

Children receiving Dental Care in the Last Year	
SHIP website description	This indicator reflects the percentage of children (aged 0-20 years) enrolled in Medicaid (320+ days) who received at least one dental visit during the past year. Poor oral health can lead to problems with nutrition, growth, school and workplace readiness, and speech. Adoption and use of recommended oral hygiene measures are critical to maintaining overall health.
Source	Maryland Medicaid Service Utilization
Numerator	Children aged 0 to 12 and 13 to 20 years in the fee-for-service (FFS) Medicaid or full Health Choice managed care organization (MCO) programs. Enrollees in the following coverage groups were excluded from the analysis: undocumented immigrants (X02), Breast and Cervical Screening Program (W01), and Family Planning Program (P10). Individuals enrolled in the Primary Adult Care (PAC) program (S09) were also excluded because dental services are not a required benefit for these enrollees.
Denominator	Children who had at least one dental visit during the measurement year. Dental visits were identified by FFS claims in the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS2). For these measures, a dental visit is defined as one unique
Threshold	7
Censorship (if below threshold)	Rate not reported. Counts not reported.
Calculation and metric	$(\text{Numerator}/\text{Denominator}) * 100 = \text{Single-Year Calculation}$
Race/ethnicity categories (on SHIP chart)	All races/ ethnicities (aggregated) African American Hispanic White Asian
Other	In 2016, data from 2012 to 2014 were re-run using an updated data set. Updated rates differ from past values posted on this website. Reporting on race became optional after 2013; individuals enrolling in the Medicaid program 2014 onward may not have reported race. For individuals who enrolled in the Medicaid program prior to 2014, their reported race in 2012 through 2014 was imputed to their files for 2014, 2015, and onward.