# Medicare Advantage Markets Offer Competition, Affordability, and Choice

**Medicare Advantage plans are delivering better services, better access to care, and better value each year.** That's why 27 million seniors and Americans with disabilities choose Medicare Advantage. One of the main drivers of Medicare Advantage's high-quality, affordable health coverage is vibrant and growing competition among Medicare Advantage plans.

Whether it's offering more choices for the health plan that fits an individual's needs, more widespread availability of high-quality, integrated health coverage, or greater access to health plans with a $0 premium and drug coverage, competition in the Medicare Advantage space is helping drive greater quality and value for the millions of Americans the program serves.

## Here's how:

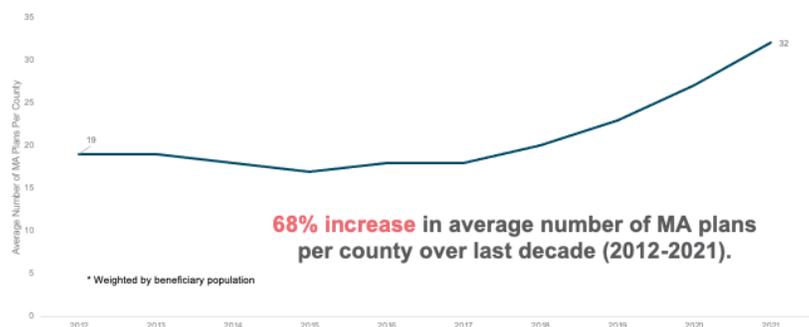More companies competing to offer innovative benefits and services in the Medicare Advantage marketplace...

### MA Parent Organizations



**15% increase** in # of companies competing in MA space over last decade (2012-2021).

Source: CMS Enrollment Files, by contract, as of July, various years: https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Statistics-Trends-and-Reports/MCRAdvPartDEnrolData.
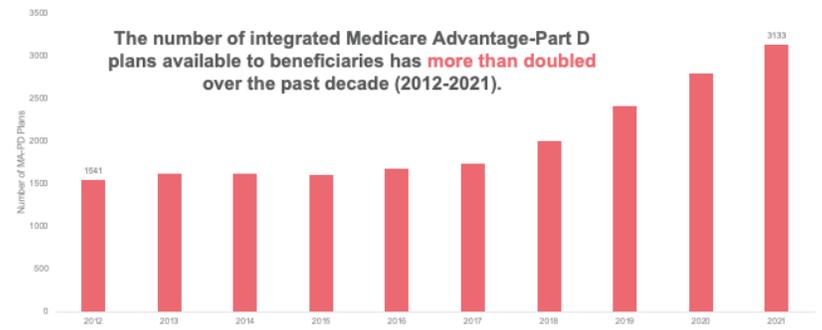
Greater choice for enrollees...

### Average Number of MA Plans per County*



**68% increase** in average number of MA plans per county over last decade (2012-2021).

* Weighted by beneficiary population

Source: MedPAC March Report to the Congress, various years.

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Including more plans offering the convenience and value of integrated medical and prescription drug coverage...

## Availability of MA-PD Plans

The number of integrated Medicare Advantage-Part D plans available to beneficiaries has **more than doubled** over the past decade (2012-2021).
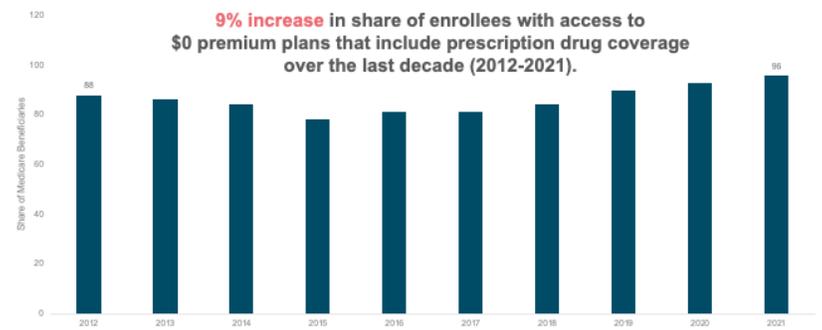


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And the vast majority of Medicare beneficiaries have access to a zero premium plan with drug coverage.

## Access to $0 Premium Plans w/ Drug Coverage

**9% increase** in share of enrollees with access to $0 premium plans that include prescription drug coverage over the last decade (2012-2021).



Source: MedPAC March Report to the Congress, various years.

**Medicare Advantage is a prime example of the government and free market working together to deliver lower costs, more choices, and better outcomes for the American people.** Congress must protect Medicare Advantage so that it can continue to improve the health and financial stability of the millions of Americans it serves.

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