

Connecting Uninsured Children to Coverage

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Figure 1

Health Coverage Matters to Children and Their Families

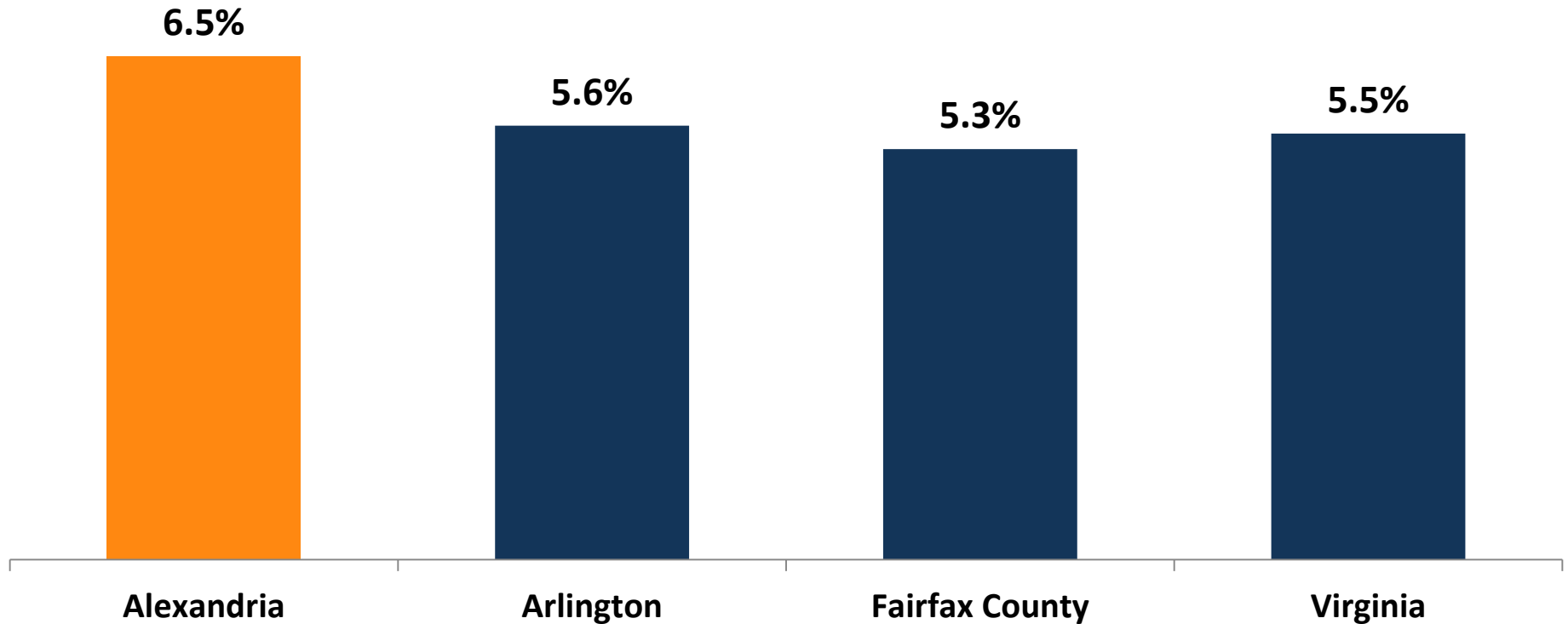
Uninsured children:

- Miss more school
- Are less likely to have a consistent place where they get medical care
- Are less likely to get treatment for childhood conditions like ear infections and asthma
- Are at higher risk for preventable hospitalizations and for missed diagnoses of serious health conditions
- Are less likely to get needed vision or dental care

Not having health insurance can also affect families' finances, leading to medical debt

