

Community Dashboard Annual Check Up

The **Preventable ED and Hospital Visit Checkup** shows a positive decline in Coloradans using the ED and being hospitalized for potentially preventable reasons, and a decrease in unplanned hospital readmissions. Potentially preventable ED and hospitalizations range from ear infections and urinary tract infections to high blood sugar and asthma attacks - conditions that can often be prevented and treated in an urgent care or doctor's office setting. Similarly, readmissions can often be prevented by improving communication during the discharge planning process, and enhancing care coordination with providers and caregivers after discharge. Potentially preventable visits pose a health risk for patients, and they are also costly. Communities can use this information to understand how their potentially preventable visits compare to other areas in Colorado, and identify where they have opportunities to reduce potentially unnecessary visits and improve health outcomes.

Visit the [Community Dashboard](https://civhc.org) at civhc.org for more information, and check out our [Health Equity Analysis](#) to see how social factors relate to these measures.

ED Visits and Hospitalizations Edition

2013-2021

Colorado All Payer Claim Database (CO APCD)

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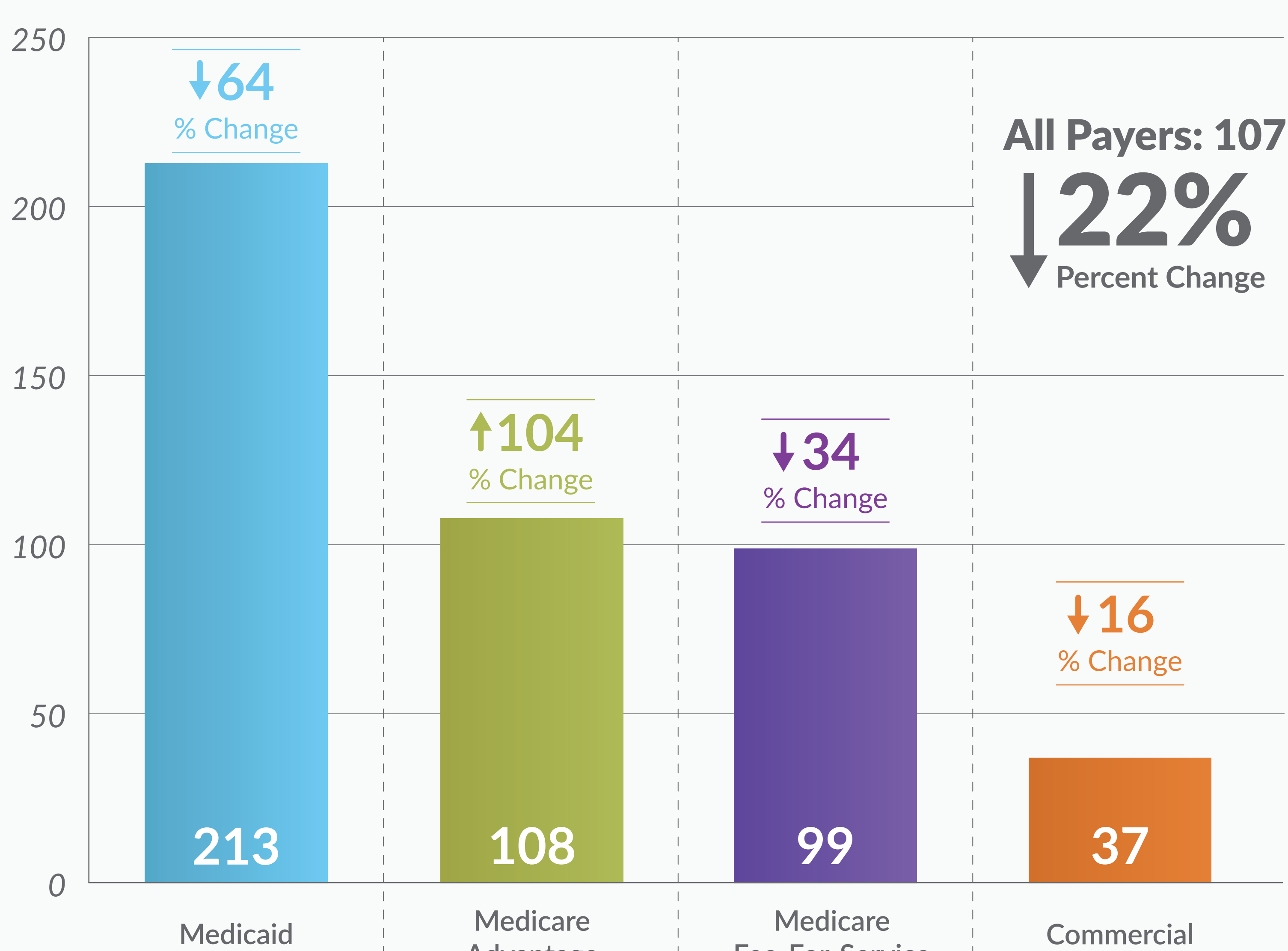
- Rate of Preventable:
 - Emergency Department Visits
 - Hospital Visits
- Rate of:
 - Unplanned Hospital Readmissions

