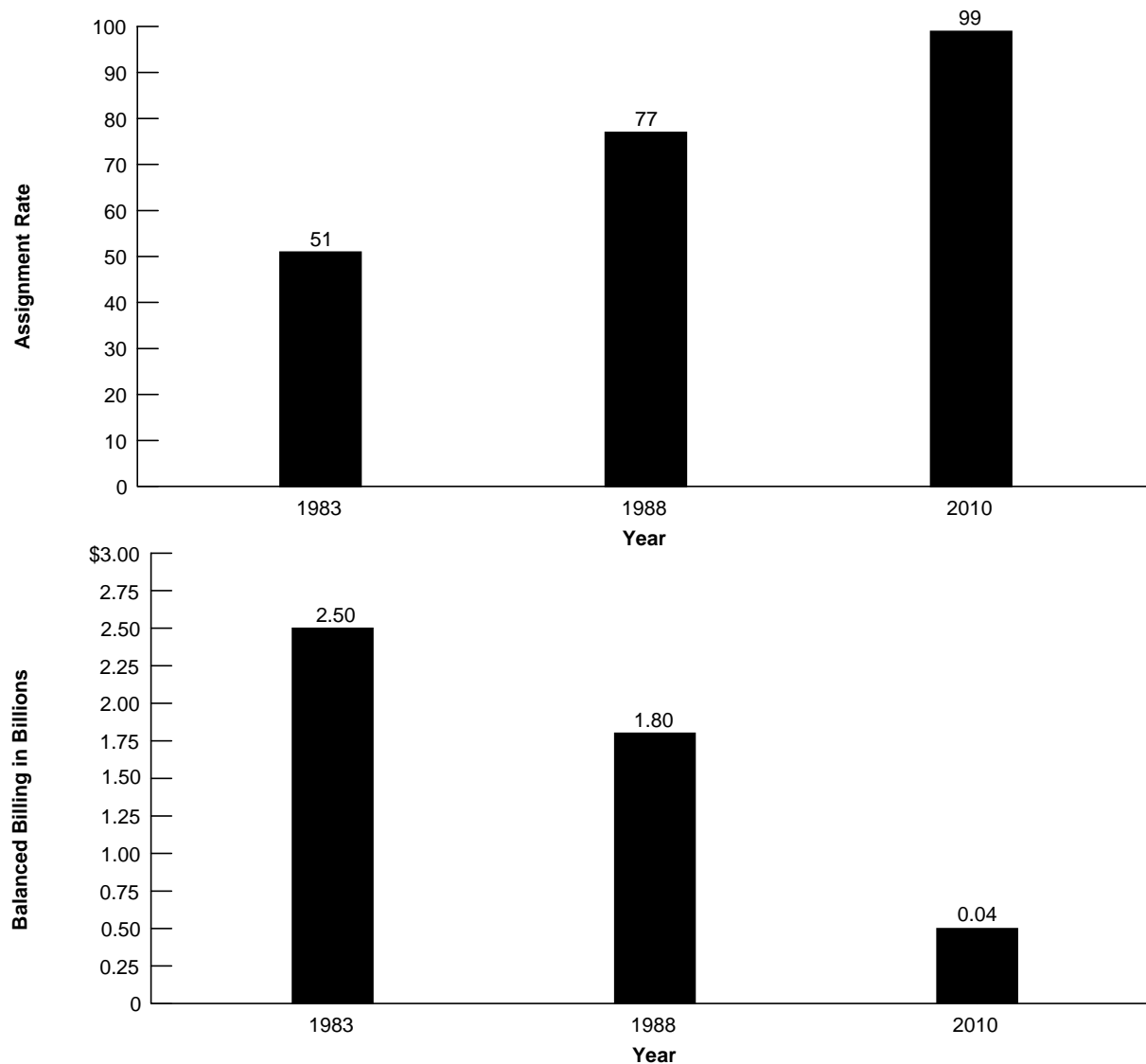


**Figure 9.7**  
**Trends in Medicare Assignment Rates and Amount of**  
**Balanced Billing: Selected Calendar Years**  
**1983, 1988, and 2010**



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