

Missouri Medicaid Basics

2023 At-a-Glance

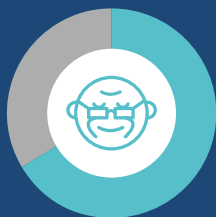
Across the state in 2022, MO HealthNet:



Covers **1** out of every **5** people



Covers **48%** of children



Pays for **2/3** of nursing home care

What is Medicaid?

Missouri's Medicaid program (MO HealthNet) provides health insurance for low-income children and parents, adults aged 19-64, seniors aged 65+, pregnant women, and people with disabilities. It allows Missourians to see a doctor when they are sick, get check-ups, buy medications, and go to the hospital. Having health insurance allows Missourians to maintain their health, go to work, and take care of their families.

Who is enrolled in MO HealthNet?

Many different types of people are covered, though most enrollees are kids.

Eligible groups include parents, children, pregnant women, adults aged 19-64, seniors aged 65+, and persons who are blind or disabled.



MO HealthNet Income Eligibility

Covered Populations	Income Guidelines
Children (under age 19)	<300% FPL*
Pregnant Women	<196% FPL
Individuals with a Disability	<85% FPL
Older Adults (age 65+)	<85% FPL
Blind Individuals	<100% FPL
Parents	~21% FPL
Expansion Adults (age 19-64)	<133% FPL

*Federal Poverty Level

59%

of enrollees are under the age of 19

Families and children use fewer resources.

Although families and children make up 68% of enrollees, they use only 34% of MO HealthNet's budget. Older adults and people with disabilities comprise 23% of enrollees but use 51% of the budget.

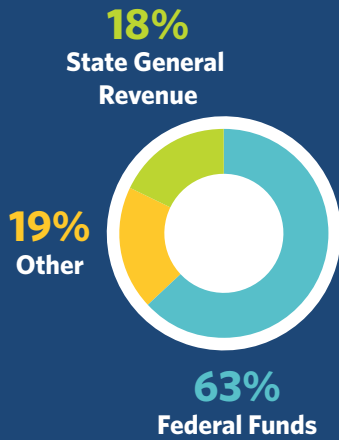
Implementation of Medicaid expansion allowed for enrollment of newly eligible adults.

- Post expansion, more adults are eligible for MO HealthNet, including parents who have not qualified before and childless adults.
- Medicaid expansion was implemented in October 2021, and by the end of SFY 2022, 196,572 Missourians aged 19-64 were covered by MO HealthNet, including both new enrollees and eligible individuals who were transferred from other MO HealthNet programs.
- During SFY 2022, the adult expansion group used only 4% of the total state Medicaid budget.

How is MO HealthNet financed?

The majority of MO HealthNet is funded through the federal government.

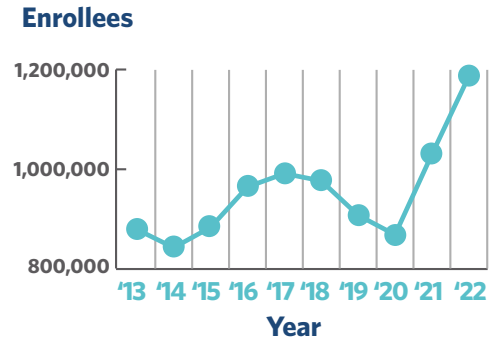
Less than 1/5 of MO HealthNet's funding for SFY 2023 comes from state general revenue:



How has the public health emergency impacted enrollment?

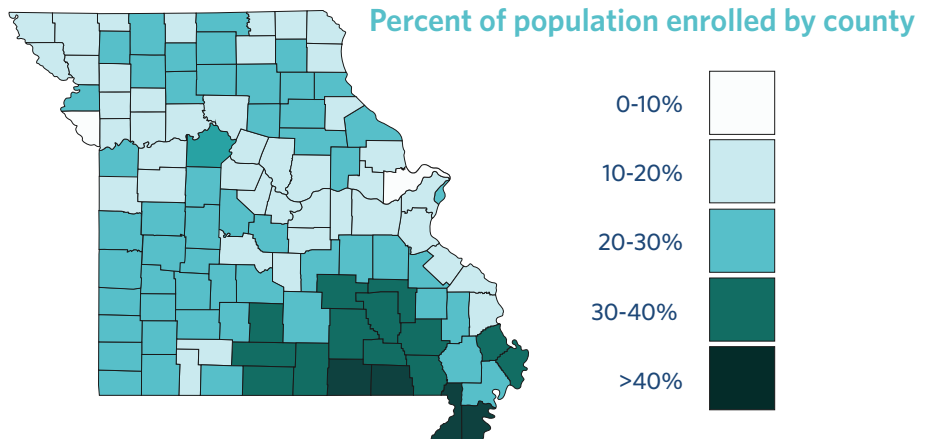
More Missourians are eligible for coverage due to the pandemic and its economic impact.

Enrollment increased by approximately 36% between SFY 2020 - SFY 2022.



- During the public health emergency (PHE), the federal government increased its share of financing to offset the costs of increased enrollment.
- As a condition of receiving these temporary enhanced funds, states may not remove anyone from the Medicaid rolls while the PHE is ongoing.
- Within 14 months after the end of the PHE, state Medicaid agencies must review the eligibility of each Medicaid enrollee.

Missourians from across the state are enrolled in MO HealthNet



To learn more about MO HealthNet eligibility and enrollment, covered services, delivery systems, financing and expenditures, and more, read our full [Missouri Medicaid Basics 2023](#) publication.