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DHHS Medicaid Expansion and Unwinding Update Discussion

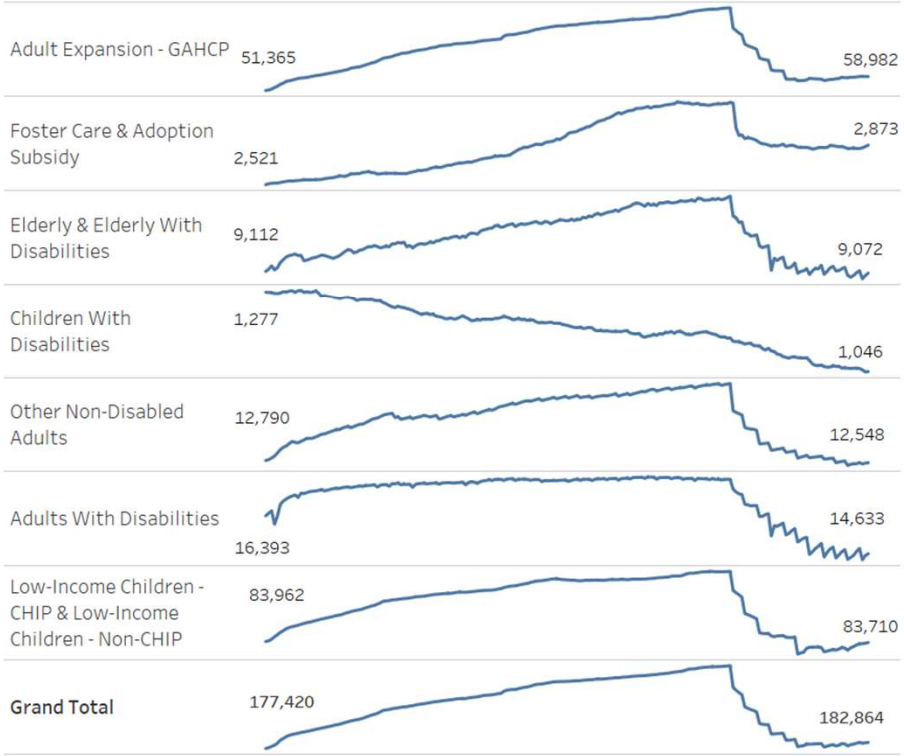
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Trend in NH Medicaid Enrollment by Since the Start of COVID-19 Pandemic

Period	Granite Advantage	Standard	Total
3/16/2020 to 3/27/2023	96,515 +87.9% 45,150	154,842 +22.8% 28,787	251,357 +41.7% 73,937
3/16/2020 to 2/19/2024	58,982 +14.8% 7,617	123,882 -1.7% -2,173	182,864 +3.1% 5,444

Point in Time Trend

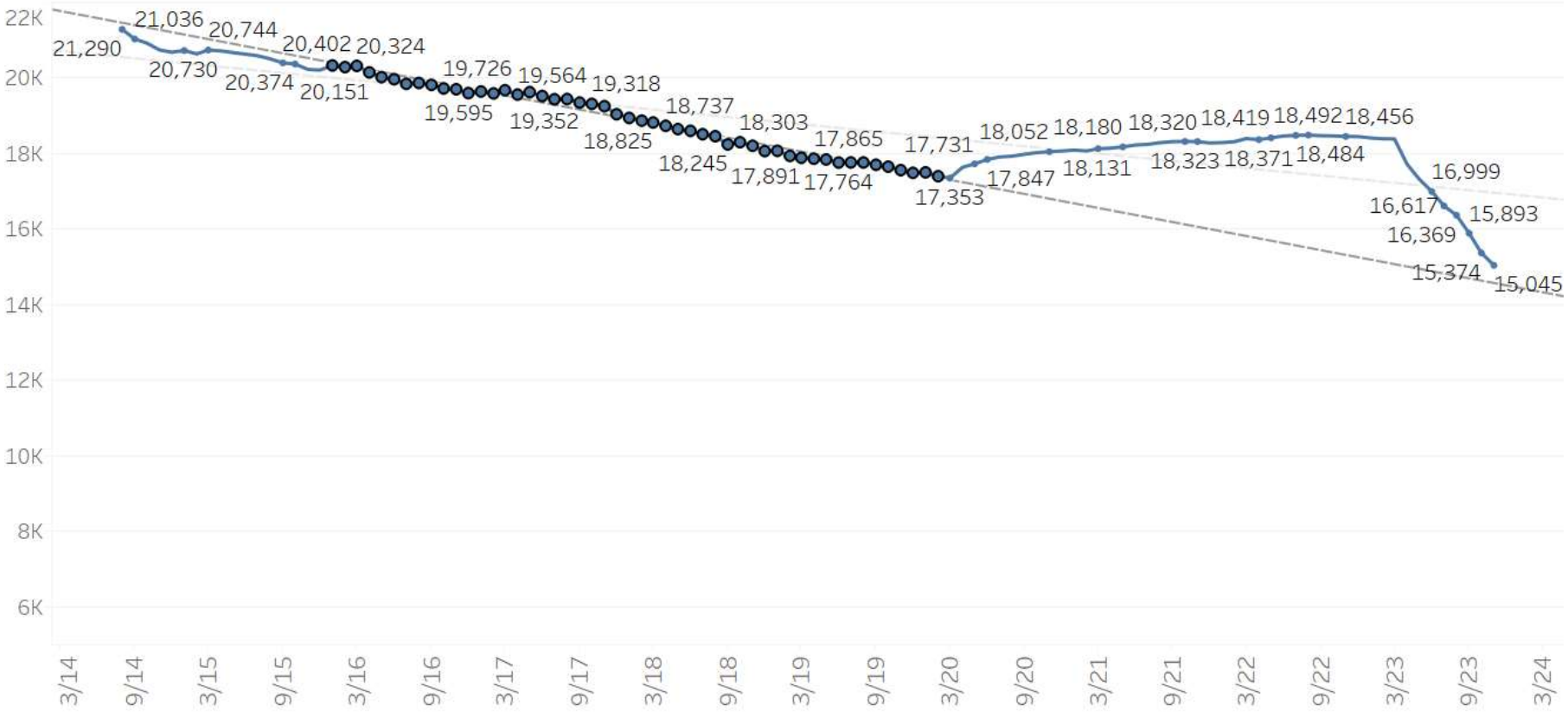


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Adult Expansion - GAHCP	14.8%	7,617	-37,533
Foster Care & Adoption Subsidy	14.0%	352	-381
Elderly & Elderly With Disabilities	-0.4%	-40	-1,829
Children With Disabilities	-18.1%	-231	-97
Other Non-Disabled Adults	-1.9%	-242	-8,751
Adults With Disabilities	-10.7%	-1,760	-3,467
Low-Income Children - CHIP & Low-Income Children - Non-CHIP	-0.3%	-252	-16,435
Grand Total	**3.1%**	**5,444**	**-68,493**