Figure 2

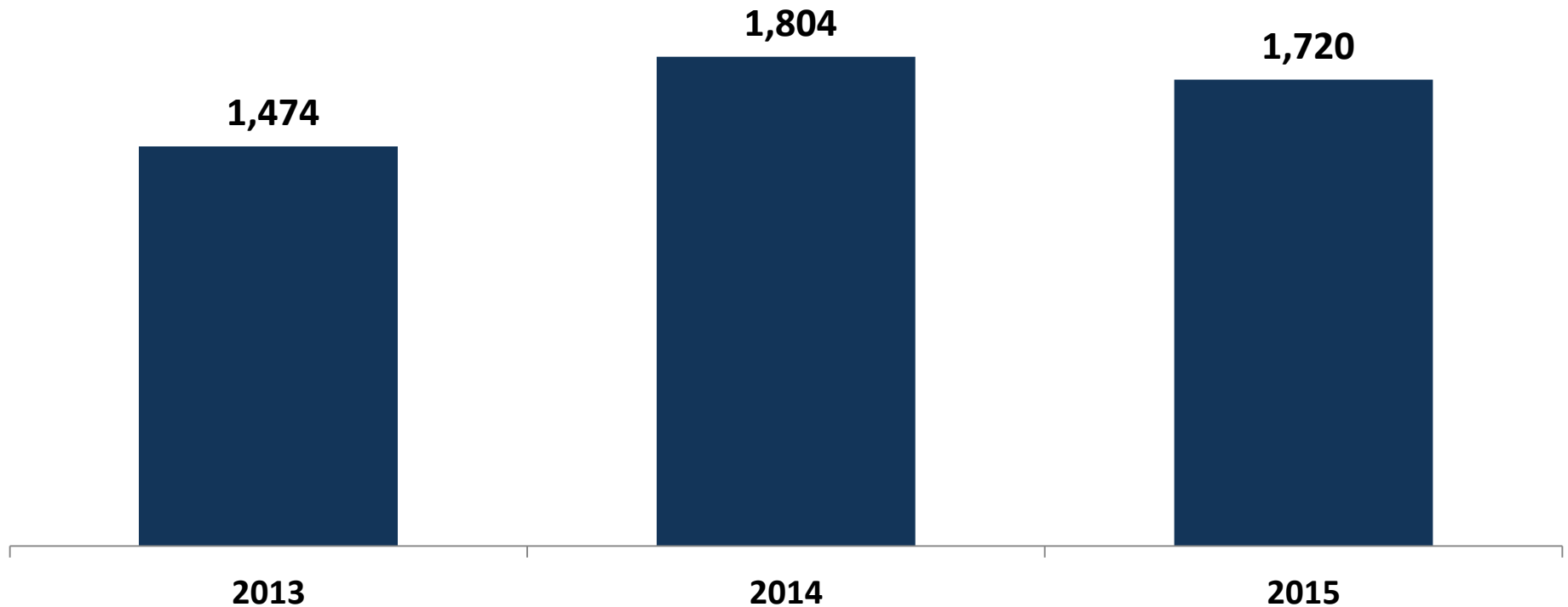
Alexandria Has a Higher Uninsured Rate for Children Compared to the State Overall and Nearby Jurisdictions



SOURCE: Analysis of 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Figure 3

