

Market Figures

There were 2,187,000 people insured with inpatient health insurance plans at the end of March 2018. This represents an increase in the number of insured people of 31,000 over the past 12 months. The market peaked at almost 2.3 million at the end of 2008.

In addition to those insured with inpatient plans, there were 104,000 insured with products solely providing outpatient benefits or health insurance cash plans.

In-patient health insurance plans	Total Insured 000's
Dec 2008	2,297
Dec 2009	2,260
Dec 2010	2,228
Dec 2011	2,163
Dec 2012	2,099
Dec 2013	2,049
Dec 2014	2,025
Dec 2015	2,122
Mar 2016	2,126
June 2016	2,133
Sept 2016	2,140
Dec 2016	2,152
Mar 2017	2,156
June 2017	2,157
Sep 2017	2,166
Dec 2017	2,174
Mar 2018	2,187

Based on CSO population estimates, the percentage of the population with inpatient health insurance plans stands at 45.3% at end March 2018 compared to 2008 peak of 50.9%.