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Trend in NH Medicaid Adults (19-64) With Disabilities Eligibility Categories

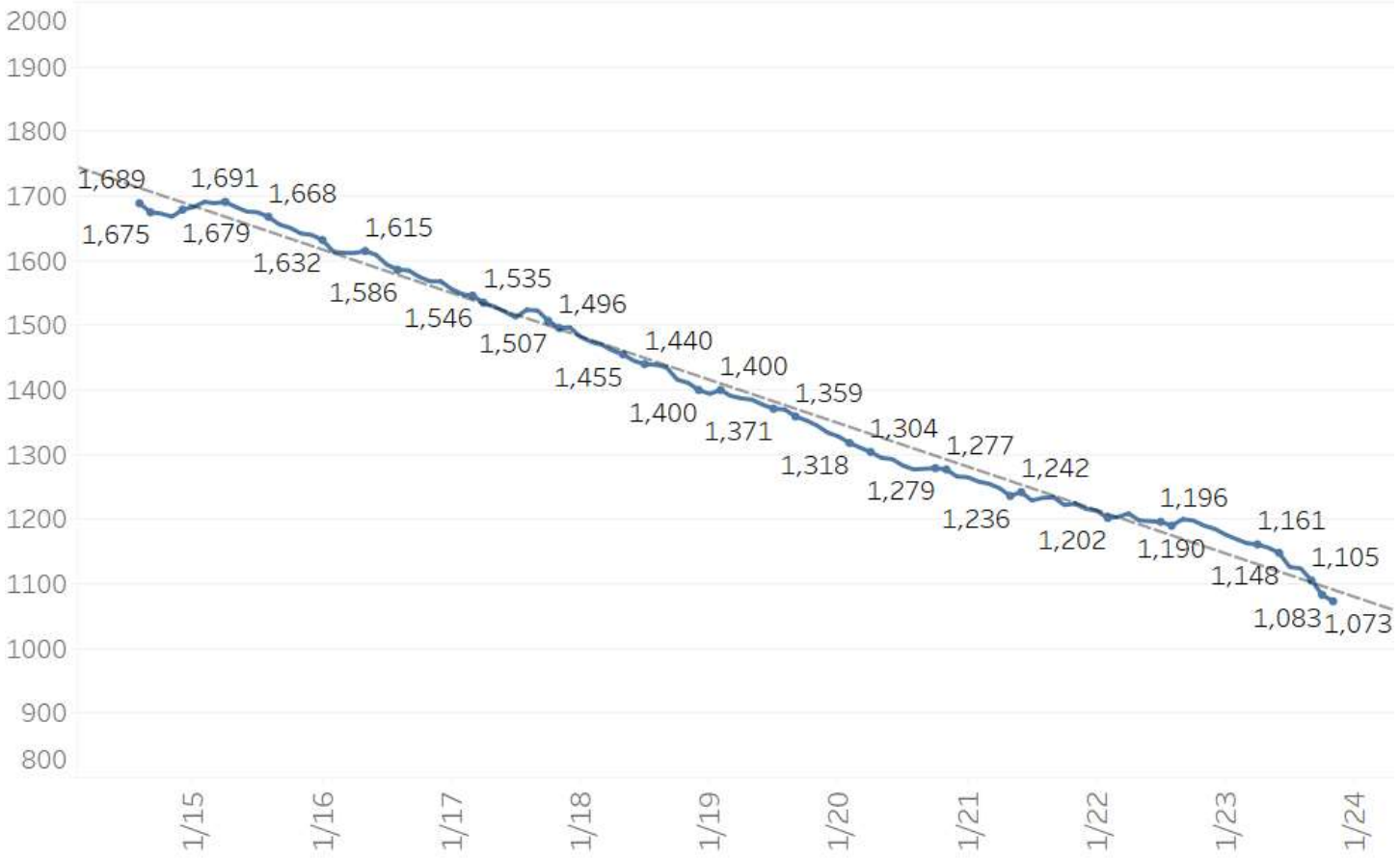
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Trend in Disabled Children in Home Care