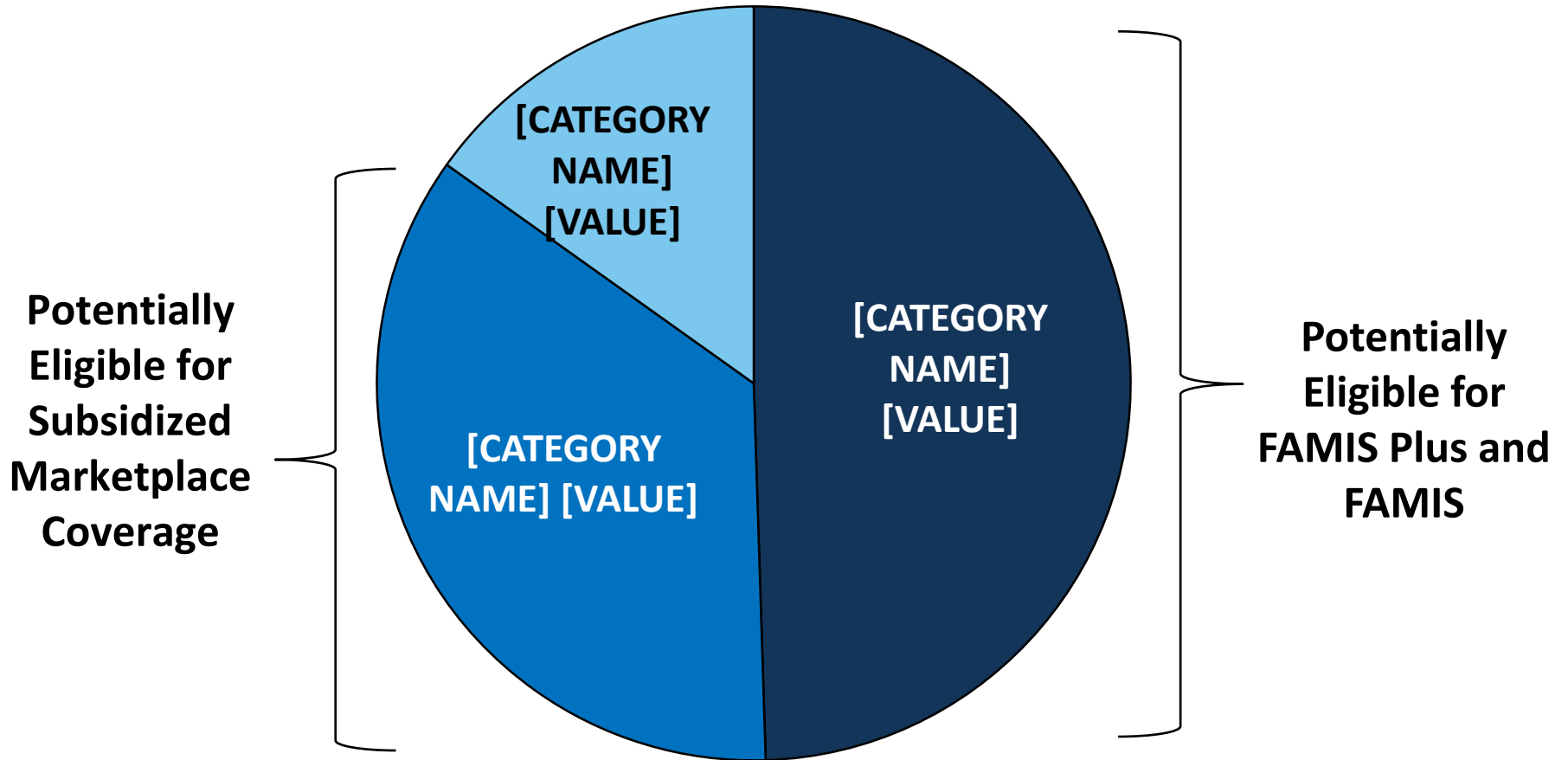
The Number of Uninsured Children in Alexandria Has Remained Relatively Constant Since 2013



SOURCE: Analysis of 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Figure 4

Many Uninsured Children in Alexandria May Be Eligible for Low or No-Cost Coverage



