



US Child Health Care Trends

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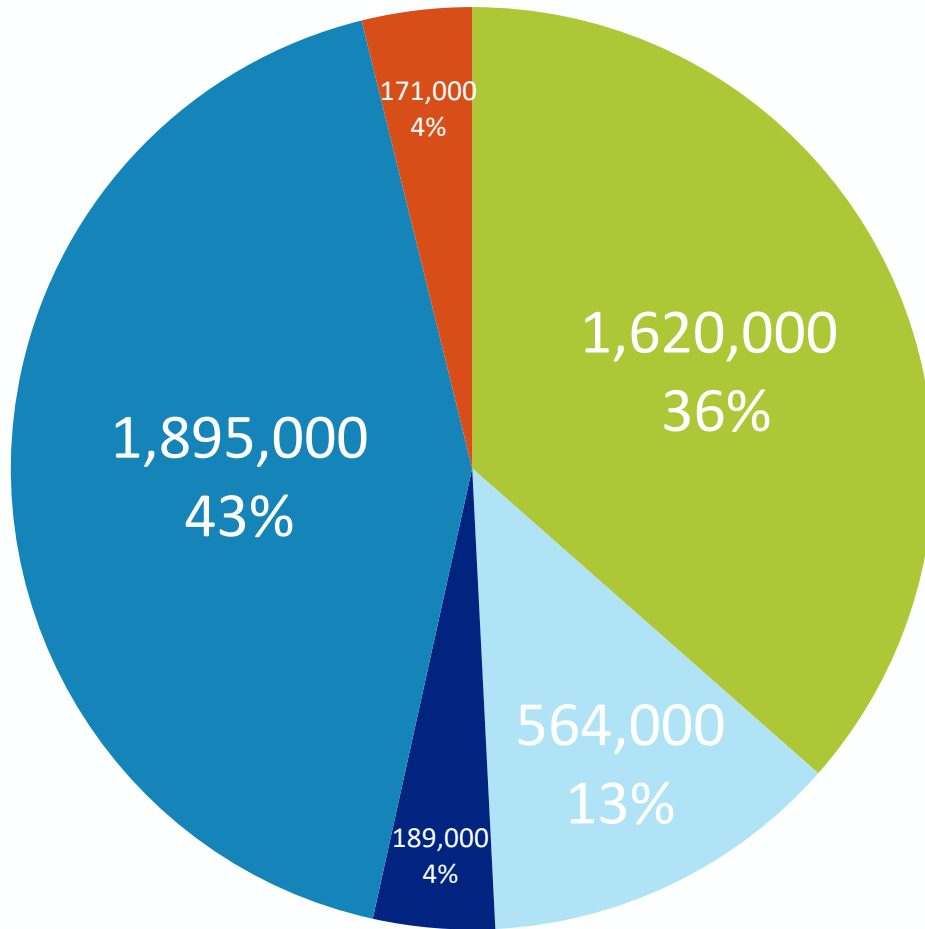
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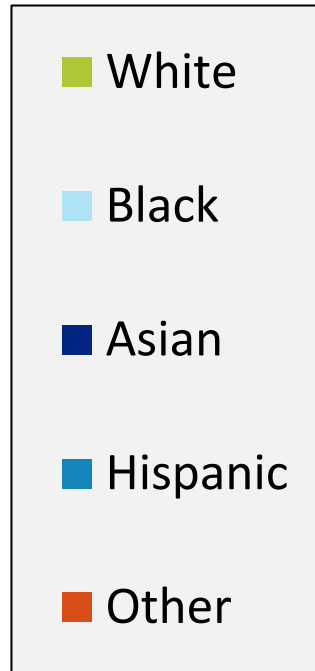
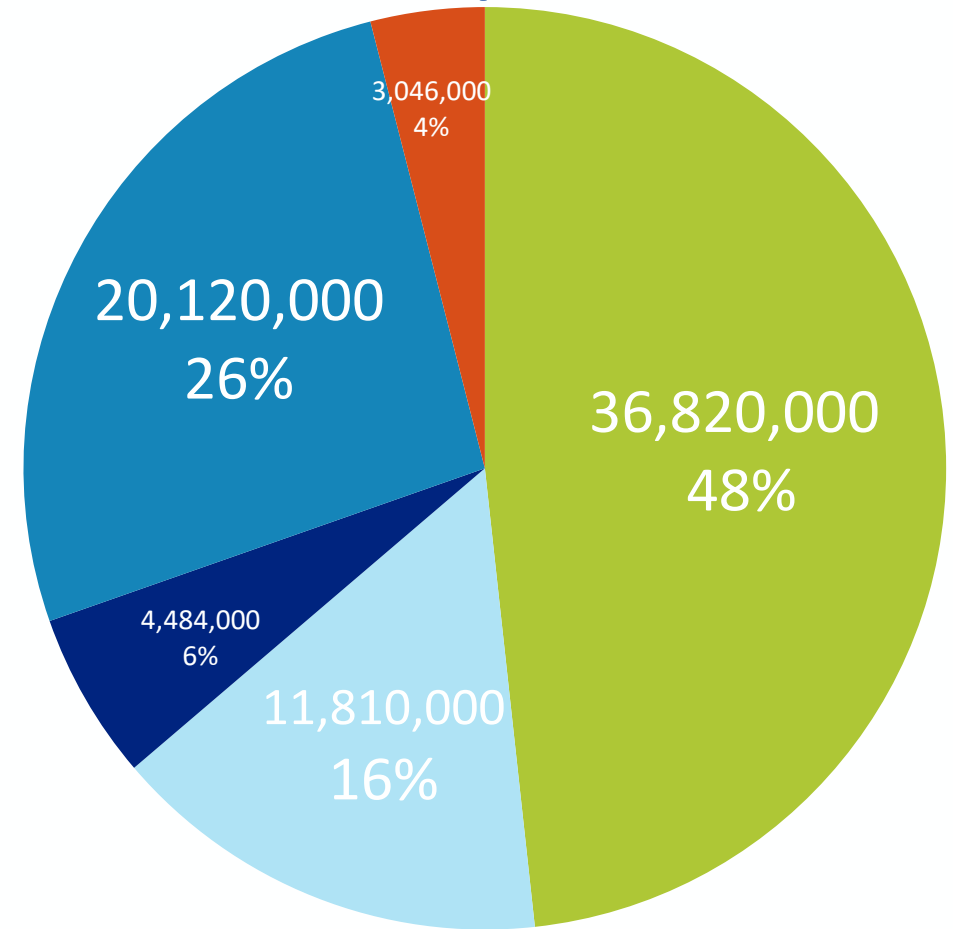
- Health insurance coverage
- Uninsurance by state
- Usual Source of health care
- Dental visits
- Vaccinations