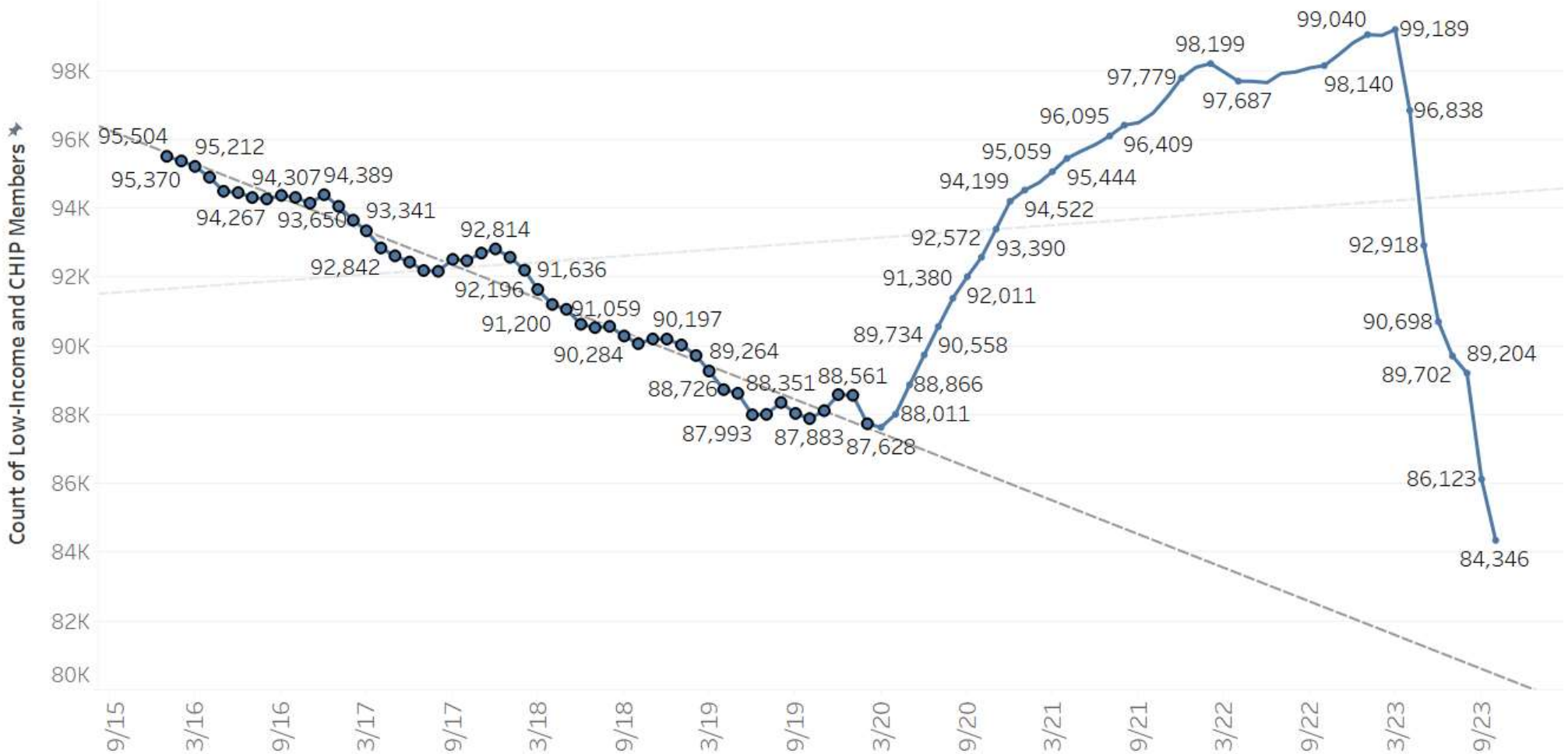
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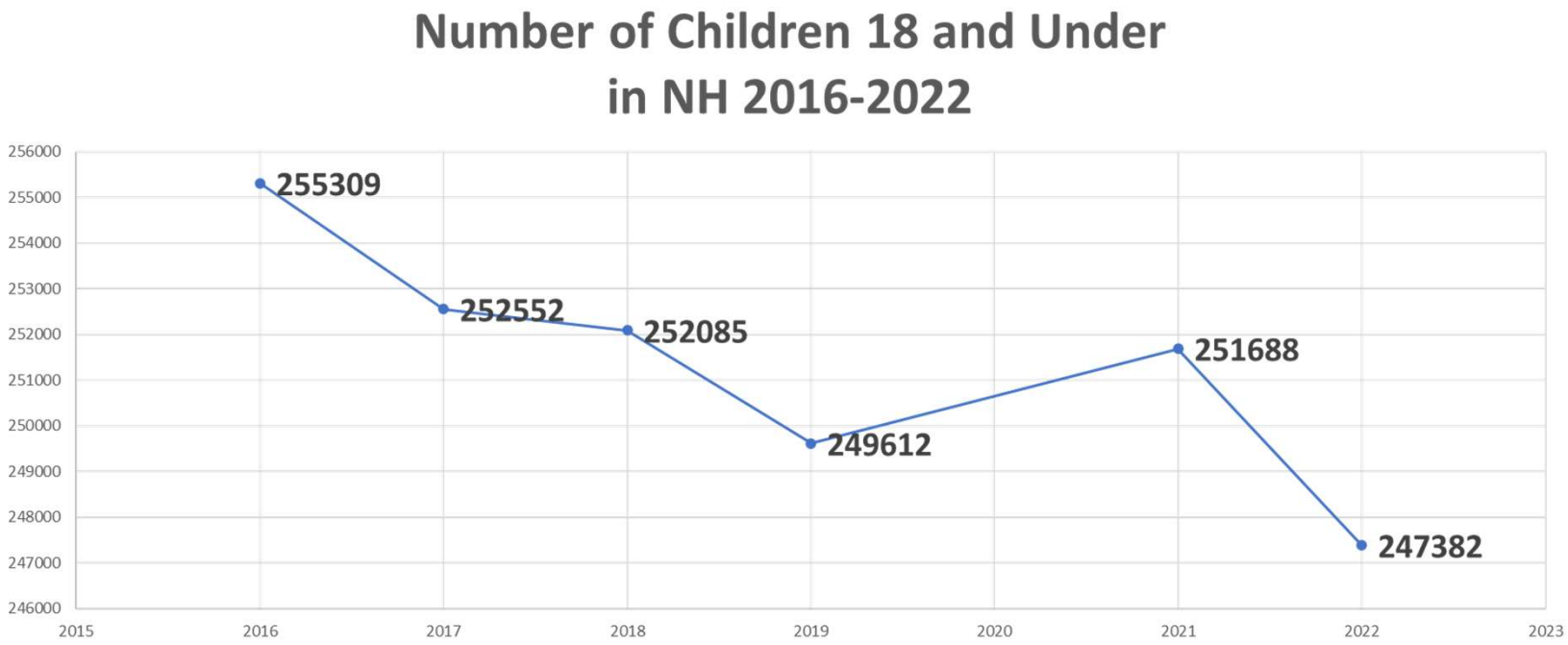
The trend of count of MCD_MEM_MNTH_DTL_LATEST for Elig Mnth End Dt Month. The data is filtered on Elig Year Mnth, Elig Grp, Full Medicaid Cvrg Ind and Elig Edge Ind. The Elig Year Mnth filter keeps 112 of 127 members. The Elig Grp filter keeps Children With Disabilities In Home Care. The Full Medicaid Cvrg Ind filter keeps Y. The Elig Edge Ind filter keeps Y.

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Low income Child (0-18) Trend, 1/2016 to 10/2023



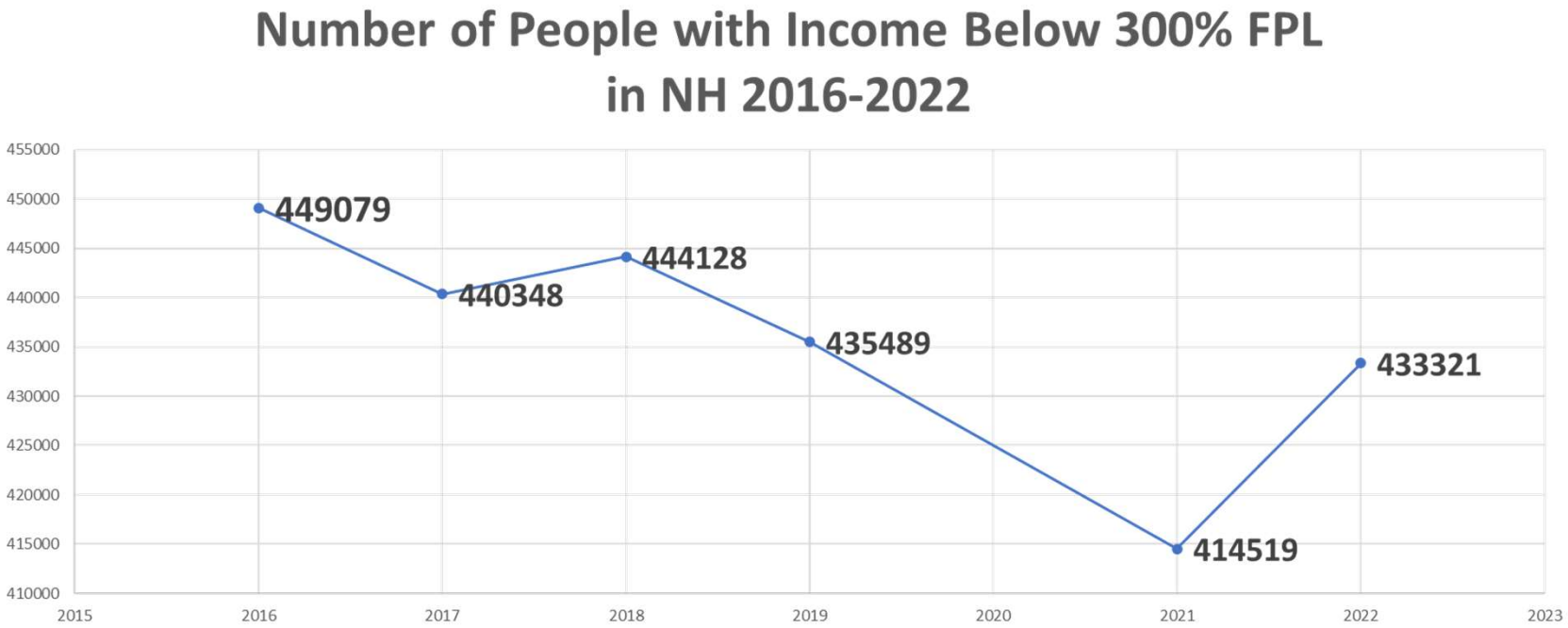
There are 7,927 Fewer Children Under 18 in New Hampshire Since 2016



