



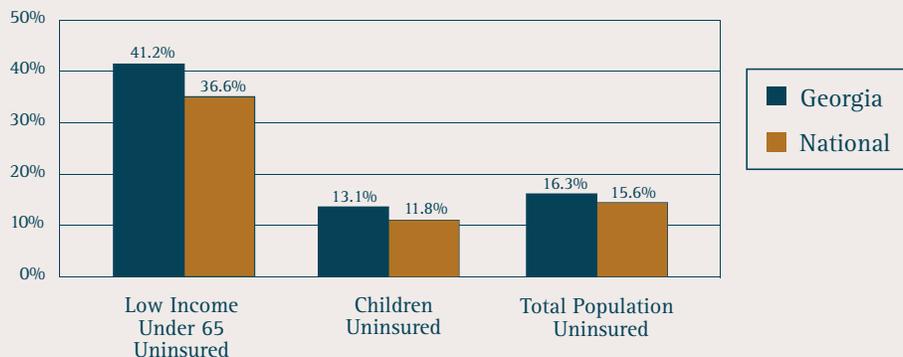
Health Expenditures and Insurance in Georgia

Essential information for Georgia's health care policymakers

1 in 6 Georgians Have No Health Insurance

- In 2003, (the most recent year for which data is available) 1 in 6 Georgia residents were uninsured – about the same as the national average.
- Some Georgia populations fare worse than the national average.
 - › 13.1% of Georgia's children were without insurance, compared to the national average of 11.8%.
 - › 41.2% of Georgia's low-income adults under the age of 65 were uninsured, compared to a national average of 36.6%.
- A higher proportion of Georgia citizens under the age of 65 were covered through employer sponsored insurance (66.8%) than the national average (63.8%).

2003 Uninsured, Georgia and U.S. Comparison



* This study was conducted by Kenneth E. Thorpe, PhD, Robert W. Woodruff Professor and Chair of the Department of Health Policy and Management at Emory University's Rollins School of Public Health. The study was funded by a grant from Healthcare Georgia Foundation

* For a copy of the full study, go to www.healthcaregeorgia.org.



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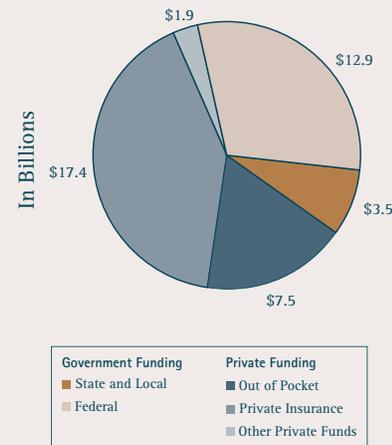
2004 Health Care Spending in Georgia: \$43.2 Billion

A study by Kenneth E. Thorpe, PhD, of Emory University* found that:

- An estimated \$43.2 billion was spent on health care in 2004 – almost 13% of the gross state product.
- Georgia's residents spent nearly \$7.5 billion dollars out of their own pockets on health care in 2004, while state and local governments spent over \$3.5 billion. This is on top of the much larger share of expenses (70%) already covered by private insurance and the federal government.
- 2004 per capita health care spending in Georgia is estimated to be \$4,891, which is significantly less than the national average of \$5,247.
- Between 2000 and 2004, Georgia's total health care spending is estimated to have increased by 40.2%, compared to a Southeast Region increase of 37.3%, and a national increase of 35.6%.
- Between 2000 and 2004, both Georgia and U.S. per capita health care spending increased by 30%.

- Georgia's 40.2% total spending increase is greater than its 30% per capita increase, indicating that the growth in Georgia's population is a major contributor to the overall increase in its health spending.

Georgia's Health Care Funding Sources



2004 Per Capita Health Spending

