

## Characteristics of SCHIP Enrollees and Their Parents

Variable	Percent
<b>Children's Characteristics</b>	
<b>Age (in years)</b>	
0 to 5	19
6 to 12	48
13 and older	33
<b>Race</b>	
Hispanic/Latino	49
White	32
Black	12
Asian	6
All Other Races	2
<b>Health</b>	
Child's Overall Health is Good or Excellent	91
Child Has an Elevated Health Care Need <sup>a</sup>	24
<b>Parents' Characteristics</b>	
<b>Highest Education Level of Parent(s)</b>	
No GED or HS Diploma	25
GED or HS Diploma	35
Some college or college degree <sup>b</sup>	40
<b>At Least One Parent Employed in Past Year</b>	92
<b>At Least One Parent Foreign-Born</b>	46
<b>Household Characteristics</b>	
<b>Household Structure</b>	
Two Parents	58
One Parent	35
One Parent and Step/Other Guardian	6
Other	1
<b>Household Income, by FPL Range<sup>c</sup></b>	
Less than 150% FPL	68
150% to 199% FPL	23
More than 200% FPL	9
<b>Main Language (Other than English) Spoken in Household</b>	
Spanish	28
Other	5
<b>Metropolitan Statistical Area</b>	86
<b>Sample Size</b>	

SOURCE: 2002 congressionally mandated survey of SCHIP enrollees in 10 states.

Notes: Estimates based on established enrollee sample. Sample size varies across estimates due to item nonresponse. Because the sample is drawn from 10 states (California, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Louisiana, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, and Texas) only, the distribution of child's race may be different from nationally representative estimates.

FPL= Federal Poverty Level; GED= General Equivalency Diploma;  
HS= High School

<sup>a</sup> Child is classified as having Elevated Health Care Needs if the child is in fair or poor health or if the child meets one or more of the following criteria: (1) had an impairment or health problem lasting at least 12 months that limits his/her ability to crawl, walk, run, or play; (2) a health care professional said that the child had asthma or has taken medication or required injections prescribed by a doctor for his/her asthma; (3) has taken medication or required injections for at least 3 months, excluding asthma; (4) a health professional said that the child had a mental health condition or behavioral problem or that the condition or behavioral problem limited his/her ability to do regular school work or to participate in the usual kind of activities done by most children his/her age.

<sup>b</sup> Includes 2-year associate's degree and trade school.

<sup>c</sup> Household income (total income from all source during the past 12 months) has a missing rate of 11 percent, which is considerably higher than the other variables.

Kenney, G. et al., "The Experiences of SCHIP Enrollees and Disenrollees in Ten States: Findings from the Congressionally Mandated SCHIP Evaluation, Final Report." Urban Institute and Mathematica Policy Research. Princeton, NJ, October 2005.