Data based on American Community Survey, Table S1701 available at:
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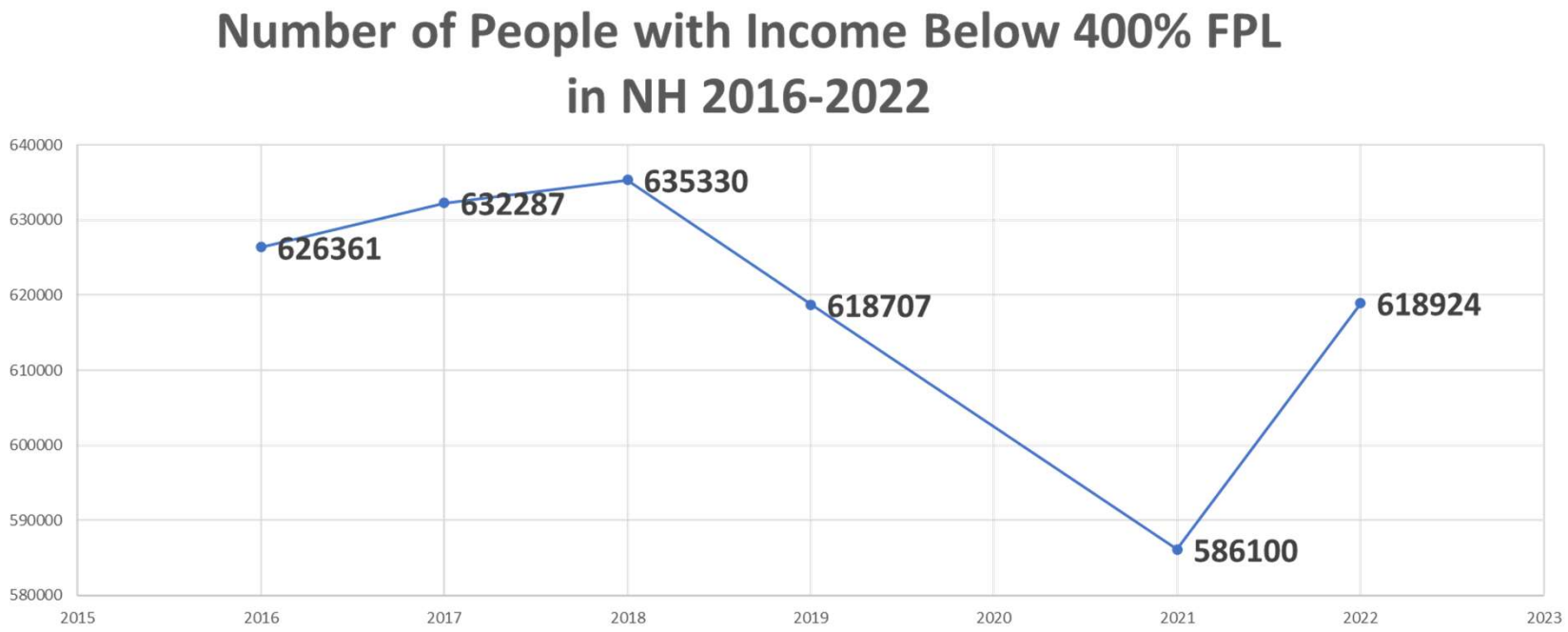
There are 15,758 Fewer People with Income Below 300% FPL in New Hampshire Since 2016



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There are 7,437 Fewer People with Income Below 400% FPL in New Hampshire Since 2016



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DHHS's Protected Population Unwind Sequence Explainer

DHHS's unwind strategy "frontloaded" Medicaid renewals for those more likely to be ineligible and those who had not recently consumed healthcare with general sequencing as follows:

- Pending ineligible individuals who would have previously closed if not for the PHE protections (e.g., reported change or over income)
- Individuals who have lost contact with DHHS prioritizing those who had also not recently used healthcare
- Individuals who had both not completed their last renewal as scheduled and data indicated they were more likely to be financially ineligible
- Individuals who had both not completed their last renewal as scheduled and data indicated they were more likely to be categorically ineligible (e.g., aged out)
- Granite Advantage (Expanded Medicaid) households with adults only
- Households with children
- Vulnerable populations (e.g., nursing home, Home and Community Based Services (HCBS), disabled)

