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Strengthen Medicaid for Kids

New Hampshire Medicaid Program

Safeguarding Children's Health

Medicaid Is the Health Care Safety Net for Children

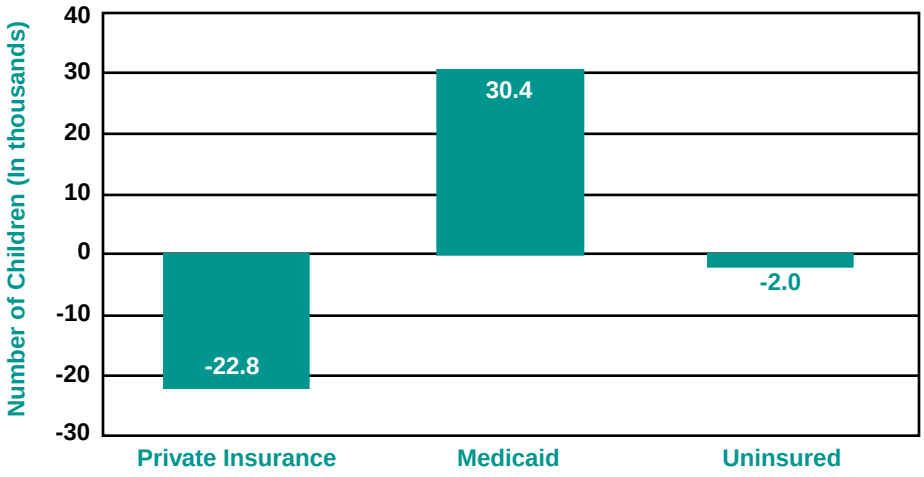
More than 54,000 children under 21 in New Hampshire were covered by the Medicaid program in 1994.[1]

In 1993, 11% of births in New Hampshire were paid for by Medicaid.

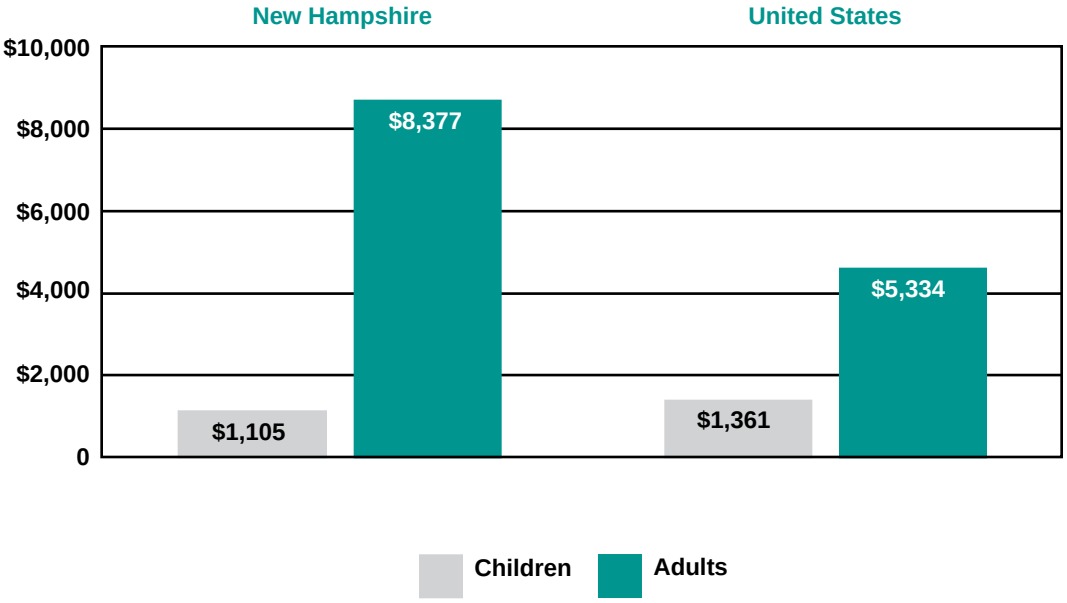
Medicaid Is Even More Important as Private Insurance Coverage Erodes.

