

# Map of Washington's Accountable Communities of Health and Counties



### Region

■ Better Health Together

CHOICE

■ Elevate Health

☐ Greater Health Now

■ HealthierHere

■ North Sound ACH

■ Olympic Community of Health

■ SWACH

■ Thriving Together NCW

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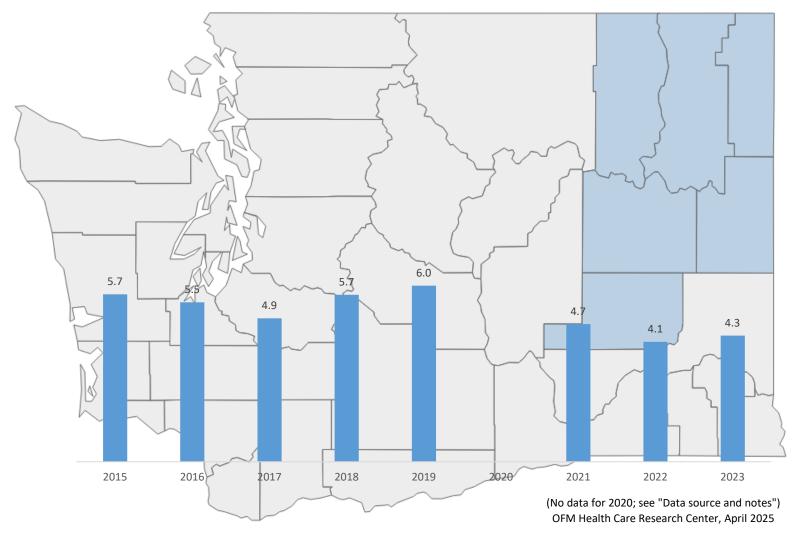


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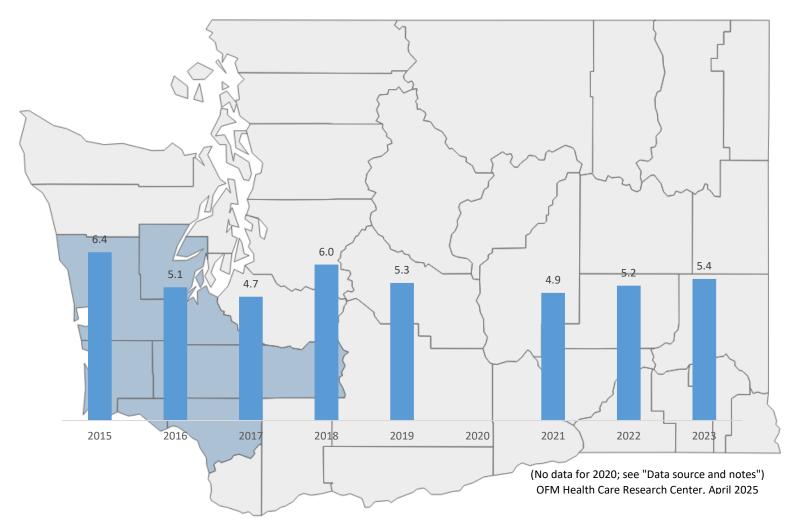


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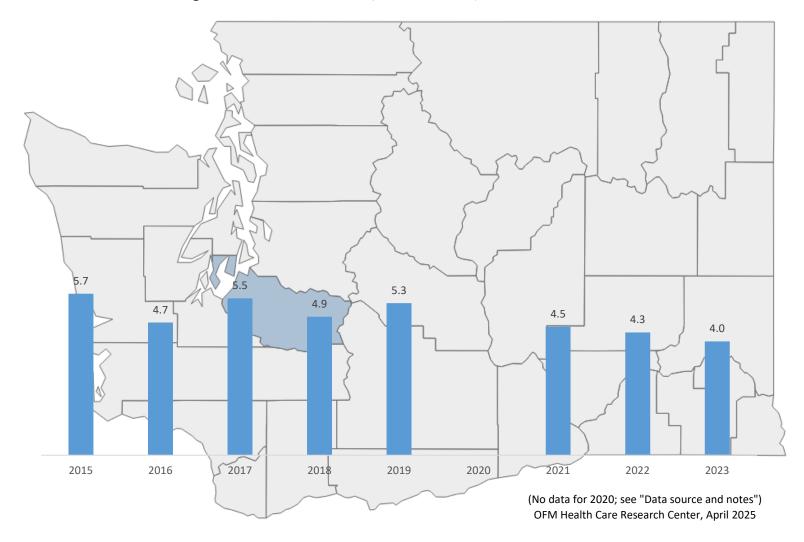
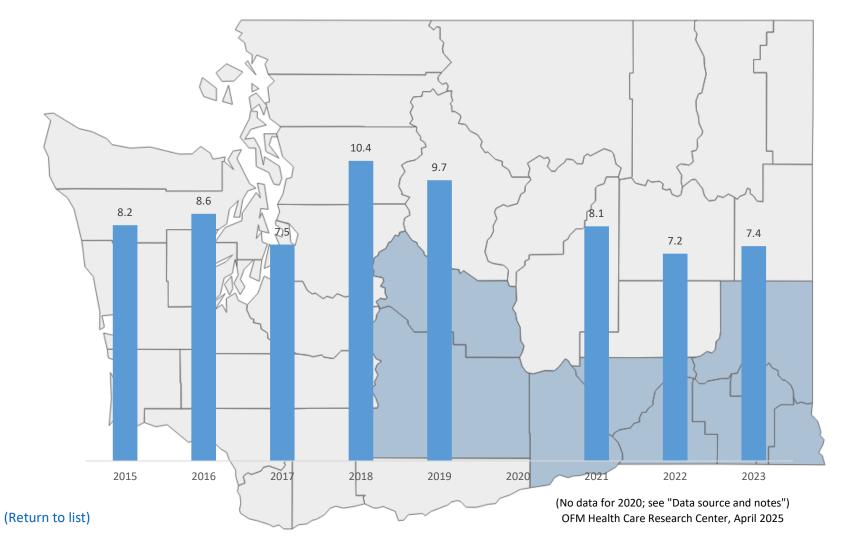


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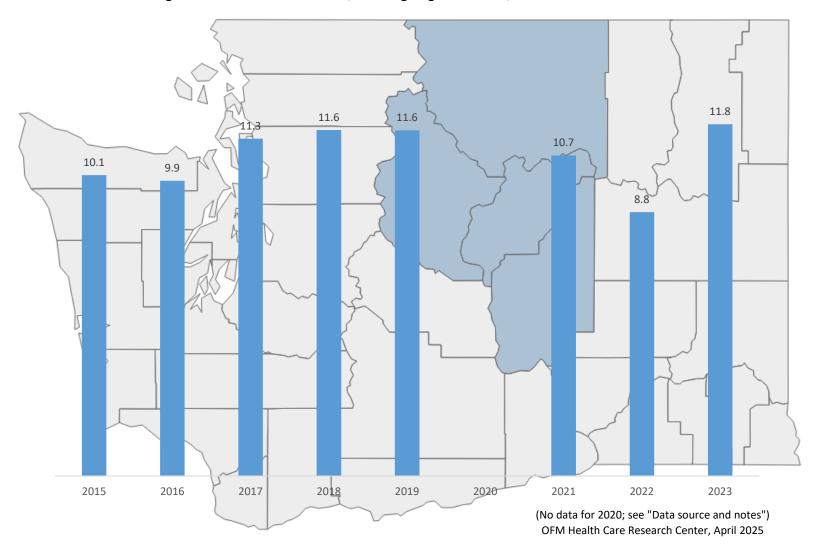


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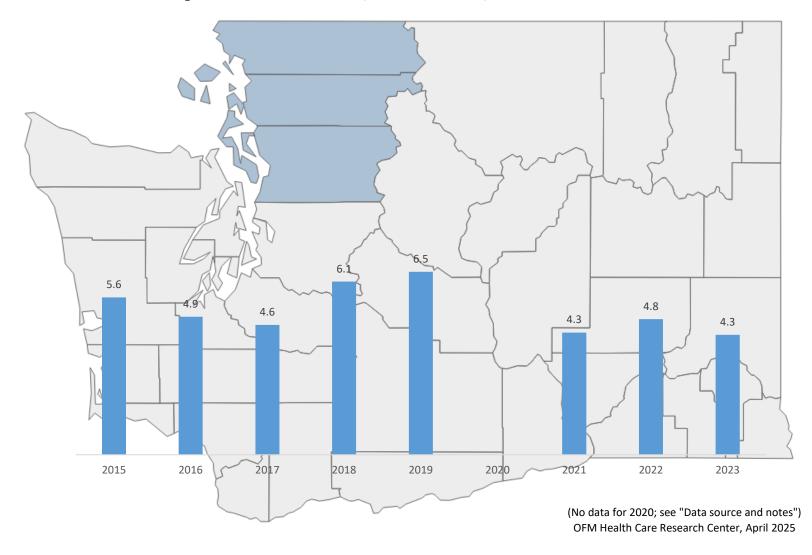


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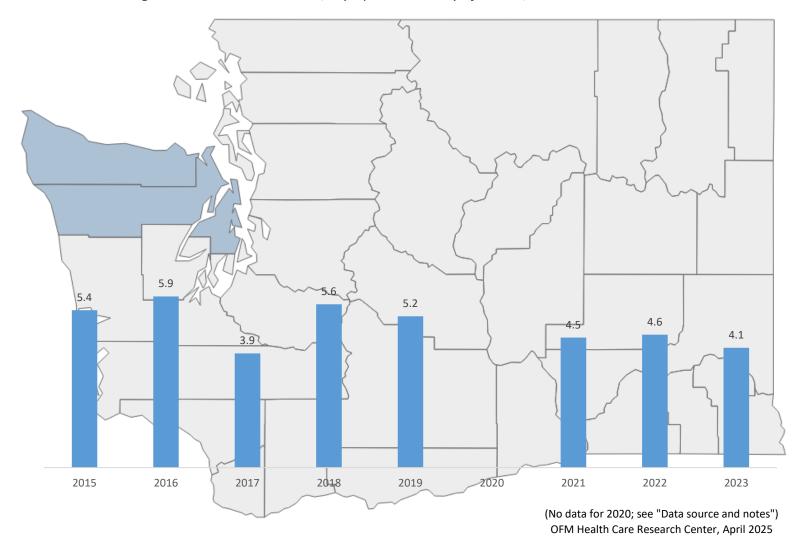


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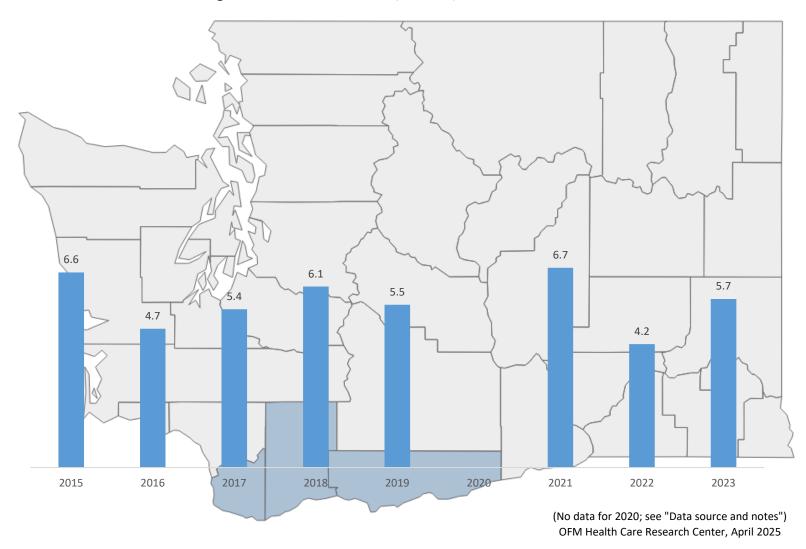


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#### Data source and notes

The data source we used for this report is the American Community Survey (ACS) 1-year Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) file for 2015 to 2019 and 2021–23. Data for 2020 are not reported because of the 2020 ACS data quality issues. While working with ACS data, OFM analysts uncovered a significant undercount of Medicaid enrollment in Washington starting in 2014, the year the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) first rolled out the Medicaid expansion program. We decided to adjust for the Medicaid undercount using administrative data from the Medicaid program. We calculated estimates in this document using the adjusted ACS for 2015 to 2019 and 2021 to 2023.

This report also used the new methodology first applied in 2020 (for the report on county uninsured estimates in 2012 to 2018). Before the 2020 report, we generated estimates for uninsured at the county level using the OFM County Population Estimate Model (CPEM). The CPEM is a synthesized data system that contains population counts of select population categories at the county level. The CPEM is constructed using the ACS 1-year PUMS and various OFM population projections.

We used the geography data field of Public Use Microdata Area (PUMA) in the ACS to allocate ACS distributions of health coverage and a few other population categories into counties in the CPEM system. Most of the PUMAs in the ACS correspond to a single county. For PUMAs that include more than one county, we performed the split of the PUMA estimates into the related counties using OFM population share estimates for the related counties.

The current methodology uses the same PUMA-county crosswalk in assigning counties to micro-records in ACS files. For records with PUMAs that each involve more than one county, we used a proportionate random imputation in the county assignment. In this case, county proportions of a PUMA are determined by OFM estimates for county population of select population categories. The output of the current methodology consists of the original ACS with the adjustment for undercount of Medicaid enrollment and the addition of the data field for county (which is used to group counties into Accountable Communities of Health). We compiled all estimates for 2015 to 2019 and 2021 to 2023 in this report using the current methodology.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For more information on the 2020 data quality issues, see https://ofm.wa.gov/sites/default/files/public/dataresearch/researchbriefs/brief106.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For more information on the adjustment, see https://ofm.wa.gov/sites/default/files/public/legacy/healthcare/healthcoverage/pdf/undercount medicaid.pdf.

Appendix

ACH Uninsured Rates (%), Washington State, 2015–19 and 2021–23

ACH	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Better Health Together	5.7	5.5	4.9	5.7	6.0		4.7	4.1	4.3
CHOICE	6.4	5.1	4.7	6.0	5.3		4.9	5.2	5.4
Elevate Health	5.7	4.7	5.5	4.9	5.3		4.5	4.3	4.0
Greater Health Now	8.2	8.6	7.5	10.4	9.7		8.1	7.2	7.4
HealthierHere	4.5	4.5	5.3	5.1	5.0		4.7	3.8	3.5
North Sound ACH	5.6	4.9	4.6	6.1	6.5		4.3	4.8	4.3
Olympic Community of Health	5.4	5.9	3.9	5.6	5.2		4.5	4.6	4.1
SWACH	6.6	4.7	5.4	6.1	5.5		6.7	4.2	5.7
Thriving Together NCW	10.1	9.9	11.3	11.6	11.6		10.7	8.8	11.8
State	5.8	5.4	5.5	6.2	6.1		5.3	4.7	4.8

(OFM Health Care Research Center, April 2025)

### ACHs and Counties/Tribes

ACH	Counties/Tribes
Better Health Together	Adams, Ferry, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane and Stevens counties, and the Reservations of the Kalispel Tribe of Indians, Spokane Tribe of Indians and the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
Choice	Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Thurston and Wahkiakum counties, and the sovereign nations of Chehalis, Cowlitz, Nisqually, Quinault, Shoalwater Bay, Skokomish and Squaxin Island Tribes
Elevate Health	Pierce
	Asotin, Benton, Columbia, Garfield, Franklin, Kittitas, Walla Walla, Whitman, Yakima counties and the Yakama
Greater Health Now	Nation
HealthierHere	King
Thriving Together NCW	Chelan, Douglas, Grant and Okanogan counties and the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
North Sound ACH	Island, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish and Whatcom counties, and the Lummi Nation, Nooksack Tribe, Upper Skagit Tribe, Samish Indian Nation, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community, Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians, Tulalip Tribes and Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe
Olympic Community of	Clallam, Jefferson and Kitsap counties and the Sovereign Nations of Hoh, Jamestown S'Klallam, Lower Elwha
Health SWACH	Klallam, Makah, Port Gamble S'Klallam, Quileute and Suquamish  Clark, Klickitat and Skamania counties