

# SoonerCare Fast Facts April 2017

## TOTAL ENROLLMENT — OKLAHOMA SOONERCARE (MEDICAID)

Qualifying Group	Age Group	Enrollment	% of Total
Aged/Blind/Disabled	Child	18,263	2.22%
Aged/Blind/Disabled	Adult	138,012	16.77%
Children/Parents	Child	526,927	64.03%
Children/Parents	Adult	78,786	9.57%
Other	Child	352	0.04%
Other	Adult	25,272	3.07%
Oklahoma Cares (Breast & Cervical Cancer)		451	0.05%
SoonerPlan (Family Planning)		34,269	4.16%
TEFRA		629	0.08%

<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>822,961</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>273,967</b>	<b>33%</b>
		<b>Children</b>	<b>548,994</b>	<b>67%</b>

OTHER Group includes—DDSD State-PKU-Q1-Q2-Refugee--SLMB-Soon to be Sooners (STBS) and TB patients. The Total Enrollment figure makes up 465,754 cases. A case is used to group members of the same family living in the same household.

For more information go to [www.okhca.org](http://www.okhca.org) under Individuals then to Programs. Insure Oklahoma members are NOT included in the figures above.

Unless stated otherwise, CHILD is defined as an individual under the age of 21.

Note that all subsequent figures are groups within the above total enrollment numbers (except Insure Oklahoma). SoonerPlan members are not entitled to the full scope of benefits only family planning services are covered.

The Insure Oklahoma is a program to assist qualifying small business owners, employees & their spouses (Employer-Sponsored Insurance—ESI) with health insurance premiums and some individual Oklahomans (Individual Plan—IP) with limited health coverage. [www.insureoklahoma.org](http://www.insureoklahoma.org)

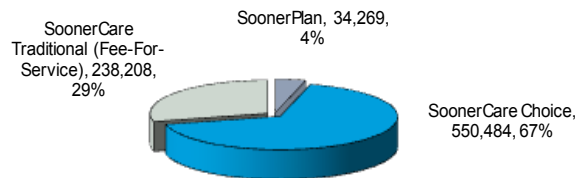
New Enrollees	
Oklahoma SoonerCare members that have not been enrolled in the past 6 months.	
Adults	6,824
Children	8,123
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,947</b>

### CHIP Breakdown of Total Enrollment

Members qualifying for SoonerCare (Medicaid) eligibility under the CHIP program are under age 19 and have income between the maximum for standard eligibility and the expanded Federal Poverty Level (FPL) income guidelines.

Age Breakdown	% of FPL	CHIP Enrollees
INSURE OK DEPENDENTS (ESI)		245
PRENATAL		3,814
INFANT	170% to 210%	1,882
01-05	152% to 210%	17,598
06-13	116% to 210%	49,305
14-18	66% to 210%	44,800
<b>Total</b>		<b>117,644</b>

### Delivery System Breakdown of Total Enrollment



### Other Enrollment Facts

Total Enrollment (Including Insure Oklahoma) - 842,519

Unduplicated Enrollment SFY (July through report month including Insure Oklahoma) - 986,642

#### Other Breakdowns of Total Enrollment

Oklahoma SoonerCare (Medicaid) members residing in a long-term care facility - 14,936

Oklahoma persons enrolled in both Medicare and Medicaid (Dual Enrollees) - 113,410

SoonerCare (Medicaid) members enrolled in Home & Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waivers - 22,921

SoonerCare (Medicaid) members enrolled in Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) - 398

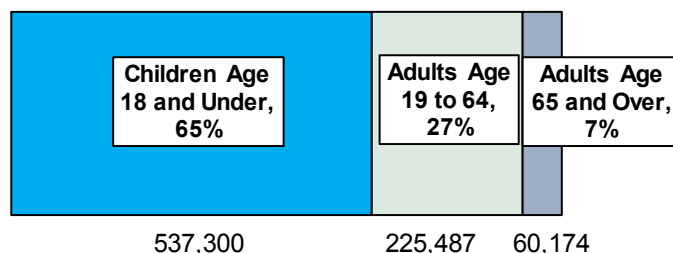
Small Businesses Enrolled in ESI	Employees w/ ESI	Individual Plan (IP) Members
4,374	14,592	4,966

### Race Breakdown of Total Enrollment

	Children	Adults	Percent	Pregnant Women
American Indian	62,541	21,590	10%	2,600
Asian or Pacific Islander	10,155	4,744	2%	610
Black or African American	60,082	36,546	12%	2,406
Caucasian	323,241	190,075	62%	14,822
Multiple Race	57,961	13,051	9%	1,700
Declined to Answer	35,014	7,961	5%	1,526
<b>Hispanic Ethnicity</b>	<b>122,559</b>	<b>19,959</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>4,936</b>

