# State-Level Inequities in Children's Health Insurance Coverage 

SHADAC Analysis of 2016-2020 American Community Survey Data

While health insurance is important for all people, it confers particular benefits to childrenproviding a gateway for health care to help kids grow into healthy adults. Fortunately, the U.S. has made substantial progress toward increasing the number of children with health insurance over the recent decades, and kids are now much less likely than adults to be uninsured. However, deep disparities remain in children's health insurance rates.

Using 2016-2020 data from the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS), SHADAC has produced state-level estimates of children's uninsurance rates by demographic groups. These can be used as a tool to identify health equity gaps and to develop policies and initiatives to ensure children have access to health insurance and health care.


5 out of every 100
children are uninsured, or approximately 3,643,900 children

In Arizona,


8 out of every 100 children are uninsured, or approximately 134,900 children


Percent of Uninsured Children by Demographic Groups: State vs. National

*Significantly different from U.S. rate at $95 \%$ level
$\wedge$ Significantly different from total population rate at $95 \%$ level

Uninsured Children by Poverty Level
Uninsured Children by Citizenship


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|  |  | Percent Uninsured by Race/ Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  | Poverty Level |  |  | Citizenship |  | Age |  |  | Metro status (i.e., urban, rural) |  |  |
| State | Total \% Uninsured | American Indian or Alaska Native | Asian | Black | Latino/a | Native <br> Hawaiian or Pacific Islander | White | Two or more races | 0-138\% | 139-400\% | 401\%+ | Citizen | Non-Citizen | 0-5 | 6-11 | 12-17 | In metro | Not in metro | Metro status uncertain |
| United States | 5.0\% | 14.1\% ^ | 3.6\% ^ | 4.2\% ^ | 7.8\% ^ | 6.0\% ^ | 3.9\% ^ | 3.6\% ^ | 6.5\% ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | 5.8\% ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | 2.2\% | 4.5\% | 15.8\% ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 4.3\% | 4.8\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5.8\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4.7\% | 6.2\% m | 5.8\% m |
| Alabama | 2.9\% | N/A | 4.7\% | 2.4\% * | 7.8\% ^ | N/A | 2.4\% *^ | 3.4\% | 3.5\% *p | 2.9\% *p | 1.5\% * | 2.6\% | 16.1\% * | 2.7\% * | 2.4\% * | 3.5\% *a | 2.8\% * | 3.7\% *m | 2.5\% * |
| Alaska | 8.4\% | 14.4\% ^ | 10.4\% * | N/A | 5.3\% ^ | N/A | 6.0\% *^ | 11.3\% * | 10.5\% *p | 9.1\% *p | 3.8\% * | 8.2\% | 11.3\% * | 8.0\% * | 8.6\% * | 8.6\% * | 7.1\% * | 12.4\% *m | 7.9\% * |
| Arizona | 8.2\% | 18.5\% *^ | 5.1\% *^ | 7.0\% * | 10.1\% *^ | N/A | 5.4\% *^ | 6.3\% *^ | 10.1\% *p | 9.2\% *p | 3.6\% * | 7.8\% | 17.5\% *c | 7.1\% * | 7.6\% * | 9.8\% ** | 8.0\% * | 17.9\% *m | 7.2\% * |
