# Sustaining the Charitable Mission of Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield after Conversion to a For-Profit Corporation



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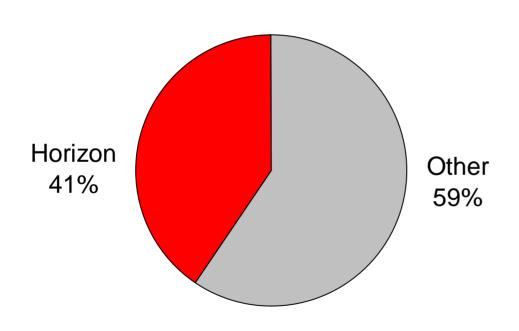
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## **OUTLINE**

- Horizon's Coverage Portfolio
- Conversion Issues and Concerns

## NJ's Largest Health Insurer



6.1 million, medically insured non-elderly New Jersey residents

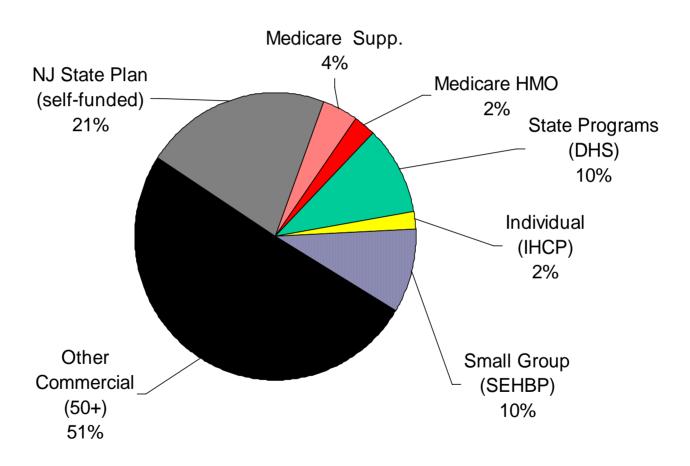
Horizon also provides coverage to 179,000 Medicare beneficiaries

Sources: Kaiser Family Foundation and Horizon BCBS

Note: NJ covered population for 1999-00; Horizon enrollment for 2002.

## Horizon's Coverage Portfolio

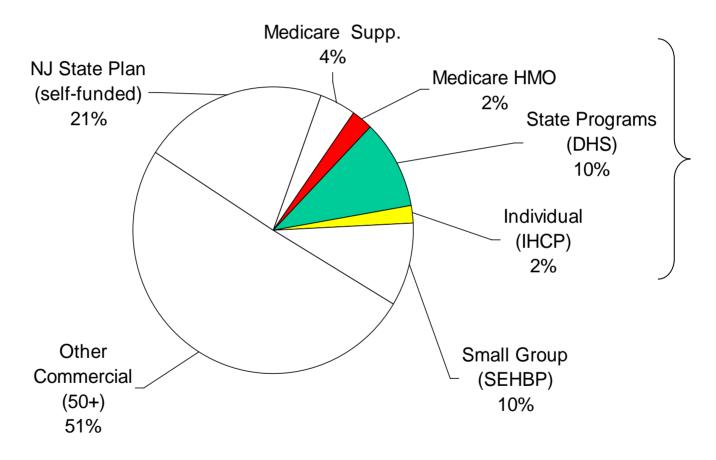
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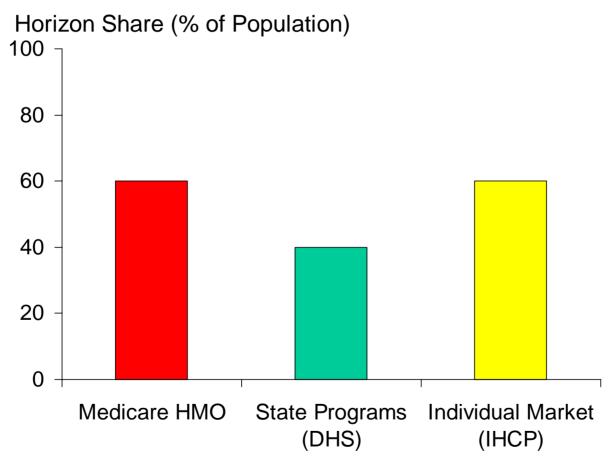
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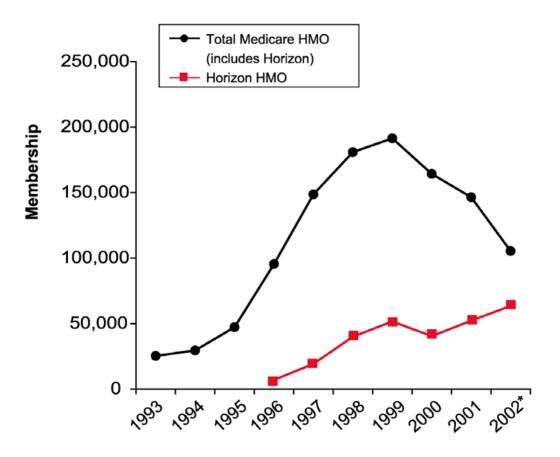
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# Horizon's Large Role in Serving Vulnerable Populations, 2002



