California–Southern California Region¹ Exhibits Demographics of Children by Child and Parents' Immigration Status, Ages 0-17, Exhibit 1 of 5

	U.Sborn children of both U.Sborn parents	U.Sborn children of documented immigrant parents	U.Sborn children of at least one undocumented immigrant parent	Immigrant children of both documented immigrant parents	Undocumented immigrant childrer
	N=1,393,000	N=776,000	N=194,000	N=95,000	N=90,000
Age					
0-5 years	32%	37%	49%	<u>5%</u>	<u>15%</u>
6-11 years	36%	36%	37%	26%	40%
12-17 years	33%	28%	15%	69%	45%
Gender					
Male	53%	50%	47%	44%	52%
Female	47%	50%	53%	56%	48%
Race and Ethnicity					
Latino	21%	68%	97%	46%	88%
Non-Latino Other	14%	7%	*	<u>10%</u>	*
Non-Latino Asian American and Pacific Islande	r <u>0%</u>	11%	<u>2%</u>	38%	<u>8%</u>
Non-Latino White	65%	13%	*	<u>6%</u>	<u>3%</u>
Federal Poverty Level					
0 to 99%	12%	28%	59%	38%	55%
100% to 199%	17%	27%	39%	31%	27%
200% to 299%	17%	17%	<u>1%</u>	<u>7%</u>	<u>9%</u>
300% or above	55%	27%	<u>2%</u>	25%	<u>8%</u>
_anguages Spoken at Home ²					
English only	87%	20%	<u>3%</u>	<u>11%</u>	*
Spanish only	*	11%	34%	<u>6%</u>	40%
Asian languages only	1%	5%	<u>2%</u>	<u>6%</u>	*
English and Spanish	11%	50%	60%	42%	48%
English and other language	2%	14%	*	36%	<u>6%</u>
Family Type ³					
Married with children	71%	80%	61%	82%	79%
Single with children	28%	19%	39%	18%	20%

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² For children ages 0-11 this information was provided by the mother (more than 80% of the time) or other parent who was responding to the survey on the child's behalf.

Children ages 12-17 provided this information on their own behalf.

³ Children in other living arrangements are not reported due to very small sample sizes.

Source: 2001 California Health Interview Survey, www.chis.ucla.edu



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California–Southern California Region¹ Exhibits Insurance Coverage of Children by Child and Parents' Immigration Status, Ages 0-17, Exhibit 2 of 5

	U.Sborn children of both U.Sborn parents	U.Sborn children of documented immigrant parents	U.Sborn children of at least one undocumented immigrant parent	Immigrant children of both documented immigrant parents	Undocumented immigrant children
	N=1,393,000	N=776,000	N=194,000	N=95,000	N=90,000
Current Insurance Coverage					
Uninsured	4%	13%	23%	22%	46%
Medi-Cal	16%	24%	46%	30%	30%
Healthy Families	2%	10%	11%	<u>10%</u>	<u>2%</u>
Job-based	73%	52%	16%	35%	17%
Private	4%	<u>1%</u>	<u>1%</u>	*	*
Other Public	<u>1%</u>	1%	<u>3%</u>	<u>1%</u>	*
Insurance Coverage Currently or in Past Year					
Uninsured currently or at any time in past year	8%	19%	28%	31%	59%
Insured continuously during past year	92%	81%	72%	69%	41%
Main Reason for Not Having Insurance Currently					
Employment-related factors ²	<u>13%</u>	12%	<u>6%</u>	<u>15%</u>	<u>3%</u>
Not eligible due to health problems	<u>3%</u>	23%	<u>12%</u>	<u>8%</u>	<u>27%</u>
Not eligible due to citizenship or immigration status	*	*	<u>17%</u>	<u>11%</u>	22%
Can't afford/Too expensive	46%	31%	<u>30%</u>	<u>35%</u>	<u>23%</u>
Healthy (Don't need)/Don't believe in health insurance/Procrastination	<u>16%</u>	26%	<u>35%</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>17%</u>
Other	<u>22%</u>	<u>7%</u>	*	<u>22%</u>	<u>8%</u>

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² Includes changed employer/lost job; employer does not offer insurance; not eligible due to working status.



