



Dental Care In HUSKY A: 2004

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EPSDT Periodicity Schedule



- Preventive dental services every 6 months
- Initial dental exam at 2 years of age
- All necessary dental treatment

Few Children Under 3 Receive Any Dental Care

Year	Children under 3	Had any dental care	Had preventive dental care
2004	48,092	5.0%	2.9%
2003	47,477	4.5%	2.9%
2002	46,340	4.1%	2.6%
2001	44,580	3.3%	2.1%
2000	40,068	3.7%	2.4%

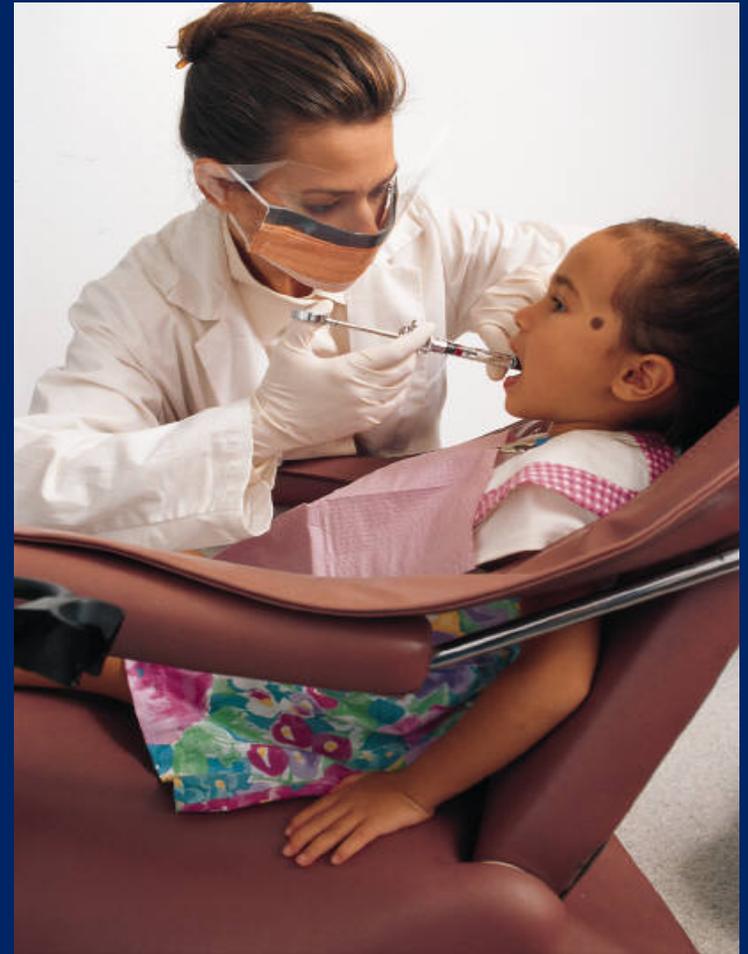
Source: CT Department of Social Services annual EPSDT reports to CMS

Methods

- Identified 146,598 children 3-19 continuously enrolled in CY 2004
- Searched HUSKY A encounter data for dental care (any dental services, preventive care, treatment)
- Calculated utilization rates
- Analyzed utilization trends (1997-2004)

Any Dental Care

- 47 % of children had any dental care
- Rate is unchanged from 2003, though still higher than rates for 2000-02



Preventive Care

- **40% had dental prophylaxis, fluoride treatment, sealants, and oral hygiene instruction or counseling**
- **Only 13% had 2 or more visits**
- **Preventive care rate unchanged from 2003**



