

# Bringing Data to Policy

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You can show data to policymakers but you can't  
make them read the footnotes.

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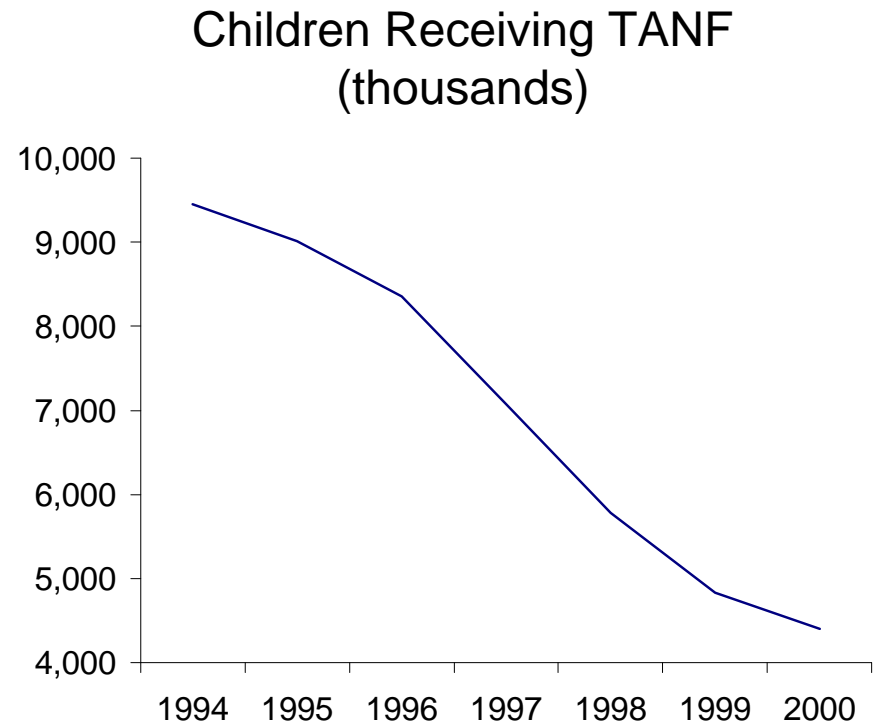
