

Children's Coverage: An Overview

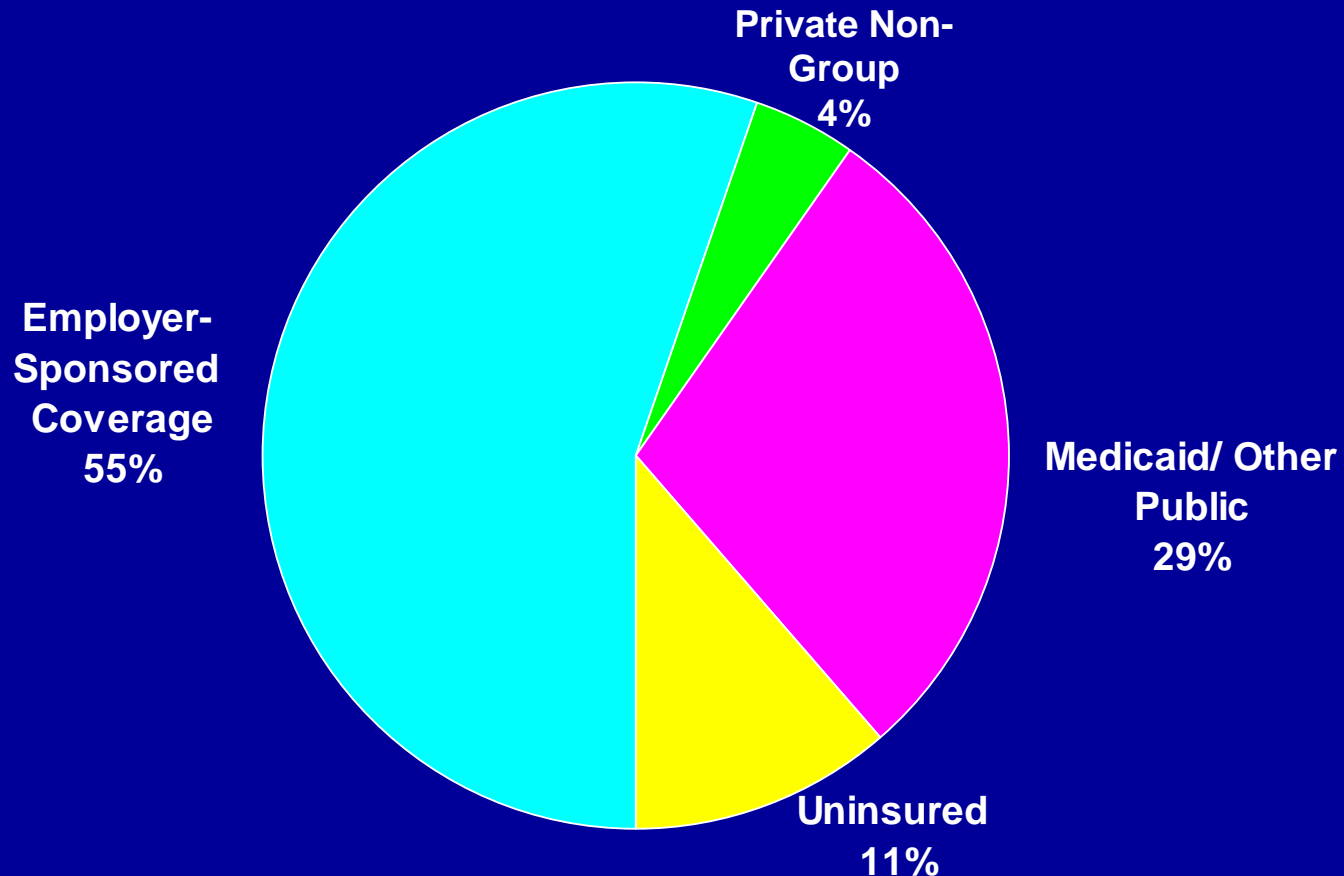
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Figure 1

Health Insurance Coverage of Children, 2007



78.6 Million Children

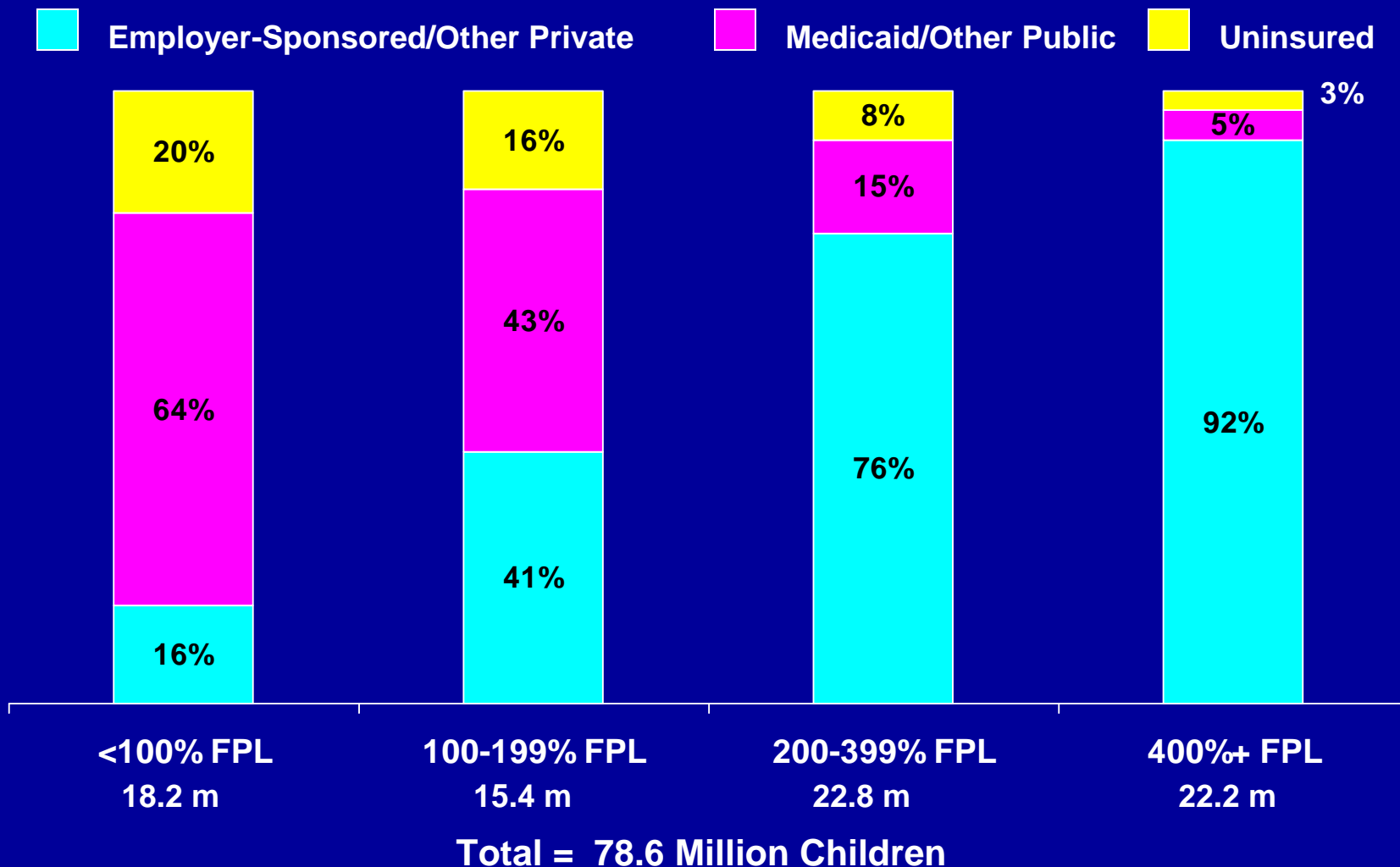
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Figure 2

