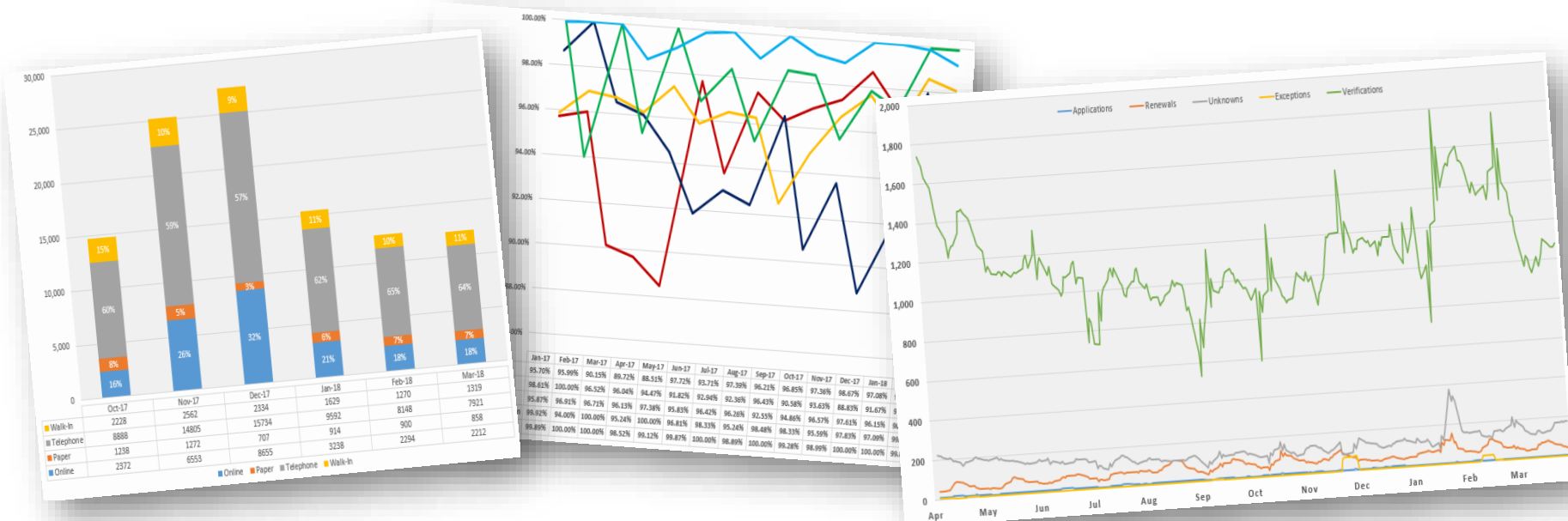


HUSKY Health Application & Enrollment Activity

Medical Assistance Program Oversight Council – March 12, 2021



Connecticut Department of Social
Services

Enrollment during the Public Health Emergency

Due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE), the Department of Health and Human Services has allowed states to maintain the enrollment of most individuals who were enrolled in HUSKY Health (Medicaid/CHIP) as of March 18, 2020, or after, for the duration of the PHE. The FFCRA requires states maintain this enrollment in order to claim a temporary 6.2 percentage point increase in the federal medical assistance percentage for Medicaid.

CT Disaster-Related Enrollment Flexibilities

- Extending renewals and delaying certain changes
 - DSS will not act on certain changes that would result in a change to a lesser level of eligibility or termination; e.g., a change in income
 - DSS is still sending renewals and asking individuals to renew and submit supporting documents. This allows DSS to consider eligibility for 12 months rather than just the PHE extension period. If the individual fails to establish ongoing eligibility, enrollment will continue, in most cases, for the duration of the PHE.

Enrollment Flexibilities Continued...

