New York City Has a Higher Percentage of Uninsured than Does New York State or the Nation

Adults Ages 18-64

Percent uninsured

- National*: 19%
- New York State*: 19%
- New York City*: 28%


The Commonwealth Fund Survey of Health Care in New York City, 1997
Louis Harris and Associates, Inc.
New York City Adults Are More Likely to Be Uninsured, on Medicaid, and Less Likely to Have Private Coverage

Uninsured 28%
Medicare 3%
Medicaid 19%
Other private 6%
Employer 44%

Uninsured 19%
Medicare 3%
Medicaid 8%
Other private 8%
Employer 63%

Adults Ages 18-64, New York City
Adults Ages 18-64, National

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The Commonwealth Fund Survey of Health Care in New York City, 1997
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New York City’s Uninsured Are Uninsured for Long Periods of Time

Length of time uninsured

- 6 months or less: 8%
- 7-18 months: 9%
- 19 or more months: 77%

Uninsured Adults Ages 18-64

The Commonwealth Fund Survey of Health Care in New York City, 1997
Louis Harris and Associates, Inc.
Most Uninsured New Yorkers Have Low Incomes and Work

Poverty Status
- Above 250% of poverty: 20%
- 100%-250% of poverty: 33%
- Below 100% of poverty: 42%
- Unsure: 5%

Employment Status
- Not working: 31%
- Full time: 30%
- Part time: 16%
- Self-employed: 16%
- Worker family member: 7%

Uninsured Adults Ages 18-64

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Minorities Are More Likely to Be Uninsured

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Working Increases the Risk of Being Uninsured for Adults in Low Wage Families

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Managed Care Is Becoming a Major Source of Care for New Yorkers

Percent enrolled in managed care

- Total Insured: 52%
- Private: 75%
- Medicare: 20%
- Medicaid: 29%

All Adults, by Primary Insurance Source

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The Uninsured Are Two to Three Times More Likely to Have Problems with Access to Health Care

Did not get needed care

- Insured: 7%
- Uninsured: 19%

Difficult to get medical care

- Insured: 14%
- Uninsured: 53%

Adults Ages 18-64

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Uninsured New Yorkers Lack Primary Care

Percent of adults

- No regular doctor
  - Insured: 26%
  - Uninsured: 70%

- No doctor visit in the past 12 months
  - Insured: 12%
  - Uninsured: 38%

Adults Ages 18-64

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Older Uninsured Men and Women Are Less Likely to Receive Preventive Care

Adults Ages 50-64

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Louis Harris and Associates, Inc.
Uninsured Adults Rate Access to Health Care Negatively

Percent rating access as “fair” or “poor”

Adults Ages 18-64

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Minorities Are More Likely to Report Difficulty Getting Needed Health Care

Percent saying it is extremely, very, or somewhat difficult to get needed care

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Adults Ages 18-64

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The Uninsured Rate Health Care More Negatively

Percent rating care as “fair” or “poor”

- Care overall: 39%
- Amount doctor cares: 29%
- Amount of time spent with doctor: 35%
- Doctor overall: 40%

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The Uninsured Have Problems Paying Medical Bills

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The Uninsured Are at Greater Risk for High Out-of-Pocket Costs

Percent with high out-of-pocket costs in the past year

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Uninsured New Yorkers Often Do Not Get the Care They Need and Have Problems Paying Bills

Percent who did not get needed care and/or had bill problems in past year

- **Did not get needed care**
  - Insured: 7%
  - Uninsured: 19%

- **Had bill problems**
  - Insured: 13%
  - Uninsured: 31%

- **Did not get needed care or had bill problems**
  - Insured: 18%
  - Uninsured: 38%

Adults Ages 18-64

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New Yorkers Living in Poverty Are at High Risk for Health Care Access and Cost Problems

Percent not getting needed care and/or having bill problems in past year

- **Below 100% of poverty**: 21% Insured, 44% Uninsured
- **100%-250% of poverty**: 25% Insured, 36% Uninsured
- **Above 250% of poverty**: 14% Insured, 34% Uninsured

**Adults Ages 18-64**

*The Commonwealth Fund Survey of Health Care in New York City, 1997*
Louis Harris and Associates, Inc.
Children Living in New York City Are at Greater Risk of Being Uninsured

Uninsured Children as a Percent of All Children, 1996


*The Commonwealth Fund Survey of Health Care in New York City, 1997
Louis Harris and Associates, Inc.*
Most Uninsured New York City Children Live in Working, Two-Parent Families

Percent of uninsured children

- Working: 72%
- Not working: 28%
- Single: 37%
- Two-parent: 62%

Family Employment Status

Family Structure

The Commonwealth Fund Survey of Health Care in New York City, 1997
Louis Harris and Associates, Inc.
Uninsured Children Are at Nearly Three Times the Risk of Health Care Access Barriers

The Commonwealth Fund Survey of Health Care in New York City, 1997
Louis Harris and Associates, Inc.
Uninsured Children Are Less Likely to Receive Preventive Care

Percent of children not receiving a check-up or immunization in the past year

- Total Insured: 13%
- Private: 19%
- Medicaid: 7%
- Uninsured: 29%

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New York City’s Uninsured Have Somewhat Better Health Care Access than the Nation’s Uninsured

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Public Hospitals Are a Major Source of Care for the Uninsured

Percent of hospital patients admitted to public hospitals

- Total: 22%
- Uninsured: 48%
- Medicaid: 28%
- Medicare: 8%
- Private: 13%

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Emergency Rooms Serve Uninsured New Yorkers and the Medicaid Population

Percent using emergency room

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Adults Age 18 or Older

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The Uninsured and Medicaid Beneficiaries Rely on Public Hospital Emergency Rooms

Percent using public emergency room

- Total: 7%
- Uninsured: 11%
- Medicaid: 14%
- Medicare: 4%
- Private: 4%

Adults Age 18 or Older

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Louis Harris and Associates, Inc.
Widespread Support for Public Hospitals Exists, Regardless of Insurance Coverage

Percent saying that selling or closing NYC public hospitals is a bad thing

New York City Adults Age 18 or Older

- Total: 58%
- Uninsured: 58%
- Medicaid: 64%
- Medicare: 57%
- Private: 57%

The Commonwealth Fund Survey of Health Care in New York City, 1997
Louis Harris and Associates, Inc.
Medicaid Serves a Sicker Population

Self-Reported Health Status, Adults Ages 18-64

The Commonwealth Fund Survey of Health Care in New York City, 1997
Louis Harris and Associates, Inc.
Medicaid Is a Critical Source of Insurance for Low Income Children

- **All children**: 17% uninsured, 28% Medicaid, 56% private or other.
- **Below 100% of poverty**: 26% uninsured, 51% Medicaid, 23% private or other.
- **100%-250% of poverty**: 15% uninsured, 69% Medicaid, 2% private or other.
- **Above 250% of poverty**: 6% uninsured, 89% Medicaid, 1% private or other.

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Medicaid Beneficiaries Are More Likely to Rate Access and Care as Fair or Poor

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