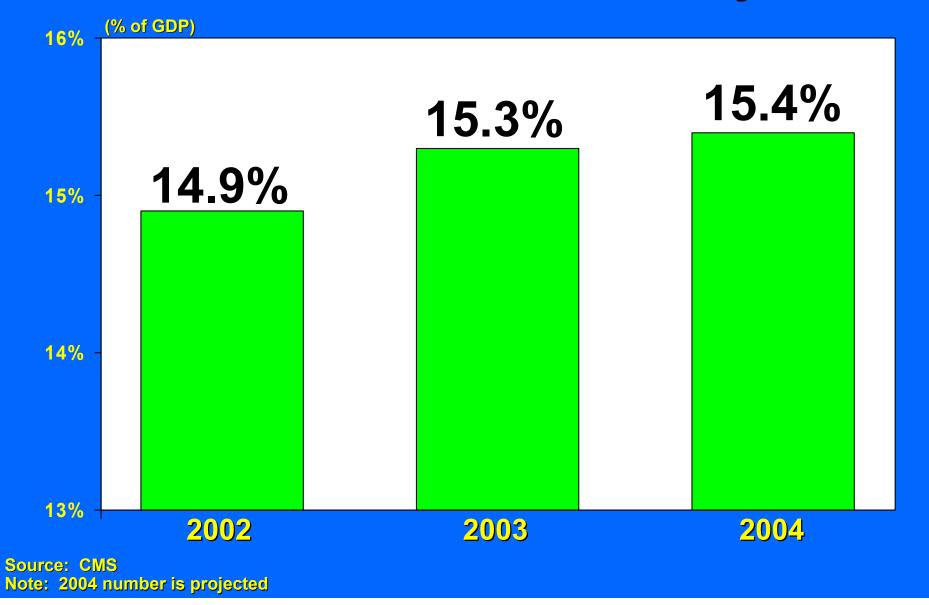
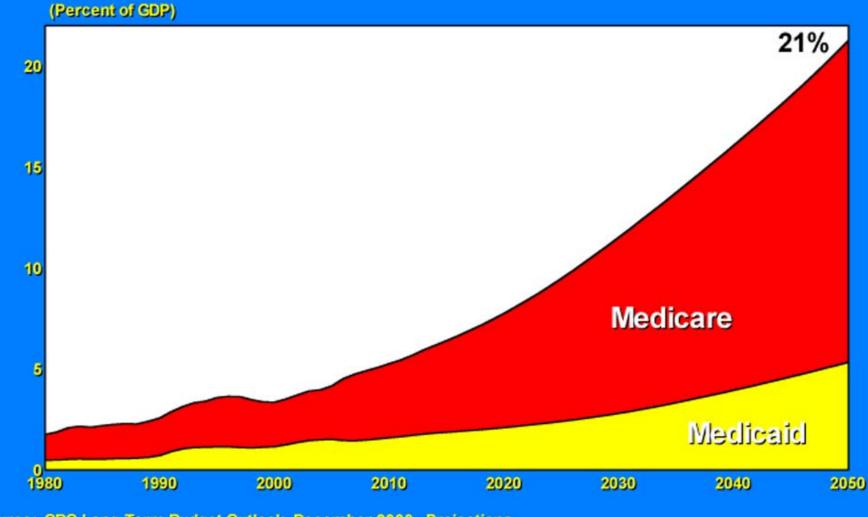
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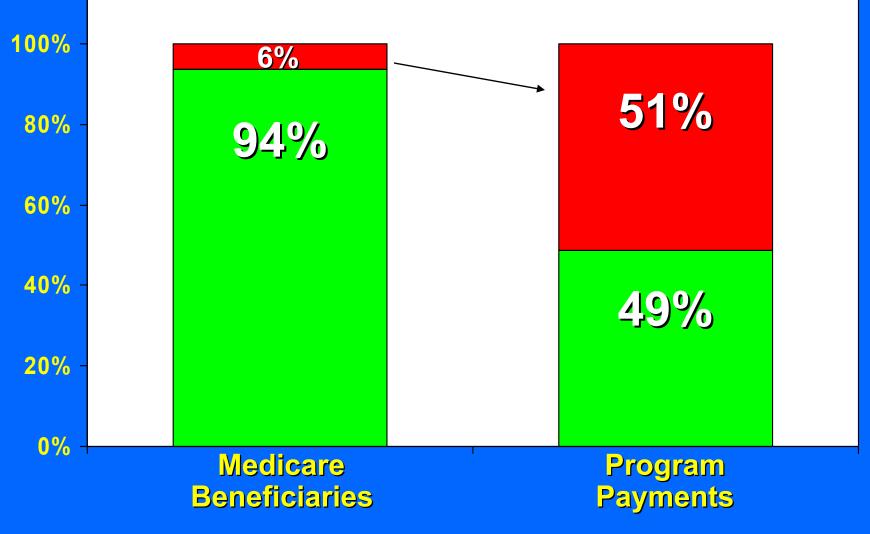


## Medicare and Medicaid Spending as a Percent of GDP 1980-2050



Source: CBO Long-Term Budget Outlook, December 2003. Projections assume excess cost growth of 2.5 percent for Medicare and Medicaid.

## Six Percent of Medicare Beneficiaries Account for Roughly 51 Percent of Program Costs



Source: CMS and CRS data based on payments for fee-for-service beneficiaries in 2001.

Bush Administration Framework for National Health IT Infrastructure

- Electronic health records
- Computerized treatment options and best practices easily accessed by doctors
- Computerized health assessment and treatment recommendations from doctors
- Electronic health information/patient data exchange

## What are the Benefits of Health IT?

- Reduction in medical errors
- Improvement in access to health care
- Improvement in coordination of care