Nationally, the majority of children receiving Medicaid live in a household where at least one parent works.[2]

Change in Health Care Coverage of Children Under 21 in New Hampshire from 1987 to 1993[3]



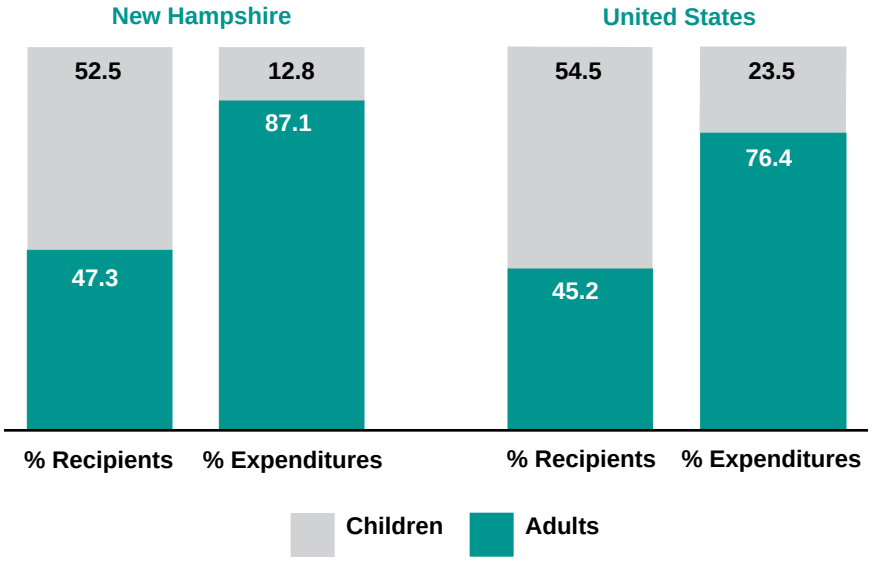
Average Annual Expenditure Per Medicaid Participant in 1994



Providing Health Care to Children Is Not Expensive.

Providing health care to children costs a fraction of what it does for adults. In New Hampshire, Medicaid can insure seven children for less than the cost of one adult.

Medicaid Expenditures for Adults and Children under 21 in 1994*



*(All totals do not add to 100% because age data was not available for some recipients.)

While most Medicaid recipients are children, they account for less than one seventh of all Medicaid expenditures.

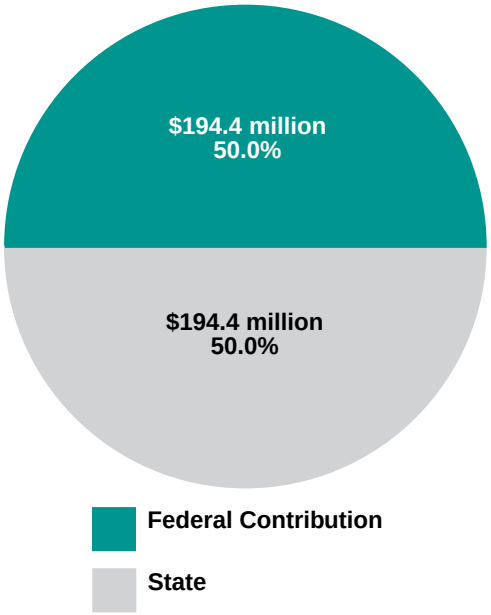
The average cost for Medicaid's preventive care program for children, Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT), is just $46 a year in New Hampshire.

Funding Medicaid Is a State and Federal Partnership.

In New Hampshire half of the Medicaid program is paid for by the federal government.

In 1994 New Hampshire received an additional $211 million from the federal government in disproportionate share (DSH) payments for hospitals serving a high percentage of poor and uninsured patients.

1994 Medicaid Funding* in New Hampshire



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[1] American Academy of Pediatrics, *Medicaid State Reports - FY 1994.* Elk Grove Village, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics: 1996. Unless stated otherwise, all data are from this publication.

[2] General Accounting Office. *Health Insurance for Children: Private Insurance Coverage Continues to Deteriorate.* Washington, DC: US Government Printing Office; 1996.

[3] Yudkowsky BK, Tang SS. "Children at Risk: Their Health Insurance Status by State." *Pediatrics* (in press).