



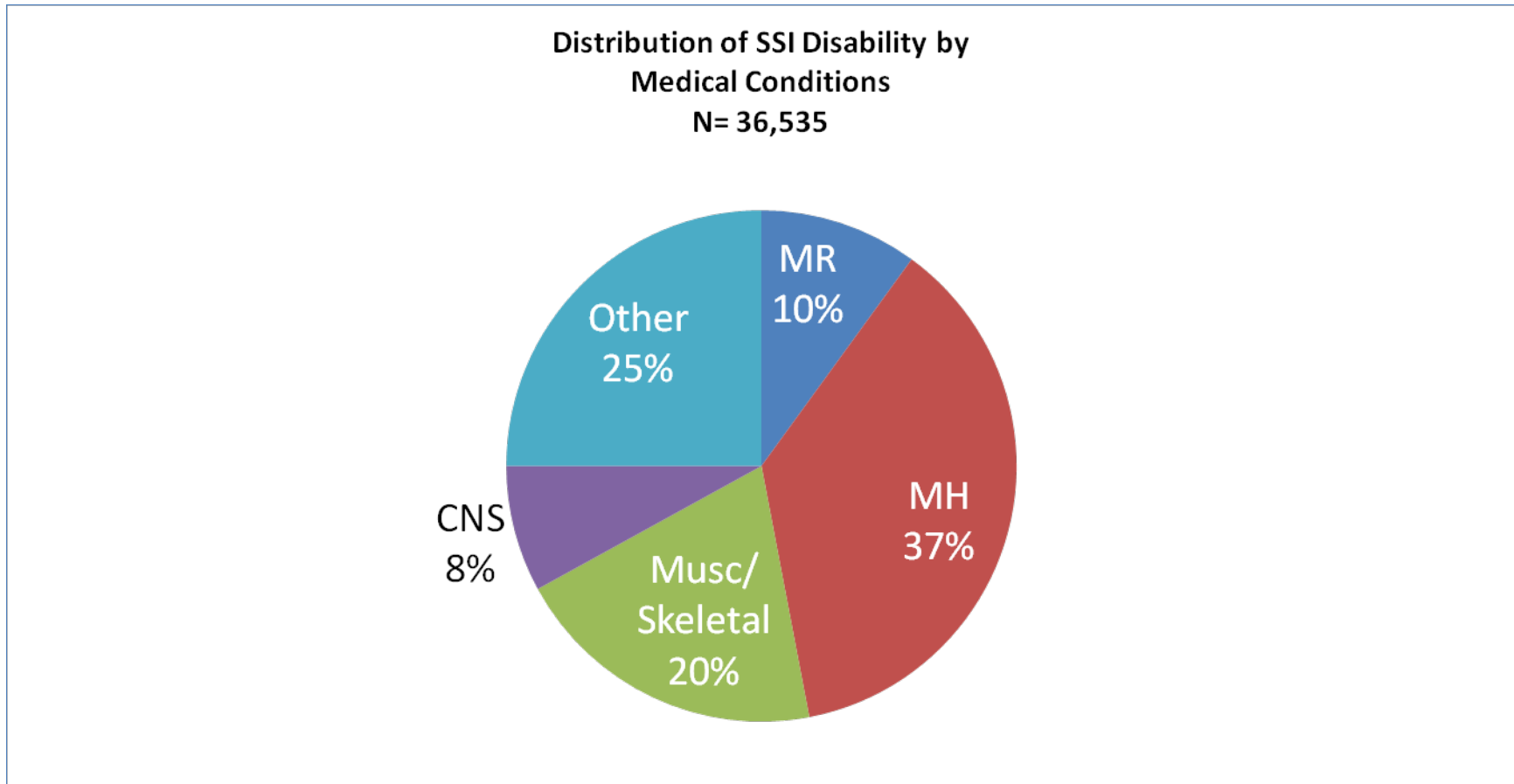
**Specialty Populations**  
**12/14/2010**

## Sources of Information and Reference Materials

- HCUPnet Discharge Database
- CMS MDS 2.0 Online Reporting System
- Center for Mental Health Services/SAMHSA Uniform Reporting System online edition
- CMS Nursing Home Data Compendium, various years
- Social Security Statistical Supplement 100% file, various years
- Alzheimer Association 2009 Facts and Figures
- CDC Autism Spectrum Disorders Facts and Figures
- Caregiving in the US – National Alliance for Caregiving & AARP
- 2005/2006 National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs – RI Chartbook page
- Residential Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities: Status and Trends Through 2006 – University of MN
- National Spinal Cord Statistical Information Center – UAB
- Nursing Facility Operating Characteristics Report – AHCA, 2010 Update
- Nursing Facilities, Staffing, Residents and Facility Deficiencies, 2004 Through 2009 – UCSF PAS
- NRI-Inc datasets
- Across the States: Profiles of Long-term Care and Independent Living, AARP 2009
- RI Birth Defects Databook
- RIDE IDEA report