US Children (Ages 0-18) Uninsured by Race and Ethnicity, 2023

Number of Uninsured Children



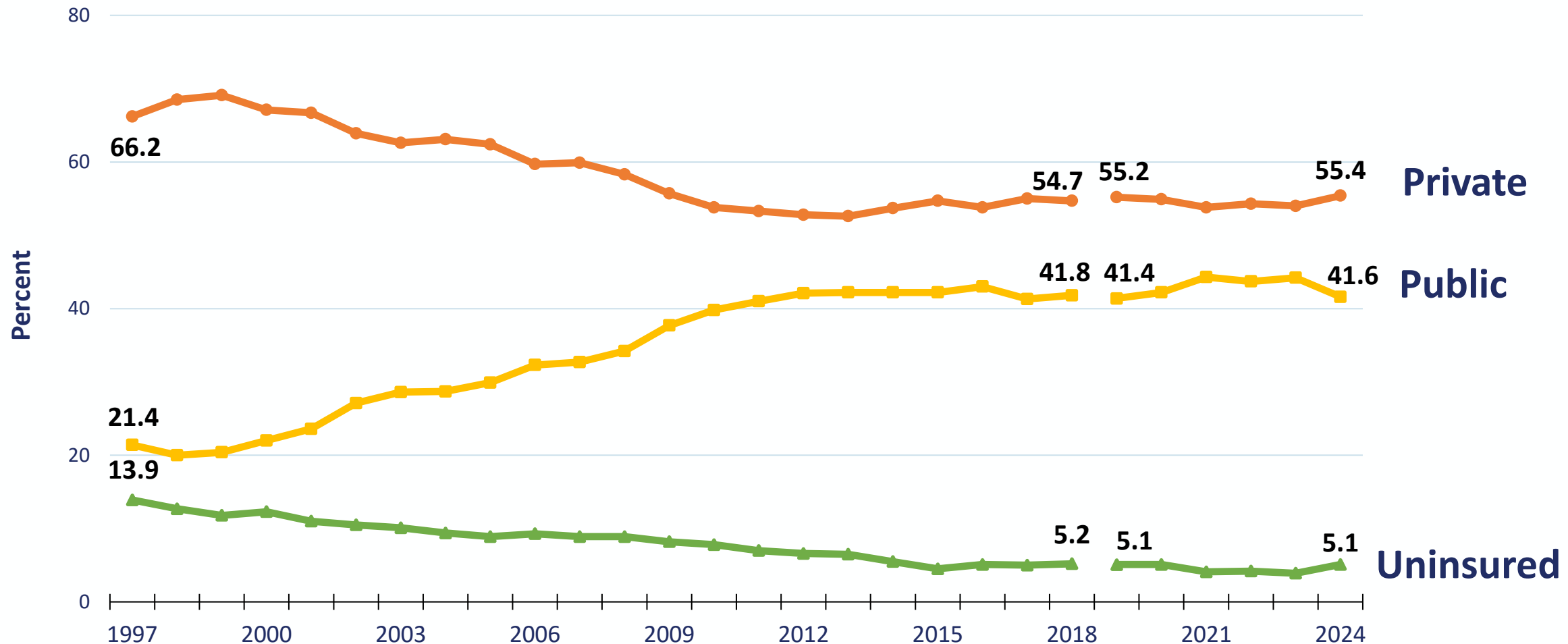
Child Population



Note: Children are considered uninsured only if they did not have health insurance coverage for the entire calendar year.

