WHAT MEDICAID BRINGS TO

California





13.5 million children and adults¹

are insured by Medicaid (Medi-Cal) or CHIP. Those covered include parents, pregnant women, and people with disabilities.

CHILDREN COVERED²

43%

Children ages 0—18 in California who were covered by Medicaid in 2023

ADULTS COVERED²

23%

Adults ages 19—64 in California who were covered by Medicaid in 2023



California received \$81 billion in federal support for Medicaid in 2023.

This accounted for 66% of total Medicaid spending in the state.³



Medicaid enrollment by the numbers

5,020,022

Children enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP¹

4,956,615

Adults enrolled because of ACA expansion⁴

1,740,430

Dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid⁵



Adults insured with Medicaid are least likely to report having medical debt

Adults ages 19–64 who were continuously insured and **reported having medical debt**, by insurance type, 2024⁷

21% Medicaid 29%
Medicare

29% Employer 32%
Individual /
Marketplace



Medicaid and CHIP are a critical source of coverage in rural parts of California

Percent of **children** (ages 0–18) living in rural or metro areas covered by Medicaid or CHIP, 2023⁶



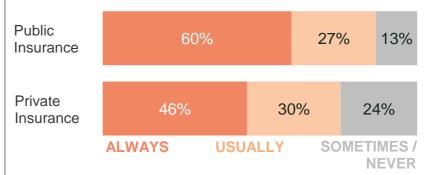
Percent of **adults** (ages 19–64) living in rural or metro areas covered by Medicaid, 2023⁶

Metro 23%
Rural 14%



Medicaid helps youth with mental and behavioral health needs access care

Youth ages 12–17 with a **mental health condition** whose insurance covered mental health services, 2022 8



Public insurance = Medicaid, medical assistance, or any kind of government assistance plan for those with low incomes or a disability