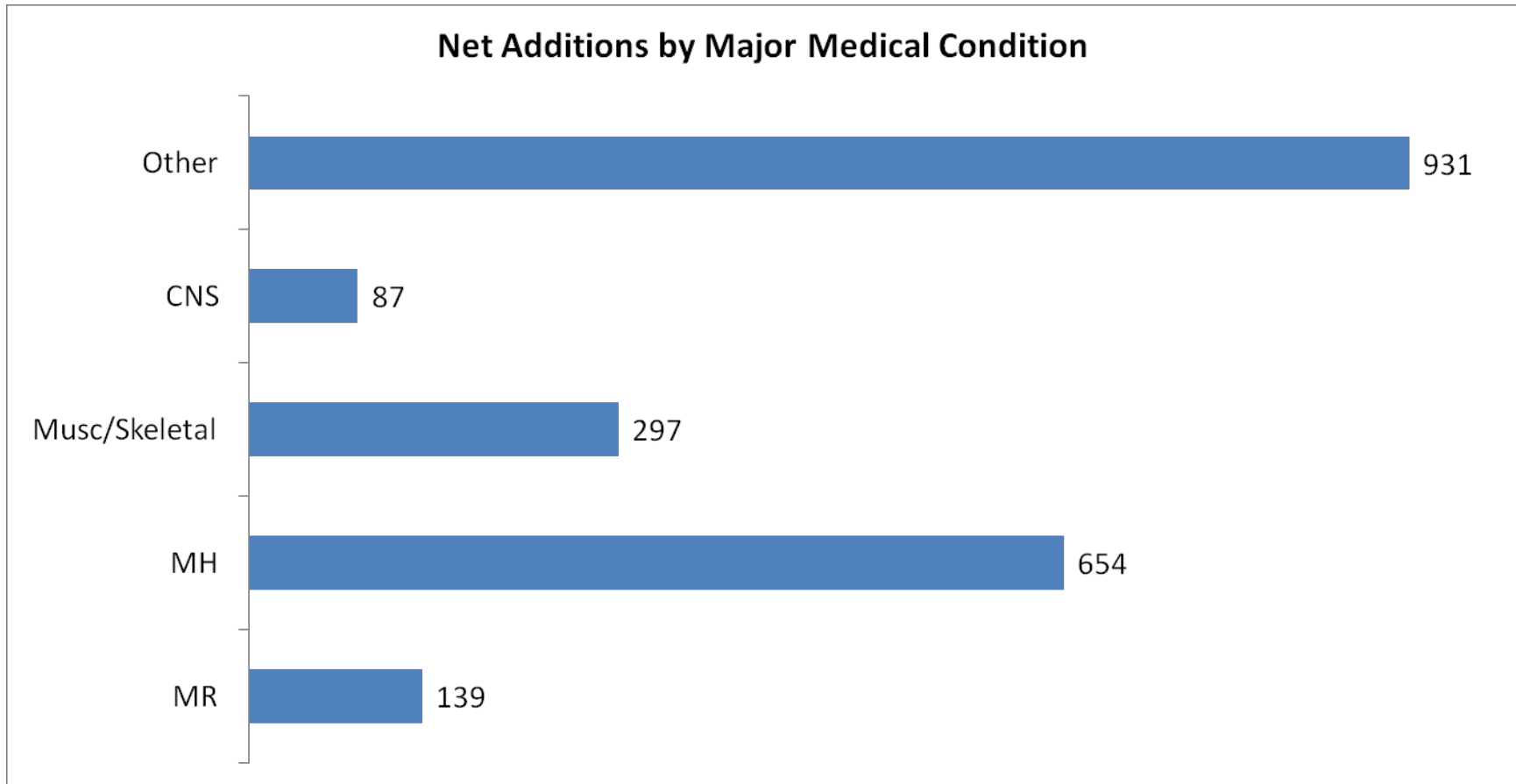
## Medical Disability

# Approximately 75% or 27,000 SSI-D recipients likely require long term supports



Source: NP calculations from SSI-D supplemental statistics file

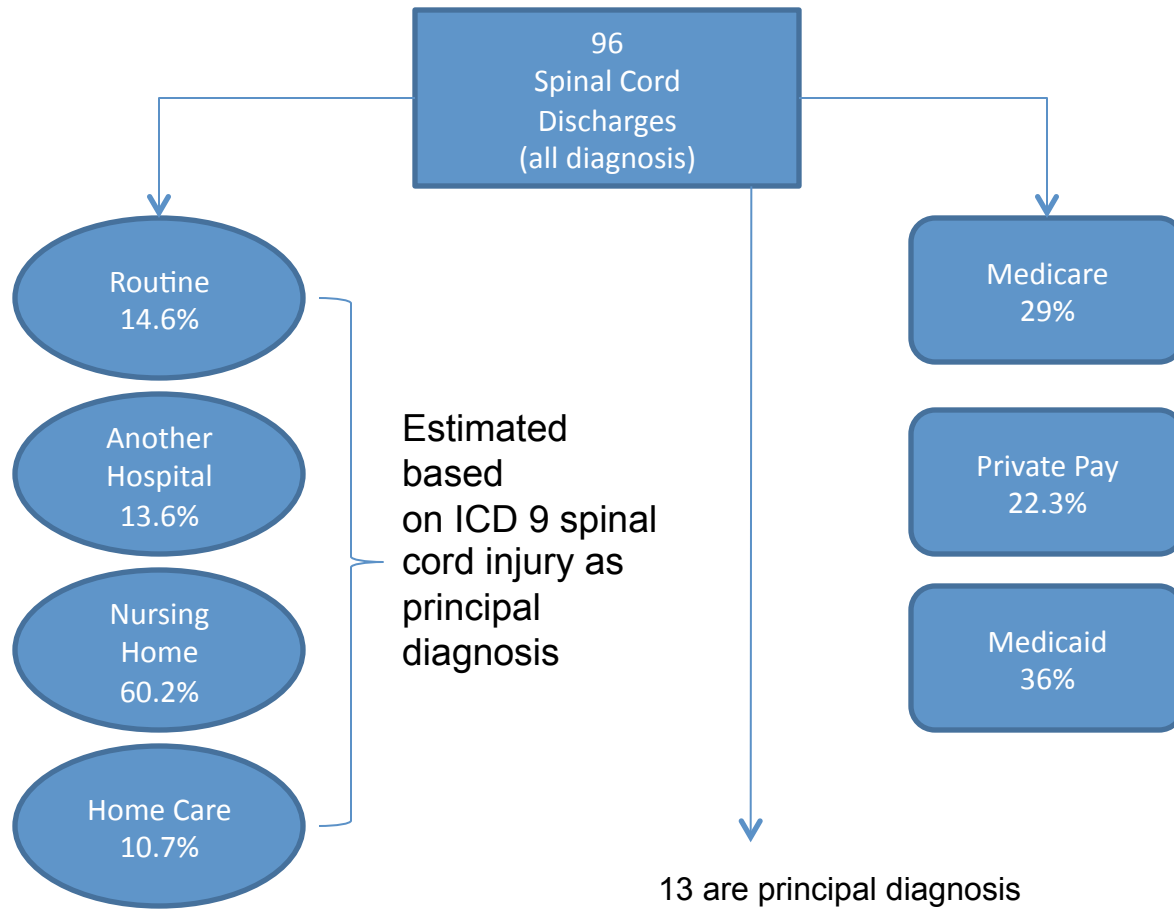
## Analysis of 6 years of SSI-D medical data shows caseload growth on average of 2100 annually



Source: NP calculations from SSI-D supplemental statistics file

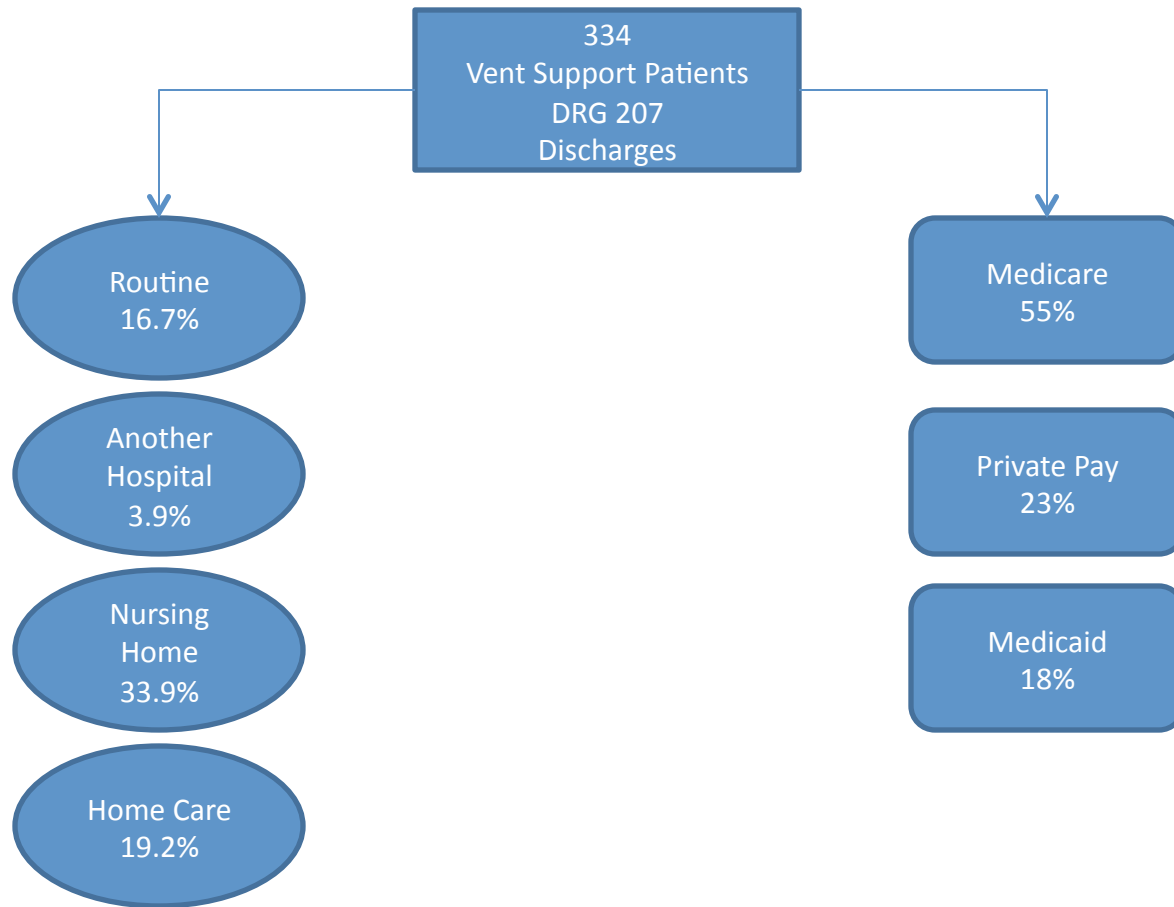
## **Spinal Cord Injuries, Ventilator Support**

# Discharge pathways for RI spinal cord patients - 2009



Source: NP analysis of HCUPnet datasets

# Discharge pathways for RI Ventilator supported patients - 2009

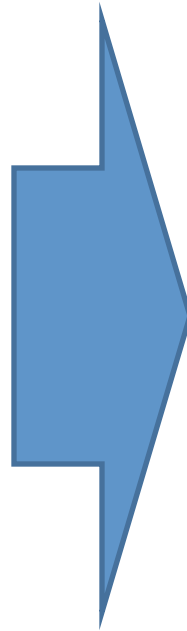


Source: NP analysis of HCUPnet datasets



## Ventilator beds in RI

- Rhode Island has 20 beds in service with another 10 beds licensed but not in service
- Reports indicate that despite an apparent need for additional ventilator bed capacity demand has not emerged
- NP's belief is that the historic per diem method of payment by BCBSRI for inpatient hospital stays coupled with the low occupancy rates at a number of hospitals is in part responsible for this lack of demand for specialized ventilator bed capacity