Treatment

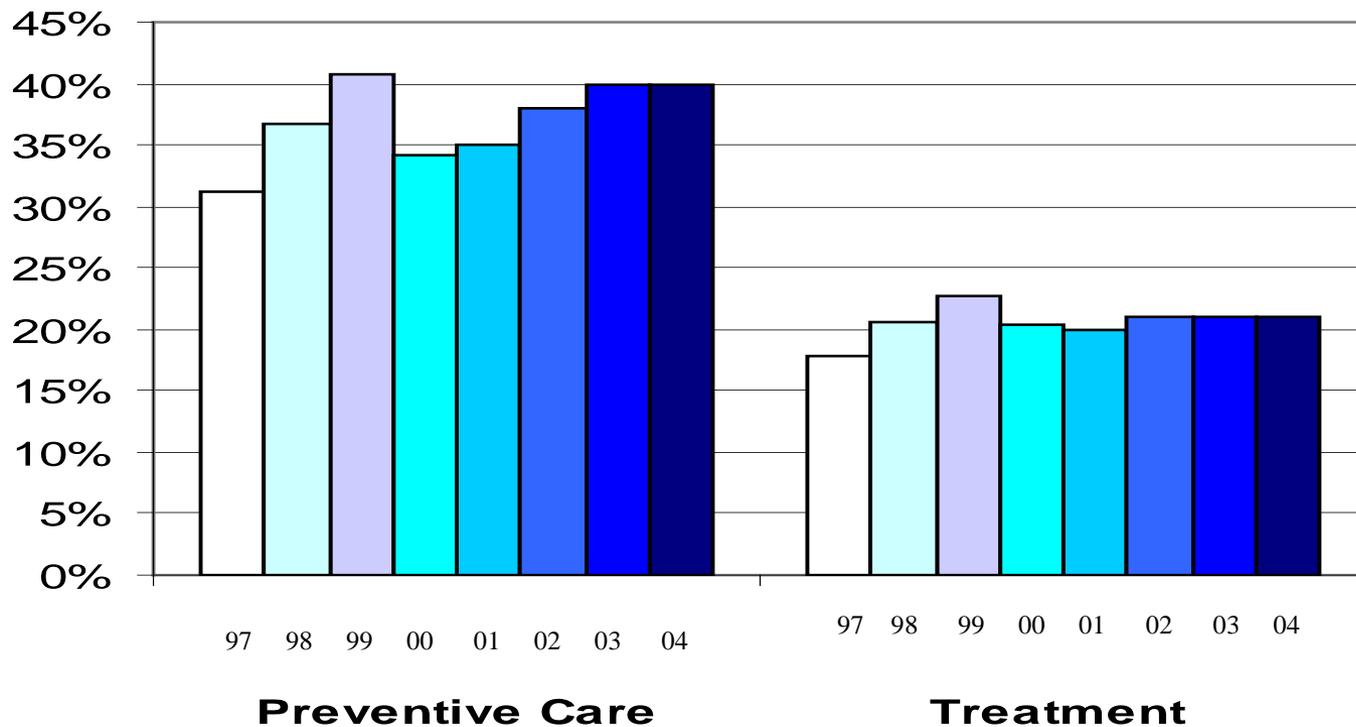
- **21% had fillings or other treatment**
- **9% had 2 or more visits for treatment**
- **Treatment rate was unchanged from 2003**

Most Likely to Have Preventive Care

- **Children 6 to 8 (49%)**
- **Hispanic children (43%)**
- **Children living in Hartford (47%)**
- **Children enrolled in CHNCT (42%)
and Health Net (41%)**

