

The Role of Medicaid

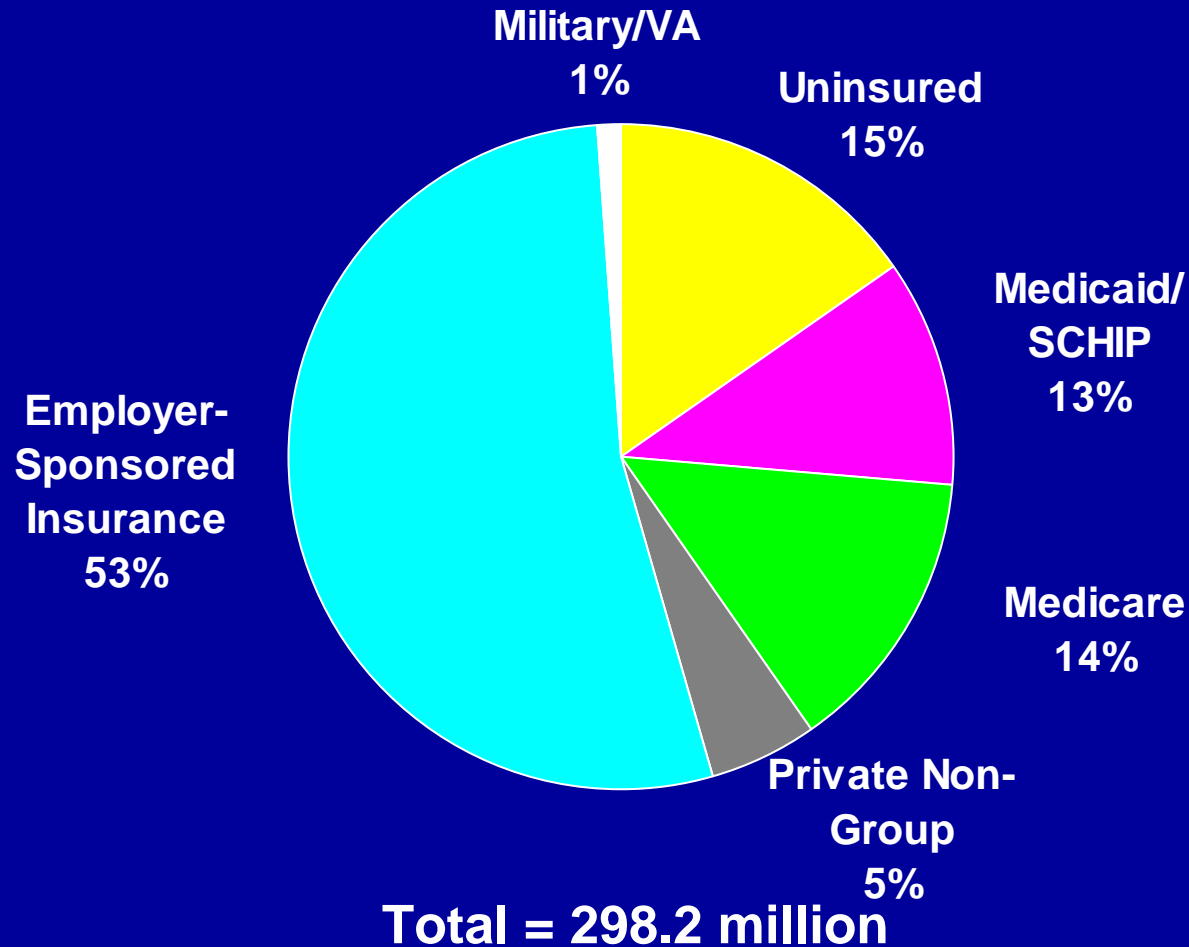
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Figure 1

Health Insurance Coverage of the Total Population, 2007



SOURCE: KCMU and Urban Institute analysis of March 2008 CPS.