- Allowing more time for individuals to send verification documents across all programs
- For HUSKY A, B and D, which normally have a 90-day, post-enrollment, the reasonable opportunity period to send in verification documents was extended.
- For HUSKY A, B and D, we have adopted a broader reasonable compatibility standard to evaluate income. The income compatibility threshold had been 10% and now is 20%. This allows more individuals to enroll or auto-renew without needing to submit verifications.
- Implemented the COVID-19 Testing Group for the Uninsured

Exceptions to PHE Extensions

Most common exceptions include:

- Not validly enrolled
- Voluntary disenrollment
- Relocation outside of Connecticut
- Ineligible immigration status
- Death of an individual
- Aging out of CHIP (HUSKY B)

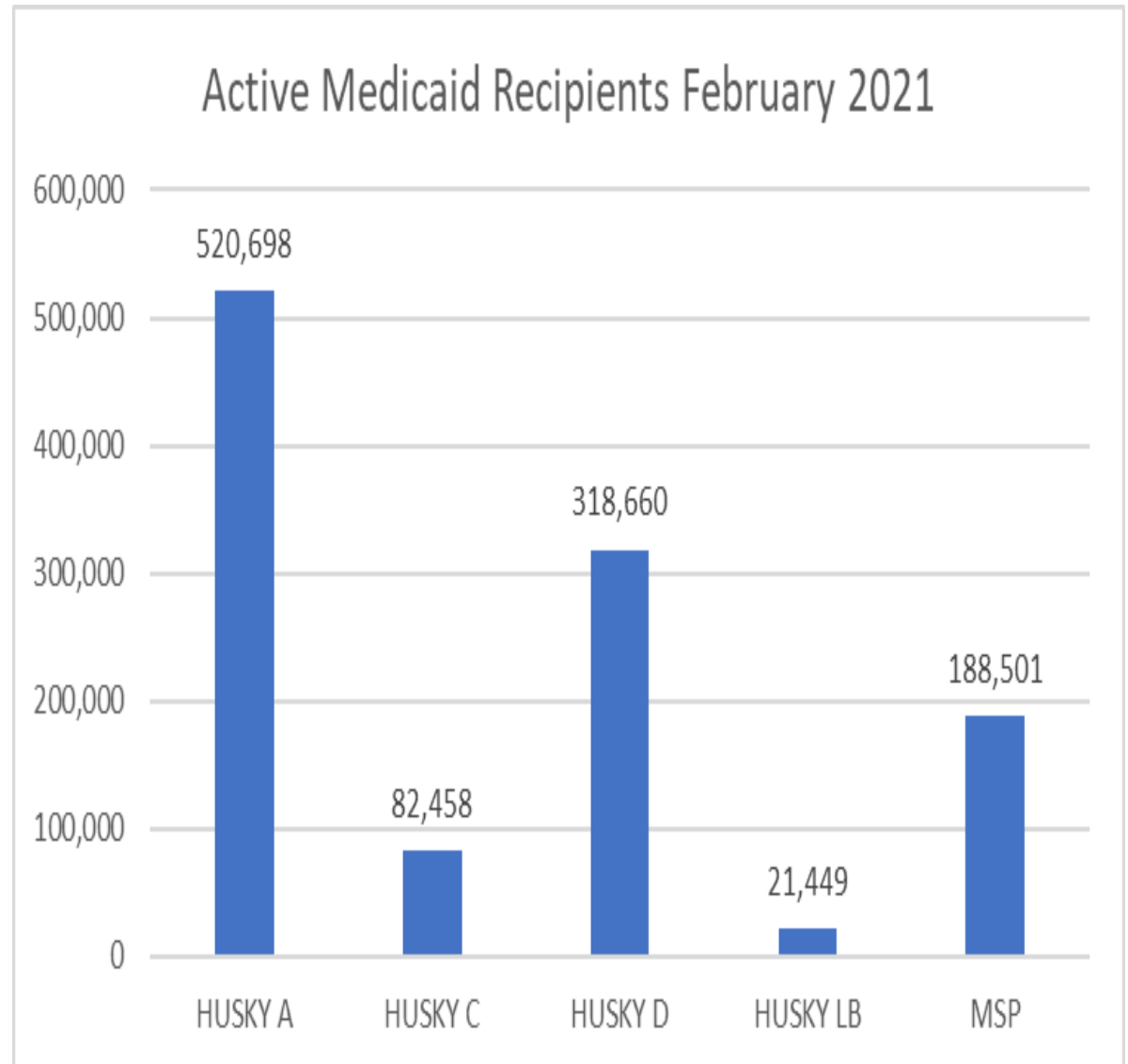
Helpful Resources

- Section 6008 of the FFCRA
- <https://www.medicaid.gov/state-resource-center/downloads/covid-19-faqs.pdf>

