

State Medicaid Enrollment Growth

Amid COVID-19 Crisis

Medicaid is the largest health care program in the country, covering about 1 in 5 Americans, including millions of children, older adults, people with disabilities, and nearly 2 million veterans. Across the country, increasing numbers of Americans are turning to the essential safety net that Medicaid provides amid the COVID-19 crisis.

ARIZONA

+140,000 enrollees

Medicaid enrollment in Arizona has grown by **nearly 140,000 people** since March, reaching a record-high of 2 million in July 2020.¹

COLORADO

+500,000 enrollees

500,000 individuals are expected to enroll in Medicaid by the end of 2020 — a roughly 40% increase from the 1.3 million who were enrolled as of March 2020.²

DELAWARE

+3,000 claims

More than 3,000 claims were filed March-April 2020, compared with 0 claims March-April 2019.³

FLORIDA

+225,000 enrollees

4.1 million Floridians were enrolled in Medicaid in June, nearly a 2% increase over May's enrollment. Enrollment has increased by **nearly 225,000 people between April 1 and June 30**, surpassing an estimated increase of around 110,000.⁴

GEORGIA

+156,000 enrollees

Georgia's Medicaid enrollment increased by **23,000 in June**,⁵ after rising by **42,000 in May** and **91,000 in April**.⁶

LOUISIANA

+60,000 enrollees

More than 60,000 individuals have enrolled in Louisiana's Medicaid program since March 2020.⁷

MISSOURI

+10.3% enrollment

Enrollment in Missouri Medicaid Managed Care Organizations increased by **10.3% between March 2020 and May 2020**.⁸

MONTANA

+1,700 enrollees

Enrollment grew by **1,700 in May**, resulting in the program covering 7.8% of the state's population.⁹

NEVADA

+13.6% enrollment

Enrollment in Nevada Medicaid Managed Care Organizations increased **13.6% between March 2020 and May 2020**.¹⁰

NEW JERSEY

45,000 enrollees

Claims grew to 45,000 from March-April 2020, compared to 5,000 from March-April 2019.¹¹

NEW YORK

+261,000 enrollees

New York's Medicaid program increased by **261,000 enrollees** between February and May — a 4% increase.¹²

NORTH CAROLINA

+112,880 enrollees

The North Carolina Medicaid program has added **112,880 enrollees from April through July**, a 5.4% increase.¹³ North Carolina's Medicaid program currently serves 2.22 million North Carolinians, or 21% of the state's population. That number is projected to increase to 2.28 million by mid-2021 and 2.39 million in mid-2023.¹⁴

OHIO

+162,000 enrollees

As of June 2020, Medicaid enrollment had increased by **162,000 since the start of the COVID-19 crisis**.¹⁵

OKLAHOMA

+200,000 enrollees

Oklahoma authorities project that **more than 200,000 new Medicaid enrollees** may sign up due to the passage of a Medicaid expansion bill in June, on top of the more than 830,000 individuals already enrolled as of June 2020.¹⁶

OREGON

+70,000 enrollees

Enrollment in Oregon's Medicaid program has increased by **70,000 from early March through June 2020**, reaching 1.2 million.¹⁷

PENNSYLVANIA

+118,000 enrollees

From February through May, there has been an overall increase by 4.2%, or **approximately 118,000 people**, in Pennsylvania Medicaid enrollment.¹⁸

WISCONSIN

+8.3% enrollment

Medicaid enrollment **increased by 8.3%** from roughly 1,050,000 enrollees in February 2020 to an expected 1,136,000 in June 2020. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services is projecting an additional 232,000 Wisconsinites will join the state's Medicaid rolls by June 2021. That would be a 22% increase over the enrollment of under 1.1 million as of March 2020.²⁰

VIRGINIA

+92,000 enrollees

92,000 people have enrolled in Virginia's Medicaid program since the state's March 12 declaration of emergency, the equivalent of roughly 900 new members a day.¹⁹



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