Health Insurance Coverage of Children by Income, 2007

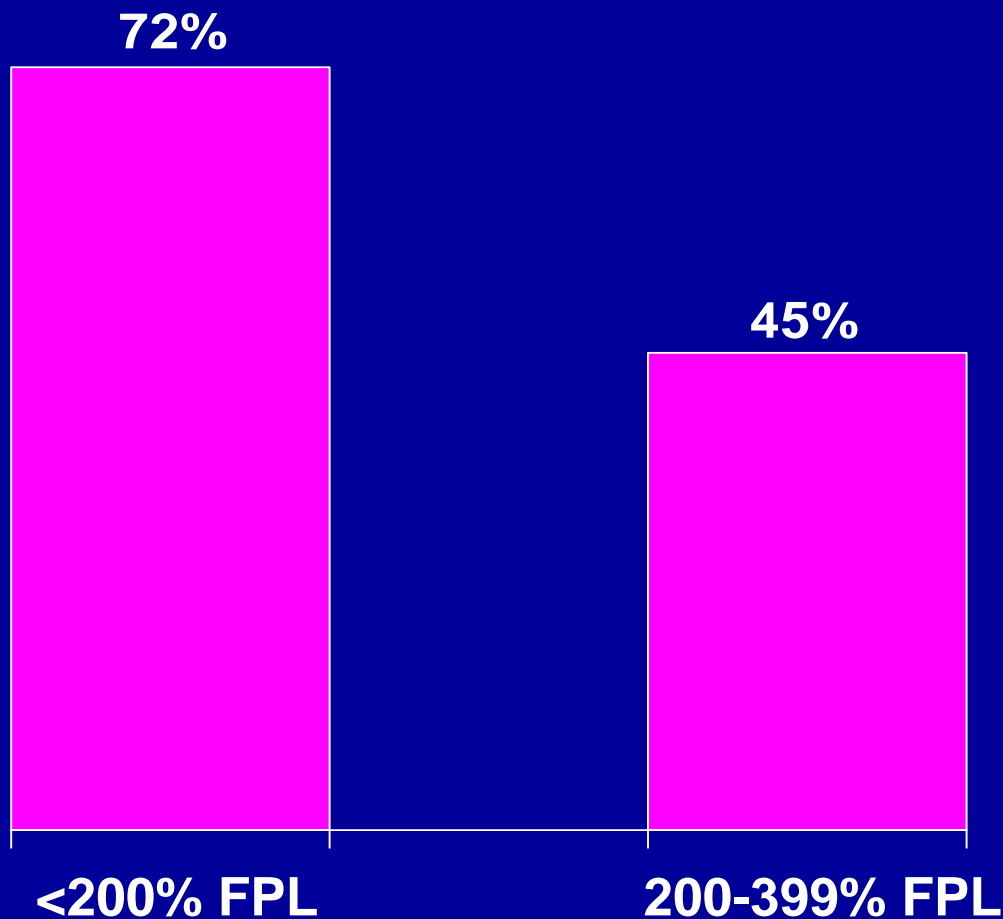


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Working Families with an Uninsured Child: Percent with No Access to ESI for Child

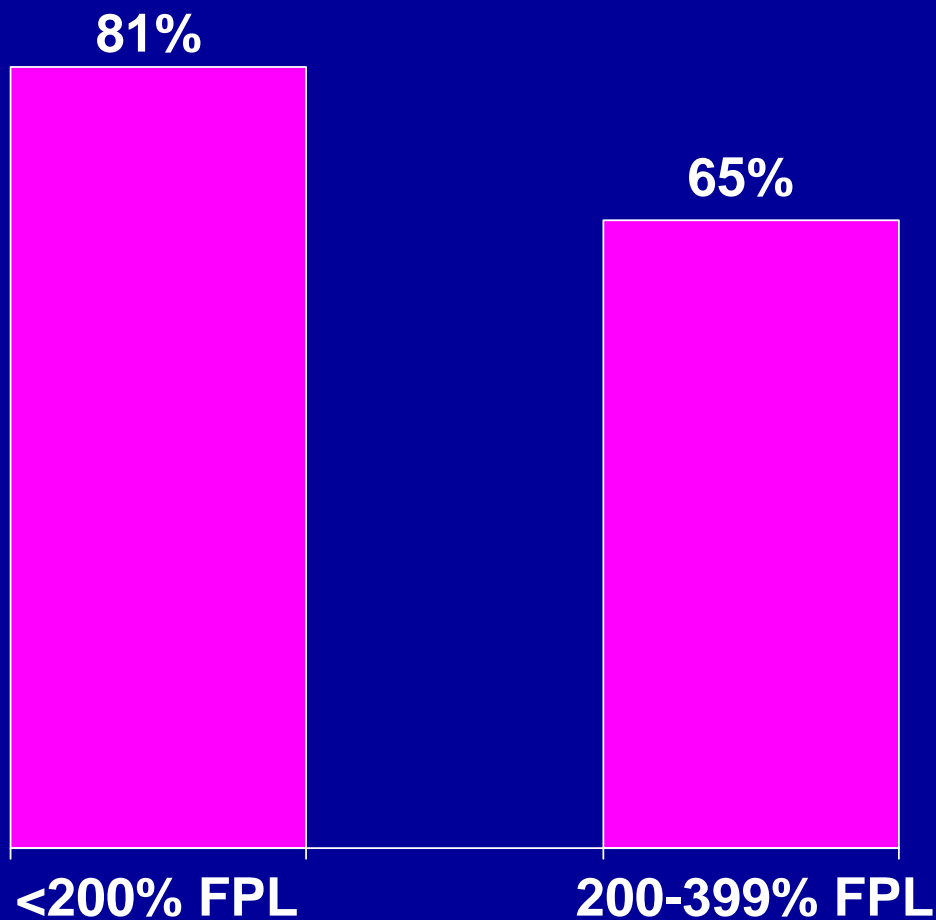


Note: "No Access" includes parents not offered ESI, parents not eligible for ESI, and parents not offered dependent coverage.

