



**Highway to Health
Mesa County**



2015
COLORADO
HEALTH ACCESS
SURVEY

Health Insurance
Reaches
Record High

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 Inform policy

 Contribute to effective policy implementation

 Support state efforts to improve health





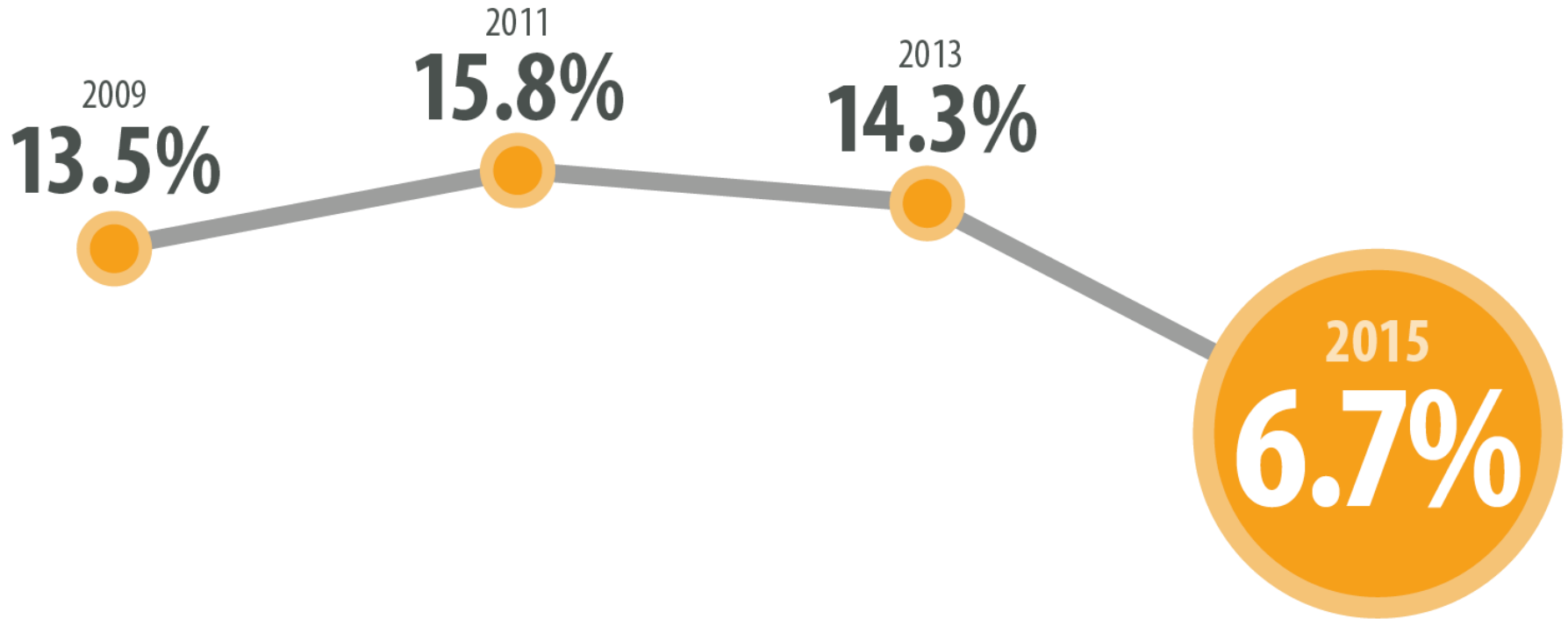
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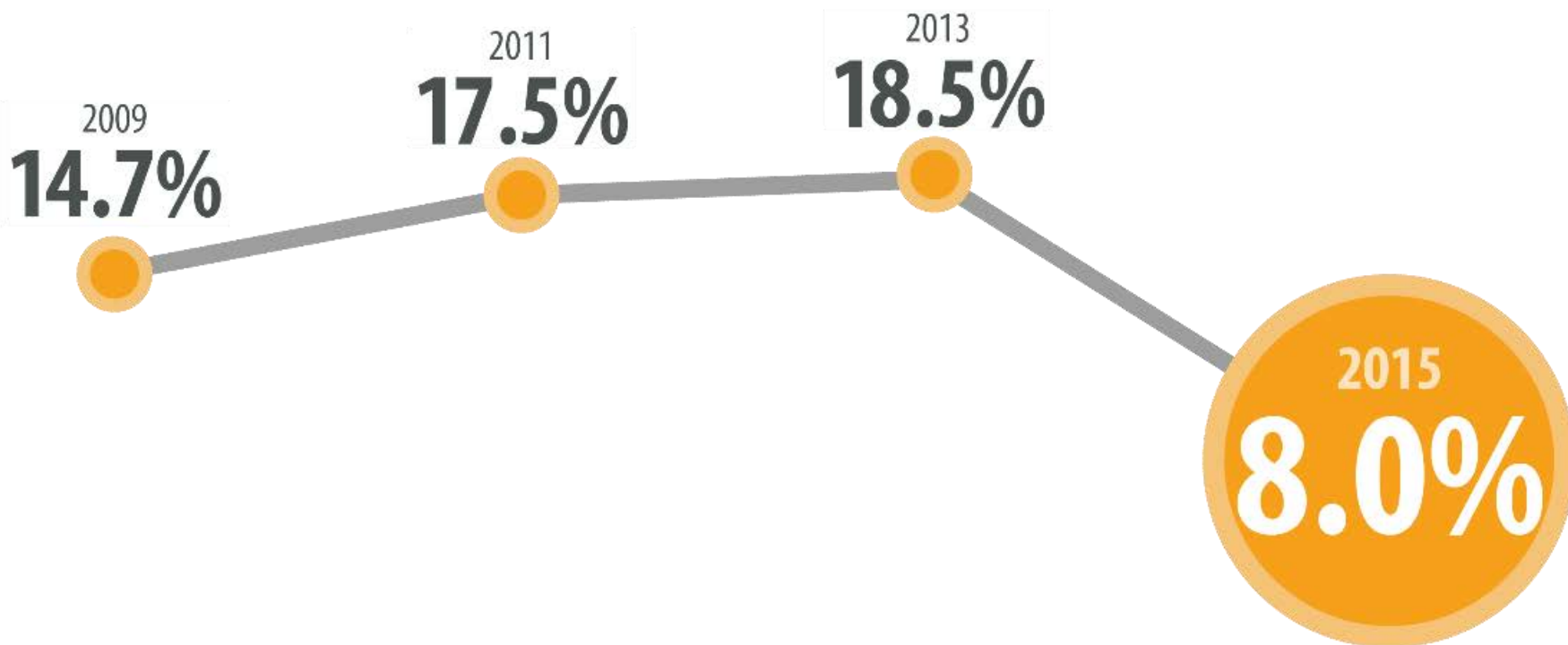
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Colorado – and Mesa County – Accomplished Their Coverage Goals