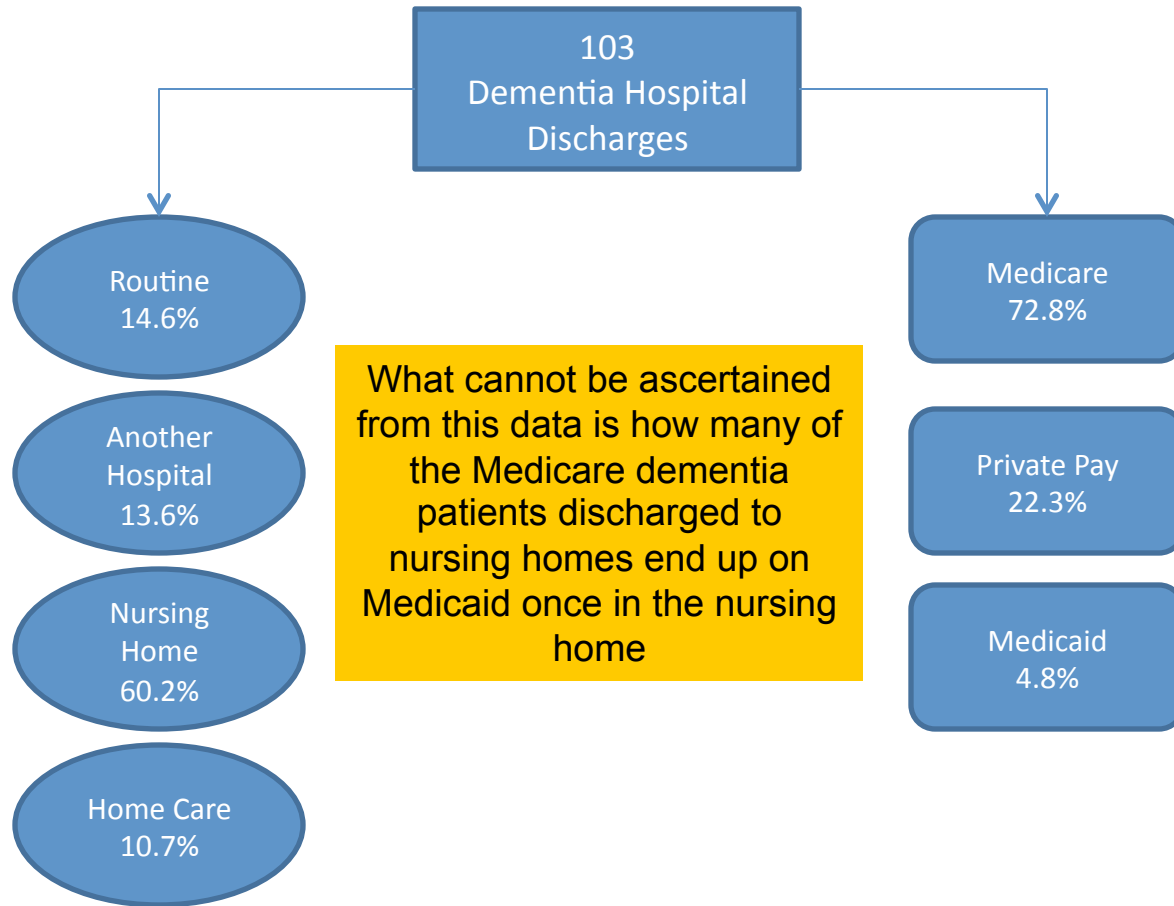


### Items to Watch

- COPD incidence among RI Medicare patients is among the highest in the country and could trigger additional demand as the population ages
- Changes in hospital behavior due to the OHIC requirement to move toward a DRG model for hospital payments
- Impact of bundled payments on generating need for lower cost settings for ventilator support / weaning programs than hospitals

## **Alzheimer's and Dementia**

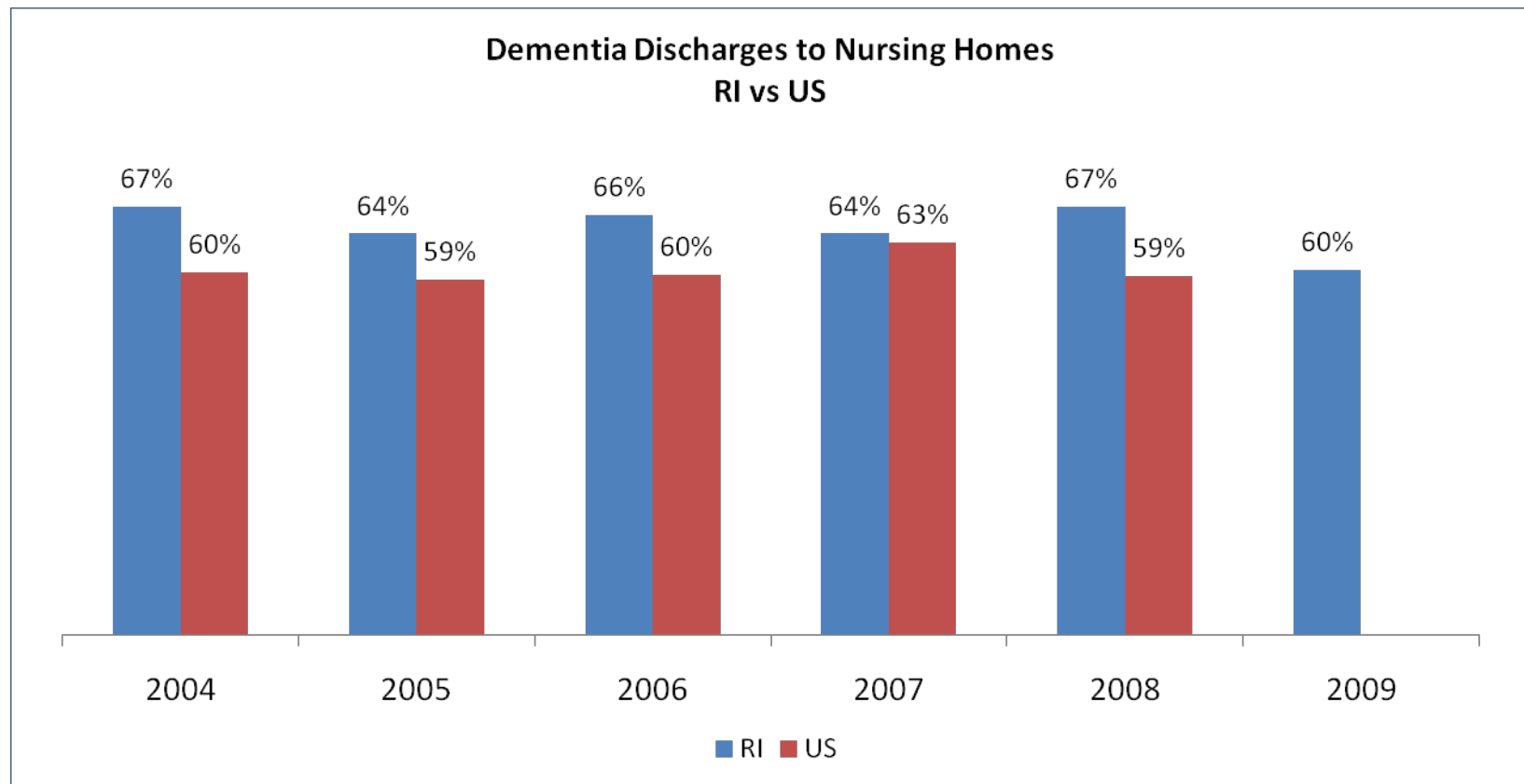
# Discharge pathways for RI dementia patients - 2009



Source: NP analysis of HCUPnet datasets

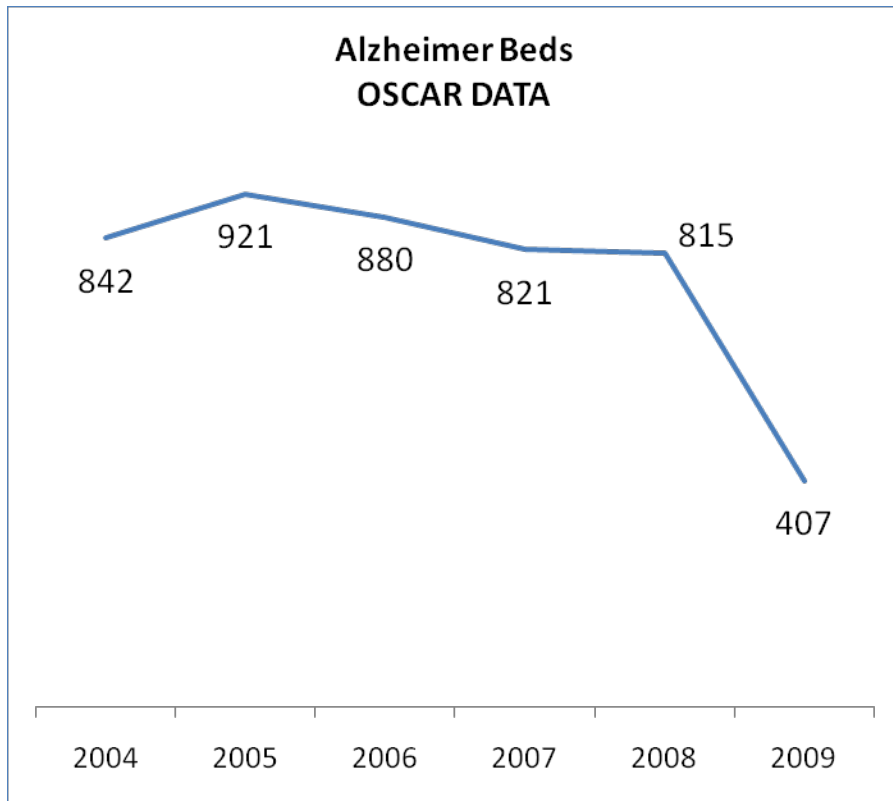
## RI appears to discharge dementia patients more frequently to nursing facilities than the nation overall

- RI's percent of discharges to nursing homes reflects region practice patterns
  - MASS % to nursing homes ranges between 60%-65%



Source: NP analysis of HCUPnet datasets

**According to OSCAR data the number of Alzheimer nursing home beds in RI has been on a downward trend...**



- This data is corroborated by the AHCA
- There has been no response from the RI Health Department