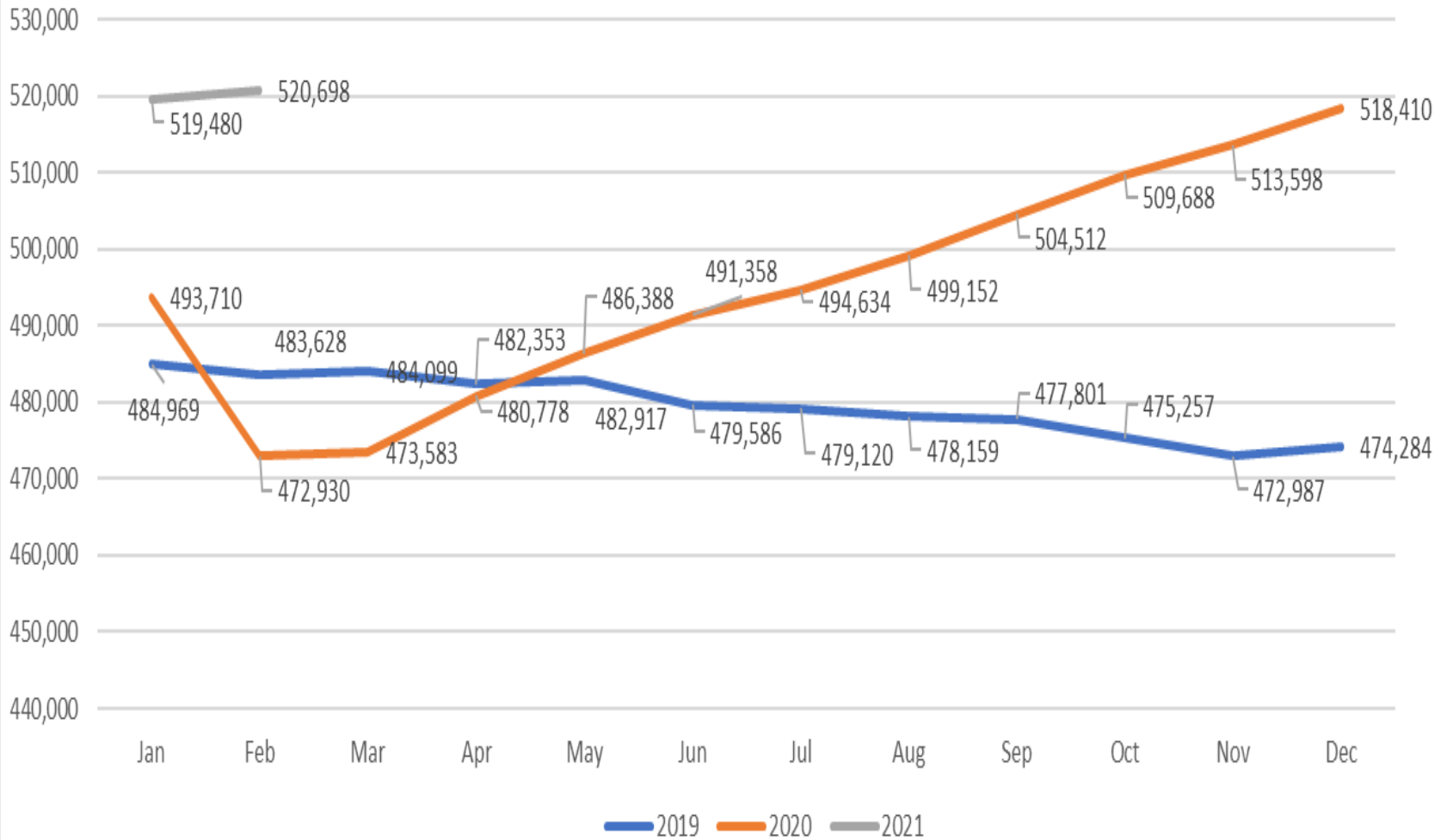
The enrollment counts shown are for the HUSKY Health Medicaid programs including HUSKY Limited Benefits Programs (LB) and the Medicare Savings Program (MSP).