SOURCE: Kaiser Survey of Children's Health Coverage, 2007.

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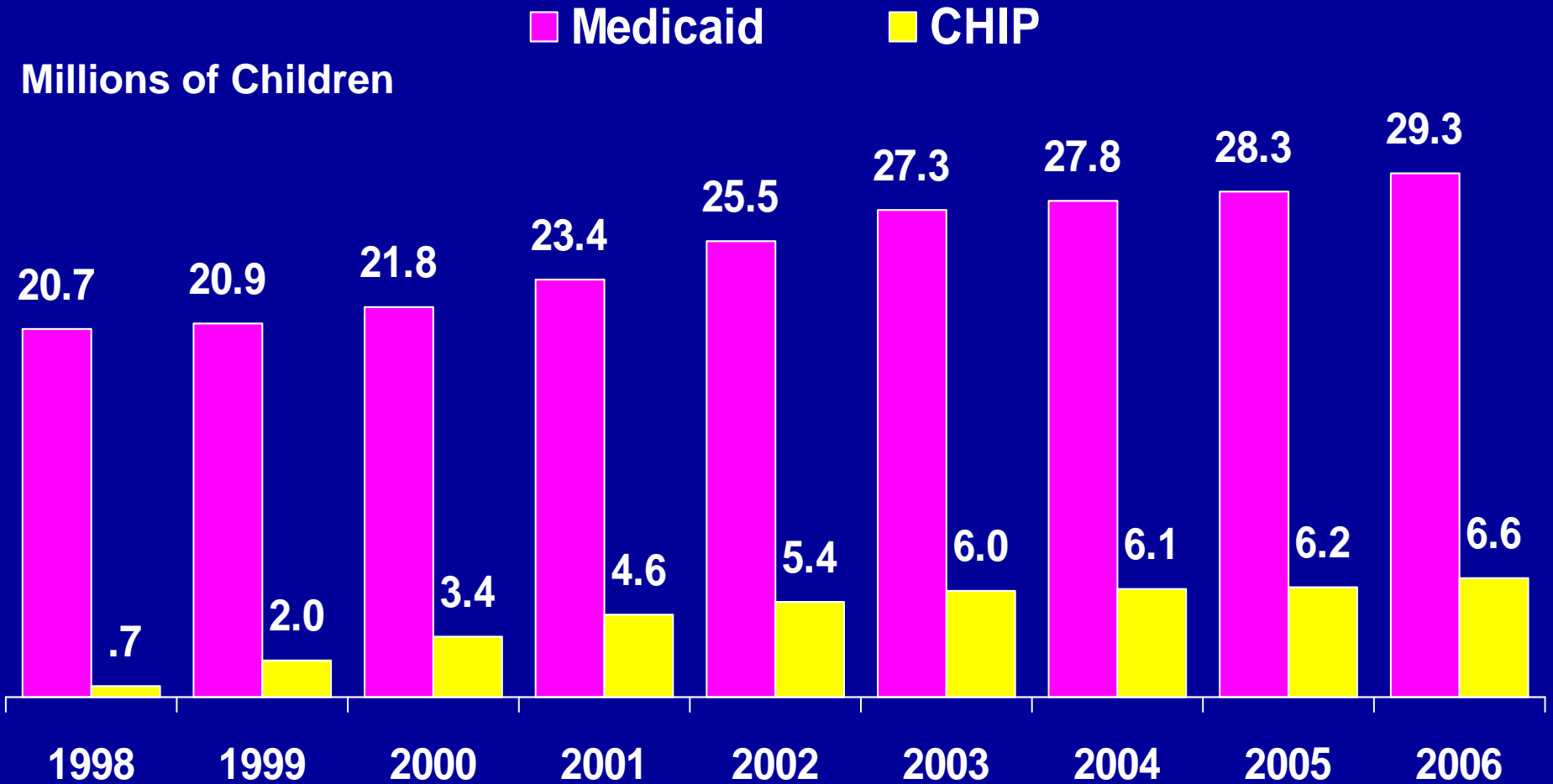
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Medicaid and CHIP Enrollment of Children, 1998-2006

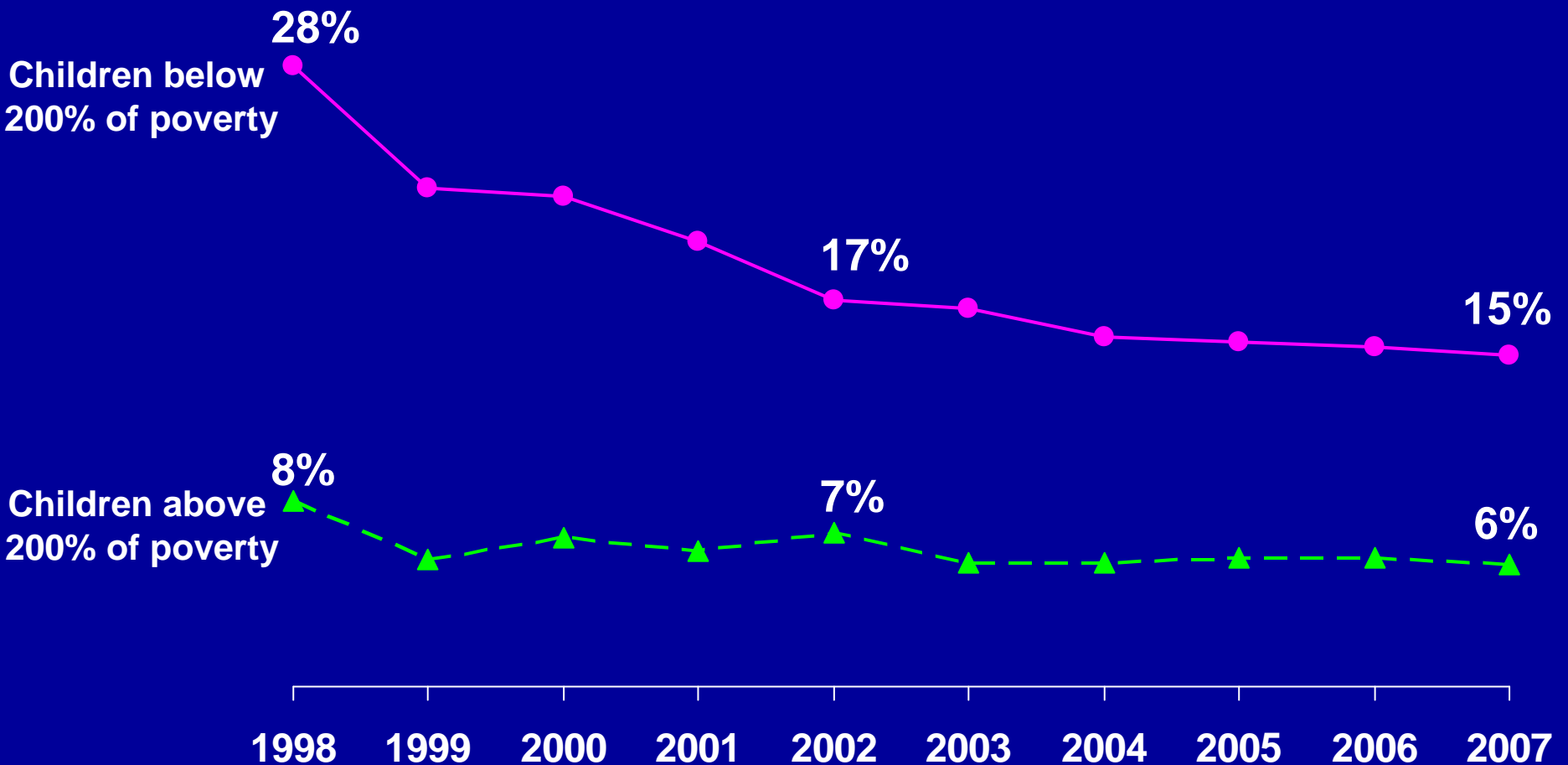


SOURCE: Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured and Urban Institute analysis of HCFA-2082, MSIS, and SEDS data, 2009.

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Figure 6

Percentage of Children Without Health Insurance, By Poverty Level, 1998-2007

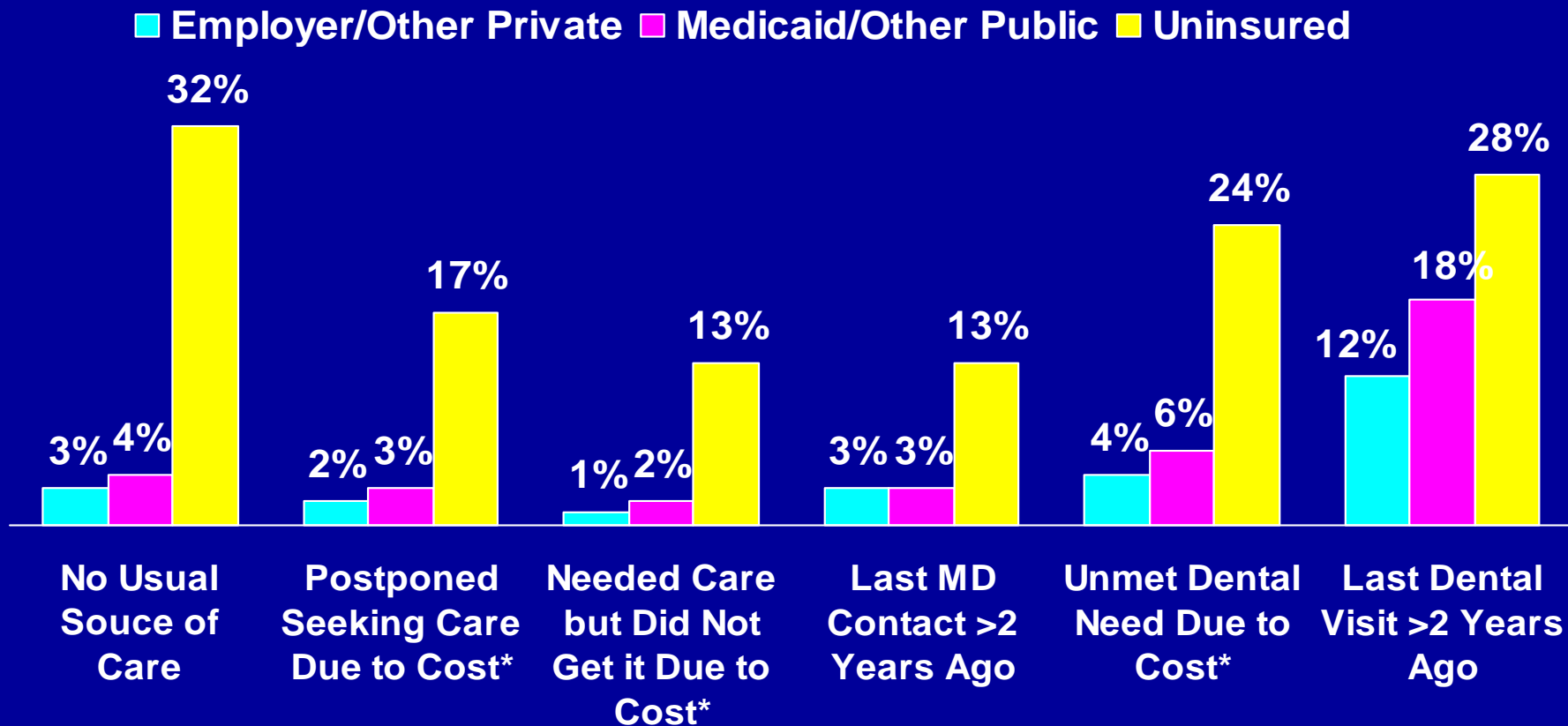


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Source: KCMU analysis of National Health Interview Survey data.

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Figure 7

Children's Access to Care, by Health Insurance Status, 2007



* In the past 12 months

Questions about dental care were analyzed for children age 2-17. Respondents who said usual source of care was the emergency room were included among those not having a usual source of care.

SOURCE: KCMU analysis of 2007 NHIS data.

Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009

- Provides \$33 billion in federal funds for children's coverage over next 4.5 years; financed by a \$.62 increase in federal tobacco tax
- Expected to reach an additional 4.1 million uninsured children through Medicaid and CHIP
- Makes some eligibility changes
 - States set eligibility levels / Medicaid match for kids > 300% FPL
 - New option to cover legal immigrant children and pregnant women in the US for less than five years
 - Phases out coverage for most adults
- Provides new tools and fiscal incentives to enroll uninsured kids
- Expands benefits and focuses on access and quality

Figure 9

Reduction in Uninsured Children in 2013 Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009

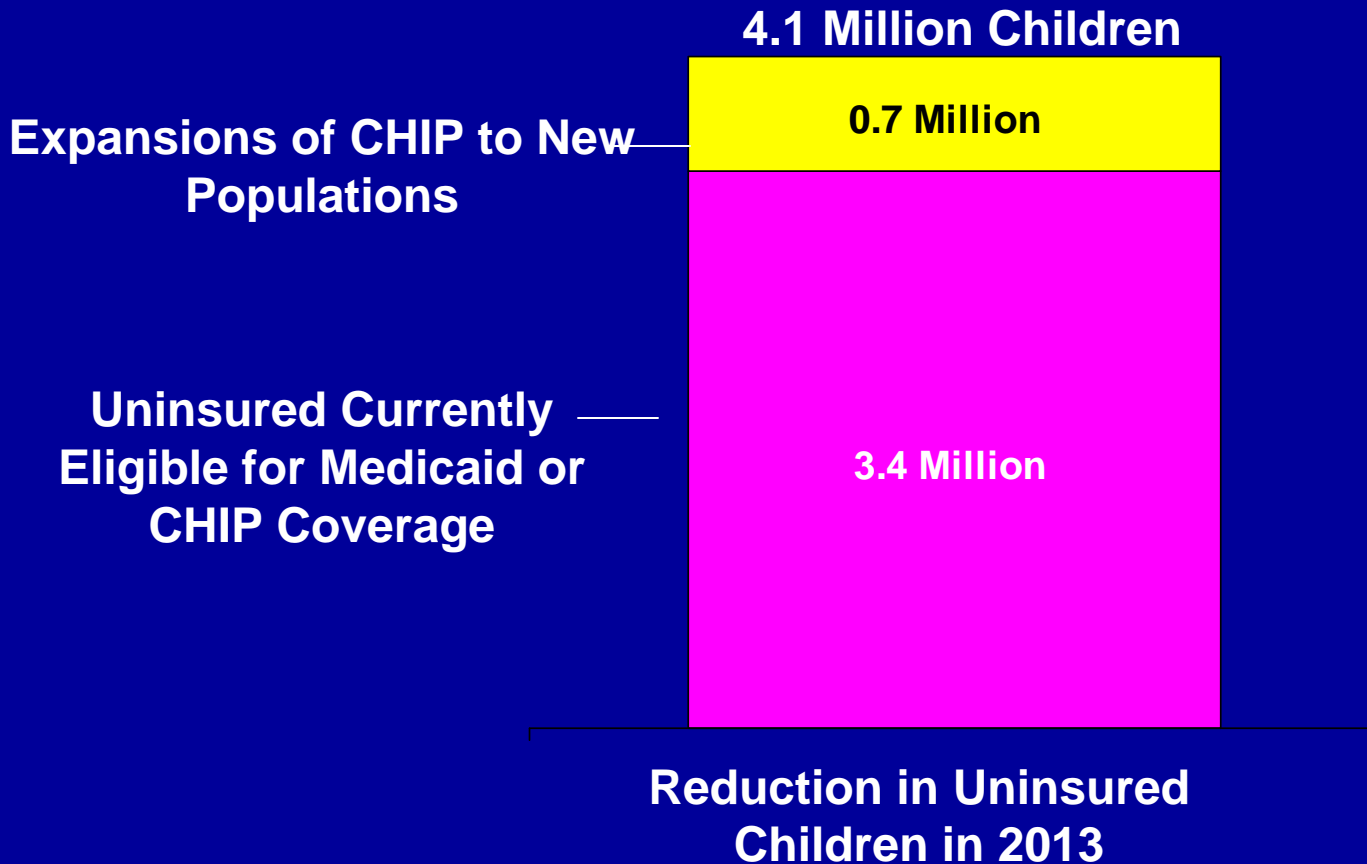
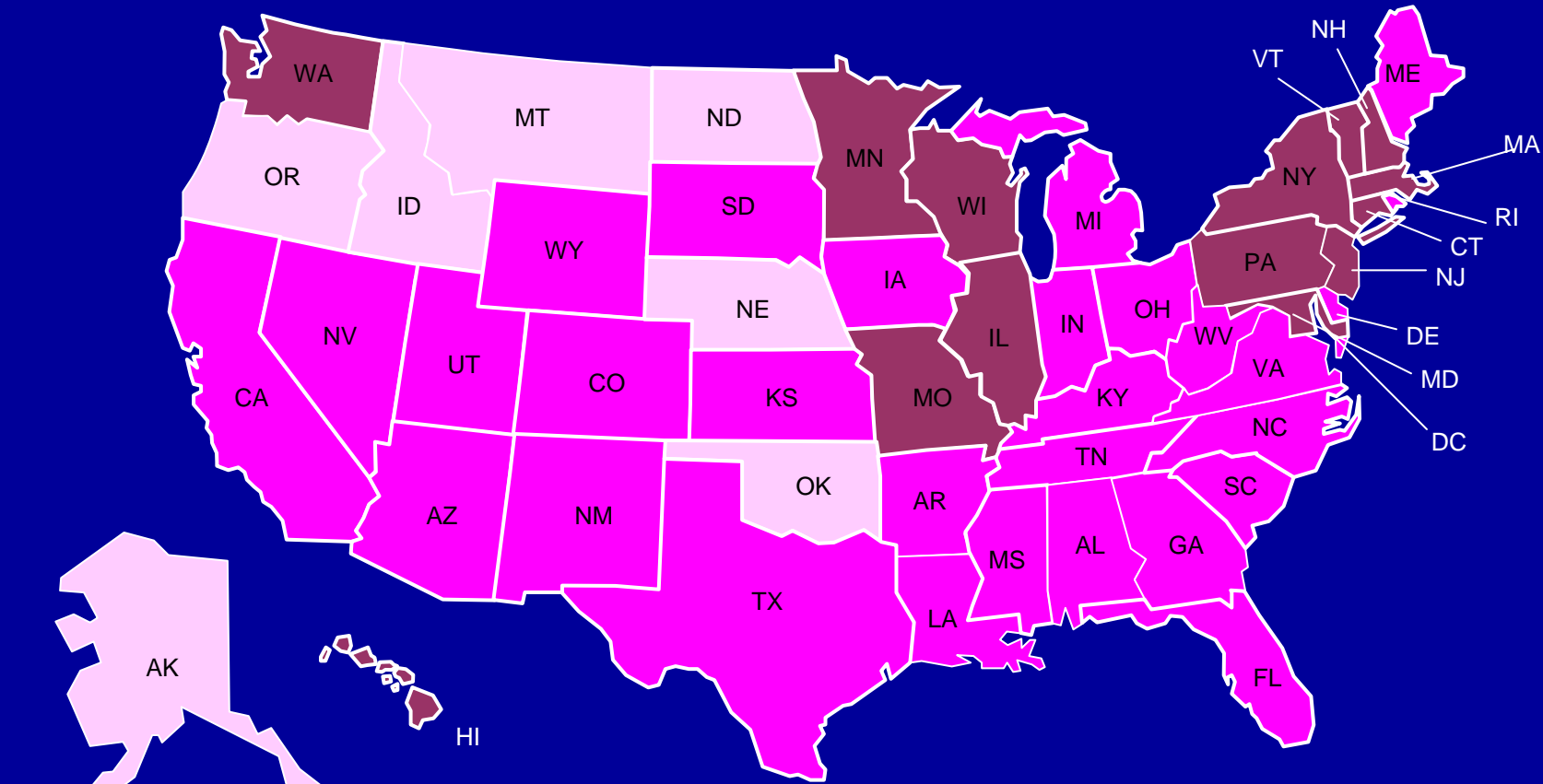