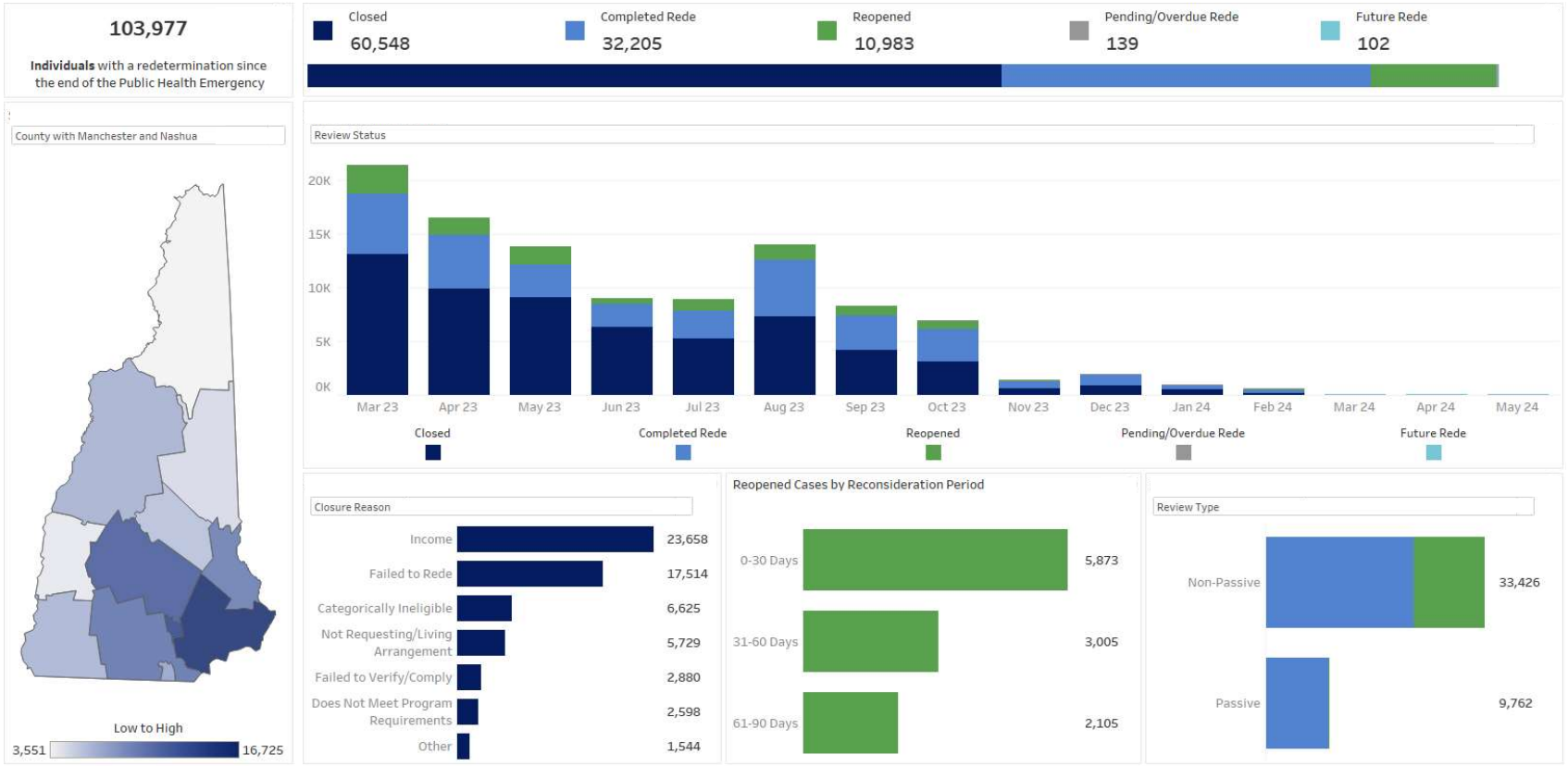
In addition, throughout the unwind protected individuals closed prospectively ahead of their scheduled renewal because they contacted DHHS or their MCO providing notification they moved out of State, no longer require Medicaid, or the individual is deceased.

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** **Protected Population -** Medicaid beneficiaries who would have closed under normal policy without protections provided under the PHE.*

DHHS's Continuous Enrollment Unwind Status (By Individual Counts)

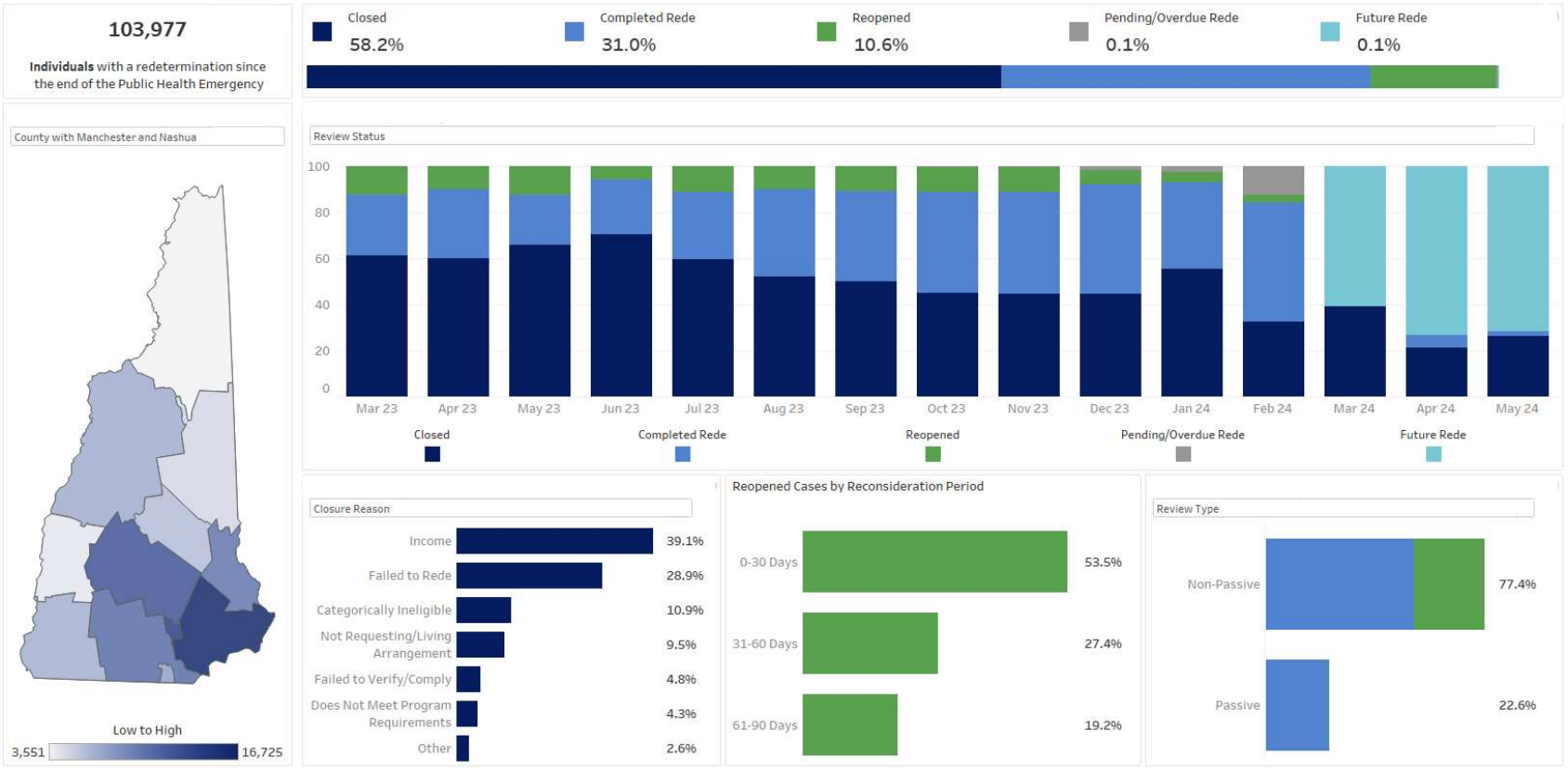
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DHHS's Continuous Enrollment Unwind Status (By Percentage)

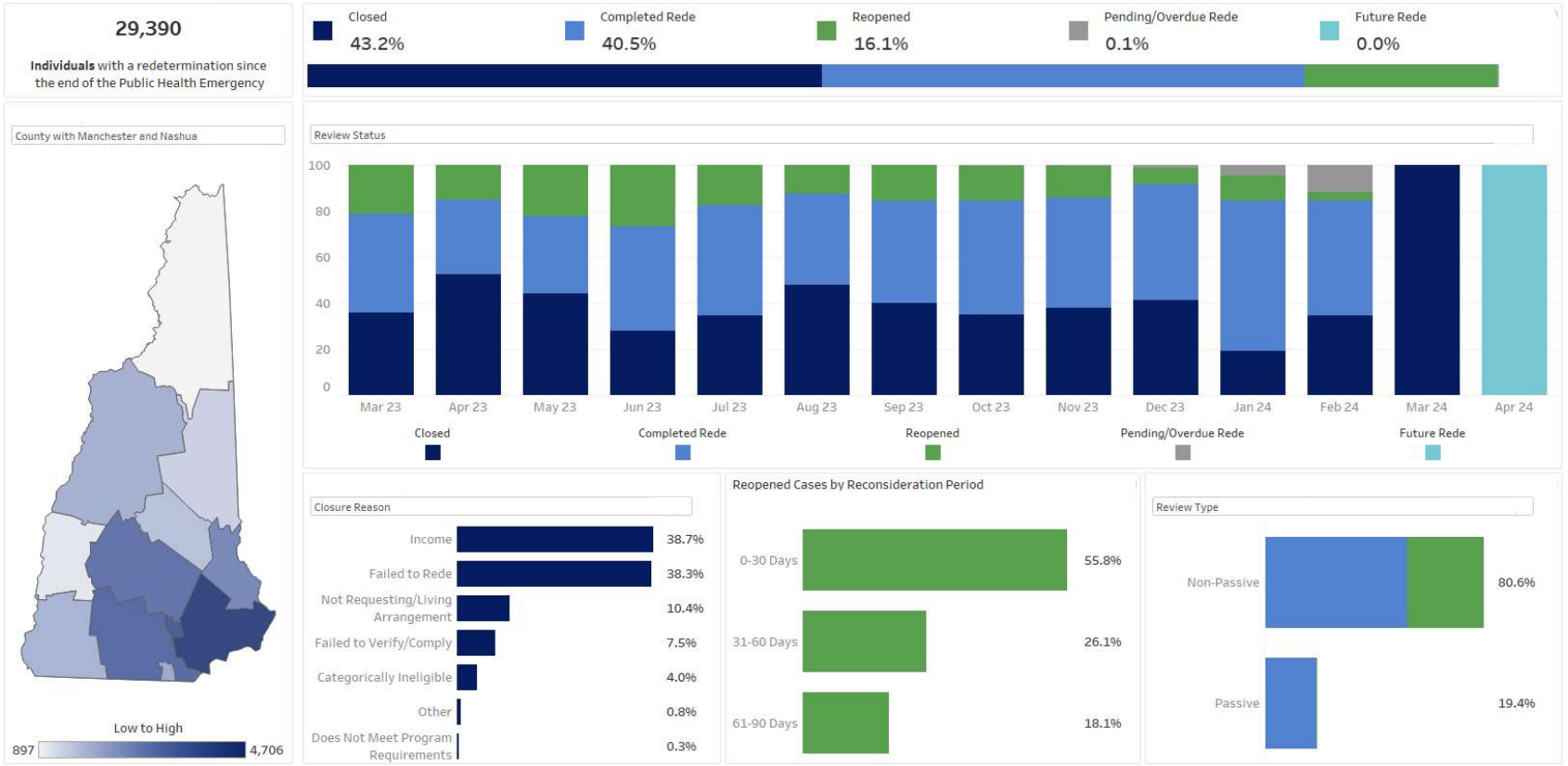
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DHHS's Continuous Enrollment Unwind Status – Children

These graphs provide an overview of NH's Medical renewal processing for protected children by individual as of February 1st, 2024.*



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DHHS's Continuous Enrollment Unwind Status – LTC/Disabled

These graphs provide an overview of NH's Medical renewal processing for protected long term care and disabled individuals as of as of February 1st, 2023. Note that many of the renewals scheduled for September are for individuals in disability categories with nursing facility and HCBC renewals distributed through May of 2024.*



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Children Status During Unwind

The chart below illustrates the number of children that were eligible in Medicaid at the beginning of the unwind and their current status.

	PROTECTED		NON-PROTECTED			
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Total Count	Total Percent
Remained Children	**17,245**	**47.6%**	**61,125**	**84.7%**	**78,370**	**72.3%**
Granite Advantage	**1,289**	**3.6%**	**1,264**	**1.8%**	**2,553**	**2.4%**
Other	**141**	**0.4%**	**192**	**0.3%**	**333**	**0.3%**
Deductible	**88**	**0.2%**		**0.0%**	**88**	**0.1%**
Closed	**17,484**	**48.2%**	**9,612**	**13.3%**	**27,096**	**25.0%**
Income	8,223	47.0%	2,429	25.3%	10,652	39.3%
Failed to Rede	5,019	28.7%	1,721	17.9%	6,740	24.9%
Not Requesting/Living Arrangement	2,322	13.3%	3,662	38.1%	5,984	22.1%
Failed to Verify/Comply	1,283	7.3%	1,061	11.0%	2,344	8.7%
Categorically Ineligible	283	1.6%	414	4.3%	697	2.6%
Other	286	1.6%	220	2.3%	506	1.9%
Does Not Meet Program Requirements	68	0.4%	105	1.1%	173	0.6%
Grand Total	**36,247**	**100.0%**	**72,193**	**100.0%**	**108,440**	**100.0%**