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Figure 2

Medicaid Today

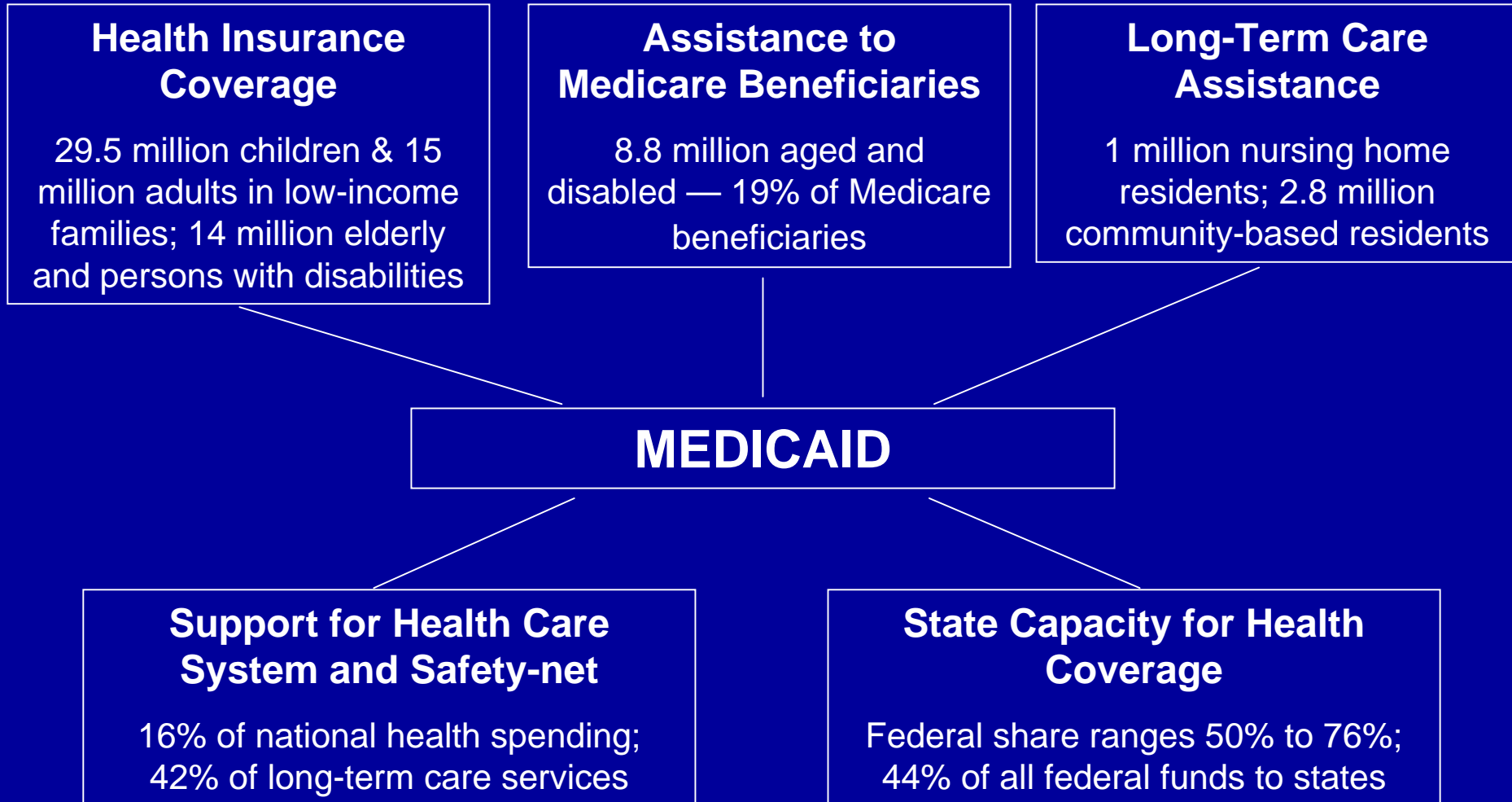


Figure 3

Medicaid Enrollees and Expenditures by Enrollment Group, 2005

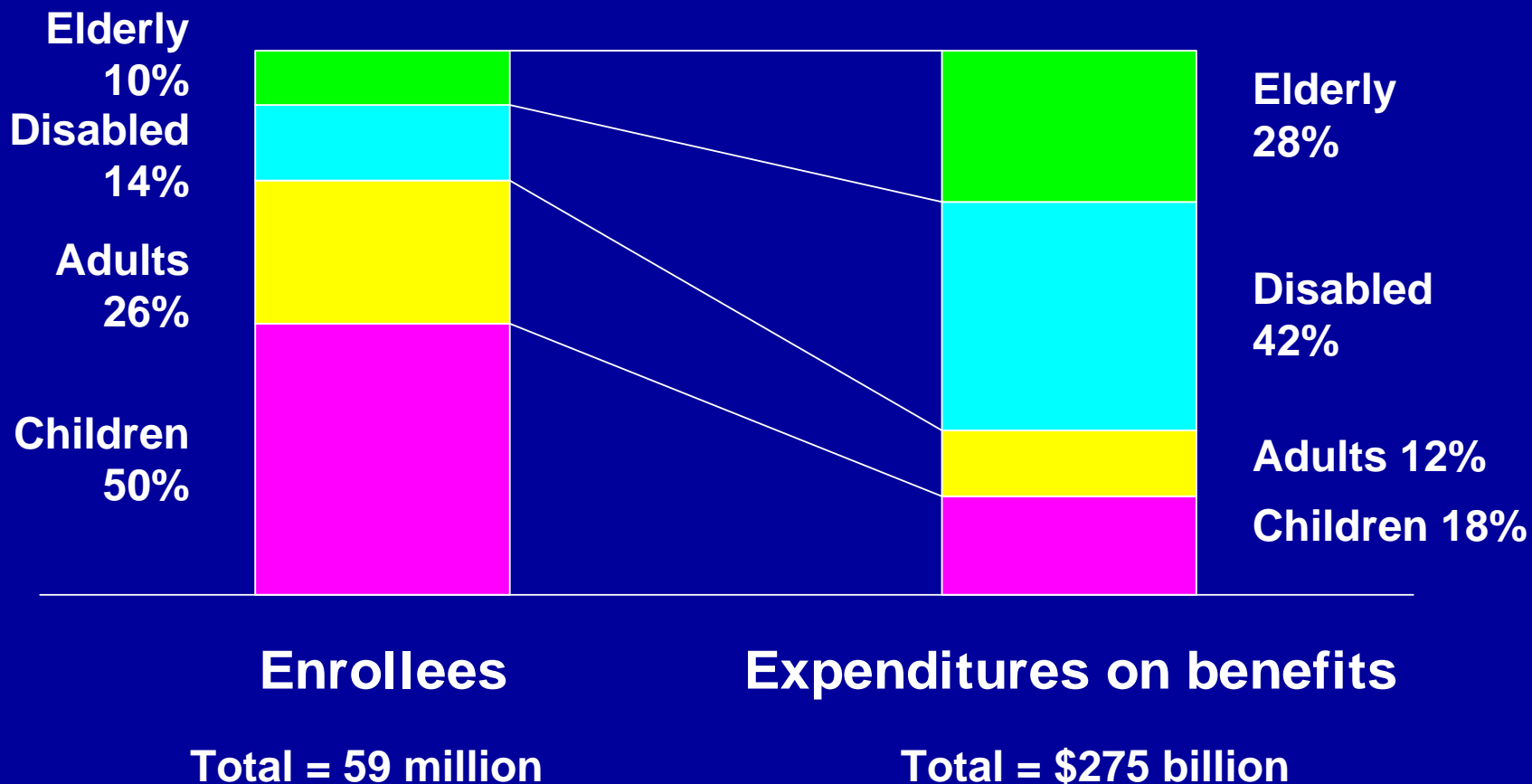


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Top 5% of Enrollees Accounted for More than Half of Medicaid Spending in 2004

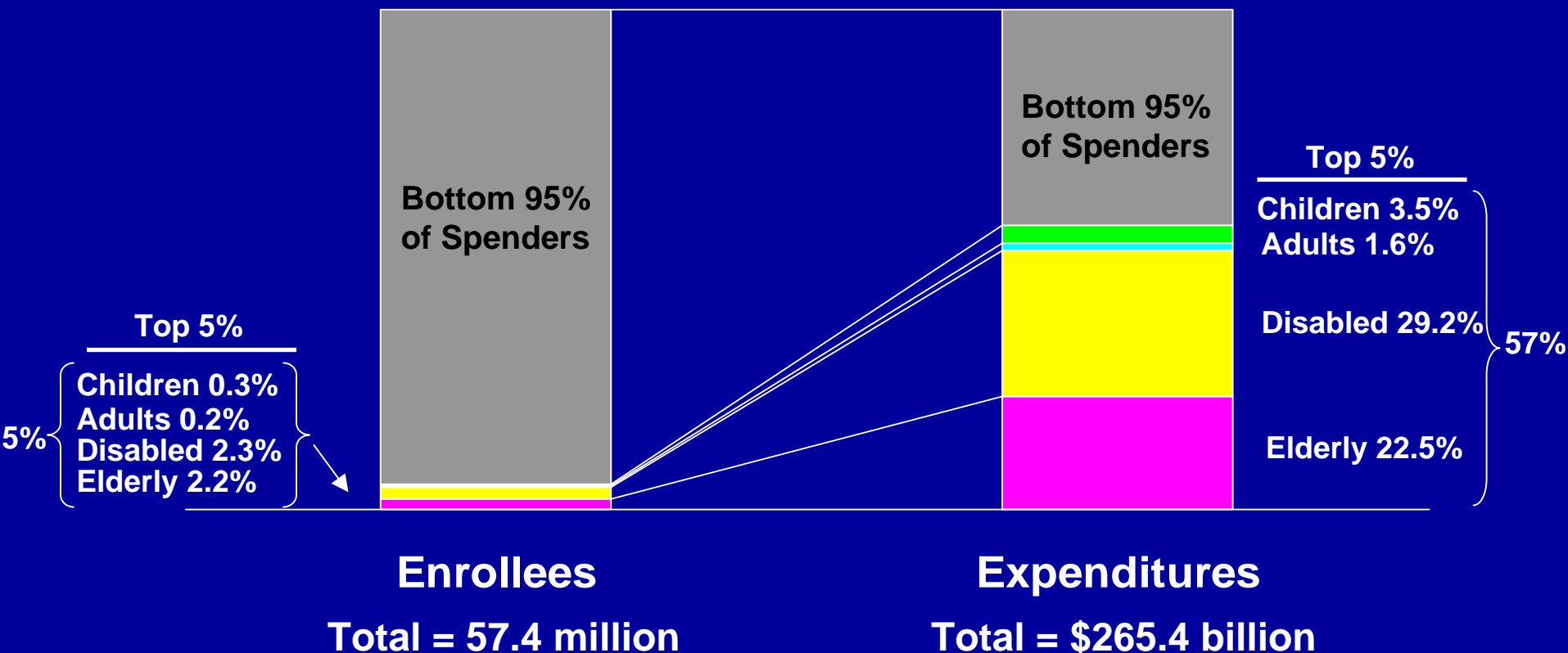


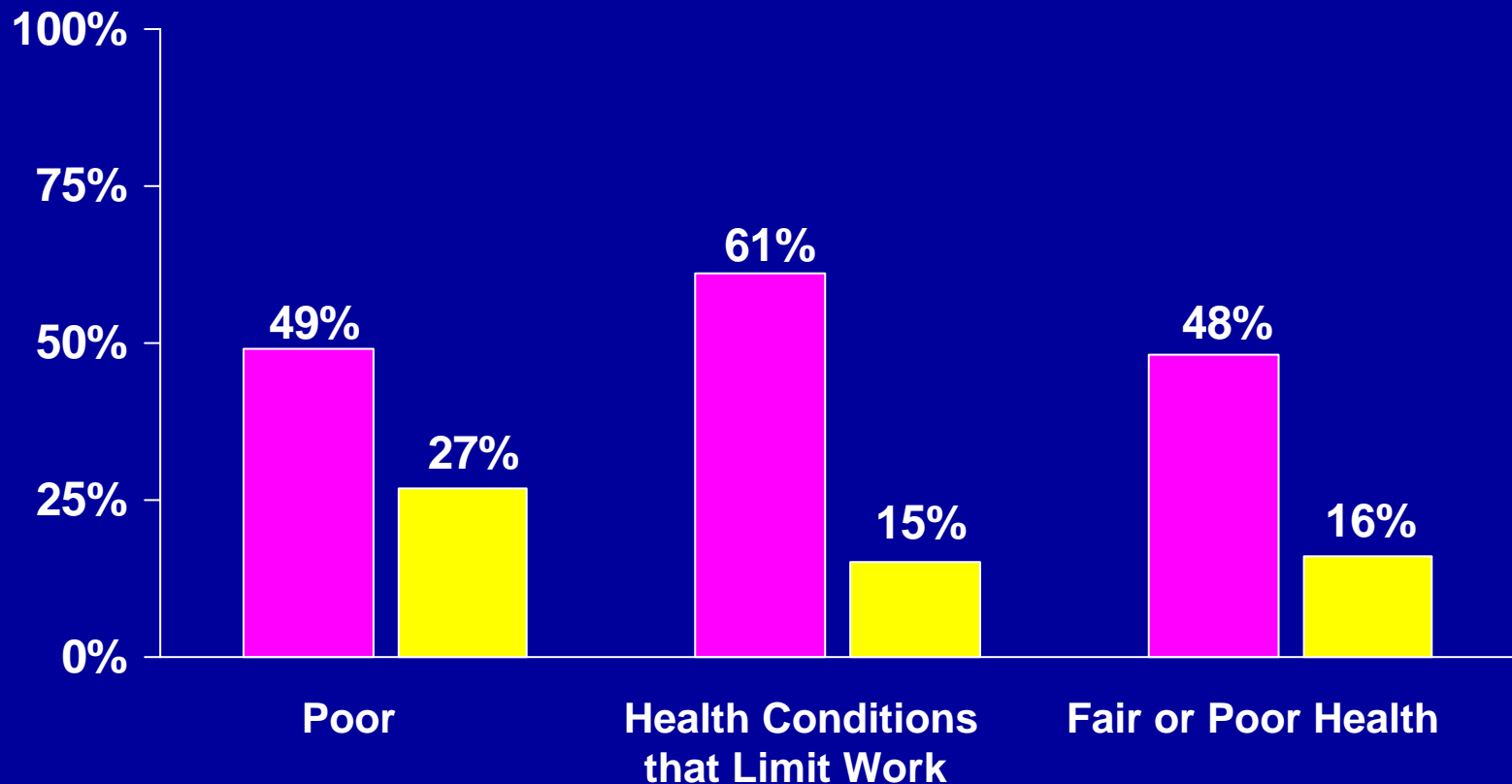
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Medicaid Enrollees are Poorer and Sicker Than the Low-Income Privately-Insured

Percent of Enrolled Adults:

Medicaid

Low-Income and Privately Insured

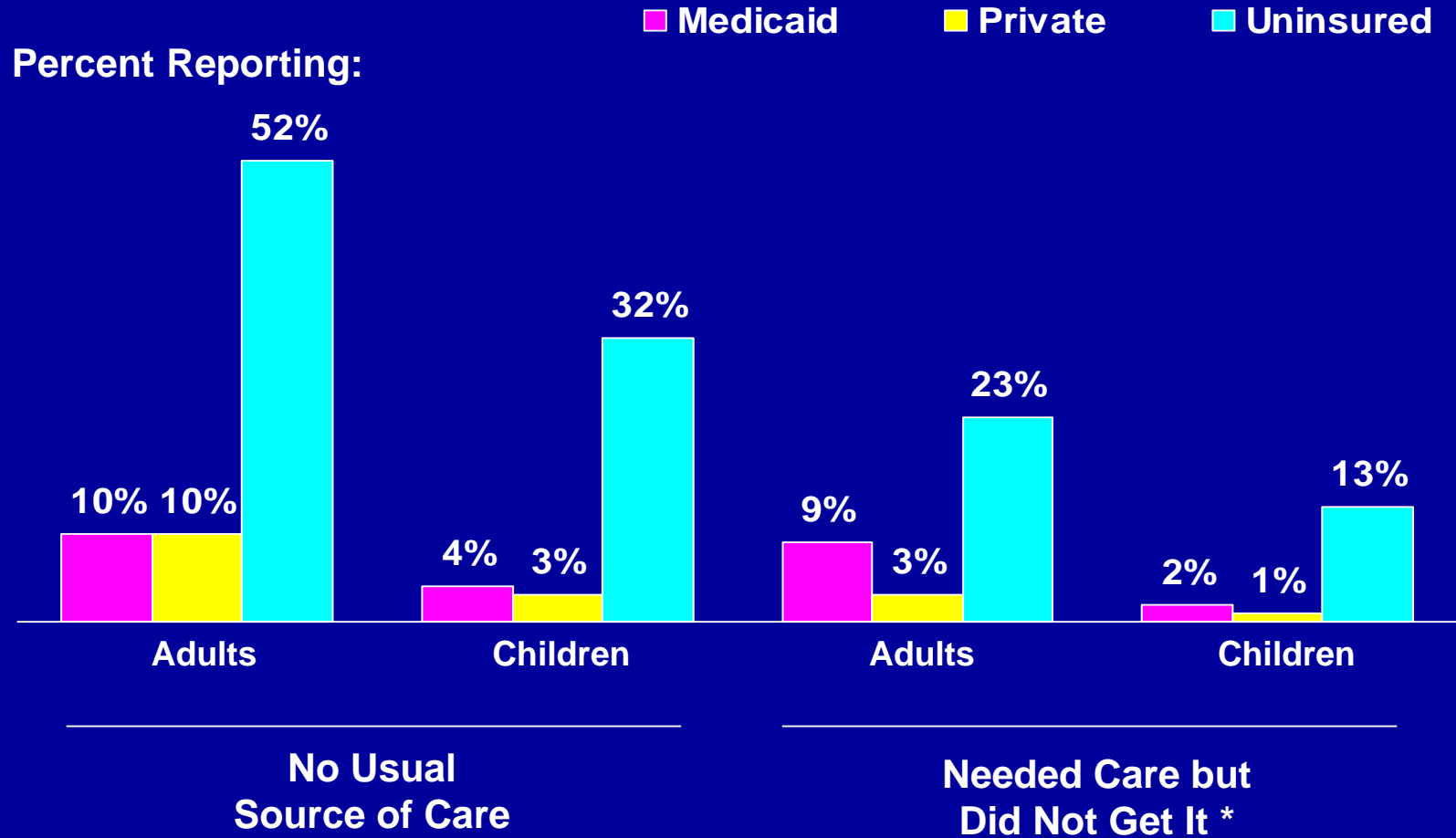


SOURCE: Coughlin et al, "Assessing Access to Care Under Medicaid: Evidence for the Nation and Thirteen States," *Health Affairs*, July/August 2005.

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Figure 6

Medicaid's Impact on Access to Health Care



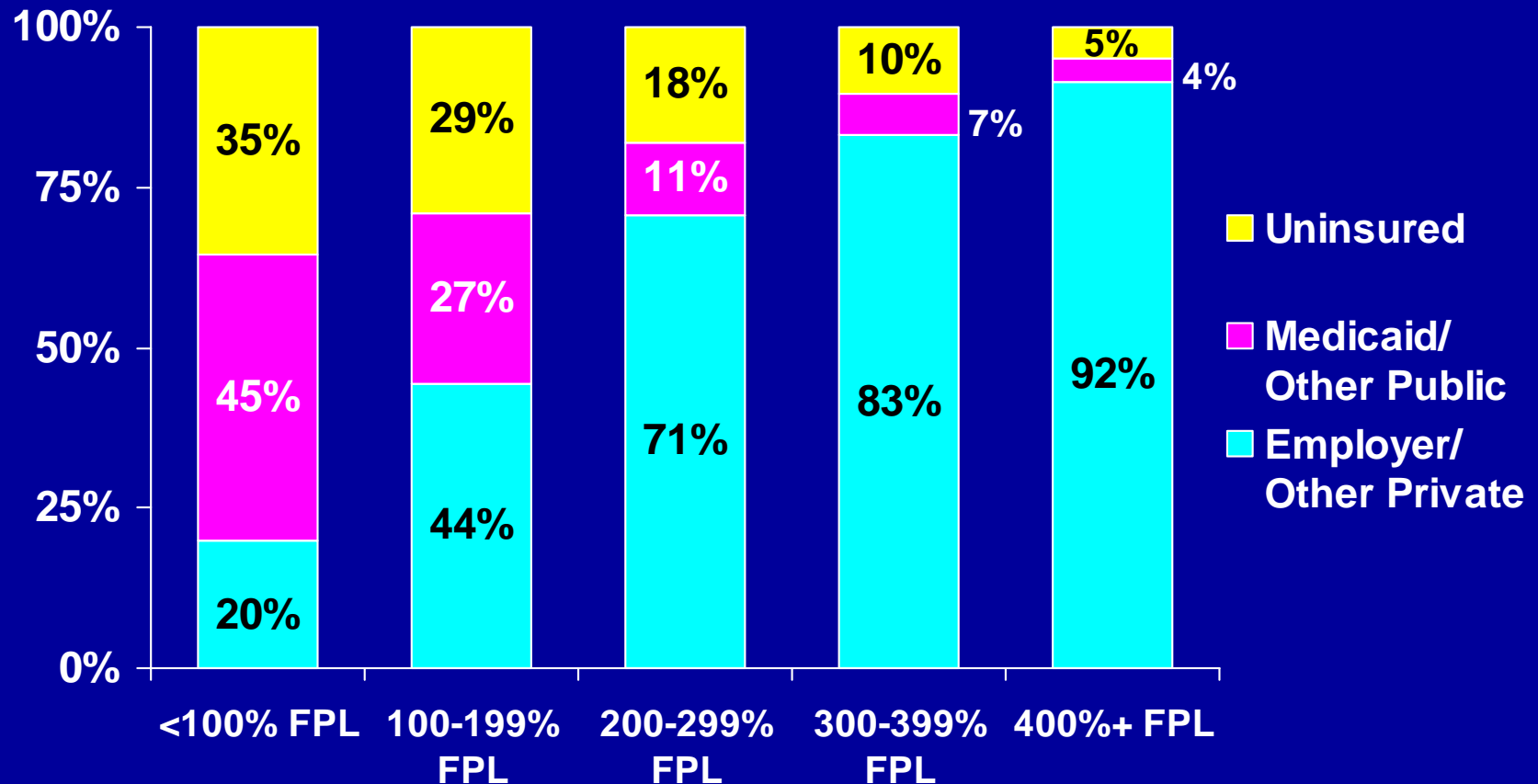
* In the past 12 months

NOTE: Respondents who said usual source of care was the emergency room were included among those not having a usual source of care

SOURCE: KCMU analysis of 2007 NHIS data

Figure 7

Health Insurance Coverage of the Nonelderly by Poverty Level, 2007



The federal poverty level (FPL) was \$21,203 for a family of four in 2007. Data may not total 100% due to rounding.