Source: US Census Bureau, Current Population Survey
(<https://www.census.gov/data/tables/time-series/demo/income-poverty/cps-hi/hi.html>)

Percent of US Children (Ages 0-17) with Health Insurance by Coverage Type at Time of Interview, 1997-2024*



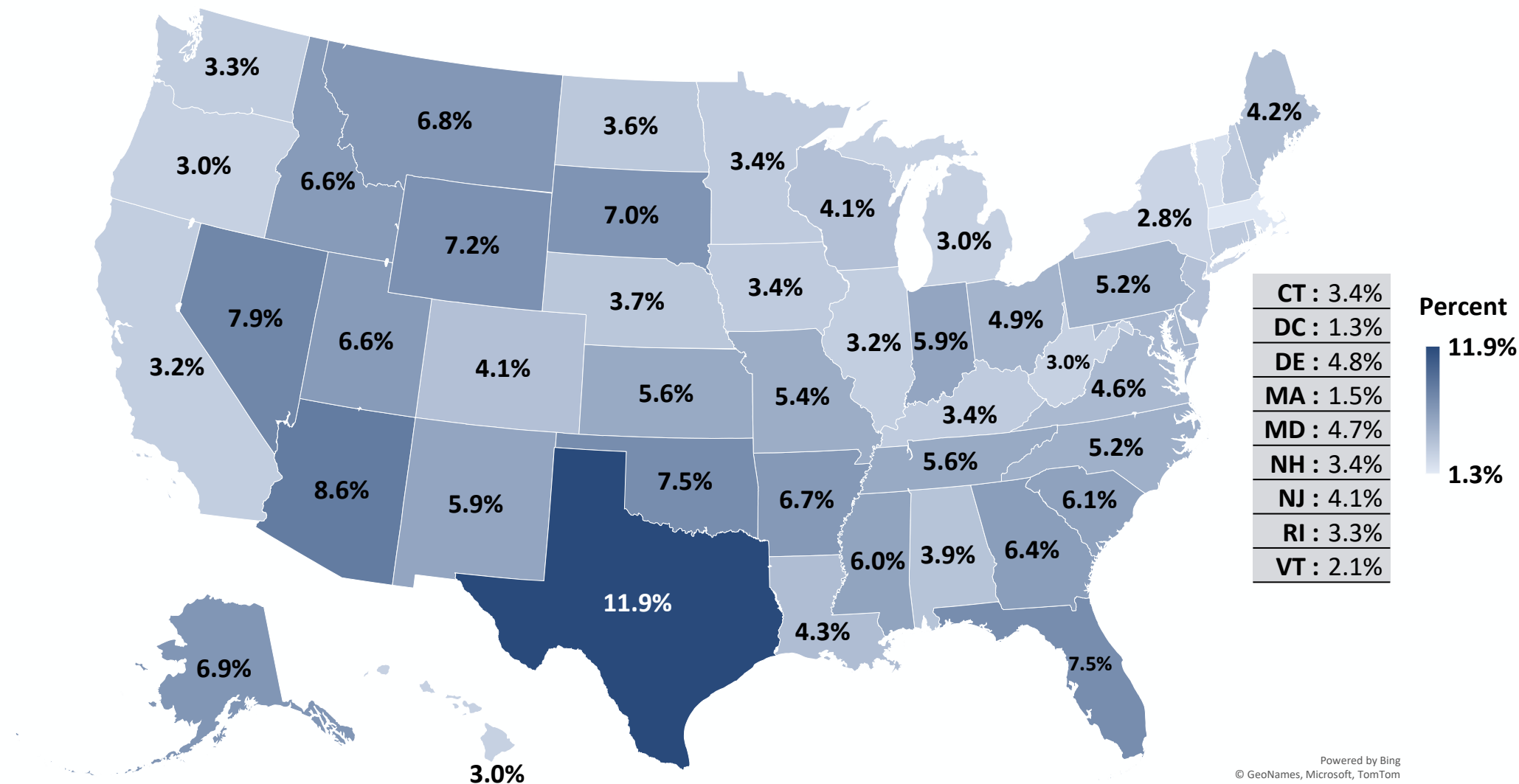
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Source: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey

(1997-2010: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nhis/earlyrelease/insur201106.pdf>; 2011-2018: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nhis/earlyrelease/insur201905.pdf> and 2019-2024: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nhis/earlyrelease/insur202406.pdf> and <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nhis/earlyrelease/insur202506.pdf>)



Percent of US Children (under 19) without Health Insurance by State, 2023



Percent of US Children (under 19) without Health Insurance -- US Population: 5.4%

