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***The SNACC Project:
Background, Roles and Research
Questions***

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Background on the meeting

- Survey estimates of Medicaid enrollment are well below administrative data enrollment figures
- In the present study we compare the Medicaid Statistical Information System (MSIS) to the Current Population Survey (CPS)
- We have been working on this for over two years and we wanted to get feedback from the policy research community
- Today we will present preliminary numbers that we wish to get feedback on before we write the initial set of papers
- We ask that the numbers presented today not be cited or referenced as they are preliminary

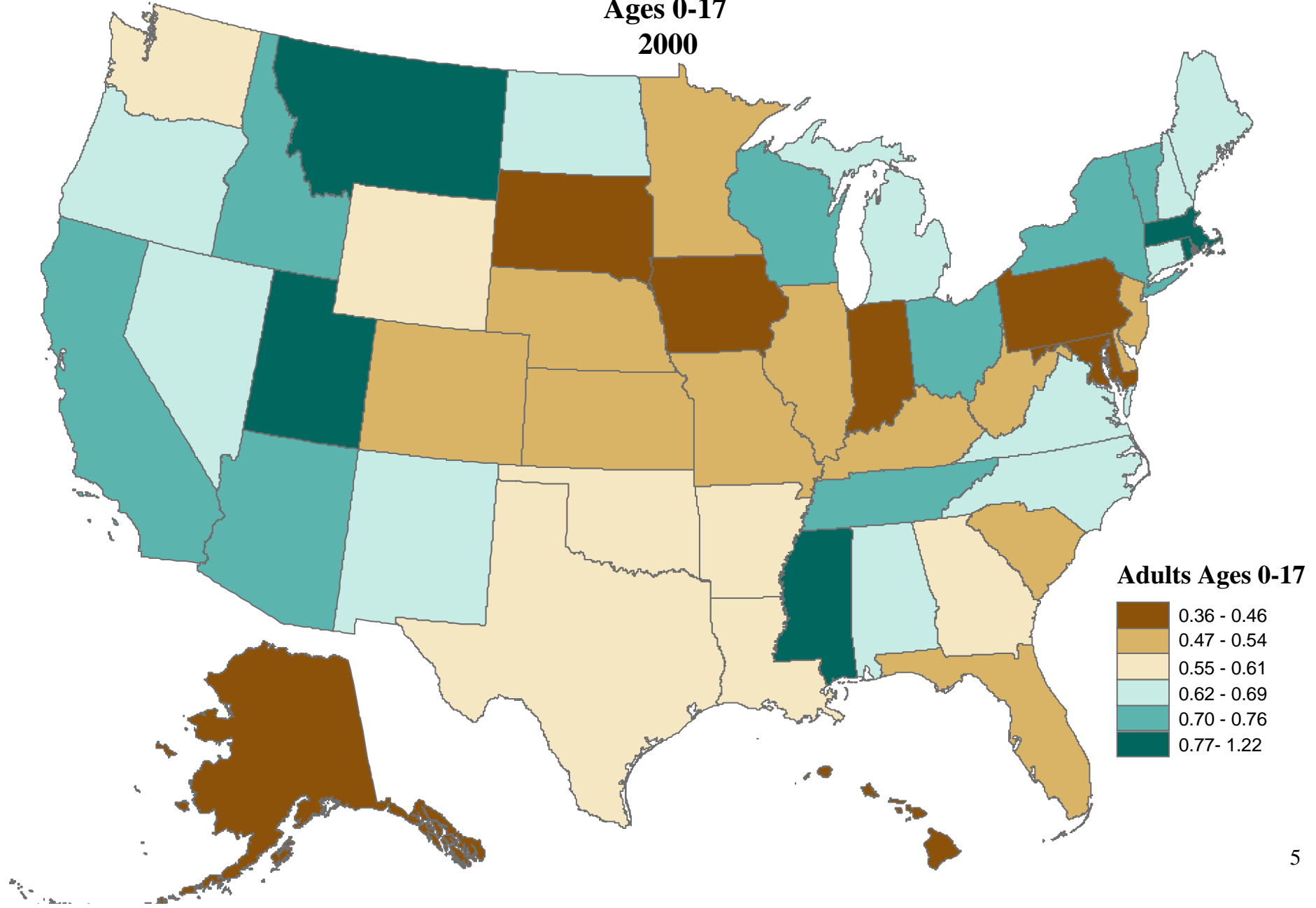
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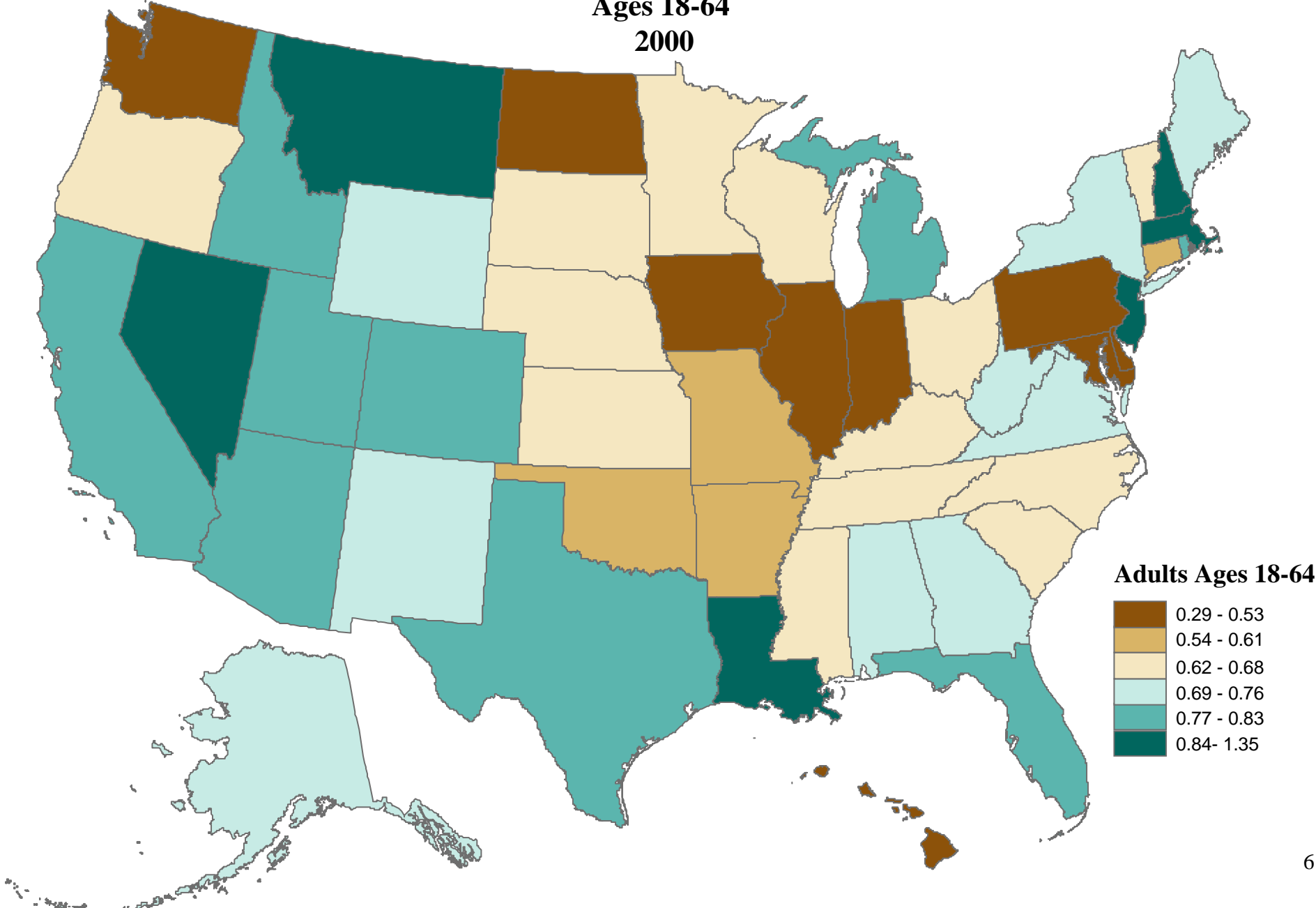
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**The Current Population Survey Estimate of the
Number Enrolled in Medicaid Divided by the Adjusted MSIS Number of Medicaid Enrollees
Ages 0-17
2000**



**The Current Population Survey Estimate of the
Number Enrolled in Medicaid Divided by the Adjusted MSIS Number of Medicaid Enrollees
Ages 18-64
2000**



Why do we care?

- CPS estimates are important to health policy research
 - Used for policy simulations by federal and state governments
 - Surveys like the CPS are the only sources for population estimates on the uninsured
 - Surveys are also the only source of the Medicaid/SCHIP eligible, but uninsured population
 - CPS is used in the SCHIP funding formula
 - CPS is often used to evaluate federal programs and state initiatives
- The magnitude of the undercount calls the validity of CPS survey insurance estimates into question

Layout of SNACC Research

- Phase I: Examined the MSIS data and prepared it for linking to the CPS
 - Dave Baugh from CMS will report on major findings
- Phase II: First pass at linking the CPS with MSIS
 - Dean Resnick from Census will report on preliminary findings
- Phase III: An examination of “universe” differences between MSIS and CPS (who is in MSIS that is not in the CPS universe)?
 - Marc Roemer will reporting on preliminary findings
- Phase IV: Links the National Health Interview Survey data to MSIS
 - First set of tables are being produced and no presentation today

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