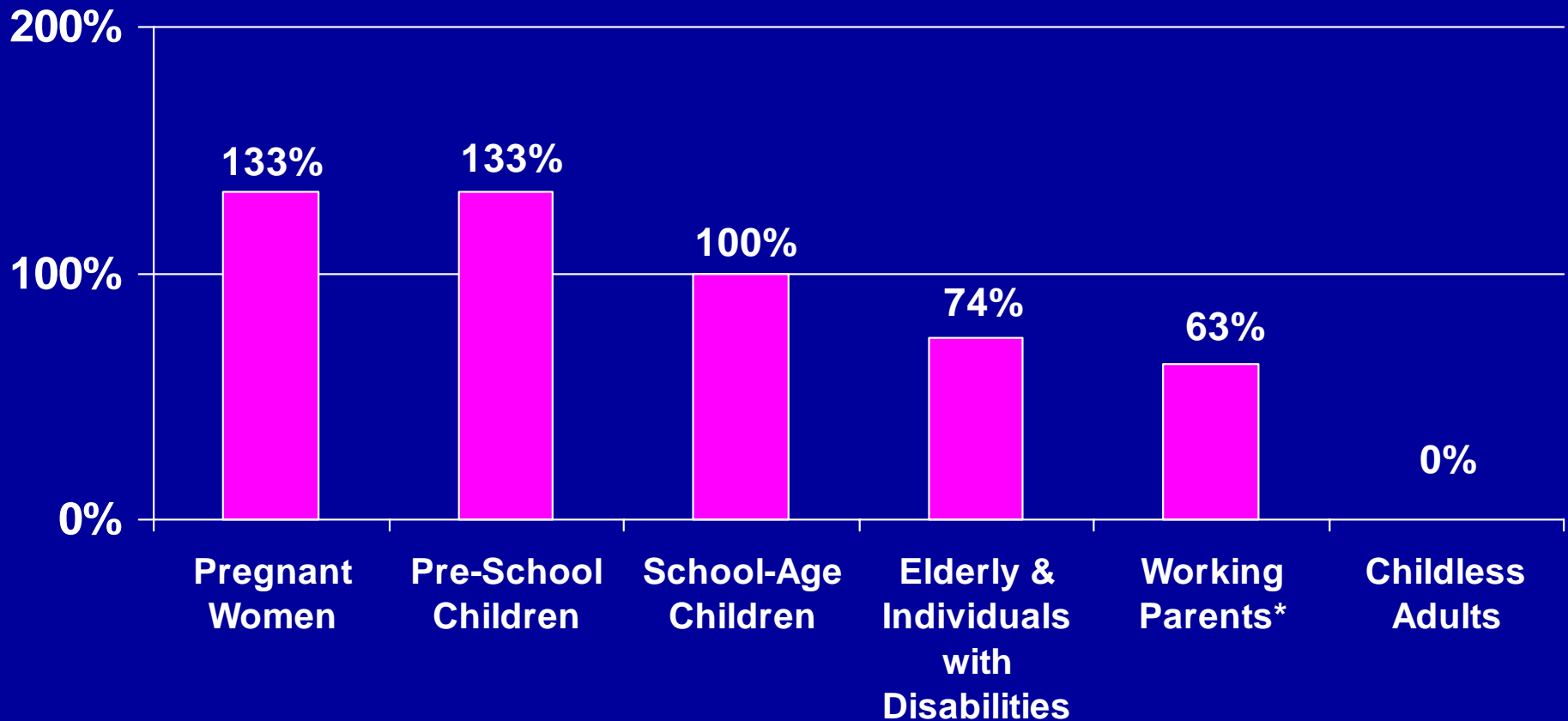
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Figure 8

Minimum Medicaid Eligibility Levels, 2008

Income eligibility as a percent of the poverty level:

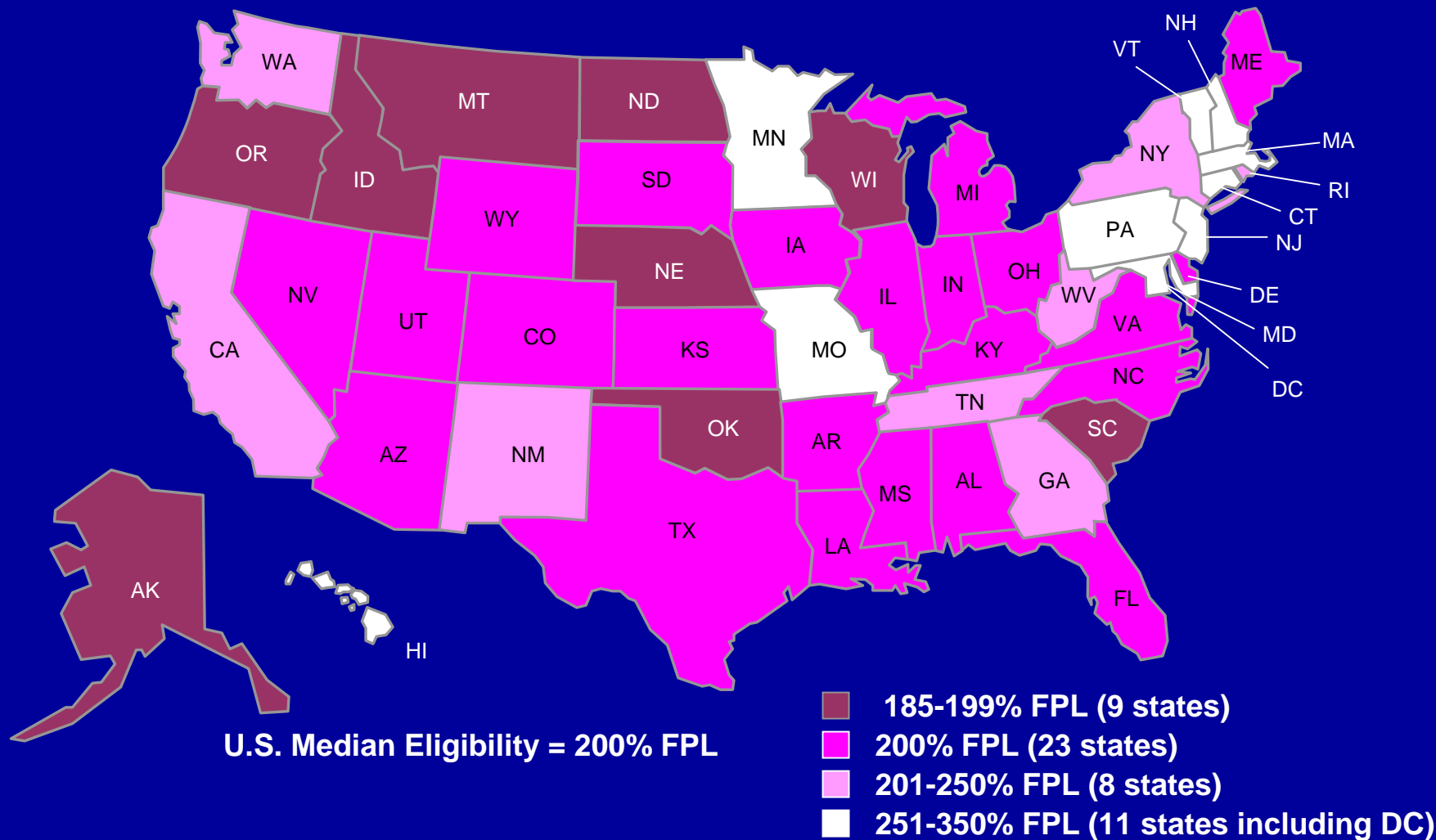


*National median Medicaid income eligibility level for working parents in 2008.

SOURCE: KCMU/Urban Institute analysis of March 2008 CPS.

Figure 9

Children's Eligibility for Medicaid/SCHIP by Income, January 2008



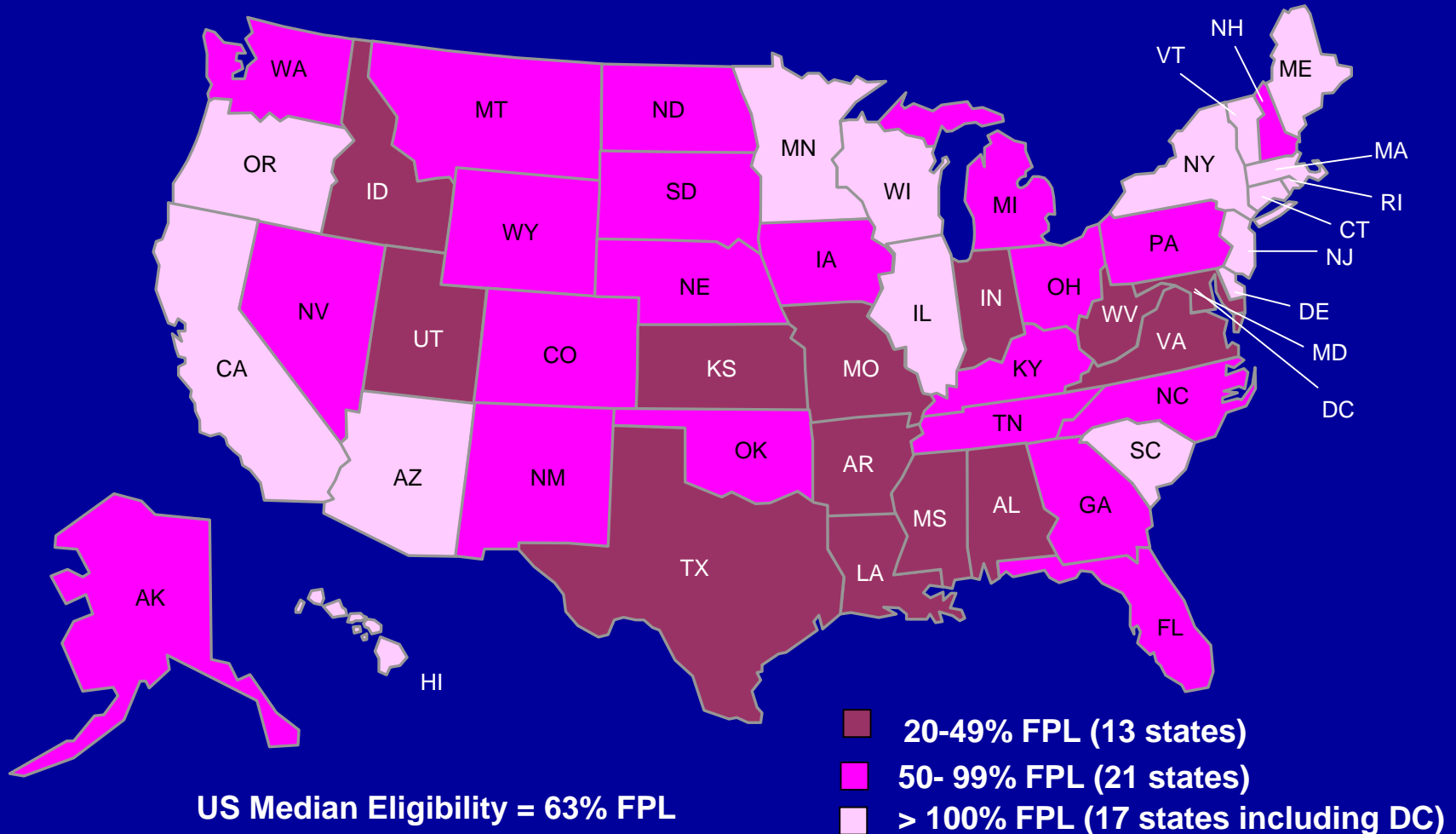
*The Federal Poverty Level (FPL) for a family of four in 2008 is \$21,200 per year.