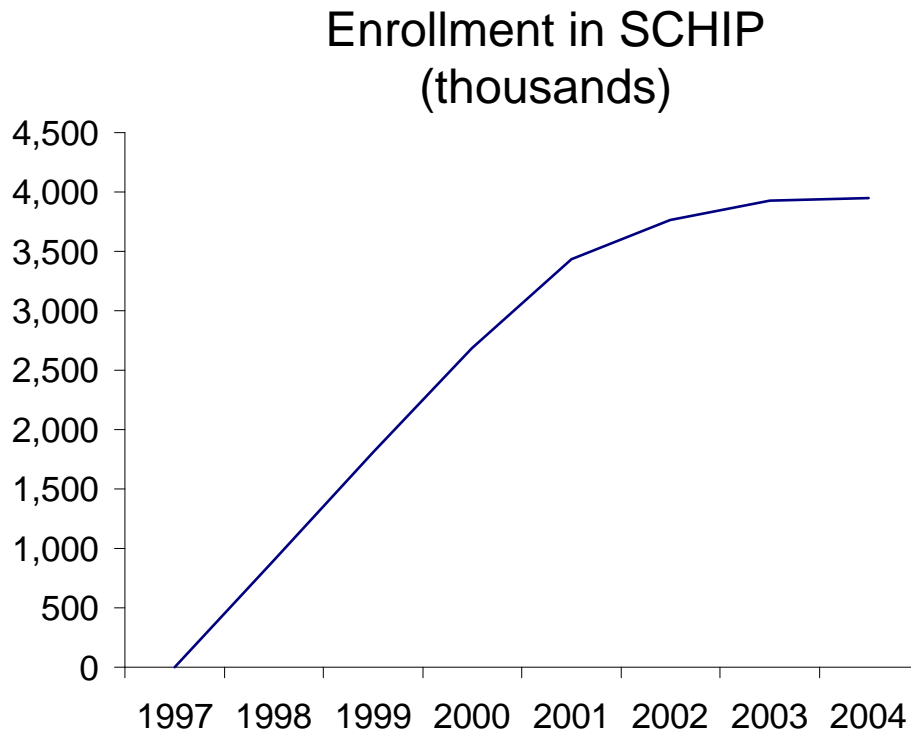
**Using Administrative Data to Answer State Policy Questions**  
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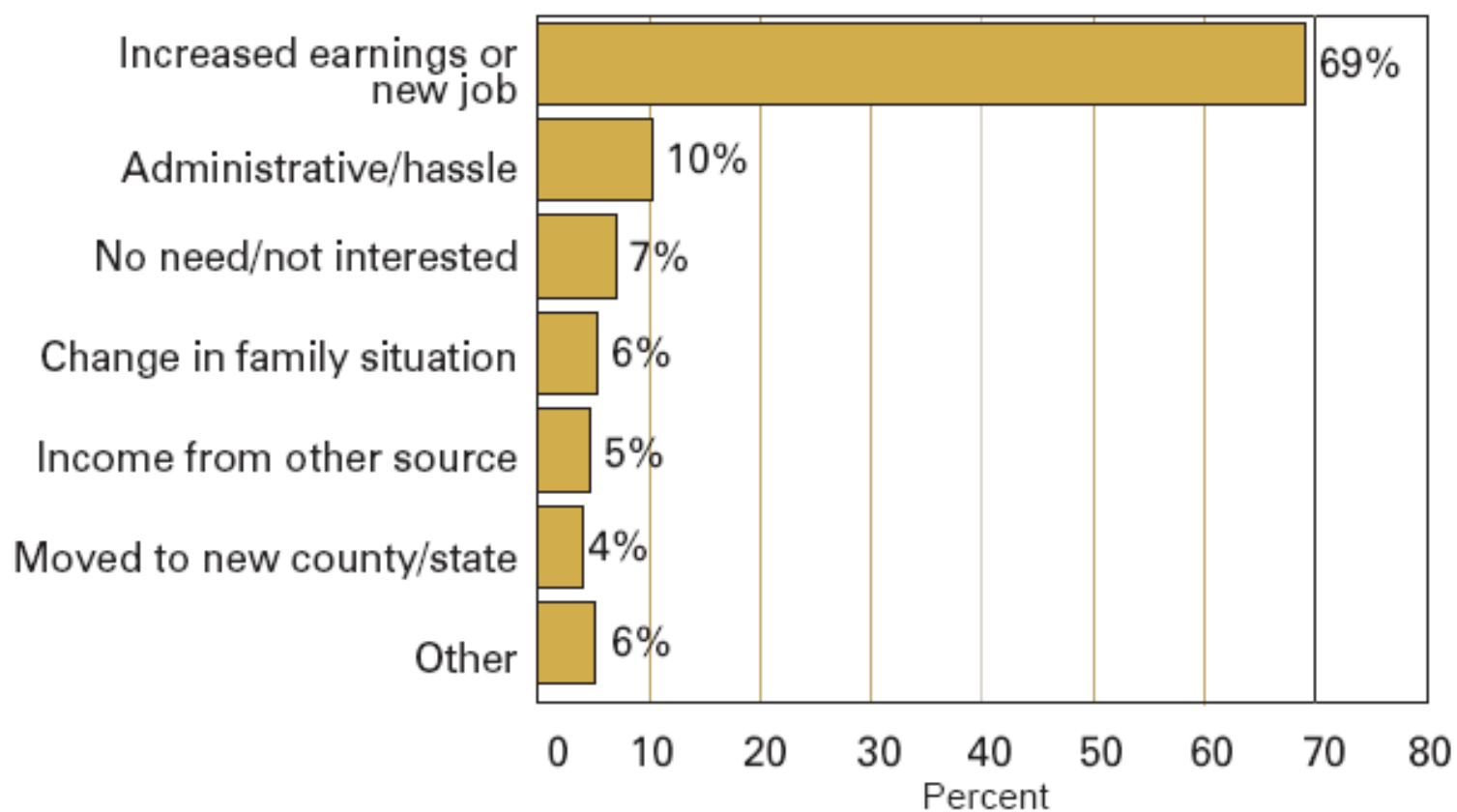
# Presentation Outline

