

**Table V.A.2.g(2002) Average length of waiting period (in weeks) before new employees were eligible for health insurance at private-sector establishments that offer health insurance by industry groupings\*\* and State: United States, 2002: (43 States are shown separately)**

| <b>Division and State</b>      | <b>Total</b> | <b>Agri, fish.,<br/>forestry<br/>and<br/>construction</b> | <b>Mining and<br/>manufacturing</b> | <b>Retail,<br/>other<br/>services<br/>and<br/>unknown</b> | <b>Professional<br/>services</b> | <b>All<br/>other</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| United States                  | 7.9          | 8.2   | 8.5                                 | 9.0   | 6.7                              | 7.1                  |
| New England:                   |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Connecticut                    | 7.0          | 6.1   | 6.7                                 | 9.1   | 5.9                              | 5.2                  |
| Maine                          | 8.5          | 9.1   | 10.2                                | 9.4   | 6.9                              | 7.6                  |
| Massachusetts                  | 5.7          | 5.3   | 6.6                                 | 7.5   | 4.1                              | 4.4*                 |
| New Hampshire                  | 7.7          | 10.4  | 8.9                                 | 9.1   | 4.6                              | 5.5                  |
| Middle Atlantic:               |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| New Jersey                     | 8.9          | 12.9  | 10.2                                | 9.0   | 8.8                              | 7.3                  |
| New York                       | 7.6          | 7.9   | 9.7                                 | 9.4   | 6.5                              | 5.3                  |
| Pennsylvania                   | 6.8          | 8.6*  | 6.9                                 | 7.4   | 6.6                              | 5.1                  |
| East North Central:            |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Illinois                       | 6.5          | 8.7   | 7.7                                 | 6.6   | 6.2                              | 5.5                  |
| Indiana                        | 7.6          | 7.9   | 8.2                                 | 8.7   | 6.1                              | 6.6                  |
| Michigan                       | 7.1          | 5.3*  | 8.2                                 | 8.1   | 6.6                              | 5.5                  |
| Ohio                           | 7.5          | 6.2*  | 8.2                                 | 7.5   | 8.6                              | 6.7                  |
| Wisconsin                      | 7.6          | 8.2   | 8.0                                 | 8.5   | 6.4                              | 6.3                  |
| West North Central:            |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Iowa                           | 7.0          | 6.7   | 7.9                                 | 7.2   | 5.5                              | 7.9                  |
| Kansas                         | 6.4          | 5.5*  | 8.9                                 | 7.5   | 4.3                              | 6.2                  |
| Minnesota                      | 7.0          | 7.7   | 6.8                                 | 8.0   | 4.6                              | 7.5                  |
| Missouri                       | 7.2          | 5.9*  | 7.2                                 | 7.0   | 7.0                              | 8.0                  |
| Nebraska                       | 7.8          | 9.6   | 11.1                                | 8.4   | 4.8*                             | 6.2                  |
| South Atlantic:                |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Delaware                       | 8.4          | 10.0  | 4.8*                                | 9.9   | 6.4                              | 7.5                  |
| Florida                        | 8.6          | 8.2   | 12.2                                | 9.5   | 6.8                              | 8.6                  |
