * | * * * | * * * * | * * * * | 47.2 * * | 631 * * * | 560 * * * |
| All 4 person familiesHusband-wife, child under 17 years Husband-wife, no child under 17 years Other family group | 525 336 * * | * * * | * * * | * * * * | 22.7 * * | 40.8 * * | 632 590 * | 572 579 * * |
| All 5 person families or more Husband-wife, child under 17 years Husband-wife, no child under 17 years Other family group | 1,067 696 * 242 | * * * * | * * * * | * * * * | 19.0 * * * | 55.4 66.3 * | 1,112 1,369 * 434 | 1,046 1,331 * 366 |

Table 20. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, excluding health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to color, family income, and family characteristics: United States, 1970

| | | | | | | | , | |
|---|---|--------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| | Number of indi- | | H | lealth e | xpenses | ; | Average | |
| Color, family income, and family characteristic | viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100 - \$249 | \$250 - \$499 | \$500 or more | for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| White, all incomes | | Pe | rcent | distrib | ution | | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 58,807 | 8.3 | 17.3 | 23.7 | 23.8 | 26.9 | 455 | 418 |
| All individuals | 11,949 | 20.8 | 30.2 | 23.8 | 14.8 | 10.3 | 267 | 212 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 10,062 1,888 | 22.2 13.3 | 30.1 31.1 | 24.3 21.4 | 14.0 19.2 | 9.5 15.1 | 260 304 | 202 264 |
| All families | 46,857 | 5.0 | 14.0 | 23.7 | 26.1 | 31.2 | 496 | 471 |
| All 2 person families | 16,750 13,910 2,840 | 6.4 5.9 9.2 | 18.4 18.2 19.4 | 27.4 27.0 29.4 | 23.5 24.0 21.2 | 24.3 24.9 20.9 | 414 404 466 | 387 380 423 |
| All 3 person families | 9,887 5,237 3,179 1,471 | 4.2 3.5 10.5 | 13.8 12.2 12.5 23.1 | 22.8 24.8 19.6 22.3 | 29.0 32.6 25.1 23.7 | 30.1 26.9 40.1 20.6 | 492 429 583 535 | 471 414 567 479 |
| All 4 person families | 8,881 6,758 1,184 939 | 3.5 * * | 11.7 7.3 * 44.5 | 21.8 22.3 16.1 25.3 | 28.5 31.9 27.3 | 34.5 36.1 40.1 17.6 | 525 552 545 311 | 507 539 503 293 |
| All 5 person families or more | 11,339 10,017 608 715 | 4.7 3.5 ** 23.3 | 7.5 | 20.6 20.6 * 23.1 | 25.6 26.7 21.7 | 23.8 | 597 608 374 629 | 569 586 366 483 |
| White, less than \$5,000 | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 15,949 | 16.5 | 23.2 | 24.2 | 19.1 | 17.0 | 343 | 286 |
| All individuals | 7,158 | 22.6 | 28.6 | 24.8 | 13.3 | 10.8 | 274 | 212 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 5,858 1,300 | 24.6 13.7 | 28.3 29.9 | 24.4 26.4 | | 10.2 13.2 | 269 293 | 203 253 |
| All families | 8,792 | 11.3 | 18.6 | 23.8 | 24.0 | 22.3 | 393 | 349 |
| All 2 person families | 5,039 3,817 1,222 | 9.4 9.7 * | 19.5 19.3 20.4 | 27.1 24.6 35.5 | 23.6 25.6 16.7 | 20.4 20.8 18.9 | 363 383 297 | 329 346 271 |
| All 3 person families | 1,789 677 533 579 | 8.3 * * | 23.2 24.1 * 26.7 | 12.3 | 32.4 36.1 35.6 24.8 | 23.9 24.4 28.5 | 380 382 426 328 | 349 354 426 271 |
| All 4 person families | 704 368 * 263 | 항 항 항 항 항 | * * * * | 28.7 * * * | 22.4 * * | * * * * | 353 427 * 187 | 312 368 * 167 |
| All 5 person families or more | 1,259 911 * 286 | 23.3 18.5 * | * * * * | 24.8 24.6 * | 13.8 * * | 30.1 36.5 * | 588 585 * 605 | 451 477 * 378 |

