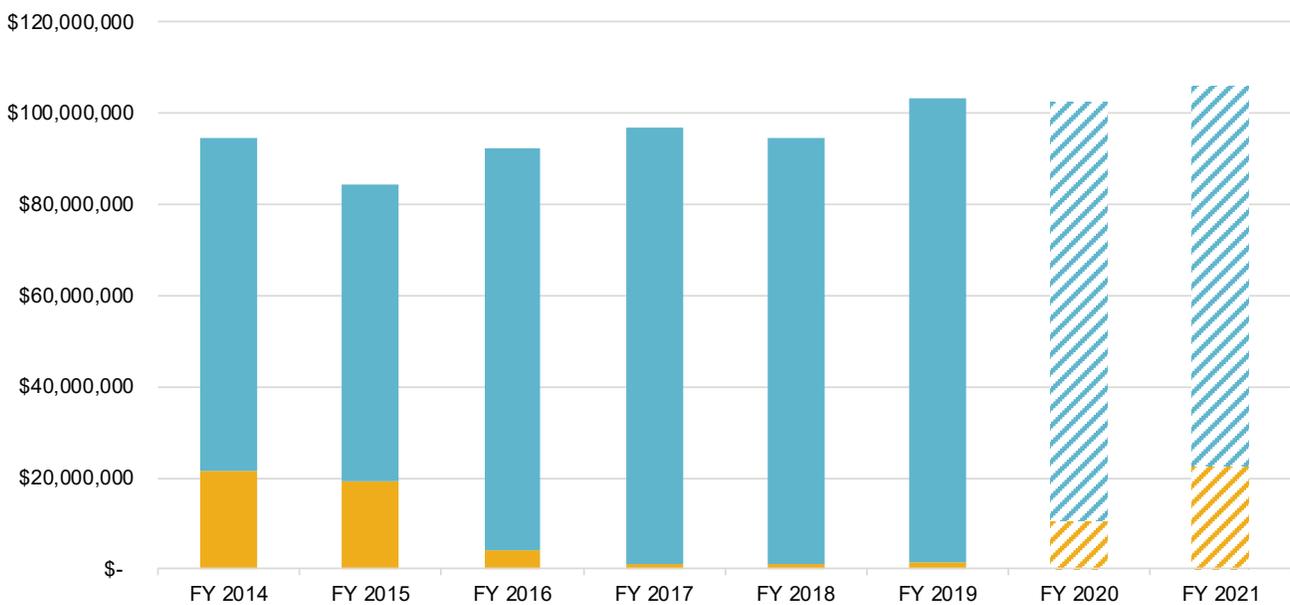


The **federal** and **state** share of expenditures for Montana’s Children’s Health Insurance Program have significantly changed over time.



The Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) is a joint federal-state partnership that provides health insurance for low-income children. It covers children ages 0-18 who are above the income limitations of Medicaid and below 250% of poverty.

The Affordable Care Act temporarily enhanced the federal share to cover nearly all the cost of CHIP (by 23 percentage points) as seen in the 2016-2019 period.

This enhancement will phase out over the upcoming biennium and the federal share of CHIP will return to about 75.6% in SFY 2022 and beyond.

The CHIP population has grown 2.3% from 23,550 children in January 2014 to 24,093 children in January 2019.