

Children's Health Coverage in

Arizona



According to a [new report](#), an estimated 146,000 Arizona children were uninsured in 2018. This represents an increase of approximately 11 percent since 2016. Overall, Arizona has the third-highest rate of uninsured children in the nation. Health care coverage is important for children because it improves access to pediatrician-recommended care and services that support healthy development. When children get the health care they need, they are more likely to succeed in school, graduate from high school and attend college, earn higher wages, and grow up into healthy adults. Scroll down for an in-depth look at child health care trends across Arizona.

UNINSURED ARIZONA

8.4%

of **children** do not have health insurance

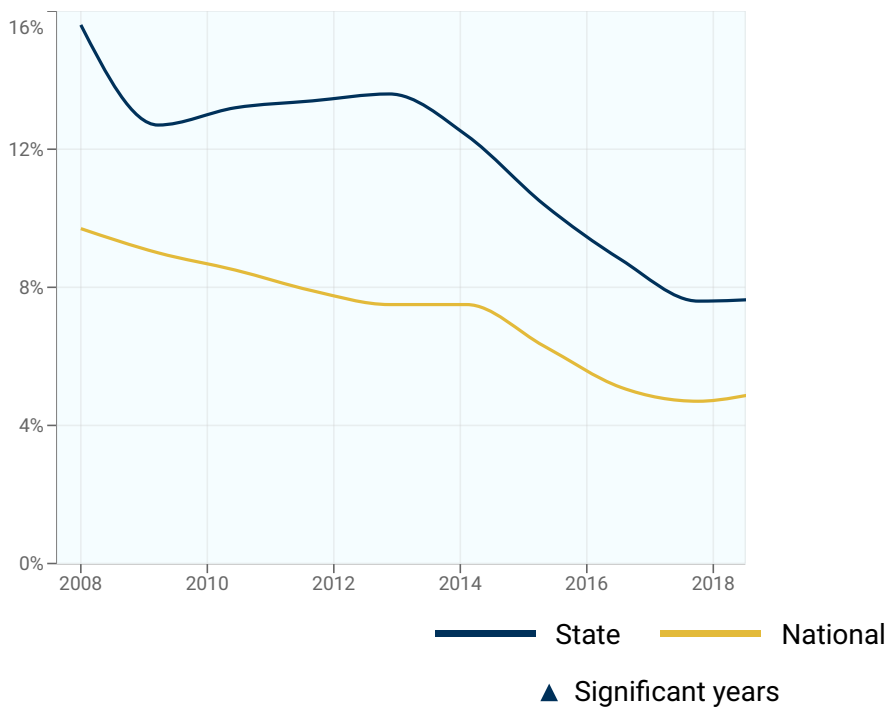
Georgetown University Center for Children and Families analysis of the Table HIC-5, Health Insurance Coverage Status and Type of Coverage by State - Children Under 19: 2008 to 2018, Health Insurance Historical Tables, U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey (ACS). *Change is significant at the 90% confidence level relative to the prior year.

Rank among states 2018

49_{/51}

In Arizona, 8.4% of children do not have health insurance. When children are uninsured, they are more likely to have unmet health needs and lack a usual source of care, diminishing their chances to grow into healthy and productive adults.

Rate of uninsured children over last ten years.



CHILDREN WITHOUT INSURANCE IN 2018 ARIZONA

Age: Children 18 and under in Arizona

6-18 years old

9%

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Under 6

6.8%

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Source: Georgetown University Center for Children and Families analysis of the U.S. Census 2017-2018 American Community Survey (ACS) data using 1-year estimates from Data.Census.Gov (B27001). *Change is significant at the 90% confidence level and is significant relative to the prior year indicated.

Race: Children in Arizona

American Indian/Alaskan Native

18.4%

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Asian/ Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander

4.4%

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Black/African-American

6.9%

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Hispanic

11%

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Other

9.8%

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White

7.6%

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White Alone (Not Hispanic)

5.1%



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Child Uninsured Rate by Poverty Threshold: Income by Percentage/Dollars in Arizona

0-137% FPL

9.8%



138-249% FPL

11.7%



250% FPL or above

5.7%



Source: Georgetown University Center for Children and Families analysis of the U.S. Census 2017-2018 American Community Survey (ACS) data using 1-year estimates from Data.Census.Gov (B27016). *Change is significant at the 90% confidence level relative to the prior year.

