



Health Insurance

2011 Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky Child Well-Being Survey

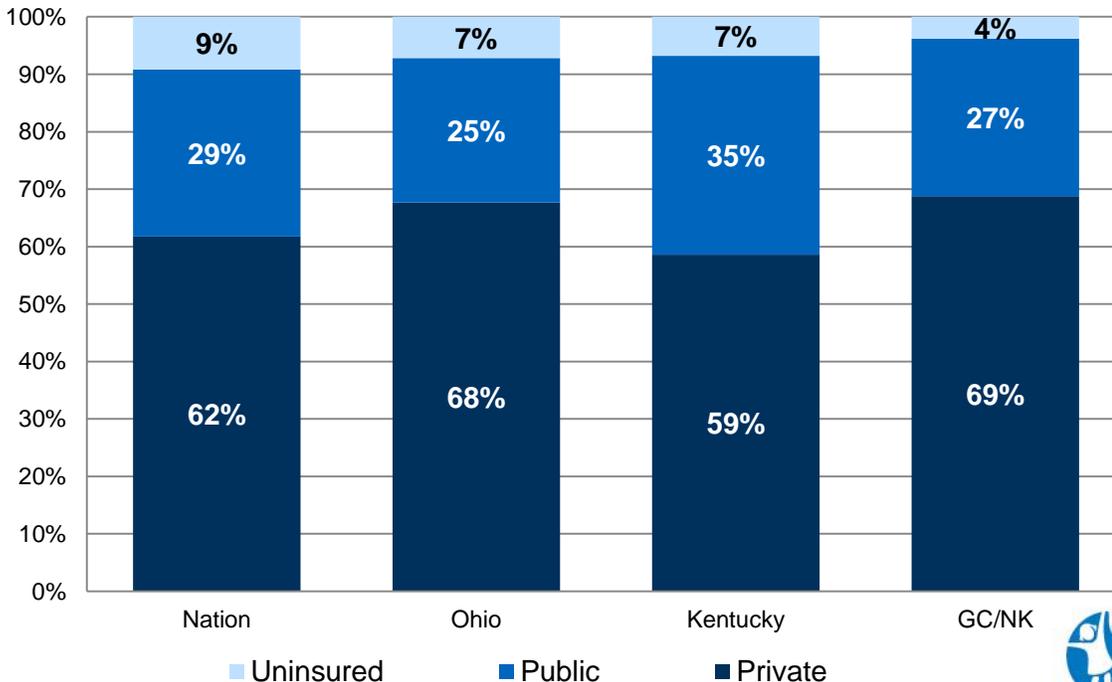
Most children in our region are covered by either private or public health insurance, but some children are more likely than others to be uninsured

The **Child Well-Being Survey** has collected data on children's insurance status and type of insurance since 2000. Most children in the Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky region are covered by either private or public (Medicaid/Medicare) insurance, but nearly 4% have no health insurance

In 2000, about 6.5% of parents said that their child had no health insurance and in 2005 this percentage was 3.5%.

The percentage of parents who said that their child is uninsured is lower than the national rate of 9% and the rates in Ohio and Kentucky of about 7% (*National Survey of Children's Health, 2007*).

Percent of Children covered by Private and Public Insurance and Uninsured: Comparison of 2011 CWBS Data with National and State-Level Data from the 2007 National Survey of Children's Health



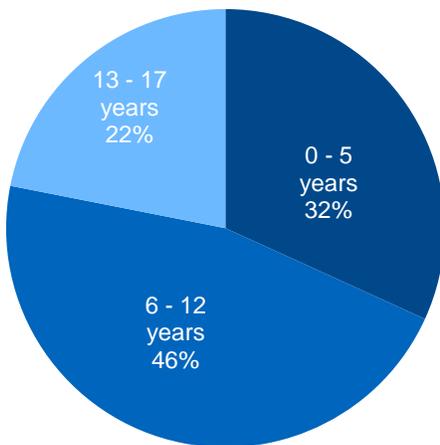
While this represents a relatively small proportion of the population of children in our region, the CWBS data also shows that the children in some demographic sub-groups are disproportionately represented among the uninsured (next page).