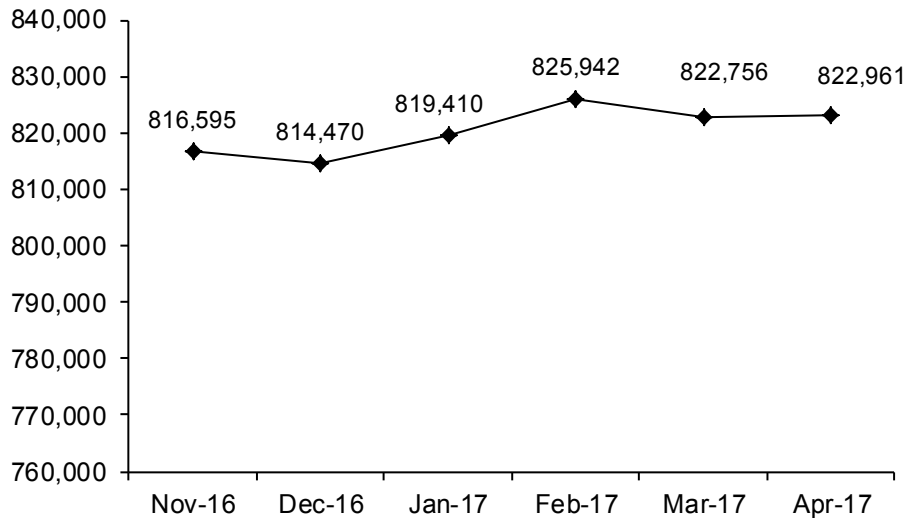
Race is self-reported by members at the time of enrollment. The multiple race members have selected two or more races. Hispanic is an ethnicity not a race. Hispanics can be of any race and are accounted for in a race category above. Pregnant women includes CHIP Prenatal.

### Age Breakdown of Total Enrollment



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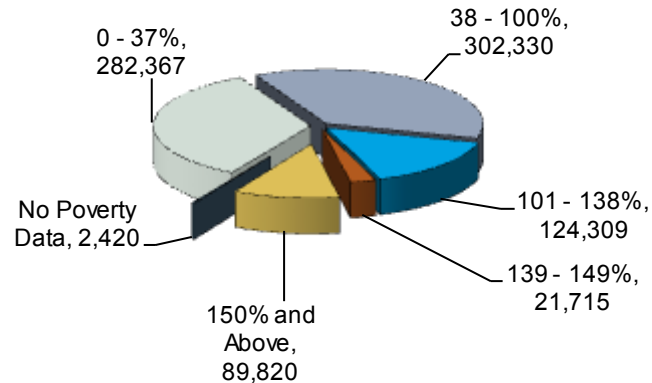
## Total Enrollment Trend



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## Percent of Federal Poverty Level Totals



The "No Poverty Data" group consists of members with no poverty data and members enrolled with an aid category of U- DDSD State, R2 - OJA not incarcerated, or R4 - OJA incarcerated. These aid categories do not require poverty data or do not use the poverty data.

## OHCA eyes provider rates and elimination of benefits and services to balance budget

Optional benefits for SoonerCare members along with provider rate reductions up to 25 percent are being considered as the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) prepares for its state fiscal year 2018 appropriation.

In years past, SoonerCare (Oklahoma Medicaid) has avoided eliminating a few of the optional benefits as defined by the federal government due to the catastrophic outcomes of cutting those benefits. To shore up the budget in the past, the agency has reduced provider rates and eliminated and reduced benefits for adults such as sleep studies, perinatal dental, durable medical equipment purchases, prescription drug limits, etc.

In state fiscal year 2017, the agency was fortunate that its appropriation was kept relatively flat which allowed the program to continue without further reductions to benefits or rates. However, with federal funds shrinking again and state appropriations likely being reduced in SFY18, protecting optional benefits may no longer be an option for OHCA.

Benefits the agency is evaluating for elimination or reduction include pharmacy, behavioral health and durable medical equipment. Programs being evaluated include the breast and cervical cancer treatment program and the waiver-funded Medically Fragile program and Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). Other benefits under consideration for elimination include private duty nursing services, adult organ transplants, dialysis, hospice services, physical and occupational therapy, and speech, hearing and language disorder services. The agency must consider the projected savings of eliminating each optional benefit versus potential costs in other areas that may be created by their elimination.

OHCA is beginning its public notification process to reduce SoonerCare (Oklahoma Medicaid) provider rates. Meetings have been scheduled for the next few weeks with all of the state's provider groups beginning Tuesday, April 11, with the Oklahoma Hospital Association.

"At our March board meeting, we presented [budget scenarios](#) based on state leadership's request ranging from a 5 percent to a 15 percent reduction in state appropriations," said OHCA CEO Becky Pasternik-Ikard. "While we don't know our final appropriation, we must be prepared for a reduction. In order for us to meet our obligations to the federal government, we have to get the process started."

It takes OHCA approximately 60 days to implement provider rate changes because of public notification requirements. To eliminate benefits, OHCA must allow for about 90 days to amend rules and up to 45 days to receive the governor's approval under emergency rulemaking. Due to these timelines, additional action may be needed to achieve the fiscal year savings in less than 12 months.

A 25 percent rate reduction will put SoonerCare physician rates at about 65 percent of the Medicare rate. In addition to physician rates, these reductions will affect all provider types including hospitals, pharmacy, durable medical equipment suppliers and nursing facilities.

"We are looking at reductions that threaten our health care infrastructure for Oklahoma's neediest citizens," said Ikard. "On the member side, if we have to eliminate the remaining optional benefits, we will be putting people's lives at stake. On the provider side, with a rate cut of this magnitude, we may see more providers, particularly in the rural areas, close up shop."

"We realize the potential consequences, but we recognize we are out of options," she added.