- A Tale of Two Programs
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# A Tale of Two Programs

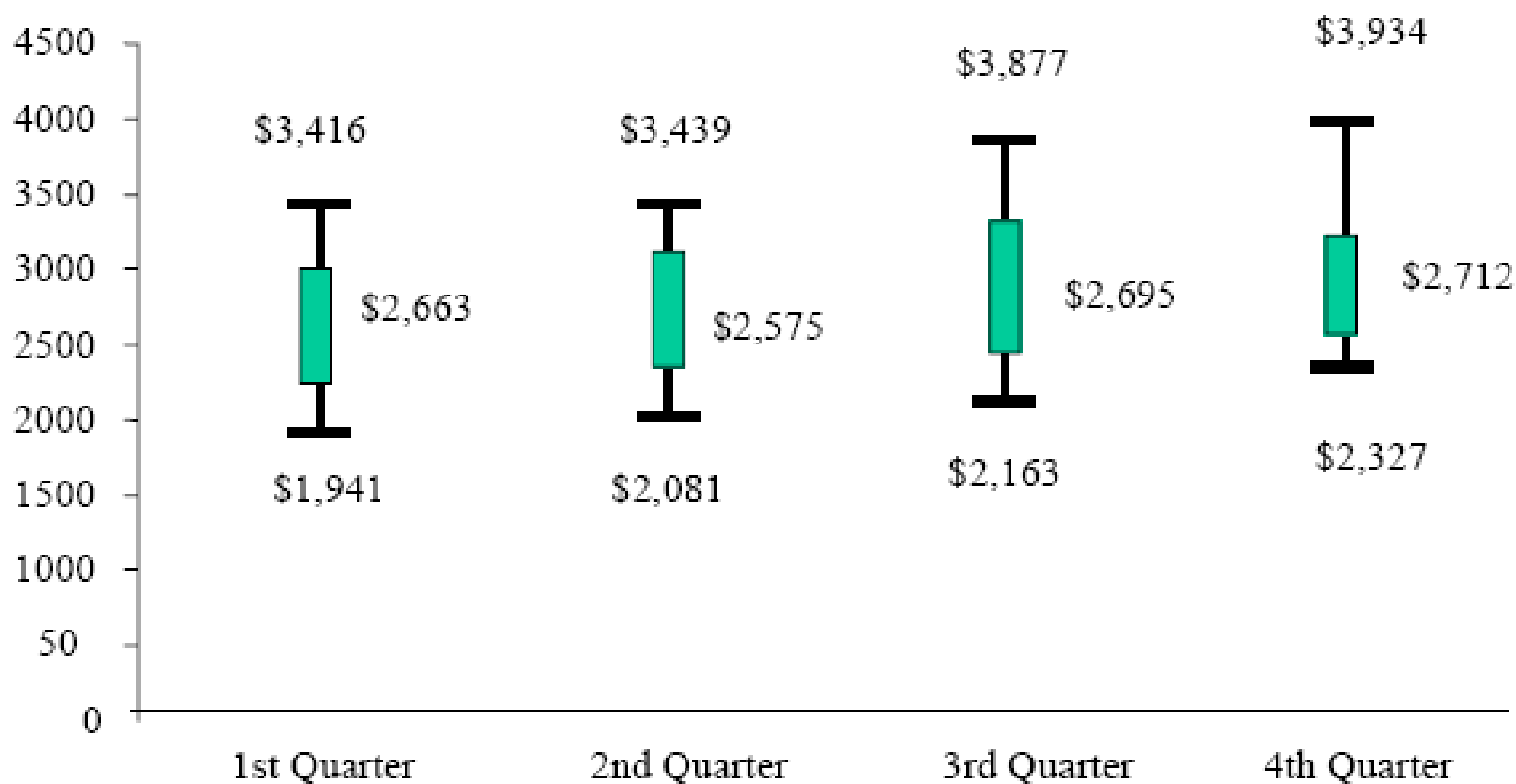


**Figure 1**  
**Former Recipients' Reasons for Leaving Welfare**



*Source:* Urban Institute calculations from the National Survey of America's Families, 1997.