| Arkansas | 4.3\% | N/A | N/A | 2.3\% *^ | 11.0\% *^ | 22.0\% *^ | 3.3\% *^ | 5.6\% * | 5.0\% *p | 4.5\% *p | 2.5\% | 3.8\% * | 29.9\% * | 3.8\% | 3.8\% * | 5.3\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4.8\% | 4.5\% * | 3.6\% *m |
| California | 3.1\% | 8.8\% *^ | 2.4\% *^ | 2.5\% *^ | 3.8\% *^ | 3.3\% * | 2.3\% *^ | 2.3\% *^ | 3.9\% *p | 3.7\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 1.6\% * | 2.8\% * | 7.7\% * | 2.5\% * | 2.9\% *a | 4.0\% *a | 3.1\% * | 4.1\% *m | N/A |
| Colorado | 4.6\% | 9.6\% ^ | 4.0\% | 4.6\% | 6.8\% *^ | N/A | 3.6\% *^ | 2.5\% *^ | 5.9\% * | $6.2 \%{ }^{\text {p }}$ | 2.1\% | 4.1\% | 17.2\% * | 3.7\% * | 4.4\% *a | 5.7\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4.2\% * | 8.3\% *m | 7.0\% *m |
| Connecticut | 2.9\% | N/A | N/A | 3.1\% * | 4.4\% *^ | N/A | 2.1\% *^ | 3.1\% | 4.4\% *p | 3.5\% *p | 1.7\% * | 2.3\% | 14.0\% * | 2.9\% * | 3.0\% * | 2.9\% * | 2.9\% * | 2.5\% * | N/A |
| Delaware | 3.7\% | N/A | N/A | 3.0\% * | 5.9\% *^ | N/A | 3.6\% | N/A | 4.1\% *p | 4.5\% *p | 2.2\% | 3.3\% | 14.6\% * | 3.3\% | 3.6\% * | 4.1\% * | 3.7\% * | N/A | N/A |
| Dist. of Columbia | 1.9\% | N/A | N/A | 1.8\% * | 3.4\% * | N/A | N/A | N/A | 2.3\% * $\dagger$ | 3.7\% *+ | N/A | 1.5\% * | 8.9\% * | 1.5\% * | 2.5\% * | 1.8\% * | 1.9\% * | N/A | N/A |
| Florida | 6.9\% | 13.8\% ^ | 7.0\% * | 6.9\% * | 8.4\% *^ | N/A | 5.9\% *^ | 5.9\% *^ | 8.1\% * | 7.6\% * | 3.8\% * | 5.8\% * | 20.9\% * | 5.4\% * | 6.8\% *a | 8.5\% *a | 6.9\% * | 5.9\% | 7.9\% *m |
| Georgia | 7.1\% | N/A | 6.7\% * | 5.7\% *^ | 15.3\% *^ | N/A | 5.6\% *^ | 5.9\% *^ | 9.8\% * | 7.7\% *p | 2.6\% * | 6.5\% * | 23.3\% * | 6.0\% * | 6.8\% *a | 8.3\% ** | 7.2\% * | 7.2\% | 6.9\% * |
| Hawaii | 2.7\% | N/A | 2.9\% | N/A | 2.9\% * | 2.5\% * | 3.9\% | 2.0\% *^ | 2.7\% * | 2.8\% * | 2.1\% | 2.5\% * | 4.8\% ** | 2.4\% * | 1.8\% * | 3.9\% *a | 2.3\% * | 2.8\% * | 4.2\% *m |
| Idaho | 5.4\% | 11.4\% ^ | N/A | N/A | 7.8\% ^ | N/A | 4.9\% * | 4.6\% | 5.3\% *p | 6.4\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 3.2\% * | 5.1\% | 18.6\% * | 4.8\% | 5.1\% | $6.3 \%{ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4.5\% | 6.3\% m | 6.4\% m |
| Illinois | 3.1\% | N/A | 3.4\% | 3.5\% * | 4.0\% *^ | N/A | 2.6\% *^ | 1.8\% *^ | 4.0\% * | 3.6\% *p | 1.5\% * | 2.9\% * | 7.7\% * | 2.8\% * | 2.9\% * | 3.5\% *a | 3.0\% * | 3.8\% *m | 2.9\% * |
| Indiana | 6.3\% | N/A | 5.4\% | 5.0\% ^ | 9.3\% *^ | N/A | 6.2\% * | 5.0\% *^ | 8.0\% *p | 7.3\% * | 2.6\% * | 6.1\% | 15.5\% * | 5.9\% * | 6.7\% *a | 6.4\% * | 5.4\% * | 11.1\% *m | 7.5\% *m |
| lowa | 2.5\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 4.1\% *^ | N/A | 2.4\% * | N/A | 4.0\% *p | 2.6\% * | 1.3\% * | 2.4\% * | 7.6\% * | 2.5\% * | 2.2\% * | 2.9\% * | 2.1\% * | 2.7\% * | 3.0\% *m |
