

Table 22
Number of Persons Served and Cost-Sharing Liability for Medicare Beneficiaries, by Type of Liability and Type of Coverage:
Calendar Year 2000

Amount of Cost-Sharing Liability Incurred	Total HI and/or SMI Liability	Hospital Insurance (HI)			Supplementary Medical Insurance (SMI)			Balance Billing
		Total	Deductible	Coinurance	Total	Deductible	Coinurance	
Number of Persons Served ¹								
Total	29,582,600	6,870,720	6,799,920	782,720	28,848,260	28,128,280	28,315,100	2,875,900
\$1 - \$499	14,710,600	1,720	820	900	14,112,920	13,599,860	13,585,320	1,055,120
\$500 - \$999	4,590,440	260,920	258,300	3,080	4,473,840	4,397,500	4,468,880	523,440
\$1,000 - \$1,999	5,328,380	2,761,880	2,752,680	43,200	5,314,420	5,234,740	5,313,960	630,380
\$2,000 - \$4,999	3,814,120	2,903,580	2,880,120	295,000	3,810,040	3,771,160	3,809,940	523,180
\$5,000 - \$9,999	856,020	692,400	671,720	291,560	854,300	844,560	854,280	113,020
\$10,000 - \$14,999	210,120	185,460	179,440	105,100	210,020	208,240	210,020	23,520
\$15,000 or More	72,920	64,760	56,840	43,880	72,720	72,220	72,700	7,240
Liability in Thousands								
Total	\$35,586,589	\$9,278,381	\$6,327,251	\$2,951,130	\$26,308,208	\$2,772,796	\$23,464,043	\$71,369
\$1 - \$499	3,366,163	304	134	171	3,365,858	1,324,368	2,027,133	14,357
\$500 - \$999	3,281,364	201,091	199,989	1,101	3,080,273	438,257	2,630,632	11,384
\$1,000 - \$1,999	7,631,006	2,183,912	2,165,155	18,757	5,447,094	521,928	4,908,728	16,438
\$2,000 - \$4,999	11,376,147	3,303,372	2,916,939	386,433	8,072,775	376,045	7,675,776	20,955
\$5,000 - \$9,999	5,898,866	1,968,112	771,927	1,196,185	3,930,754	84,229	3,840,316	6,209
\$10,000 - \$14,999	2,463,233	926,582	208,162	718,420	1,536,652	20,770	1,514,384	1,498
\$15,000 or More	1,569,810	695,008	64,945	630,063	874,802	7,199	867,076	527
Average Liability per Person Served								
Total	\$1,203	\$1,350	\$930	\$3,770	\$912	\$99	\$829	\$25
\$1 - \$499	229	177	163	190	238	97	149	14
\$500 - \$999	715	771	774	358	689	100	589	22
\$1,000 - \$1,999	1,432	791	787	434	1,025	100	924	26
\$2,000 - \$4,999	2,983	1,138	1,013	1,310	2,119	100	2,015	40
\$5,000 - \$9,999	6,891	2,842	1,149	4,103	4,601	100	4,495	55
\$10,000 - \$14,999	11,723	4,996	1,160	6,836	7,317	100	7,211	64
\$15,000 or More	21,528	10,732	1,143	14,359	12,030	100	11,927	73

¹Represents beneficiaries who received covered services under fee-for-service and for whom program payments were made. Includes a small number of beneficiaries with no cost-sharing liability.

NOTES: While the overall levels of potential liability are more accurate, the number of persons falling into certain categories and levels of cost sharing are slightly understated. This in part is due to changes during the year in some beneficiaries' health insurance claim number (HIC). Most changes to the HIC involved the beneficiary identification code (BIC), which identifies the beneficiary's relationship to the primary wage earner; for example, a wife being converted to a widow. These changes were accounted through what is known as an equatable BIC routine which was performed on the input file. Other changes involved changes in the beneficiary claim account number portion of the HIC, for example, a wife acquiring enough quarters or credit to get benefits under her own account. No cross-referencing was done to get all claims for the small number of individuals who either enter or exit the 5-percent sample. In addition, managed care people who leave managed care during the calendar year are credited with prorated shares of an estimated amount of the annual Part B deductible, based on the amount of time in managed care and estimated time for most beneficiaries to reach the Part B deductible under fee-for-service. No estimating was done to attribute such amounts to individuals. It should also be noted that certain services are not subject to deductible and/or coinsurance. Numbers may not add to totals because of rounding.

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