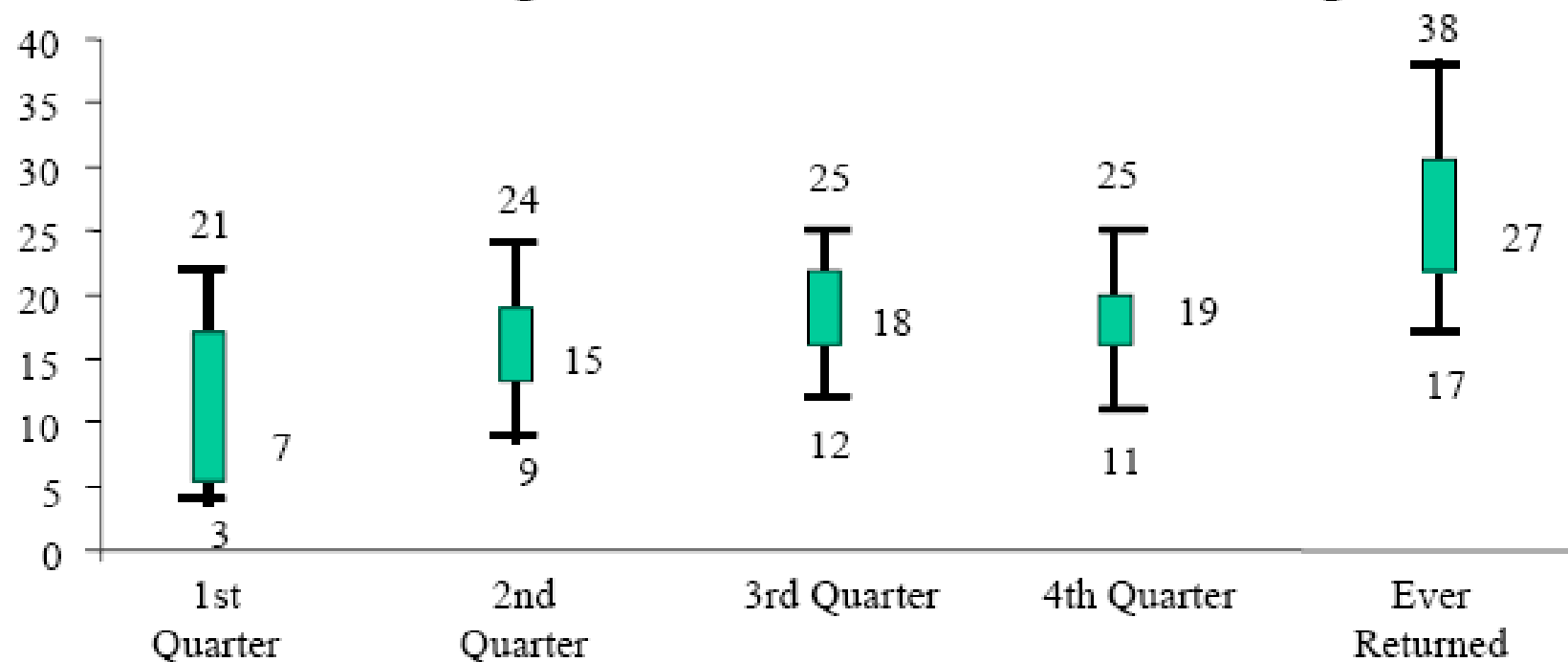
**Figure III.4: Mean Earnings of Single-Parent Welfare Leavers**



Notes: The graph shows the minimum, maximum, and median earnings as reported across the studies. The shaded box represents the range in which the middle 50% of reported earnings fall. Not all studies provide data for all post-exit quarters. See table III.5 for more information.

Source: "Final Synthesis Report Of Findings From ASPE's 'Leavers' Grants," Gregory Acs and Pamela Loprest, November 27, 2001.

