

UCLA Center for Health Policy Research Small Area Estimation

The Center's statistical unit performs small area estimates on a limited basis for outside groups and organizations. Estimates are based upon data from the California Health Interview Survey (CHIS) as well as Census, Claritas and other data sources.

Past work includes producing small area estimations for children's and adult health insurance coverage by legislative district as well as estimates of insurance coverage in California cities.

The complex nature of small area estimation requires the Center to charge a fee for service, dependent upon the nature of the request. Estimates include a one-time \$500 set-up fee for the Center's Data Access Center, as well as the staff time cost of modeling (if no model exists), calculation and aggregation as well as comparison with internal and external data to ensure that methodology is scientifically sound and reasonable.

Cost vary depending upon the complexity of the project. Requesting organizations should anticipate a fee of between \$2,800 - \$4,000 per request and a delivery time of up to two weeks. If a variable (such as health insurance coverage) is already modeled, costs are less.

The Center performs some gratis small area estimation on a limited basis for urgent public health issues. Please contact us to learn more:

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