Preventable ED Visits, Hospitalizations and Unplanned Readmissions are **Decreasing**



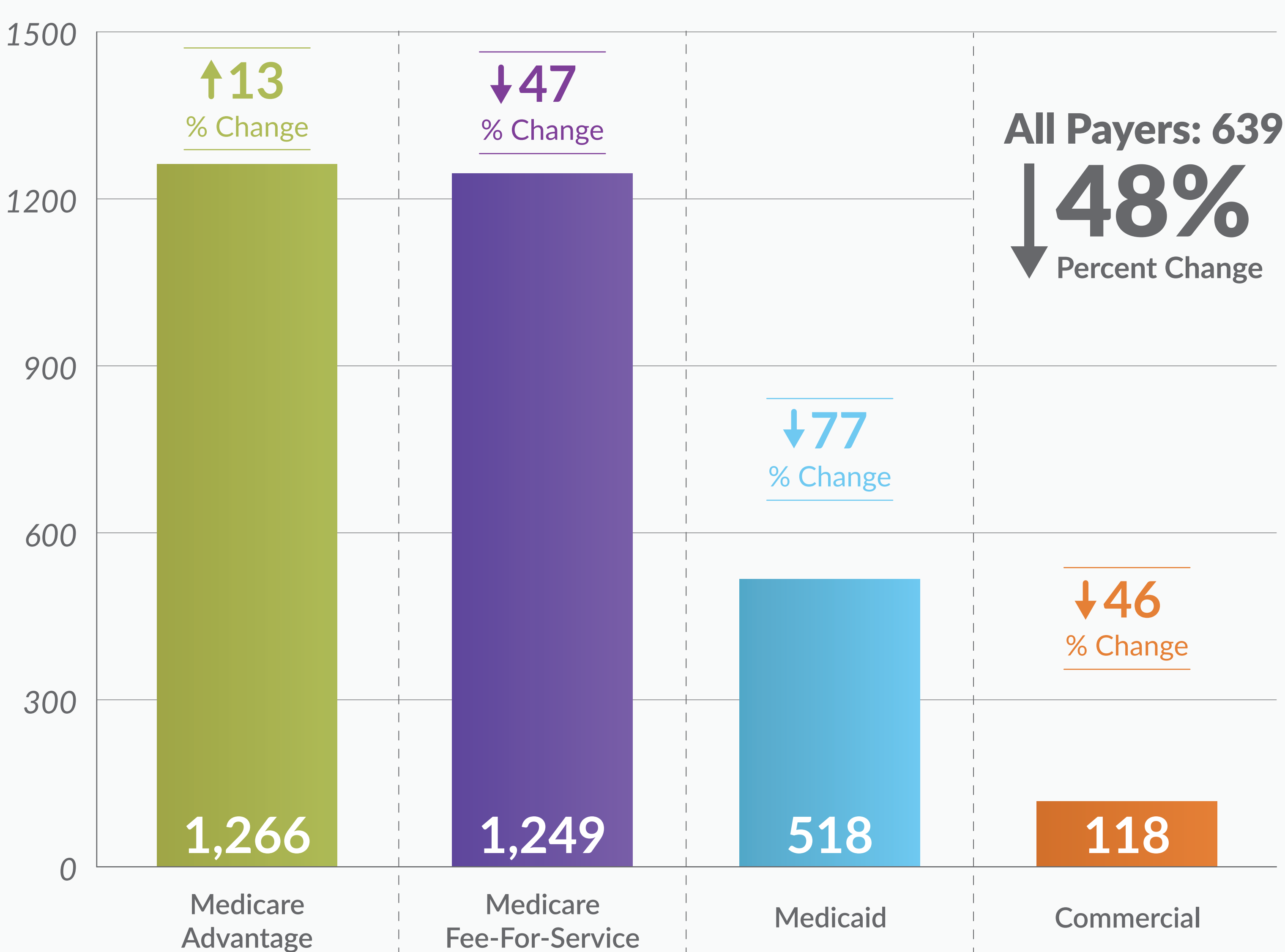
Potentially Preventable Emergency Department Visits