| Kansas | 5.1\% | 6.0\% * | 2.5\% ^ | 6.3\% * | 9.0\% *^ | N/A | 4.0\% ^ | 5.0\% | 7.8\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 5.4\% ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | 1.9\% | 4.5\% * | 24.7\% ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 4.3\% | 4.7\% | 6.2\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5.1\% | 6.1\% m | 3.7\% *m |
| Kentucky | 3.8\% | N/A | 3.6\% | 2.6\% *^ | 8.0\% ^ | N/A | 3.7\% | 2.2\% *^ | 4.7\% *p | 4.1\% *p | 1.9\% | 3.6\% | 13.1\% * | 3.7\% * | 3.8\% * | 3.9\% * | 3.2\% * | 3.9\% *m | 4.6\% *m |
| Louisiana | 3.8\% | N/A | 8.7\% *^ | 3.0\% *^ | 12.0\% *^ | N/A | 3.0\% *^ | 4.0\% | 3.9\% *p | 4.2\% *p | 2.4\% | 3.1\% * | 35.5\% * | 3.5\% * | 3.6\% * | 4.1\% * | 4.1\% * | 3.1\% * | 3.2\% *m |
| Maine | 4.7\% | 6.3\% * | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 4.9\% * | 3.9\% | 5.9\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 5.9\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 2.0\% | 4.6\% * | 7.6\% | 4.3\% | 4.3\% | 5.4\% | 3.8\% * | 6.1\% m | N/A |
| Maryland | 3.4\% | N/A | 2.1\% *^ | 3.0\% * | 8.1\% ^ | N/A | 2.3\% *^ | 1.8\% *^ | 5.5\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 4.2\% *p | 1.5\% * | 2.7\% | 14.8\% * | 3.1\% * | 3.6\% * | 3.4\% * | 3.4\% * | N/A | 3.2\% * |
| Massachusetts | 1.3\% | N/A | 1.3\% * | 1.4\% * | 2.0\% *^ | N/A | 1.0\% *^ | 1.2\% * | 1.6\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 1.8\% *p | 0.8\% * | 1.1\% * | 4.0\% ** | 1.3\% * | 1.3\% * | 1.2\% * | 1.3\% * | N/A | 1.8\% * |
| Michigan | 2.9\% | 10.0\% ^ | 1.9\% *^ | 2.4\% * | 4.0\% *^ | N/A | 2.9\% * | 1.9\% *^ | 3.8\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 3.2\% *p | 1.1\% * | 2.8\% * | 6.0\% * | 2.7\% * | 2.8\% * | 3.1\% *a | 2.4\% * | 5.2\% *m | 3.8\% *m |
| Minnesota | 3.3\% | $12.5 \%$ ^ | 2.7\% | 3.3\% | 8.0\% ^ | N/A | 2.6\% *^ | 2.7\% * | 5.6\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 3.8\% *p | 1.5\% * | 3.0\% * | 9.2\% * | 3.0\% * | 3.1\% * | 3.8\% *a | 2.9\% * | 5.4\% *m | 3.4\% * |
| Mississippi | 4.9\% | 23.0\% *^ | 10.1\% *^ | 3.4\% *^ | 11.7\% *^ | N/A | 5.3\% * | 4.6\% | 5.2\% *p | 5.6\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 2.2\% | 4.6\% * | 31.6\% ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 4.1\% | 4.9\% | 5.7\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4.5\% | 5.0\% * | 5.4\% |
| Missouri | 5.4\% | N/A | 5.5\% * | 4.0\% ^ | 9.3\% *^ | N/A | 5.3\% * | 5.7\% * | 8.6\% *p | 5.2\% *p | 2.3\% | 5.2\% | 16.0\% *c | 5.2\% * | 5.2\% * | 5.9\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4.6\% | 7.3\% *m | 7.4\% *m |
| Montana | 5.7\% | 18.5\% *^ | N/A | N/A | 5.5\% | N/A | 4.4\% ^ | 3.1\% ^ | 7.3\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 6.1\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 3.2\% | 5.7\% * | N/A | 5.5\% * | 5.5\% | 6.0\% | N/A | 5.9\% + | 6.1\% + |
| Nebraska | 5.7\% | 11.2\% ^ | 5.5\% | 9.6\% *^ | 11.4\% *^ | N/A | 3.6\% ^ | 7.5\% * | 9.5\% *p | $6.0 \%{ }^{\text {p }}$ | 2.0\% | 5.0\% * | 21.2\% * | 5.0\% | 5.6\% | 6.4\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5.7\% * | 6.2\% | 5.3\% |