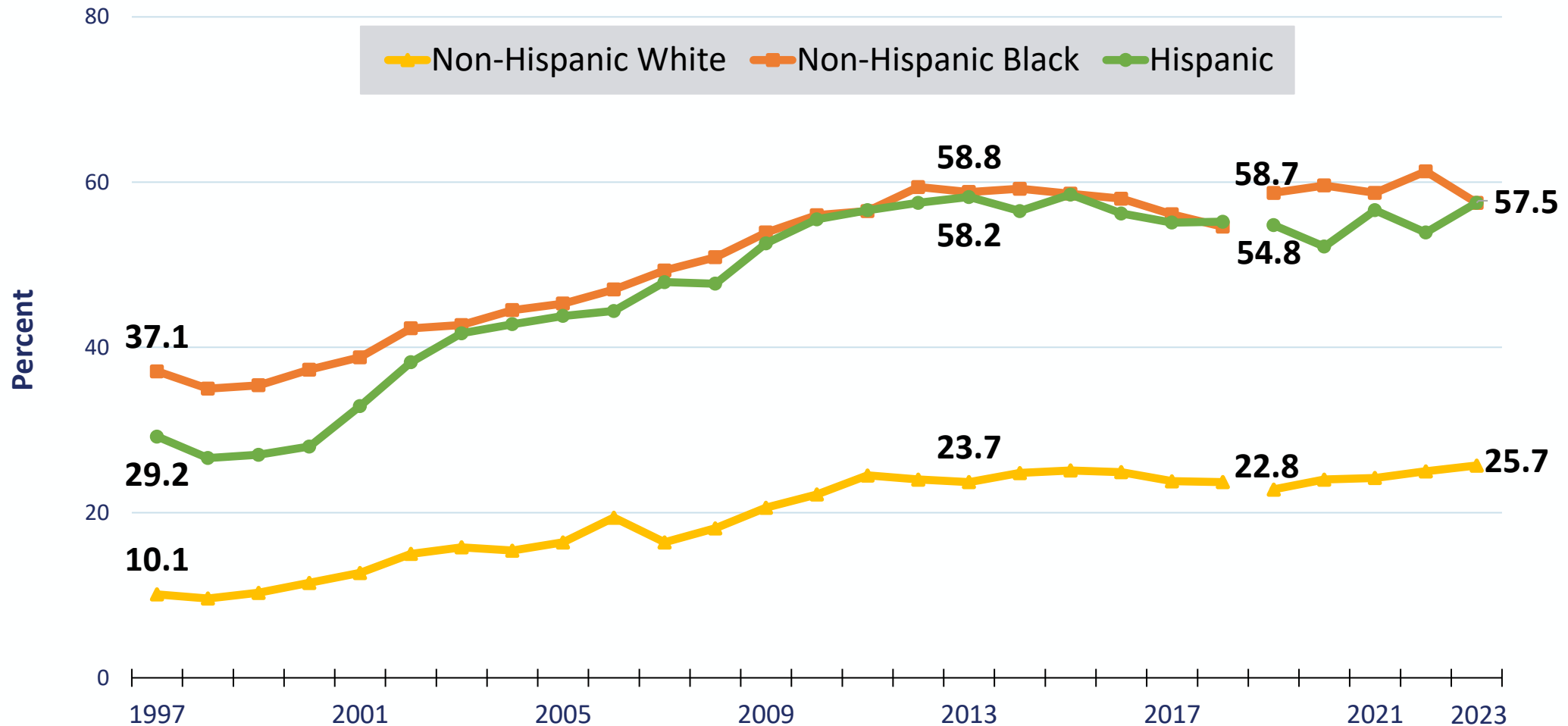
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, Table B27010
(<https://data.census.gov/table?q=b27010>)

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Percent of US Children (Ages 0-17) with Only Public Health Insurance Coverage at Time of Interview by Race and Ethnicity, 1997-2023*

