

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

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

Based on Data from the 2001 California Health Interview Survey

Approximately **28,000** uninsured children and adults reside in Santa Cruz County, out of a total of 4.5 million California residents who were uninsured at the time they were interviewed in 2001. Approximately **4,000** uninsured children and **24,000** uninsured nonelderly adults reside in this county.

	SANTA CRUZ COUNTY	CALIFORNIA
NONELDERLY POPULATION (AGES 0-64), CENSUS 2000	223,000	29,625,000
CHILDREN (AGES 0-17)	60,000	9,203,000
ADULTS (AGES 18-64)	162,000	20,422,000
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF THE NONELDERLY		
% UNINSURED (95% RANGE)	12.7% (9.8-15.5)	15.2%
% WITH JOB-BASED COVERAGE (95% RANGE)	67.4% (63.6-71.1)	63.2%
% WITH MEDI-CAL OR HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	11.5% (8.8-14.2)	15.8%
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF CHILDREN		
% UNINSURED (95% RANGE)	7% (3.5-10.5)	9.6%
% WITH JOB-BASED COVERAGE (95% RANGE)	67.6% (13.1-26.0)	58.9%
% WITH MEDI-CAL OR HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	19.5% (13.1-26.0)	27.6%
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF NONELDERLY ADULTS		
% UNINSURED (95% RANGE)	14.8% (11.2-18.4)	17.7%
% WITH JOB-BASED COVERAGE (95% RANGE)	67.3% (62.8-71.7)	65.1%
% WITH MEDI-CAL OR HEALTHY FAMILIES (95% RANGE)	8.5% (5.8-11.3)	10.3%
% EMPLOYEES OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE (95% RANGE)	80.4% (75.6-85.2)	83.4%
NUMBER OF UNINSURED PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR MEDI-CAL OR HEALTHY FAMILIES		
UNINSURED CHILDREN (0-18) ELIGIBLE FOR MEDI-CAL OR HEALTHY FAMILIES	3,000	656,000
UNINSURED ADULTS (19-64) ELIGIBLE FOR MEDI-CAL	**	465,000
RACE/ETHNICITY DISTRIBUTION OF THE NONELDERLY POPULATION		
WHITE	69.6%	49.5%
LATINO	21.9%	29.8%
ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER	2.7%	11.1%
AFRICAN AMERICAN	2.0%	6.1%
SOCIO-ECONOMIC INDICATORS AMONG NONELDERLY POPULATION		
PERCENT WITH ANNUAL FAMILY INCOME LESS THAN 100% OF FPL*	15.6%	16.9%
PERCENT WITH ANNUAL FAMILY INCOME 101% - 200% OF FPL	15.9%	19.7%

* FPL = Federal Poverty Level

Note: The "95% range" (more commonly called a "confidence interval") 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.

**Source: *The State of Health Insurance in California:
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