Figure 10

Children's Eligibility for Medicaid/CHIP by Income, May 2009



-  < 200% FPL (7 states)
-  200-250% FPL (29 states)
-  >250% FPL (14 states plus DC)

*The Federal Poverty Line (FPL) for a family of three in 2008 is \$17,600 per year.
***IL uses state funds to cover children above 200% FPL.; MA uses state funds to cover children above 300% FPL

SOURCE: KCMU/CBPP annual survey of state eligibility and enrollment policies, 2009.

Figure 11

Enacted and Proposed Children's Eligibility Expansions

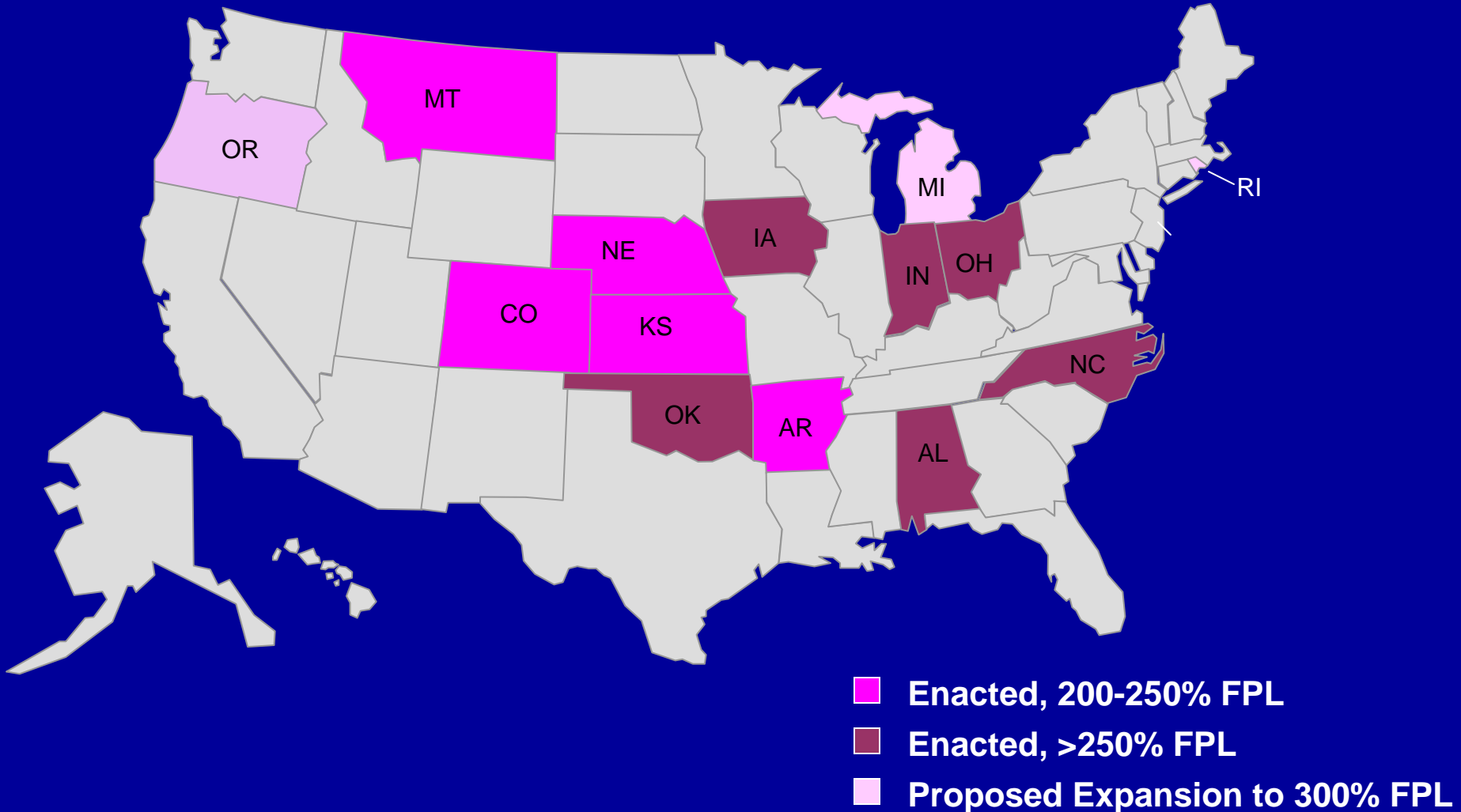
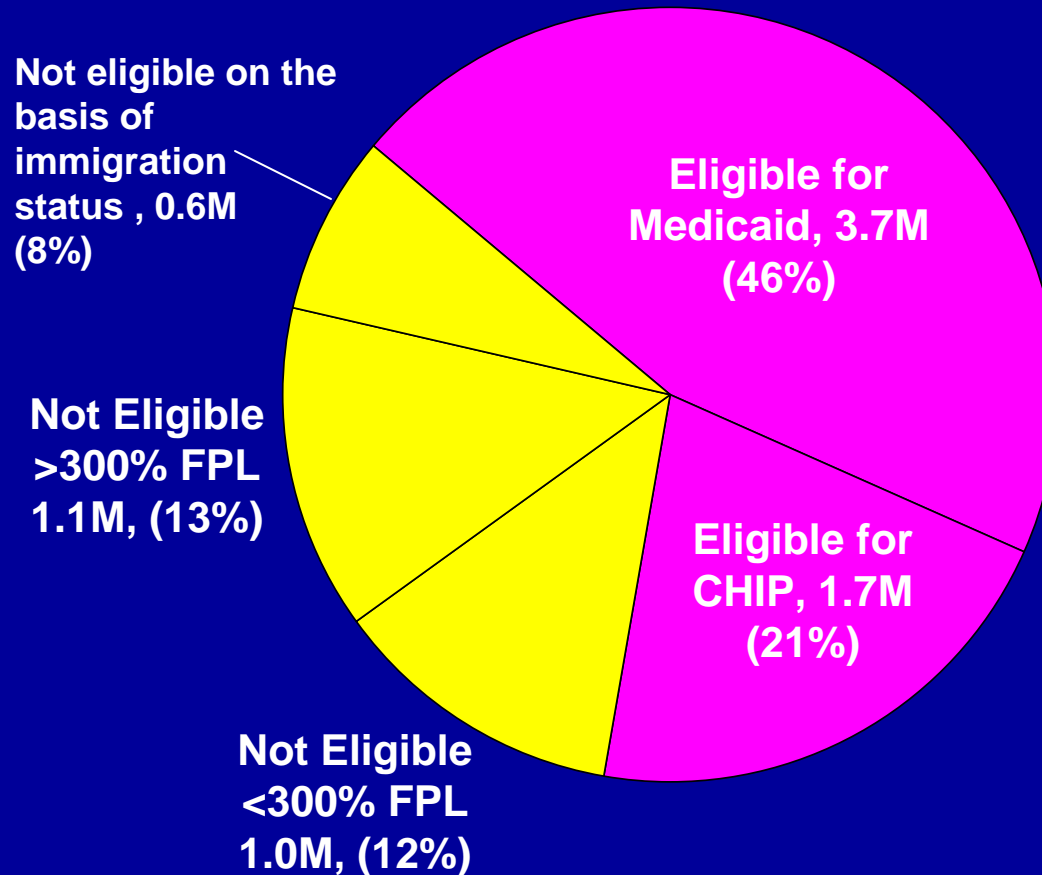