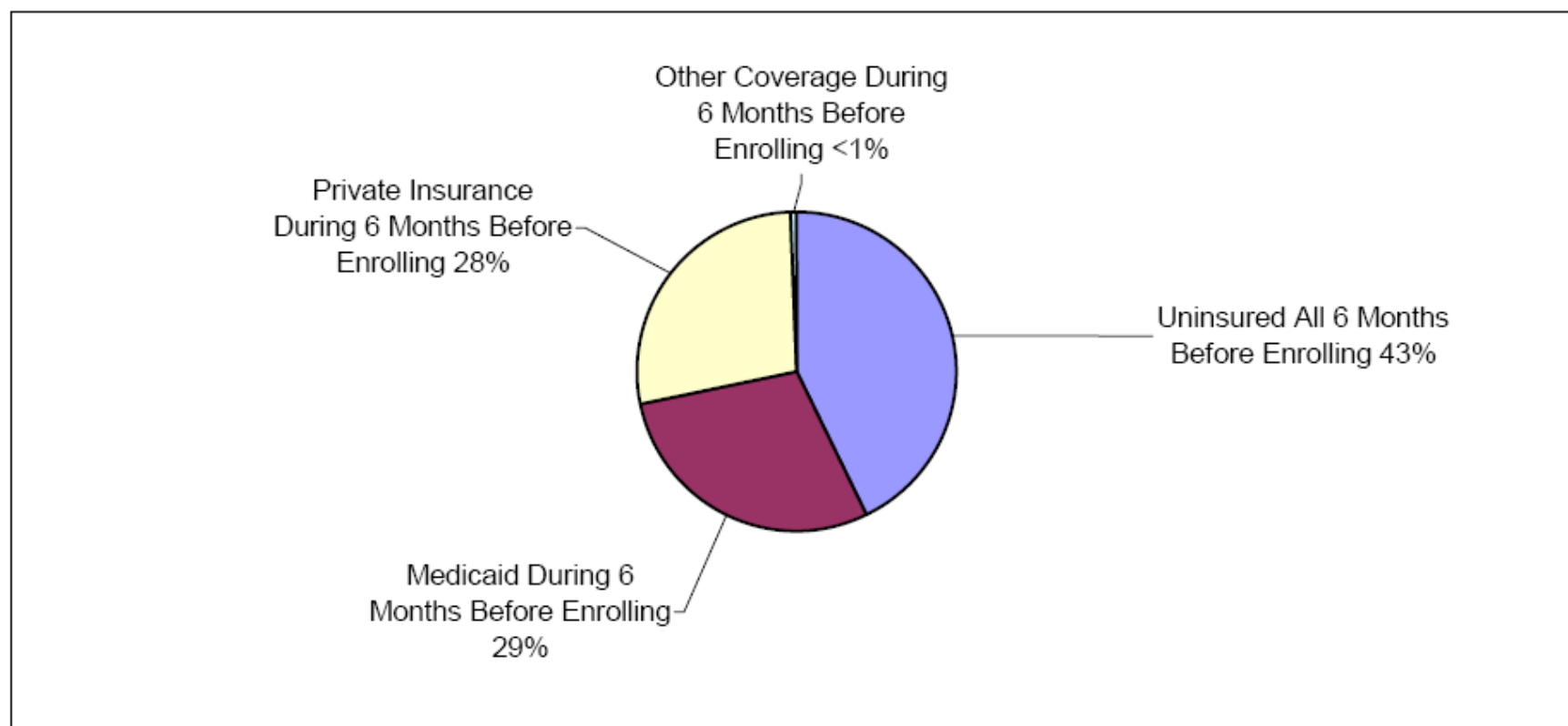
**Figure IV.1: Percent of Single-Parent Welfare Leavers Returning to TANF**



Notes: The graph shows the minimum, maximum, and median TANF return rates as reported across the studies. The shaded box represents the range in which the middle 50% of reported TANF return rates fall. Not all studies provide data for all post-exit quarters. See table IV.1 for more information.