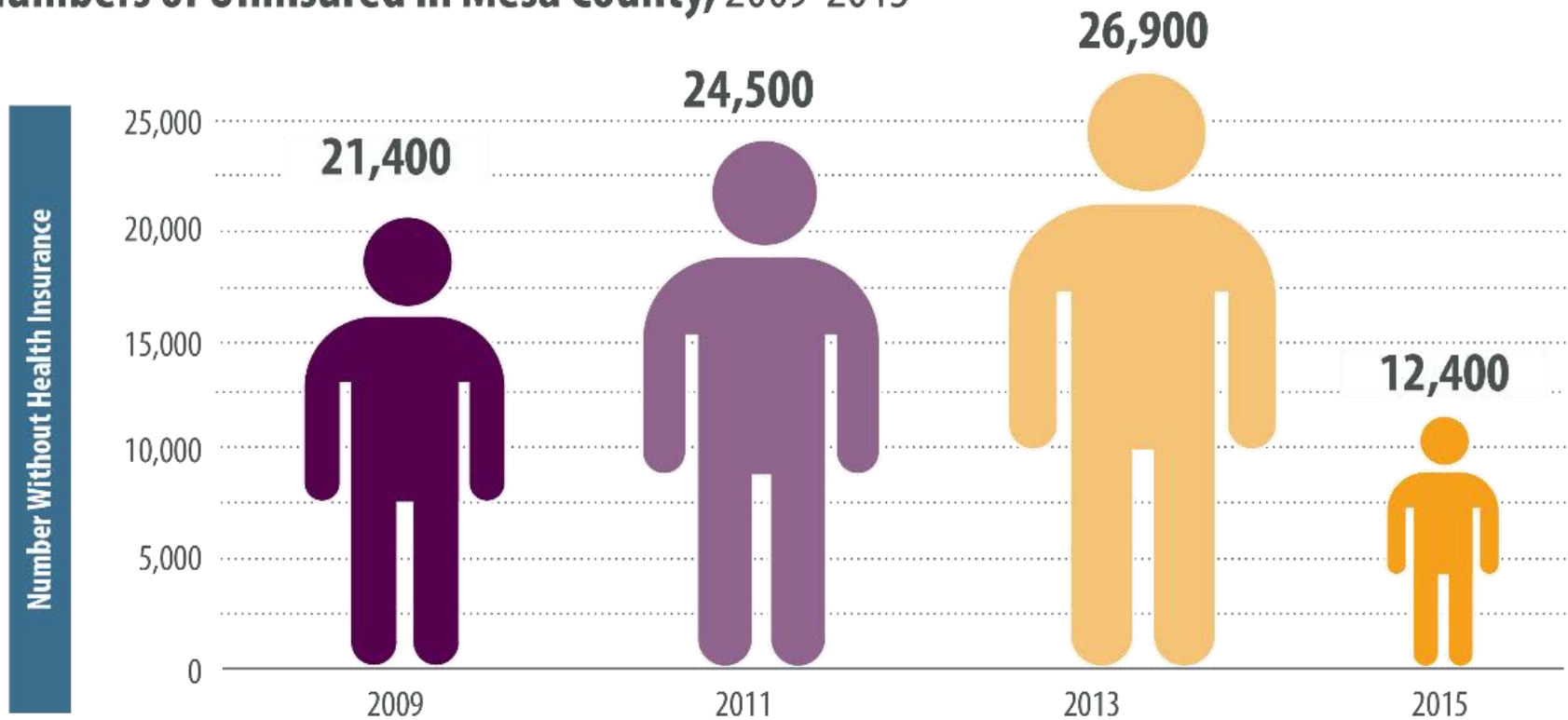
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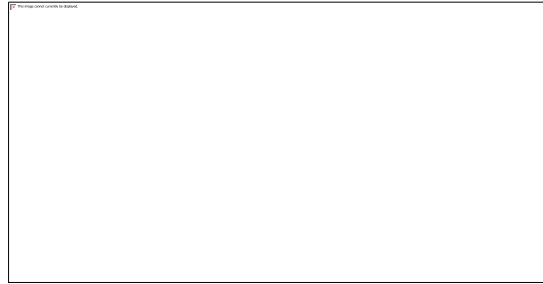