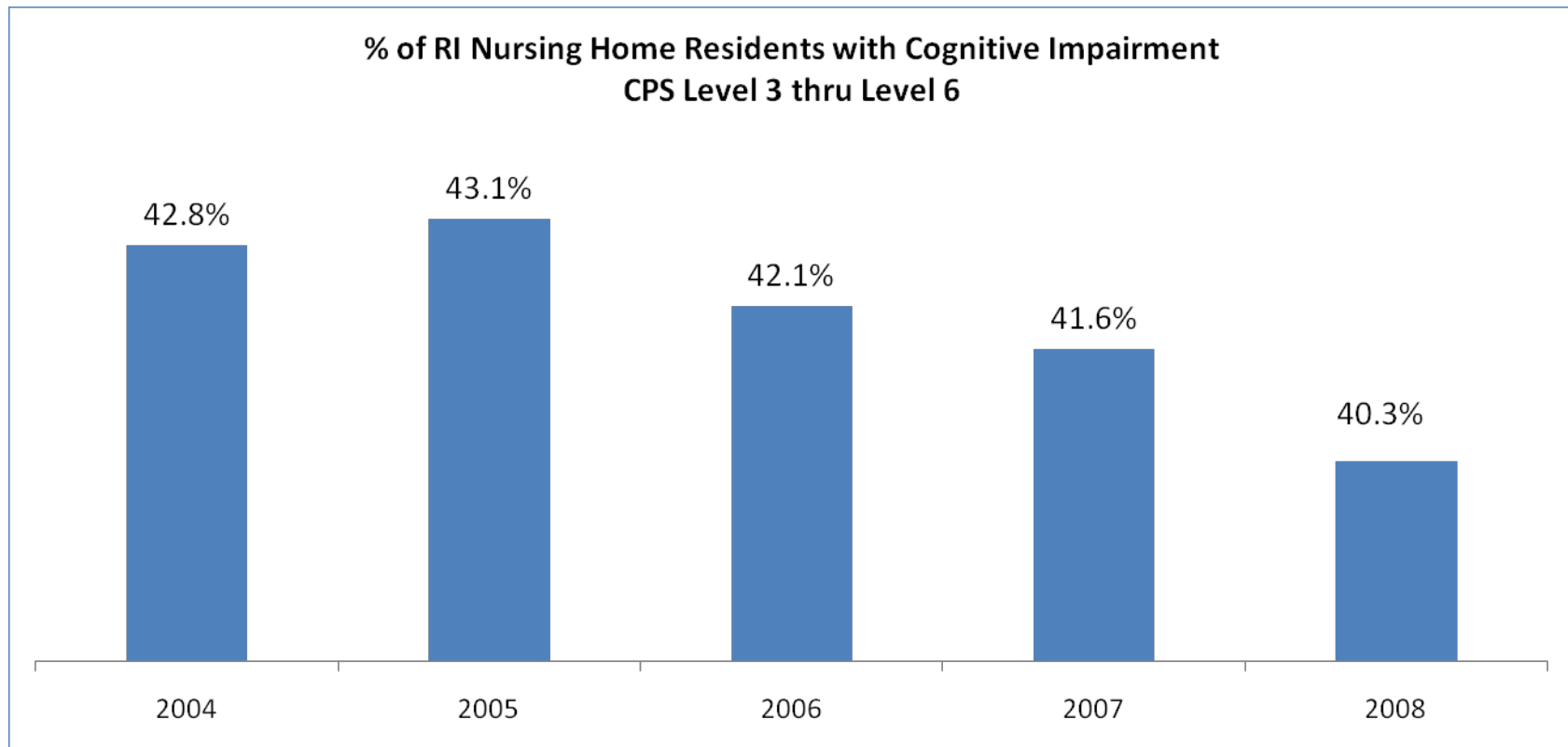


*Nationally the number of Alzheimer special care units has declined by 6% since 2004*

Source: Nursing Facilities, Staffing, Residents and Facility, Deficiencies, 2004 Through 2009, University of California based on OSCAR data

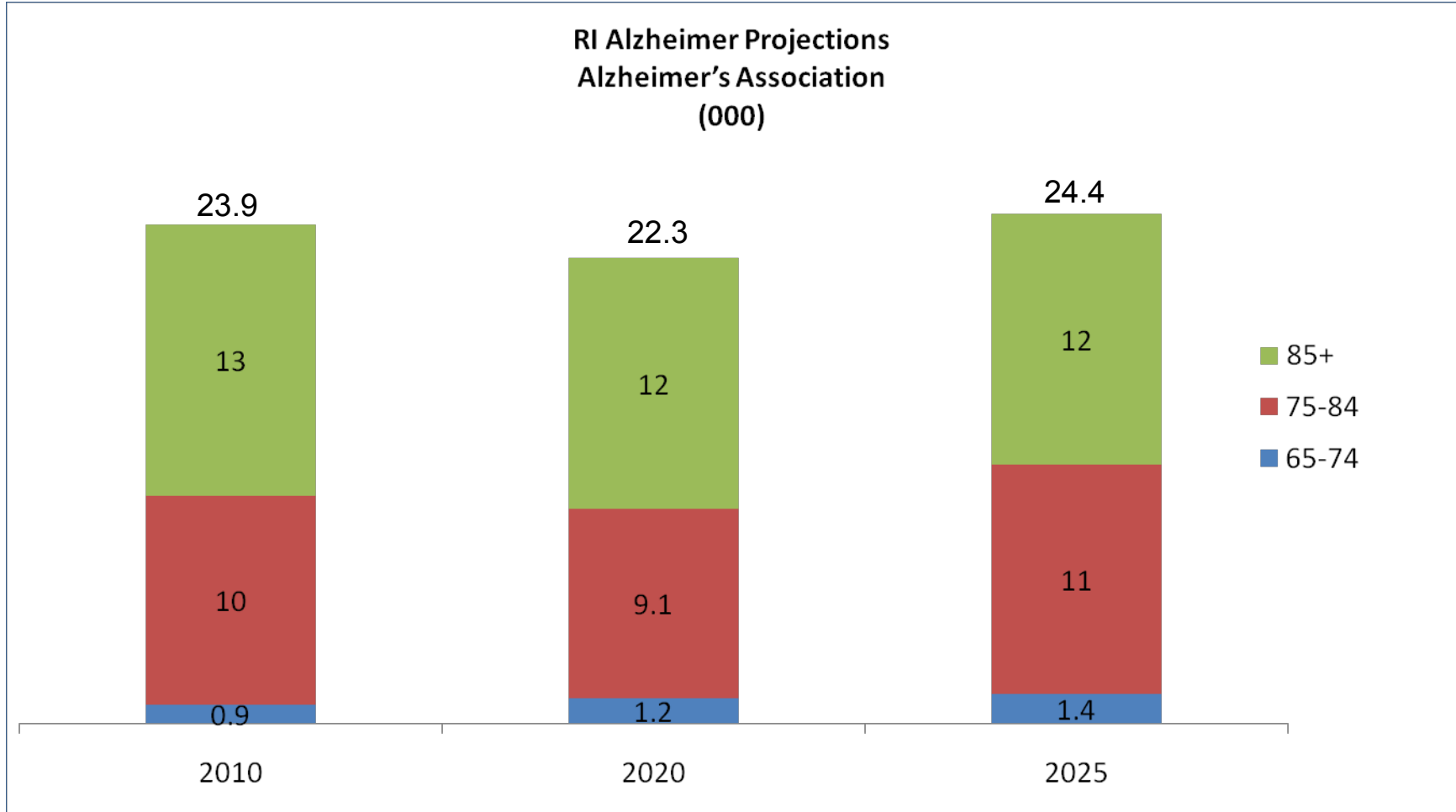
## The percentage of nursing home residents with cognitive impairment has been declining but at a slower level than dedicated bed reductions

- The continued decline is thought to be attributable to the increase in subacute use of nursing beds