2021 rate/1,000 people, 2013-2021 percent change



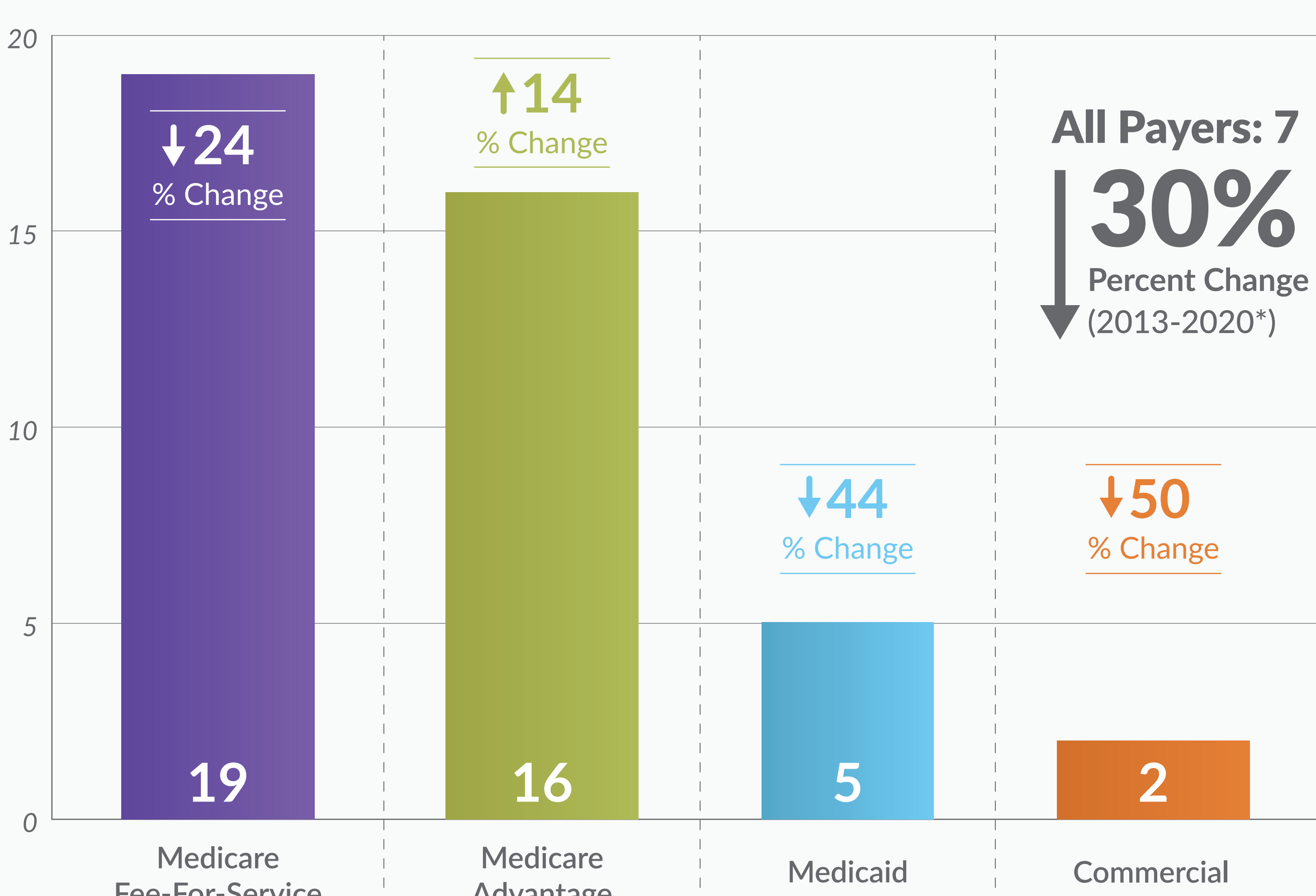
Potentially Preventable Hospital Visits

2021 rate/100,000 people, 2013-2021 percent change



Unplanned Hospital Readmissions

2020 rate/1,000 people, 2013-2020* percent change



*Payer rates only available through 2020.