Table 20. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, excluding health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to color, family income, and family characteristics: United States, 1970—Con.

| Number Health expenses Avonese | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Color, family income, and family characteristic | of indi- viduals and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250- \$499 | \$500 or more | Average for family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| White, \$5,000 or more | | Pe | rcent | distrib | ution | E | xpense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 40,750 | 4.5 | 14.7 | 23.8 | 26.1 | 30.9 | 495 | 473 |
| All individuals | 4,222 | 15.2 | 33.3 | 23.7 | 17.5 | 10.2 | 257 | 218 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 3,692 531 | 15.5 | 33.4 32.6 | 25.6 | 16.6 24.6 | 8.8 * | 245 349 | 207 306 |
| All families | 36,527 | 3.2 | 12.4 | 23.9 | 27.2 | 33.4 | 520 | 503 |
| All 2 person families | 11,055 9,619 1,436 | 4.7 3.8 10.5 | 17.9 17.6 20.0 | 28.0 28.5 24.5 | 23.8 23.6 25.2 | 25.6 26.5 19.9 | 428 410 557 | 408 395 498 |
| All 3 person families Husband-wife, child under 17 years Husband-wife, no child under 17 years Other family group | 7,820 4,448 2,526 846 | 3.3 * * | 11.3 10.2 10.0 20.9 | 25.7 27.7 20.8 28.6 | 28.9 32.6 23.8 23.4 | 30.9 26.7 42.0 22.0 | 515 435 619 664 | 498 423 598 629 |
| All 4 person families | 7,884 6,201 1,065 619 | 2.5 * * | 10.9 6.6 * 53.0 | 20.6 22.1 16.7 | 29.6 32.2 28.5 | 36.4 37.5 37.6 24.4 | 546 565 539 375 | 532 557 497 361 |
| All 5 person families or more | 9,768 8,892 470 406 | 2.0 * * | 8.3 6.8 * | 20.3 20.3 * | 27.6 28.6 * | 41.8 42.8 * | 607 615 414 627 | 594 606 408 550 |
| All other, all incomes | | | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 6,494 | 23.9 | 20.3 | 19.4 | 12.1 | 24.2 | 502 | 382 |
| All individuals | 1,311 | 40.1 | 21.2 | 17.7 | * | 11.7 | 242 | 145 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 1,118 | 39.7 | 22.5 | 19.4 | * | * | 216 | 131 * |
| All families | 5,183 | 19.7 | 20.1 | 19.8 | 12.9 | 27.5 | 553 | 444 |
| All 2 person families | 1,247 665 582 | 16.9 * 27.0 | 21.8 * 25.5 | 21.8 29.5 | 14.8 | 24.7 27.3 21.6 | 467 547 352 | 388 502 257 |
| All 3 person families | 1,053 278 351 424 | 28.7 * * | 16.9 * * * | 22.7 | * * * * | 23.0 * * | 387 518 349 283 | 276 480 265 153 |
| All 4 person families | 929 459 * 310 | 22.4 * * | 24.4 * * | * * * | 17.2 * * | 22.5 * * | 475 457 * 296 | 369 449 * 135 |
| All 5 person families or more | 1,953 1,011 * 756 | 15.6 * * 30.0 | 18.7 15.9 * | 19.9 20.2 * 22.3 | 11.8 * * | 34.0 46.2 * 21.0 | 714 963 * 377 | 602 910 * 264 |

Table 20. Percent distribution of families or unrelated individuals by intervals of annual out-of-pocket health expenses, excluding health insurance premiums, for family members, average expense per family unit with expense, and per family unit expense, according to color, family income, and family characteristics: United States, 1970—Con.