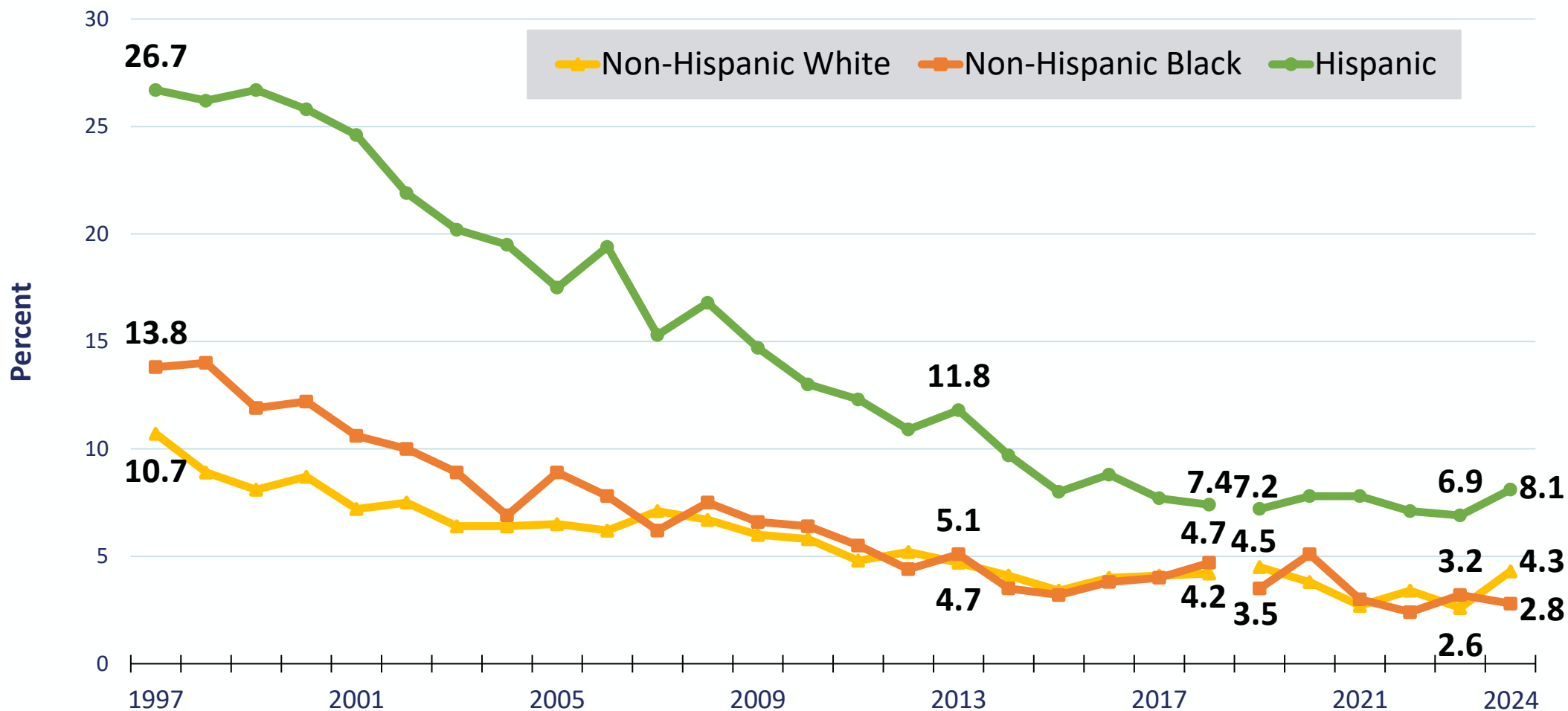


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Source: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey
(<http://www.childstats.gov/americaschildren/tables/hc1.asp> and <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/documentation/2023-nhis.html>)



Percent of US Children (Ages 0-17) with No Health Insurance Coverage at Time of Interview by Race and Ethnicity, 1997-2024*

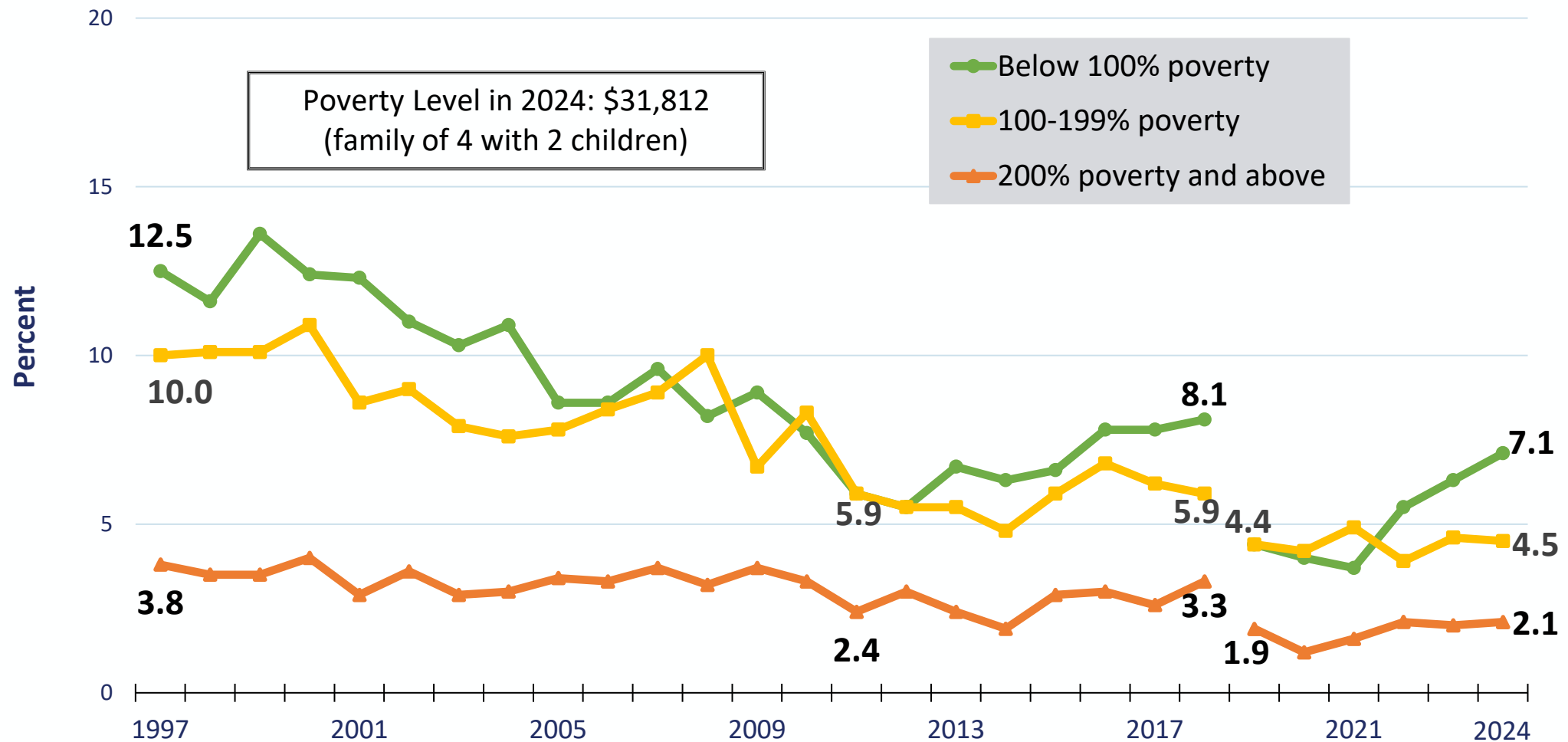


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Percent of US Children (Ages 0-17) with No Usual Source of Health Care by Poverty Status According to Parent Report, 1997-2024*



