

Table VI.A.2.g(2004) Average length of waiting period (in weeks) before new employees were eligible for health insurance at private-sector establishments that offer health insurance by ownership type and age of firm and State: United States, 2004

Division and State	Total	For profit, incorporated	Ownership For profit, unincorporated	Nonprofit	Less than 5 years	Age of firm 5 or more years	Unknown
United States	8.1	8.6	7.4	5.5	7.2	7.9	9.4
New England:							
Connecticut	6.8	7.3	6.5	3.0	7.6	6.6	8.0
Maine	7.9	8.9	5.0	4.9	10.0	7.9	7.0
Massachusetts	5.8	6.5	4.5*	3.9	4.4	5.9	6.2
New Hampshire	7.1	7.1	8.4	4.2	5.2	7.0	9.1
Rhode Island	6.8	7.2	5.8	5.0	7.6	6.8	5.7
Vermont	7.3	7.7	8.1	3.7	6.8	7.2	7.7
Middle Atlantic:							
New Jersey	8.4	8.8	6.7	8.1	8.3	8.3	9.0
New York	7.5	7.9	7.0	5.9	4.2*	7.8	6.9*
Pennsylvania	7.7	8.5	6.1	5.1	6.8*	7.6	9.2
East North Central:							
Illinois	6.9	7.5	5.6*	3.2	2.5*	6.8	9.0
Indiana	9.1	9.6	10.0	4.9	9.3	8.8	10.5
Michigan	7.6	8.0	5.1	6.4	10.3	7.1	9.1
Ohio	6.4	7.1	4.6	4.7	3.7*	5.8	9.5
Wisconsin	7.0	7.2	7.5	4.8*	7.9*	7.0	6.3
West North Central:							
Iowa	6.7	7.1	6.7	4.0	1.5*	6.2	10.7
Kansas	6.7	7.0	7.5	3.6*	5.8*	6.8	6.2
Minnesota	7.2	7.8	5.2*	5.2	9.7*	6.6	10.5
Missouri	9.3	10.0	9.0	4.1	12.6	9.3	7.4
Nebraska	6.4	6.7	6.7	3.6	7.5	6.6	3.5*
North Dakota	6.7	7.7	4.7*	3.2*	3.3*	7.0	6.4
South Dakota	7.5	8.2	7.4	4.4*	8.7*	7.6	6.9
South Atlantic:							
Delaware	8.9	9.8	5.7	4.2	8.4	8.8	9.8
District of Columbia	5.5	6.7	5.0	3.2	6.3*	4.9	7.9
Florida	9.0	9.0	9.8	7.2	5.2*	8.9	10.8
Georgia	7.5	7.9	6.8*	2.8*	5.0*	7.9	6.3
Maryland	7.6	7.8	8.3	4.4*	6.7	7.4	8.8
North Carolina	7.3	7.5	6.3	6.1	6.0	7.4	7.0*
South Carolina	9.1	9.8	6.1	6.8	16.6	8.1	9.0
Virginia	8.9	9.8	6.5	4.2*	8.1	8.5	11.3
West Virginia	9.2	10.3	7.5	6.0	7.2	9.6	7.6
East South Central:							
Alabama	7.7	7.8	8.1	5.8	5.6	7.5	9.3
Kentucky	9.2	9.4	11.1	5.4	4.6	8.8	12.0
Mississippi	8.8	9.9	7.6*	3.2*	8.9	9.2	7.3
Tennessee	8.5	8.9	7.4	7.4	3.8*	8.1	12.7
West South Central:							
Arkansas	9.5	10.7	6.8*	5.7	4.2	9.9	10.0
Louisiana	9.4	9.9	9.8	3.4*	8.9*	8.7	13.3
Oklahoma	8.8	8.5	7.9	12.1	6.2	8.6	11.1
Texas	8.6	8.9	8.9	5.1	8.4	8.1	10.5
Mountain:							
Arizona	8.8	9.4	7.1	5.7*	4.1*	8.6	10.7
Colorado	8.7	9.4	7.0	4.8*	7.2	8.5	9.9
Idaho	9.6	9.7	11.1	5.0	10.9	9.5	9.6
Montana	10.3	11.3	7.5*	7.6	14.4	9.5	14.4
Nevada	10.6	10.8	10.1	9.4	7.0*	11.1	9.8
New Mexico	9.1	9.6	8.6	5.7	6.4	9.1	10.0
Utah	9.6	9.7	10.8	5.3*	8.8	9.5	10.8
Wyoming	9.4	10.2	7.4	6.0*	11.1	9.7	7.2
Pacific:							
Alaska	9.5	10.6	7.6	6.9	7.3*	10.1	5.9
California	9.5	10.0	8.3	7.6	9.0	9.3	10.4
Hawaii	4.6	4.8	4.2	3.5	3.3*	4.4	7.0
Oregon	7.9	8.3	8.0	5.8	7.6	8.1	6.4
Washington	8.5	8.8	8.7	5.0*	8.1	8.4	10.1

Source: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Center for Financing, Access and Cost Trends. 2004 Medical Expenditure Panel Survey-Insurance Component.

