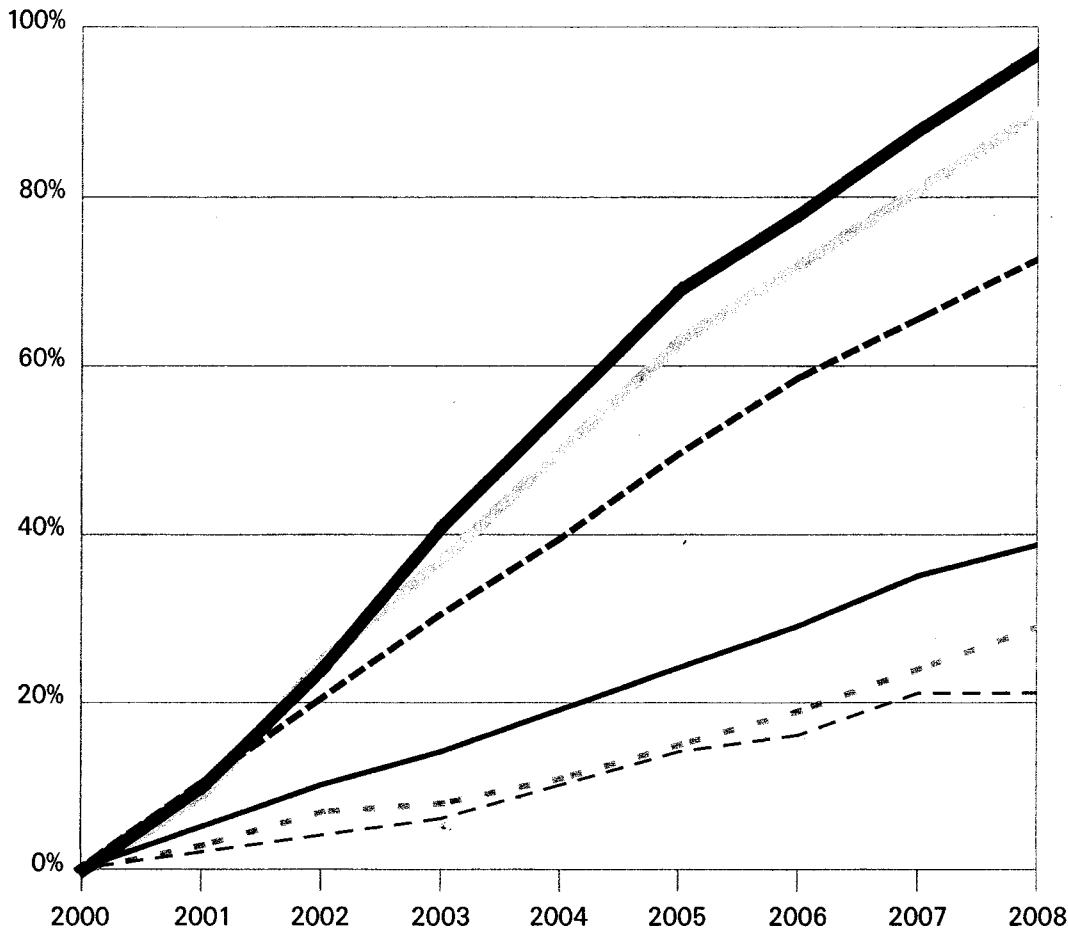


FIGURE 1

### Cumulative Growth Rate of Health Insurance Premiums Dramatically Outstrips Inflation, Wages and Cost of Private Insurance Benefits, 2000–2008



- Family Premiums<sup>1</sup> (Average Annual Family Coverage, Employer-Sponsored Health Plans)
- Single Premiums<sup>2</sup> (Average Annual Single Coverage, Employer-Sponsored Health Plans)
- Spending on Health Benefits by Private Insurers<sup>3</sup>
- Medical Component of Consumer Price Index<sup>4</sup>
- - - Wages<sup>5</sup> (Non-Farm, Seasonally Adjusted)
- - - Overall Inflation<sup>6</sup> (Consumer Price Index, US City Average Annual Inflation)

<sup>1</sup>The Kaiser Family Foundation, "Average Annual Premiums for Single and Family Coverage, 1999-2009," Sept. 15, 2009. Accessed at <http://ehbs.kff.org/?page=charts&id=2&sn=16&ch=1023>.

<sup>2</sup>The Kaiser Family Foundation, "Average Annual Premiums for Single and Family Coverage, 1999-2009," Sept. 15, 2009. Accessed at <http://ehbs.kff.org/?page=charts&id=2&sn=16&ch=1023>.

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