

Table 1. Enrollment in Medicare Advantage and Other Prepaid Plans, by Location of Residence and by Type of Plan, 2005-2011

Type of Plan	December 2005		December 2010		September 2011	
	Rural	Total	Rural	Total	Rural	Total
Medicare Advantage	241,706	5,139,794	1,373,225	11,321,900	1,445,744	11,917,962
HMOs/POS	174,789	4,854,212	400,528	7,436,339	464,408	7,918,533
PFFS	63,393	200,614	525,243	1,593,450	251,016	581,538
PPOs and other MA	3,524	84,968	447,454	2,292,111	730,320	3,417,891
Other prepaid plans	105,197	688,231	102,876	408,233	123,540	440,380
TOTAL	346,903	5,933,222	1,476,101	11,730,133	1,569,284	12,358,342
	Percent of Medicare Population		Percent of Medicare Population		Percent of Medicare Population	
Medicare Advantage	3.5%	11.7%	14.0%	24.2%	14.5%	24.5%
HMOs/POS	2.5%	11.0%	4.1%	15.9%	4.7%	16.3%
PFFS	0.9%	0.5%	5.4%	3.4%	2.5%	1.2%
PPOs and other MA	0.1%	0.2%	4.6%	4.9%	7.3%	7.0%
Other prepaid plans	1.5%	1.6%	1.1%	0.9%	1.2%	0.9%
TOTAL	5.0%	13.5%	15.1%	25.1%	15.7%	25.4%

Source: RUPRI Center for RURAL Health Policy Analysis, based on Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) data as of September 2011

Note: Excludes enrollment in any county and plan if the plan enrolls 10 or fewer enrollees in that county (due to restrictions on data release by CMS) and excludes enrollees in US territories (due to data incompatibilities with geographic files).

Other prepaid plans include cost plans and demonstration plans. HMO = health maintenance organization; MA = Medicare Advantage; PFFS = private fee-for-service; POS = point of service; PPO = preferred provider organization