

# PATTERNS IN HOSPITAL USE AND PAYMENTS

HEALTH, UNITED STATES, 2020–2021: ANNUAL PERSPECTIVE—HOSPITAL USE BY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE. *Health, United States* synthesizes final data from multiple sources to highlight the complex and multifactorial nature of disparities in health outcomes.

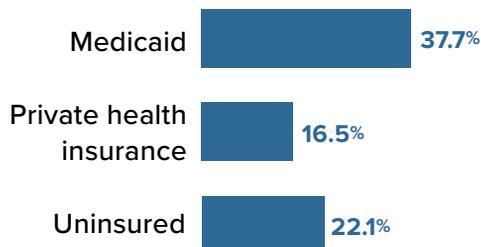
Emergency department visits and hospital stays differ by health insurance coverage

## People with Medicaid are more likely to

Visit the **emergency department (ED)**



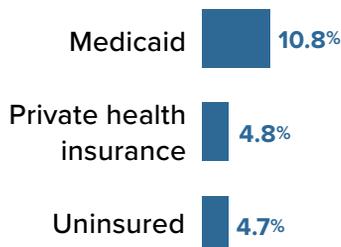
Percentage of adults aged 18–64 in 2019 who **visited the ED** in the past year, by payer



Have a **hospital stay**

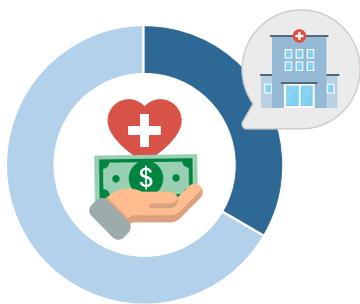


Percentage of people aged 1–64 in 2019 with a **hospital stay** in the past year, by payer



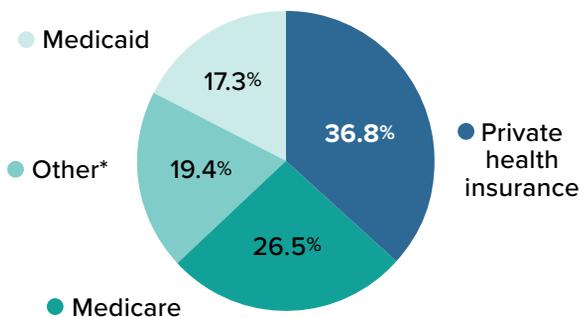
These findings may reflect **higher rates of disability and chronic conditions** among people with Medicaid. For more information, see level of difficulty estimates in Tables HIPriv, HIMcaid, and HINone on [www.cdc.gov/nchs/hus/data-finder.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/hus/data-finder.htm).

## Private insurance pays the largest portion of hospital expenditures



For all ages, one-third of **personal healthcare spending** in 2019 was on hospital care

Percentage of hospital expenditures in 2019, by payer



\* Includes other payers and programs and self-pay.