Mesa County's Uninsured Rate: A New Low



Numbers of Uninsured in Mesa County, 2009-2015

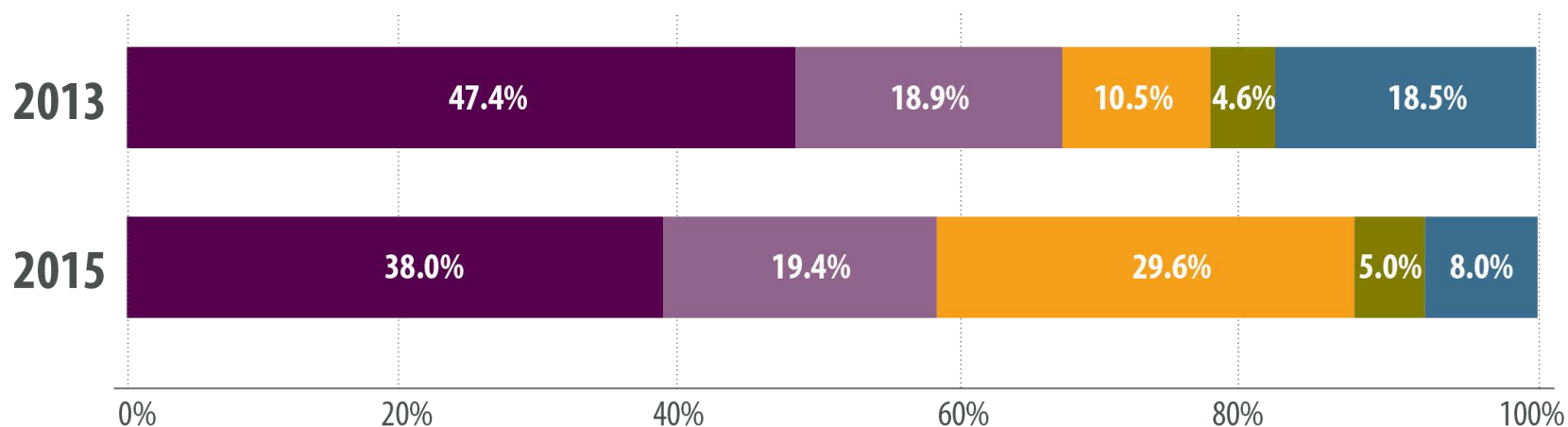




The Drop in Uninsured is a Story of Medicaid Expansion

Private Coverage Falls, Medicaid Surges

Changes in Health Insurance Coverage, All Ages, Mesa County, 2013-2015



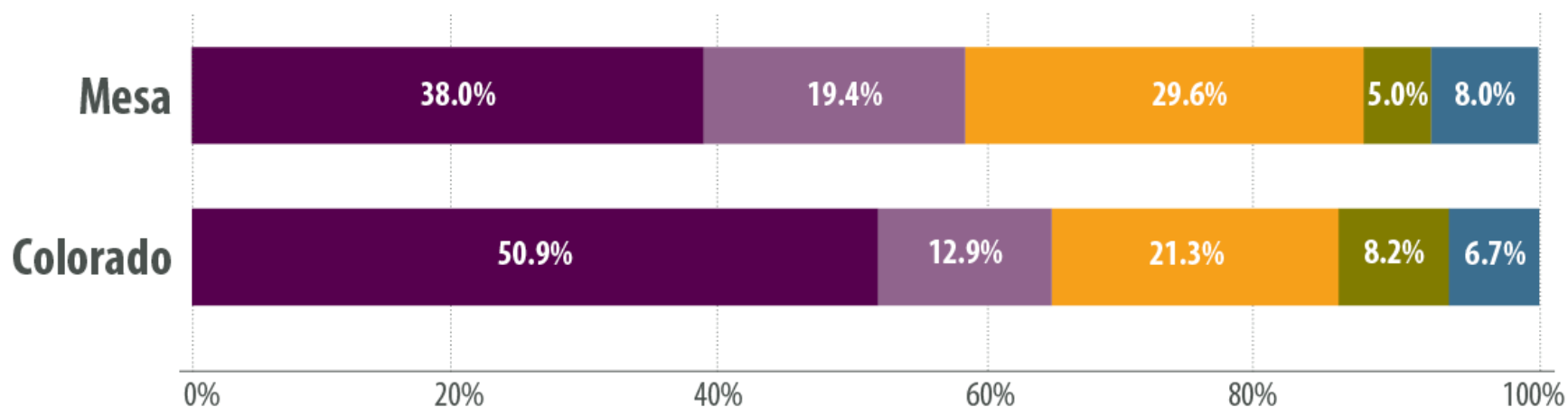
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 Medicaid/Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+)
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 Uninsured

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Private Market Takes a Back Seat in Mesa County

Public Coverage Prominent in Mesa

Difference in Insurance Coverage Between Mesa County and Colorado, 2015



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 ■ Medicare
 ■ Medicaid/Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+)
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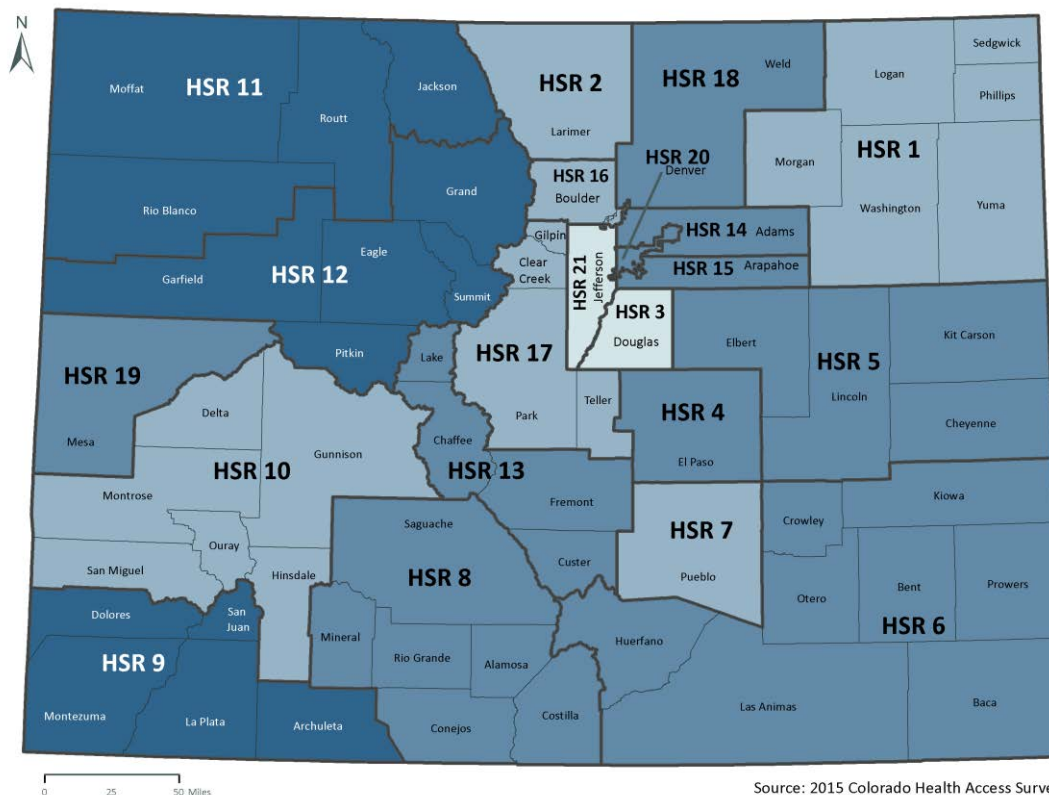
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Coverage Shifts Mirror Existing Disparities