HUSKY Health includes:

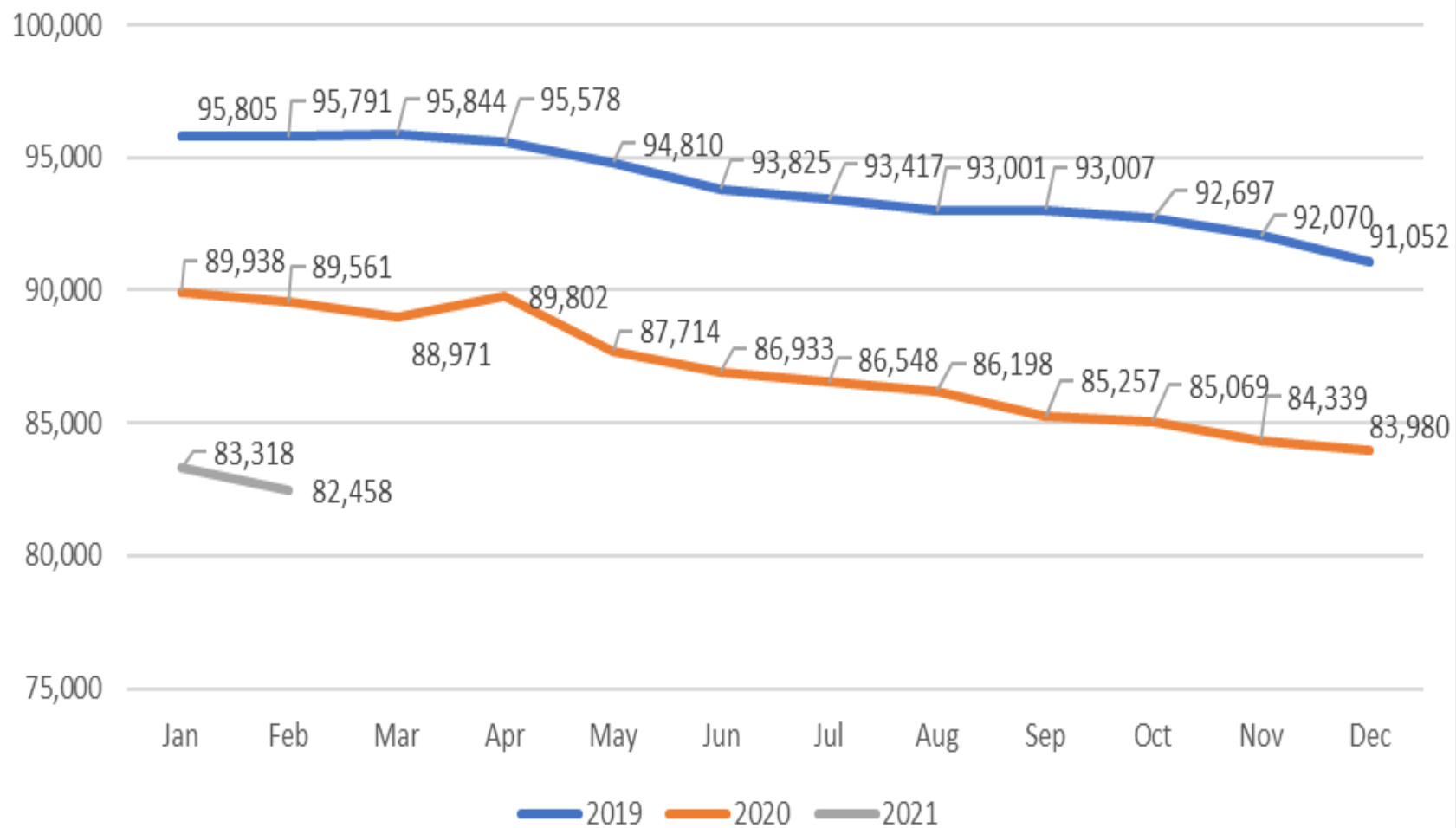
- HUSKY A –Medicaid for children, parents and caretakers, pregnant women, and more
- HUSKY C –Medicaid for the aged, blind and disabled
- HUSKY D –Medicaid for low income adults
- HUSKY LB - Family Planning (FP), FP Presumptive Eligibility, Tuberculosis and the COVID-19 Testing group