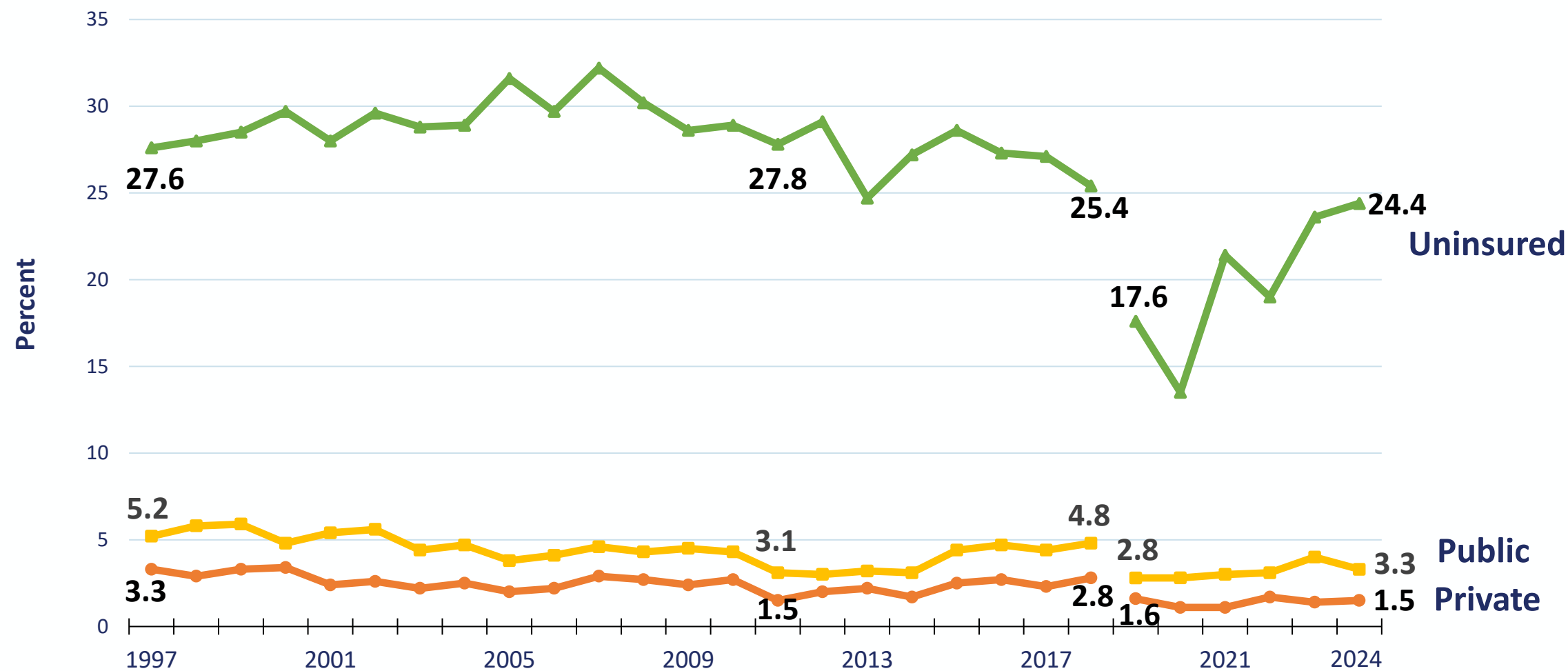
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Source: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey

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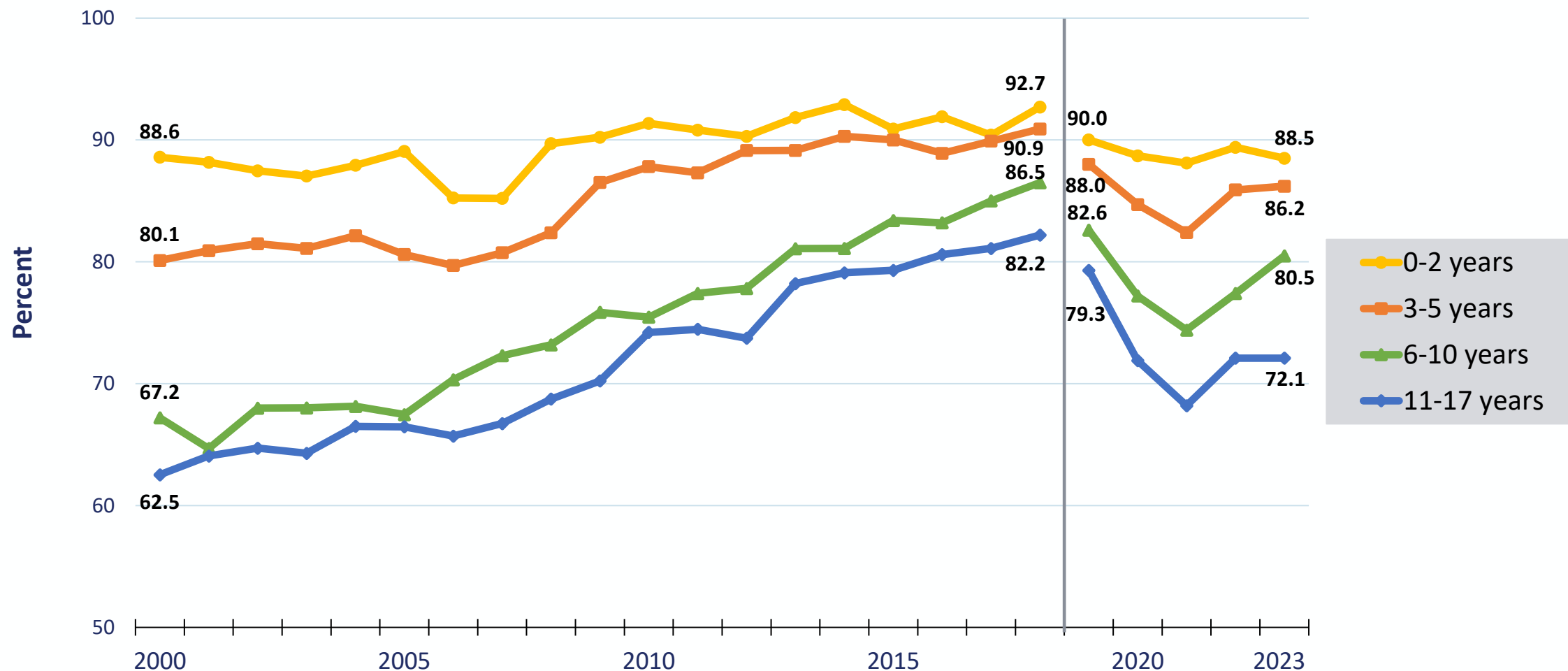
Percent of US Children (Ages 0-17) with No Usual Source of Health Care by Health Insurance Coverage Type According to Parent Report, 1997-2024*



