

California reached health insurance coverage milestone in 2020, but **access to care remains a challenge during the COVID-19 pandemic**



The 2020 California Health Interview Survey (CHIS) reveals record high health insurance coverage rates, however barriers to care and COVID-19 impacted marginalized communities.



94%

of Californians were currently insured in 2020, a **record high** since CHIS began surveying about health care coverage in 2001.

More than

1 in 10 (11%)

Black or African American Californians reported not having a usual source of care, **despite 88.2% having health insurance.**



Routine check-ups hit lows

67.9%

of California adults had a preventive visit in 2020, compared to 71.1% in 2019, the **lowest estimate since 2013.**



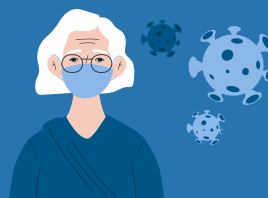
Californians' main reasons for delaying or forgoing necessary medical care in 2020



More than

1 in 5

Californians cited COVID-19 as the main reason.



44.2%

of older adults (65+) cited COVID-19 as the main reason.



40%

of Latinos cited cost, lack of insurance, or other insurance issues, **compared to 28.1% of white people.**