Note: Definitions and descriptions of the methods used for this survey can be found in the Technical Appendix.

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Table VI.A.2.g(2004) Standard error for average length of waiting period (in weeks) before new employees were eligible for health insurance at private-sector establishments that offer health insurance by ownership type and age of firm and State: United States, 2004

Division and State	Total	For profit, incorporated	Ownership For profit, unincorporated	Nonprofit	Less than 5 years	Age of firm 5 or more years	Unknown
United States	0.12	0.12	0.29	0.21	0.44	0.14	0.22
New England:							
Connecticut	0.44	0.54	1.04	0.64	1.82	0.54	0.68
Maine	0.46	0.60	0.82	1.12	2.72	0.57	1.73
Massachusetts	0.34	0.35	1.70 *	0.89	0.90	0.44	0.84
New Hampshire	0.39	0.56	0.67	1.05	1.45	0.55	1.51
Rhode Island	0.33	0.39	0.85	1.21	1.85	0.33	0.85
Vermont	0.76	0.79	1.46	0.79	1.98	0.69	1.76
Middle Atlantic:							
New Jersey	0.46	0.45	1.11	2.18	2.37	0.61	2.23
New York	0.36	0.40	1.18	0.73	1.27 *	0.34	2.49 *
Pennsylvania	0.45	0.42	1.22	0.56	2.35 *	0.51	0.89
East North Central:							
Illinois	0.42	0.42	2.14 *	0.72	1.31 *	0.36	1.65
Indiana	0.62	0.78	2.31	0.83	2.50	0.70	1.32
Michigan	0.59	0.82	1.07	1.67	2.10	0.63	1.45
Ohio	0.38	0.56	0.22	0.97	1.16 *	0.28	1.27
Wisconsin	0.51	0.73	1.29	1.87 *	2.52 *	0.58	1.54
West North Central:							
Iowa	0.48	0.60	1.92	0.79	0.64 *	0.50	1.13
Kansas	0.51	0.58	1.09	1.09 *	1.82 *	0.64	0.94
Minnesota	0.41	0.75	1.62 *	0.69	3.23 *	0.36	2.12
Missouri	0.68	0.93	2.06	0.84	3.09	0.48	0.91
Nebraska	0.57	0.68	1.29	0.86	1.66	0.54	1.22 *
North Dakota	0.54	0.76	2.41 *	1.13 *	2.54 *	0.68	1.29
South Dakota	0.63	0.82	1.14	1.96 *	2.73 *	0.65	1.05
South Atlantic:							
Delaware	0.59	0.63	0.86	0.93	2.14	0.64	1.56
District of Columbia	0.50	0.60	1.22	0.81	2.67 *	0.55	1.34
Florida	0.62	0.65	2.86	1.45	1.59 *	0.64	1.14
Georgia	0.42	0.49	2.37 *	1.01 *	2.55 *	0.59	0.43
Maryland	0.57	0.69	1.86	1.33 *	0.98	0.50	1.59
North Carolina	0.37	0.42	1.37	0.98	1.41	0.31	2.32 *
South Carolina	0.90	1.00	0.83	1.47	3.59	0.54	1.81
Virginia	0.70	0.98	1.27	1.28 *	2.11	0.68	1.87
West Virginia	0.67	0.72	1.21	1.46	2.08	0.92	1.90
East South Central:							
Alabama	0.39	0.72	1.15	1.40	1.40	0.43	2.30
Kentucky	0.54	0.76	2.23	0.80	1.36	0.40	2.31
Mississippi	0.65	0.80	2.45 *	1.07 *	2.31	0.92	0.93
Tennessee	0.62	0.78	0.92	1.65	2.50 *	0.62	2.24
West South Central:							
Arkansas	0.94	1.08	2.20 *	1.36	1.20	1.19	2.06
Louisiana	0.75	0.92	1.61	1.09 *	2.82 *	0.65	3.74
Oklahoma	0.70	0.86	0.83	2.25	1.43	0.67	1.78
Texas	0.37	0.54	1.01	0.64	1.61	0.44	1.14
Mountain:							
Arizona	0.42	0.53	1.15	2.20 *	1.34 *	0.52	1.44
Colorado	0.50	0.69	1.20	1.70 *	1.38	0.54	1.51
Idaho	0.48	0.63	1.67	1.46	2.84	0.59	2.38
Montana	0.55	0.67	2.38 *	2.16	3.57	0.63	3.00
Nevada	0.51	0.76	2.23	2.27	2.42 *	0.66	0.84
New Mexico	0.31	0.52	1.31	1.36	1.54	0.52	2.02
Utah	0.71	0.96	2.61	1.71 *	2.64	0.76	2.00
Wyoming	0.48	0.59	0.80	2.71 *	2.78	0.65	1.49
Pacific:							
Alaska	0.66	0.68	1.91	1.56	2.80 *	0.80	1.38
California	0.39	0.43	0.89	0.95	1.33	0.37	0.96
Hawaii	0.32	0.35	0.70	0.91	1.16 *	0.40	0.38
Oregon	0.47	0.52	1.20	1.28	1.58	0.68	1.29
Washington	0.57	0.70	1.61	1.67 *	1.92	0.60	1.83

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