| Georgia                        | 7.4          | 5.9*  | 9.2                                 | 9.5   | 4.4                              | 6.5                  |
| Maryland                       | 7.7          | 8.6   | 9.3                                 | 8.7   | 6.5                              | 6.2                  |
| North Carolina                 | 8.1          | 7.5   | 7.5                                 | 9.2   | 5.8                              | 8.1                  |
| South Carolina                 | 9.0          | 11.1  | 9.7                                 | 9.0   | 9.8                              | 7.1                  |
| Virginia                       | 7.6          | 8.7   | 10.0                                | 9.2   | 4.5                              | 5.4                  |
| West Virginia                  | 7.5          | 8.0   | 10.1                                | 8.6   | 4.7                              | 8.4                  |
| East South Central:            |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Alabama                        | 6.9          | 6.0   | 9.2                                 | 8.3   | 4.6                              | 6.1                  |
| Kentucky                       | 8.1          | 9.0   | 9.5                                 | 8.4   | 8.4                              | 6.5                  |
| Mississippi                    | 9.2          | 13.4  | 8.5                                 | 9.5   | 8.3                              | 7.7                  |
| Tennessee                      | 8.6          | 7.0*  | 10.0                                | 9.3   | 7.8                              | 8.2                  |
| West South Central:            |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Louisiana                      | 9.4          | 11.0  | 7.0                                 | 10.7  | 10.0                             | 7.7                  |
| Oklahoma                       | 9.4          | 6.8   | 8.6                                 | 11.7  | 8.4                              | 8.0                  |
| Texas                          | 8.7          | 8.9   | 8.8                                 | 9.7   | 7.0                              | 8.4                  |
| Mountain:                      |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Arizona                        | 9.8          | 9.6   | 7.5                                 | 11.5  | 6.9                              | 9.9                  |
| Colorado                       | 8.9          | 9.4   | 8.4                                 | 11.5  | 6.6                              | 7.8                  |
| Montana                        | 8.2          | 8.6*  | 12.6                                | 9.3   | 7.1                              | 7.4                  |
| Nevada                         | 10.3         | 9.0   | 11.1                                | 12.1  | 8.6                              | 9.4                  |
| New Mexico                     | 9.6          | 15.2  | 7.1*                                | 10.9  | 7.2                              | 7.7                  |
| Utah                           | 7.4          | 9.2   | 8.9                                 | 9.4   | 5.4*                             | 5.5                  |
| Wyoming                        | 8.3          | 6.2   | 8.7                                 | 9.4   | 6.9                              | 8.8                  |
| Pacific:                       |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| California                     | 8.7          | 9.0   | 7.8                                 | 10.3  | 7.2                              | 8.1                  |
| Hawaii                         | 4.6          | 5.3   | 5.0                                 | 5.8   | 2.8                              | 4.2                  |
| Oregon                         | 8.3          | 7.0   | 9.0                                 | 10.4  | 6.0                              | 6.6                  |
| Washington                     | 8.9          | 10.5  | 8.9                                 | 9.7   | 5.9                              | 10.4                 |
| States not shown<br>separately | 8.2          | 7.1*  | 9.7                                 | 8.9   | 7.2                              | 8.2                  |

