

KERN COUNTY

Health Insurance Coverage, the Lack of Coverage, and Demographic Characteristics

Based on Data from the 2005 California Health Interview Survey

Approximately **161,000 children and adults who were uninsured** for all or part of the year reside in Kern County, out of a total of 6.5 million uninsured Californians statewide. Approximately **47,000 uninsured children** and **114,000 uninsured nonelderly adults** reside in this county, out of 1.1 million uninsured children and 5.4 million uninsured adults statewide. There are 394,000 non-elderly adults and 272,000 children in this county, for a total non-elderly population of 666,000.

	KERN COUNTY	CALIFORNIA
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF THE NONELDERLY (AGES 0-64)		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	24.2% (20.1 - 28.3)	20.2%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	45.2% (40.6 - 49.9)	54.3%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	24.9% (20.4 - 29.3)	15.9%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, PRIVATELY PURCHASED AND OTHER (95% RANGE)	5.7% (3.8 - 7.7)	9.5%
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF CHILDREN (AGES 0-18)		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	17.4% (11.2 - 23.7)	10.7%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	39.8% (32.3 - 47.3)	50.3%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	37.7% (29.8 - 45.7)	31.2%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, PRIVATELY PURCHASED AND OTHER (95% RANGE)	5.1% (2.1 - 8.0)	7.8%
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF ADULTS (AGES 19-64)		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	28.9% (23.5 - 34.2)	24.8%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	49.0% (43.1 - 54.9)	56.2%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	15.9% (11.3 - 20.6)	8.7%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, PRIVATELY PURCHASED OR OTHER (95% RANGE)	6.2% (3.6 - 8.8)	10.4%
% OF UNINSURED NONELDERLY (AGES 0-64) WITH ANNUAL FAMILY INCOMES OF LESS THAN 300% FPL[†]	74.3%	74.5%
% OF UNINSURED CHILDREN (AGES 0-18) WITH INCOMES < 300% FPL	78.4%	82.1%
% OF UNINSURED ADULTS (AGES 19-64) WITH INCOMES < 300% FPL	72.5%	72.9%

[†] FPL = Federal Poverty Level (The 2005 FPL was \$9,973 for one person, \$12,755 for a two-person family and \$15,577 for a three-person family.)

Note: The "95% range" (more commonly called the "margin of error") provides a more reliable estimate of the uninsured rate for persons in the population group than does the "point estimate." Point estimates with narrower 95% ranges are more precise or reliable than those with wider ranges.



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