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**Figure 1. Coverage of Recent Enrollees During the 6 Months Before They Enrolled**



SOURCE: 2002 congressionally mandated survey of SCHIP enrollees and disenrollees in 10 states and State Enrollment Data Files.

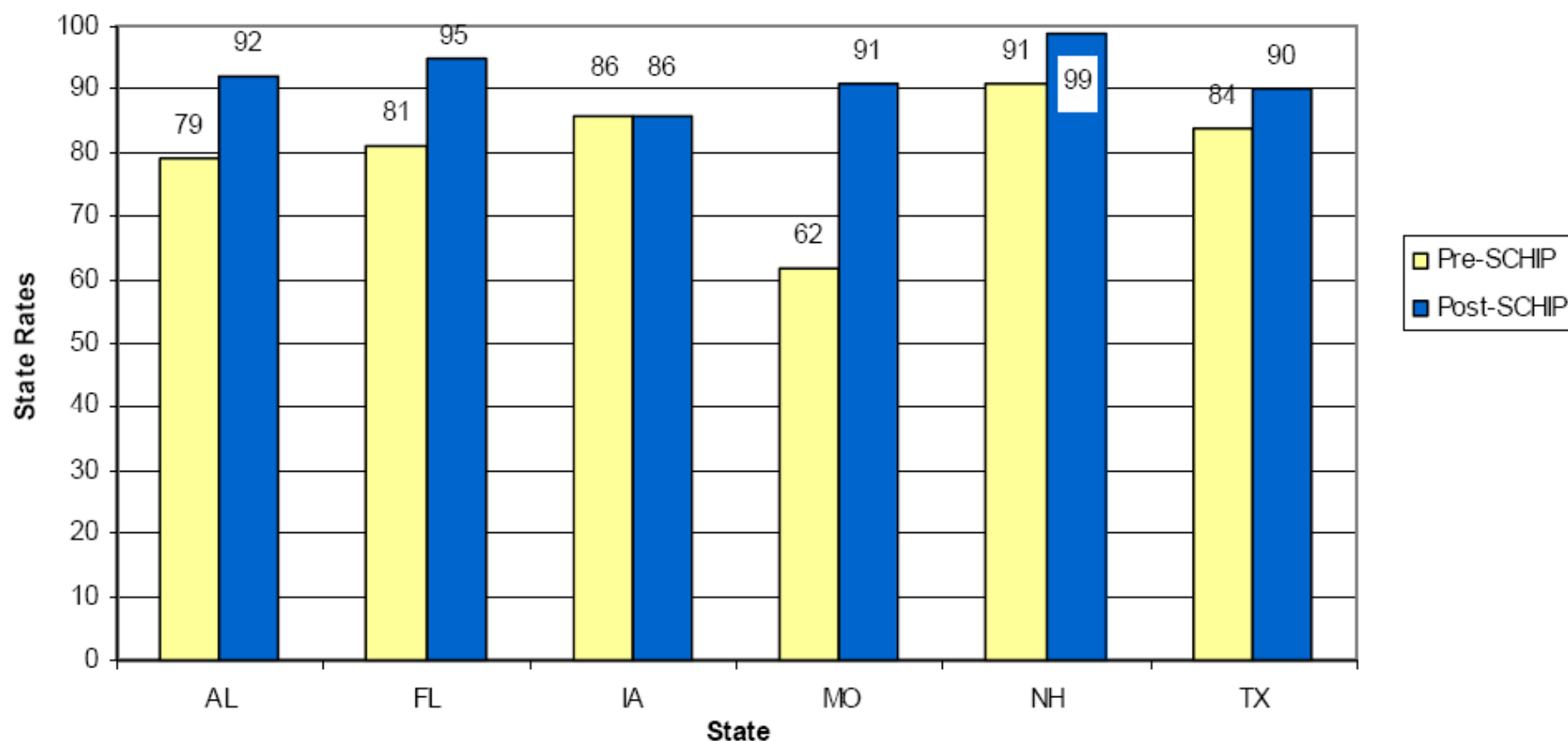
**Table 9. Reasons Private Coverage Ended Among Recent Enrollees**

Reason Coverage Ended	Loss of Coverage Was Voluntary or Involuntary	Percent of All Recent Enrollees	Total
Employment Change or Benefit Loss at Same Job	Involuntary	13%	} 14%
Loss of Parent or Family Structure Change	Involuntary	1	
Affordability	Could be considered voluntary, but depends on state policy	8	8
Prefers SCHIP or Dislikes Other Insurance	Voluntary	2	} 7
Miscellaneous	Voluntary	5	
Total		28	

SOURCE: 2002 congressionally mandated survey of SCHIP enrollees and disenrollees in 10 states.

