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## EXAMPLES OF HEALTH CARE DISPARITIES

- ◆ About 20% of residents of the southern and western regions of the US do not have health insurance. In contrast, in the northeast and mid-western regions around 12% of residents do not have insurance. Source: Health, United States, 2002 With Chartbook on Trends in the Health of Americans; National Center for Health Statistics. Hyattsville, MD 2002. (p 313.)
- ◆ More than 25% of the poor and near-poor have no usual source of health care. Among the non-poor, about 14% have no usual source of health care. Source: Health, United States, 2002 With Chartbook on Trends in the Health of Americans; National Center for Health Statistics. Hyattsville, MD 2002. (p 231.)