

## Wisconsin Family Health Survey, 2021 Key Findings on Health Insurance

## Introduction

The Wisconsin Family Health Survey (FHS) is a statewide, random-sample, scientific telephone survey of Wisconsin household residents. Once results are weighted, the survey represents all adults and children living in Wisconsin households. The survey is designed to provide estimates of health care coverage, various health conditions, and use of health care services among Wisconsin residents.

## Health insurance coverage over the past year

- The majority of Wisconsin residents were covered by health insurance for the entire year.
  - An estimated **92.7%** of Wisconsin residents had insurance coverage over the entire past year.
  - An estimated **3.5%** of Wisconsin residents were uninsured for part of the past year (this represents approximately 201,269 Wisconsinites).
  - An additional **3.0%** were uninsured for the entire past year (this represents approximately 171,367 Wisconsinites).
  - In total, an estimated 6.5% of Wisconsin residents were without health insurance for at least part of the past year (this represents approximately 372,636 Wisconsinites).
- Among working-age adults ages 18–64, 7.8% of those employed full-time with an employer were without health insurance for at least part of the past year compared to 17.8% of those with full-time self-employment, and 10.1% of those with part-time employment.
- Black and Hispanic residents were less likely than White residents to have had health insurance for the entire past year (**89.8%** and **84.4%** respectively vs. **94.2%**).
- Residents living in poor and near-poor households were less likely to have had health insurance for the entire past year than residents living in non-poor households (89.9% and 86.0% respectively vs. 94.7%).

## Health insurance coverage at a point in time

- Adults ages 18–44 were the least likely to have health insurance coverage, with an estimated **7.6%** being uninsured at the time of the interview.
- An estimated **64.3%** of insured adults had health insurance through their employer, and **3.9%** had purchased insurance through the Health Insurance Marketplace.