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Percent of US Children (Ages 0-17) Who Received a Well-Child Visit in the Past 12 Months by Age According to Parent Report, 2000-2023*



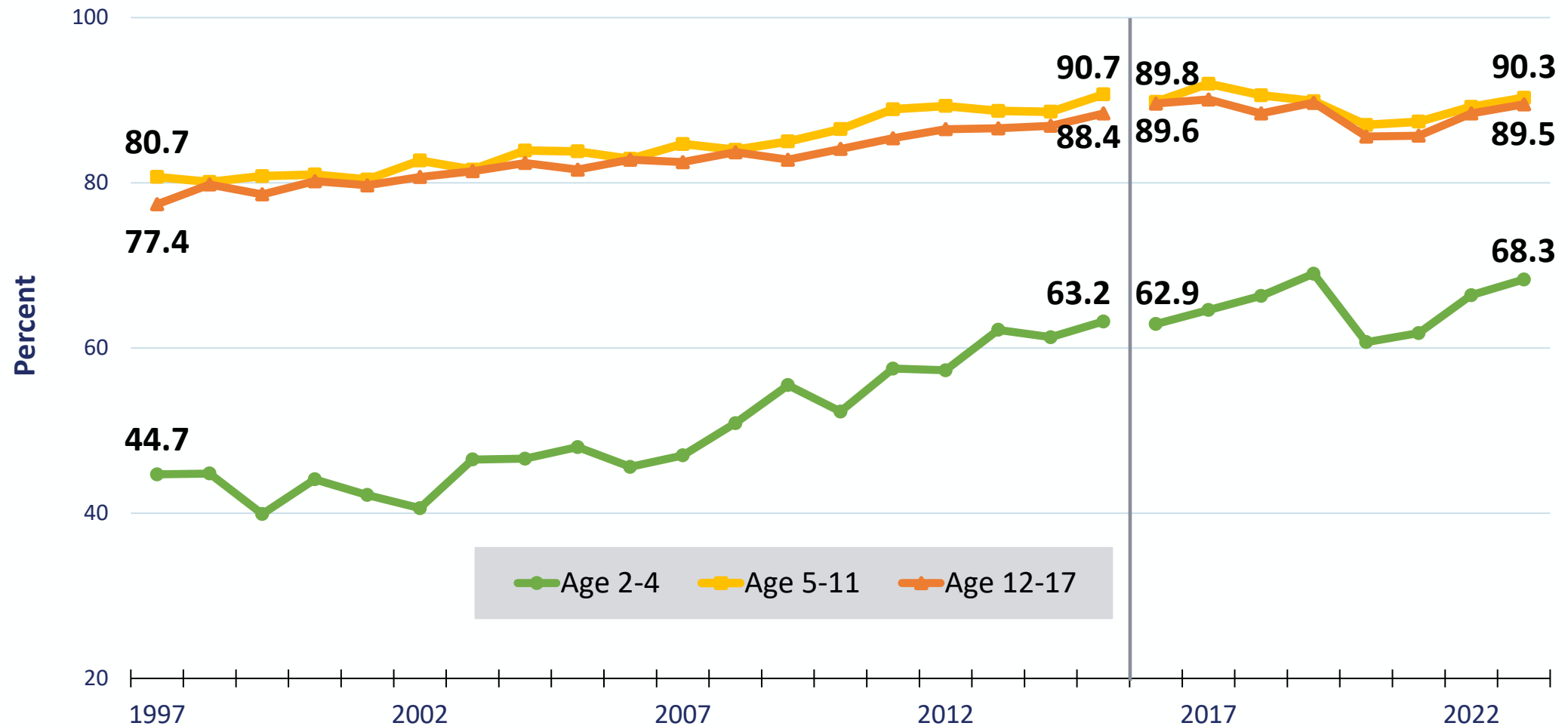
*2000-2018 uses the National Health Interview Survey, whereas 2019-current uses the National Survey of Children's Health Survey. As a result, estimates for 2019 and beyond are not directly comparable to previous years.