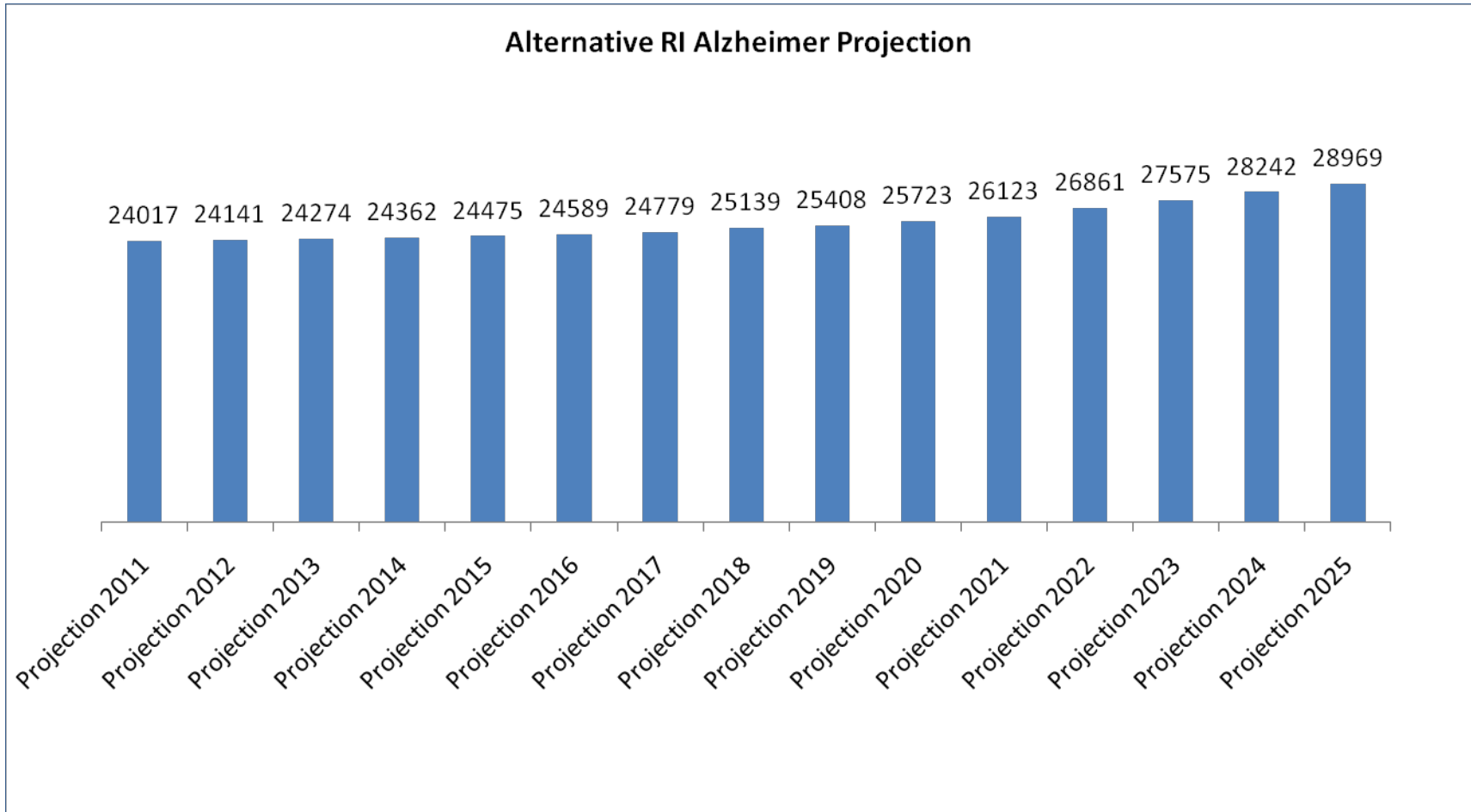
CPS= Cognitive Performance Scale  
Source: CMS 2009 Nursing Home Data Compendium

# Over the next several years Alzheimer's cases are expected to decline by 1600 cases and then begin accelerating



Source: NP analysis of 2009 Alzheimer's Facts and Figures

**However, an alternative projection based on prevalence rates suggest the potential for a significantly higher level**

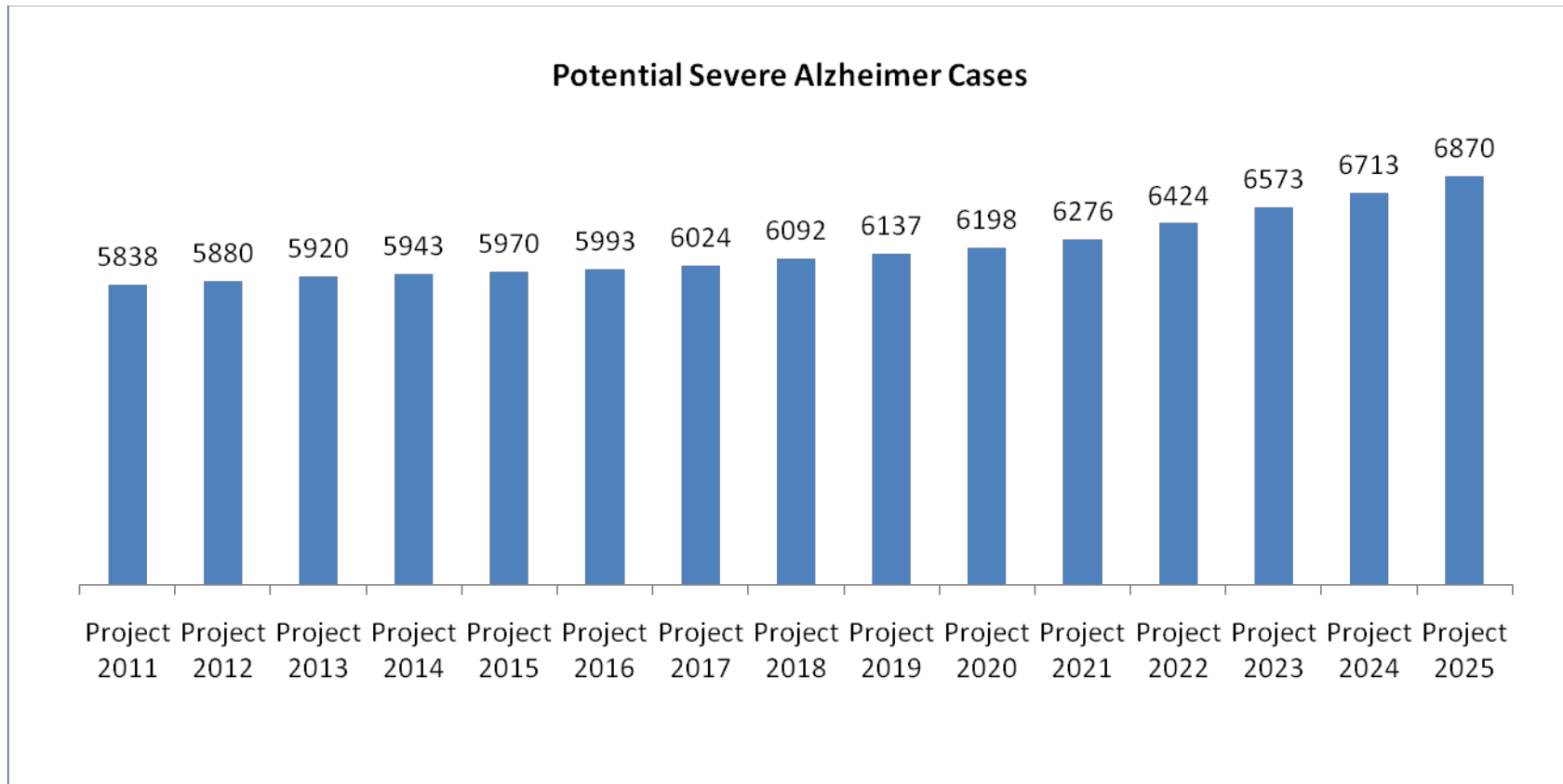


Source: NP projections based on age-based prevalence rates applied to Census Bureau population projections



## About 24% of the cases are likely to be severe

- Using Alzheimer Association forecasts approximately 5860 cases could be rated as severe



Source: NP projections based on "Chicago Study" Alzheimer Incidence study

## Implications for RI

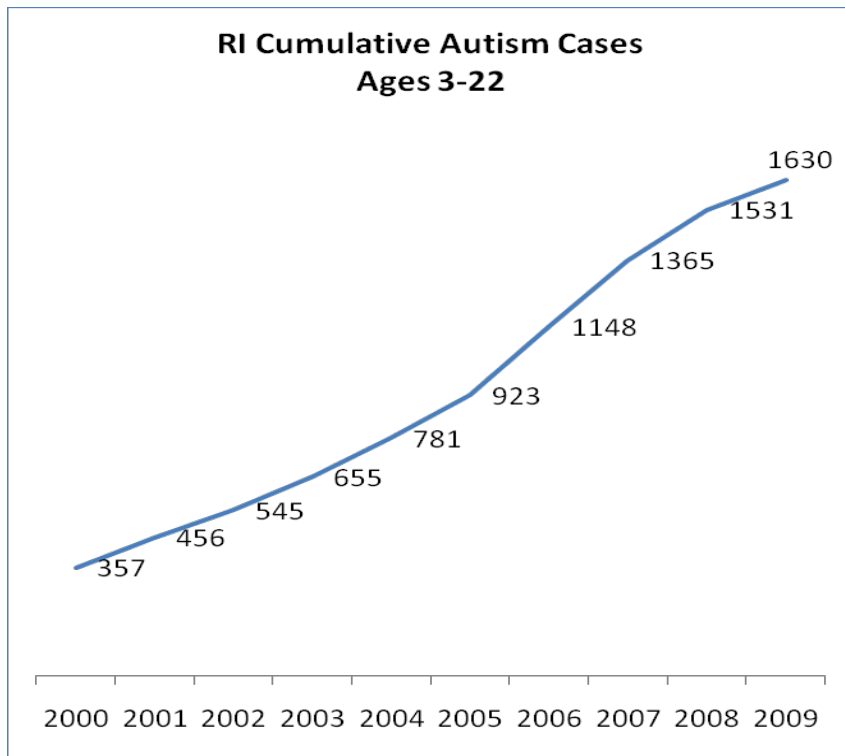
- Based on RI Medicaid data using ICD 9 codes 290 and 294 there are 1500 dementia cases within the Medicaid program (primary and secondary diagnosis)
- That implies a 6% penetration rate by Medicaid into Alzheimer/Dementia patient care
- Based on both projections an “explosion” of Alzheimer related cases are not anticipated in the near term assuming present funding and access trends continue
- Alzheimer’s should not have a major impact on RI’s Medicaid program for at least 10 years and more likely 15 years

