

TABLE 9. Health Characteristics of Non-Institutionalized Individuals Age 65 and Older by Source of Health Insurance, 2010–2012

	Adults age 65+	Selected Sources of Insurance ¹			Medicaid ²		
		Medicaid ²	Private ³	Medicare	All Medicaid adults age 65+	Functional limitation ⁴	No functional limitation
Disability and work status							
Receives Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	3.8%*	29.4%	0.8%*	3.8%*	29.4%	32.6%	17.4%*
Working	15.9*	4.5	19.3*	14.5*	4.5	3.1	9.9*
Current health status (categories sum to 100%)							
Excellent or very good	43.8%*	20.8%	48.4%*	43.6%*	20.8%	13.9%*	47.1%*
Good	33.7*	29.9	34.0*	33.8*	29.9	29.0	33.3
Fair or poor	22.5*	49.3	17.6*	22.6*	49.3	57.1*	19.6*
Health compared to 12 months ago (categories sum to 100%)							
Better	13.7%	14.2%	13.6%	13.7%	14.2%	15.3%	10.3%*
Worse	11.8*	21.0	10.5*	11.8*	21.0	25.0*	5.8*
Same	74.6*	64.8	75.9*	74.5*	64.8	59.7*	83.8*
Activities of daily living (ADLs)							
Help with any personal care needs ⁵	6.8%*	20.4%	5.1%*	6.9%*	20.4%	24.7%*	3.1%*
Help with bathing/showering	5.0*	15.5	3.6*	5.1*	15.5	18.8*	2.4*
Help with eating	1.5*	4.8	0.9*	1.5*	4.8	5.8	1.4*
Help with transferring (in/out of bed or chairs)	3.0*	9.6	2.1*	3.0*	9.6	11.4	2.1*
Help with toileting	2.3*	7.1	1.7*	2.3*	7.1	8.3	1.9*
Help getting around in home	2.8*	9.5	1.9*	2.8*	9.5	11.5	1.9*
Number of above ADLs reported (categories sum to 100%)							
0	93.2%*	79.8%	94.9%*	93.1%*	79.8%	75.5%*	96.9%*
1	0.9*	2.6	0.7*	0.9*	2.6	3.1	†
2	1.4*	2.8	1.1*	1.4*	2.8	3.5	†
3	1.4*	4.1	1.2*	1.4*	4.1	5.2	0.0*
4+	3.1*	10.6	2.1*	3.1*	10.6	12.7	2.1*

TABLE 9, Continued

	Adults age 65+	Selected Sources of Insurance ¹			Medicaid ²		
		Medicaid ²	Private ³	Medicare	All Medicaid adults age 65+	Functional limitation ⁴	No functional limitation
Specific health conditions							
Functional limitation ⁴	65.1%*	79.0%	63.9%*	65.7%*	79.0%	100.0%*	0.0%*
Difficulty walking without equipment	18.6*	38.8	16.0*	18.9*	38.8	47.2*	6.8*
Health condition that requires special equipment (e.g., cane, wheelchair)	20.7*	38.9	18.5*	21.0*	38.9	47.0*	8.5*
Lost all natural teeth	22.7*	41.2	18.5*	22.9*	41.2	43.7	30.9*
Depressed/anxious feelings ⁶	9.3*	20.6	8.0*	9.3*	20.6	25.3*	3.1*
Ever told had hypertension	62.0*	70.5	61.1*	62.3*	70.5	73.9	57.6*
Ever told had coronary heart disease	15.8*	19.6	16.0*	16.1*	19.6	22.4	8.8*
Ever told had heart attack	10.4*	13.6	10.0*	10.6*	13.6	15.3	7.2*
Ever told had stroke	8.2*	15.1	7.1*	8.3*	15.1	17.9	4.5*
Ever told had cancer	24.2*	18.8	26.4*	24.7*	18.8	20.5	12.1*
Ever told had diabetes	20.7*	31.1	19.2*	20.8*	31.1	33.7	20.8*
Ever told had arthritis	49.7*	57.4	51.2*	50.4*	57.4	65.6*	25.9*
Ever told had asthma	10.6*	16.0	10.1*	10.7*	16.0	17.9	8.0*
Past 12 months, told had chronic bronchitis	5.8*	10.3	5.5*	5.9*	10.3	11.7	4.7*
Past 12 months, told had liver condition	1.4*	2.9	1.2*	1.4*	2.9	3.6	†
Past 12 months, told had weak/failing kidneys	4.3*	9.3	3.5*	4.4*	9.3	11.0	2.9*

See Table 10 for notes.

Source: MACPAC analysis of the 2010–2012 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS).