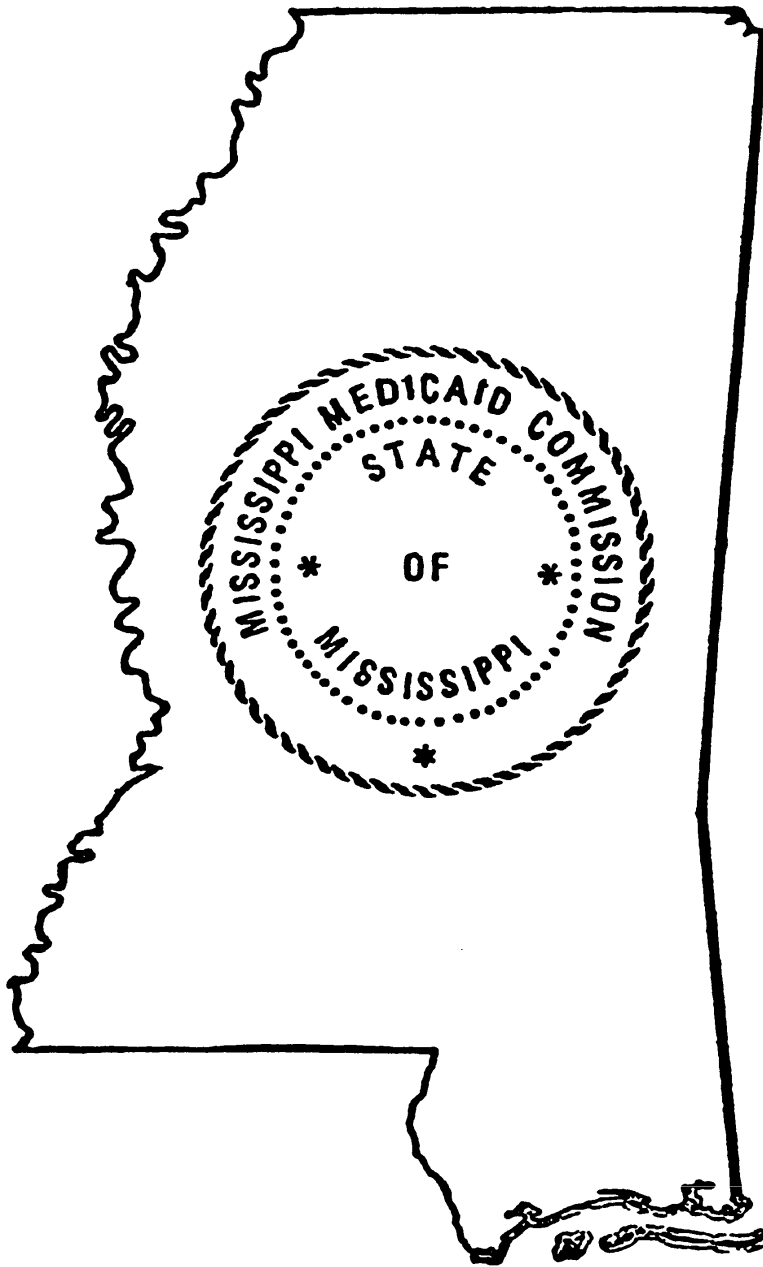


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Ladies and Gentlemen:

We submit herewith the Eighth Annual Report of the Mississippi Medicaid Commission, covering the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 1977. It is being submitted in accordance with requirements of Section 43-13-12 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. In it we have attempted to provide a broad range of factual information about Mississippi's Medicaid Program in an effort to keep you and the general public fully informed.

We wish to acknowledge the vital roles played by the State Department of Public Welfare, the State Board of Health, the Mississippi Foundation for Medical Care, and the Medicaid fiscal agent, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Mississippi Inc., in the ongoing administration of the Medicaid Program. We also wish to acknowledge the health professionals in our State who provide the necessary health services and who offer technical assistance to the Medicaid Commission through its advisory committees.

On behalf of approximately 790,000 Mississippians who are helped through the Medicaid Program, we wish to thank the Governor and the members of the Legislature for continuing to these services available.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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## INTRODUCTION

Medicaid is a program of medical assistance for the needy administered by the states in accordance with provisions of Title XIX of the Social Security Act. In Mississippi, the Medicaid Program began on January 1, 1970. The program is administered in Mississippi by the Medicaid Commission by authority of Section 43-13-101 et. seq. of the Mississippi Code of 1972. Section 43-13-105 of the Code designated the State Department of Public Welfare as the certifying agency for determining eligibility for Medicaid.

The medical care provided by state programs varies widely from state to state. A few states limit coverage to those services required by the Social Security Act while several states cover all permissible services. Mississippi provides coverage for seven optional services in addition to the eight mandatory services. Services provided in Mississippi are:

### Mandatory Services:

- Inpatient Hospital Services
- Outpatient Hospital Services
- Other Laboratory and X-Ray Services
- Skilled Nursing Home Services
- Physicians Services
- Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Services
- Home Health Services
- Family Planning Services

### Optional Services covered:

- Prescribed Drugs
- Dental Services (Emergency extractions for adults)
- Intermediate Care Facility Services
- Eyeglasses (necessitated by eye surgery)
- Tuberculosis and Mental Institution Services (for age 65 and over)
- Christian Science Sanatoria Care and Services
- Emergency Ambulance Services

## MEDICAID ELIGIBLE PERSONS

In the text of this report, the term eligible refers to a person who has been certified by the Department of Public Welfare as having met the necessary requirements to receive Medicaid benefits under one of the following approved categories:

Aged

**Blind**

Disabled

Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC)

Children within the families (AFDC Children)

Caretaker relative for the children (AFDC Adults)

Child Welfare Service Foster Care Children (CWS Foster Care)

In each instance, the individual must meet the requirements of financial need and relatedness to the category for which he applies. 'Relatedness' also includes the following statutory extensions of coverage:

Children 18 to 21 years of age who meet all AFDC requirements except age (the caretaker relatives are included in coverage)

Children who meet eligibility requirements for AFDC except for the "living with" factor and are placed in a private foster home with payment made from AFDC funds

Persons who are patients in a medical facility and who, if they left such facility, would qualify for assistance (money) payments under Aged, Blind, Disabled, or AFDC Programs

Persons meeting all requirements for eligibility except the income limits may become eligible for Medicaid in certain situations through a "spend-down" procedure whereby the excess income is either spent or obligated for medical services.

Mississippi statutes assign the responsibility of determining eligibility for the Medicaid Program to the Mississippi State Department of Public Welfare. Prior to January 1, 1974, this was largely a by-product of the Welfare Department's regular work in processing applications for public assistance grants, and there was little additional cost to the state, since Medicaid eligibility was automatic for those persons found eligible for a money payment. This is still true with respect to the AFDC category and the CWS Foster Care category. However, on January 1, 1974, a Federal program of financial assistance to the Aged, Blind and Disabled, known as Supplemental Security Income (SSI), was implemented. The provisions of the new program, Title XVI, effected the transfer of financial assistance programs for these categories from the State Department of Public Welfare in Mississippi to the Federal government. The cost for eligibility determination in these adult categories is now reflected in the Medicaid budget.

With 5,211 applications for medical assistance pending at the beginning of Fiscal Year 1977, an additional 55,075 applications were received at the County Welfare offices throughout the year. Of these, 27,647 were approved and 27,157 were denied or disposed of for other reasons. At the end of the year, 5,482 applications were still pending. Eligibility certification is represented by a Medicaid Identification card, valid for one month only. The Department of Public Welfare mails a new card monthly to each eligible person except to the Foster Care children. Cards for the latter are issued semi-annually. Information contained on the Medicaid card includes the individual's name, unique identification number and current period of eligibility. It must be shown to the provider each time a medical service is requested.

During Fiscal Year 1977, 360,700 persons in Mississippi were eligible for Medicaid benefits for some period of time. The length of eligibility periods for these persons covered all possibilities -- from one day to the entire year. Table 1 gives the eligibility count with the corresponding percents for the program categories. In Table 2, the monthly number of eligibles is shown by program category.

TABLE 1

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE AND MONTHLY AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE WITH PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Program Category	FY 1977 Total Number of Eligible Persons	Percent of Total	Monthly Average Number of Eligible Persons	Percent of Total
Total .....	360,700	100.0'	296,303	100.0'
Aged .....	92,459	25.6	81,063	27.4
.....	1,918	0.5	1,776	0.6
Disabled .....	33,454	9.3	27,610	9.3
AFDC Children .....	179,367	49.7	142,727	48.2
AFDC Adults .....	52,294	14.5	42,327	14.3
CWS Foster Care .....	1,208	0.3	800	0.3

\*Does not add to 100 percent due to rounding.

TABLE 2

NUMBER OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID SERVICES BY MONTH AND BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Month	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	AFDC Children	AFDC Adults	Foster Care Children
July .....	298,055	80,717	1,817	27,635	144,706	42,426	754
August .....	300,144	81,330	1,823	28,088	145,738	42,412	753
September...	299,530	81,670	1,808	28,183	144,902	42,199	768
October .....	297,944	81,731	1,785	27,967	143,364	42,335	762
November ...	297,165	81,758	1,778	27,839	142,754	42,258	778
December...	296,872	81,728	1,777	27,750	142,510	42,311	796
January .....	295,446	80,922	1,764	27,412	142,284	42,244	820
February ....	295,072	80,714	1,769	27,395	142,025	42,356	813
March .....	293,779	80,499	1,757	27,310	141,058	42,345	810
April .....	294,065	80,592	1,748	27,238	141,239	42,420	828
May .....	293,874	80,499	1,746	27,280	141,163	42,327	<b>859</b>
June .....	293,690	80,598	1,740	27,220	140,983	42,286	<b>863</b>
Monthly Average	296,303	81,063	1,776	27,610	142,727	42,327	<b>800</b>

ELIGIBLES BY COUNTY OF RESIDENCE

The population estimates for July 1, 1975, (as computed by the Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce) and the number of persons eligible for Medicaid on June 30, 1977, are listed by counties in Table 3. The 1975 census figures are the latest available. Holmes County had the highest percent of Medicaid eligibles with 34.8 percent, and Jackson County had the lowest percent, 2.9.

TABLE 3

BUREAU OF CENSUS POPULATION ESTIMATES  
FOR MISSISSIPPI COUNTIES FOR JULY 1, 1975 AND  
NUMBER OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID AS OF JUNE 30, 1977

County	1975 County Population•	Number of Medicaid Eligibles	Percent of Population
Adams	38,700	5,898	15.2
Alcorn	28,900	2,429	8.4
Amite	13,000	1,340	10.3
Attala	19,000	2,472	13.0
Benton	7,300	1,174	16.1
Bolivar	48,300	10,574	28.1
Calhoun	15,400	1,732	11.2
Carroll	8,600	1,511	17.6
Chickasaw	17,400	2,191	12.6
Choctaw	9,100	1,467	16.1
Claiborne	10,800	1,923	17.8
Clarke	15,100	2,049	13.6
Clay	19,500	2,756	14.1
Coahoma	38,400	8,482	22.1
Copiah	25,500	3,847	15.1
Covington	14,400	2,122	14.7
DeSoto	48,500	2,988	6.2
Forrest	60,400	4,535	7.5
Franklin	8,300	1,029	12.4
George	13,700	917	6.7
Greene	8,900	940	10.6
Grenada	20,200	2,872	14.2
Hancock	18,100	1,403	7.8
Harrison	146,800	7,489	5.1
Hinds	231,400	30,370	13.1
Holmes	23,000	8,008	34.8
Humphreys	14,000	3,669	26.2
Issaquena	2,300	506	22.0
Itawamba	18,000	1,253	7.0
Jackson	105,800	3,061	2.9
Jasper	16,500	2,265	13.7
Jefferson	8,600	2,474	<b>28.8</b>
Jefferson Davis	12,900	2,435	<b>18.9</b>
Jones	58,800	5,099	<b>8.7</b>
<b>Kemper</b>	<b>10,200</b>	<b>1,140</b>	11.2
<b>Lafayette</b>	<b>27,200</b>	<b>2,084</b>	7.7

• County population rounded to the nearest hundred

TABLE 3 (Concluded)

County	1975 County Population	Number of Medicaid Eligibles	Percent of Population
Lamar	18,300	1,570	8.6
Lauderdale	72,100	7,678	10.6
Lawrence	11,900	1,458	12.3
Leake	17,700	2,706	15.3
Lee	51,700	3,682	7.1
Leflore	40,900	8,110	19.8
Lincoln	26,700	3,176	11.9
Lowndes	54,200	5,586	10.3
Madison	32,800	6,771	20.6
Marion	24,100	2,717	11.3
Marshall	27,500	5,553	20.2
Monroe	34,400	3,514	10.2
Montgomery	13,400	2,831	21.1
Neshoba	22,600	2,606	11.5
Newton	19,800	1,924	9.7
Noxubee	12,800	2,851	22.3
Oktibbeha	31,400	4,248	13.5
Panola	27,600	4,226	15.3
Pearl River	27,600	2,741	9.9
Perry	9,900	1,348	13.6
Pike	34,000	5,034	14.8
Pontotoc	19,500	1,881	9.6
Prentiss	20,900	2,040	9.8
Quitman	14,300	2,197	15.4
Rankin	57,000	1,878	3.3
Scott	22,000	2,493	11.3
Sharkey	8,000	2,231	27.9
Simpson	21,200	2,210	10.4
Smith	14,600	1,399	9.6
Stone	8,400	700	8.3
Sunflower	35,600	6,368	17.9
Tallahatchie	18,000	4,144	23.0
Tate	20,600	3,035	14.7
Tippah	17,600	2,267	12.9
Tishomingo	15,500	1,195	7.7
Tunica	10,800	2,703	25.0
Union	20,700	1,846	8.9
Walthall	12,600	2,627	20.8
Warren	47,400	5,593	11.8
Washington	70,500	12,027	17.1
Wayne	17,600	2,536	14.4
Webster	10,100	1,201	11.9
Wilkinson	9,700	2,023	20.9
<b>Winston</b>	<b>19,800</b>	<b>2,871</b>	<b>14.5</b>
Yalobusha	12,400	1,804	14.5
Yazoo	26,400	5,191	19.7

• County population rounded to the nearest hundred



MEDICAID RECIPIENTS

During Fiscal Year 1977, 289,729 different persons benefited from one or more of the medical services covered by the Medicaid Program. This was a decrease of 10,210 persons or 3.4 percent from Fiscal 1976. Also decreasing was the monthly average number of recipients with a drop of 10,202 persons from 143,561 in Fiscal 1976 to 133,359 in Fiscal 1977. The distribution among the program categories remained relatively the same for the unduplicated totals. However, the monthly averages show a drop of 1.2 percent for the AFDC Children and a gain of 0.9 percent for the Aged.

Table 4 illustrates the recipient distribution by program category while Table 5 shows the monthly recipient count by program category.

TABLE 4

TOTAL NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS AND MONTHLY AVERAGE NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS WITH PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Program Category	FY 1977 Total Number of Recipients	Percent of Total	Monthly Average Number of Recipients	Percent of Total
Total .....	289,729	99.9*	133,359	100.0
Aged .....	85,320	29.4	55,090	41.3
Blind .....	1,645	0.6	959	0.7
Disabled .....	30,835	10.6	19,706	14.8
AFDC Children .....	128,087	44.2	36,907	27.7
AFDC Adults .....	42,989	14.8	20,464	15.3
CWS Foster Care .....	853	0.3	233	0.2

\*Total not 100 percent due to rounding.

TABLE 5

NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING ONE OR MORE MEDICAL SERVICES BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Month	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	AFDC Children	AFDC Adults	CWS Foster Care
July .....	128,829	55,514	996	19,981	32,376	19,765	197
August .....	139,124	58,002	1,022	20,940	37,476	21,460	224
September...	129,965	51,635	976	19,602	36,917	20,614	221
October .....	130,879	54,800	946	19,458	35,933	19,520	<b>222</b>
November...	136,074	54,884	986	20,228	39,313	20,432	231
December...	132,269	54,512	947	19,592	37,323	19,648	247
January .....	122,678	52,201	879	18,680	31,712	19,014	192
February ....	134,639	54,218	907	19,426	38,965	20,852	271
March .....	145,689	55,942	980	20,223	45,905	22,352	287
April .....	135,342	56,302	955	19,464	37,608	20,765	<b>248</b>
May .....	137,170	57,793	991	20,008	36,749	21,386	243
June .....	127,648	55,278	928	18,873	32,603	19,754	212
Monthly Average	133,359	55,090	959	19,706	36,907	20,464	233

## UTILIZATION RATE

In Fiscal Year 1977, the average monthly utilization rate decreased slightly from the 46.4 percent rate of Fiscal 1976 to 45.0 percent. The yearly peak again occurred in the month of March with a high of 49.6 percent. This was a drop of 3.3 percentage points from the March, 1976 record high of 52.9 percent. The lowest utilization was in January, 1977, and apparently was due to the extreme weather conditions in Mississippi that month.

Table 6 gives the monthly utilization rates and the average monthly rates. Using the total number of eligibles and the total number of recipients, Table 7 shows the wide range of utilization among the program categories in Fiscal 1977.

TABLE 6

### NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE PERSONS, NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS AND UTILIZATION RATE BY MONTH FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Month	Number of Eligible Persons	Number of Recipients	Utilization Rate
July	298,055	128,829	43.2
August	300,144	139,124	46.4
September	299,530	129,965	43.4
October	297,944	130,879	43.9
November	297,165	136,074	45.8
December	296,872	132,269	44.6
January	295,446	122,678	41.5
February	295,072	134,639	45.6
March	293,779	145,689	49.6
April	294,065	135,342	46.0
May	293,874	137,170	46.7
June	293,690	127,648	43.5
Monthly Average	296,303	133,359	45.0

TABLE 7

### TOTAL NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE PERSONS, TOTAL NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS AND UTILIZATION RATE BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Program Category	Number of Eligible Persons	Number of Recipients	Utilization Rate
Total	360,700	289,729	80.3
Aged	92,459	85,320	92.3
<b>Blind</b>	1,918	1,645	85.8
Disabled	33,454	30,835	92.2
AFDC Children	179,367	128,087	71.4
AFDC Adults	52,294	42,989	82.2
CWS Foster Care	1,208	853	70.6

## PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

### FEDERAL/STATE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

The Mississippi Medicaid Program is administered by the Medicaid Commission using funds appropriated by the State of Mississippi and Federal matching funds. Federal matching rates vary considerably depending upon their use in providing medical services for eligibles or in meeting administrative costs of the program. The variation in matching rates is illustrated in Chart 1.

During Fiscal Year 1977, the total administrative expense was \$7,779,635, with the Federal government paying \$4,079,580 or 52.4 percent. This total included all state agency cost, all cost of processing and paying claims by the Medicaid Fiscal Agent, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Mississippi, Inc., and all of the Department of Public Welfare's cost in eligibility determination for the adult categories.

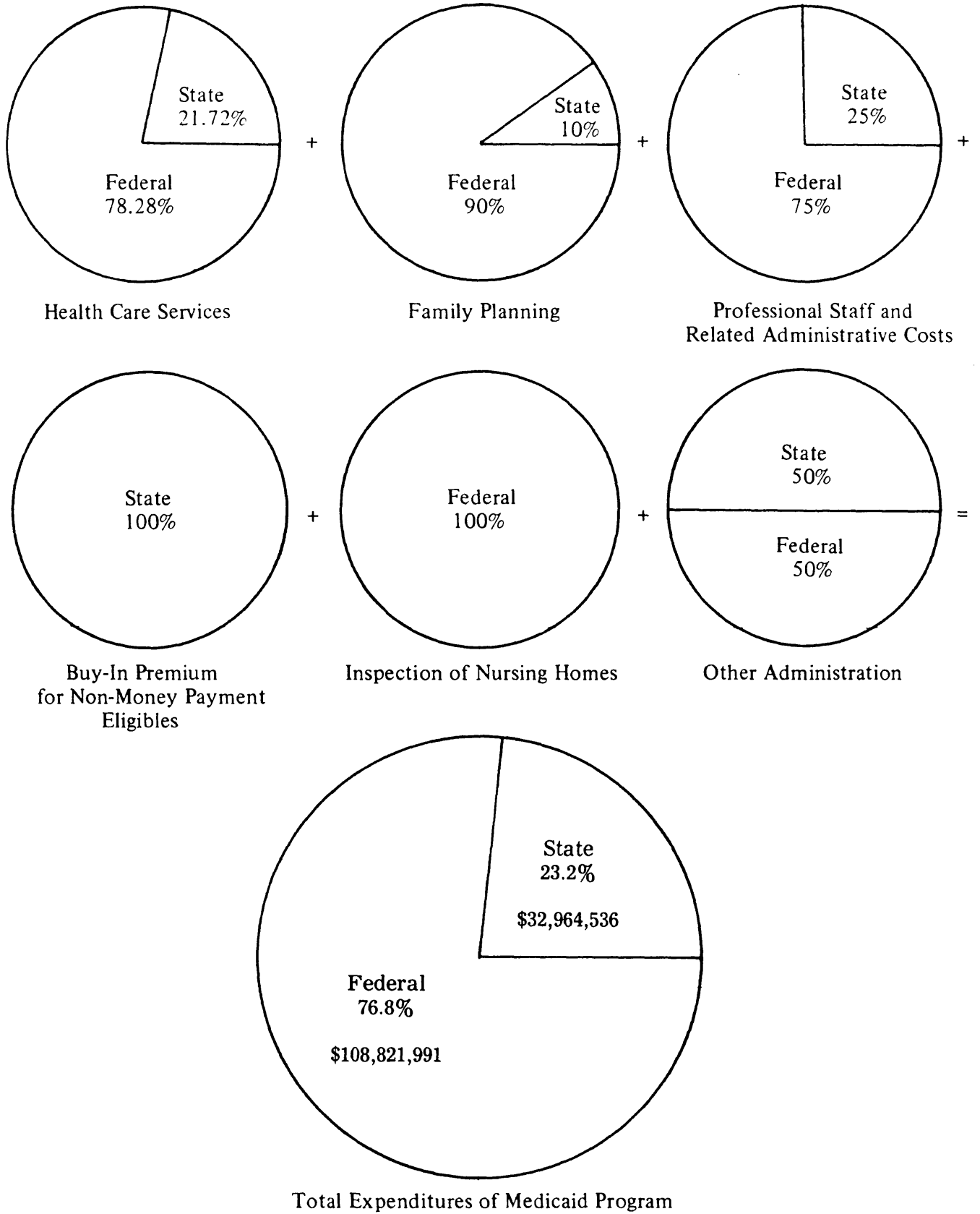
During Fiscal 1977, The FMAP (Federal Medical Assistance Percentage) for most medical services in Mississippi was 78.28 percent, the highest in the nation. A state's FMAP is a calculated percentage based on the state's per capita income. This percentage is redetermined every two years.

Exceptions to the 78.28 percent FMAP for medical services were: Family Planning Services at 90 percent Federal money; Buy-In, Part B, for non-money payment individuals at 100 percent State money; and the service-related inspection of nursing homes at 100 percent Federal money.

In accordance with the Social Security Act and Mississippi Medicaid Law, payment for services under Medicaid is always secondary to other third party liability. At the time of a recipient's admission to a hospital and at each of his visits to a doctor's office or other service provider, a determination is made as to whether the recipient has third party coverage. Since Medicaid liability is always secondary, any third party payments up to the amount expended by Medicaid are required to be refunded to the Medicaid program. A total of \$861,583 was collected in third party payments and was used to reduce the cost of medical services from \$134,868,475 to \$134,006,892.

The total Medicaid expenditures represent the cost of program administration and the cost for health care services. This \$141,786,527 total is comprised of \$108,821,991 Federal money and \$32,964,536 State money.

CHART 1



Source of Funds by Type of Expense and Percentage Distribution of State and Federal Funds

## PROGRAM INTEGRITY

The Mississippi Medicaid Commission is responsible for conducting on-site audits of providers and for monitoring both provider and recipient utilization in the Medical Assistance Program. The Medicaid Commission is required, under both state and federal laws, to conduct periodic checks of provider records in order to verify actual receipt of services for which payment has been made and to investigate any cases suggestive of program abuse or misuse. Verification of receipt of service is also accomplished through recipient contact.

The existence of the Program Integrity Division continues to serve as an invaluable deterrent to potential fraud and abuse of benefits in the Medicaid program. Activities in this area continue to expand and keep pace with the growth of the program.

With the assistance of a computerized surveillance and utilization reporting system, the Commission is able to maintain practice and service profiles on all providers of service and on recipients who participate in or receive services through the Medicaid Program. These profiles provide indicators of possible fraudulent activities or abuse of Program benefits and are an important source of information upon which the Program Integrity Division bases its investigation. Examples of the types of profile information used are: frequency of physician visits for a given recipient, ratio of laboratory procedures to medical visits for a physician, the average length of stay of recipients for a hospital, and extractions per recipient for a dentist. Exceptional reporting techniques are used to identify the unusual or exceptional profiles.

The Program Integrity Division maintains a close working relationship with the State Department of Public Welfare in dealing with recipients who have received services during periods of time when they were later determined to have been ineligible to participate in the program, either through error or suspected fraud. Field reports made by special investigators of the State Department of Public Welfare are provided to the Commission and are the basis upon which decisions are made to recover funds or to refer for other action.

Reports of any audits which reveal a significant irregularity are made to the Commission at its monthly meeting. During Fiscal Year 1977, the Program Integrity Division conducted on-site audits of 134 physicians and dentists, 379 pharmacies and 24 nursing homes. These routine audits led to an additional 31 special investigations of 15 physicians, 14 nursing homes and two pharmacies. The Commission obtained refunds of \$54,562.43 from providers and \$31,741.73 from recipients.

## CLAIMS PAYMENTS

For Fiscal Year 1977, 5,663,192 claims were received by the Medicaid Claims office. This represents a decrease of 939,891 claims or 14.2 percent from Fiscal 1976. Table 8 lists the number of claims received by month for each type of service covered under the Medicaid Program for Fiscal 1977.

Based on recent Federal and State audits of the Medicaid Program, "clean" claims (those properly filed) are being paid within 10-15 days from date of receipt at the Medicaid Claims office. There are, of course, exceptions to this where eligibility questions exist or where additional information may be needed, but these represent a very small percentage of the total.

The Commission's contract with Blue Cross-Blue Shield provides for reimbursement of administrative expenses based upon actual audited reasonable costs. Cost reimbursement principles used for this purpose are those established under the Medicare Program.

The fiscal agent contract is for a two-year period and was awarded by bid. Monthly advances of administrative funds are made to Blue Cross-Blue Shield based upon a reasonable projection of administrative costs over the annual period. The monthly advances are subject to adjustment based upon actual cost experience.

Blue Cross-Blue Shield is a non-profit medical and hospital service corporation organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi. The company serves, in addition to Medicaid, as the Federal government's intermediary for Part A of Medicare and the hospital portion of the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Armed Services, and also serves as one of the contractors for the Federal Employees Insurance Program. In addition, the company insures many other persons through its private business.

TABLE 8

**NUMBER OF CLAIMS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF SERVICE  
BY MONTH FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977**

Type of Service	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	TOTAL
<b>Total</b>	480,902	459,198	462,448	420,026	467,042	494,101	406,893	491,880	552,688	494,184	511,974	421,856	5,663,192
<b>Physicians</b>	58,677	67,205	70,638	62,772	64,783	58,277	67,381	66,103	68,749	67,406	63,139	62,484	777,614
<b>Physician Crossover</b>	33,614	35,375	32,690	43,780	28,269	45,410	33,131	34,045	24,904	56,205	44,975	34,106	446,504
<b>Inpatient Hospital</b>	5,489	4,480	4,850	5,410	4,483	4,581	4,621	6,167	5,900	5,580	5,543	5,220	62,324
<b>Outpatient Hospital</b>	13,958	14,068	13,762	14,237	11,692	13,030	11,580	14,088	12,085	13,711	11,310	13,933	157,454
<b>Hospital Crossover</b>	11,392	13,800	12,084	13,198	10,756	15,066	10,549	14,984	12,532	14,377	15,150	12,169	156,057
<b>Skilled Nursing Home</b>	6,526	6,659	6,672	6,409	6,639	6,733	6,652	6,879	7,179	7,446	7,196	7,236	82,226
<b>Intermediate Care Facility</b>	1,322	1,450	1,670	1,239	1,401	1,442	1,388	1,356	1,545	1,459	1,590	1,571	17,433
<b>ICF - MR</b>		--	--	120	165	43	223	350	387	343	325	313	2,269
<b>Drugs</b>	331,606	292,143	299,139	251,328	318,246	330,742	251,078	325,556	394,568	307,348	339,317	264,049	3,705,120
<b>Home Health</b>	146	392	203	273	180	397	314	434	839	504	762	487	4,931
<b>Dental Care</b>	5,247	5,682	5,524	5,758	4,722	5,560	5,038	5,800	5,026	5,998	5,431	4,839	64,625
<b>Eyeglasses</b>	66	49	42	56	54	99	59	63	58	71	75	81	773
<b>Ambulance</b>	377	325	368	414	391	559	468	346	456	545	426	263	4,938
<b>Periodic Screening</b>	3,612	4,783	5,242	4,444	4,478	2,769	4,152	6,505	3,643	4,660	4,766	4,421	53,475
<b>EPSDT Dental</b>	2,180	2,417	2,106	2,621	1,909	2,304	2,312	1,799	4,925	694	2,572	2,686	28,525
<b>EPSDT Eyeglasses</b>	570	644	533	647	641	630	647	731	1,008	942	658	704	8,355
<b>EPSDT Hearing Aids</b>	9	20	14	13	13	7	34	0	16	4	11	11	152
<b>Family Planning</b>	5,592	9,156	6,430	6,779	7,800	6,005	6,815	6,226	8,237	6,249	8,285	6,869	84,443
<b>S.N.H. Pre-Evaluation</b>	519	550	481	528	420	447	451	448	631	642	443	414	5,974

## EXPENDITURES

### EXPENDITURES BY TYPE OF SERVICE

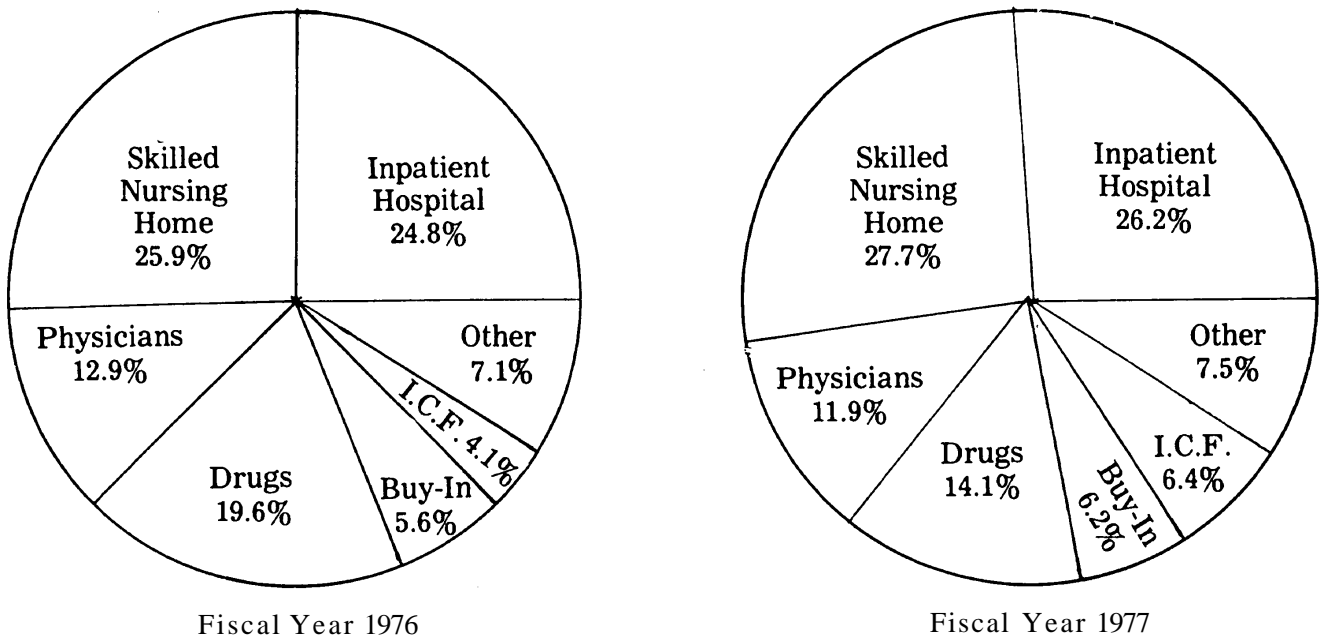
Total medical expenditures for Fiscal Year 1977 amounted to \$134,006,892. This was an increase of \$11,862,292 over Fiscal 1976, but represented a smaller rate of increase, 9.7 percent, than the 8.1 percent in the previous fiscal year.

The medical services which accounted for the largest expenditures were Skilled Nursing Home Services with \$37,139,939, and Inpatient Hospital Services with \$35,061,884. Combined, these two services accounted for slightly more than one-half of each Medicaid service dollar spent. Drugs remained third in total funds expended with \$18,946,135.

Chart 2 compares the percentage distribution of expenditures for the major medical services during Fiscal 1976 and 1977. Two services, Physicians and Drugs, show a drop in the percentage distribution in the chart. In actual dollars spent, however, Drugs decreased \$5,001,601, while Physicians' Services increased \$135,302. The large drop in drug payments was due primarily to a \$0.50 co-payment on each drug prescription begun July 1, 1976. Other relevant factors were the changes in drugs covered and the restrictions on prescription refill.

Table 9 shows the actual amount spent in each medical service with the percent increase or (decrease), and Table 10 gives the average spent per recipient in each service. In Table 10, the total expenditures for Buy-In, Part B Medicare has been separated into (a) the amount paid for the average number of monthly premiums, i.e., recipients, and (b) the amount paid for the 17,364 persons accreted to the Buy-In billing list during the year. Whereas the monthly premium cost is \$7.20 per month, the average back charges for Fiscal Year 1977 accretions amounted to \$84.25. Section 1843 Of Title XVIII, the Social Security Act, allows for back premium payments when necessary for the individuals correct coverage period.

CHART 2



PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENDITURES BY TYPE OF SERVICE  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1976 AND FISCAL YEAR 1977

TABLE 9

EXPENDITURES FOR MEDICAL SERVICES BY TYPE OF SERVICE  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1976 AND FISCAL YEAR 1977

Type of Service	Fiscal Year 1976 Expenditures	Fiscal Year 1977 Expenditures	Percent Increase or (Decrease)
Total .....	\$122,144,600	\$134,006,892	9.7
Inpatient Hospital .....	30,341,658	35,061,884	15.6
Outpatient Hospital .....	3,434,604	3,953,633	15.1
Laboratory & X-Ray .....	164,022	216,160	31.8
Skilled Nursing Home .....	31,638,112	37,139,939	17.4
Physicians .....	15,785,818	15,921,120	0.9
EPSDT .....	2,580,477	3,228,023	25.1
Home Health .....	169,408	256,554	51.4
Emergency Ambulance .....	218,296	295,066	35.2
Prescribed Drugs .....	23,947,736	18,946,135	(20.9)
Dental Care .....	1,255,117	1,200,905	(4.3)
Eyeglasses .....	28,273	33,214	17.5
Intermediate Care Facility .....	4,999,959	8,558,082	71.2
Family Planning .....	711,575	931,702	30.9
Buy-In, Part B Medicare .....	6,869,545	8,264,475	20.3

TABLE 10

EXPENDITURES FOR MEDICAL SERVICES BY TYPE OF SERVICE,  
NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS FOR EACH SERVICE, AND  
AVERAGE SPENT PER RECIPIENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Type of Service	Total Expenditures	Number of Recipients	Average Spent per Recipient
Total .....	\$134,006,892	289,729	\$462.52
Inpatient Hospital .....	35,061,884	59,135	592.91
Outpatient Hospital .....	3,953,633	91,909	43.02
Laboratory & X-Ray .....	216,160	14,495	14.91
Skilled Nursing Home .....	37,139,939	9,080	4,090.30
Physicians .....	15,921,120	240,512	66.20
EPSDT 1 .....	3,228,023	53,177	60.70
Home Health .....	256,554	1,805	142.14
Emergency Ambulance 2 .....	295,066	4,253	69.38
Prescribed Drugs .....	18,946,135	238,704	79.37
Dental Care .....	1,200,905	40,558	29.61
Eyeglasses .....	33,214	477	69.63
Intermediate Care Facility .....	8,558,082	2,325	3,680.90
Family Planning .....	931,702	24,122	38.62
Buy-In, Part B Medicare (a) 3 .....	7,038,922	81,469	86.40
Buy-In, Part B Medicare (b) 4 .....	1,225,553	17,364	84.25

1 Only persons under 21 years of age are eligible.

2 Number of Ambulance Services paid claims, not number of recipients.

3 Average number of monthly Buy-In premiums paid.

4 total number of Fiscal 1977 Accretions with back premium charges.

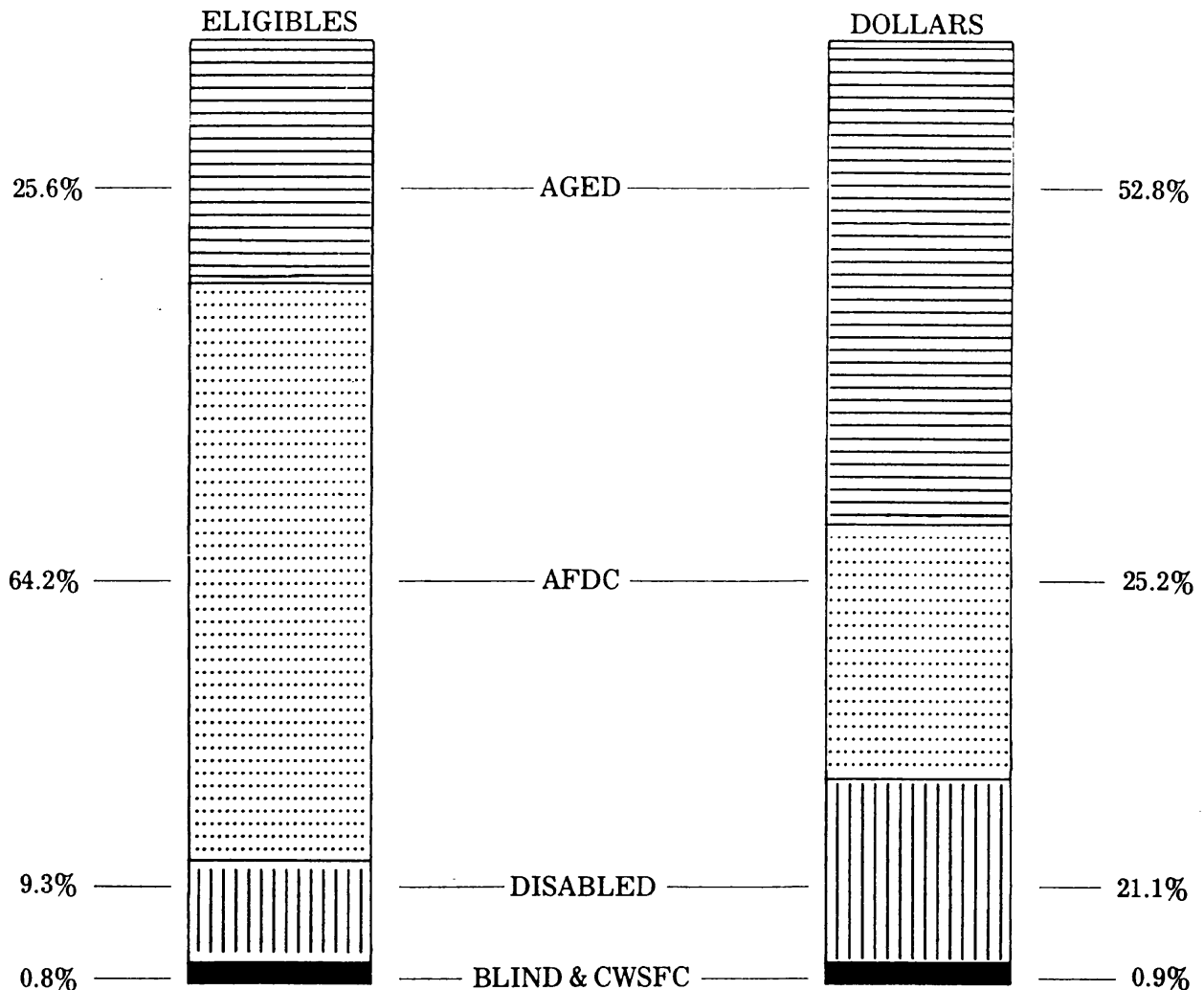


EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM CATEGORY OF ELIGIBILITY

More than half of the total expenditures for medical services in Fiscal Year 1977 was spent for the Aged Category. While only 25.6 percent of the persons eligible were in the Aged Category, the expenditures for these persons amounted to 52.8 percent of the total. Almost \$50 million were paid for nursing care and drugs, approximately \$8 million for Buy-In, Part B premiums, and another \$5 million for physician's services for the Medicaid elderly persons. All program categories increased in both total expenditures and the average cost per eligible person during Fiscal 1977.

A comparison of the expenditures of each program category is presented graphically in Chart 3. In Table 11, these amounts are shown with the average cost per eligible. Table 12 lists the medical services expenditures which exceeded one million dollars in the year. EPSDT benefits are only provided for individuals through age 20; and Buy-In, Part B premiums are paid only for those eligible persons age 65 or over or for those individuals who have been disabled for 24 consecutive months.

CHART 3



MISSISSIPPI MEDICAID COMMISSION  
 PERSONS ELIGIBLE AND DOLLARS SPENT BY PROGRAM CATEGORY  
 FISCAL YEAR 1977

TABLE 11

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR MEDICAL SERVICES, TOTAL NUMBER  
OF ELIGIBLES, AVERAGE SPENT PER ELIGIBLE, AND PERCENTAGE  
BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Program Category	Expenditures	Percent of Total	Total No. of Eligibles	Percent of Total	Average Per Eligible
Total .....	\$134,006,892	100.0	360,700	99.9*	\$371.52
Aged .....	70,748,302	52.8	92,459	25.6	765.19
Blind .....	989,826	0.7	1,918	0.5	516.07
Disabled .....	28,247,183	21.1	33,454	9.3	844.36
AFDC Children .....	19,258,715	14.4	179,367	49.7	107.37
AFDC Adults .....	14,542,652	10.8	52,294	14.5	2-78.09
CWS Foster Care .....	220,214	0.2	1,208	0.3	182.30

\*Total not 100 percent due to rounding.

TABLE 12

EXPENDITURES FOR MAJOR MEDICAL SERVICES  
BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Type of Service	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	AFDC Children	AFDC Adults	CWS Foster Care
Inpatient Hospital...	\$35,061,884	\$7,082,501	\$385,681	\$12,499,562	\$7,720,627	\$7,257,809	\$115,704
Outpatient Hospital	3,953,633	879,013	28,764	976,376	1,250,672	806,586	12,222
Skilled Nsg. Home ..	37,139,939	33,119,150	165,780	3,474,800	355,430	24,212	567
Physicians .....	15,921,120	5,131,428	141,290	3,347,024	3,984,838	3,284,850	31,690
EPSDT .....	3,228,023				3,195,369		32,654
Prescribed Drugs...	18,946,135	10,943,014	164,399	4,169,769	1,613,666	2,045,259	10,028
Dental Care .....	1,200,905	208,611	9,689	170,907	455,432	354,365	1,901
Intermediate Care ..	8,558,082	5,317,908	72,907	2,832,455	313,459	7,172	14,181
Buy-In, Part B .....	8,264,475	7,853,235		411,240			

PAYMENTS MADE TO PROVIDERS BY COUNTY

The total paid to providers of medical services is shown for each county in Table 13. The recipients served by the providers during Fiscal Year 1977 were not necessarily residents of that county, but the providers were. The county data given consists of the total number of providers within each county to whom payments for medical services were made; the total number of Medicaid persons served by those providers; and the total payments made to those providers.

TABLE 13

**TOTAL NUMBER OF MEDICAID PROVIDERS, NUMBER RECIPIENTS  
SERVED WITHIN COUNTY AND TOTAL PAYMENTS TO PROVIDERS  
BY COUNTY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977**

County	County Providers	Recipients Served	Total Payments
ADAMS	95	24,402	\$2,638,868.83
ALCORN	55	6,184	1,279,419.19
AMITE	11	2,387	113,810.08
ATTALA	25	5,536	1,002,800.61
BENTON	2	80	6,202.38
BOLIVAR	78	42,624	3,600,490.78
CALHOUN	24	5,732	413,804.29
CARROLL	10	3,338	115,632.09
CHICKASAW	36	9,880	1,026,446.40
CHOCTAW	12	4,360	457,419.60
CLAIBORNE	12	5,502	255,313.35
CLARKE	16	6,274	670,093.78
CLAY	25	6,509	407,941.02
COAHOMA	63	24,088	1,696,158.66
COPIAH	33	14,143	906,437.79
COVINGTON	22	7,870	994,866.18
DESOTO	25	7,989	284,570.49
FORREST	176	29,057	4,609,591.60
FRANKLIN	17	4,265	617,337.70
GEORGE	22	4,536	624,936.76
GREENE	12	2,874	350,267.30
GRENADA	43	14,795	2,582,313.13
HANCOCK	24	4,486	511,324.15
HARRISON	214	25,907	3,173,324.70
HINDS	710	199,878	18,044,628.78
HOLMES	32	27,058	1,591,741.40
HUMPHREYS	20	16,553	\$1,086,369.19
ISSAQUENA	0	0	.00
ITAWAMBA	20	3,707	967,611.28
JACKSON	135	10,112	1,238,608.27
JASPER	24	9,974	<del>804,750.52</del>
JEFFERSON	18	7,911	522,618.76
JEFFERSON DAVIS	19	7,848	538,481.64
JONES	122	23,142	3,896,539.70

TABLE 13 (Concluded)

County	County Providers	Recipients Served	Total Payments
KEMPER	9	2,556	\$ 143,362.05
LAFAYETTE	61	6,488	2,320,234.99
LAMAR	18	4,911	321,648.41
LAUDERDALE	172	28,699	4,482,447.94
LAWRENCE	13	5,358	1,015,434.23
LEAKE	27	9,190	808,062.09
LEE	129	21,210	2,473,120.29
LEFLORE	70	31,958	3,454,493.97
LINCOLN	56	12,426	1,865,176.51
LOWNDES	71	11,303	1,352,575.72
MADISON	47	19,890	2,060,063.12
MARION	32	7,965	1,365,849.03
MARSHALL	31	14,622	1,398,865.83
MONROE	58	15,438	2,007,896.34
MONTGOMERY	22	9,897	1,168,920.51
NESHOBA	29	7,480	763,371.12
NEWTON	28	7,328	1,212,522.27
NOXUBEE	14	9,484	665,505.52
OKTIBBEHA	39	12,860	1,769,284.18
PANOLA	36	13,862	946,144.79
PEARLRIVER	43	11,464	1,638,921.26
PERRY	13	5,480	320,619.37
PIKE	74	24,103	2,600,818.54
PONTOTOC	22	5,896	622,464.68
PRENTISS	31	7,715	1,369,323.92
QUITMAN	12	7,656	288,311.94
RANKIN	46	5,288	1,152,235.28
SCOTT	29	8,571	1,030,160.12
SHARKEY	12	6,699	332,706.27
SIMPSON	37	9,106	1,823,892.12
SMITH	18	4,398	308,513.88
STONE	16	2,986	640,718.13
SUNFLOWER	42	17,894	1,678,468.90
TALLAHATCHIE	18	10,731	710,103.96
TATE	24	9,358	348,770.35
TIPPAH	26	10,104	1,497,676.50
TISHOMINGO	27	5,530	615,381.80
TUNICA	10	5,652	272,485.25
UNION	29	7,110	902,236.35
WALTHALL	22	9,009	1,248,173.26
WARREN	136	22,817	2,657,458.65
WASHINGTON	123	36,195	4,286,769.16
WAYNE	24	9,632	810,784.92
WEBSTER	13	5,147	583,762.08
WILKINSON	25	6,412	525,321.30
WINSTON	30	8,370	1,180,790.29
YALOBUSHA	20	3,895	452,927.13
YAZOO	25	13,003	1,610,053.82

PAYMENTS FOR RECIPIENTS BY COUNTY OF RESIDENCE

Table 14 gives the recipient count and the amount expended on their behalf. Recipients are listed by the county of residence and are unduplicated only within each county, not within the State. Medicaid recipients who resided in more than one county during the year are therefore included more than one time in the table.

TABLE 14

NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS BY COUNTY OF RESIDENCE AND AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES ON THEIR BEHALF FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

County	Recipients	Expenditures	County	Recipients	Expenditures
			Leflore	8,217	<b>\$3,065,689.62</b>
Adams	5,986	\$2,397,062.06	Lincoln	3,297	1,992,133.30
Alcorn	2,682	1,544,513.88	Lowndes	5,175	1,606,375.16
Amite	1,492	384,882.61	Madison	6,803	2,561,935.55
Attala	2,532	1,070,189.69	Marion	3,083	1,653,767.68
Benton	1,210	378,789.18	Marshall	5,198	<b>1,682,262.56</b>
Bolivar	10,833	3,392,949.41	Monroe	3,954	1,895,875.74
Calhoun	1,888	648,917.91	Montgomery	3,101	1,275,414.23
Carroll	1,628	537,098.73	Neshoba	2,599	1,431,183.39
Chickasaw	2,422	1,036,861.60	Newton	2,194	1,211,156.64
Choctaw	1,615	675,725.95	Noxubee	2,835	689,150.75
Claiborne	2,017	445,345.66	Oktibbeha	4,227	1,573,057.34
Clarke	2,316	923,867.58	Panola	4,484	1,323,486.47
Clay	2,821	717,479.13	Pearl River	3,380	1,809,662.03
Coahoma	8,164	2,166,496.88	Perry	1,561	618,351.57
Copiah	4,173	1,424,750.78	Pike	5,403	2,524,310.03
Covington	2,356	1,138,318.59	Pontotoc	2,076	881,333.80
DeSoto	3,125	716,282.75	Prentiss	2,308	1,282,310.69
<b>Forrest</b>	4,765	3,087,054.15	Quitman	2,274	536,361.26
Franklin	1,221	659,635.71	Rankin	2,029	1,404,880.99
George	1,087	615,058.91	Scott	2,690	1,211,453.81
Greene	1,176	507,651.70	Sharkey	2,140	547,419.89
Grenada	3,250	1,975,912.34	Simpson	2,585	1,942,158.89
Hancock	1,544	696,313.96	Smith	1,626	640,569.26
Harrison	7,755	3,507,834.49	<b>Stone</b>	898	594,060.45
Hinds	28,323	10,806,048.82	Sunflower	6,426	2,051,016.44
-Holmes	8,010	2,008,901.65	Tallahatchie	4,020	1,083,980.22
Humphreys	3,933	1,039,639.15	Tate	3,165	800,069.17
Issaquena	497	176,892.85		2,332	1,298,463.10
ItawamKa	<b>1,833</b>	<b>1,013,022.88</b>	Tishomingo	1,402	600,323.23
Jackson	3,325	1,373,398.21	Tunica	2,563	435,614.70
Jasper	2,484	970,025.95	Llunion	2,112	1,172,788.84
Jefferson	2,712	787,850.31	Walthall	2,715	1,392,612.07
Jeff Davis	<b>2,680</b>	1,041,576.14	Warren	5,437	<b>2,403,944.05</b>
Jones	5,556	3,744,594.71	Washington	11,051	4,098,773.23
Kemper	1,135	332,752.18	-W• me	2,960	1,053,403.05
Lafayette	2,075	1,343,565.19	Webster	1,368	726,695.63
Lamar	1,883	831,154.76	Wilkinson	2,152	659,275.67
Lauderdale	7,106	4,042,683.30	<b>W• fi• ton</b>	3,129	1,344,191.34
Lawrence	1,790	911,853.82	Yalobusha	1,881	834,031.29
Leake	2,816	1,154,380.63	Yazoo	5,150	<b>2,035,707.26</b>
Lee	4,001	2,001,245.44			

PAYMENTS MADE TO STATE HEALTH AGENCIES AND INSTITUTIONS

State health agencies and institutions received \$11,218,869 for services provided to Medicaid recipients during Fiscal Year 1977. This was an increase of approximately 17.5 percent over m previous fiscal year.

The University Medical Center received 53.9 percent of the total paid State institutions. The major part of the \$6,047,850 paid to the Medical Center was for hospital services, accounting for \$5,973,566. The balance of \$74,282 was paid for medicine prescribed for Medicaid patients treated in the outpatient clinic.

The Mississippi State Board of Health, through its county offices, contributed greatly to three Medicaid services: Family Planning, Home Health, and Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment. Payments for services provided amounted to \$1,605,054.

The Medicaid staff worked closely with all State health agencies toward reaching the objectives of fiscal coordination intended under the Medical Assistance Act. The amounts paid to individual agencies and institutions are shown in Table 15.

TABLE 15

AMOUNT OF MEDICAID PAYMENTS MADE TO STATE HEALTH AGENCIES AND INSTITUTIONS BY SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Name of Agency or Institution	Total Amount of Payment	From Federal Funds	From State Funds
Total .....	\$11,218,869	\$8,782,131	\$2,436,738
East Miss. State Nursing Home .....	1,241,610	971,932	269,678
Ellisville State School .....	1,127,483	882,594	244,889
Kuhn Memorial Hospital .....	231,866	181,505	50,361
Matty Hersee Hospital .....	334,049	261,494	72,555
Miss. Crippled Children's Center .....	84,886	66,449	18,437
Mississippi State Sanatorium .....	62,752	49,122	13,630
Natchez Charity Hospital .....	91,101	71,314	19,787
North Miss. Retardation Center .....	198,719	155,557	43,162
South Mississippi State Hospital .....	193,499	151,471	42,028
State Board of Health .....	1,605,054	1,256,436	348,618
University Medical Center .....	6,047,850	4,734,257	1,313,593

SERVICES

PHYSICIANS' SERVICES

During Fiscal Year 1977, a total of 2,771 physicians participated in the Medicaid Program. This included 1,961 Mississippi Physicians and 810 out-of-state physicians. The largest specialty group was the Family Physician with almost half of the total number. Medical services rendered or ordered by all participating physicians for Medicaid recipients included:

- 366,630 laboratory procedures
- 245,781 injections
- 84,577 radiology procedures
- 41,591 surgical procedures

More Medicaid persons, 240,512 individuals, were recipients of Physicians' Services than any other medical service. The over-all utilization rate decreased from 68.9 percent in Fiscal Year 1976 to 66.7 percent in Fiscal Year 1977. However, three categories, the Aged, Blind, and Disabled attained higher rates. The Aged increased from 76.3 percent to 79.1 percent; the Blind category rose to 75.0 percent from 71.7 percent; and the Disabled's rate reached 80.0 percent, a gain of 0.3 percent, and the highest rate attained in Physicians' Services. Table 16 shows the number of recipients and the utilization rates of the program categories for Fiscal Year 1977.

TABLE 16

**NUMBER OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE, NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS  
AND UTILIZATION RATES FOR PHYSICIANS' SERVICES  
BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977**

Program Category	Number of Eligibles	Number of Recipients	Utilization Rate
Total .....	360,700	240,512	66.7
Aged .....	92,459	73,181	79.1
Blind .....	1,918	1,438	75.0
Disabled .....	33,454	26,757	80.0
AFDC Children .....	179,367	101,283	56.5
AFDC Adults .....	52,294	37,211	71.2
CWS Foster Care .....	<b>1,208</b>	<b>642</b>	<b>:53.1</b>

During Fiscal 1977, \$15,921,120 were expended for Physicians' Services in addition to the \$8,264,475 paid for Part B Premiums under Medicare. Distribution by program categories shows the Aged category with 32.2 percent of the total expenditures. A large part of the \$5,131,428 in this group was for deductible and coinsurance payments under Part B of Medicare. The children in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children who received physicians' care accounted for one-fourth of the total money paid, but the 25.0 percent actually represents a decrease of 2.5 percentage points from Fiscal 1976. In Table 17, expenditures are shown for the program categories.

TABLE 17

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES WITH PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION  
FOR PHYSICIANS' SERVICES BY PROGRAM CATEGORY  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

program Category	Expenditures	Percent
Total .....	\$15,921,120	99.9*
Aged .....	5,131,428	32.2
Blind .....	141,290	0.9
Disabled .....	3,347,024	21.0
AFDC Children .....	3,984,838	25.0
AFDC Adults .....	3,284,850	20.6
CWS Foster Care .....	31,690	0.2

\*Total not 100.0 percent due to rounding

When the persons over 64 years of age who are caretaker relatives and covered under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) Category are added to those in the Aged Category, the expenditures for this age group represent 33.6 percent of the total. However, the largest amount expended, by age groups, was for the recipients ages 21-64. This adult group, composed of individuals in the Blind Category and the majority of the adult caretakers in the AFDC Category, accounted for 40.9 percent or \$6,513,869. Table 18 shows the amounts paid and the percentage distribution for the four age groups.

TABLE 18

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES WITH PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION  
FOR PHYSICIANS' SERVICES BY AGE GROUPS  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Age in Years	Expenditures	Percent
Total .....	\$15,921,120	100.0
Under 6 .....	1,218,589	7.7
<b>6- 20</b> .....	2,841,002	17.8
21 - 64 .....	6,513,869	40.9
Over 64 .....	5,347,660	33.6



There were slightly less than one million physicians' visits during Fiscal Year 1977. The average number of visits per recipient ranged from a low of 3.7 to a high of 10.3, while the average number per eligible ranged from 2.1 to 8.3 visits. In Table 19, the average number and the total number of visits for each Program Category are given. In Table 20, physician visits are shown by the place of visit.

TABLE 19

NUMBER OF PHYSICIANS' VISITS, AVERAGE NUMBER OF VISITS PER ELIGIBLE AND AVERAGE NUMBER OF VISITS PER RECIPIENT BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Program Category	Number of Physicians' Visits	Number of Eligibles	Average Visits per Eligible	Number of Recipients	Average Visits per Recipient
Blind	10,423	1,918	5.4	1,438	7.2
Disabled	276,847	33,454	8.3	26,757	10.3
AFDC Children	376,711	179,367	2.1	101,283	3.7
AFDC Adults	268,239	52,294	5.1	37,211	7.2
CWS Foster Care	2,530	1,208	2.1	642	3.9

1 Aged Category omitted since only coinsurance and deductibles are paid for the majority of visits made by persons in the Aged Category.

TABLE 20

TOTAL NUMBER OF PHYSICIANS VISITS BY PLACE OF VISIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Place of Visit	Number of Visits	Percent
Total	961,930	100.0
Physician's Office	720,715	74.9
Hospital Inpatient	205,302	21.3
Hospital Outpatient	28,578	3.0
Skilled Nursing Home	3,606	0.4
Recipient's Home	1,158	0.1
Intermediate Care Home	2,483	0.3
Elsewhere	88	*

\*Less than 0.05%

PRESCRIBED DRUGS

Medicaid eligible persons received 3,623,300 prescriptions during Fiscal Year 1977. This represents a decrease of 908,749 prescriptions or 20.1 percent from Fiscal Year 1976. The large decrease becomes even more significant with the simultaneous increase of 1,116 persons eligible to receive drug prescriptions in Mississippi. The \$0.50 co-payment for each prescription begun July 1, 1976 and continued throughout the year is considered the primary factor in the reduction.

Drug recipients numbered 238,704, representing a utilization rate of 66.2 percent. The average number of prescriptions per recipient was 15.2 and the average number of prescriptions per eligible was 10.0. Among the eligibility categories, the Aged Category had the highest utilization rate with 85.1 percent while the Disabled Category had the largest average number of prescriptions, 26.3 per recipient.

Tables 21 and 22 show the number of prescriptions and the average number of prescriptions per Medicaid eligible and drug recipient by program categories in Fiscal 1977.

TABLE 21

NUMBER OF PRESCRIPTIONS, NUMBER OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE, AND  
AVERAGE NUMBER PRESCRIPTIONS PER ELIGIBLE PERSON  
BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Program Category	Number of Prescriptions	Percent of Total	Number of Eligibles	Percent of Total	Average Rx per Eligible
Total .....	3,623,300	100.0	360,700	99.9*	10.0
Aged .....	2,019,728	55.7	92,459	25.6	21.8
<b>Blind</b> .....	30,990	0.9	1,918	0.5	16.2
Disabled .....	734,637	20.3	33,454	9.3	22.0
AFDC Children .....	428,323	11.8	179,367	49.7	2.4
AFDC Adults .....	407,122	11.2	52,294	14.5	7.8
CWS Foster Care .....	2,500	0.1	1,208	0.3	2.1

\*Total not 100 percent due to rounding

TABLE 22

NUMBER OF PRESCRIPTIONS, NUMBER OF DRUG RECIPIENTS AND  
AVERAGE NUMBER PRESCRIPTIONS PER DRUG RECIPIENT  
BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Program Category	Number of Prescriptions	Percent of Total	Number of Recipients	Percent of Total	Average Rx per Recipient
Total	3,623,300	100.0	238,704	100.0	15.2
Aged .....	2,019,728	55.7	78,688	33.0	25.7
<b>Blind</b> .....	30,990	0.9	1,457	0.6	21.3
Disabled .....	734,637	20.3	27,965	11.7	26.3
AFDC Children .....	428,323	11.8	93,330	39.1	4.6
AFDC Adults .....	407,122	11.2	36,720	15.4	11.1
CWS Foster Care .....	2,500	0.1	544	0.2	4.6

## NURSING FACILITIES SERVICES

Under the Skilled Nursing Home Services, 9,080 persons received care during Fiscal Year 1977. Persons receiving care who were 65 or older numbered 8,159 or 89.9 percent of all those served. In addition to the elderly, 30 blind persons, 816 disabled persons, 69 children and six adults in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Category received skilled nursing care. A total of 2,308,575 days of care was provided at a cost of \$37,139,939, which represents an average payment of \$16.09 per day. These payments do not include covered drugs, medical supplies or physicians' services which are paid for under other services.

Under the Intermediate Care Facility Services, 2,325 persons received care, including 1,538 persons age 65 or older. This older group represents 66.2 percent of those served, a drop of 15.2 percentage points from Fiscal Year 1976. The number of disabled persons served, however, jumped over 175 percent to a total of 711 persons from 258 persons. Other Medicaid recipients in intermediate care facilities during Fiscal 1977 were 14 blind persons, 59 children and three adults in the AFDC Adults Category. A total of 545,772 days of care was provided at a cost of \$8,558,082, which represents an average payment of \$15.68 per day. These payments, just as those of skilled nursing care, do not include drugs, medical supplies or physicians' services.

As of June 30, 1977, there were 110 skilled homes, 32 intermediate homes, and 11 out-of-state homes participating in the Medicaid Program. Prior authorization is required for admission as a Medicaid patient to any nursing home participating in the program. Each application is evaluated by a Medicaid staff physician who determines if the patient is in need of skilled or intermediate nursing home care.

Federal regulations require that Utilization Review be performed on all patients in skilled nursing homes. The Utilization Review Committee must review each patient at least once every 30 days for the first 90 days and then at least every 90 days thereafter. The Committee's purpose is to determine if the patient continues to need skilled nursing home care. If the patient does not continue to need the skilled level of care, other arrangements for the care of the patient must be made within 30 days as Medicaid payments must be discontinued.

Federal regulations also require that Independent Professional Review be performed on all patients in Intermediate Care Facilities. This review must be done at least once every six months. The purpose of the review is to determine if the patient continues to need the intermediate level of care and, if so, that the patient is actually receiving such care.

TABLE 23

### NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS AND NUMBER OF DAYS OF CARE FOR NURSING HOME FACILITIES BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Program Category	Skilled Nursing Homes		Intermediate Care Facilities Recipients	Days of Care
	Recipients	Days of Care		
Total .....	<b>9,080</b>	<b>2,308,575</b>	<b>2,325</b>	<b>545,772</b>
Aged .....	<b>8,159</b>	<b>2,072,204</b>	<b>1,538</b>	<b>367,565</b>
Blind .....	<b>30</b>	<b>8,892</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3,807</b>
Disabled .....	<b>816</b>	<b>207,333</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>158,898</b>
AFDC Children .....	<b>68</b>	<b>18,833</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>14,238</b>
AFDC Adults .....	<b>6</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>3</b>	
CWS Foster Care .....	<b>1</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>836</b>

## INPATIENT HOSPITAL, SERVICES

During Fiscal Year 1977, there were 47,558 hospital discharges with 286,968 days of inpatient hospital care covered by Medicaid. The average length of stay was 6.0 days, the same as in the previous year. For the relatively small number of persons covered in the Aged category who do not qualify for Part A of Medicare, Medicaid pays for their hospital services. Elderly recipients had the longest average length of stay for each period of hospitalization. Table 24 shows the number of recipients of Inpatient Hospital Services benefits with the number of discharges and days of care during Fiscal 1977. Those persons who do not have hospital coverage under Part A of Medicare are not included in the table. Medicaid paid their hospital deductible charges which amounted to \$3,353,331 during the fiscal year.

A total of 190 hospitals participated in the Medicaid Program including 120 Mississippi hospitals and 70 out-of-state hospitals.

TABLE 24

### NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS, NUMBER OF DISCHARGES, TOTAL DAYS OF CARE AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY FOR MEDICAID RECIPIENTS BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977

Program Category	Number of Recipients*	Number of Discharges	Days of Care	Avg. Length of Stay
Total .....	33,226	47,558	286,968	6.0
Aged .....	2,409	3,973	34,675	8.7
<b>Blind</b> .....	318	495	3,469	7.0
Disabled .....	7,657	13,531	111,735	8.3
AFDC Children .....	12,832	15,610	68,791	4.4
AFDC Adults .....	9,880	13,799	67,340	4.9
CWS Foster Care .....	130	150	958	6.4

\*Not included are Medicaid recipients covered under Part A of Medicare

## OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES

A total of 149,432 outpatient hospital visits was provided to 91,909 recipients during Fiscal Year 1977. The average of 1.6 visits per out patient recipient shows no change from the average number in Fiscal 1976, and the utilization rate of 25.5 percent shows only a small 0.1 percent decrease. However, expenditures for Outpatient Hospital Services rose from \$3,434,604 in Fiscal 1976 to \$3,953,633 in Fiscal 1977, representing a 15.1 percent increase.

Outpatient visits were made to 182 different hospitals, 118 in-state and 64 out-of-state during the fiscal year.

## DENTAL SERVICES

Limited dental care was provided to 40,558 persons during Fiscal Year 1977 with expenditures amounting to \$1,200,905. A total of 158,459 procedures (mainly extractions) was provided at an average cost of \$7.58 per procedure. This represents an increase of 4.8 percent over last year's cost per procedure but a decrease of 4.3 percent from last year's total dental expenditures.

A total of 405 in-state dentists and 13 out-of-state dentists participated in the program during the fiscal year. In addition to the limited dental care provided under Dental Services, approximately 28,000 children were provided supplemental dental care under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Services.

## EARLY AND PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT SERVICES

The State Board of Health, in cooperation with local health departments, screens children eligible for Medicaid. Those children requiring follow-up services are referred to an appropriate facility or practitioner for diagnosis and treatment.

During Fiscal Year 1977, a total of 54,554 children received screening services. Among those screened, 49,918 children, or 91.5 percent, were found to have at least one abnormal condition, and 12,543 children, or 23 percent, were found to have never had a physical examination before. Such significant figures pointedly illustrate the merits of the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Services for the children of Mississippi.

Among the abnormal conditions uncovered, the most frequent finding was multiple dental caries with 62.3 percent of the children needing dental treatment, almost 18 percent of the recipients were anemic, 14.7 percent had vision problems, nine percent had enlarged or infected tonsils, five percent had impetigo or other skin problems, and 11 percent had abnormal ear conditions. The most frequent chronic conditions found were ear infections or other ear troubles, colds, chest colds, bronchitis, worms and urinary tract disorders. Follow-up is routinely done monthly by personnel of the local health and welfare departments, using computer printouts derived from claims payment information.

Supplemental services cover eyeglasses, hearing aids and dental care for all Medicaid screened children. Under the provision of these supplemental services, approximately 28,000 children received restorative dental treatment, slightly more than 8,000 children received eyeglasses, and more than 100 children received hearing aids during the year. Expenditures for the three supplemental EPSDT Services totaled \$2,214,955, an increase of 35.1 percent over the previous fiscal year.

## FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES

Expenditures for Family Planning Services amounted to \$931,702 in Fiscal Year 1977 with the Federal government paying 90 percent and Mississippi paying 10 percent of the total. Payments were made to private physicians, pharmacies, and family planning clinics located throughout the state. A total of 24,122 different persons received family planning services during the year, 15,807 persons receiving medical care and 15,854 persons receiving family planning drugs.

APPENDIX

Section 43-13-127 of the Mississippi Code 1972 requires a listing of hospitals and nursing homes to whom payments in excess of \$25,000 were made, and all other providers to whom payments in excess of \$10,000 were made. The following is a list of the providers receiving in excess of the specified amounts for Fiscal Year 1977:

ADAMS COUNTY

Glenburney Nursing Home	519,623.44
Jefferson Davis Memorial	430,681.50
Natchez Comm. Hospital	349,979.07
Trace Haven Nursing Home	269,521.50
George J. Camatsos, M.D	126,250.90
Natchez Charity Hosp. Em g	91,100.93
Gilbert Rexall Drug Store	83,777.73
Judson Lloyd, M.D	44,639.74
E. J. Flechas, M.D	44,534.76
Natchez Super Drugs No. 2	39,540.20
Wilson Drug Store	39,214.02
Pickle Rexall Drug Store	38,944.05
Lessleys Pharmacy Inc	38,185.86
J. W. Iles, M.D	30,668.53
Benny A. Wright, D.D.S	27,299.50
Dempsey T. Amacker, M.D	24,269.29
G. Swink Hicks, M.D	23,922.46
Morgantown Pharmacy	21,122.56
Haneys Drugs	20,722.25
W. W. Pearson, M.D	20,479.95
Homer A. Whittington, M.D	19,575.00
Medical Arts Pharmacy	19,348.86
Howard Medi Save Pharmacy	16,095.21
Louis C. Lehmann, M.D	15,994.20
Charles B. Gross, D.D.S	15,126.00
D. H. Mutziger, M.D	15,072.12
Orrick Metcalfe Jr., M.D	13,419.74
Mable T. Garner, M.D	12,483.71
Paul A. Doherty, O.D	12,210.00
Justin B. Loe, M.D	11,661.03
T. L. Purvis Jr., M.D	11,263.74

ALCORN COUNTY

Care Inn Corinth	513,426.19
Magnolia Hospital	244,416.85
Whitfield Nursing Home	206,484.57
Wilson Drug Company	59,377.79
Whitfield Pharmacy	33,706.40
Magnolia Pharmacy	23,870.70
C. Spencer Lee, D.D.S	20,679.05
Smith Drug Company	17,517.74

Rieger Gibson Pharmacy	15,766.64
Connors Drug Store	15,294.78
Robertson Drug Co	12,910.88
James Bennett Apothecary	12,720.72
Norman A. Garrison, M.D	11,397.33

AMITE COUNTY

Liberty Drug Store	41,012.26
Albert R. Lee, M.D	20,265.08
Nick V. Musso Jr., D.M.D	17,094.00
P and S Pharmacy Inc	14,220.82

ATTALACOUNTY

Attala Co. Nsg. Ctr	616,309.03
Montfort Jones Mem. Hosp	132,342.95
Pickles Drug Store	47,640.32
Sullivan's Discount Drugs	42,723.61
Boyd's Drug Store Inc	27,942.97
John Moody Burge Jr., D.D.S	22,589.00
James D. Neaves, D.D.S	18,201.00
City Drug Store	13,509.28

BOLIVAR COUNTY

Bolivar County Hospital	674,560.40
Shelby Drug Company	467,535.25
Care Inn Cleveland	402,251.06
Oak Grove Retirement Home	279,506.68
J. E. Warrington, M.D	159,264.09
Robert C. Tibbs II, M.D	135,962.10
Shelby Community Hospital	125,842.95
Richard Waller, M.D	121,304.50
Haire Drug Center	121,075.06
Buckley Pharmacy	119,179.13
Bolivar County Hosp. S.N.F	113,145.64
Medical Arts Pharmacy	61,513.86
Gene L. Coopwood, D.D.S	52,496.60
Robert Hollingsworth, M.D	48,533.39
Donald J. Blackwood, M.D	47,190.90
John T. Milam, M.D	44,533.83
R. T. Hollingsworth, M.D	42,732.19
Paul Warrington, M.D	41,219.75

\*This payment represents reimbursement for drugs dispensed.

Delta Drug Store	38,268.66
Mound Bayou Comm. Hospital	37,744.29
Eugene E. Tibbs, M.D	36,667.33
Arthur W. Lindsey, Jr., M.D	34,187.10
Simmons Drug Co. Inc	32,212.68
Lewis Drug Store	31,719.27
J. G. Peeler Jr., M.D	29,039.96
Carl H. Barbour, D.D.S	24,333.00
James G. Adams, M.D	23,928.52
Samuel D. Austin, M.D	17,949.69
Delta Com. Health Ctr. Phar	14,978.08
George W. Green, M.D	13,490.34
John T. Gibson, D.D.S	13,276.00
Family Medical Clinic	13,243.67
G. W. Green, M.D	13,096.78
James R. Taylor, D.M.D	12,242.00
P. Patel, M.D	10,072.14
Delta Health Ctr	10,047.98

CALHOUN COUNTY

Hillcrest Hospital	97,062.96
Calhoun County Hospital	94,211.20
Charles H. Crocker, M.D	28,626.17
Plunks Pharmacy	23,304.46
Guy Farmer, M.D	22,816.56
Crockers Pharmacy	20,350.91
Peoples Drug Store	17,814.91
Bruce Drug Store..	17,180.64
Chandler Drug Company	17,099.39
G and S Pharmacy	16,344.10
Lester D. Webb, M.D	13,999.40
Thomas P. Waits, D.D.S	13,517.00
City Discount Drugs	11,793.92
B. L. Hammack, M.D	10,394.32

CARROLL COUNTY

Montgomery Drugs	33,970.75
Vaiden Drugs	26,223.50
David Meadows, M.D	16,342.55
Millard S. Costilow, M.D	14,321.07

CHICKASAW COUNTY

Houston Hospital Inc	274,736.46
Shearer Richardson S.N.F	267,624.10
Okolona Comm. Hosp	83,035.70
Flog Dyer E.C.F	40,677.50
Houston Drug Company	38,187.08
John D. Dyer, M.D	37,829.58
Estes Walgreen Drg	35,873.64
Stewart-Harris Inc	30,328.41
Joseph H. Shoemaker, M.D	27,800.26
Houses Pharmacy	21,692.80
E. K. Gore, M.D	20,137.14
Okolona Drug Company	17,444.59

John E. Harris, M.D	14,840.27
Youngs Pharmacy	14,275.69
Joe Carter Nichols	10,389.30
John E. Powell, M.D	10,326.32
Charles Secreste, M.D	10,095.18

CHOCTAW COUNTY

Choctaw County Nsg. Home	174,520.74
Choctaw County Hospital	72,786.02
Moore Drug Company	49,347.61
Edward Pennington, M.D	41,451.33
Crowder Drug Store	41,432.06
William B. O'Kelly, M.D	27,622.94
George Bounds, M.D	16,862.39
Hodges Pharmacy	15,117.65
James B. Bryant, D.D.S	11,052.00

CLAIBORNE COUNTY

Claiborne County Hospital	80,934.41
Roy M. Barnes, M.D	63,410.36
Savrite Drugs Port Gibson	44,936.26
McDaniel Pharmacy	29,310.02
E. L. McAmis, M.D	11,017.22
David M. Segrest, M.D	10,519.08
McFatters Drug Store	10,254.23

CLARKE COUNTY

Archusa Convalescent Ctr	234,390.87
Watkins Mem. Hosp	175,788.75
H. J. Fletcher Hammack, Dgst	59,314.12
Crumbley Drug Store	47,599.40
Quitman Drugs	45,882.72
James C. Graham, M.D	28,195.60
Walter D. Gunn, M.D	24,672.70
Samuel Marcus Allen, M.D	14,057.01
John W. Watkins, M.D	11,223.48
Main Drug Store	10,182.63

CLAY COUNTY

Ivy Memorial Hospital	175,488.68
Rose Drug Company Inc	60,550.00
Robert T. Lott, M.D	37,459.03
J. W. McFadden Jr., M.D	34,833.81
Charles J. Nail, D.D.S	19,547.00
Plaza Drug Company	15,640.69
Gibson Pharmacy	15,360.41
Leonard G. Beckham, D.D.S	12,751.00

COAHOMA COUNTY

N. W. Miss. Regional Med. Ctr	786,091.66
Greenbough Nursing Home	191,351.67
Julius L. Levy, M.D	77,062.64
Haggard Drug Store Inc	59,851.66
R. Ted Roberts, D.D.S	58,164.00
Williams Rexall Drugs	38,639.46

Henderson Rexall Drugs	38,237.17
Economy Dgs. of Clarksdale	33,608.68
Henry A. McCrory, M.D	25,399.20
Donald R. Ellis, M.D	25,203.20
W. F. Clark, M.D	25,100.14
Glen L. Wegener, M.D	24,157.70
Frank T. Marascalco, M.D	23,830.15
George C. Furr, M.D	22,707.01
Van R. Burnham, M.D	19,280.37
Melvin Ehrich, M.D	16,574.60
William T. Robinson, M.D	16,061.03
W. Dean Chow, D.D.S	15,940.00
Medi Save Pharmacy	13,527.47
Rodney W. Baine, M.D	12,487.25
McGee Taylor Medical Clinic	12,437.94
William B. Bobo, M.D	11,563.10
Claude Montgomery Jr., D.D.S	11,454.00
Edwin M. Hemness, M.D	11,430.11
Whitman B. Johnson, M.D	10,133.06

COPIAH COUNTY

Pine Crest Care Ctr	189,838.61
Hardy Wilson Mem. Hosp	158,584.17
Allreds Pharmacy	88,281.01
Biggs Drug Store Inc	58,554.50
Robert M. Akin, M.D	55,930.76
Super D//123	41,754.14
Hazle Drug Store	32,055.78
City Drug Store, Hazlehurst	30,704.83
James R. Stingiley, M.D	28,702.01
City Drug Store, Crystal Springs	28,269.02
Lamar Puryear, M.D	21,938.93
William M. Dabney, M.D	21,502.25
Jerry B. Gullede, M.D	20,751.50
Economy Drug Co	16,207.90
Miss. Discount Drugs Inc	14,820.77
L.D. Turner, M.D	13,748.14
John H. Long, M.D	13,593.79
Thomas F. McDonnell, M.D	13,380.62
Buy Lo Drugs Inc	13,171.47
Loren D. Breland, M.D	12,751.60
Peter B. Perkins, D.D.S	10,091.00

COVINGTON COUNTY

Woodland Hills Nsg. Home	337,511.90
Covington Co. Hospital	297,546.18
C & C Drugs Inc	48,917.39
Carrs Discount Drugs	47,894.36
Clayton Drug Store, Inc	33,700.69
Cranfords Drug Store	28,893.20
Powell Drug Store	28,107.49
Harlan B. Rogers, D.D.S	27,463.00
Joseph E. Johnston, M.D	27,335.58
Weston E. Folse, M.D	23,736.65
Charles C. Tyler, P.A	19,484.06

Charles P. Crenshaw Jr., M.D	17,453.46
Whites Discount Drugs	17,026.05
Billy J. Mayfield, D.D.S	10,760.00

DESOTO COUNTY

Funderburks Drugs	52,788.95
Hernando Pharmacy	46,718.40
Robert B. Seymour, D.D.S	37,985.00
Wadsworth Clinic P.A	31,183.38
Malcom D. Baxter, M.D	18,773.16
Hoovers Drug Store	16,584.07
Hamilton Pharmacy	15,170.57
Henry M. Wadsworth Jr., M.D	14,698.22
Henry M. Wadsworth Sr., M.D	13,092.33

FORREST COUNTY

Forrest County General	795,663.71
Conva Rest, Hattiesburg	705,594.74
Happy Acres Conv. Home Inc	507,023.15
Hattiesburg Conv. Center	453,651.18
Green Forest Cony. Home	384,792.95
Methodist Hospital	383,763.58
Conva Rest, Petal	149,754.96
Hattiesburg Clinic P.A	86,100.16
Golden Age Rest Home, Petal	70,371.19
Conva Rest Pharmacy	64,243.95
Mullican Pharmacy	63,877.39
John H. James, M.D	54,571.74
Gambles Drugs Inc	45,341.26
Dan Reikes, M.D	38,213.33
Bennett Van York, D.D.S	36,152.88
Love Drug Company Inc	34,130.36
Regional Home Health AG	32,347.00
Hub City Pharmacy Inc	32,153.70
Billy L. James, M.D	24,263.06
South Ms. Home H. Rehab. Ag	23,944.37
Path Lab Ltd	22,149.43
Gibsons Pharmacy	19,439.28
Standard Drug Store	18,566.63
Phillip W. Roger, M.D	16,522.32
Petal Drug Company	14,458.19
Gibson Pharmacy #3	14,326.32
Grover W. Smith, D.D.S	13,962.00
Ronald R. Lubritz, M.D	13,712.84
Hattiesburg Clin. Lab. P.A	13,622.31
Frank E. Jones, M.D	13,539.67
Ralph T. Wicker, M.D	13,155.08
Charles E. Greer, D.D.S	12,707.00
Paul Charbonneau, D.D.S	12,508.50
Fairview Pharmacy	11,707.85
Marcus L. Hogan III, M.D	11,404.72
James E. Spence, M.D	11,290.17
Home Health Care of Ms	11,047.00
Smith Drug Co	10,734.55
John L. Pendergrass, M.D	10,650.50
David M. Owen, M.D	10,568.54



FRANKLIN COUNTY

Myrick Meadville Nsg. Home	331,049.71
Franklin Co. Hospital	103,428.69
Peoples Drug Store	43,760.63
Meadville Rexall Drugs	28,088.43
Dillon & Smith Pharmacy	21,873.94
W.B.Larkin Jr., M.D	19,185.98
Bude Clinic	17,260.31
Elmo Gabbert, M.D	12,379.39
Super Save Drugs	11,085.42

GEORGE COUNTY

Glen Oaks Nsg. Home	331,130.71
George County Hospital	102,123.09
Als Pharmacy	44,100.07
The Main Drug Company	40,080.39
Hospital Rexall Pharmacy	20,566.16
Herbert P. Kinsey, M.D	11,353.30

GREENE COUNTY

Greene Co. Hosp. S.N.F	147,301.20
Greene County Hospital	74,316.74
McLain Drug Store	31,031.78
Dietz Drug Store	26,854.15
George W. Howell, M.D	21,538.23
Hodges Pharmacy	16,015.61
Gilberto Pationo, M.D	15,189.95

GRENADA COUNTY

North Ms.Retirement Home	761,376.94
Care Inn Grenada	685,006.20
Grenada County Hospital	504,264.89
D. L.Harrison Jr., M.D	59,905.01
E. S.Richardson D.D.S	54,920.00
Marascalcos Save More Drugs	52,471.87
Chaney's Rexall	46,312.39
Dyres Prescription Shop	44,130.11
Thomas S. Glasgow, M.D	44,098.99
Brister Pharmacy	40,432.89
McClure Drug Company	40,370.99
Dyre Kent Drug Co	35,629.72
Robert B. Townes Jr., M.D	31,823.38
Gaines L. Cooke, M.D	19,723.06
Guy R. Braswell, M.D	17,683.61
Kanwall Maniktahla, M.D	15,628.61
William B. Hunt, M.D	15,279.10
Mick C. Campbell, M.D	11,263.91
Gibson Pharm. Grenada Inc	11,242.32
Winfred E. Brown, M.D	10,890.72

HANCOCK COUNTY

Gulf View Haven Inc	243,358.69
Hancock General Hospital	111,478.57

Quality Drugs Inc	33,828.50
Gulf Thrifty Drugs Inc	24,849.43
Nick G. Elchos, D.D.S	14,868.00
Helen G.McGehee, M.D	14,761.36
William E. Calvert, M.D	14,354.57
S.A. Chevis, M.D	11,044.96
Oscar J. Briseno, M.D	10,411.47

HARRISON COUNTY

Memorial Hospital	781,786.41
Miramar Lodge Nsg. Home	468,656.11
Howard Memorial Hospital	324,913.23
Driftwood Nursing Center	273,132.69
Dixie Whitehouse Nsg. Home	255,764.90
Garden Park Comm. Hospital	143,887.69
French Drug Co. Inc	65,907.35
Oak Place Pharmacy Inc	42,706.59
T-D Drugs Inc	39,693.92
Gulf Coast Community Hosp	31,464.47
Joseph R. Mitchell, M.D	25,496.65
J. O. Tate, D.D.S	23,018.00
Fred H. Walker, M.D	22,558.07
Emi Yamashiro, M.D	22,259.50
Felix H. Dunn, M.D	21,744.56
Kimbrough Quint Drug Co	18,799.11
Gerald W.Segraves, D.D.S	18,109.00
Broad Avenue Pharmacy	17,745.44
Taylor Harris Drug Store	16,894.89
Day Drug Company Inc	16,322.83
Robert J. Schmidt, M.D	15,604.58
Daniel D. Conwill, D.D.S	14,411.50
A. K. Martinolich, M.D	13,028.85
John W. Godsey, M.D., P.A	12,519.96
R. A. Mitchell, M.D	11,629.06
Katz and Besthoff #7	11,137.24
Economy Drugs	10,939.14
Prices Pharmacy	10,863.35
Robert A. Little, M.D	10,305.44

HINDS COUNTY

University Hospital	5,973,566.00
State Board of Health	1,605,054.00
Ms.Baptist Medical Ctr	1,070,649.37
Hinds General Hospital	1,042,197.14
Saint Dominic Mem. Hosp	854,046.32
Care Inn Clinton	658,473.46
Clinton Country Manor	568,836.84
Miss.Nursing Home Inc	419,682.31
Inglewood Manor Nsg. Home	399,945.47
Lakeland Nursing Center	379,406.97
Ms. Methodist H. & Rehab Ctr	379,002.29
Carters Guest Home Inc	274,779.49
Whispering Pines Nsg. Home	232,234.70
Beech Haven Rest Home Inc	165,795.85
Magnolia Home for Conv	157,474.64

Cottage Grove Rest Home .....153,378.86  
 Crawford Nursing Home .....148,388.00  
 Compere S. Nursing Home .....144,451.81  
 Jackson-Hinds Health Cntr .....109,053.56  
 Ms. Crippled Childrens Ctr ..... 84,885.97  
 Main Drug Store Inc .....81,075.97  
 Southwest Drugs No. 20 .....75,730.28  
 University Hosp. Pharmacy .....74,283.60  
 Metro MedicAmbulance Ser .....64,427.48  
 Raymond Drug Store .....52,002.36  
 Womens Hospital .....49,386.73  
 Kidney Care Inc .....48,769.50  
 Robert Smith, M.D .....47,999.53  
 Southwest Drug Co. Inc .....47,942.80  
 T.P. Discount Pharmacy .....44,731.03  
 Southwest Drug Co. Inc .....44,242.21  
 Howard Medi Save Pharmacy .....43,174.35  
 C. J. Moran Jr., M.D .....34,580.40  
 Delors E. Magee Jr., M.D .....33,078.32  
 Albert B. Britton Jr., M.D .....31,304.21  
 Terry Discount Drugs .....30,939.38  
 Carrol F. Landrum, M.D .....28,448.70  
 Jackson Hinds Health Cntr., Utica .....27,947.81  
 Davidson Pharmacy .....27,934.32  
 Helen B. Barnes, M.D .....26,397.40  
 Baldwin Ambulance Service .....26,358.59  
 Thrifty Drug Store #1 .....25,239.24  
 Thomas S. McCay, M.D .....25,022.49  
 Thomas A. Baines, M.D .....24,257.08  
 Edwards Pharmacy .....23,858.03  
 Starkey Lee Hudson, M.D .....23,400.64  
 John Elton Rawson, M.D .....23,344.00  
 William F. Hand Jr., D.D.S .....23,062.00  
 Super D. Drugs #33 .....22,848.60  
 Super D. Drugs//26 .....22,534.11  
 John D. Bower, M.D .....22,090.84  
 C. L. dmondson Jones Sr., D.D.S .....21,781.30  
 James Anderson, M.D .....21,773.16  
 Hollmans Pharmacy .....21,184.05  
 Medical Plaza Pharmacy .....21,122.39  
 James D. Hardy, M.D .....21,023.77  
 Gill Drugs Inc .....20,854.42  
 Super DDrugs #101 .....20,670.80  
 Drug Center .....20,605.04  
 Michael E. Jabley, M.D .....19,900.67  
 R. Arnold Smith, M.D., P.A .....19,424.14  
 Afzal Ahmed, M.D .....19,337.54  
 Harvey C. Sanders, M.D .....19,323.82  
 J. C. McGehee, M.D .....18,732.84  
 Mississippi Disc. Drugs, #3 .....18,703.05  
 Roderick Malone, M.D .....17,838.71  
 Ruel May, D.D.S .....17,451.00  
 Raul E. Valenzuela, M.D .....17,369.79  
 Willie Grady O'Reilly, D.D.S .....17,056.00  
 John W. Evans, M.D .....16,803.80  
 Howard Medi Save Pharmacy .....16,719.85  
 William O. Barnett, M.D .....16,693.83

Double M. Drugs #2 .....16,462.32  
 Capital Drug Company .....16,326.11  
 Super DDrugs #28 .....16,064.03  
 John P. Buckley, M.D .....15,846.14  
 Fred L. McMillan, M.D .....15,783.12  
 James D. Mitchell, M.D .....15,755.72  
 Bratley Medical Lab .....15,561.22  
 Seshadri Raju, M.D .....15,363.43  
 Karl E. Becker, M.D .....15,299.46  
 Monica Joan Collins, M.D .....14,445.53  
 Floyd E. Lagerson, M.D .....14,181.20  
 James F. Arens, M.D .....13,852.62  
 Orin F. Guidry, M.D .....13,734.89  
 Jackson Medical Assoc. P.A .....13,720.82  
 George W. Wharton, M.D .....13,360.20  
 Utica Drug Company .....13,065.10  
 Richard Miller, M.D .....12,915.80  
 Jackson Heart Clinic, P.A .....12,603.21  
 Dan Emory Smith, M.D .....12,551.90  
 Somprasong Songcharoen, M.D .....12,484.24  
 Parkins West End Phar .....12,460.47  
 Hinds Urology Clinic P.A .....12,454.60  
 Leon W. Binns, M.D .....12,410.60  
 Revco Drug Store #1531 .....12,136.61  
 Myron W. Lockey, M.D .....12,039.80  
 William A. Neely, M.D .....11,819.16  
 Patricia C. Moynihan, M.D .....11,805.60  
 Floyd P. Bond, M.D .....11,760.26  
 Alan Stallings, M.D .....11,670.00  
 Miller Mart Disc. Drugs .....11,587.31  
 Richard L. Blount, M.D .....11,496.76  
 C.E. Leonard, D.D.S .....11,263.00  
 Bradford Brent Drugs Inc .....11,114.35  
 Mooreco Drugs .....11,000.40  
 George Smith, M.D .....10,891.18  
 D. David Glass, M.D .....10,811.85  
 Joseph C. Gabel, M.D .....10,749.90  
 Richard C. Boronow, M.D .....10,357.44  
 Julian Harold Conn, M.D .....10,340.73  
 Robert P. Henderson, M.D .....10,321.02  
 Charles B. McCollum, Jr., M.D .....10,040.68

HOLMES COUNTY

Holmes Comm. Hospital .....389,387.84  
 Peoples Rexall Drug Store .....127,943.63  
 District Two Comm. Hosp .....108,150.24  
 John G. Downer, M.D .....99,764.23  
 Henrich Drug Store .....83,199.33  
 B. Wiggington-Pickens Pharm .....77,062.44  
 Sidney A. Johnson, M.D .....52,998.50  
 Fedricks Pharmacy .....52,723.00  
 Goodman Pharmacy .....45,799.84  
 Howell and Heggie Drug Co .....42,642.84  
 Hugh L. Gowan, M.D .....39,131.65  
 Paul B. Brumby, M.D .....34,793.94  
 Charles W. Campbell, M.D .....33,565.10

Coy E. Patton, D.D.S	33,471.00
Roy L. Smith, M.D	25,647.89
Brumby and Campbell	22,054.31
Fergusons Drugs	20,281.26
Charles J.Savarese, M.D	16,767.30
Gordon D. Russell, D.D.S	14,704.00
Howard Hoody, M.D	12,661.80
Arthur A.Derrick Jr., M.D	11,449.23

HUMPHREYS COUNTY

Belzoni Hospital	240,451.75
Belzoni Pharmacy	154,505.65
Humphreys Co. Mem. Hospital	132,283.78
A. E. Wood Jr., M.D	93,162.47
Turners Drug Store Inc	59,496.40
Stubbs Drug Store	56,980.82
Gortons Pharmacy	56,177.80
Walter M. Gorton, M.D	48,595.75
Toxey E. Hall, M.D	42,897.96
Tare Haymon, D.D.S	34,167.00
Samuel C. Sugg, M.D	32,280.62
Thomas J. Barkley, M.D	26,245.53
Sharp Laboratory	24,355.84
Stubbs Drug Store	20,703.52
James Houston, O.D	17,736.24

ITAWAMBA COUNTY

Daniel Nursing Home	664,490.05
Itawamba Co. Hospital	72,566.15
S. W. Pharmacy Inc	40,171.27
Senter Drug Co	38,090.64
Fulton Drug Company	35,548.57
The Apothecary Shop	28,322.70
Billy T. Collum, M.D	27,249.16
G. A. Tubb, M.D	20,340.51

JACKSON COUNTY

Singing River Hospital	<b>461,011.44</b>
Ocean Springs Nursing Ctr	257,747.71
Gulf Coast Nsg. Home Inc	213,837.96
Reuben P. Morris, M.D	17,640.18
Robert D. Holbert, M.D	15,092.12
Lovelace Drug Store Inc	<b>15,080.34</b>
Pas Point Discount Drugs	<b>14,205.80</b>
Sav Rex Pharmacy	<b>12,570.36</b>

JASPER COUNTY

Jasper General Hospital	<b>290,128.78</b>
Jasper Co. Nsg. Home	<b>111,855.06</b>
Teds Discount Drugs	<b>69,956.87</b>
Standard Drug Store	<b>60,005.58</b>
Barnett Pharmacy	<b>49,205.02</b>
William Rupert Eure, M.D	<b>38,335.46</b>

Adron K. Lay, M.D	37,491.21
Jerald S. Hughes, M.D	31,184.20
Hughes Hadley Clinic	24,489.27
Heidelberg Pharmacy Inc	15,593.02
The Medicine Shoppe	12,213.62
Samuel M. Massey, D.D.S	10,522.00
Eure Lay Clinic	10,108.67

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Jefferson County Hospital	232,524.09
Sav-Rite Drugs of Fayette	64,791.66
Shanti Pandey, M.D	53,491.30
Bankston Rexall Drugs	51,448.83
Charles Humphrey, M.D	39,702.92
Richard C. Godfrey, D.D.S	16,559.00
Evers Health Ctr. Pharmacy	14,268.00
Jong Chul Hong, M.D	12,570.30

JEFFERSON DAVIS COUNTY

Jefferson Davis Co. Hosp	188,721.22
Hudson Drugs	89,516.77
Myron L. Arrington, M.D	58,592.56
Palace Drug Store	46,912.21
Stamps Drug Store	42,951.48
Dinesh K. Goel, M.D	24,532.41
Anse B. Howard III, M.D	24,488.83
Frank L. Leggett, M.D	23,555.90
City Drug Store	22,060.77
James R. Dumas, D.D.S	21,463.00
Bassfield Medical Center	10,887.22

JONES COUNTY

Ellisville State Nsg. Home	694,988.30
Hearthside Haven	674,011.21
Pecan Grove I. C. F. M. R	432,494.70
Jones County Comm. Hosp	422,994.27
Nucare Inc	333,446.11
Jones County Rest. Home	299,384.24
South Ms. State Hospital	193,499.00
Read Drugs	60,642.21
Laurel General Hospital	44,520.57
Sumrall Drug Store	38,949.41
Carter Drug Co	38,775.46
Thomas F. Leggett, Jr., D.D.S	34,054.50
Wards Pharmacy	32,146.79
Johnston Drug Store	29,428.05
Ellisville Municipal	29,028.32
Therrell Drug Store Inc	27,070.13
Ernest E. Ellis, M.D	24,204.44
Dons Drugs	22,623.12
Dikets Professional Drugs	21,000.49
James V. Morrison Jr. M.D	17,341.90
Rex W Collins M.D	15,414.70
Thomas Purser, M.D	15,215.00

Rafael Florez, M.D	13,713.94
Thomas Pharmacy	13,046.37
Mariam Serapio, M.D	12,632.42
James Chapman Waites, M.D	12,629.18
Robert R. Applewhite, M.D	11,457.80
John M. McRae Jr., M.D	10,858.65
Lawrence Drug Co	10,799.41
Laurel Bone & Joint Clinic	10,699.96

KEMPERCOUNTY

Kemper County Hospital	52,218.29
Vandevender Drug Store	30,418.06
Adams Drug Store	13,296.05
J.L. Smith, M.D	10,789.69

LAFAYETTECOUNTY

Gracelands Inc	714,349.46
Woodlane ICF M R	606,457.97
Oxford Lafayette Co. Hosp	229,648.38
North Ms. Retardation Ctr	198,719.00
Oxford Lafayette Co. S.N.F	154,390.79
Golden Years Retirement	148,135.24
Gathright Reed Drug Co	42,687.61
Oxford Medical Ctr. Phar	18,548.49
Blaylocks Drug Store	16,868.81
Chaney's Eastgate Pharmacy	16,033.67
James W. Rayner, M.D	15,624.04
Walker Swaney, D.D.S	15,560.00
Prescription Center Inc	12,675.65
E.C. Stone, M.D	12,340.04
Wailers Discount Drugs	11,925.09
Leslie Drugs Inc	10,055.02

LAMARCOUNTY

Lumberton Citizens Hosp	57,775.35
Citizens Drug #2	49,382.05
Hudson Rexall Drugs	41,960.14
Sumrall Drug Store	29,997.50
Johns Discount Drugs Inc	27,881.97
Lumberton Drug Store	21,819.26
Bob Henry Parker, D.D.S	16,161.00
Johns Discount Drugs, Inc	14,849.63
Warren B. Dale Sr., M.D	14,698.25
Angus M. McBryde, M.D	13,178.31
Lloyd Z. Broadus, M.D	12,824.62

LAUDERDALECOUNTY

East Ms. St. Nursing Home	756,345.78
East Ms. Int. Care Facility	485,264.23
Meridian Nursing Center	385,353.00
Matty Hersee State Hosp	334,049.00
Myrick Meridian Nsg. Home	320,077.04
St. Joseph Hospital	319,283.66
F.G. Riley Memorial Hosp	215,994.13

Queen City Nsg. Home	203,953.27
Golden Sunset Guest Home	196,531.24
Rush Foundation Hospital	181,724.46
Jeff Anderson Mem. Hosp	102,846.07
Tutor Drug Inc	84,200.22
Rayner Drug & Gifts Inc	74,083.28
Don Waldrons Mr. Disc. Drug	46,310.12
Wendell H. Cook, M.D	33,208.23
Tutor Pharmacy	27,156.55
Eugene Hunter, D.D.S	26,522.50
Tutor Sims Drugs	26,066.45
Eckerds Drug Store #134	25,792.61
Meridian Ortho Appl	24,812.45
Diagnostic Lab	23,393.98
Charles M. McKay, D.D.S	19,609.00
Octavius D. Polk, M.D	18,660.00
W.R. Holladay, M.D	18,642.95
Arturo B. Dela Rosa, M.D	17,862.84
Rush Foundation Hosp. Phar	17,101.51
Internal Medicine Assoc	14,924.06
Howard Medi Save Pharmacy	14,310.43
Fielder Brooks Pharm	13,774.71
Howard Medi Save Pharmacy	13,761.45
Anderson Pharmacy	13,398.61
Sindulfo L. Salnador, M.D	13,291.29
Fernando J. Navales, M.D	13,167.51
Joel T. Callahan, M.D	12,501.23
Bernardo Bernado, M.D	11,200.61
Meridian Orthopedic	10,144.24

LAWRENCECOUNTY

Lawrence County Nsg. Home	343,344.72
Lawrence County Hospital	147,593.14
Hudson Pharmacy	98,852.02
Brantley B. Pace, M.D	83,789.88
John W. Waller, M.D	23,569.22
Hudson Pharmacy #2	21,601.29
Jimmys Discount Drugs	20,165.27
Daniel G. Martindale D.D.S	14,758.00
Nelson Walgreen Agency	14,134.18
Lees Drug Store	12,012.83

LEAKECOUNTY

Leake County ECF	180,673.22
Hospital Discount Drugs	106,916.96
Thaggards Hospital	105,401.85
Leake County Mem. Hospital	62,746.90
Leake Drug Company	45,400.51
Hosp. Drgs. of Walnut Grove	43,959.42
City Drug Store	41,703.71
Hilton M. Fairchild, M.D	38,637.14
Lamar Thaggard, M.D	37,307.40
Edward L. Carruth, M.D	32,187.43
Carthage Discount Drug Co	28,332.41
Frank W. Bowen, M.D	18,359.40
J. R. Mayfield, M.D	17,236.78
The Prescription Shop	14,213.95

LEE COUNTY

North Ms. Medical Center	923,423.99
Cedars Health Center	423,979.61
Tupelo Manor Nursing Home	359,139.75
Roys Prescription Shop	48,258.98
McDuffie Drug Co	33,979.03
S. Jay McDuffie, M.D	27,816.29
T. S. Pharmacy	26,599.83
East Heights Pharmacy	26,207.22
Urology Associa res	21,899.71
Medical Arts Pharmacy	21,485.69
James H. Neely, M.D	20,587.95
Thomas-Kincannon-Elkin Co	20,418.03
Thurmond Beasley, D.D.S	19,543.00
John M. Blakey, M.D	18,770.84
Medical Center Drugs	16,560.91
Kirk Caldwell Hilbun	15,409.28
Harvey M. Campbell, D.D.S	14,680.00
James T. Trapp, M.D	13,280.85
Edmondsons Drug Store	12,955.10
Vernon A. Chase, M.D	12,454.47
Tupelo Ortho Clinic	11,778.67
Community Discount Drugs	11,347.19
Super D Drugs Inc #14	11,050.11
Saltillo Clinic	10,776.81
Royce H. Franks, M.D	10,150.58

LEFLORE COUNTY

Greenwood Leflore Hosp	1,009,734.43
Care Inn Greenwood	625,603.88
Golden Age Nursing Home	400,075.55
Pemberton Manor Inc	273,130.21
Chaney's Pharmacy	179,635.05
Crick Med. Clinic Pharmacy	109,350.13
Gene E. Crick, M.D	68,488.67
Milton T. Person, M.D	57,978.18
S. R. Evans, Jr., M.D	54,354.12
Durhams Drug Store	51,507.65
Robert M. Fedric, D.D.S	38,621.10
Chaney's Court Sq. Pharmacy	38,091.31
Barrett Hodges Drugs Inc	36,633.40
Raymond W. Browning, M.D	36,601.98
George J. Nassar, M.D	36,561.39
Fred M. Sandifer, Jr., M.D	31,717.10
Thomas C. Boring Jr., D.D.S	31,342.00
Johy Hey, M.D	29,100.80
Clyde Smith, M.D	26,991.47
Eugene F. Webb, M.D	25,509.68
S. M. Cornwall, D.D.S	24,170.00
Economy Drugs	23,707.86
Allen Findley, O.D	23,673.00
John D. Wofford, M.D	21,918.14
Crosstown Pharmacy	20,942.76
Edwin M. Meek Jr., M.D	<b>20,153.88</b>
R. H. Flowers, M.D	<b>13,914.85</b>

Carl Bernet Jr., M.D	13,300.00
William L. Thompson, D.D.S	12,065.00
Horace T. Whitaker, M.D	10,878.70

LINCOLN COUNTY

Cartwheel Brookhaven	587,852.58
Brook Manor Nsg. Home	308,655.42
Haven Hall Rest Home	288,650.69
Kings Daughters Hosp	283,082.40
Brandt Larue Baker, D.D.S	25,199.00
Bane Drug Center	24,015.35
Sav On Drugs East	23,742.89
Brookhaven Drugs	21,593.62
Joseph C. Hillman, M.D	21,158.33
Albert L. Lott, M.D	20,933.79
Cases Pharmacy	20,889.17
Walley-Field Drug Store	18,235.73
Jewell J. Breeland Jr., M.D	17,586.02
Super D Drugs #31	14,153.79
Dan T. Keel, M.D.P.A	14,121.27
M. H. Brown, M.D	13,794.88
Bakers Pharmacy	13,290.88
Louie F. Wilkins Jr., M.D	12,862.04
Jim C. Barnett, M.D.P.A	12,537.35
Mark P. Smith, O.D	12,375.00
Medi - Care Pharmacy	10,439.03

LOWNDES COUNTY

Aurora Australis Lodge	374,101.59
Golden Triangle Reg. Med. Ctr	292,273.57
Magnolia Manor	231,617.59
The Columbus Hospital Inc	112,146.10
Jo Newell Robinson, M.D	24,990.55
Richard L. George, M.D	24,536.97
Ms. Corp. Services Inc	21,546.42
Reeces Drug Store	16,728.78
Hawkins Rexall Drugs Inc	16,407.91
Fairlane Drug Co	14,775.38
Emmett J. Stringer, D.D.S	12,928.00
Alford Drug Company	12,580.33
Southern Drug Store	12,533.17
Laws Drug Store	12,378.41
Bernard Ellis, M.D	12,329.47

MADISON COUNTY

Canton Nursing Center	815,804.45
Madison County Nsg. Home	293,703.61
Willard F. Bond Home	214,354.12
Madison General Hospital	191,175.61
Hudsons Pharmacy	66,623.51
Miss. Discount Drugs Inc	50,633.09
Guys Drug Store	50,583.61
Terrel O. Bailey, M.D	49,654.77
Aliens Drug Store	33,108.17
Joe W. Terry, M.D	32,629.98
Charles H. Heywood, M.D	27,713.62
Flora Discount Drugs	26,268.90

Noble Drug Company .....25,634.03  
 E. G. Spivey Jr., D.D.S .....19,971.00  
 Mosbys Drug Store .....17,910.20  
 George D. Allard, M.D .....14,594.80  
 Madison-Yazoo-Leake Health Ctr .....13,815.28  
 A. P. Durfey Jr., M.D .....13,344.26  
 George A. Carmichael, M.D .....13,101.15  
 Mitchell B. Wells, D.D.S .....13,066.00  
 JacobsDrugs .....12,129.11  
 William Truly Jr., M.D .....11,745.30  
 EarnestL. Rankin, M.D .....11,686.90

M A R I O C N O U N T Y

FloadrianManor .....632,671.08  
 Marion Co. General Hosp .....188,028.02  
 Cedars Convalescent Ctr .....142,419.91  
 James B. Conerly, D.D.S .....56,097.00  
 Cook & Fortenberry .....47,417.81  
 Shepards Pharmacy .....35,543.94  
 Say OnDrugs Of Columbia .....33,432.46  
 Taylors Pharmacist .....33,236.44  
 Family Clinic .....32,818.39  
 Walker Brothers Druggist .....28,417.86  
 The Harris Drug Company .....23,668.00  
 Discount Drugs .....17,847.45  
 Marion County Hosp. H.H.A .....11,934.50  
 FranFortenberry, M.D .....10,754.33  
 Charles P. Bass, M.D .....10,070.40

MARSHALL COUNTY

Care Inn Holly Springs .....643,186.53  
 Marshall County Hospital .....335,796.05  
 Tyson Drug Company .....113,525.74  
 Seale Drug Company Inc .....75,487.50  
 Scott Robinson Drug Store .....37,012.91  
 Marion V. Green, M.D .....31,214.54  
 Medical Center Pharmacy .....30,901.99  
 Herbert S. Phillips, M.D .....17,496.66  
 Sam P. McClatchy, M.D .....14,610.35  
 Presley A. Autry, D.D.S .....14,448.00  
 Joseph A. Hale, D.D.S .....13,802.00  
 Brook V. Monaghan, M.D .....10,270.07

MONROE COUNTY

Hillcrest Manor Inc .....681,051.41  
 Amory Manor Nursing Home .....312,260.06  
 Aberdeen Monroe Co. Hosp .....306,439.61  
 Gilmore Memorial Hospital .....115,167.99  
 AntonioJamchuk, M.D .....63,472.45  
 The Prescription Center .....48,912.96  
 Nancy A. Jamchuk, M.D .....47,481.70  
 Foster Pharmacy .....36,508.70  
 Peoples Drug Co .....31,305.15  
 Hudson Drugs Inc .....26,819.90

W. T. Oakes, M.D .....25,393.8:  
 Robert E. Coghlan, M.D .....25,010.8'  
 Senters Drug Store .....24,245.81  
 McDuffie Pharmacy .....21,544.01  
 Hospital Pharmacy .....20,970.3:  
 Hall Pharmacy .....15,324.8:  
 HerndonsPharmacy .....15,208.6!  
 EastDrugs .....12,941.31  
 James K. McCown, D.D.S .....12,012.0(  
 John N. Turnage, M.D .....11,949.6'  
 Frank F. Kennedy, M.D .....11,604.0•  
 Greenhaw Pharmacy .....10,054.7:  
 G & Y Drug Store .....10,020.2•,

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

WinonaManor .....384,949.9]  
 TylerHolmes Mem. Hospital .....239,336.8•  
 KilmichaeDrugStore .....89,901.7•  
 L. C. Henson, M.D .....86,150.92  
 KilmichaeHospital .....69,906.21  
 Moormans DrugStore .....67,947.27  
 WilliamA. Middleton, M.D .....58,520.99  
 McDougalsDrugStore .....52,254.37  
 RobertE. Kemp, D.D.S .....26,058.0(  
 PlazaDrugStore .....23,962.23  
 DavidMeadow, M.D .....17,221.09  
 Millar&. Costilow, M.D .....15,297.79  
 BozonesPharmacy .....10,038.06

NESHOBA COUNTY

Hilltop Manor .....356,162.89  
 Neshoba Co. Gen. Hospital .....200,384.75  
 Neshoba County Nsg. Home .....194,675.18  
 Hamill Drug Store .....40,137.29  
 Thompson Drug Store .....31,860.44  
 Augustus P. Soriano, M.D .....30,517.43  
 Robert L. Moore Jr., M.D .....28,048.72  
 Browns Discount Drugs .....25,896.58  
 Stribling Drug Store .....23,228.87  
 Gibsons Phar. of Phila. Inc .....18,017.21  
 C. N. Cannon, M.D .....17,521.55  
 J. H. Leigh, M.D .....16,221.93  
 Joseph D. Yates, D.D.S .....15,820.00  
 F. M. Blackwell, M.D .....14,963.73  
 Rudolph A. Posey, Sr., D.D.S .....13,453.00  
 Adkins Pharmacy .....11,185.11  
 YatesDrugs .....10,560.64

NEWTON COUNTY

Conva Rest of Newton .....336,614.78  
 Newton Hospital .....118,363.51  
 Laird Hospital Inc .....118,137.47  
 Billy R. Shows, M.D .....39,714.68  
 McBeath Drug Store .....35,392.48  
 Wheeler Drug Store .....33,000.67  
 Moores Pharmacy .....32,848.84

Austin P. Boggan, M.D	24,541.22
Upton Drugs	23,519.93
Williams Drugs	21,015.18
Alexanders Pharmacy Inc	20,644.41
John G. Alexander, M.D	19,852.34

NOXUBEECOUNTY

Noxubee General Hospital	258,192.71
City Drug Store	79,374.49
James C. Ratcliff, M.D	57,721.21
Larry Morris, M.D	55,299.59
Patrick H. Gill, M.D	52,810.75
B. & O. Pharmacy	48,285.15
Glen Pugh, M.D	35,605.10
Owings Drug Company	33,511.38
Williams Drug Store	26,654.40
John A. Nicholas, D.D.S	14,267.00

OKTIBBEHACOUNTY

Starkville Manor	672,930.39
Rolling Hills Nsg. Ctr. Inc	223,355.70
Oktibbeha County Hospital	215,880.35
George Leroy Howell, M.D	158,189.19
Wier Drug Co.	84,574.42
Allen Drug Store	45,625.74
Booth Pharmacy	37,359.02
Douglas L. Conner, M.D	32,008.29
Kermit D. Laird, M.D	30,223.22
Wise Drug Store	29,572.31
John F. Eckford, M.D	23,633.82
Harrison C. Walker, D.D.S	17,860.10
Southdale Drugs	16,627.72
Dempsey C. Strange, M.D	13,286.48
L. H. Brandon Jr., M.D	12,775.05
Sue Haley Simmons, M.D	12,163.26
George G. Walker, M.D	10,508.21

PANOLA COUNTY

N. Panola Reg. Hosp. & Nsg. Ctr	405,441.82
Michael E. Shaheen, M.D	78,535.77
Batesville Hospital, Inc	56,923.54
City Drug Store, Como	43,279.63
Haltom Davis Drug Co	39,149.49
Mettetal Pharmacy	36,290.60
Sullivans Drug Store	29,576.54
Saverex Drugs	26,793.00
Larry W. Herring, D.D.S	24,417.30
Henry D. Stone, M.D	23,875.34
David E. Pruitt, D.D.S	22,120.00
City Drug Store Inc., Sardis	20,012.65
William A. Spencer, M.D	19,484.09
E. A. Steward, M.D	16,483.28
Bailey Walgreen Agency	14,788.44
Mettesave Discount Drugs	12,523.04
George C. Carlson, M.D	12,044.15

PEARLRIVERCOUNTY

Picayune Conv. Home	495,111.32
L. O. Crosby Memorial Hosp	320,808.97
Pearl River Co. Nsg. Home	199,592.41
Pearl River Co. Hospital	105,584.78
Medical Center Pharmacy	94,160.14
Pearl River Drug Co	55,272.94
Picayune Drug Co	33,811.68
Willie F. Stringer, M.D	29,820.19
Walker Pharmacy	27,710.89
Sewall K. Kepner Jr., M.D	23,468.13
Cole Walgreen Drugs	23,354.37
Ronald L. Rennick, M.D	21,038.11
Leo F. Gibson, M.D	17,519.80
James L. Schrock, D.D.S	17,187.00
Gibson Pharmacy Inc	15,185.62
D. L. Bolton, M.D	14,855.60
William H. Vann Jr., D.D.S	12,598.00
Herman Isham Robinson, D.D.S	11,034.00

PERRYCOUNTY

Perry Co. General Hospital	118,069.79
Carleys Drug Store	32,559.86
Whites Discount Drugs	31,337.77
William E. Moak, M.D	29,254.22
Edwin H. Cole, M.D	27,316.17
Stricklands Pharmacy	24,080.23
Harmon A. Foster, M.D	14,499.83
Beaumont Drugs	14,447.52
James W. Roddy, D.D.S	10,687.00

PIKE COUNTY

S. W. Miss. Regional Med. Ctr	582,770.59
Southwest Extended Care	555,587.33
McComb E.C.F. and Nsg. Home	528,504.17
So. Pike County Hospital	109,646.61
Gillis Drug Store Inc	55,770.68
Herrington Rexall Drugs	52,087.11
Corner Drug Store	45,705.14
Wendell B. Holmes, M.D.P.A	42,087.94
Sav-On-Drugs #1	41,511.28
Sav-On-Drugs Inc #2	40,464.61
Finch & Lewman Inc	29,639.47
H. L. Lewis III, M.D	25,332.75
John W. Boyd, M.D	25,169.69
State Pharmacy	23,155.74
James W. Pressler, M.D	22,993.89
Ralph L. Brock, M.D	22,658.53
Tom Carey, M.D	21,638.40
Edsel F. Stewart, M.D	21,299.40
Henry J. Sanders, M.D	19,242.50
Kings Discount Drugs	19,198.46
Thomas L. Moore, M.D	16,423.10
Julian T. Jones Jr., M.D	16,329.21

Bert Edwin Bradford, M.D .....16,318.90  
Victor L. Walsh, D.D.S .....16,060.00  
Shelby Smith, M.D .....14,957.30  
Harry C. Frye Jr., M.D .....14,543.70  
Mitchell C. Massey, M.D .....14,391.54  
Jep S. Brock, D.D.S .....13,674.00  
Benton E. Hewitt, M.D .....13,359.82  
C.Foster Lowe, M.D .....12,384.54  
Causey and Sanders Pharm .....11,929.41  
Magnolia Discount Drugs .....11,347.87  
William H. Meyer, M.D .....10,985.90  
William T. Mayer, M.D .....10,694.75

PONTOTOC COUNTY

Sunshine Rest Home .....141,052.17  
Pontotoc Community Hosp .....116,080.60  
Pontotoc Comm. Hosp. S.N.F .....68,732.87  
Drs. Speck & Medlin P.A .....\*48,529.72  
Ramsey-Young Pharmacy .....34,123.80  
Whitworth Ashmore Drug .....33,523.98  
Furr Drug Company .....32,071.72  
Day Drug Co .....21,640.26  
Speck and Medlin P.A .....15,097.73  
John M.Patterson, M.D .....13,455.74  
Montgomery Drug Company .....12,617.76  
William B. Howard, M.D .....12,103.91  
Paul L. Whiteside, M.D .....12,096.13  
James R. Medlin, M.D .....10,081.61

PRENTISS COUNTY

Aletha Lodge Nsg. Home Inc .....363,922.46  
Northeast Miss. Hospital .....270,638.38  
Oakview Rest Home .....149,905.75  
Cox Blythe Drug Co .....59,378.00  
Houston Drug Store .....54,091.15  
Toms Drug Store .....44,725.17  
Tigrett Drug Center .....26,751.98  
Smith Drug Company .....21,640.55  
Denvil F. Crowe, M.D .....20,027.19  
Joseph L. Hurst, M.D .....18,214.41  
Booneville Discount Drugs .....17,954.36  
R.M. Brown, M.D .....16,926.71  
Paul C. Ellzey, M.D .....15,454.9i  
Samuel C. Galloway, M.D .....12,377.95  
Webster Cleveland Jr., M.D .....11,359.57  
Baldwyn Discount Drug Inc .....11,338.30  
Charles D. Johnson, D.D.S .....10,252.00

QUITMAN COUNTY

Stones Drug Store .....56,897.71  
City Drug Store .....43,181.70  
James O. Goldman, D.D.S .....41,929.60  
Lewis H. Cook, M.D .....31,248.50  
Dons Pharmacy Inc .....29,569.47

Marshall B. Lynch, M.D .....29,427.60  
Clarence S. Phelps, M.D .....22,025.01  
Sledge Drug Store .....18,308.39

RANKIN COUNTY

Crossgate Manor Nursing Home .....532,880.71  
Briar Hill Rest Home Inc .....260,770.47  
Jacquith Skilled Nsg. Home .....219,955.01  
Rosewood S.N.F .....208,449.77  
Rankin General Hospital .....144,795.57  
Brandon Disc. Drugs Inc .....47,244.33  
Richard E. Schuster, M.D .....45,363.69  
Rankin Discount Drugs .....33,794.08  
Rhodes Robby Drugs Inc .....17,213.81  
Perrys Drug Store .....13,485.16  
Johns Pharmacy .....11,957.25  
Allen Discount Drugs .....10,122.11  
Service Drug Co .....10,052.42

SCOTTCOUNTY

Scott County Nursing Home .....572,151.30  
S. E. Lackey Mem. Hospital .....76,966.28  
Scott County Hospital Inc .....65,639.72  
Russells Drug Co .....39,345.10  
Howard D. Clark, M.D .....35,163.11  
Dedfaux Pharmacy .....32,510.05  
Gibson Pharmacy .....30,024.82  
John Paul Lee, M.D .....25,925.52  
Ott Drug Company .....23,103.41  
Webbs City Drug .....19,300.94  
Reds Woodland Pharmacy .....17,601.47  
Carleton Drug Store .....15,615.46  
Jessie W. Austin, M.D .....14,752.46  
Harold Leo Russell Sr., D.D.S .....12,428.00

SHARKEY COUNTY

Sharkey Issaquena Hosp .....152,933.76  
Robert H.F. Lynch, M.D .....53,761.52  
Athleys Village Pharmacy .....48,515.79  
Henry B. Goodman, M.D .....23,687.91  
Anguilla Drug Co .....22,542.53  
Economy Drug Company Inc .....13,186.25

SIMPSON COUNTY

Hillcrest Health Ctr. Inc .....665,545.39  
Mendenhall Nursing Home .....336,319.10  
Magee General Hospital .....204,176.41  
Millcreek Rehab Ctrs. Inc .....122,649.88  
McGuffcc Drug Inc .....63,960.32  
Ms. State Samtorium .....62,752.00  
Simpson General Hospital .....59,959.53  
Gene Polks Pharmacy .....59,394.40  
Choctaw Discount Drugs .....53,161.04  
Service Drugs .....34,545.52



Magee Discount Drug Store .....28,608.18  
 Frank C. Wade, M.D .....26,439.42  
 W.G. Munn, M.D .....23,035.73  
 James O. Stephens, M.D .....22,611.45  
 Mendenhall Drug Company .....18,040.82  
 Charles Pruitt III, M.D .....14,618.27  
 Jack L. Herring, M.D .....12,821.94

SMITH COUNTY

Smith County Gen. Hosp .....102,143.62  
 Wm. Douglas Owen, M.D .....31,709.72  
 Little Pharmacy .....30,834.33  
 Gibson Discount Drugs .....23,926.49  
 Farmers Drug Co .....23,287.42  
 Fords Rexall Drugs .....17,636.69  
 Jones Drug Store .....16,327.66  
 John R. Harper, M.D .....15,714.91  
 Robert E. Jennings, M.D .....15,281.64  
 Peoples Discount Drugs .....14,528.18

STONECOUNTRY

Azalea Gardens Nsg. Center .....353,218.24  
 Stone County Hospital .....116,824.05  
 Wiggins Convalescent Home .....49,725.58  
 Whites Pharmacy .....30,824.11  
 Wilsons Pharmacy .....27,623.65  
 Wiggins Clinic .....19,464.01  
 Hubert F. Campbell, • I.D .....10,946.41  
 Gordon S. McHenry, M.D .....10,217.10

SUNFLOWER COUNTY

Care Inn Indianola .....353,319.80  
 North Sunflower Co. Hosp .....269,181.00  
 South Sunflower Co. Hosp .....182,782.70  
 Travis Q. Richardson, M.D .....128,689.93  
 Gilbows Pharmacy .....126,233.50  
 Joseph A. Hull, M.D .....63,332.95  
 Martins Pharmacy .....54,097.95  
 C. Phillip Land, D.M.D .....46,613.00  
 Whites Drug Store .....33,655.20  
 Parkers Pharmacy .....32,489.73  
 Caldwell Drug Co. Inc .....31,733.01  
 Edwards Rexall Drugs .....29,414.78  
 W. Tom Martin, D.D.S .....26,687.00  
 Albert M. Phillips, M.D .....24,627.58  
 Guy H. Robinson, M.D .....21,364.98  
 Rawls Drug Store .....21,098.17  
 Spencers Drugs .....20,932.56  
 Lee Pharmacy Inc .....17,784.72  
 John G. Egger, M.D .....16,789.58  
 Donald Drug Company .....16,381.73  
 Home Drug Store .....16,318.38  
 Hull Brothers Clinic P.A .....16,220.22  
 Robert N. Hurt, M.D .....16,069.70

Charles M. Dorrrough Jr., M.D .....15,663.43  
 W.H. Rose, M.D .....15,611.90  
 Collins Drug Store .....12,330.62  
 David L. Rogers, O.D .....10,657.00

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY

TaUahatchie General Hosp .....178,717.16  
 Tall. Gen. Hosp. Nsg. Home .....126,995.96  
 Charleston Drug Company .....60,048.24  
 Theodore T. Lewis, M.D .....50,303.28  
 Woods Drug Store, Inc .....46,969.31  
 W. Roscoe Bolen, D.D.S .....39,645.50  
 Paul R. Googe, M.D .....38,629.90  
 C.W. Taintor, M.D .....30,323.76  
 W and D Pharmacy, Webb .....27,870.53  
 W and D Pharmacy, Sumner .....27,411.99  
 Alexander W. Hulett, M.D .....25,439.76  
 Monroe E. Smith, D.D.S .....23,741.00  
 Gerald A. Smith, M.D .....16,490.68

TATE COUNTY

Varner Drug Co. Inc .....54,738.75  
 Flowers Drug Store .....43,451.48  
 City Drug Co. Inc .....33,886.57  
 Ethelyn Smith, M.D .....33,834.76  
 John C. Powell, M.D .....25,863.15  
 Mays Pharmacy .....23,344.83  
 Hugh M. Monteith III, D.D.S .....21,576.00  
 John D. Rogers, D.D.S .....17,729.00  
 Albert D. Powell, M.D .....11,374.44  
 E. Side Walgreen Agency .....10,469.58

TIPPAH COUNTY

Ripley Manor Nursing Home .....700,987.42  
 Tippah Co. Hospital .....377,152.98  
 City Drug Co. Inc .....130,621.62  
 James Discount Drugs .....67,938.75  
 Lockes Drug Store .....52,721.12  
 Horton Taylor, M.D .....24,691.49  
 Ripley Clinic .....24,565.39  
 T. L. Ketchum, M.D .....19,877.18  
 William E. Johnson, D.D.S .....14,771.10  
 Charles M. Elliott, M.D .....14,411.54  
 Orville P. Stone, M.D .....12,196.40  
 Tommy T. Simpson, M.D .....11,795.49

TISHOMINGO COUNTY

Tishomingo County Hosp .....268,948.54  
 Tishomingo Co. Hosp. S.N.F .....60,042.30  
 Super D Drugs #121 .....39,112.07  
 Kelly S. Segars, M.D .....36,169.27  
 Yarber Drug Store .....33,662.83  
 Rushing Drug Co .....32,238.16

Curtis Bros. Drug Store	25,029.48
Iuka Discount Drugs	22,716.06
Kenneth Draper, M.D	22,250.86
Bobby F. King, M.D	21,375.42
Ben Earl Kitchens, M.D	14,210.88

TUNICA COUNTY

Tunica Pharmacy Inc	74,936.75
Lawson E. McClung, M.D	68,967.39
Tunica County Hosp	57,983.22
City Drug Store	34,345.40
Thomas L. Turpin, D.D.S	19,305.50
Thomas K. Chandler, M.D	11,496.28

UNION COUNTY

Roselawn Nursing Home	382,566.24
Union County General Hosp	247,661.73
Hospital Pharmacy	50,457.27
Eastgate Pharmacy #1	27,507.33
Cart Drugs	27,237.86
Gray Drug Company	26,823.14
David B. Ellis, M.D	24,498.89
Gibsons Pharmacy	22,455.60
S. J. Creekmore III, M.D	14,210.70
James L. Thornton, M.D	13,334.73
Richard H. Russell, M.D	12,514.97
Chapman Drugs	11,216.01

WALTHALL COUNTY

Walthall Co. General Hosp	382,441.53
Tylertown Extended Care	312,173.16
Billdora Nursing Home	233,148.96
Breland Drug Company Inc	61,497.00
Pigotts Drug Store	40,909.10
Tylertown Drug Store	39,905.31
P. S. Ganaraj, M.D	28,589.64
B. M. Mitchell, D.D.S	24,045.00
Mangums Discount Pharmacy	21,617.17
Holmes Discount Drugs	21,418.07
Walter W. Crawford, M.D	20,821.16
Kanta P. Butani, M.D	15,857.36
B. L. Crawford Jr., M.D	15,526.95
S. K. Purohit, M.D	11,766.48

WARREN COUNTY

Vicksburg Trace Haven	584,279.92
Vicksburg Convalescent Home	522,323.28
Shady Lawn Nsg. Home Inc	287,581.58
Mercy Regional Med. Center	256,450.99
Kuhn Memorial Hospital	231,866.00
Vicksburg Hospital Inc	174,743.04
Corner Drug Store	38,351.11
Street Clinic	37,429.15
Durst Discount Drugs	35,334.18
Mercy Hosp. S.N.F	26,941.94
Colonial Discount Drugs	24,504.60
Street Clinic Lab	23,679.32

Peoples Drug Store Inc	20,184.92
Clay St. Drug Store	17,059.10
T. L. Jenkins, D.D.S	15,078.99
Kurt R. Schrock, D.D.S	14,047.00
Waverly C. Artz, D.D.S	13,846.00
Gene T. Walker, M.D	13,677.42
John Cofield Stepan, M.D	12,407.15
Howard Medi Save Pharmacy	11,474.80
Walgreen Co	10,237.67
Thomas B. Dominick, M.D	10,163.79

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Delta Medical Center	866,127.50
Ms. Ext. Care Greenville	685,394.54
Greenville Cony. Home	661,959.11
South Washington Co. Hosp	287,929.42
Autumn Leaves Nsg. Home	223,263.59
Arnold Ave. Nursing Home	200,571.88
Kings Daughters Hospital	117,974.74
Sanders Hospital Pharmacy	110,890.48
Med-View Pharmacy Inc	107,762.20
Hollandale Clinic	87,046.64
City Drug Store	59,360.89
J. Edward Hill, M.D	57,562.03
William H. Spragins, M.D	54,542.44
Condon East Union Pharm	54,518.86
P.D. Condon Drug Store	46,575.40
W.S. Witte Mem. Hospital	45,862.77
John M. Estess, M.D	39,417.60
Peoples Drug Store	39,233.89
Turners Pharmacy	34,676.03
Chaney Drug	33,253.45
Matthew J. Page, M.D	29,767.81
Robert Love Jr., M.D	19,778.83
Azlin Drug Store	19,067.20
Charles H. Burton Jr., D.D.S	18,671.00
Clarence B. Clark Jr., D.D.S	16,976.50
Thomas H. Simmons, M.D	16,812.72
R.L. Jordan, D.D.S	16,658.00
Clarence B. Clark, D.D.S	13,875.00
Delta Discount Drugs	13,761.47
Washington Co. Amb. Service	12,962.32
James B. Yeldell Jr., M.D	12,500.83
John C. Sandefur, M.D	12,395.47

WAYNE COUNTY

Restful Acres Inc	246,206.47
Wayne General Hospital	208,553.17
Stanley Pharmacy	56,675.94
Clanton Drug Co	46,610.90
W.W. Walley, M.D	44,255.83
Charles A. Bush, M.D	40,884.44
Joseph D. Stringer, D.D.S	24,431.50
Dixie Drug	19,173.31
James P. Wood, M.D	18,595.25