Figure 12

Two-thirds of Uninsured Children Are Eligible for Medicaid/CHIP



SOURCE: KCMU based on Urban Institute analysis of the 2005 Annual and Social Economic Supplements to the CPS.

Figure 13

Views and Knowledge Gaps Among Low-Income Parents with an Uninsured Child

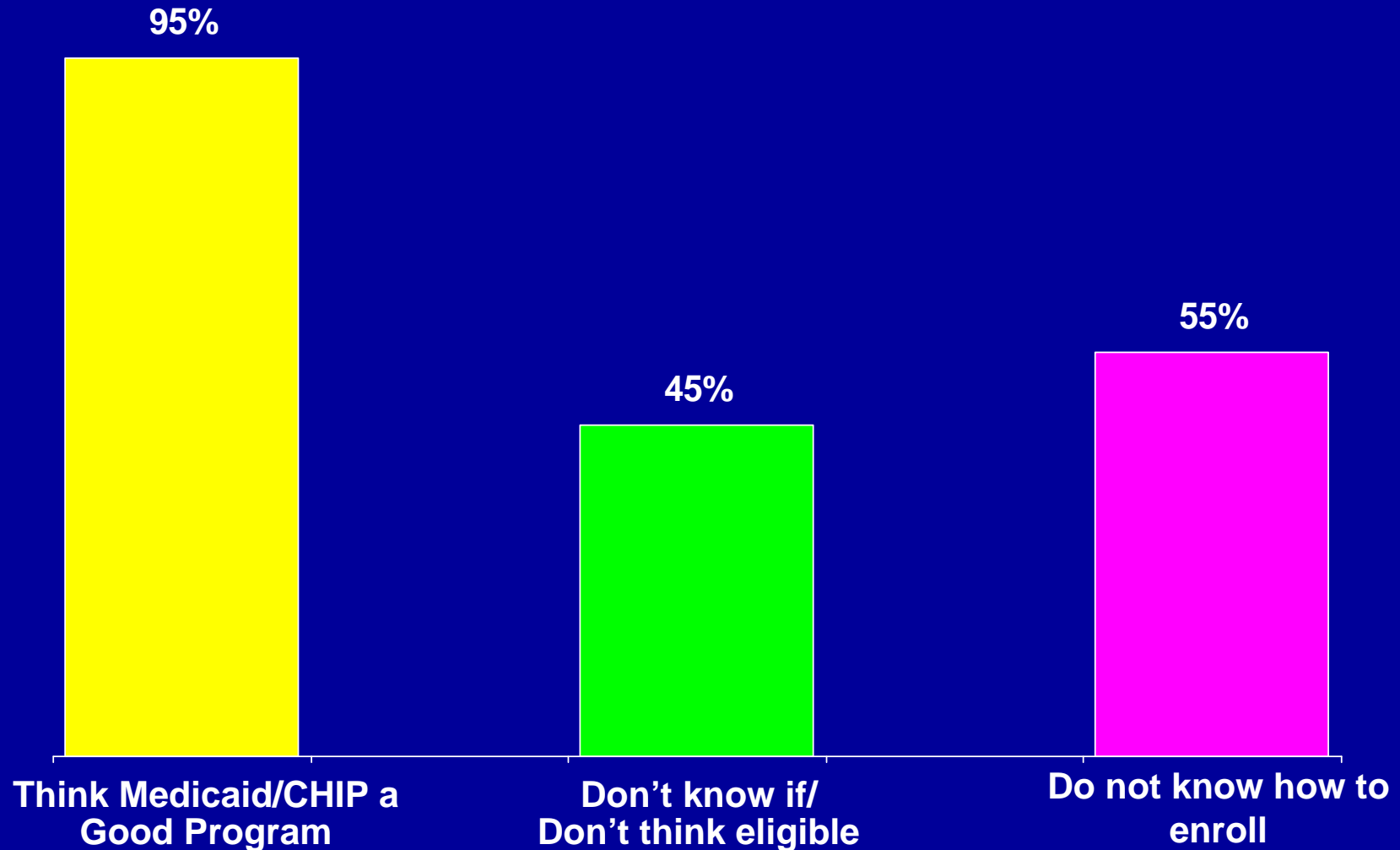


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Simplifying Enrollment and Renewal in Children's Health Coverage Programs