Regional Disparities in Uninsurance

Uninsured Rate by Health Statistics Region, 2015



Percentage Who Are Uninsured

At or Below Average:

2.4% - 3.0% 3.1% - 6.7%

Colorado Average:
6.7%

Above Average:

6.8% - 9.5% 9.6% - 13.0%

got insurance?



Rob, Zach, & Sam
Bros for Life

Brosurance

Keg stands are crazy.
Not having health insurance is crazier.
Don't tap into your beer money
to cover those medical bills.
We got it covered.

Now you can too.

thanks
obamacare!



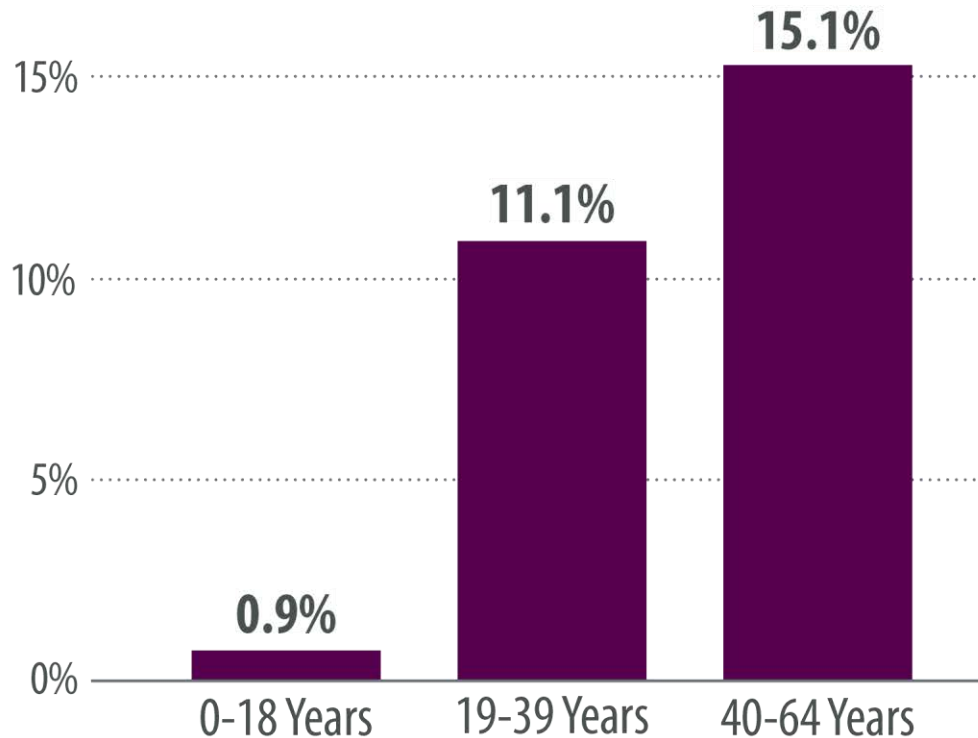
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Kids are a Bright Spot

