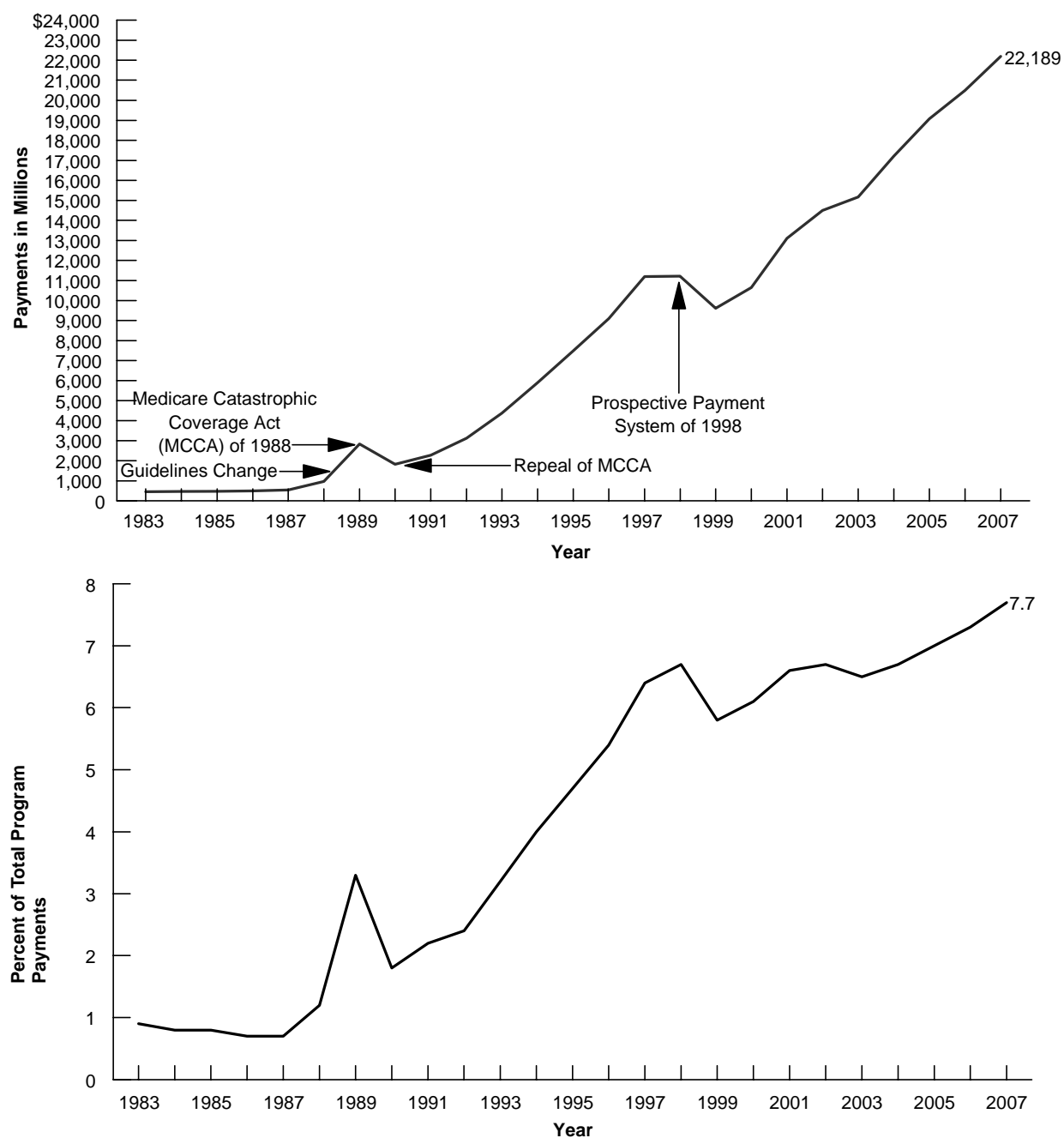


Figure 6.1
Growth in Medicare Skilled Nursing Facility
Program Payments: Calendar Years 1983-2007



SOURCE: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Office of Information Services: Data from the Medicare Data Extract System; data development by the Office of Research, Development, and Information.