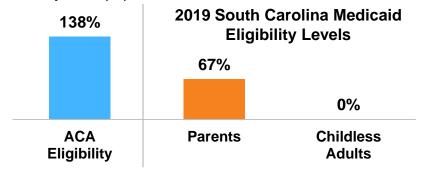
# UNINSURED ADULTS IN SOUTH CAROLINA WHO WOULD BECOME ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID UNDER EXPANSION

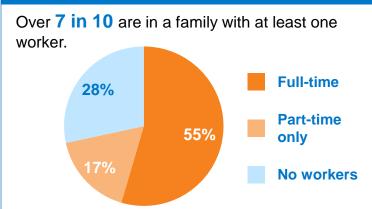
The ACA expanded Medicaid coverage to nearly all adults with incomes up to 138% of the Federal Poverty Level (\$17,236 for an individual in 2019). If South Carolina were to expand its Medicaid program, 211,000 uninsured nonelderly adults would become eligible for coverage, 44% of the state's uninsured nonelderly adult population.



Childless Adults Parents

85% of those who would become eligible under Medicaid expansion are childless adults, a group historically excluded from Medicaid eligibility.

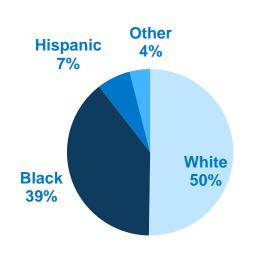
## Who Are Uninsured Adults Who Would Become Eligible for Medicaid if South Carolina Expanded?



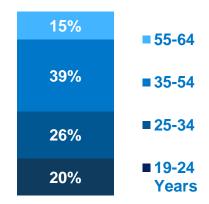
Nearly 6 in 10 are adults living below poverty.



Half are White, non-Hispanic.



Almost **4 in 10** are middleaged and 15% are nearelderly, who are more likely to have substantial health needs.





Nearly **half** are women even though many women qualify for Medicaid as caregiver parents.

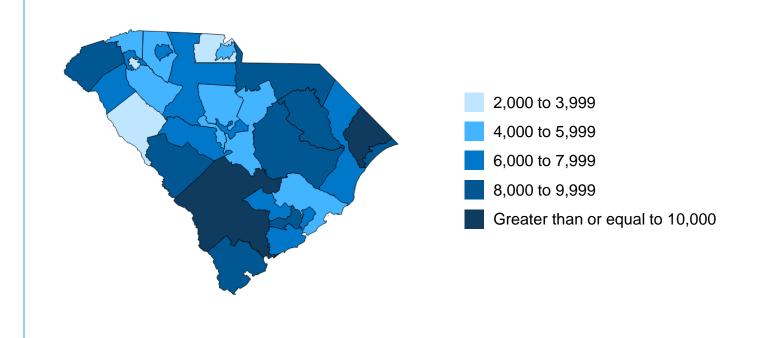
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### Where Do Uninsured Adults Who Would Be Eligible for Medicaid if South Carolina Expanded Live?



# What is the Potential Impact of Medicaid Expansion?

**Greater access to care** 

Decreased uncompensated care costs

Reduced medical debt

A review of over

200

research studies shows that Medicaid expansion is associated with: Improved affordability of care

**Increased utilization of care** 

**Increased coverage** 

## How Would the Medicaid Expansion in South Carolina be Financed?

The federal government pays most of the cost of the ACA Medicaid expansion: 90% in FY 2020 and beyond.

**ACA Expansion** 

Federal Share: 90¢

State Share: 10¢ For traditional Medicaid, the federal share of cost is lower (71%) in FY 2020 and changes slightly each year depending on the state's per capita income.

#### **Traditional Medicaid**

Federal Share: 71¢

State Share: 29¢