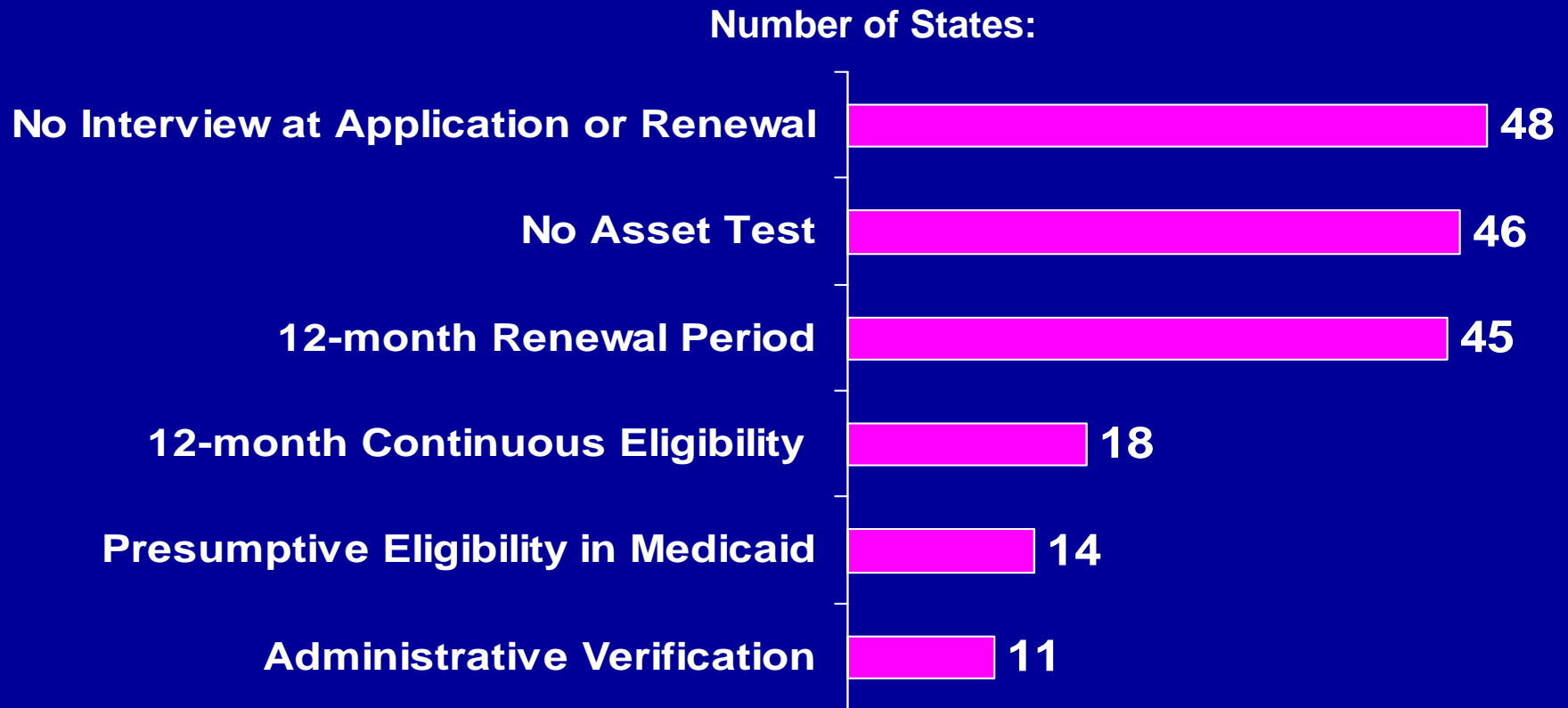
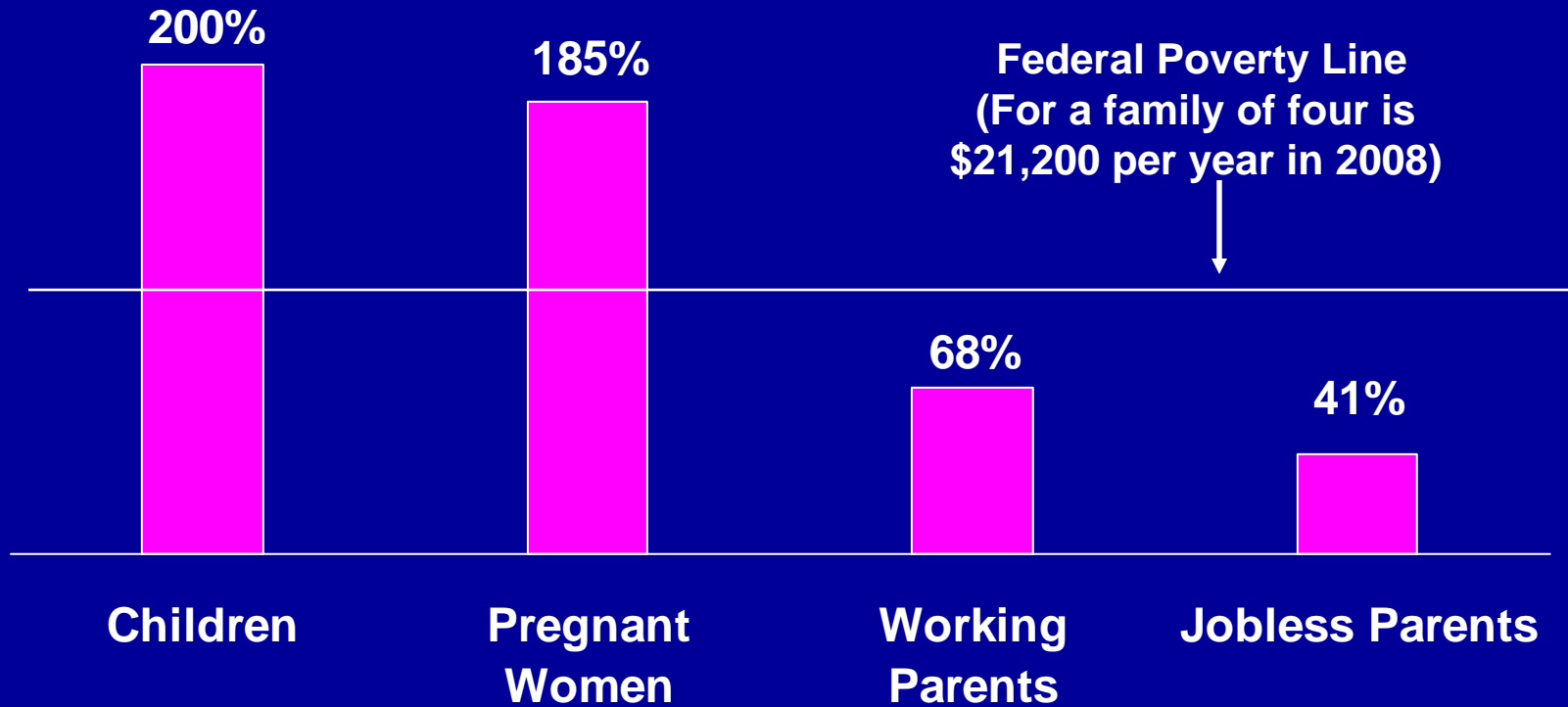


Figure 15

Median Medicaid/CHIP Income Eligibility Thresholds for Children, Pregnant Women and Parents, January 2009

Percent of Poverty



Looking Ahead

- Continue coverage gains of the past few years
 - Despite recession, states have continued to expand eligibility
- Build on CHIPRA to make additional inroads in covering low-income children
 - Enrollment simplification incentives
 - ICHIA option
- Protect children's coverage under health reform
 - Ensure that coverage is affordable and benefits meet children's needs
 - Create multiple avenues to coverage