HUSKY A Enrollment Year-Over-Year



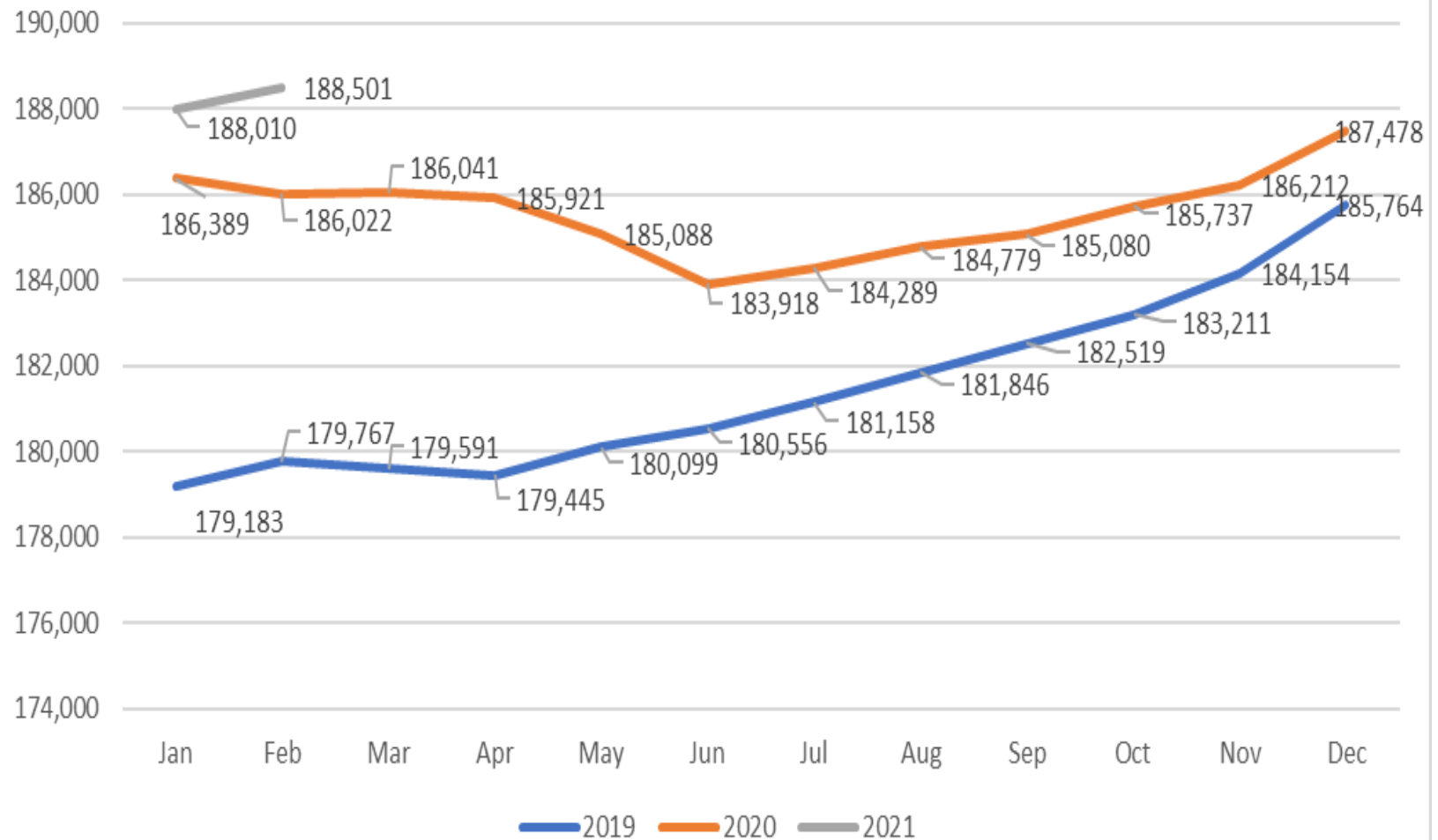
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