| Nevada | 7.1\% | 9.5\% * | 6.7\% * | 4.3\% ^ | 10.3\% *^ | N/A | 4.8\% *^ | 4.8\% ^ | 9.0\% *p | 7.8\% *p | 3.0\% * | 6.1\% * | 28.1\% * | 5.6\% * | 6.8\% *a | 9.0\% *a | 7.2\% * | 6.5\% | 6.8\% |
| New Hampshire | 2.8\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 5.6\% | N/A | 2.5\% * | N/A | 4.4\% *p | 3.4\% *p | 1.7\% | 2.5\% | 12.2\% * | 2.2\% * | 2.9\% * | 3.2\% * | 2.8\% * | 3.1\% * | 2.4\% * |
| New Jersey | 3.7\% | N/A | 2.7\% *^ | 4.3\% ^ | 6.2\% *^ | N/A | 2.3\% *^ | 3.3\% | 6.5\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 4.7\% *p | 1.3\% * | 2.8\% | 15.9\% * | 3.1\% * | 3.6\% *a | 4.3\% *a | 3.7\% * | N/A | N/A |
| New Mexico | 5.2\% | 12.5\% ^ | N/A | N/A | 4.8\% * | N/A | 4.0\% ^ | N/A | 5.2\% * | 5.7\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 4.0\% * | 4.6\% * | 26.1\% ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 4.1\% | 4.4\% | 7.1\% *a | 5.1\% | 4.7\% * | 7.1\% *m |
| New York | 2.5\% | 9.8\% *^ | 2.9\% *^ | 2.5\% * | 2.5\% * | N/A | 2.3\% * | 2.1\% * | 3.2\% *p | 2.7\% *p | 1.3\% * | 2.2\% * | 5.5\% *c | 2.3\% * | 2.3\% * | 2.8\% *a | 2.1\% * | 6.7\% m | 4.7\% *m |
| North Carolina | 5.0\% | 5.9\% * | 5.2\% * | 3.5\% *^ | 10.6\% *^ | N/A | 4.0\% ^ | 3.0\% ^ | $6.1 \%{ }^{\text {p }}$ | 5.6\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 2.4\% | 4.3\% * | 24.6\% * | 4.1\% | 4.8\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5.9\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5.0\% | 4.9\% * | 5.0\% * |
| North Dakota | 7.9\% | 21.4\% *^ | N/A | N/A | 15.0\% *^ | N/A | 5.9\% *^ | N/A | 12.8\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 9.5\% *p | 3.5\% * | 7.7\% * | N/A | 8.5\% * | 8.1\% * | 6.8\% | 6.1\% | 8.8\% * | 8.3\% * |
| Ohio | 4.3\% | N/A | 3.0\% ^ | 3.5\% *^ | 6.8\% *^ | N/A | 4.4\% * | 3.1\% ^ | 5.3\% * | 5.1\% * | 1.9\% * | 4.1\% * | 12.3\% * | 4.2\% | 4.2\% * | 4.5\% * | 3.5\% * | 8.0\% *m | 4.0\% * |
| Oklahoma | 7.9\% | 19.6\% *^ | 5.8\% | 6.6\% * | 9.0\% * | N/A | 5.6\% *^ | 9.4\% *^ | 9.4\% *p | 8.4\% *p | 4.5\% * | 7.6\% * | 23.4\% * | 7.4\% * | 7.2\% * | 9.2\% *a | 6.4\% * | 9.5\% *m | 10.1\% *m |
| Oregon | 3.5\% | 6.0\% *^ | N/A | 2.9\% | 4.4\% *^ | N/A | 3.3\% * | 3.1\% | 4.4\% *p | 3.9\% *p | 2.1\% | 3.4\% * | 7.2\% * | 3.0\% * | 3.6\% * | 4.0\% * | 3.4\% * | 4.9\% *m | 3.0\% * |
| Pennsylvania | 4.6\% | N/A | 3.9\% | 3.1\% *^ | 5.3\% * | N/A | 5.1\% *^ | 2.1\% *^ | 6.4\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 5.5\% * | 2.0\% * | 4.4\% * | 11.9\% ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 5.0\% * | 4.3\% *a | 4.6\% * | 4.2\% * | 8.3\% *m | 5.6\% m |
| Rhode Island | 2.2\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 3.5\% *^ | N/A | 1.6\% * | N/A | 3.4\% *p | 2.7\% *p | 0.9\% * | 1.9\% * | 6.5\% * | 2.4\% * | 1.9\% * | 2.3\% * | 2.2\% * | N/A | N/A |
