

# \$2.4 Billion

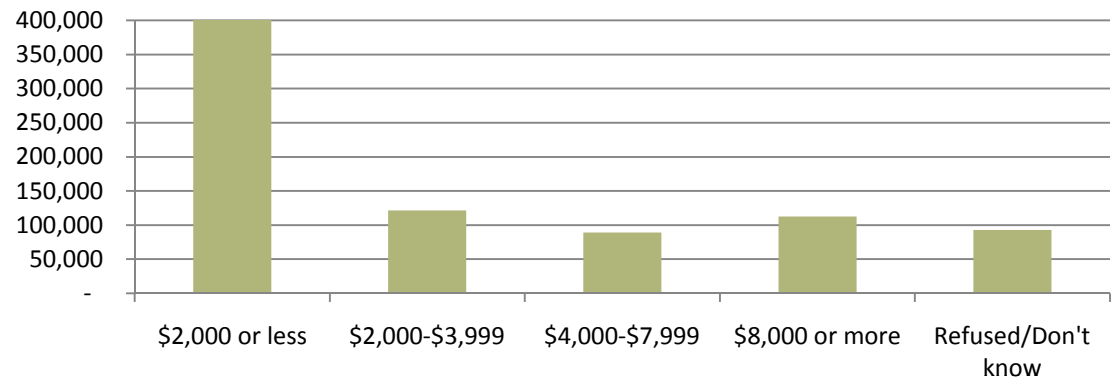
That's the estimated amount of aggregate medical debt among Arizonans in 2008. That figure is about 8.1% of an estimated \$30 billion Arizona health care market in 2008. How we got there:

Findings from the survey were weighted to reflect the Arizona population, with reported medical debt categories associated with each group.

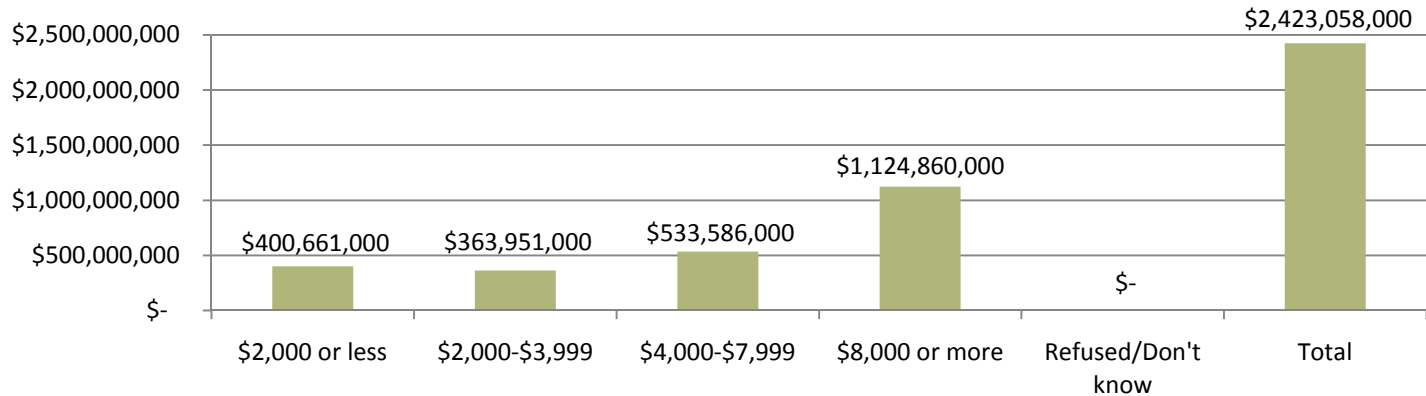
Responses to a debt range were assigned a midpoint value for the range, e.g. \$1,000 was used for "\$2,000 or less." (In the case of "\$8,000 or more," the value of \$10,000 was assigned.)

From there, it was a matter of calculation.

## Number of Household Heads Currently Paying Off Medical Debt



## Assessing the Cumulative Debt



The Arizona Health Survey (AHS) is an extensive effort to collect data on individual indicators of health status, insurance coverage, access to care, health-related behaviors and various demographic and social/environmental factors related to health. It is designed to inform and improve public policy and community health program planning decisions at the local, regional and state levels.