

## Connecticut's Remaining Uninsured An estimation

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## Estimate of Connecticut's Insurance Landscape 2015

Calculated by subtracting all other estimates from the population total, this share is very close to 2013 KFF<sup>2</sup> share **Estimated Estimated Insurance Status** Percent People Calculated by adding up all covered lives in the Connecticut Insurance Department Health Insurance Rate Summary for 2016. Note that this total is significantly less than other survey-**Employer-Sponsored** 55.6% 2,027,852 based estimates of the individual market, which put this share above 6%: however, we believe these excess individuals are Individual (On & Off Exchange) 4.6% 166,933 counted elsewhere in this table with insurance coverage. June 2015 Total Medicaid Enrollment, Note that this total is Medicaid (including Duals) 20.9% 760,758 significantly higher than figures provided from surveys. Medicare 14.3% 522,587 Applied a conservative 0.5% annual growth Military/VA Healthcare 0.8% 29,416 rate to 2013 Medicare enrollment according to KFF2, given faster Individual Uninsured 3.8% 137,000 4.6% population growth among 65+ population. Medicaid  $3.644.546^{1}$ **Total Connecticut Population** 100.0% (including duals) 20.9% Starting with an estimated 154,000 uninsured in 2014 (147,000 plus 7,000 for attrition<sup>3</sup>), subtract previously uninsured new Medicare QHP & new Medicaid enrollees (survey-based shares applied to 14.3% AHCT New QHP Enrollment data and change in Medicaid Military/VA enrollment since June 2014) and add the "leavers" (according to **Employer** Healthcare Maintained the survey-based share "going bare" applied to total disenrollment Uninsured 0.8% 55.6% proportion from from AHCT data) to get 137.257. We round this to 137.000 so as 3.8% 2013, deduced not to present a false sense of accuracy (i.e. exactly 137,257 from KFF



people) in the estimate.

Connecticut Population for 2015 according to State of Connecticut Population Projections, 2012, http://web2.uconn.edu/ctsdc/projections.html

KFF = Kaiser Family Foundation "Health Insurance Coverage of the Total Population" based on 2013 CPS, http://kff.org/other/state-indicator/total-population/

We allow for the **net** loss of insurance for about 7,000 people who newly gained coverage in 2014; sources of attrition include court rulings and non-payment, etc. We estimate that net 10,000 people gained coverage in 2015 versus the 147,000 uninsured statistic published last year.

## **Estimated Uninsured Rate**

## The Uninsured Rate in Connecticut has dropped to about 3.8%

- We estimated this rate using a combination of reliable secondary sources and primary data including
  - Access Health CT enrollment data, data from Connecticut Department of Insurance, government data on Medicaid enrollment, and Kaiser Family Foundation statistics based on the 2013 Current Population Survey
  - Our own survey data that captured past insurance status of new enrollees and current insurance status of "leavers" (those who discontinued coverage through AHCT)
- This rate assumes that those enrolled remain enrolled for the full cycle.

3.8%

