

ALAMEDA COUNTY

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

Based on Data from the 2003 California Health Interview Survey

Approximately **237,000** children and adults who were uninsured for all or part of the year reside in Alameda County, out of a total of 6.6 million uninsured Californians statewide. Approximately **27,000** uninsured children and **210,000** uninsured nonelderly adults reside in this county.

	ALAMEDA COUNTY	CALIFORNIA
NONELDERLY POPULATION (AGES 0-64), 2003	1,323,000	31,315,000
CHILDREN (AGES 0-17)	358,000	9,488,000
ADULTS (AGES 18-64)	965,000	21,827,000
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF THE NONELDERLY		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	17.9% (16.0 - 19.7)	21.0%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	61.7% (59.5 - 63.9)	53.8%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	10.9% (9.6 - 12.3)	15.5%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, OTHER (95% RANGE)	9.5% (8.3 - 10.8)	9.3%
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF CHILDREN		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	7.6% (5.3 - 9.8)	10.2%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	62.5% (58.4 - 66.5)	52.1%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	21.6% (18.2 - 25.0)	29.4%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, OTHER (95% RANGE)	8.4% (6.2 - 10.6)	8.3%
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF NONELDERLY ADULTS		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	21.7% (19.4 - 24.1)	25.7%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	61.4% (58.7 - 64.0)	54.5%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	7.0% (5.7 - 8.2)	9.5%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, OTHER (95% RANGE)	10.0% (8.5 - 11.4)	10.3%
UNINSURED CHILDREN (AGES 0-18) ELIGIBLE FOR EXISTING PUBLIC PROGRAMS*	18,000	474,000
PERCENT OF UNINSURED NONELDERLY WITH ANNUAL FAMILY INCOMES OF LESS THAN 300% FPL[†]	39.4%	47.0%
RACE/ETHNICITY DISTRIBUTION OF THE NONELDERLY POPULATION		
WHITE	39.9%	45.4%
LATINO	17.6%	30.6%
ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER	25.4%	11.4%
AFRICAN AMERICAN	13.4%	6.9%

* Estimate includes eligibility for Medi-Cal, Healthy Families and county-based programs.

[†] FPL = Federal Poverty Level

Note: The "95% range" (more commonly called a "confidence interval") 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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