**IL and NY use state funds to cover children above 200% FPL.

SOURCE: Based on a national survey conducted by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities for KCMU, 2008.

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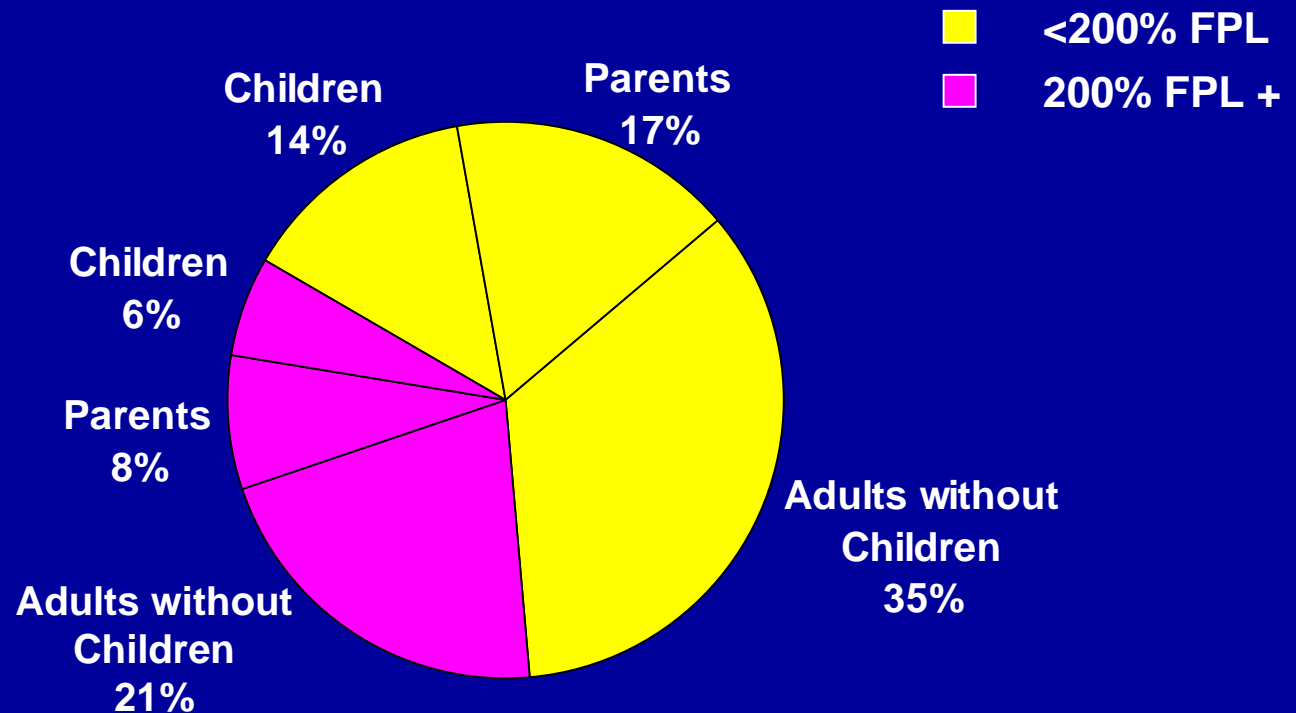
Medicaid Eligibility for Working Parents by Income, January 2008



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SOURCE: Survey by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities for KCMU, 2008.

Figure 11

The Challenge of Covering the Uninsured



Total = 45.0 million uninsured

Low-income includes those with family incomes less than 200% of the federal poverty level.

SOURCE: KCMU/Urban Institute analysis of March 2008 CPS.

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Medicaid as a Building Block for Health Reform

- The basis for affordable coverage for low-income families
- Key source of financing
- Serves key roles outside larger health reform including:
 - Financing long-term services and supports
 - Serving and managing complex populations
 - Supporting safety net providers
 - Emergency services for immigrants