California–Southern California Region¹ Exhibits Public Coverage Eligibility Status of Children by Child and Parents' Immigration Status, Ages 0-17, Exhibit 3 of 5

	U.Sborn children of both U.Sborn parents	U.Sborn children of documented immigrant parents	U.Sborn children of at least one undocumented immigrant parent	Immigrant children o both documented immigrant parents
	N=1,393,000	N=776,000	N=194,000	N=95,000
Uninsured but Medi-Cal Eligible	34%	43%	71%	<u>36%</u>
Uninsured but Healthy Families Eligible	31%	43%	<u>19%</u>	<u>38%</u>
Main Reason Not Enrolled in Medi-Cal ²				
Don't know if eligible	<u>3%</u>	2%	*	<u>8%</u>
Income is too high	15%	11%	14%	<u>9%</u>
Citizenship/immigration status	*	<u>2%</u>	<u>8%</u>	<u>4%</u>
Already have insurance	66%	57%	30%	<u>22%</u>
Other	16%	28%	45%	57%
Main Reason Not Enrolled in Healthy Families ²				
Don't believe in/Don't like or want welfare	<u>4%</u>	5%	<u>12%</u>	<u>7%</u>
Don't know if eligible	5%	5%	<u>5%</u>	<u>12%</u>
Income is too high	7%	5%	*	<u>9%</u>
Citizenship/immigration status	*	<u>2%</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>8%</u>
Already have insurance	62%	52%	27%	<u>22%</u>
Didn't know it existed	13%	15%	26%	<u>19%</u>
Other	8%	16%	<u>18%</u>	<u>24%</u>

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No information is provided for undocumented children because of lack of eligibility for Medi-Cal and Healthy Families due to immigration status.

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² These questions are asked of children not enrolled in the program whose household income is under 300% of federal poverty level.



California–Southern California Region¹ Exhibits Health Status of Children by Child and Parents' Immigration Status, Ages 0-17, Exhibit 4 of 5

	U.Sborn children of	U.Sborn children of	U.Sborn children of	Immigrant children of	Undocumented	
	both U.Sborn parents	documented immigrant parents	at least one undocumented immigrant parent	both documented immigrant parents	immigrant childre	
	N=1,393,000	N=776,000	N=194,000	N=95,000	N=90,000	
Health Status						
Excellent/Very good	78%	62%	46%	56%	40%	
Good	17%	28%	30%	34%	46%	
Fair/Poor	5%	10%	24%	<u>10%</u>	14%	
Physician Diagnosed Asthma ²	16%	12%	9%	<u>4%</u>	*	
Asthmatics Who are Taking Medications to Control Asthma	53%	44%	44%	<u>16%</u>	*	

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² The low rates of asthma for immigrant children may be due to underdiagnosis of this illness rather than lower prevalence of asthma.



California–Southern California Region¹ Exhibits Health Care Utilization of Children by Child and Parents' Immigration Status, Ages 0-17, Exhibit 5 of 5

	U.Sborn children of both U.Sborn parents	U.Sborn children of documented immigrant parents	U.Sborn children of at least one undocumented immigrant parent	Immigrant children of both documented immigrant parents	Undocumented immigrant children
	N=1,393,000	N=776,000	N=194,000	N=95,000	N=90,000
Have Official Immunization Record (Ages 0-5)	94%	98%	95%	100%	100%
Ever Had Difficulties Getting Shots (Ages 0-5)	3%	<u>1%</u>	<u>4%</u>	<u>4%</u>	*
Last Dental Visit (Ages 2-17)					
Have never visited	13%	16%	20%	<u>5%</u>	18%
Less than 1 year	79%	73%	72%	84%	58%
More than 1 year	8%	11%	<u>8%</u>	12%	24%
Times Seen Medical Doctor Past Year (Ages 0-11)					
None	9%	12%	<u>9%</u>	<u>12%</u>	<u>17%</u>
1 to 4	68%	70%	72%	77%	78%
5 or more	24%	19%	18%	<u>11%</u>	<u>6%</u>
Visited Emergency Room Past Year	21%	16%	21%	<u>8%</u>	14%
Hospital Stay Overnight Past Year	4%	5%	<u>5%</u>	<u>3%</u>	<u>2%</u>
Went to Other Country for Medical, Dental Care Past Year	<u>0%</u>	5%	<u>1%</u>	<u>10%</u>	*
Delayed/Didn't Get Prescription, Medical Care, Test or Treatment Past Year	8%	6%	<u>4%</u>	<u>1%</u>	<u>8%</u>
Have Usual Source of Care	96%	93%	95%	78%	82%

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