The Kids Are All Right

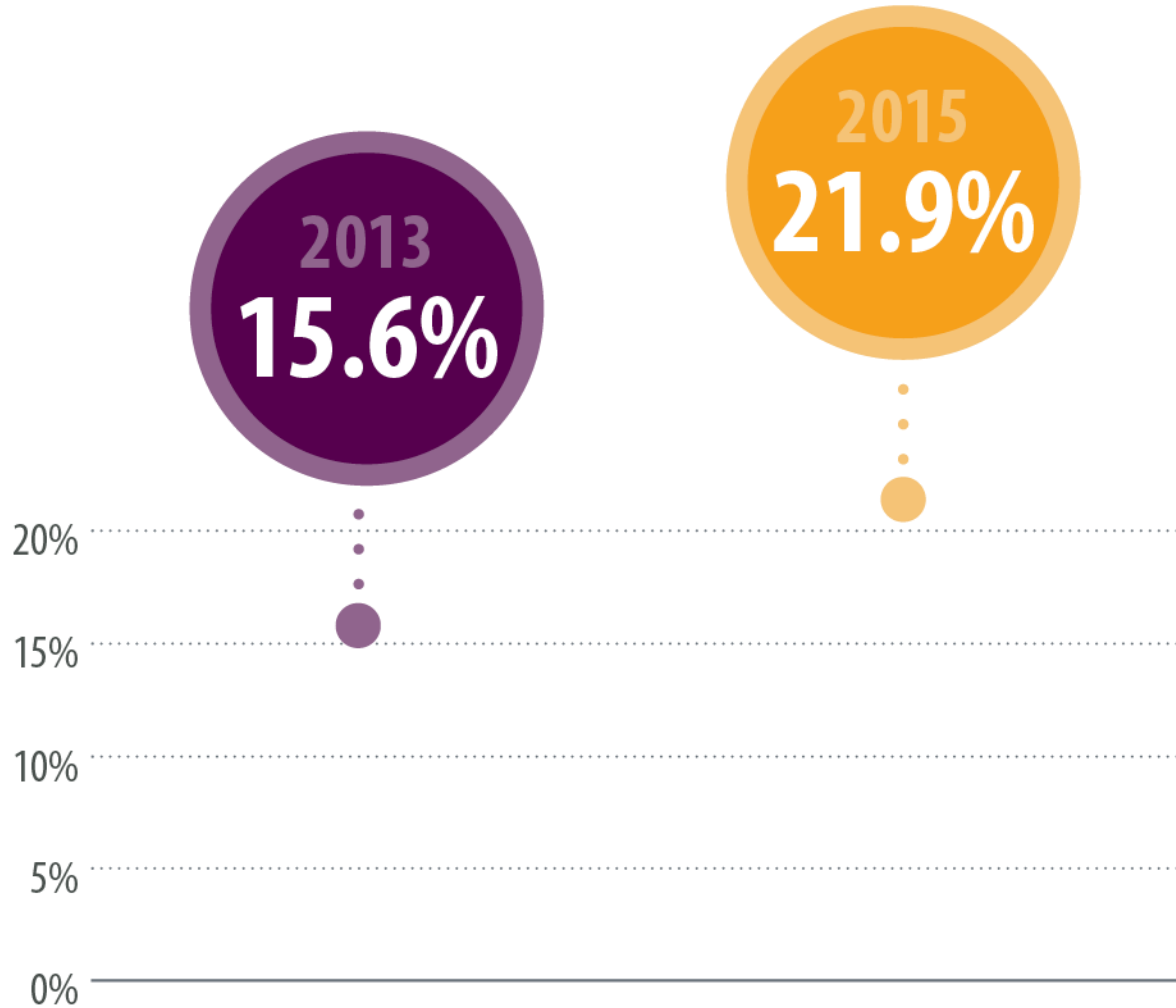
Uninsured Rates by Age, Mesa County, 2015





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Uninsurance is Down But Underinsurance is Up



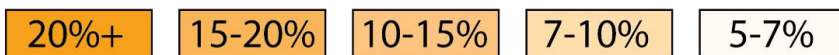
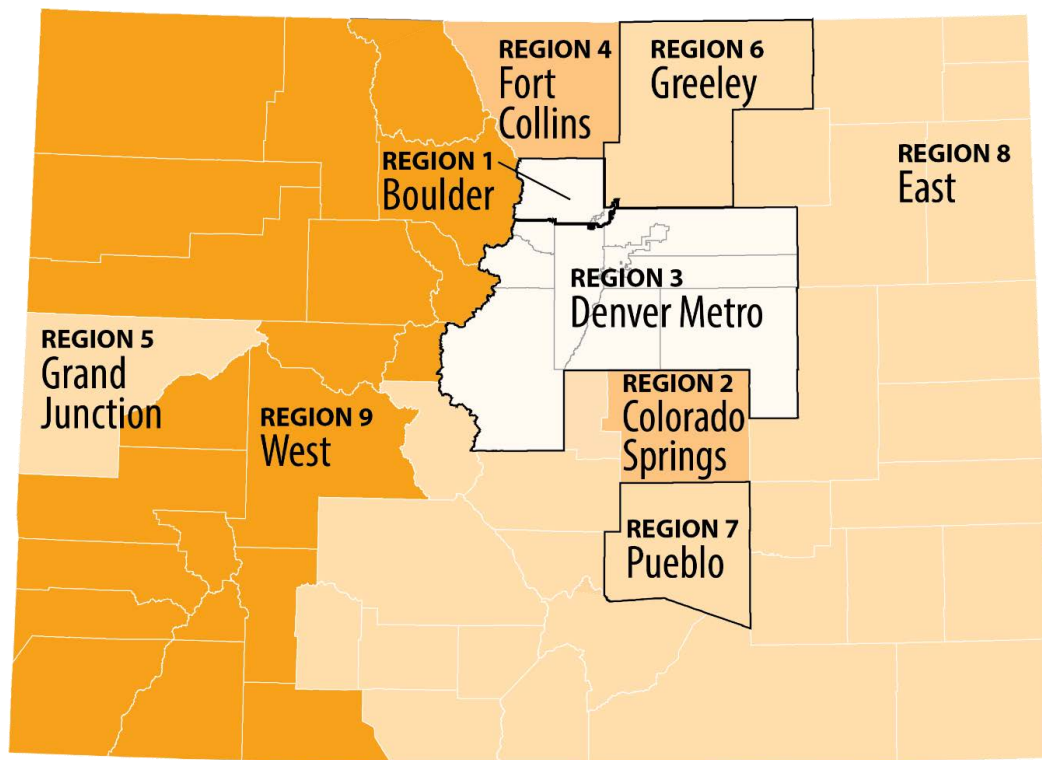
Underinsurance in Mesa County, 2013-2015

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Cost: Still the Number One Reason for Lack of Insurance

Uneven Price Increases Across Colorado



Region	Individual
Statewide	9.8%
Boulder	5.8%
Colorado Springs	10.0%
Denver	6.2%
Fort Collins	10.0%
Grand Junction	9.4%
Greeley	9.1%
Pueblo	6.2%
Eastern Plains	9.0%
Western Slope	25.8%

