BCBS Members Filing Diabetes Claims (2013)	
State Comparison	**Percent**
Alabama	4.58
United States	N.A.
Historic Trend	N.A
Public Health Area	
1	5.20
2	4.74
3	4.58
4	4.54
5	3.99
6	4.63
7	5.31
8	4.45
9	4.22
10	5.26
11	4.56
Rurality	
Rural counties	4.91
Urban counties	4.39
Age	
Under 18	0.35
18 - 24	0.62
25 - 34	1.22
35 - 44	3.39
45 - 54	7.12
55 - 64	12.34
65 and over	17.83
Gender	N.A.
Race	N.A.
Ethnicity	N.A.
Income	N.A.
Education	N.A.

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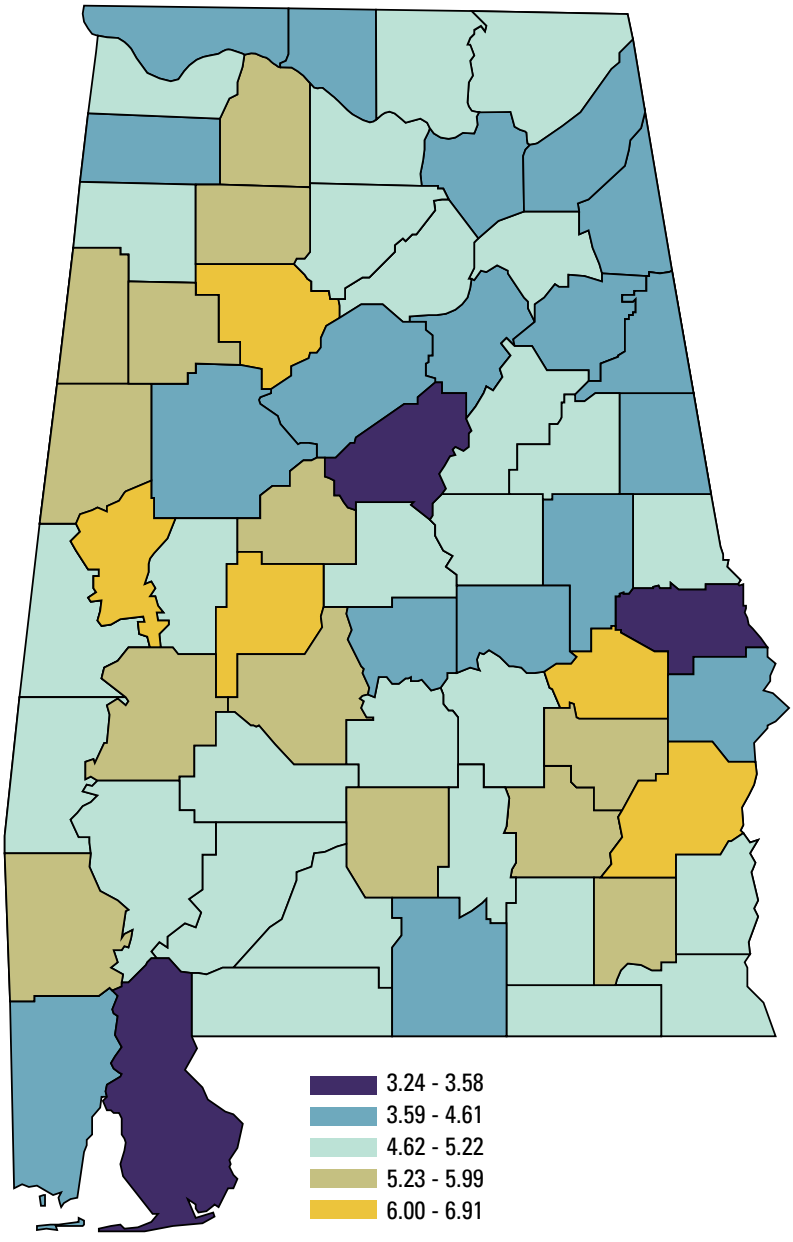
- Alabama's BCBS population is composed of those who are not covered by a public or other private insurance program. In 2013, 4.6 percent of this population had diabetes related claims. This was almost 100,000 people.
- Rural counties are more likely to have diabetics with BCBS coverage.
- The five counties with the highest percentages of diabetic claims were Barbour, Greene, Macon, Perry, and Walker, all with at least 6 percent rate of claims. This population is probably diagnosed earlier, receives better treatment, and is less likely to be disabled by their diabetes.
- Diabetes claims rise dramatically with age, from .4 percent at age less than 18 to 17.8 percent at age 65 and older.
- BCBS members filing claims:
  - Are geographically concentrated in rural areas with limited access to diabetic services.
  - Are highly related to age.