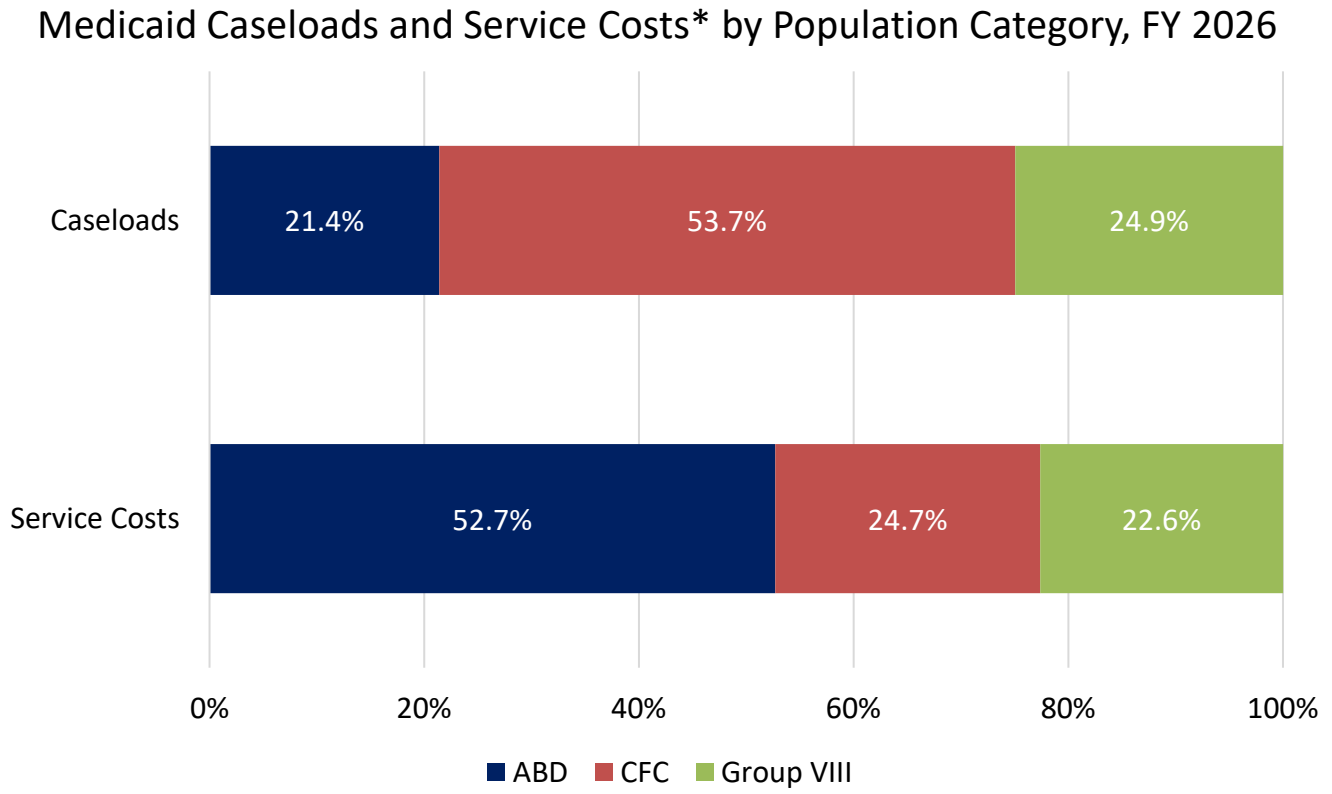
Aged, blind, and disabled individuals make up 21% of Medicaid caseloads but 53% of service costs



*Does not include nonclaim-based expenditures

Source: Ohio Department of Medicaid QDSS/ADAT Database

- Total Medicaid caseloads in FY 2026 were 2.9 million. The largest population category was covered families and children (CFC).
- Total service costs (excluding nonclaim-based expenditures) were $35.94 billion in FY 2026. The aged, blind, and disabled (ABD) category had the highest costs.
- To qualify for Medicaid, individuals must be low income and meet other requirements depending on population category. Typically, categories consist of the following individuals:
  - ABD – individuals who are 65 or older, have disabilities, or are covered under a buy-in program.
  - CFC – children and families, pregnant women, and infants.
  - Group VIII – individuals aged 19 to 64 made eligible by the Affordable Care Act.