| | Number | | T . | | | | 7 | |
|---|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Number of indi- viduals | | - | lealth e | xpenses | · | Average for | 70 |
| Color, family income, and family characteristic | and families in thou- sands | No expense | Less than \$100 | \$100- \$249 | \$250- \$499 | \$500 or more | family unit with expense | Per family unit |
| All other, less than \$5,000 | | Pe | ercent | distrib | ution | | Expense in | dollars |
| Total, individuals and families | 3,049 | 34.5 | 23.3 | 20.0 | 7.3 | 14.9 | 318 | 208 |
| All individuals | 834 | 42.6 | 20.8 | 22.3 | * | * | 195 | 112 |
| Living aloneLiving with nonrelatives | 726 * | 41.5 * | 20.0 | 23.4 | * * | * * | 201 | 117 * |
| All families | 2,215 | 31.2 | 24.3 | 19.1 | 6.7 | 18.6 | 359 | 247 |
| All 2 person families | 617 259 358 | 24.3 * * | * * | * * * | * * * | 24.7 | 397 371 425 | 301 329 280 |
| All 3 person families | 412 * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 228 * * * | 119 * * * |
| All 4 person families | 371 * * 226 | * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * | 441 * * 344 | 256 * * 134 |
| All 5 person families or more | 815 298 * 460 | 22.8 * * | 25.3 * * * | 25.9 * * | * * * * | 19.2 * * | 356 363 * 380 | 275 324 * 262 |
| All other, \$5,000 or more | i | 3 | | | | | | |
| Total, individuals and families | 3,070 | 10.9 | 17.2 | 19.7 | 17.6 | 34.6 | 644 | 574 |
| All individuals | 409 | * | * | * | * | * | 327 | 220 |
| Living alone | 324 * | * | * | * | * | * | 250 * | 171 * |
| All families | 2,661 | 7.5 | 16.1 | 21.7 | 18.6 | 36.1 | 681 | 629 |
| All 2 person families | 541 389 * | * | * * * | 24.6 * * | * * | 27.1 * * | 553 652 * | 519 610 * |
| All 3 person families | 529 * * * | * * * | * * * | 33.1 * * * | * * * | 39.1 * * | 492 * * * | 437 * * |
| All 4 person families | 525 336 * * | * * * | 23.3 | * * * | 27.1 * * | 22.8 * * | 484 449 * * | 440 439 * * |
| All 5 person families or more | 1,067 696 * 242 | * * * | 14.9 * * | 16.7 * * * | 16.3 * * * | 46.1 56.2 * * | 929 1,149 * 347 | 875 1,119 * 293 |

APPENDIX I

LETTERS AND QUESTIONNAIRE SENT TO RESPONDENTS

First Letter Sent to Respondents Interviewed During October-December 1970



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
HEALTH SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
ROCKVILLE MARYLAND 20852

NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS

Dear Friend:

Several months ago your household took part in a health interview conducted by the Census Bureau for the U. S. Public Health Service. We greatly appreciate your cooperation in providing us with the kind of information needed by health planners, the medical profession, the government, hospital administrators, and all the other people concerned with the health problems of the American people.

Another area of great concern is that of the cost of health care in our country today. We are, therefore, requesting your further cooperation in providing us with additional information about the amount of money you, your family, and other relatives living with you spent for medical care during 1970.

Please help by carefully reading and answering the questions on this form. If you have any records such as bills, receipts, or check stubs, the records will be useful in answering the questions. If you cannot supply the exact amounts from your records, please give the best estimate you can.

We would appreciate your completing this form and mailing it back to us within five days. For your convenience, we have enclosed a self-addressed envelope which needs no postage stamp.

Your cooperation in answering the questions on this form will be a definite public service. We assure you that the information will be given confidential treatment by the U.S. Public Health Service. Nothing will be published except statistical summaries.

Sincerely yours,

Elijah L White Elijah L. White

Director

Division of Health Interview Statistics



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE HEALTH SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20052

NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS

Dear Friend:

The U. S. Public Health Service is conducting a Survey of Family Medical Expenses.

As you know, more information on medical care costs is greatly needed by health planners, the medical profession, hospital administrators, and all the other people concerned with the health problems of the American people.

The enclosed form contains questions relating to the amount of money you, your family, and other relatives living with you spent for medical care during 1970. This information is of great importance in helping to plan and deliver the health services needed.

