



## Los Angeles County Service Planning Area 4: Metropolitan Los Angeles

Los Angeles County is divided into 8 Service Planning Areas (SPAs). This profile provides data on key health indicators for the 195,000 children and teens (age 17 and under) in SPA 4: Metropolitan Los Angeles. Estimates are based on the 2011-2012 California Health Interview Survey (CHIS).<sup>1</sup>

### Los Angeles County



Demographics <sup>2</sup>	Metro Los Angeles (%)	Los Angeles County (%)
Age 0-11	61.1	65.2
Age 12-17	38.9	34.8
White	6.8	17.1
Latino	83.9	62.5
Asian	4.1	9.5
Black	2.8	7.5
Other Race <sup>3</sup>	2.5	3.4
Adults living with children, with income less than 200% FPL <sup>4</sup>	63.8	50.0

### SPA 4: Metropolitan Los Angeles

Access and Utilization	Metro Los Angeles % (95% CI)	Los Angeles County % (95% CI)
Uninsured all or part year (age 0-17)	8.1 (4.5 - 11.6)	7.9 (6.8 - 9.0)
Employment-based insurance, all year (age 0-17)	33.5 (28.8 - 38.2)	39.8* (38.2 - 41.4)
Medi-Cal or Healthy Families, all year (age 0-17)	52.1 (44.9 - 59.2)	44.5 (42.1 - 47.0)
No usual source of health care (age 0-17) <sup>5</sup>	15.7 (11.3 - 20.1)	9.2* (8.2 - 10.3)
Health Outcomes		
Current asthma (age 0-17) <sup>6</sup>	7.6 (4.2 - 11.0)	11.0 (9.3 - 12.6)
Overweight for age (age 2-11) <sup>7</sup>	13.5 (7.5 - 19.5)	13.9 (11.2 - 16.6)
Overweight or obese (age 12-17) <sup>8</sup>	43.5 (35.7 - 51.2)	37.3 (32.4 - 42.2)
Health Behaviors		
Engaged in regular physical activity in the last week (age 5-17) <sup>9</sup>	20.5 (15.2 - 25.9)	20.4 (18.7 - 22.1)
Had fast food at least twice in last week (age 2-17)	39.3 (32.4 - 46.3)	41.0 (39.2 - 42.9)
Had 5 or more servings of fruits and vegetables yesterday (age 2-17) <sup>10</sup>	22.1 (17.5 - 26.8)	24.0 (21.8 - 26.1)
Had 1 or more servings of soda or sugary drinks yesterday (age 2-11) <sup>11</sup>	20.4 (14.4 - 26.4)	26.6 (21.7 - 31.5)
Had 1 or more servings of soda or sugary drinks yesterday (age 12-17) <sup>11</sup>	71.1 (64.0 - 78.3)	68.0 (63.0 - 73.0)
Had flu vaccination in the past year (6 months - 11 years)	48.7 (41.2 - 56.2)	46.7 (42.3 - 51.2)
Visited a dentist in the past year (age 2-17)	92.8 (89.7 - 95.9)	88.7* (86.9 - 90.5)
Households with children (age 0-17) where smoking is permitted <sup>12</sup>	0.9 (0.4 - 1.4)	1.5 (1.1 - 1.9)
Other Factors		
Food insecure (adults living with children) <sup>13</sup>	9.5 (6.0 - 13.0)	9.7 (7.2 - 12.1)
Family member reads to child everyday (age 0-5)	53.5 (43.8 - 63.3)	55.4 (53.1 - 57.6)

\* Statistically significant difference between SPA and Los Angeles County at p<0.05



## Notes

- <sup>1</sup> With the exception of age, race/ethnicity, FPL, and state level estimates, the estimates for the Child and Teen County Health Profiles were produced employing Small Area Estimation (SAE). SAE is a statistical modeling method used to produce estimates for small geographic areas or population groups that are not otherwise directly available from the survey sample.
- <sup>2</sup> Racial and ethnic categories are based on the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) definitions used in the 2010 Census. For more information, see *2010 Census Briefs*, issued March 2011. Retrieved August 26, 2013: <http://www.census.gov/prod/cen2010/briefs/c2010br-02.pdf>.
- <sup>3</sup> Other Race includes Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, American Indian, Alaska Natives, any other race and two or more races.
- <sup>4</sup> FPL is the Federal Poverty Level.
- <sup>5</sup> Usual source of care excludes emergency department and urgent care visits.
- <sup>6</sup> Defined as ever diagnosed with asthma, and reporting current asthma or asthma symptoms in the past year.
- <sup>7</sup> Defined as the proportion of children (age 2-11) whose weight for age is at or above the 85th percentile based on gender specific Centers for Disease Control and Prevention weight guidelines.
- <sup>8</sup> Defined as the proportion of teens (age 12-17) whose body mass index ( $\text{kg}/\text{m}^2$ ) is at or above the 85th percentile on gender and age specific Centers for Disease Control and Prevention BMI guidelines.
- <sup>9</sup> Defined as those who engaged in at least one hour of physical activity daily during the last week, excluding physical education.
- <sup>10</sup> Excludes consumption of fruit juice and fried potatoes.
- <sup>11</sup> Defined as drinking one or more glasses or cans of non-diet soda, sweetened sports drinks or energy drinks yesterday.
- <sup>12</sup> Defined as households with children where smoking is allowed some days or every day among all households.
- <sup>13</sup> Defined as adults with children who had difficulty reliably putting food on the table in the past year. The question assumes that adults with children who are above 200% of the federal poverty level are food secure.



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