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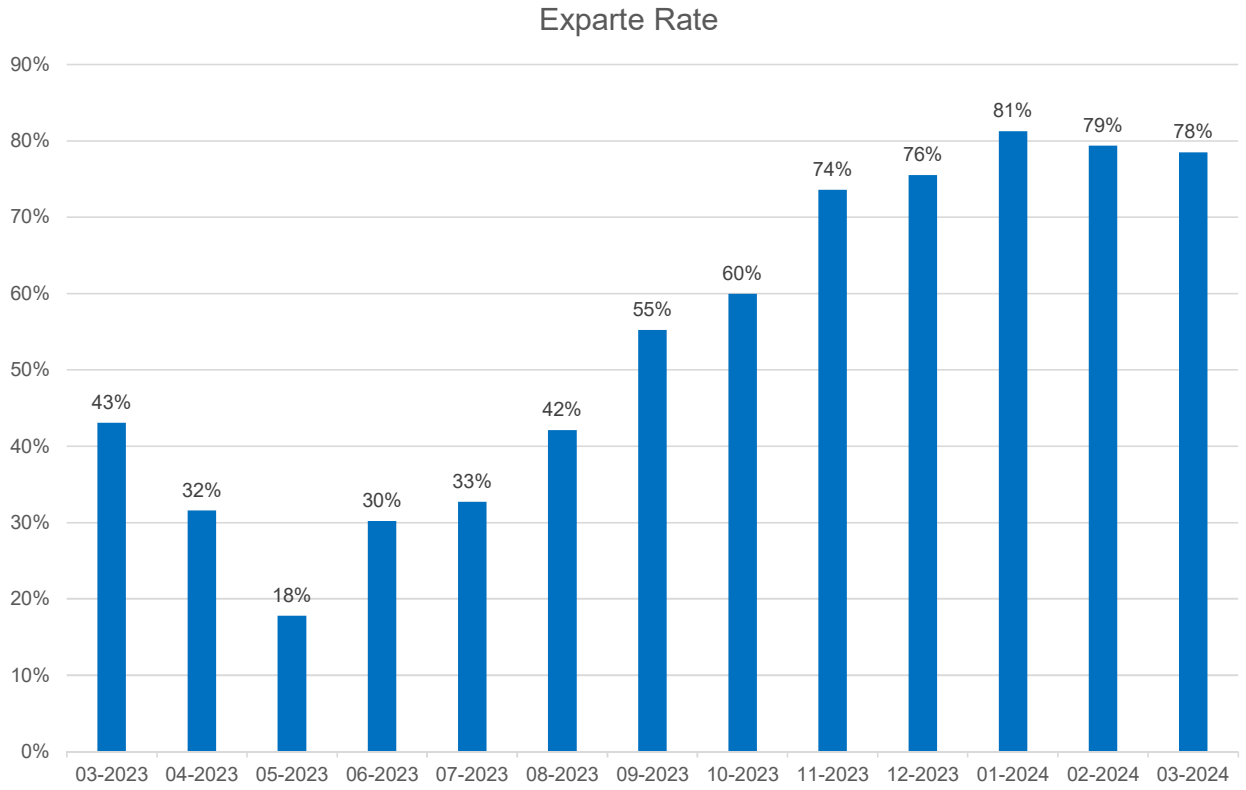
** Total population equals Medicaid eligible children as of 03/01/2023*

** Status as of 02/08/2024*

Ex-parte Rate by Month

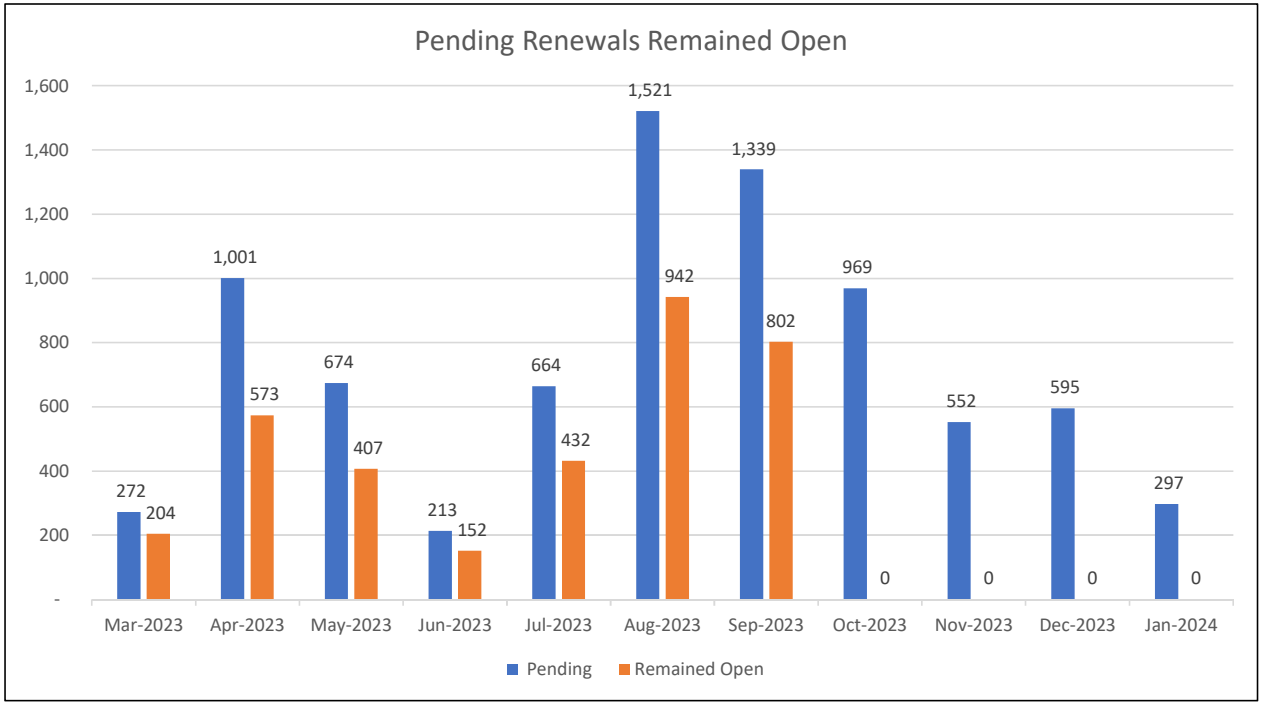
The chart below illustrates the ex-parte rates for the total population from March 2023 through March 2024. The increases in ex-parte rates reflect the adoption of new options and policy clarifications provided by CMS. The ex parte rate is also influenced by the unwind renewal sequencing which began with individuals more likely to be ineligible and therefore not candidates for ex parte.

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Pending Renewal Remained Open

DHHS tracks the number of people who completed a renewal application during their redetermination month, but remained open because review of their application was pending at the end of their redetermination month. For the months March – September (the months for which the CMS pending look back period has been completed) the **blue** bar chart below shows the number of individuals who were pending at the end of their redetermination month and the number of those individuals who remained open after their pending application was reviewed are represented in **orange** bar chart.



CMS Reporting and Closure Reasons - Cumulative

The table below shows the renewal rates* and outcomes for the protected and non-protected populations from March 2023 through January 2024 in aggregate.