Source: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Center for Financing, Access and Cost Trends. 2002 Medical Expenditure Panel Survey-Insurance Component.

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**Table V.A.2.g(2002) 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 industry groupings\*\* and State: United States, 2002: (43 States are shown separately)**

| <b>Division and State</b>      | <b>Total</b> | <b>Agri, fish.,<br/>forestry<br/>and<br/>construction</b> | <b>Mining and<br/>manufacturing</b> | <b>Retail,<br/>other<br/>services<br/>and<br/>unknown</b> | <b>Professional<br/>services</b> | <b>All<br/>other</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| United States                  | 0.06         | 0.32  | 0.19                                | 0.12  | 0.16                             | 0.15                 |
| New England:                   |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Connecticut                    | 0.64         | 1.25  | 0.75                                | 1.12  | 0.78                             | 0.70                 |
| Maine                          | 0.48         | 1.56  | 2.25                                | 0.79  | 0.91                             | 1.54                 |
| Massachusetts                  | 0.37         | 1.47  | 0.98                                | 1.06  | 0.70                             | 1.48*                |
| New Hampshire                  | 0.29         | 1.49  | 0.89                                | 0.48  | 0.41                             | 1.16                 |
| Middle Atlantic:               |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| New Jersey                     | 0.58         | 2.75  | 1.95                                | 1.18  | 1.27                             | 0.85                 |
| New York                       | 0.30         | 1.73  | 1.37                                | 0.82  | 0.56                             | 0.69                 |
| Pennsylvania                   | 0.63         | 2.89*   | 1.12                                | 0.70  | 0.83                             | 0.87                 |
| East North Central:            |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Illinois                       | 0.30         | 0.86  | 1.02                                | 0.73  | 0.50                             | 0.51                 |
| Indiana                        | 0.46         | 1.11  | 0.71                                | 0.87  | 0.75                             | 1.23                 |
| Michigan                       | 0.45         | 1.67*   | 1.38                                | 0.79  | 0.60                             | 0.57                 |
| Ohio                           | 0.47         | 2.01*   | 0.82                                | 0.43  | 1.31                             | 0.77                 |
| Wisconsin                      | 0.46         | 1.00  | 1.13                                | 1.05  | 1.11                             | 0.52                 |
| West North Central:            |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Iowa                           | 0.62         | 1.23  | 1.11                                | 0.78  | 1.21                             | 1.76                 |
| Kansas                         | 0.57         | 2.22*   | 1.34                                | 0.82  | 0.39                             | 0.85                 |
| Minnesota                      | 0.47         | 1.74  | 0.94                                | 0.70  | 0.73                             | 1.05                 |
| Missouri                       | 0.49         | 2.28*   | 0.98                                | 0.56  | 1.01                             | 0.58                 |
| Nebraska                       | 0.52         | 2.12  | 1.83                                | 1.02  | 1.81*                            | 0.98                 |
| South Atlantic:                |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Delaware                       | 0.69         | 2.50  | 1.91*                               | 0.88  | 1.02                             | 1.34                 |
| Florida                        | 0.31         | 0.82  | 1.60                                | 0.62  | 0.84                             | 1.33                 |
| Georgia                        | 0.59         | 2.64*   | 1.94                                | 1.41  | 0.83                             | 0.87                 |
| Maryland                       | 0.33         | 1.17  | 1.15                                | 0.73  | 0.42                             | 0.66                 |
| North Carolina                 | 0.60         | 0.83  | 0.37                                | 1.09  | 0.92                             | 0.83                 |
| South Carolina                 | 0.62         | 1.82  | 1.44                                | 1.00  | 0.93                             | 1.40                 |
| Virginia                       | 0.62         | 1.39  | 1.23                                | 0.75  | 0.85                             | 1.05                 |
| West Virginia                  | 0.50         | 1.72  | 2.98                                | 0.83  | 1.05                             | 1.46                 |
| East South Central:            |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Alabama                        | 0.44         | 1.57  | 1.25                                | 0.63  | 0.85                             | 0.91                 |
| Kentucky                       | 0.42         | 1.79  | 1.07                                | 0.86  | 1.50                             | 0.72                 |
| Mississippi                    | 0.52         | 2.20  | 0.94                                | 1.37  | 1.27                             | 0.79                 |
| Tennessee                      | 0.47         | 2.38*   | 1.37                                | 1.02  | 0.84                             | 1.17                 |
| West South Central:            |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Louisiana                      | 0.71         | 2.15  | 1.36                                | 1.01  | 1.27                             | 1.14                 |
| Oklahoma                       | 0.46         | 1.27  | 0.58                                | 1.37  | 1.24                             | 0.73                 |
| Texas                          | 0.56         | 0.74  | 0.55                                | 0.89  | 0.71                             | 0.82                 |
| Mountain:                      |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| Arizona                        | 0.36         | 2.26  | 0.96                                | 0.55  | 0.72                             | 1.21                 |
| Colorado                       | 0.41         | 2.34  | 1.94                                | 0.69  | 0.69                             | 1.50                 |
| Montana                        | 0.76         | 3.12*   | 2.59                                | 1.53  | 1.35                             | 1.08                 |
| Nevada                         | 0.41         | 0.90  | 2.05                                | 0.86  | 1.51                             | 1.26                 |
| New Mexico                     | 0.64         | 2.61  | 2.25*                               | 1.06  | 0.97                             | 1.30                 |
| Utah                           | 0.60         | 2.02  | 1.04                                | 1.11  | 2.00*                            | 0.96                 |
| Wyoming                        | 0.48         | 1.34  | 2.35                                | 1.04  | 1.29                             | 0.96                 |
| Pacific:                       |              |   |                                     |   |                                  |                      |
| California                     | 0.32         | 0.99  | 0.44                                | 0.56  | 0.51                             | 0.60                 |
| Hawaii                         | 0.37         | 1.46  | 1.23                                | 0.34  | 0.60                             | 0.40                 |
| Oregon                         | 0.40         | 0.70  | 1.01                                | 0.49  | 0.89                             | 1.60                 |
| Washington                     | 0.67         | 2.33  | 1.91                                | 0.80  | 0.54                             | 1.33                 |
| States not shown<br>separately | 0.51         | 2.35*   | 1.73                                | 1.12  | 0.90                             | 1.05                 |

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