Source: AAP Health Services Research analysis of CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey data (<https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/products/data-query-systems.html>)

AAP Research analysis of Child and Adolescent Health Measurement Initiative (CAHMI), National Survey of Children's Health (NSCH) (<https://www.childhealthdata.org/>)



Percent of US Children (Ages 2-17) with a Dental Visit in the Past Year by Age, 1997-2023*



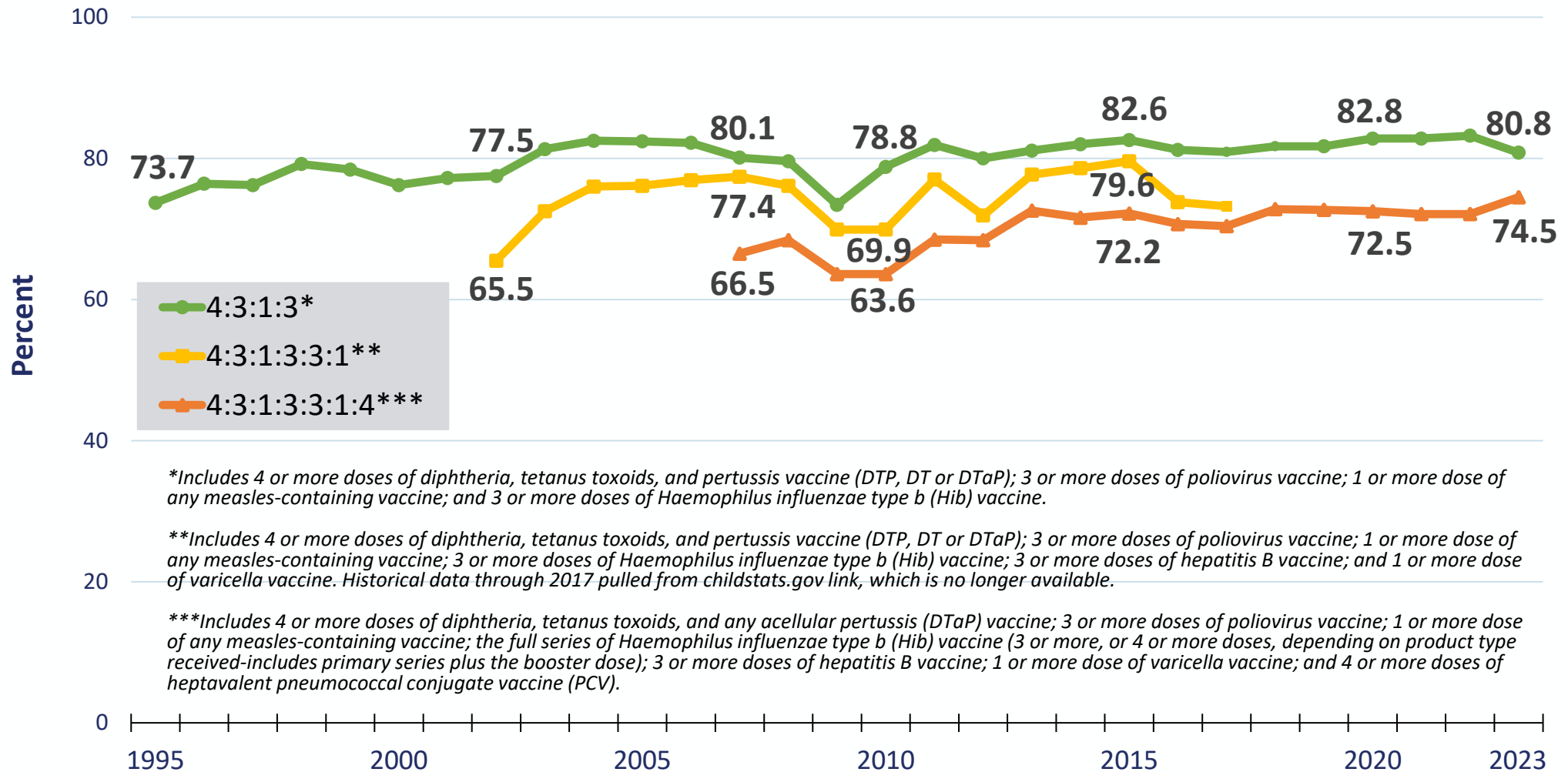
*1997-2015 uses the National Health Interview Survey, whereas 2016-current uses the National Survey of Children's Health Survey. As a result, estimates for 2016 and beyond are not directly comparable to previous years.

Source: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey (<https://www.childstats.gov/americaschildren/tables/hc4a.asp>)

AAP Research analysis of Child and Adolescent Health Measurement Initiative (CAHMI), National Survey of Children's Health (NSCH) (<https://www.childhealthdata.org/>)



Percent of US Children (Ages 19-35 Months) Receiving Combined Series Vaccinations, 1995-2023



Child Health Care Takeaways

- % of uninsured children has climbed back to pre-pandemic levels
- % of children with public insurance has returned to pre-pandemic levels
- Hispanic children most likely to have no health insurance
- Variability in uninsurance across states
- % of children with dental visits declined sharply in 2020 but are returning to pre-pandemic levels



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