Highlights:

- The outcome variance between the protected and non-protected is consistent with forecasts due to the front-loading of protected individuals less likely to be eligible
- Given the composition of the protected group (e.g., over income/categorically ineligible) the higher FFM referral rate was anticipated
- Re-openings are occurring at a meaningful rate with ~15% of March closures reopening illustrating the trend over 90 days
- Households that fail to renew have varying circumstances, such as:
  - No longer require or desire Medicaid (e.g., self-employed over income, those who already have commercial healthcare, etc.)
  - Circumstances that have changed (e.g., they moved out of state, passed away, etc.)
  - May be eligible if they renew (many administrative closures subsequently reapply for benefits)

	Grand Total					
	Grand Total (CMS)		Protected		Non-Protected	
Renewal Metrics	**Count**	**Percent**	**Count**	**Percent**	**Count**	**Percent**
Total Renewals Due	176,093	100%	61,586	100%	114,507	100%
In Progress	2,413	1.4%	796	1.3%	1,617	1.4%
Renewals with Outcomes	173,680	98.6%	60,790	98.7%	112,890	98.6%
Retained MA (Successful renewal)	**108,639**	**62.6%**	**17,847**	**29.4%**	**90,792**	**80.4%**
Total Closures (all reasons)	**65,041**	37.4%	42,943	70.6%	22,098	19.6%
Not Referred to FFM	41,196	63.3%	26,388	61.4%	14,808	67.0%
Referred to FFM	**23,845**	**36.7%**	**16,555**	**38.6%**	**7,290**	**33.0%**
Procedural (Pilot)	11,046	17.0%	9,490	22.1%	1,556	7.0%
Non-Procedural	12,799	19.7%	7,065	16.5%	5,734	25.9%
Total Closure by Reasons	**65,041**	**100%**	**42,943**	**100%**	**22,098**	**100%**
Income	18,592	28.6%	14,021	32.7%	4,571	20.7%
Failed to Rede	31,453	48.4%	20,693	48.2%	10,760	48.7%
Categorically Ineligible	4,799	7.4%	3,667	8.5%	1,132	5.1%
Not Requesting/Living Arrangement	4,263	6.6%	2,607	6.1%	1,656	7.5%
Failed to Verify/Comply	1,744	2.7%	773	1.8%	971	4.4%
Does Not Meet Program Requirements	1,952	3.0%	574	1.3%	1,378	6.2%
Other	2,238	3.4%	608	1.4%	1,630	7.4%

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CMS Reporting and Closure Reasons - January

	Jan-2024					
	Grand Total (CMS)		Protected		Non-Protected	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total Renewals Due	8,924	100%	149	100%	8,775	100%
In Progress	297	3.3%	17	11.4%	280	3.2%
Renewals with Outcomes	8,627	96.7%	132	88.6%	8,495	97%
Retained MA	**8,109**	**94.0%**	**122**	**92.4%**	**7,987**	**94.0%**
Total Closures by outcome	**518**	**6.0%**	**10**	**7.6%**	**508**	**6.0%**
Not Referred to FFM	395	76.3%	5	50.0%	390	76.8%
Referred to FFM	**123**	**23.7%**	**5**	**50.0%**	**118**	**23.2%**
Procedural	10	1.9%	-	0.0%	10	2.0%
Non-Procedural	113	21.8%	5	50.0%	108	21.3%
Total Closure by Reasons	**518**	**100%**	**10**	**100%**	**508**	**100%**
Income	96	18.5%	2	20.0%	94	18.5%
Failed to Rede	290	56.0%	2	20.0%	288	56.7%
Categorically Ineligible	17	3.3%	1	10.0%	16	3.1%
Not Requesting/Living Arrangement	29	5.6%	-	0.0%	29	5.7%
Failed to Verify/Comply	16	3.1%	1	10.0%	15	3.0%
Does Not Meet Program Requirements	15	2.9%	2	20.0%	13	2.6%
Other	55	10.6%	2	20.0%	53	10.4%

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CMS Reporting and Closure Reasons - December

	Dec-2023					
	Grand Total (CMS)		Protected		Non-Protected	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total Renewals Due	12,274	100%	1,176	100%	11,098	100%
In Progress	595	4.8%	124	10.5%	471	4.2%
Renewals with Outcomes	11,679	95.2%	1,052	89.5%	10,627	96%
Retained MA	**10,273**	**88.0%**	**575**	**54.7%**	**9,698**	**91.3%**
Total Closures by outcome	**1,406**	**12.0%**	**477**	**45.3%**	**929**	**8.7%**
Not Referred to FFM	1,028	73.1%	370	77.6%	658	70.8%
Referred to FFM	**378**	**26.9%**	**107**	**22.4%**	**271**	**29.2%**
Procedural	91	6.5%	56	11.7%	35	3.8%
Non-Procedural	287	20.4%	51	10.7%	236	25.4%
Total Closure by Reasons	**1,406**	**100%**	**477**	**100%**	**929**	**100%**
Income	285	20.3%	106	22.2%	179	19.3%
Failed to Rede	783	55.7%	315	66.0%	468	50.4%
Categorically Ineligible	95	6.8%	27	5.7%	68	7.3%
Not Requesting/Living Arrangement	80	5.7%	19	4.0%	61	6.6%
Failed to Verify/Comply	18	1.3%	6	1.3%	12	1.3%
Does Not Meet Program Requirements	34	2.4%	2	0.4%	32	3.4%
Other	111	7.9%	2	0.4%	109	11.7%

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CMS Reporting and Closure Reasons - November

	Nov-2023					
	Grand Total (CMS)		Protected		Non-Protected	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total Renewals Due	12,279	100%	770	100%	11,509	100%
In Progress	552	4.5%	80	10.4%	472	4.1%
Renewals with Outcomes	11,727	95.5%	690	89.6%	11,037	96%
Retained MA	**10,249**	**87.4%**	**370**	**53.6%**	**9,879**	**89.5%**
Total Closures by outcome	**1,478**	**12.6%**	**320**	**46.4%**	**1,158**	**10.5%**
Not Referred to FFM	1,065	72.1%	256	80.0%	809	69.9%
Referred to FFM	**413**	**27.9%**	**64**	**20.0%**	**349**	**30.1%**
Procedural	74	5.0%	27	8.4%	47	4.1%
Non-Procedural	339	22.9%	37	11.6%	302	26.1%
Total Closure by Reasons	**1,478**	**100%**	**320**	**100%**	**1,158**	**100%**
Income	285	19.3%	72	22.5%	213	18.4%
Failed to Rede	742	50.2%	193	60.3%	549	47.4%
Categorically Ineligible	112	7.6%	29	9.1%	83	7.2%
Not Requesting/Living Arrangement	94	6.4%	11	3.4%	83	7.2%
Failed to Verify/Comply	31	2.1%	3	0.9%	28	2.4%
Does Not Meet Program Requirements	39	2.6%	5	1.6%	34	2.9%
Other	175	11.8%	7	2.2%	168	14.5%

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