| South Carolina | 5.0\% | N/A | 6.0\% * | 3.8\% ^ | 11.0\% *^ | N/A | 4.6\% * | 3.1\% ^ | 6.1\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 5.6\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 2.3\% | 4.4\% * | 25.1\% ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 4.7\% | 4.6\% | 5.7\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5.2\% * | 4.5\% * | 4.1\% *m |
| South Dakota | 5.8\% | 15.6\% ^ | N/A | N/A | 9.2\% | N/A | 3.8\% ^ | 4.9\% | 8.5\% *p | 6.8\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 1.1\% * | 5.6\% | 13.8\% * | 4.1\% | 6.0\% *a | 7.2\% *a | 4.1\% | 7.4\% *m | 4.7\% * |
| Tennessee | 4.6\% | N/A | 4.6\% | 4.8\% * | 12.5\% *^ | N/A | 3.5\% *^ | 2.6\% *^ | 6.0\% *p | 4.8\% *p | 2.3\% | 4.0\% * | 24.2\% * | 4.0\% | 4.2\% * | 5.6\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5.0\% | 4.4\% * | 3.8\% *m |
| Texas | 10.6\% | 9.2\% * | 6.3\% *^ | 7.1\% *^ | 14.4\% *^ | 11.8\% | 7.1\% *^ | 6.4\% *^ | 12.4\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 13.0\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 4.7\% * | 9.3\% * | 33.7\% * | 8.3\% * | 10.4\% ** | 13.2\% * | 10.4\% * | 11.7\% *m | 12.0\% *m |
| Utah | 6.6\% | 16.8\% ^ | 8.1\% * | 12.3\% *^ | 14.0\% *^ | 10.6\% | 4.7\% *^ | 4.5\% ^ | 11.5\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 6.5\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 3.0\% * | 6.1\% * | 27.3\% * | 6.1\% * | 6.2\% * | 7.6\% *a | 6.6\% * | 8.9\% *m | 5.6\% m |
| Vermont | 1.3\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1.1\% * | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1.1\% * | 1.1\% * | N/A | 1.4\% * | 0.8\% * | N/A | N/A | 1.2\% *+ | N/A |
| Virginia | 4.5\% | N/A | 4.1\% | 3.8\% ^ | 11.0\% *^ | N/A | 3.2\% *^ | 3.4\% ^ | 6.4\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 6.1\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 1.7\% * | 3.7\% * | 18.3\% *c | 3.7\% * | 4.2\% *a | 5.5\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4.4\% * | 4.3\% * | 4.9\% *m |
| Washington | 2.7\% | 10.9\% *^ | 2.1\% *^ | 2.1\% * | 3.7\% *^ | 5.0\% ^ | 2.3\% *^ | 2.0\% *^ | 3.5\% * | 2.9\% *p | 1.7\% * | 2.5\% * | 5.0\% * | 2.3\% * | 2.6\% * | 3.1\% *a | 2.6\% * | 3.0\% * | 2.9\% * |
| West Virginia | 2.5\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 6.9\% ^ | N/A | 2.5\% * | N/A | 2.7\% *p | 2.8\% *p | 1.7\% | 2.5\% * | N/A | 2.3\% * | 2.7\% * | 2.5\% * | 1.9\% * | 2.8\% *m | 2.8\% *m |
| Wisconsin | 3.8\% | 23.0\% *^ | 3.0\% | 1.9\% *^ | 6.4\% *^ | N/A | 3.6\% * | 2.1\% *^ | 6.9\% ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 3.5\% *p | 2.0\% | 3.6\% * | 12.3\% * | 4.1\% | 3.6\% * | 3.9\% * | 2.9\% * | 4.3\% *m | 6.9\% *m |
| Wyoming | 9.3\% | 34.9\% *^ | N/A | N/A | 15.4\% *^ | N/A | 7.4\% *^ | N/A | 11.4\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 11.1\% * ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | 4.6\% * | 9.2\% * | N/A | 8.8\% * | 9.4\% * | 9.6\% * | N/A | 11.1\% *+ | 6.7\% + |