*Although its not likely to have a major impact Alzheimer’s needs to be monitored due to the impact of changing family structure*

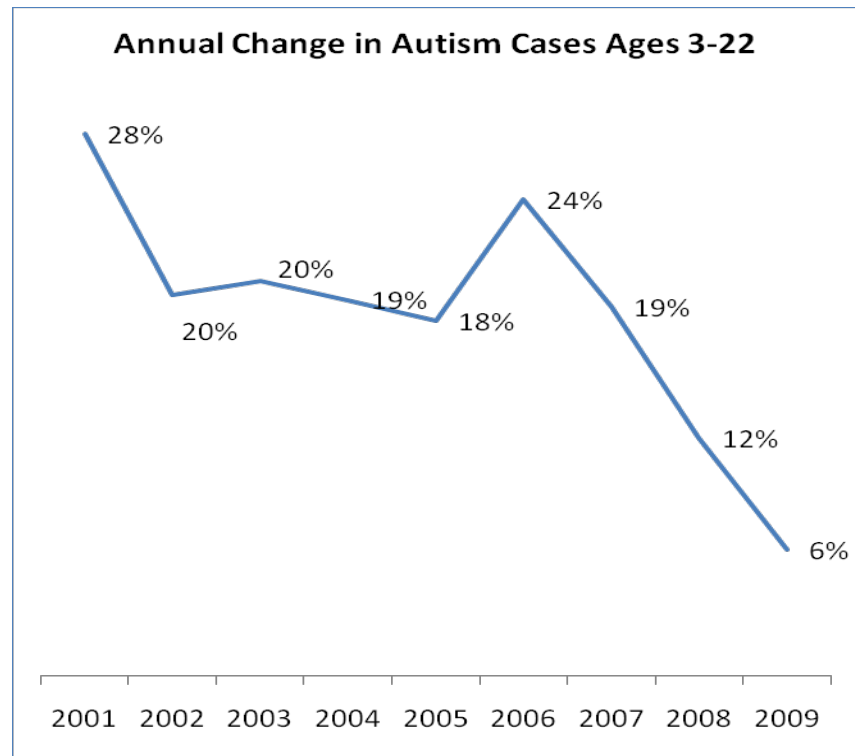
## **Children with Special Healthcare Needs**

# Autism in RI

*Cumulative cases continue to grow ...*



*... But the pace has slowed*



Based on national prevalence data there are indications a large number of unidentified cases in the state – possibly as much as another 1000 may exist

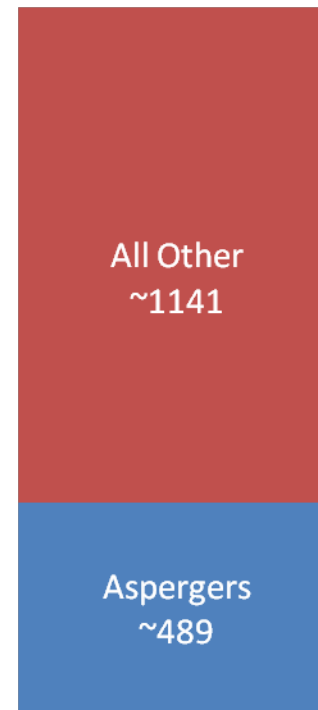
Source: NP calculations based on IDEA reports and RIDE 2009 data

# Long term services for autism patients is unknown but a very large portion may require HCBS support services as they age out

- Specific information regarding the segmentation of children by Autism Spectrum Disorder in RI is lacking
- Autism estimates are 1 in approximately 110 children\*
  - Asperger's Syndrome is estimated between 1 in 300 to 1 in 500 - or about 22% to 37% of all autism cases

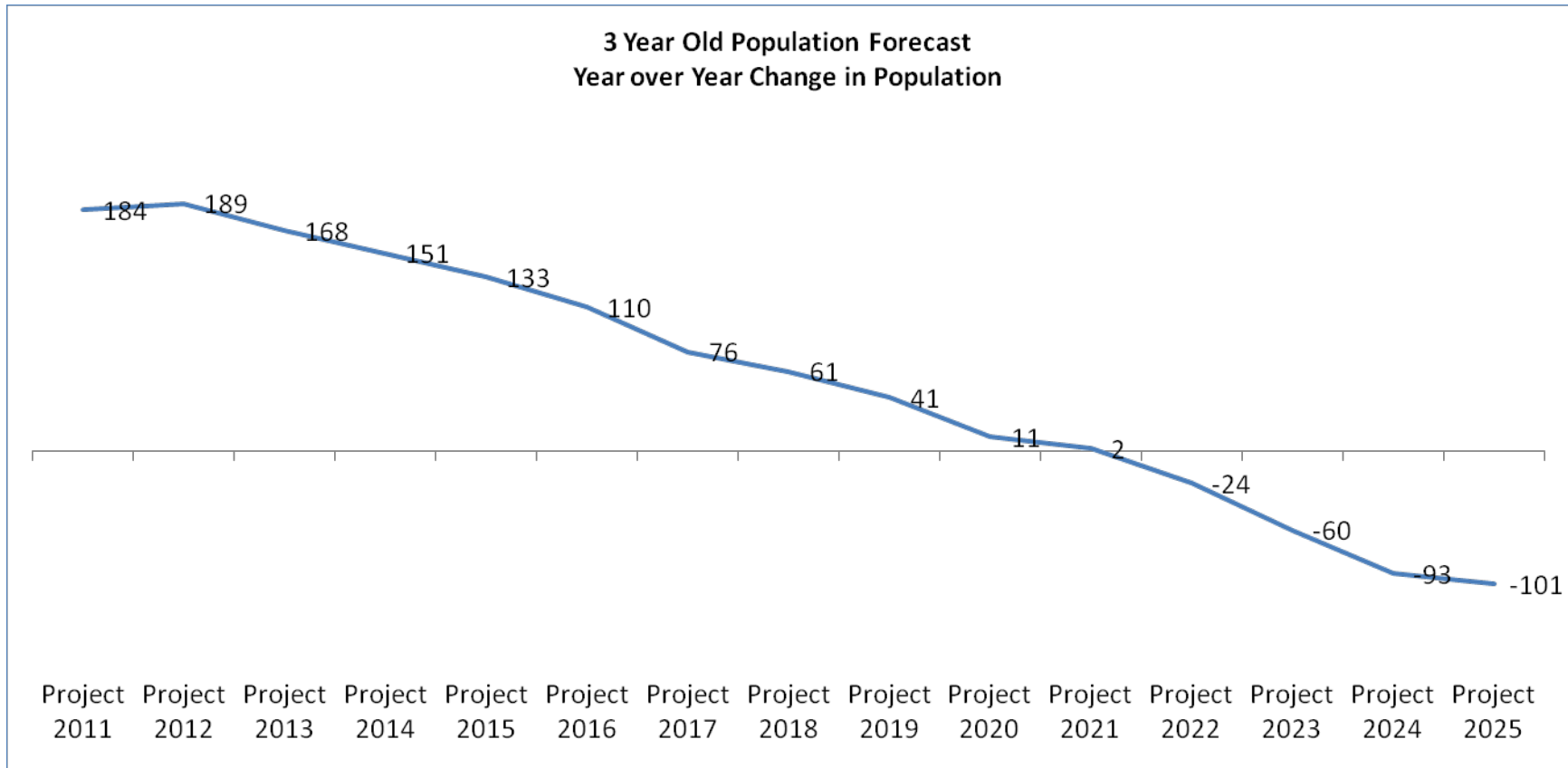


Estimated Autism Population



•Prevalence of Autism Spectrum Disorders --- Autism and Developmental Disabilities Monitoring Network, United States, 2006  
•NP calculations using 30% estimate for Aspergers or the midpoint between the prevalence estimates