Please help by carefully reading and answering the questions on this form. If you have any records such as bills, receipts, or check stubs, the records will be useful in answering the questions. If you cannot supply the exact amounts from your records, please give the best estimate you can.

We would appreciate your completing this form and mailing it back to us within five days. After you have answered the questions, please mail the form in the enclosed self-addressed envelope which needs no postage stamp.

Your cooperation in answering the questions on this form will be a definite public service. We assure you that the information will be given confidential treatment by the U. S. Public Health Service. Nothing will be published except statistical summaries.

Sincerely yours,

Elijah L. White

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Director

Division of Health Interview Statistics

First Followup—Card

According to our records you have not returned the questionnaire we sent to you concerning your family's medical expenses.

We would appreciate your cooperation in promptly completing and returning this form.

If you have already returned the form, please disregard this reminder. Thank you.

Division of Health Interview Statistics National Center for Health Statistics U.S. Public Health Service

Second Followup -Letter



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
HEALTH SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20852

NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS

Dear Friend:

We at the U.S. Public Health Service are contacting you once again in the hope that you will complete and return the enclosed family health expenditure form.

Because a relatively small sample of households was sent this form, it is extremely important that each one be completed and returned. The information obtained on this questionnaire will be combined with information collected from other households throughout the United States; then from these figures, statistical estimates will be made about the cost of medical care to the American people.

A copy of the questionnaire and an envelope which requires no postage are enclosed. Please set aside a few minutes of your time within the next few days to fill out and mail the medical care cost form.

If you have already returned the questionnaire, please disregard this reminder.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Elijah L'White

Elijah L. White

Director

Division of Health Interview Statistics



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE HEALTH SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION BOCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20852

NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS

Dear Friend:

As of this time, our office has not received the questionnaire which was sent to you about a month ago concerning your family's medical expenses. We realize that it may have been difficult for you to find the time to complete this form but let us assure you of two things.

First, in order for federal or local health planners to be able to develop programs to resolve the Nation's problem of rising health costs, it is essential that better estimates of consumer expenses for medical and dental services be obtained. In order to ensure that the data we collect from this survey are truly representative of the Nation as a whole, it is quite important that we obtain your support.

Secondly, the information you provide will be given confidential treatment by the U.S. Public Health Service and, consequently, nothing will be published or released except statistical summaries.

We will be most appreciative if you can find the time to complete the attached form and return it to us. A self-addressed envelope which needs no postage has been enclosed for your convenience. By completing this questionnaire, you will be performing a definite public service.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Elijah L. White

Director

Division of Health Interview Statistics

Thank-you Card

Dear Friend:

The questionnaire you recently filled out on your family's medical expenses has been received. The information that you provided, when combined with data given by other persons throughout the United States, will be extremely useful to health planners interested in evaluating this Nation's health care system.

It is only through the cooperation of you and others like you that a survey such as this one can be carried on. Thank you for the assi tance you have given us.

Division of Health Interview Statistics National Center for Health Statistics U. S. Public Health Service

Questionnaire



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE HEALTH SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20852

NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS

SURVEY OF FAMILY MEDICAL EXPENSES

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ASSURANCE OF CONFIDENTIALITY:

All information which would permit identification of an individual, or of an establishment, will be held confidential, will be used only by persons engaged in and for the purpose of the survey, and will be protected against disclosure in accordance with provisions of 42 CFR Part 1.

HSM-503-2 3-71 O.M.B. No. 68-571011 Approval Expires: 9-30-71

| Names of Family | Members | Relationship to Family Head | Sex (Check one) | Person's age on last birthday: |
|---|--|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| • | | | Male | |
| 1. | | Head | ☐ Female ☐ Male | year |
| 2. | | | Female Male | year: |
| 3 | <u> </u> | | Female | year: |
| 4. | | | ☐ Male ☐ Female | year |
| _ | | - | Male | |
| 5. | | | Male | year year |
| 6 | | | Female Male | year |
| 7. | | | Female | year |
| 8 | | | Male Female | year |
| _ | | | Male . | |
| 7. | | | Female Male | year |
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| ☐ Less than \$3,000 | \$7,000 - \$9,999 |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| ☐ \$3,000 - \$4,999 | \$10,006 - \$14,999 |
| ☐ \$5,000 - \$6,999 | \$5,006 - \$24,999 |
| | ☐ \$25,00C+ |

4. Please print below the name of the person or persons who are completing this form.

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APPENDIX II

RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES

Since the statistics presented in this report are based on a sample, they will differ somewhat from the figures that would have been obtained if a complete census had been taken using the same schedules, instructions, and interviewing personnel and procedures.

