

## Local Data on Poverty Status and Health Insurance Coverage in Wisconsin Western Region, 2004-2006

	Estimated Number	95% Confidence Interval	Estimated Percent	95% Confidence Interval
<b>Western Region Total</b>	723,000		100%	
<b>Poverty Status</b>				
Less than 100% of FPL	57,000	+/- 9,000	8%	+/- 1%
100%-199% of FPL	149,000	+/- 13,000	21%	+/- 2%
200% or more of FPL	490,000	+/- 23,000	68%	+/- 2%
Unknown	26,000	+/- 5,000	4%	+/- 1%
<b>Insurance Status</b>				
Insured all of the past year	639,000	+/- 26,000	88%	+/- 1%
Insured part of the past year	40,000	+/- 7,000	5%	+/- 1%
Uninsured all of the past year	41,000	+/- 7,000	6%	+/- 1%
<b>Insurance Type</b>				
Currently uninsured	57,000	+/- 8,000	8%	+/- 1%
Employer-sponsored	489,000	+/- 23,000	68%	+/- 2%
Private	40,000	+/- 7,000	6%	+/- 1%
Medicaid	72,000	+/- 10,000	10%	+/- 1%
Medicare	51,000	+/- 7,000	7%	+/- 1%
Others	10,000	+/- 3,000	1%	+/- --%

**Source:** 2004-2006 Wisconsin Family Health Survey, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services. Sample size for the Western Region: 2,572.

### Notes:

The Western Region includes the counties of Barron, Buffalo, Burnett, Chippewa, Clark, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Rusk, St. Croix, Trempealeau, and Washburn.

Estimated numbers have been rounded to nearest 1,000 to avoid unwarranted precision. Estimated percentages have been rounded to nearest whole percentage. A dash (--) indicates 0.5% or less, or fewer than 1,000 persons.

*Poverty status* is expressed as a percentage of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), and is based on responses to questions about household size and income.

*Insured all of the past year, insured part of the past year or uninsured all year* measures health insurance status during the 12 consecutive months prior to the survey interview.

*Insurance type* is a measure of persons insured and uninsured at one point in time. It is a “snapshot” of insurance coverage at the time of the survey interview. Some people have multiple types of insurance, but each person is counted only once in this table. Those with multiple types of insurance are tabulated according to the order of categories in the third panel of this table. For example, someone with both Medicare and private insurance would be counted in the private category. This substantially reduces the estimated number and percent with Medicare coverage, and also slightly reduces estimates of private and Medicaid coverage.

The Wisconsin Family Health Survey is a random-sample telephone survey conducted each year by DHFS. An adult in each sampled household answers the survey questions on behalf of all people living in that household. Survey data represent all household residents. Persons living in group quarters such as nursing homes, dormitories, and jails are not represented by survey results. More information about the survey is on the Web:

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/stats/health-insurance.htm>

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