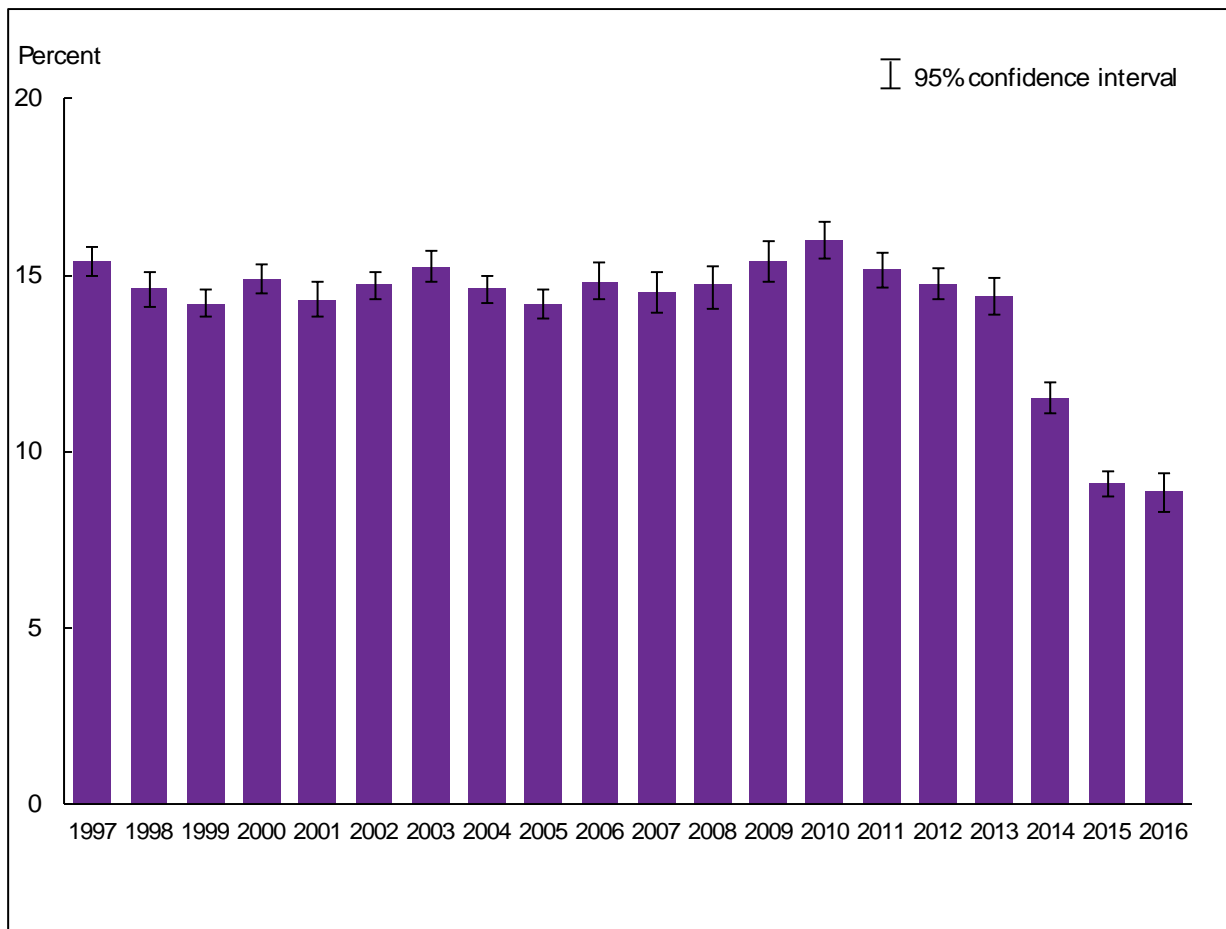


Lack of health insurance coverage and type of coverage

Figure 1.1. Percentage of persons of all ages without health insurance coverage at the time of interview: United States, 1997–2016



NOTES: Data are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population. A person was defined as uninsured if he or she did not have any private health insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, Children’s Health Insurance Program, state–sponsored or other government–sponsored health plan, or military plan at the time of interview. A person was also defined as uninsured if he or she had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service, such as accidents or dental care. The data on health insurance status were edited using an automated system based on logic checks and keyword searches. For comparability, the estimates for all years were created using these same procedures. The resulting estimates of persons without health insurance coverage are generally 0.1–0.3 percentage point lower than those based on the editing procedures used for the final data files. The analyses exclude persons with unknown health insurance status (about 1% of respondents each year). See [Technical Notes](#) for more details.

DATA SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 1997–2016, Family Core component.

- For 2016, the percentage of persons uninsured at the time of interview was 9.0% (95% confidence interval = 8.43%–9.50%), which was not significantly different from the 2015 estimate of 9.1%.
- The percentage of persons uninsured at the time of interview decreased, from 16.0% in 2010 to 9.0% in 2016.