



# Steward Health Care System

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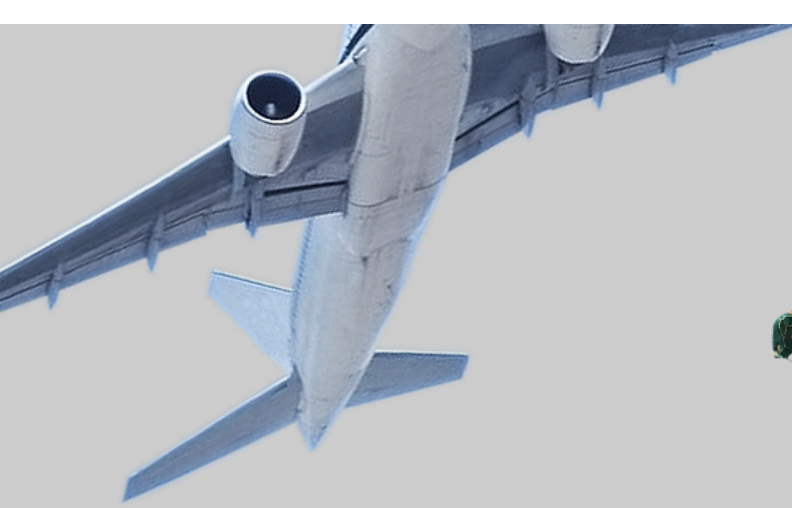


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## AGENDA

- Definition
- History of American 'health insurance'
- Current system MEDICARE and MEDICAID
- Obama's reform
- Pros & Cons: Reform
- International comparison
- Conclusion
- Discussion





## Definition Health Care

"The service that is responsible for looking after the health of all the people in a country or an area." (Longman dictionary)

"The organized provision of medical care to individuals or a community." (Oxford dictionary)

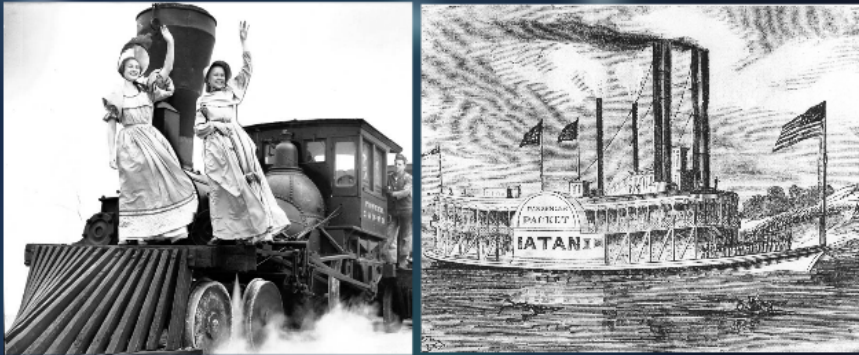
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# History

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first real plans around civil war (1861-1865)  
served as an 'accident' insurance in case of injuries  
during train or steamboat trip

development in technology and human skills until 1929  
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President Truman proposes national health care program but didn't pass congress

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1965:



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President Johnson proposed a  
health reform ....

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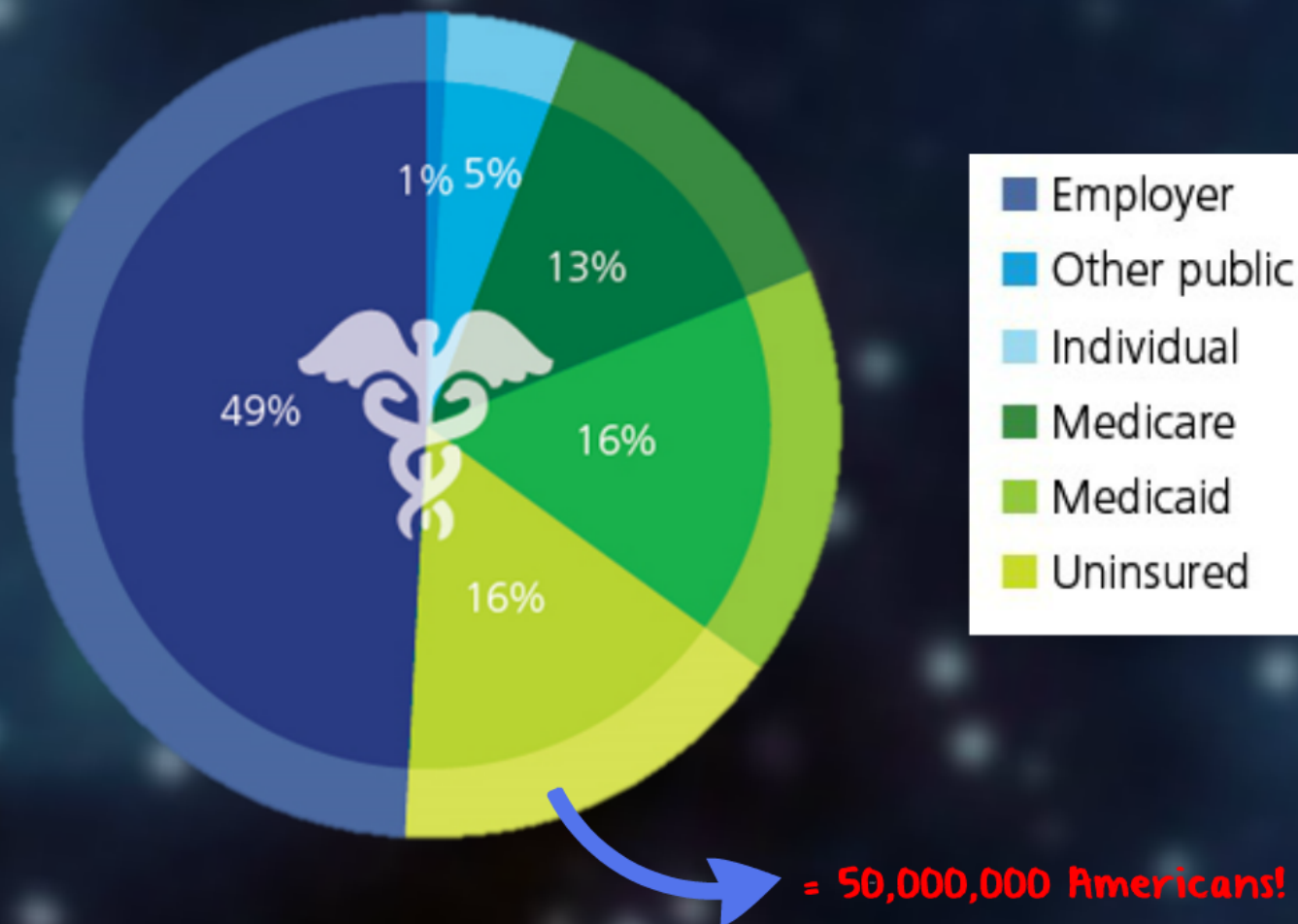
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# U.S. breakdown of health insurance coverage

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Kaiser Family Foundation, *Health insurance coverage of the total population, 2011*