

Table 4 - SIPP
Characteristics of the Uninsured: Children (Under age 19)
Calendar Year 2002: Uninsured Ever During the Year

Characteristic	Number (Millions)	Distribution of Population	Uninsured (Millions)	Distribution of Uninsured	Uninsured Rate
TOTAL	76.9	100.0%	21.7	100.0%	28.2%
GENDER					
Men	39.3	51.2%	11.0	50.8%	28.0%
Women	37.6	48.8%	10.7	49.2%	28.4%
AGE					
CHILDREN Under age 19	76.9	100.0%	21.7	100.0%	28.2%
Under age 6	23.6	30.7%	6.5	30.1%	27.7%
Age 6 to 11	24.3	31.6%	7.3	33.6%	29.9%
Age 12 to 18	29.0	37.7%	7.9	36.3%	27.2%
RACE					
White*	60.1	78.2%	15.9	73.4%	26.5%
Black*	12.4	16.1%	4.3	19.9%	34.7%
Asian/Pacific Islander	3.2	4.1%	1.0	4.6%	31.5%
American Indian	1.2	1.6%	0.5	2.1%	38.4%
HISPANIC ORIGIN					
Hispanic	13.9	18.1%	6.3	29.1%	45.3%
Not Hispanic	63.0	81.9%	15.4	70.9%	24.4%
IMMIGRANT STATUS					
US Native	44.1	57.4%	12.3	56.5%	27.8%
Immigrant citizen	2.5	3.3%	0.7	3.3%	28.6%
Immigrant non-citizen	3.3	4.3%	0.9	4.2%	27.2%
Unknown	26.9	35.0%	7.8	36.0%	29.0%
FAMILY WORK STATUS					
2 or more full time	22.1	28.7%	5.5	25.2%	24.7%
Only 1 full time	37.3	48.5%	9.5	43.9%	25.5%
Only part time	10.4	13.5%	3.9	18.1%	38.0%
Only self employed	0.0	0.1%	0.0	0.0%	14.3%
No Workers	7.1	9.2%	2.8	12.7%	38.8%
WAGE/SALARY FOR PRIMARY EARNERS					
None	7.0	9.0%	2.9	13.4%	41.7%
Under \$7/hour	5.9	7.7%	2.5	11.7%	43.0%
\$7-\$15/hour	27.3	35.4%	9.9	45.4%	36.1%
\$15-\$25/hour	19.1	24.9%	3.9	18.1%	20.5%

More than \$25/hour	17.6	22.9%	2.5	11.4%	14.0%
FAMILY COMPOSITION					
1 Adult	16.5	21.4%	5.9	27.4%	36.0%
2 Married adults	52.5	68.3%	12.1	55.6%	23.0%
Other	7.9	10.3%	3.7	17.0%	46.7%
INCOME (Poverty Level)					
Under 100% FPL	13.3	17.3%	5.8	26.6%	43.6%
100 - 200 % FPL	19.0	24.7%	7.7	35.4%	40.4%
200 - 300% FPL	15.1	19.6%	4.2	19.6%	28.2%
300 - 400% FPL	11.7	15.2%	2.0	9.3%	17.2%
More than 400% FPL	17.9	23.2%	2.0	9.1%	11.0%
*Includes both Hispanic and Non Hispanic					

The SIPP estimates are ERIU tabulations of data collected by the U.S. Census Bureau in the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) 2001 panel, which began in January 2001. The SIPP interviews respondents every four months over a period of roughly 4 years. The 2001 tabulations are based on responses to the first three interviews (waves) of the 2001 panel, covering a 12-month period that in most cases corresponds with calendar year 2001. Respondents report whether they were covered by specific sources of public or private health insurance (Medicare, Medicaid, SCHIP, other public, employment-based private, other private health insurance). Respondents are considered uninsured if they respond “no” to all of the coverage options; they are not asked directly if they are uninsured. Respondents are considered uninsured if they respond “no” to all of the coverage options; they are not asked directly if they are uninsured. The “point in time” estimate reflects health insurance status in the 12th survey month. The “all year uninsured” estimate includes those without health insurance for all 12 months. The “ever uninsured” includes those reporting no health insurance for at least one month and for as many as 12 months.

For further discussion of issues related to counting the uninsured see "[Counting and Characterizing the Uninsured](#)," by Pamela Farley Short, and ERIU [Research Highlight 1: A Revolving Door: How Individuals Move In and Out of Health Insurance Coverage](#)