

2011-2012 HEALTH PROFILES

Salvadoran Ethnic Group

The following profile provides data on key health topics for the 535,000 Salvadoran adults (ages 18 and over) in California. Estimates are based on the 2011-2012 California Health Interview Survey (CHIS).¹

	Salvadoran	Latino Overall	California
Demographics	%	%	%
Age 18-64	91.0	92.3	84.2
Age 65 and over	9.0	7.7	15.8
Adults with income less than 200% FPL ²	66.3	58.2	35.9
Access and Utilization	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)
Uninsured all or part year (age 18-64)	49.6* (42.5 - 56.7)	38.6 (36.9 - 40.2)	26.6 (25.7 - 27.4)
Employment-based insurance, all year (age 18-64)	25.0* (18.8 - 31.1)	36.3 (34.7 - 37.9)	50.6 (49.7 - 51.5)
Medi-Cal, all year (age 18-64)	17.4 (12.3 - 22.6)	17.4 (16.1 - 18.7)	11.6 (11.0 - 12.2)
Other coverage, all year (age 18-64) ³	8.0 (4.3 - 11.8)	7.7 (6.9 - 8.6)	11.3 (10.7 - 11.8)
No usual source of health care ⁴	32.7* (26.2 - 39.1)	25.5 (24.1 - 26.9)	17.6 (16.9 - 18.2)
Delayed getting prescription drugs or medical services in past year	20.7 (15.4 - 26.1)	20.8 (19.6 - 22.1)	21.5 (20.9 - 22.2)

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Health Outcomes	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)
Serious psychological distress in the past year ⁵	9.6 (6.2 - 12.9)	8.8 (7.9 - 9.6)	7.9 (7.5 - 8.4)
Fair or poor health ⁶	34.7* (28.4 - 40.9)	27.5 (26.1 - 28.9)	19.4 (18.8 - 20.0)
Current asthma ⁷	3.2* (1.2 - 5.2)	5.5 (4.8 - 6.1)	7.7 (7.3 - 8.1)
Ever diagnosed with diabetes ⁸	11.1 (7.6 - 14.6)	9.9 (9.0 - 10.8)	8.4 (7.9 - 8.8)
Obese ⁹	30.6 (24.6 - 36.6)	32.6 (31.1 - 34.0)	24.8 (24.1 - 25.5)
Ever diagnosed with high blood pressure	25.5 (20.1 - 31.0)	23.9 (22.6 - 25.2)	27.3 (26.6 - 27.9)
Health Behaviors	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)
Engaged in regular physical activity in the past week ¹⁰	40.8 (34.3 - 47.2)	34.8 (33.3 - 36.3)	33.3 (32.5 - 34.1)
Ate fruits and vegetables 3 or more times yesterday ¹¹	19.4 (14.2 - 24.7)	21.4 (20.1 - 22.7)	27.2 (26.5 - 27.9)
Current smoker ¹²	13.5 (8.5 - 18.6)	12.3 (11.2 - 13.3)	13.8 (13.2 - 14.3)
Binge drinking ¹³	26.4 (20.2 - 32.7)	32.5 (31.0 - 34.1)	31.1 (30.3 - 31.8)
Other Factors	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)
Food insecure ¹⁴	37.0* (30.5 - 43.6)	26.8 (25.3 - 28.2)	14.9 (14.3 - 15.6)
Limited English proficiency ¹⁵	72.9* (66.9 - 78.9)	55.8 (54.3 - 57.4)	26.9 (26.2 - 27.7)

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