As in any survey, the results are also subject to reporting and processing errors and errors due to nonresponse. To the extent possible, these types of errors were kept to a minimum by methods built into survey procedures. Although it is very difficult to measure the extent of bias in the Health Interview Survey, a number of studies have been conducted to study this problem. The results have been published in several reports.

The standard error is primarily a measure of sampling variability, that is, the variations that might occur by chance because only a sample of the population is surveyed. As calculated for this report, the standard error also reflects part of the variation which arises in the measurement process. It does not include estimates of any biases which might be in the data. The chances are about 68 out of 100 that an estimate from the sample would differ from a complete census by less than the standard error. The chances are about 95 out of 100 that the difference would be less than twice the standard error and about 99 out of 100 that it would be less than 2½ times as large.

The relative standard error of an estimate is obtained by dividing the standard error of the estimate by the estimate itself and is expressed as a percentage of the estimate. For this report, asterisks are shown for any cell with more than a 30-percent relative standard error. Included in this appendix are charts from which the relative

standard errors can be determined for estimates shown in the report. In order to derive relative errors which would be applicable to a wide variety of health statistics and which could be prepared at a moderate cost, a number of approximations were required. As a result, the charts provide an estimate of the approximate relative standard error rather than the precise error for any specific aggregate or percentage.

Since the sampling error charts are based on the full HIS sample design, the sampling errors derived from the charts on pages 56-58 must be adjusted to reflect the use of the doublesampling technique (see page 14). The adjustment factor is 1.4.

Tables I and II, which include the adjustment factor of 1.4, present selected sampling errors of percentages of intervals of expense and of per capita expense.

Table 1. Standard errors, expressed in percentage points, of estimated percentages for narrow-range statistics

| D | Estimated percentage | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|--|--|
| Base of percentage | 2 | 5 | 10 | 25 | | | | |
| in | or | or | or | ог | 50 | | | |
| thousands | 98 | 95 | 90 | 75 | | | | |
| 500 | 2.6 | 4.1 | 5.7 | 8.1 | 9,5 | | | |
| 1,000 | 1.9 | 2.9 | 4.1 | 6.0 | 6.7 | | | |
| 2,000 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 4.8 | | | |
| 5,000 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 3.1 | | | |
| 10,000 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 2.0 | | | |
| 20,000 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.4 | | | |
| 30,000 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.1 | | | |
| 50,000 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.9 | | | |
| 100,000 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.7 | | | |

Table II. Relative standard errors for selected amounts of per family unit average health expense per year

| Size of population | | P | | ily unit er year | | | e | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| estimate in thousands | 25 | 50 | 75 | 100 | 150 | 200 | 250 | 300 | |
| | Percent | | | | | | | | |
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| 100,000 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | |

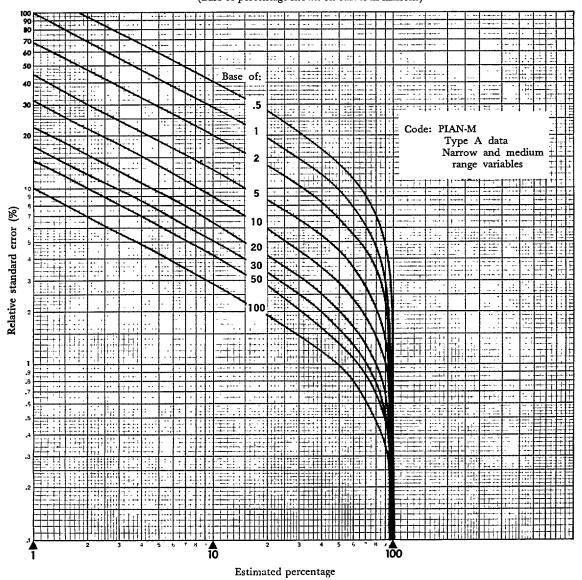
Standard errors of percentages not shown in table I may be derived from chart PIAN-M. Read the appropriate curve to find the relative standard error. Multiply the relative standard error by the percentage to obtain the standard error; then apply the adjustment factor of 1.4 to obtain the corrected standard error.