HOW ARE CHILDREN COVERED? ARIZONA

Sources of Coverage for Children in Arizona

Kaiser Family Foundation's "Health Insurance Coverage of Children 0-18," estimates based on the Census Bureau's American Community Survey, 2008-2017.

Employer-Sponsored

47%

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Direct Purchase

5%

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Medicaid/CHIP

39%

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Other Public

2%

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Uninsured

8%

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PARTICIPATION IN MEDICAID/CHIP ARIZONA

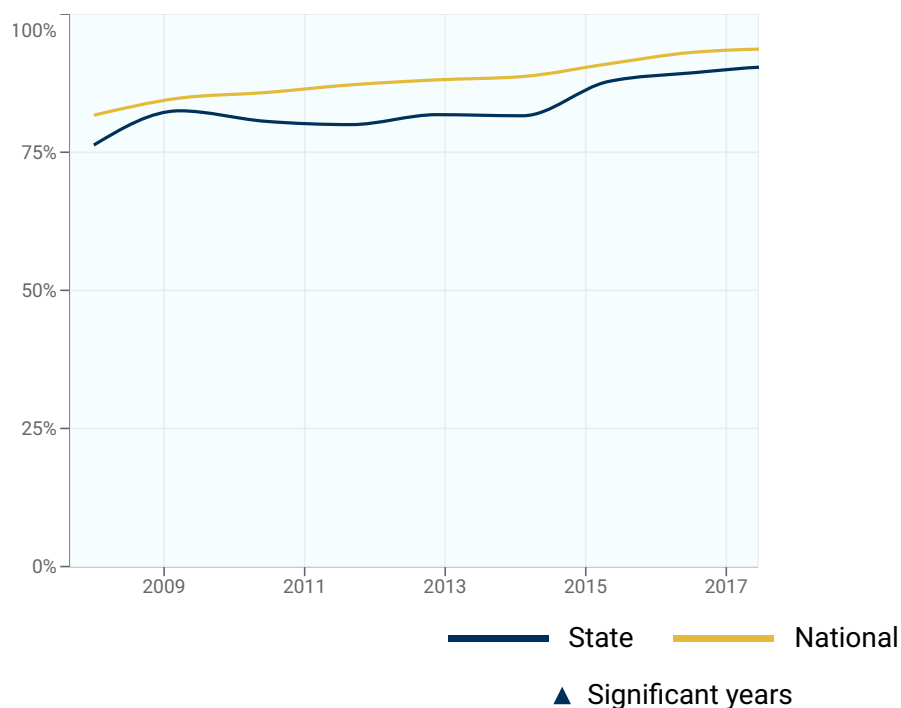
88.6%

of all uninsured eligible children participate in Medicaid/CHIP

Urban Institute's "Medicaid/CHIP Participation Rates Rose among Both Children and Parents in 2015" and Urban Institute's "Improvements in Uninsurance and Medicaid/CHIP Participation among Children and Parents Stalled in 2017." All reported statistical significance results directly from the related Urban Institute publication.

Many children who are eligible for Medicaid/CHIP may not be enrolled due to a lack of public outreach or administrative barriers. The child participation rates show the percentage of eligible children who are enrolled in Medicaid/CHIP.

Children's participation rate in Medicaid/CHIP over the last 10 years.



WHO QUALIFIES? ARIZONA

Eligibility: Upper income threshold for Medicaid/CHIP for a family of 3

Children under 19

US Median: 255%

205%



Parents (in a family of three)

US Median: 138%

138%



Pregnant women

US Median: 205%

161%



Source: Georgetown University Center for Children and Families and Kaiser Family Foundation's Annual 50-State Survey entitled, "Medicaid and CHIP Eligibility, Enrollment, and Cost Sharing Policies as of January 2019: Findings from a 50-State Survey."