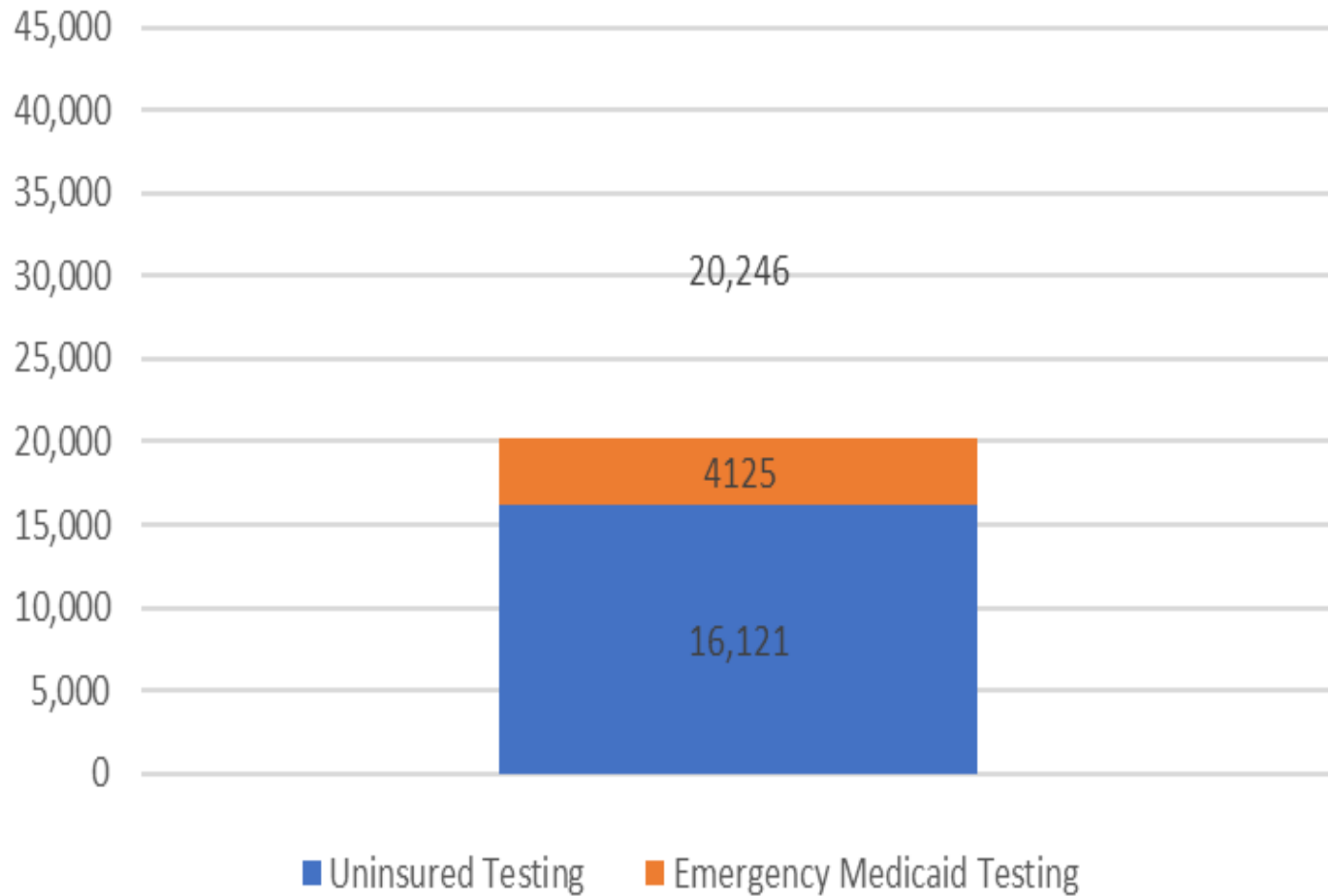
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Medicare Savings Program Enrollment Year-Over-Year

