

The Coming Health Care Crisis for New York Parents

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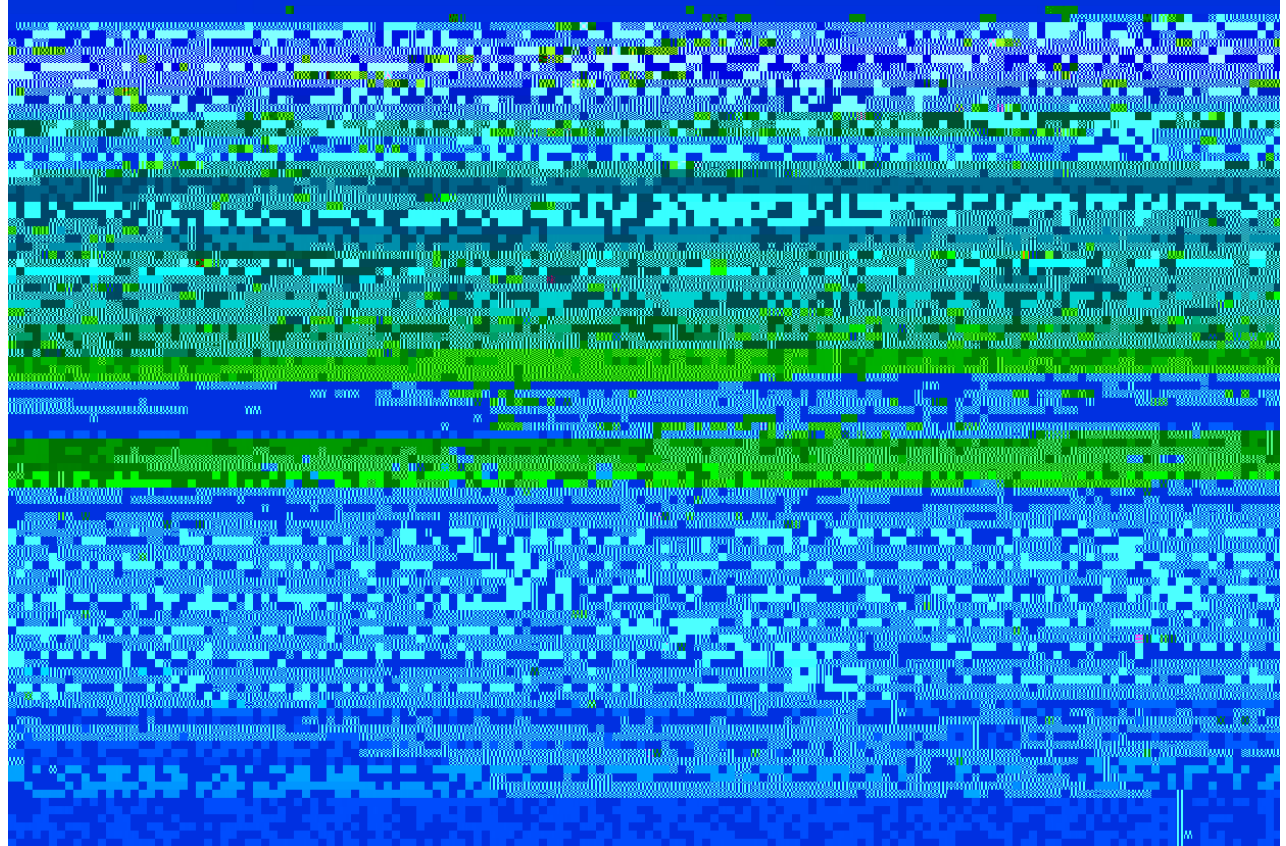


FIGURE 1 Rate of own employer-provided coverage among Full-time Year-round Workers, Early and Late 1990s