NOTE: Miscellaneous category includes moved/relocated, wanted child to be insured, enrolled based on provider/agency recommendation, and other reasons with insufficient information to determine whether substitution played a role.

**Figure 3. Percent of Children with a Usual Source of Care Before and After Enrolling in State SCHIP Programs**

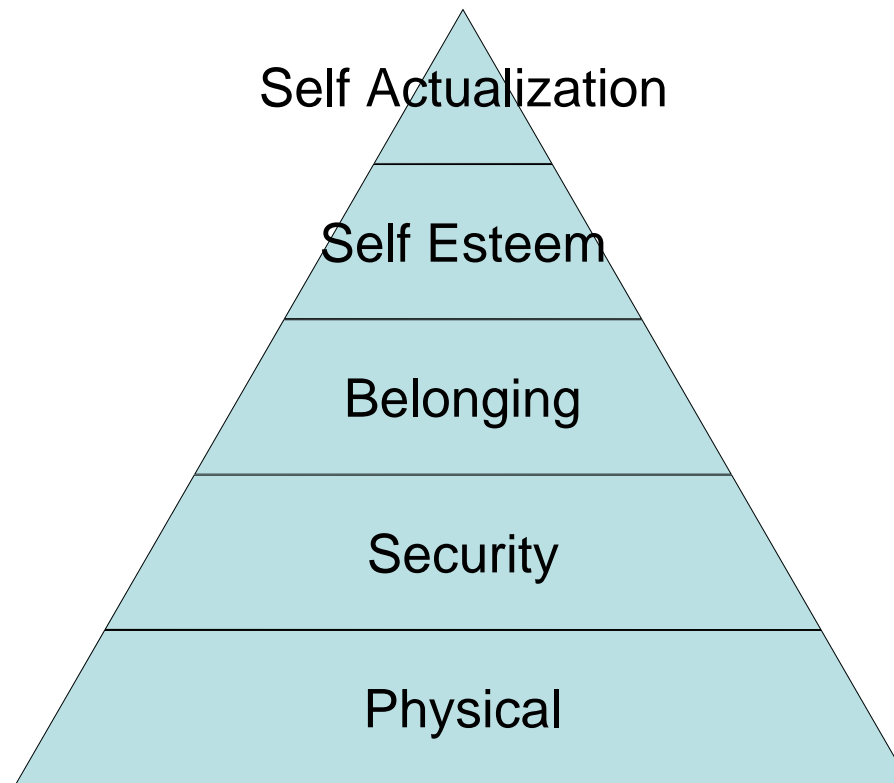


Source: State Title XXI annual reports from fiscal years 1999 through 2003.

Note: Florida, New Hampshire, and Texas reported data on the percent of SCHIP enrollees with a "usual place," Iowa and Missouri reported on "usual provider," and Alabama did not define the type of usual source of care.

