

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

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

Based on Data from the 2003 California Health Interview Survey

Approximately **2,091,000** children and adults who were uninsured for all or part of the year reside in Los Angeles County, out of a total of 6.6 million uninsured Californians statewide. Approximately **291,000** uninsured children and **1,800,000** uninsured nonelderly adults reside in this county.

	LOS ANGELES COUNTY	CALIFORNIA
NONELDERLY POPULATION (AGES 0-64), 2003	8,826,000	31,315,000
CHILDREN (AGES 0-17)	2,753,000	9,488,000
ADULTS (AGES 18-64)	6,073,000	21,827,000
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF THE NONELDERLY		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	23.7% (22.7 - 24.7)	21.0%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	49.5% (48.3 - 50.6)	53.8%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	18.4% (17.4 - 19.4)	15.5%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, OTHER (95% RANGE)	8.5% (7.9 - 9.0)	9.3%
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF CHILDREN		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	10.6% (9.1 - 12.0)	10.2%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	47.2% (44.9 - 49.5)	52.1%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	35.9% (33.6 - 38.2)	29.4%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, OTHER (95% RANGE)	6.3% (5.3 - 7.3)	8.3%
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF NONELDERLY ADULTS		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	29.6% (28.4 - 30.9)	25.7%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	50.5% (49.2 - 51.8)	54.5%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	10.4% (9.6 - 11.3)	9.5%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, OTHER (95% RANGE)	9.4% (8.7 - 10.2)	10.3%
UNINSURED CHILDREN (AGES 0-18) ELIGIBLE FOR EXISTING PUBLIC PROGRAMS*	144,000	474,000
PERCENT OF UNINSURED NONELDERLY WITH ANNUAL FAMILY INCOMES OF LESS THAN 300% FPL[†]	52.4%	47.0%
RACE/ETHNICITY DISTRIBUTION OF THE NONELDERLY POPULATION		
WHITE	33.0%	45.4%
LATINO	42.0%	30.6%
ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER	11.0%	11.4%
AFRICAN AMERICAN	10.0%	6.9%

* Estimate includes eligibility for ages 0-18 for Medi-Cal and Healthy Families, and for ages 0-5 for the county-based program.

[†] 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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