Table IV. A. 5(1998) National total cost of optional coverage for the private sector by industry category: United States, 1998

	Total	Standard error
(in	(in millions of dollars)	
United States	\$ 10, 608	\$ 262
Agriculture, fishing or forestry	\$88	\$ 24
M ni ng	\$61	\$ 15
Construction	\$325	\$ 41
Manufacturing	\$2, 394	\$ 172
Transport, communications, or utiliti	i es \$766	\$8 3
Wholesale	\$795	\$ 71
Retai l	\$1,600	\$ 91
Finance, insurance, or real estate	\$1,074	\$ 49
Services	\$3, 505	\$ 118
Unknown	80	\$ 0

Source: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Center for Cost and Financing
Studies. 1998 Medical Expenditure Panel Survey - Insurance Component.

Notes: Definitions and descriptions of the methods used for this survey can be found in the Technical Appendix. Totals may not sum exactly because of rounding.