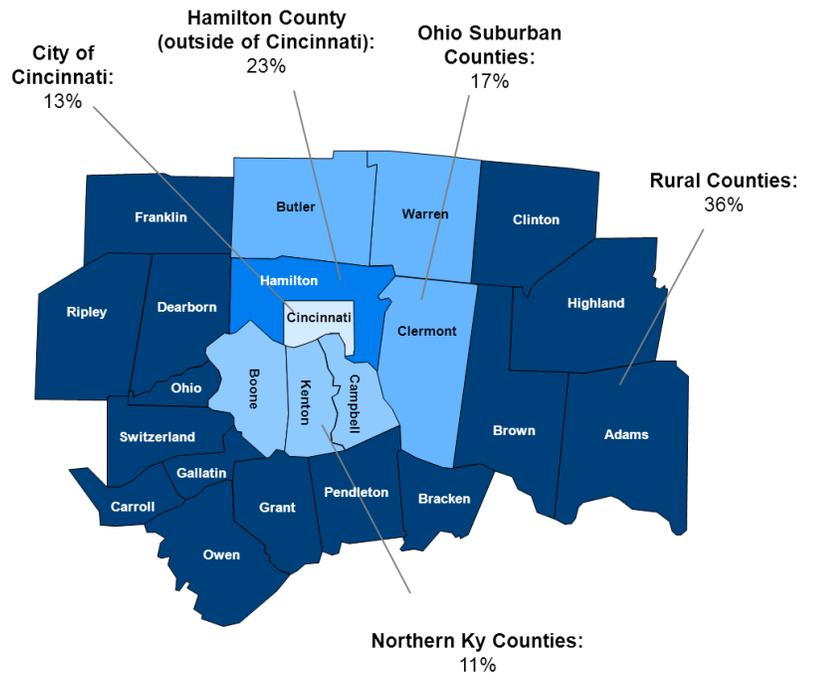
Of those who are uninsured...

Children living in rural counties, children between the ages of 6-12 years, and children living in households with incomes between 100-200% of the FPL have the highest likelihood of being without health insurance coverage (in 2011, the Federal Poverty Level for a family of four was \$22,350). In addition, while the majority of uninsured children are white, non-Hispanic, children who are Black, non-Hispanic and Hispanic are disproportionately represented among the uninsured.

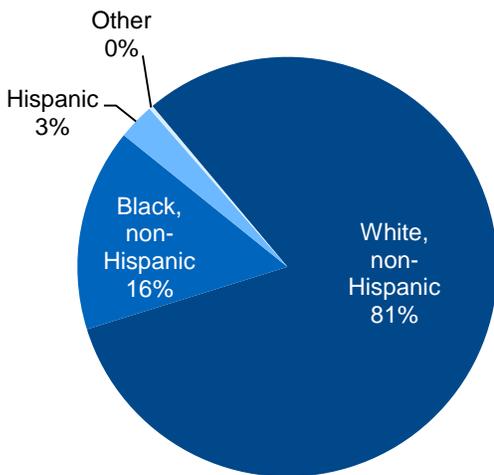
Distribution of Uninsured Children by Age Group, 2011



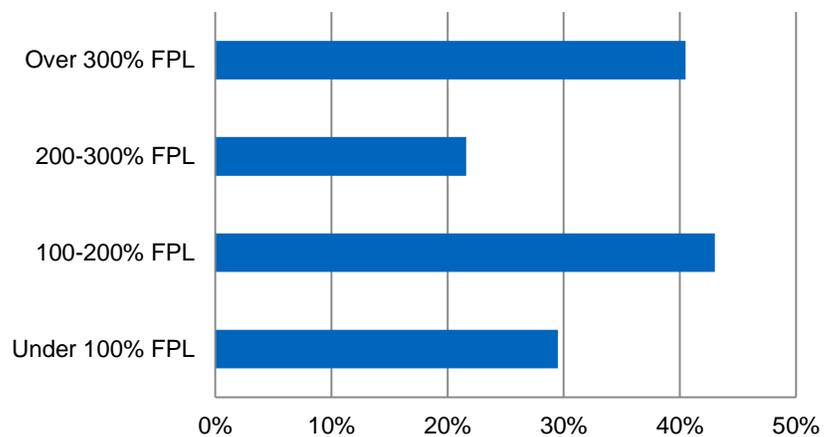
Distribution of Uninsured Children across the Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky Region, 2011



Distribution of Uninsured Children by Race/Ethnicity, 2011



Distribution of Uninsured Children by Household Percent of Federal Poverty Level, 2011



The **Child Well-Being Survey (CWBS)** is a random-digit-dial (RDD) telephone survey of primary caregivers in the Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky region. Primary caregivers, usually parents, are asked questions about one randomly selected child in their household. The CWBS was previously conducted in 2000 and 2005. The 2011 sample includes 2,083 completed surveys and covers several health topics, including: general health status, chronic conditions, usual source of care, oral health and preventive dental care, screen time and physical activity, food security, and neighborhood resources. The sampling error for the 2011 CWBS is $\pm 2.1\%$; the margin of error for any sub-group of the sample will be higher.

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For more findings from the 2011 Child Well-Being survey and past surveys visit www.cchmc.org/service//anderson-center/health-policy/well-being/ or www.HealthFoundation.org For more information, please contact Rachel Sebastian, MA at (513) 803-2396 or rachel.sebastian@cchmc.org.