POLICY OPTIONS ARIZONA

12- Month Continuous Child Eligibility (CHIP)



12-Month Continuous Child Eligibility (Medicaid)



Child Eligibility for Lawfully Residing Immigrants (CHIP)



Child Eligibility for Lawfully Residing Immigrants (Medicaid)



CHIP Waiting Period

90 days

Eligibility for Lawfully Residing Immigrant Pregnant Women (CHIP)

N/A

Eligibility for Lawfully Residing Immigrant Pregnant Women (Medicaid)



Presumptive Eligibility for Children (CHIP)



Presumptive Eligibility for Children (Medicaid)



Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant Women (CHIP)

N/A

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant Women (Medicaid)



QUALITY MEASURES ARIZONA

Arizona reporting on Behavioral Health Care, 2017

Behavioral Health Care

AZ Rate

Worst

Median

Best

Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness: Ages 6-20 (Follow-Up Visit Within 30 Days of Discharge)



78.6%



Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness: Ages 6-20 (Follow-Up Visit Within 7 Days of Discharge)



63.3%



Use of Multiple Concurrent Antipsychotics in Children and Adolescents: Ages 1-17 (Two or More Concurrent Antipsychotic Medications)



0.8%



Arizona reporting on Care of Acute and Chronic Conditions, 2017

Care of Acute and Chronic Conditions

AZ Rate

Worst

Median

Best

Ambulatory Care: Emergency Department (ED) Visits: Ages 0-19



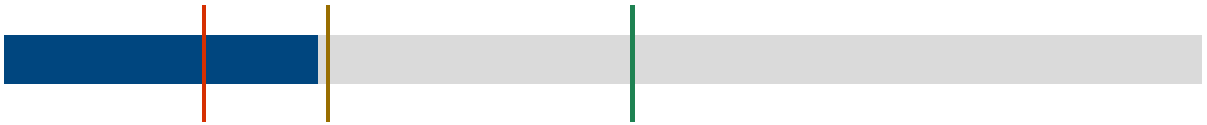
41.9%



Medication Management for People with Asthma: Ages 5-20

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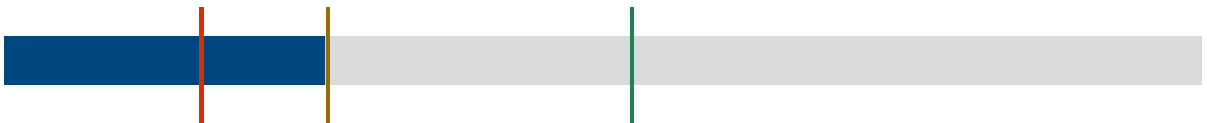
26.2%



Medication Management for People with Asthma: Ages 5-20 - Ages 12-18

★★★★

26.7%



Medication Management for People with Asthma: Ages 5-20- Ages 5-11

★★★★

25.8%



Arizona reporting on Dental and Oral Health Services, 2017

Dental and Oral Health Services

AZ Rate

Worst

Median

Best

Percentage of Eligibles Who Received Preventive Dental Services: Ages 1-20

★★★★

48.3%



Arizona reporting on Primary Care Access and Preventive Care, 2017

Primary Care Access and Preventive Care

AZ Rate

Worst

Median

Best

Adolescent Well-Care Visits: Ages 12-21

★★★☆☆

39.2%



Children and Adolescents' Access to Primary Care Practitioners: Ages 12 Months-19 Years (Ages 12-19 Years)

★★★☆☆

88%



Children and Adolescents' Access to Primary Care Practitioners: Ages 12 Months-19 Years (Ages 12-24 Months)

★★★☆☆

92.1%



Children and Adolescents' Access to Primary Care Practitioners: Ages 12 Months-19 Years (Ages 25 Months-6 Years)

★★★☆☆

85.4%



Children and Adolescents' Access to Primary Care Practitioners: Ages 12 Months-19 Years (Ages 7-11 Years)

★★★☆☆

90.6%



Chlamydia Screening in Women Ages 16-20

★★★☆☆

42.9%



Developmental Screening in the First Three Years of Life: Ages 0-3



23.6%



Well-Child Visits in the First 15 Months of Life (6 or More Well-Child Visits with a Primary Care Practitioner)



57.7%



Well-Child Visits in the Third, Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Years of Life: Ages 3-6



61%



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