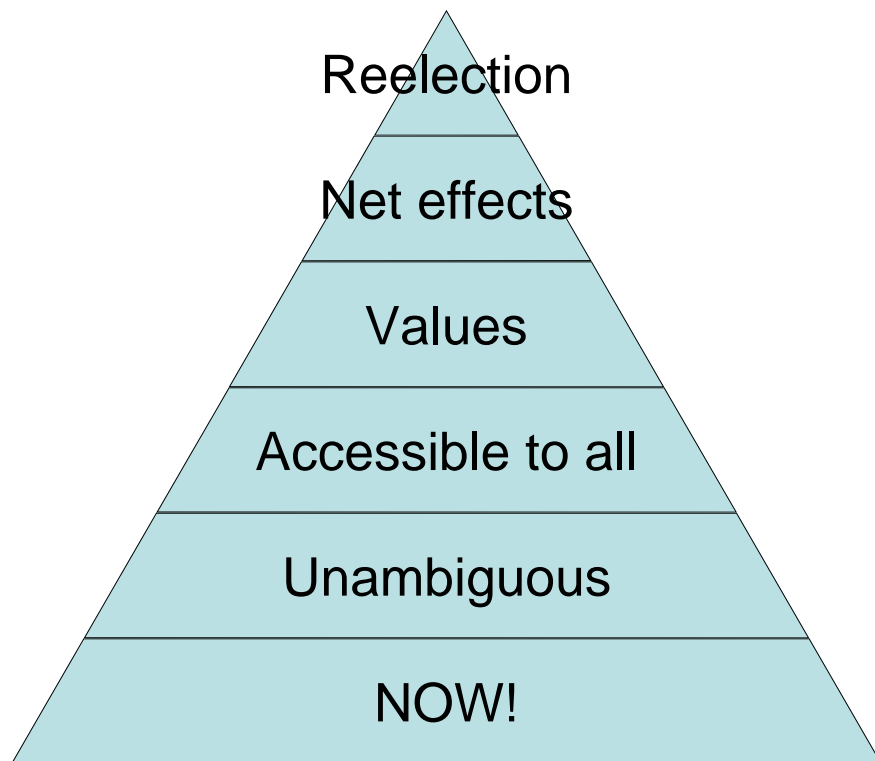
# Two Worlds Collide

# Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs

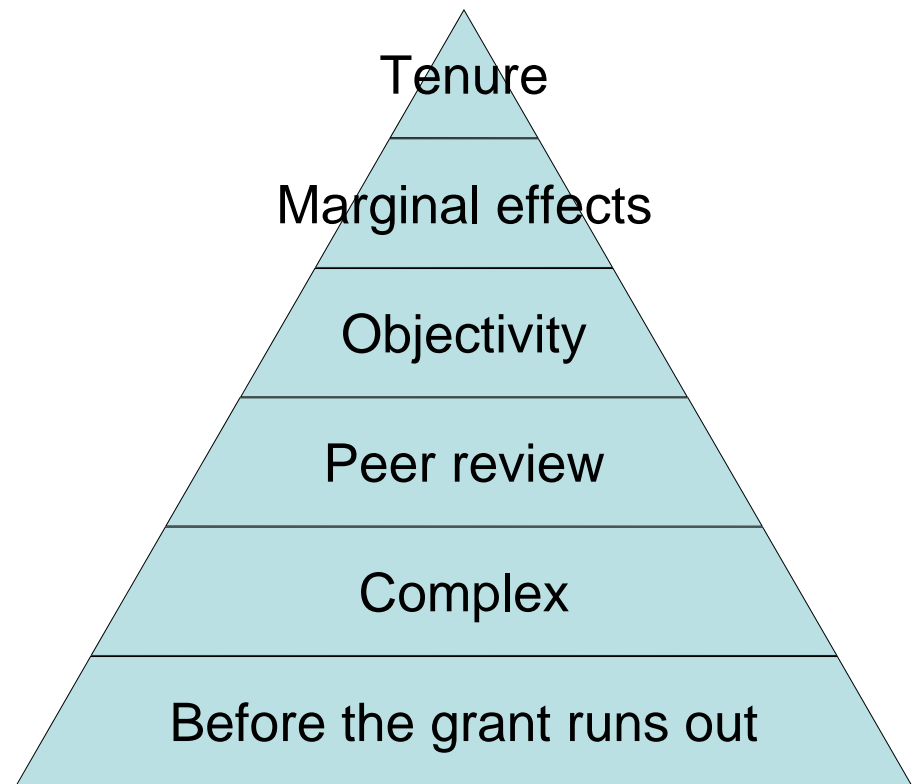


# Wolsam's Hierarchy of Needs

## Policymakers



## Researchers



# Health Policy Needs You!



# Types of Data to Inform Policy

- Clinical
- Population
- Survey
- Administrative