

# Alaska

## Quick Health Facts 2008\*

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### Demographics

	State	U.S.
Percent of population age 50-64 (projected), 2008	18.6	18.2
Percent of population age 65-84 (projected), 2008	6.8	10.9
Percent of population age 85+ (projected), 2008	0.7	1.9
Distribution of persons age 50-64 by family income (%), 2006:		
150% of poverty or below	13.5	14.0
200% of poverty or below	19.5	20.1
Distribution of persons age 65+ by family income (%), 2006:		
150% of poverty or below	(-)	22.4
200% of poverty or below	22.0	35.6

### Medicare

	State	U.S.
Medicare beneficiaries (in 1,000s), 2008	58	44,199
Medicare beneficiaries (% of population), 2008	8	15
Medicare beneficiaries with full or partial Medicaid (%), 2003	19	19
Private supplemental coverage among Medicare beneficiaries age 65+ (%), 2006:		
Employer sponsored	45.8	34.7
Individually purchased	(-)	25.3
Enrollment of Medicare beneficiaries in MA plans (%), 2007	<1	18.5
Medicare beneficiaries with creditable prescription drug coverage (%), 2008	82	85
Number of Medicare Part D enrollees receiving the LIS (in 1,000s), 2008	14	9,385

### Medicaid

	State	U.S.
Medicaid enrollment by enrollment group (% of total Medicaid enrollees), FY2005:		
Child	61.8	49.9
Adult	21.7	25.8
Elderly	6.1	10.3
Disabled	10.4	14.1
Medicaid payments by category of enrollee (% of total Medicaid spending), FY2005:		
Child	31.6	17.3
Adult	14.3	11.6
Elderly	17.2	26.1
Disabled	35.9	40.8
Unknown	0.9	4.2
Persons under age 65 in poverty with Medicaid (% < age 65 in poverty), 2006	40.2	44.0
Medicaid expenditures as a percent of total state spending, FY2005	11.8	22.9
State Medicaid expenditures as a percent of state-only spending, FY2005	6.3	13.9
Medicaid nursing home expenditures (% of total Medicaid long-term care expenditures), FY2006	37.0	48.0
Medicaid HCBS expenditures (% of total Medicaid long-term care expenditures), FY2006	63.0	39.4

### Health Coverage

	State	U.S.
Number of uninsured persons age 50-64, 2006	19,561	7,089,684
Uninsured adults age 50-64 (%), 2006	16.5	13.4
Average total premium (employer and employee) for single coverage at private employer, 2005	\$5,088	\$3,991
Average total premium (employer and employee) for family coverage at private employer, 2005	\$11,542	\$10,728



\* For citations go to [http://aarp.org/state\\_profiles](http://aarp.org/state_profiles)  
(-) = data not reported due to small sample size. "N/A" = data not available.  
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