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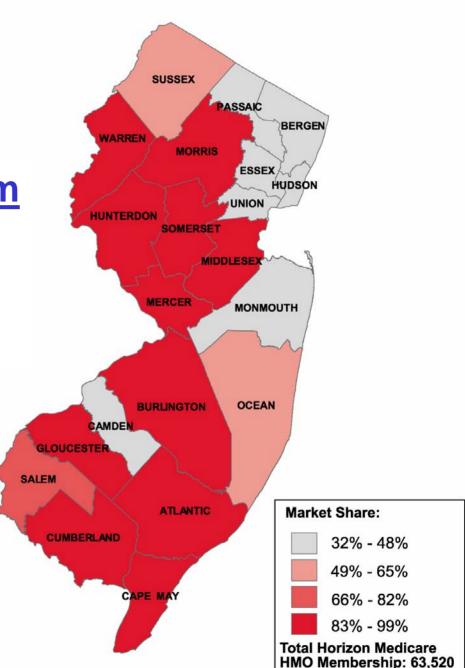
# Horizon Medicare HMO Membership Climbed as Other Carriers Exited the Market, 1993-2002



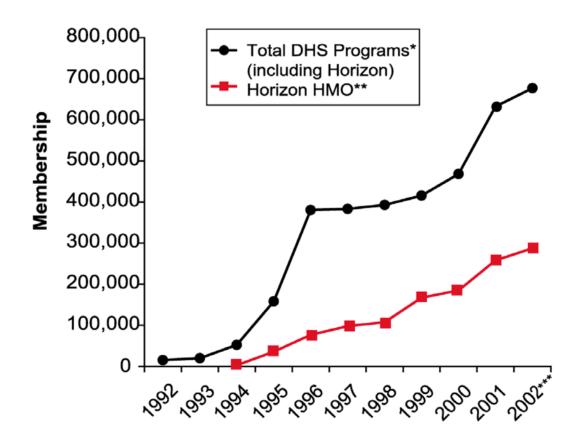
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**Medicare HMO Program** 

**Horizon Dominates in Most NJ Counties** 

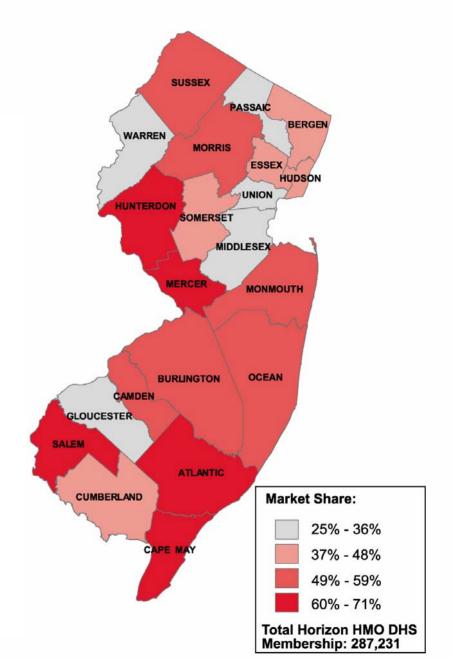


# Horizon More than Doubled its State Program Coverage in 5 Years, 1997-2002

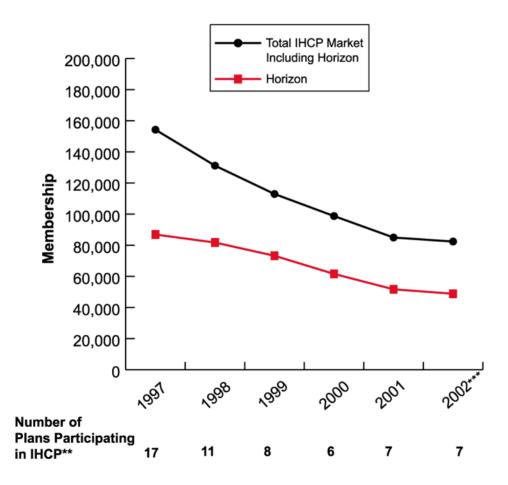


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State Programs
Horizon HMO Plays a Major
Role in all Counties and
Dominates in Many



# Horizon has Maintained a Large Role as Total Individual Coverage (IHCP) Declined, 1997-2002



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- Horizon's Coverage Portfolio
- Conversion Issues and Concerns
  - Continuing Horizon's Charitable Mission
  - Monitoring Impact on Access
  - Assuring an Effective Foundation

## **Continuing the Mission**

Regulatory discretion in asset valuation

Best Practice: Asset Valuation

Maryland commissioned independent study using three valuation methods.

## **Continuing the Mission**

- Regulatory discretion in asset valuation
- Effective public input

Best Practice: Public Input

Maryland and North Carolina have
conducted multiple rounds of public
hearings.

## **Monitoring Access**

Regulatory discretion

Best Practice: Health Impact Study
Detailed impact study is focus of
debate on whether Kansas BCBS
conversion should move forward.

## **Foundation Effectiveness**

- Effective separation from corporate influence
- Politically appointed board of directors
- Qualifications of board and staff

Best Practice: Foundation Governance California created qualification guidelines, search advisory group, and employed a search firm in 1996 BC conversion.

#### CONCLUSIONS

- Horizon's distinguished track record
- NJ statute is strong, but concerns remain

## **CONCERNS**

- Asset valuation
- Public input
- Health impact study
- Foundation governance