Source: Colorado Division of Insurance

Why Mesa's Uninsured Lack Coverage, 2015

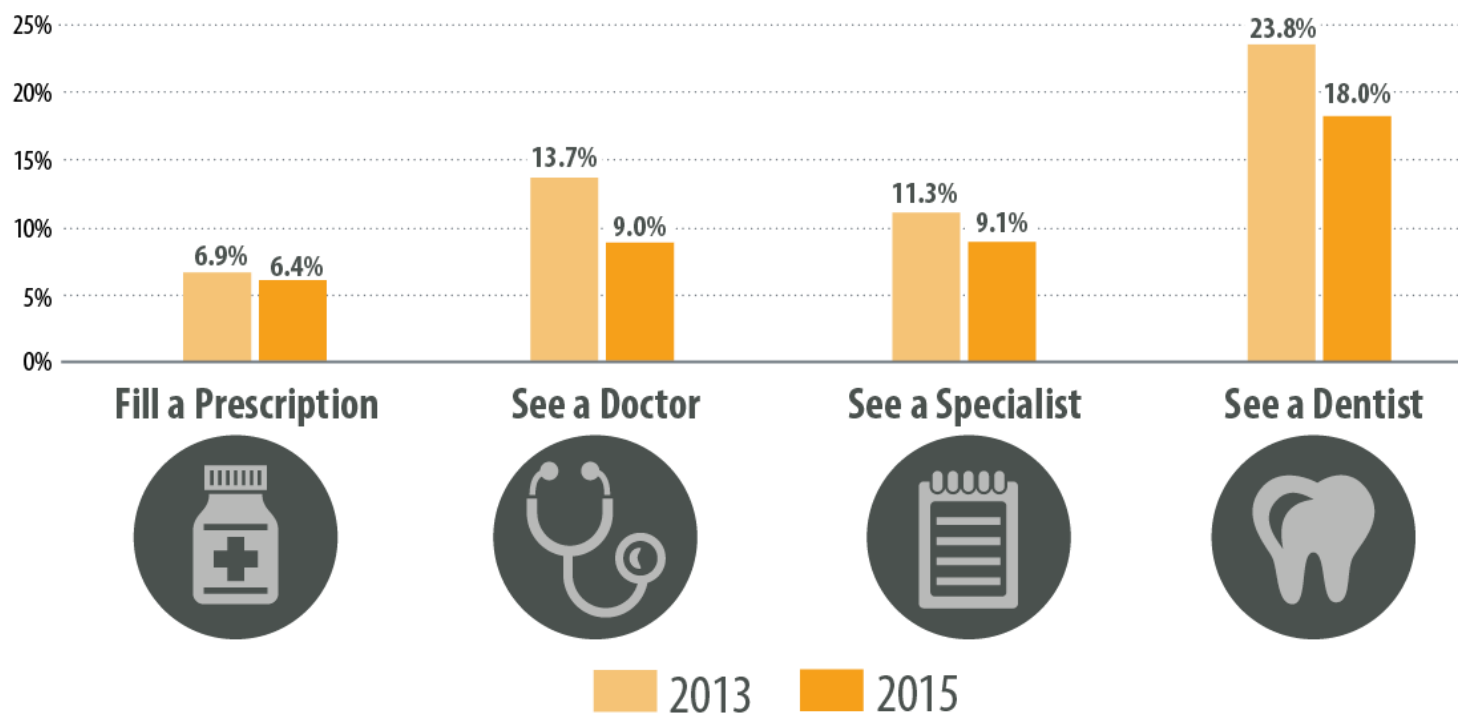
	Percentage
Insured family member lost job or changed employers	25.5%
Working family member is not offered or not eligible for insurance	23.4%
Cost is too high	78.4%
Do not need health insurance	12.2%
Do not know how to get health insurance	5.3%

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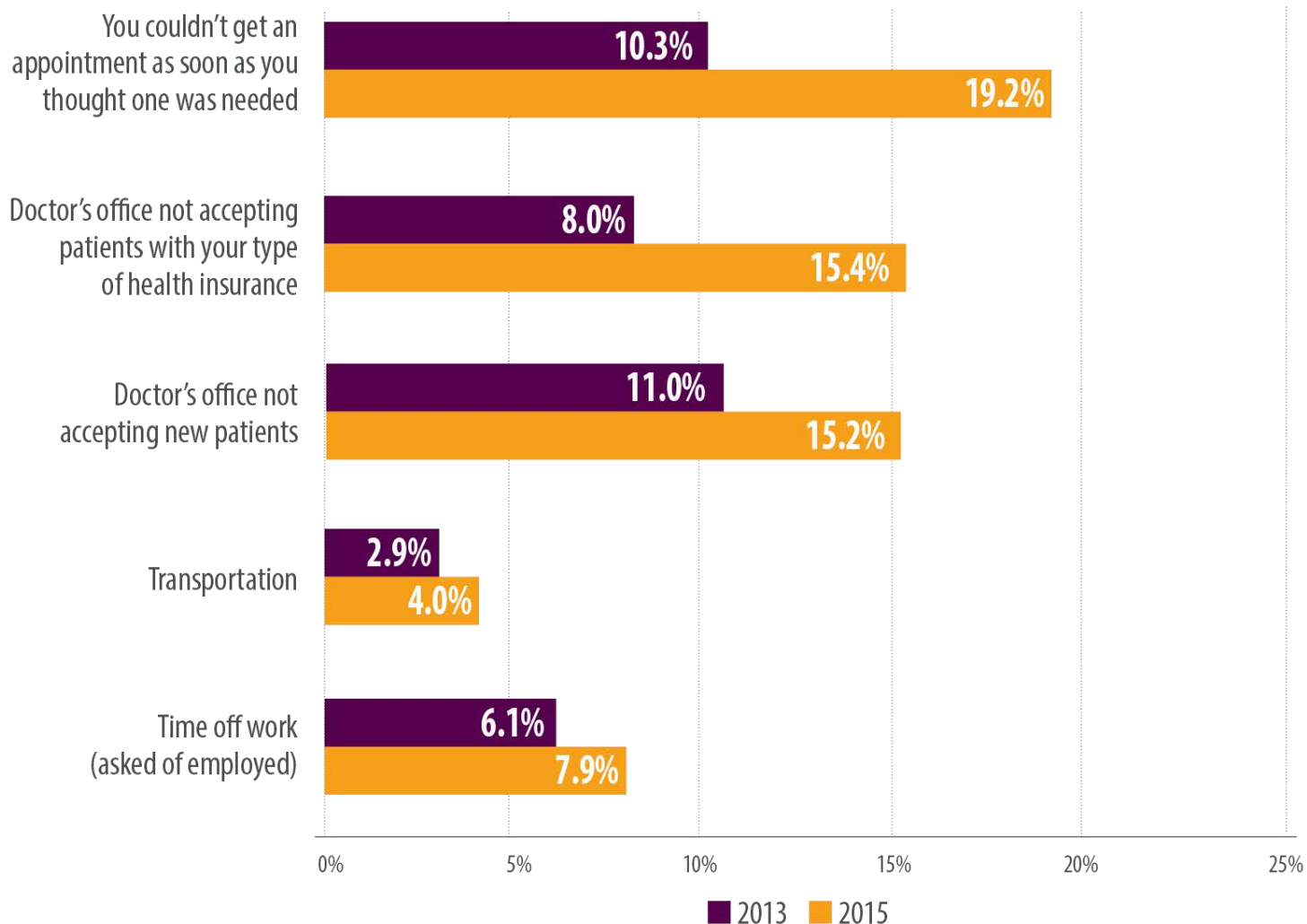
Gains in Coverage Have Not Resulted in Better Access to Care

Skipping Care Because of Cost, 2013-2015

Percentage of Mesa County Residents in the Past Year Who Did Not ...



Increasing Barriers for Mesa Residents, 2013-2015



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Consumer Engagement is a Mixed Bag.

Health Coverage Literacy

- *Adults who feel confident in understanding each insurance term*

88.1% Premium

- **89.2% Deductible**

89.6% Copayment

- **70.2% Co-insurance**

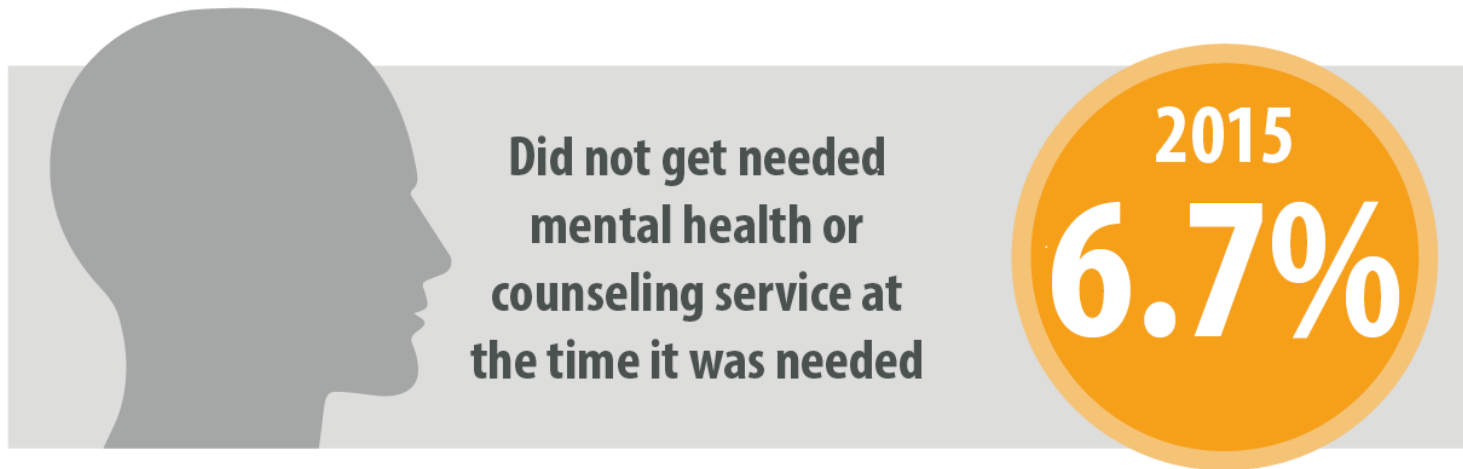


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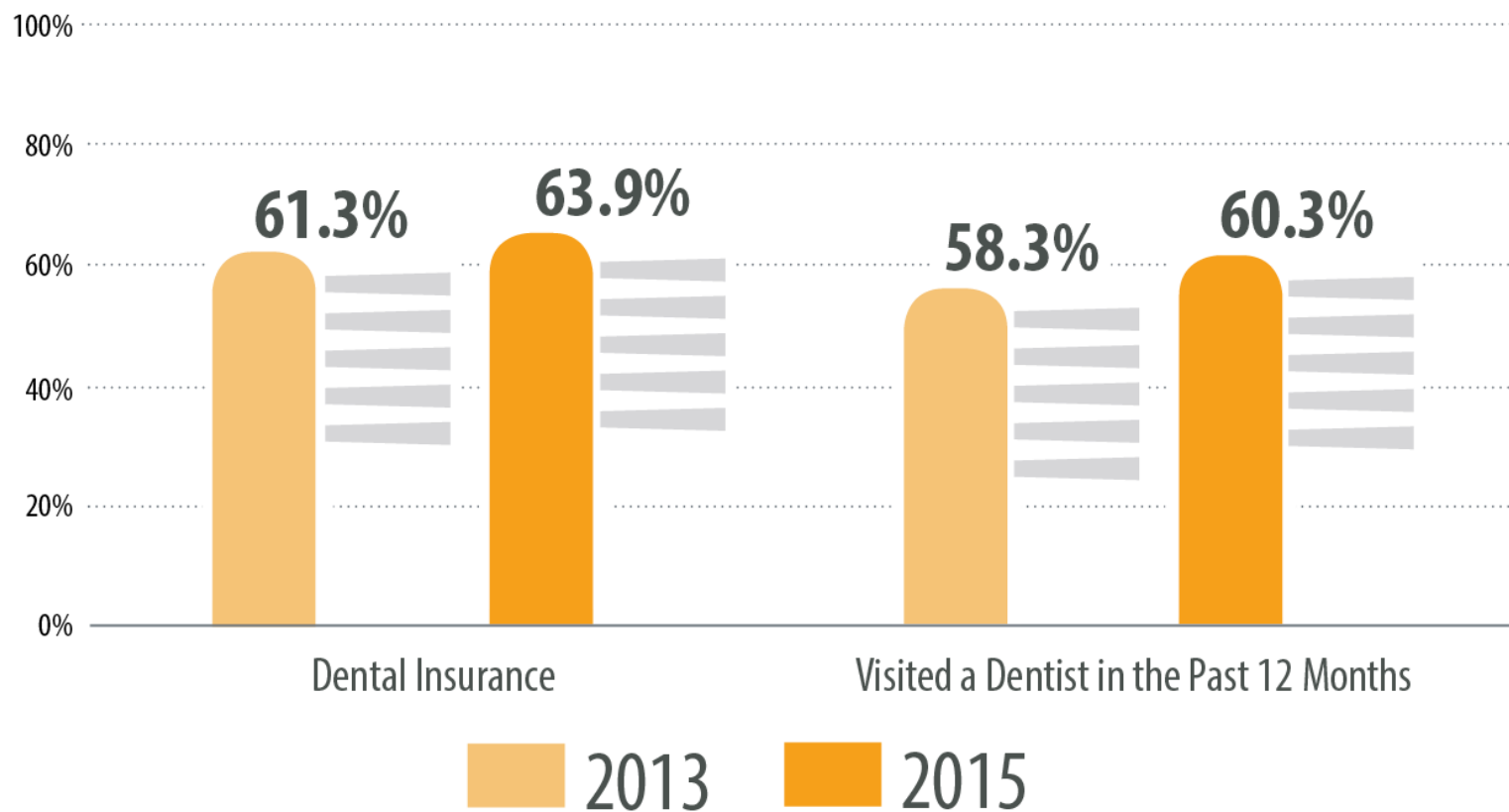
Mental and Dental are the Next Frontiers.

Mental Health in Mesa County



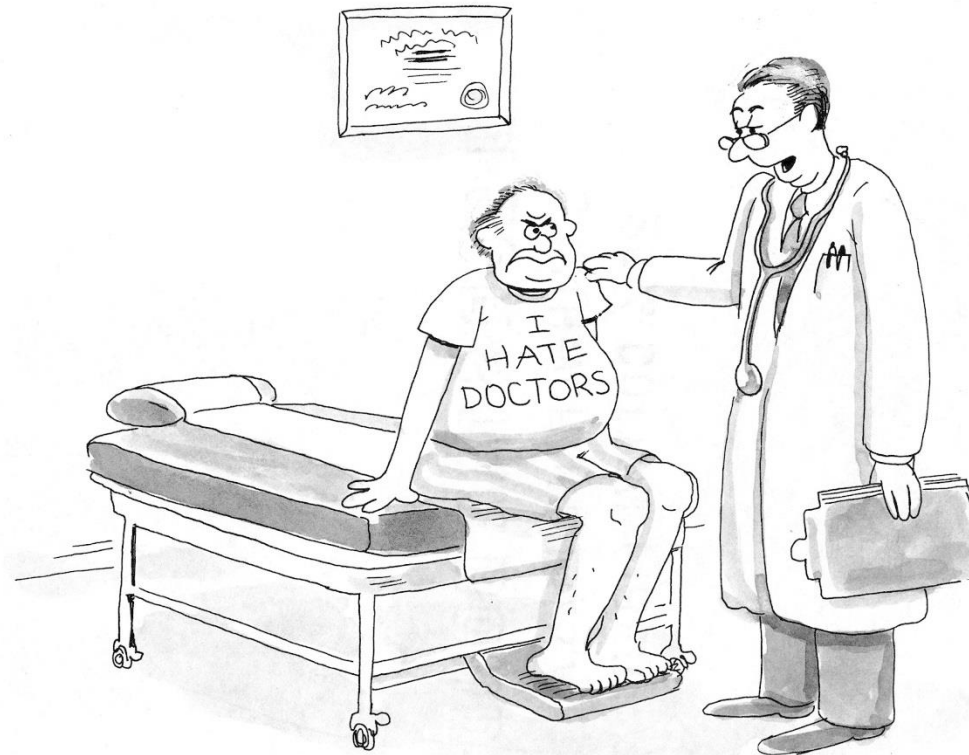
Slight Improvements in Coverage and Use

Dental Insurance and Dental Utilization in Mesa County, 2013-2015





BONUS ROUND:
Coloradans are
Happier About the
Health Care System.



"I'm happy to see you, too."

CHAS Data Can Help You ...

- Adapt to the changing health care landscape
- Identify opportunities for improving health
- Measure effectiveness of reform in your community



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COLORADO HEALTH ACCESS SURVEY



Need more information?

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CHAS: How It Was Fielded



Who: 10,136 randomly selected households



What: Twenty-minute telephone survey



When: Between March 2 and June 26, 2015



Where: Statewide, divided among 21 Health Statistics Regions



Why: To gather information that can inform policy-making and help measure health reform efforts