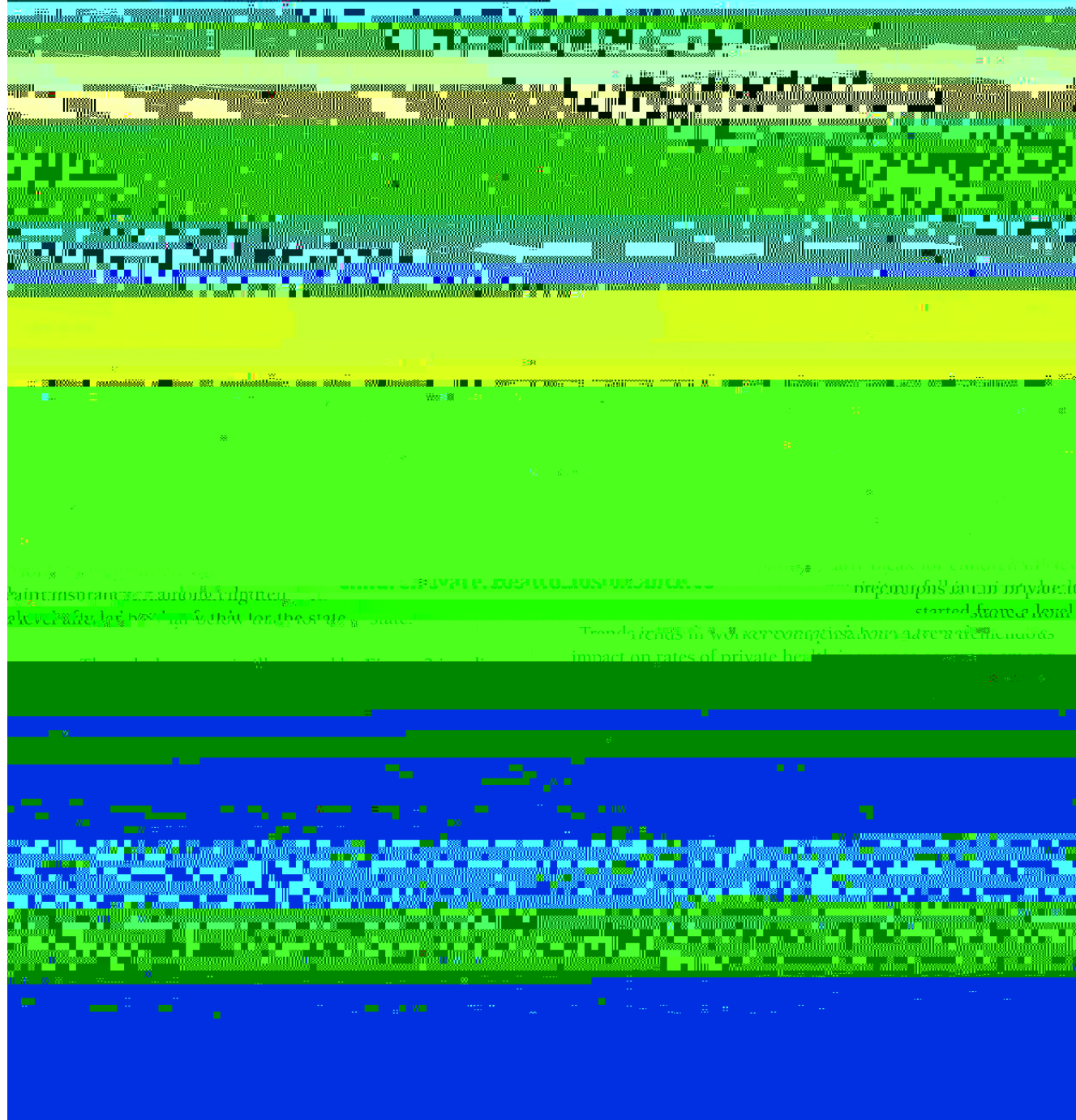


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As a consequence, the gap in employer-provided health insurance coverage between low- and high-wage workers on the island and in New York City

FIGURE 3: Rates of Private Health Insurance Coverage among Children by Residence, Year, and Education



Private health insurance coverage among children in the United States has increased steadily since 1990, starting from a level that was significantly lower than the state level. Trends in rates of private health insurance coverage among children have had a significant impact on rates of private health insurance coverage among children in the United States.