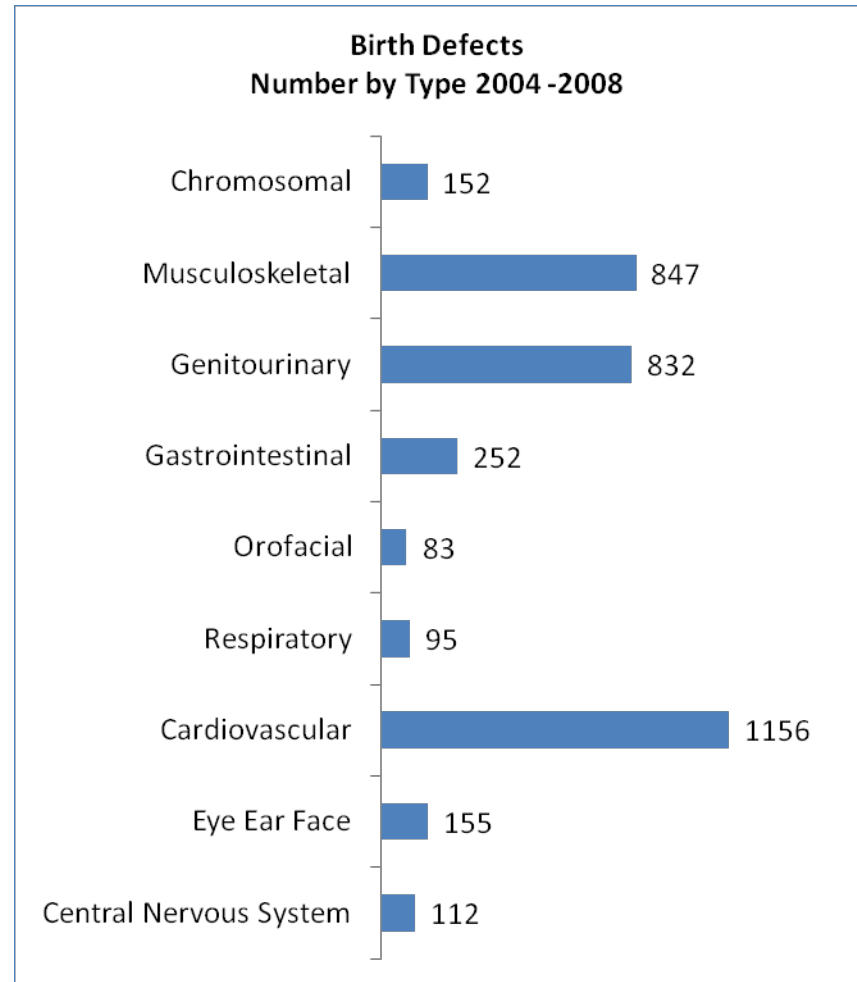
# Demographic trends may help to slow the number of new autism cases as existing cases age out of the school systems and transition toward adulthood



Source: NP analysis of Census Bureau data

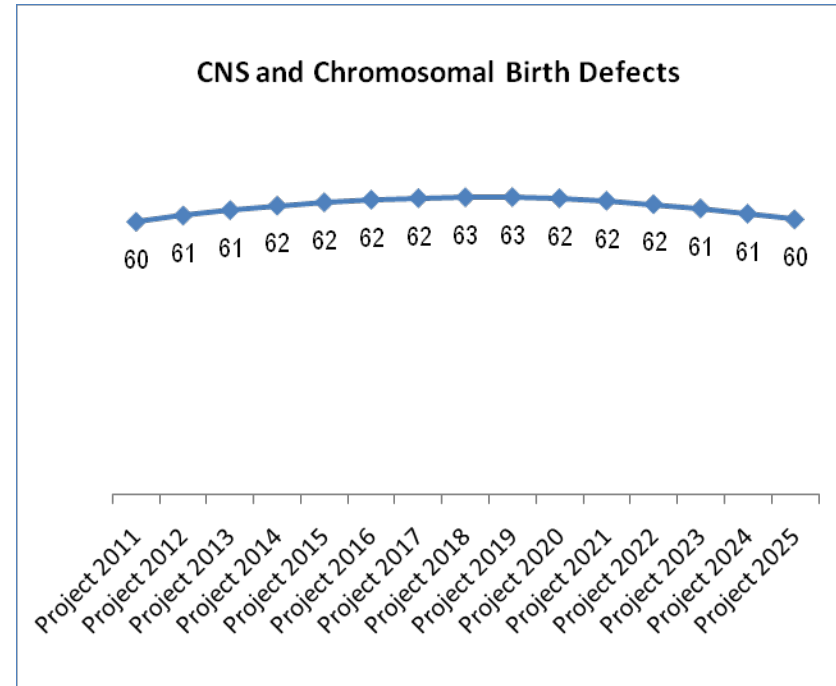
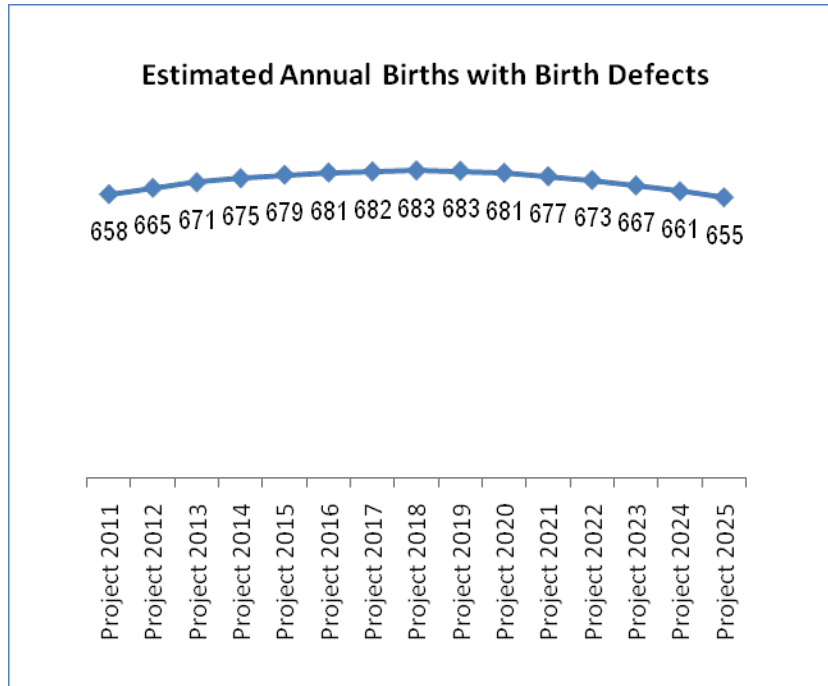
## Children with Birth Defects

- Between 2004 to 2008 RI recorded 2888 births with a major birth defect
- Public information does not indicate the severity of the disease in terms of continued medical support requirements
- Incidence rates for RI are approximately 480 per 10000 live births



# Over the next several years children with special healthcare needs will likely see a steady increase before peaking in 2018 / 2019 assuming population forecasts hold

- It is also important to note that the caseload impact is cumulative
- Over 10 years it could potentially add as much as another 4700 cases over 7 years
- Potentially 400 to 500 cases could require long term care supports as well
- Note: based on WIH payer trends a large number possibly more than 1/2 are likely to be Medicaid



Source: NP calculations based on RI Health Department data



## Resource Map and “Woodwork” Potential

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- While Alzheimer’s may not have a major potential impact on RI Medicaid going forward due to demand there are indications of the potential for substantial latent demand

Service Type	Day Capacity	Annual Capacity	Estimated Annual Potential Demand	Demand Difference / Wood Work Potential	Required Beds
Ventilator Beds	30	10,403	14,696	4,294	12
Alzheimer NH Beds	407	141,127	434,350	293,223	803
Alzheimer Asst Liv Beds	773	268,038	841,325	573,287	1,571

Note: Day capacity includes licensed capacity

## Planning Model Methodology Description

### Ventilator Beds:

The number of long-term ventilator beds in each health systems region required to meet the public need shall be determined by dividing the projected annual patient days for the service by three hundred and sixty-five (365), and dividing the result by 0.95 to allow for a ninety-five percent occupancy rate. The projected long-term ventilator patient days used in this calculation shall be determined as follows:

(i) The annual number of potential candidates for long-term ventilator beds shall be determined by calculating the total number of annual general hospital discharges in the planning area for DRG 207 (respiratory system diagnosis with ventilator support 96+ hours,) plus an additional ten percent, and multiplying the resulting figure by 0.32.

(ii) The number of potential candidates for long-term ventilator beds shall be multiplied by a 125-day length-of-stay to project the annual number of patient days for long-term ventilator patients.

Source: NY state Certificate of Need calculation model guidance for long term ventilator beds

# Planning Model Methodology Description

Alzheimer Nursing Home Beds:

Population Estimate Basis

I1q: Disease Diagnoses - Diseases - Neurological - Alzheimer's disease

State	This disease does not apply to this resident	This disease applies to this resident	State Total	Residents With Total
Rhode Island	84.60%	15.40%	7,728	1190.112

Demand equals:  $1190 * 365 = 434,350$

What this implies is that current demand for Alzheimer care is being met by non Alzheimer "units"

# Planning Model Methodology Description

## Alzheimer Assisted Living Beds:

### Population base

5800 "severe" alzheimer –  
1190 alzheimer nursing  
home patients =  
4610 patients

### Potential Bed Demand

$(4610 * 365 \text{ days}) * .50$   
(resident turnover rate) =  
841,325 days

### Annual Capacity

$(773 \text{ beds} * 365 \text{ days}) * .95$   
capacity = 268,035

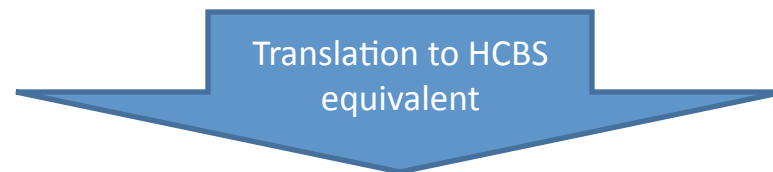
### Woodwork Potential

$841,325 - 268,035 = 573,287$

*Note: this only represents demand from "severe" patients – moderate patients represent another 7440 people or 2.7 million days of care annually*

## Care demands are clearly being met in part by unpaid caregivers

- The Alzheimer Association, based on estimates derived from the National Alliance of Care Giving and AARP studies, that nearly 36000 people in RI provide an estimated 30.4 million hours of unpaid care to Alzheimer patients at an estimated cost of \$338 million
  - Equals 863 hours per year per volunteer person



