

NORTHERN AND SIERRA COUNTIES*

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

Based on Data from the 2005 California Health Interview Survey

Approximately **250,000 children and adults who were uninsured** for all or part of the year reside in Northern and Sierra Counties, out of a total of 6.5 million uninsured Californians statewide. Approximately **41,000 uninsured children** and **209,000 uninsured nonelderly adults** reside in this region, out of 1.1 million uninsured children and 5.4 million uninsured adults statewide. There are 792,000 non-elderly adults and 344,000 children in this region, for a total non-elderly population of 1.1 million.

	NORTHERN AND SIERRA COUNTIES	CALIFORNIA
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF THE NONELDERLY (AGES 0-64)		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	22.0% (20.4 - 23.6)	20.2%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	48.0% (46.2 - 49.9)	54.3%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	18.1% (16.6 - 19.6)	15.9%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, PRIVATELY PURCHASED AND OTHER (95% RANGE)	11.8% (10.6 - 13.1)	9.5%
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF CHILDREN (AGES 0-18)		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	11.9% (9.6 - 14.3)	10.7%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	45.3% (41.8 - 48.8)	50.3%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	31.4% (28.1 - 34.7)	31.2%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, PRIVATELY PURCHASED AND OTHER (95% RANGE)	11.4% (8.9 - 13.8)	7.8%
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF ADULTS (AGES 19-64)		
% UNINSURED ALL OR PART YEAR (95% RANGE)	26.4% (24.4 - 28.4)	24.8%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, EMPLOYMENT-BASED (95% RANGE)	49.2% (47.0 - 51.4)	56.2%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, MEDI-CAL/HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	12.3% (10.9 - 13.8)	8.7%
% INSURED ALL YEAR, PRIVATELY PURCHASED OR OTHER (95% RANGE)	12.1% (10.6 - 13.4)	10.4%
% OF UNINSURED NONELDERLY (AGES 0-64) WITH ANNUAL FAMILY INCOMES OF LESS THAN 300% FPL[†]	71.1%	74.5%
% OF UNINSURED CHILDREN (AGES 0-18) WITH INCOMES < 300% FPL	80.1%	82.1%
% OF UNINSURED ADULTS (AGES 19-64) WITH INCOMES < 300% FPL	69.3%	72.9%
CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION STATUS OF THE UNINSURED		
CITIZEN	87.7%	63.5%
NONCITIZEN WITH A GREEN CARD	4.3%	14.6%
NONCITIZEN WITHOUT A GREEN CARD ^{††}	8.0%	21.9%

* Including Butte, Shasta, Humboldt, Del Norte, Siskiyou, Lassen, Modoc, Trinity, Mendocino, Lake, Tehama, Glenn, Colusa, Sutter, Yuba, Nevada, Plumas, Sierra, Tuolumne, Calaveras, Amador, Inyo, Mariposa, Mono, and Alpine Counties.

[†] FPL = Federal Poverty Level (The 2005 FPL was \$9,973 for one person, \$12,755 for a two-person family and \$15,577 for a three-person family.)

^{††} Includes residents who have other immigration status as well as undocumented persons.

Note: The "95% range" (more commonly called the "margin of error") 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.