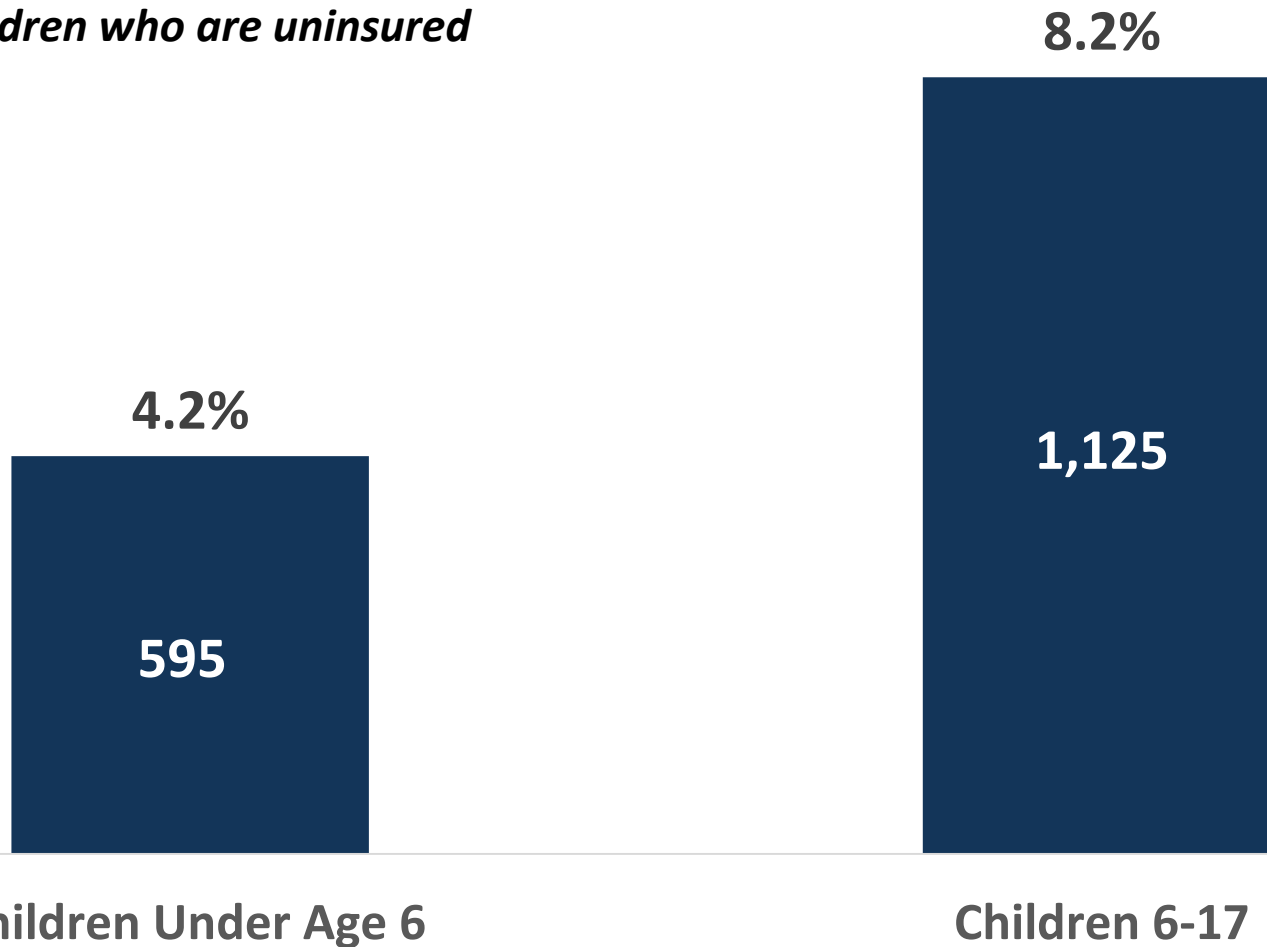
Total Uninsured Children – 1,720

SOURCE: Analysis of 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Figure 5

School-age Children in Alexandria Are More Likely to Be Uninsured Than Younger Children

Share of children who are uninsured



Children Under Age 6

Children 6-17

Figure 6

Uninsured Children in Alexandria Should Be Screened for Eligibility for Public Coverage

- **Nearly half of uninsured children appear to be eligible for public coverage**
 - FAMIS Plus (Medicaid)
 - Children birth to age 19
 - Family income up to 148% of the poverty level (\$36,408 for a family of four)
 - Child must be US citizen or legal immigrant
 - FAMIS (Children’s Health Insurance Program)
 - Children birth to age 19
 - Family income up to 205% of the poverty level (\$50,430 for a family of four)
 - Child must be US citizen or legal immigrant
- **Some uninsured children may be in families eligible for subsidized coverage in the Marketplace**
 - Family income 205-400% of the poverty level (\$50,430 - \$98,400 for a family of four)
 - Child must be US citizen or legal immigrant
 - Can only enroll during open enrollment period or if have qualifying event during year