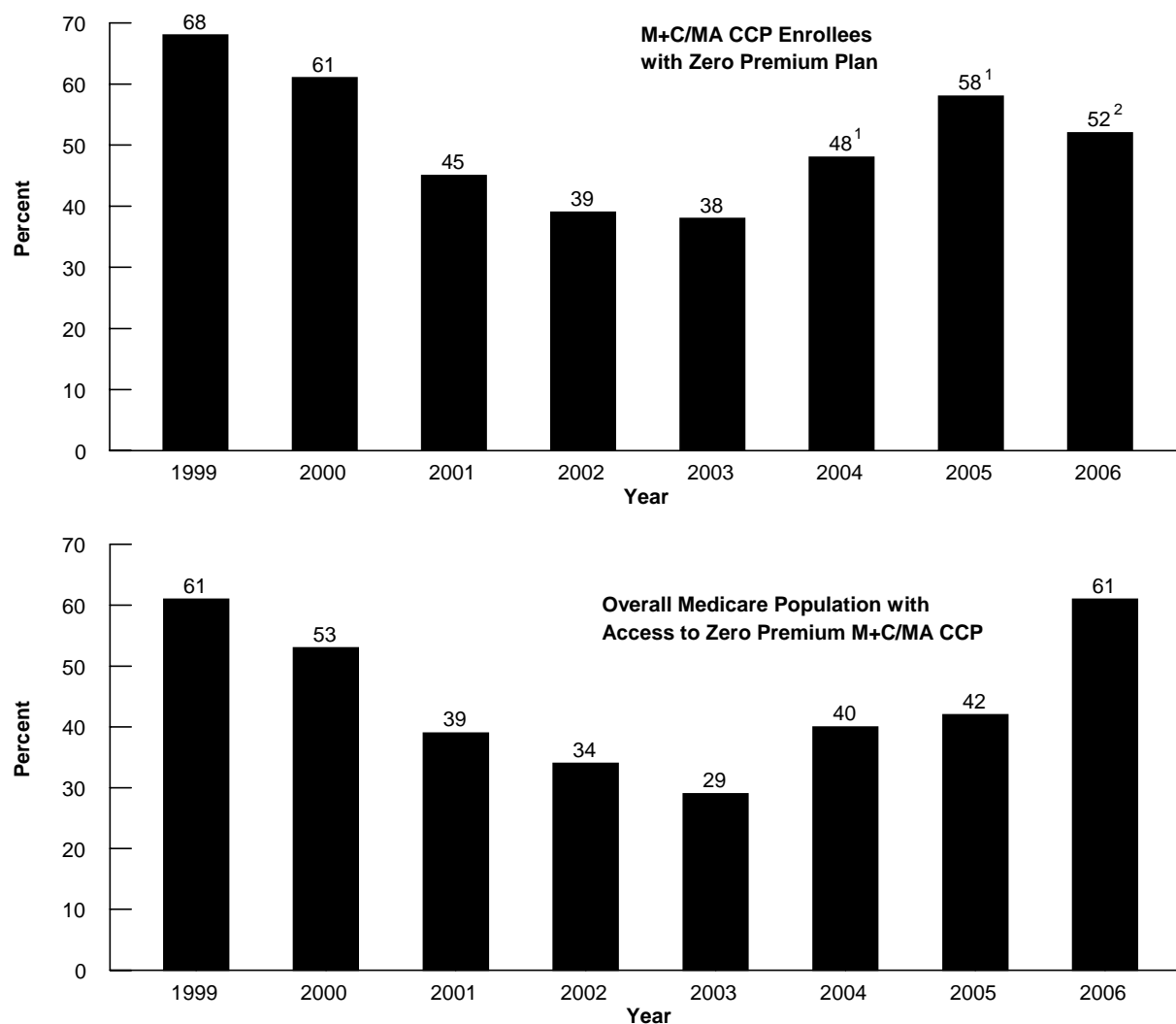


Figure 12.9
Changes in Access to or Coverage Under a Zero Premium Plan: Calendar Years 1999-2006



¹ Prior to 2004, enrollees in managed care plans were assigned to the zero premium category if a zero premium plan was offered in the county of residence, regardless of actual plan's premium. Beginning 2004, categorization is based on premium of plan in which the beneficiary is enrolled, thus depressing the trend based on the prior methodology.

² Beginning 2006, premium categorization combines the Part C and Part D premium. Analysis only covers selected CCP types. Enrolled coverage is the percent of the actual targeted CCP population with zero premium.

NOTES: M+C is Medicare+Choice. MA is Medicare Advantage. CCP is coordinated care plan. The 2005 data are as of March 2005. The 2006 data are as of December 2006.

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