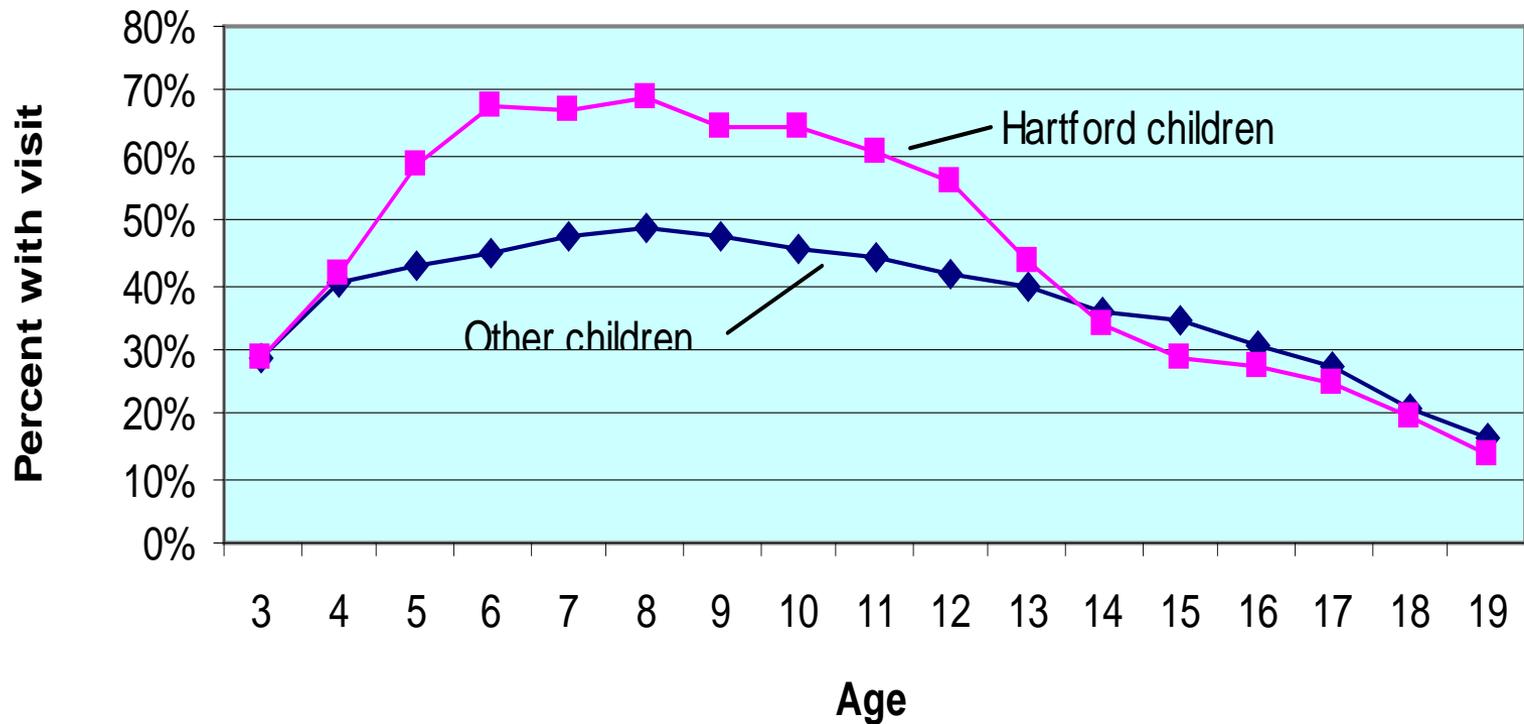
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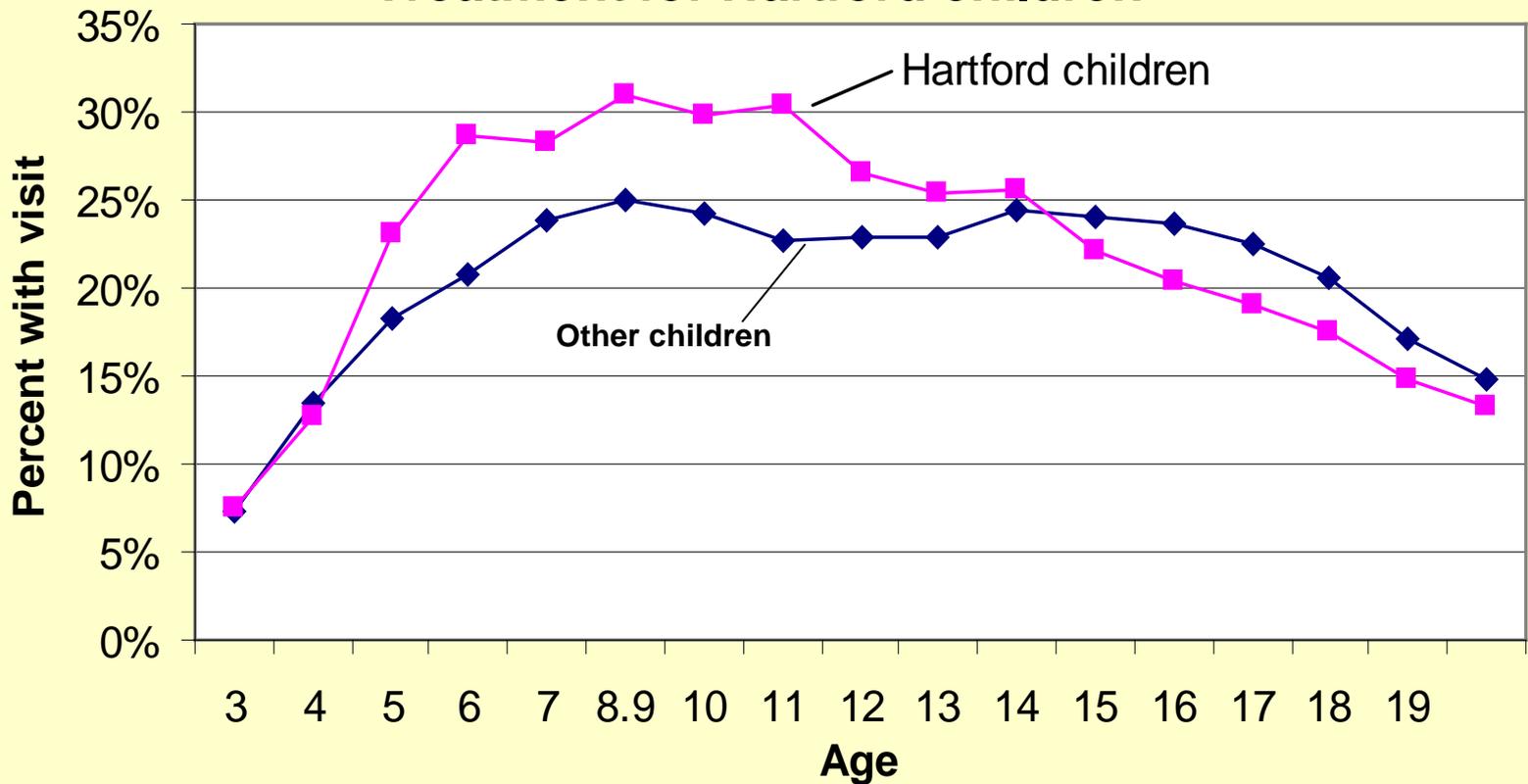
Preventive Care in Hartford

Dental Care in HUSKY A:
Preventive care for Hartford children



Dental Treatment

**Dental Care in HUSKY A:
Treatment for Hartford children**



Conclusions

- **Preventive dental care utilization remains below professional recommendations, EPSDT schedule and contract requirements**
- **Access to dental care for school-aged children in Hartford is better due to school-based dental clinics and other safety net providers**

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