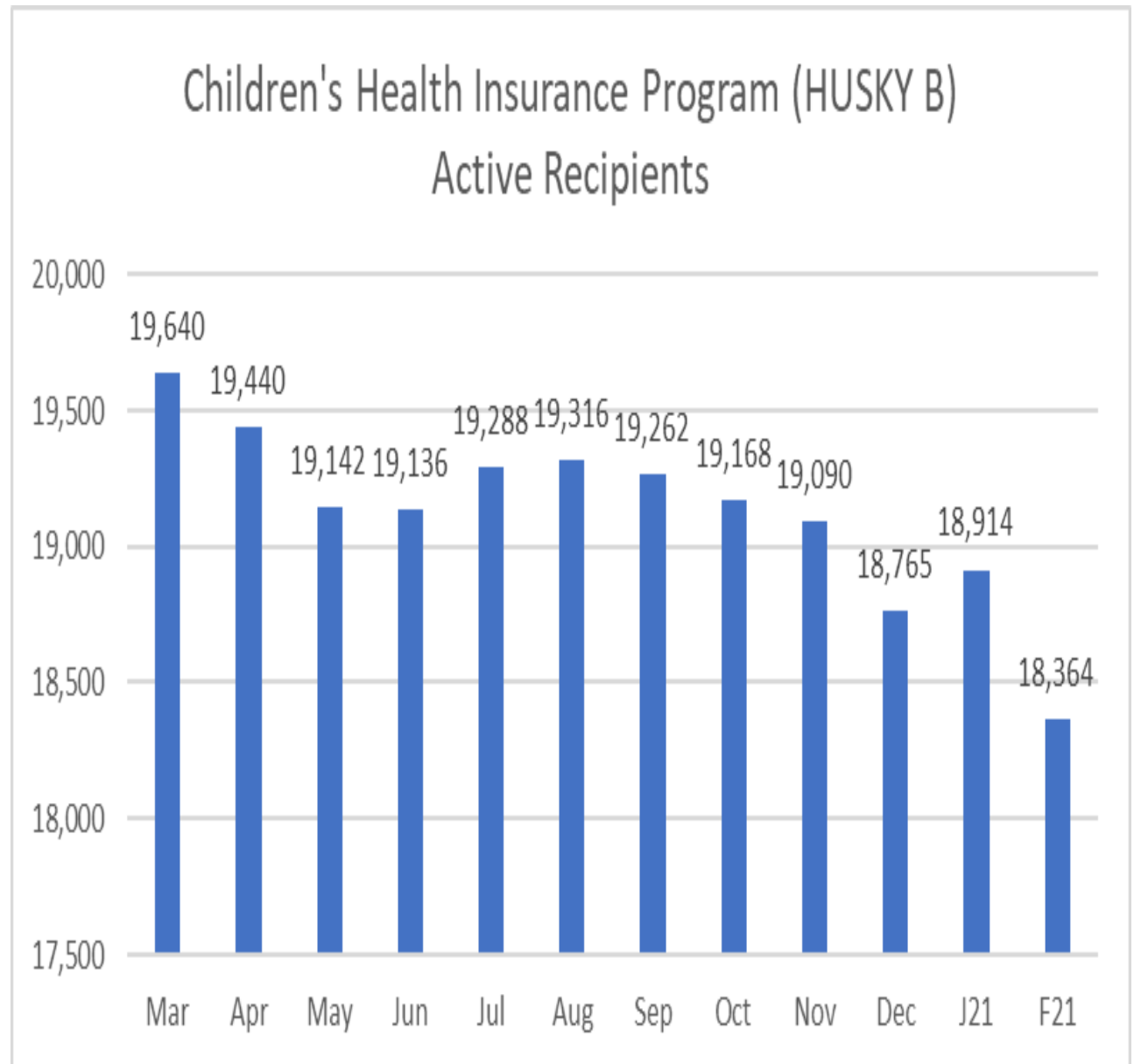


COVID-19 Testing Coverage 3/18/20 - 3/1/21

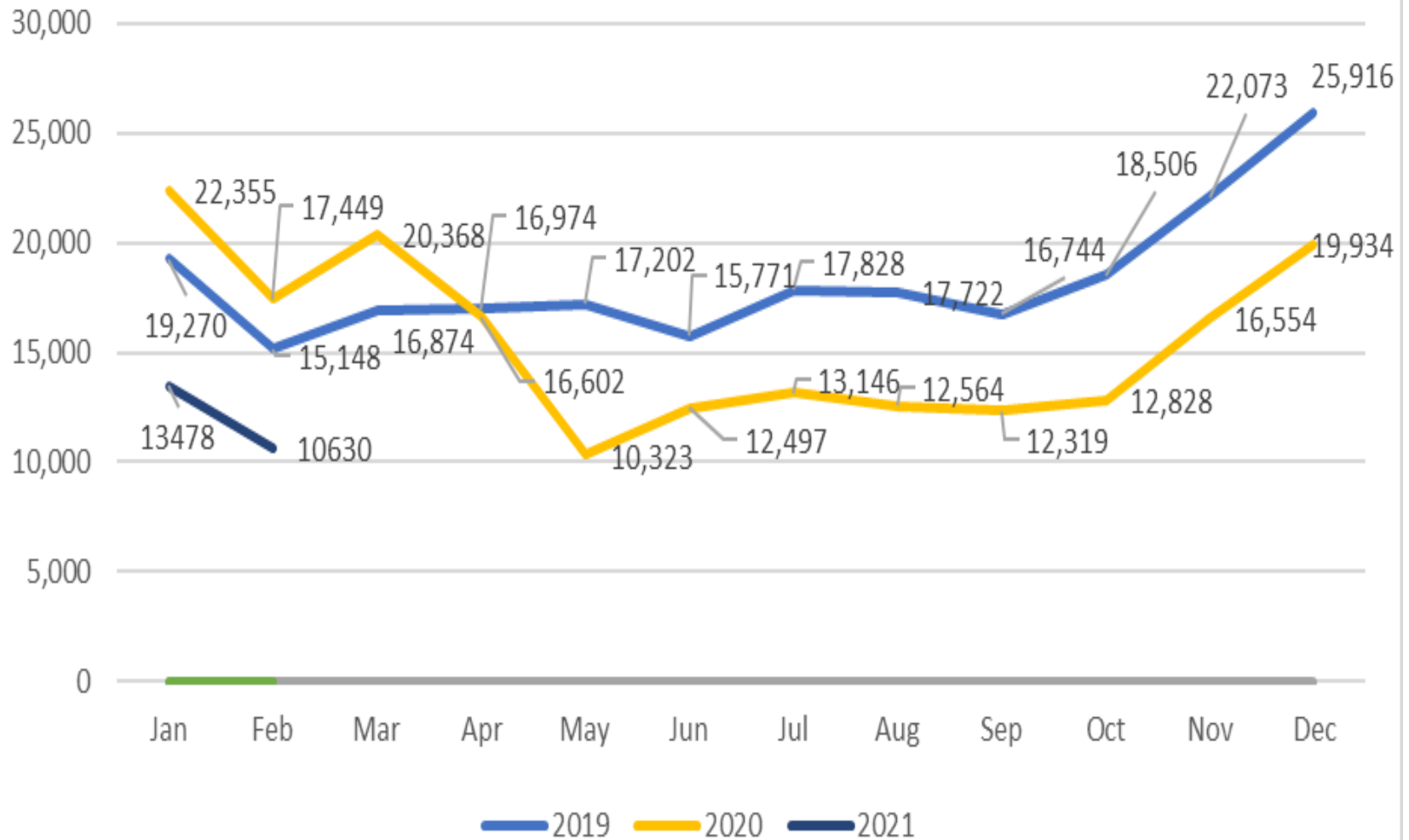


Enrollment counts shown include:

- HUSKY B Band 1 – uninsured children in families with income between 201% FPL - 254% FPL
- 64% of children are enrolled in band 1 with no premium
- HUSKY B Band 2 – uninsured children in families with income between 254% FPL – 323% FPL
- Includes those eligible but pending premium payment before coverage begins.



Year-Over-Year New Medical Applications



PHE New Applications