Assuming a 37.5 hour week with 30 hours of productive time for 50 weeks a year equals 1500 hours per year of available care capacity per HCBS worker



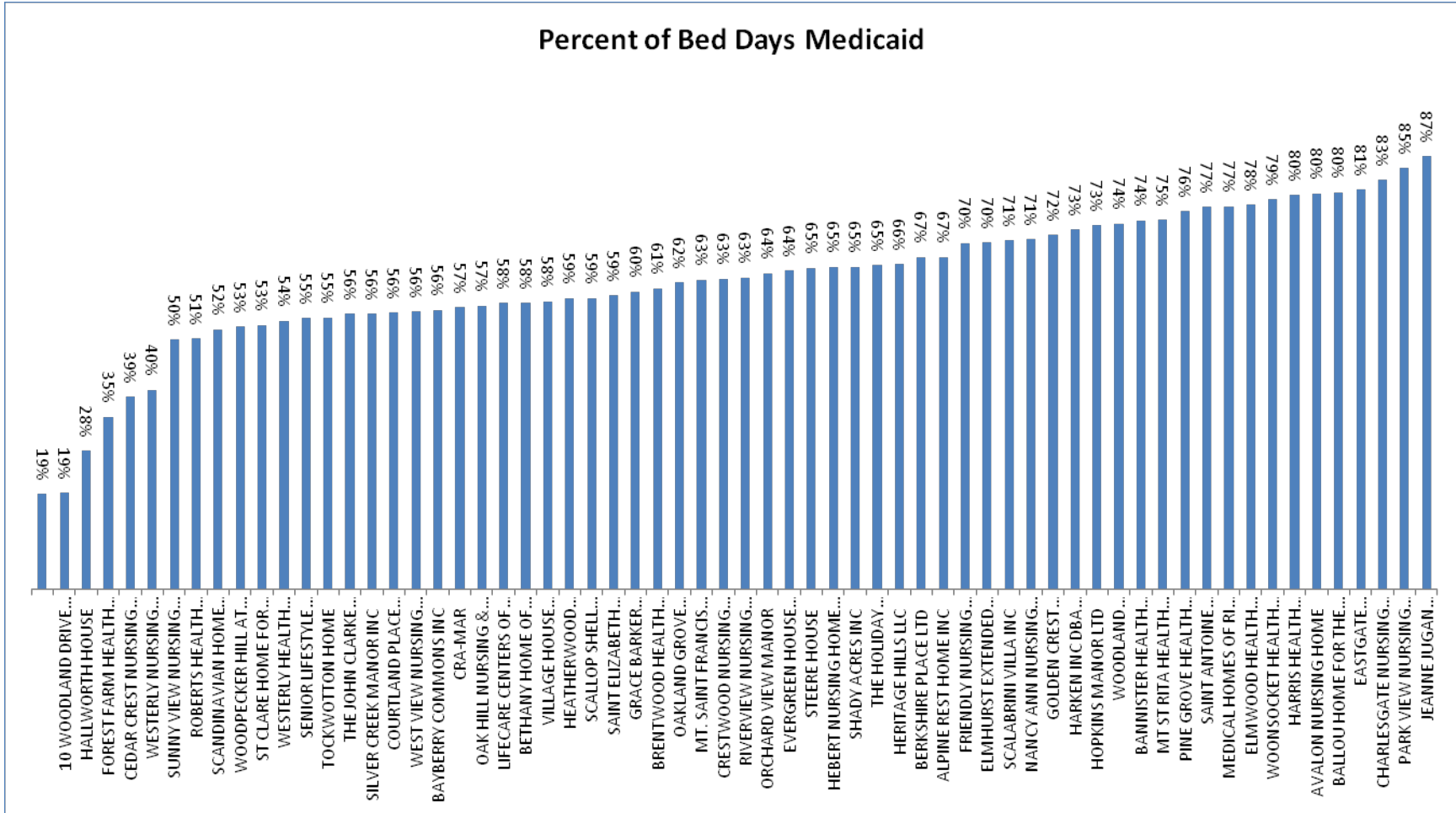
To provide equivalent amount of care on a paid basis would require 20,266 HCBS workers

In 2009 Home Health Care Services & Services to the Elderly and Disabled employed approximately 5585 people

## Medicaid Resource Access

# Medicaid Nursing Home Bed Penetration

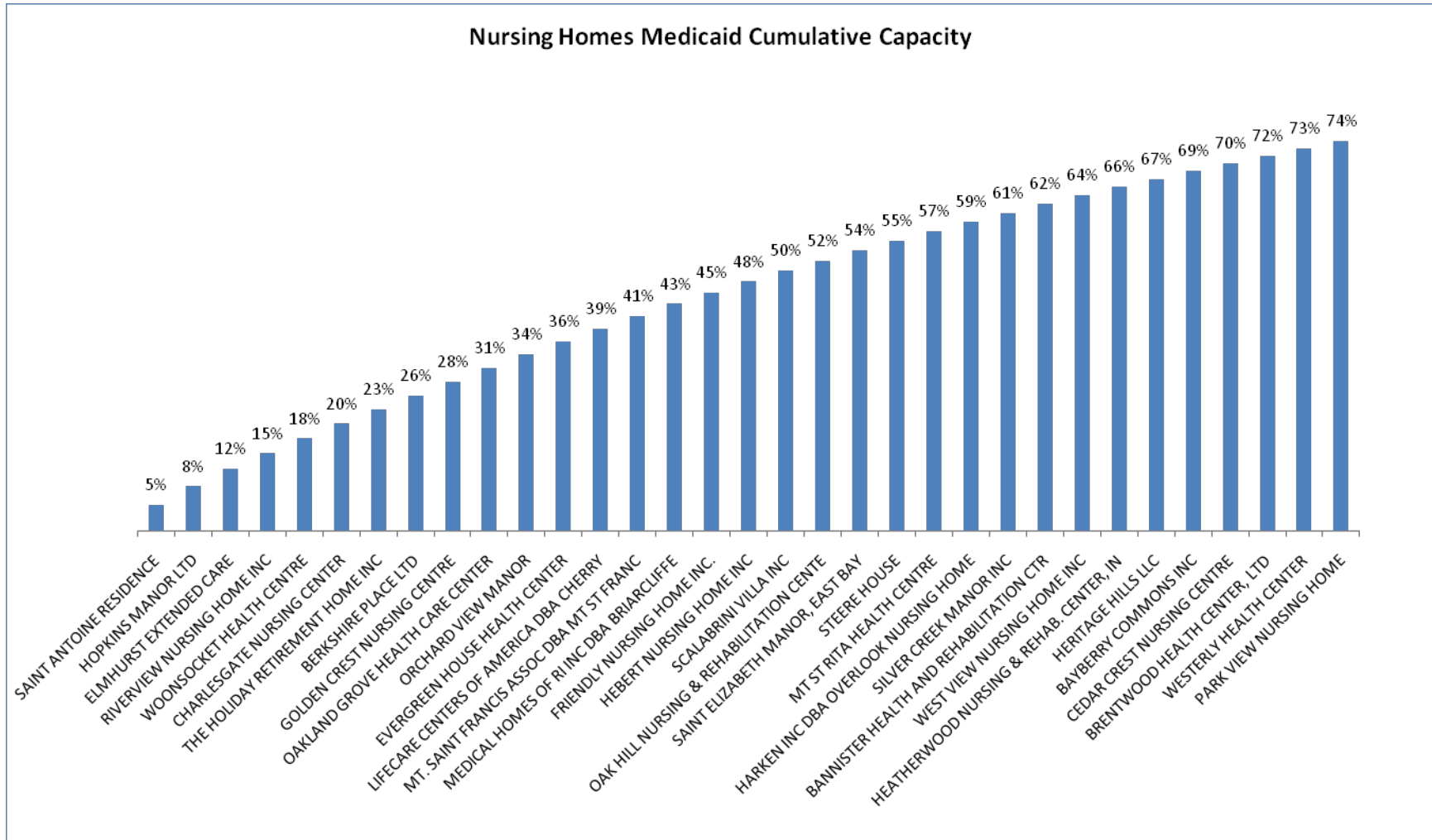
▪ Note analysis only reflects matches between Medicaid and Medicare data



Source: NP calculations based on RI Medicaid Claims Extract and CMS Nursing Home data matches



# Medicaid nursing home bed capacity



## Key Service Implications

# Findings & Implications for RI

## Findings

- RI is a beneficiary of favorable demographic trends over the next 10 years
  - RI “aged out” earlier than the country
  - Essentially flat organic population growth
  - RI is not a net in-migration state
- RI should not experience a major expansion of service demand for several populations such as alzheimer’s/dementia or mental health services for SPMIs
  - However, how much of these populations Medicaid absorbs is a function of changes in policy

## Implications

- RI system rebalancing will not be able to take advantage of population growth within age categories to migrate the system from an institutionally driven system to a community-based system
- Slow population growth creates capacity development problems due to the step function nature of the capacity unless capacity development is concentrated in a few providers
- Several specialty population groups need to be actively monitored
  - Ventilator patients
  - Autism

One area RI needs to evaluate is the potential impact on changes in marital status may have on future demand for support services