Standard errors of per capita expense not shown in table II may be derived from charts A1AW and A1AN using the following rule:

Estimates of rates where the numerator is not a subclass of the denominator: This rule applies where a unit of the numerator often occurs more than once for any one unit in the denominator. For example, in the computation of the number of persons injured per 100 currently employed persons per year, it is possible that a person in the denominator could have sustained more than one of the injuries included in the numerator. Approximate relative standard errors for rates of this kind may be computed as follows:

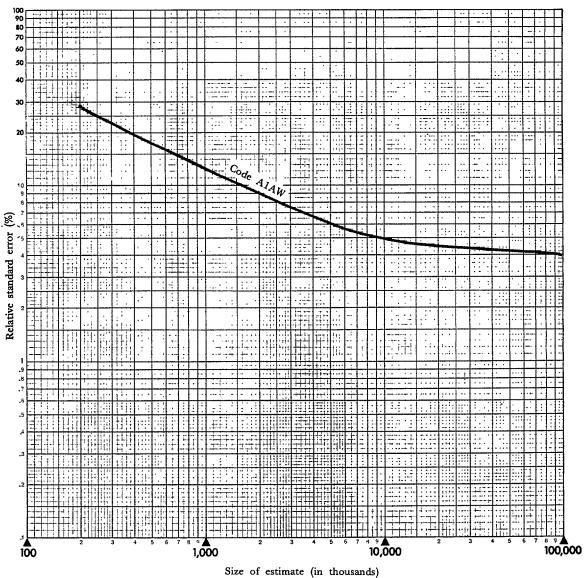
The relative standard error of the numerator and of the denominator can be obtained from the appropriate curve. Square each of these relative errors, add the resulting values, and extract the square root of the sum. This procedure will result in an upper bound on the standard error and often will overstate the error.

Relative standard errors for percentages based on one quarter of data collection for type A data, Narrow and Medium range (Base of percentage shown on curves in millions)



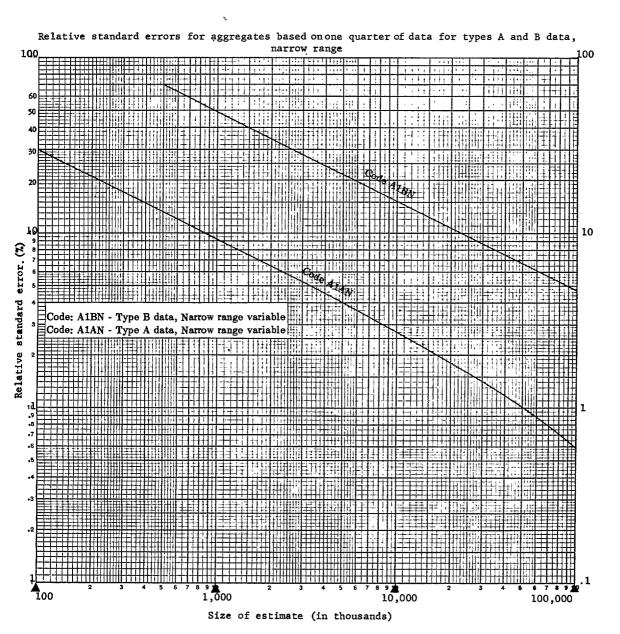
Example of use of chart: An estimate of 50 percent (on scale at bottom of chart) based on an estimate of 1,000,000 has a relative standard error of 9.6 percent (read from the scale at the left side of the chart), the point at which the curve for a base of 1,000,000 intersects the vertical line for 5 percent. The standard error in percentage points is equal to 50 percent X 9.6 percent or 4.8 percentage points. (The adjustment factor of 1.4 raises the standard error to 6.7 as shown in table I.)

