

INSURANCE

Ohioans without health insurance

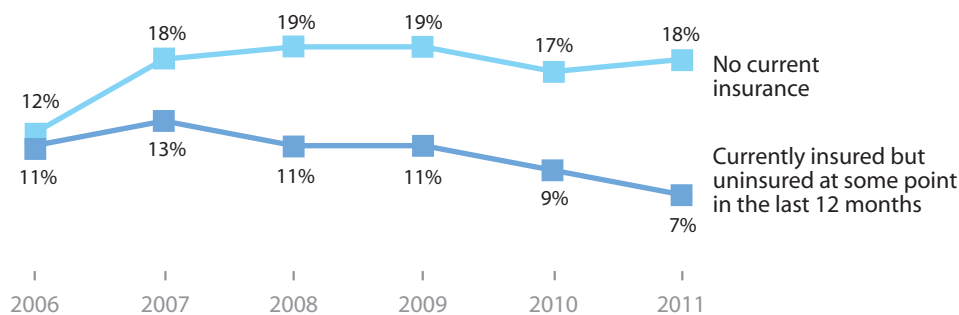
The *Ohio Health Issues Poll (OHIP)* includes questions about health insurance coverage to provide a picture of the insurance status of Ohio adults and their families.

Because nearly all Ohioans ages 65 and older (99%) are insured, this summary focuses on Ohioans ages 18-64, unless otherwise noted.

Uninsurance rates stable

Having health insurance is an important factor in being able to get healthcare. More than 1 in 6 Ohio adults (18%) ages 18-64 did not have health insurance at the time of OHIP. This was up from just more than 1 in 9 adults (12%) in 2006, but consistent with recent results.

Percentage of Ohio adults ages 18-64 who were uninsured at any time in the last 12 months, including currently



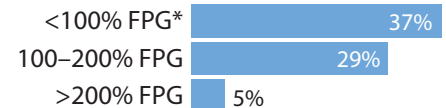
Uninsured at some point in last year down slightly

Another factor in being able to get healthcare is how stable a person's health insurance coverage is. A measure of this is whether a person has been covered continuously for the past 12 months. Fewer than 1 in 10 Ohioans ages 18-64 (7%) who were insured at the time of OHIP had been uninsured at some point in the past 12 months. This is down slightly from a high of 13% in 2007.

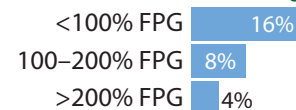
One in 7 Ohio adults (14%) of all ages reported that a member of their household, besides themselves, was currently uninsured. This was up from 12% in 2006, but down slightly from 20% in 2010.

Poverty influences insurance status

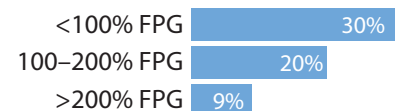
Currently uninsured (ages 18-64)



Insured, but uninsured at some point in the last 12 months (ages 18-64)



Household member is uninsured (all adults)



*100% of the federal poverty guidelines (FPG) in 2010 was an annual household income of \$22,050 for a family of 4.

Ohio adults with lower household incomes reported much higher rates of:

- being currently uninsured.
- being currently insured but uninsured at some point in the last 12 months.
- having a household member who is uninsured.

These findings unless otherwise noted are from The Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati's Ohio Health Issues Poll (OHIP) conducted July 15-25, 2011, by the Institute for Policy Research at the University of Cincinnati. A random sample of 946 adults throughout Ohio was interviewed by telephone. This included 742 landline interviews and 204 cell phone interviews. In 95 of 100 cases, statewide estimates will be accurate to $\pm 3.2\%$. In addition to sampling error, there are other sources of variation inherent in public opinion studies, such as non-response, question wording, or context effects that can introduce error or bias.

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