

Table 1. Enrollment in Medicare Advantage and Other Prepaid Plans, by Location of Residence and by Type of Plan, 2005-2009

Type of Plan	December 2005		June 2007		September 2009	
	Rural	Total	Rural	Total	Rural	Total
Medicare Advantage	241,706	5,139,794	780,646	8,057,629	1,310,113	10,712,386
HMOs/POS	174,789	4,854,212	222,770	5,681,736	339,953	6,911,603
PFFS	63,393	200,614	476,016	1,550,592	734,636	2,388,530
PPOs and other MA	3,524	84,968	81,860	825,301	235,524	1,412,253
Other prepaid plans	105,197	688,231	83,472	388,522	79,434	363,388
TOTAL	346,903	5,933,222	864,118	8,446,151	1,389,547	11,075,774
	Percent of Medicare Population		Percent of Medicare Population		Percent of Medicare Population	
Medicare Advantage	3.5%	11.7%	8.4%	18.5%	13.7%	23.8%
HMOs/POS	2.5%	11.0%	2.4%	13.1%	3.5%	15.4%
PFFS	0.9%	0.5%	5.1%	3.6%	7.7%	5.3%
PPOs and other MA	0.1%	0.2%	0.9%	1.9%	2.5%	3.1%
Other prepaid plans	1.5%	1.6%	0.9%	0.9%	0.8%	0.8%
TOTAL	5.0%	13.5%	9.3%	19.4%	14.5%	24.6%

Source: RUPRI Center for RURAL Health Policy Analysis, based on Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) data as of September 2009

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