Relative standard errors for aggregates based on one quarter of data for type A data, wide range



Example of use of chart: An aggregate of \$10,000,000 has a relative standard error of 4.9 percent, or a standard error

of 490,000 (4.9 percent of 10,000,000).



Example of use of chart: An aggregate of 6,000,000 (on scale at bottom of chart) for a Narrow range Type B statistic has a relative standard error of 19.3 percent, read from scale at left side of chart, or a standard error of 1,158,000 (19.3 percent of 6,000,000).

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APPENDIX III

DEFINITIONS OF CERTAIN TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT

Terms Relating to Out-of-Pocket Health Expenses

Out-of-pocket expense.—The amount paid directly by the individual or family member exclusive of any part paid by insurance, other person, or agency. The following definitions pertain only to out-of-pocket expenses.

Dental bills.—The amount spent for cleaning, filling, straightening, bridgework, dental laboratory fees, and other services from a dentist or hygienist.

Doctor bills.—The amount spent for routine doctor visits, treatments, checkups, doctor fees while a patient in a hospital, operations, deliveries, pregnancy care, laboratory fees, shots, and other services by a medical doctor.

Hospital bills.—The amount spent for room and board, operating and delivery rooms, anesthesia, tests, X-rays, special treatments, and any other hospital service.

Payments for prescription medicine.—Amounts spent for only those medicines prescribed by a doctor or dentist.

Payments for optical bills.—Amounts spent for eyeglasses, contact lenses, or optometrist's fees.

Payments for other medical bills.—Amounts spent for chiropractor's or podiatrist's fees, hearing aid, special brace, truss, wheelchair, artificial limbs, physical or speech therapy, special nursing care, and nursing home or convalescent home care.

Payments for health insurance premiums.— Amounts spent on premiums for health insur-

ance coverage for any part of a hospital bill or doctor's bill.

Family and Related Terms

The definitions of families and unrelated individuals (family units) are the same as those used in the 1960 census.

Family refers to a group of two persons or more related by blood, marriage, or adoption who are living together in the same household. Although the usual household contains only the primary family, a household can contain secondary families as well as individuals unrelated to the family. A lodger and his family who are not related to the head of the household or a resident employee and his wife living in are considered a secondary family and not part of the primary family. However, if the son of the head of the household and the son's wife and children are members of the household, this subfamily is treated as part of the primary family.

Individuals are persons (other than inmates of institutions) who are not living with any relatives. An unrelated individual can be (1) a household head living alone or with nonrelatives, (2) a lodger or resident employee with no relatives in the household, (3) a staff member of an institution who has no relatives living with him, or (4) a resident of a dormitory, lodging house, or other shared-residence facility who has no relative living with him.

Head of family is usually the person regarded as the "head" by the members of the group. Married women are never classified as heads if their husbands are living with them at the time of the survey except when the husband is a member of the Armed Forces. Only one

person in each family can be designated as the head. Therefore the number of heads of families is equal to the number of families.

Other family members are all persons who are related to the head of the family by blood, marriage, or adoption. The category "child under 17," used as a classifier of husband-wife families, refers to a child of these parents and includes an adopted child, a foster child, or a ward but excludes a grandchild.

Demographic Terms

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

Color.—The population is divided into two color groups, "white" and "all other." "All

other" includes Negro, American Indian, Chinese, Japanese, and any other race. Mexican persons are included with "white" unless definitely known to be Indian or of another race.

Income of family or of unrelated individuals.—Each member of a family is classified according to the total income of the family of which he is a member. Within the household all persons related to each other by blood, marriage, or adoption constitute a family. Unrelated individuals are classified according to their own income.

The income recorded is the total of all income received by members of the family (or by an unrelated individual) in the 12-month period preceding the week of interview. Income from all sources is included, e.g., wages, salaries, rents from property, pensions, and help from relatives.

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