

# Characteristics of Uninsured North Carolinians

2005-2006

Data Snapshot 2007-1

One of the major foci of health policy, both nationally and in North Carolina, is the uninsured. For example, the most recent session of the North Carolina General Assembly saw the development of a new insurance program for children (NC Kids' Care) and a high risk pool (the North Carolina Health Insurance Risk Pool). Developing strategies to tackle the uninsured requires an understanding of the characteristics of the uninsured. This data snapshot describes the North Carolina uninsured for 2005-2006 using data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

## Interpretation

Consider the row for Full Time workers in the adult table:

Category	2005-2006 Rates			Change: 2001-2002 to 2005-2006		
	Thousands of Uninsured	Percent of Uninsured Adults	Percent of this Group Uninsured	Thousands of Uninsured	Percent of Uninsured Adults	Percent of this Group Uninsured
<i>Labor Force Status</i> Full Time	626	52.2	18.1	150	6.5	2.5

In 2005-2006...

- there were 626,000 uninsured who worked full time.
- 52.2 percent of the adult uninsured worked full time.
- 18.1 percent of the adults working full time were uninsured.

From 2001-2002 to 2005-2006...

- There were 150,000 more uninsured who worked full time.
- The percent of uninsured adults who worked full time increased by 6.5 percent
- The percent of adults working full time who were uninsured increased by 2.5 percent.

**Table 1: Ages 0-64**

Category	2005-2006 Rates			Change: 2001-2002 to 2005-2006		
	Thousands of Uninsured	Percent of All Uninsured	Percent of this Group Uninsured	Thousands of Uninsured	Percent of All Uninsured	Percent of this Group Uninsured
Total	1,518	100	19.5	200	0	1.1
<i>Income</i>						
<100% FPG	360	23.7	32.8	-35	-6.2	-5.6
100-200% FPG	515	33.9	33	125	4.3	3.7
200-300% FPG	295	19.4	20.1	58	1.4	1.3
300%+ FPG	348	22.9	9.5	52	0.4	1.2
<i>Race/Ethnicity</i>						
White, Not Hispanic	729	48	14.4	84	-0.9	0.7
Af-Amer, Not Hispanic	369	24.3	20.7	-16	-4.9	-2.3
Not White or Af-Amer or Hispanic	93	6.1	27.1	33	1.6	8.7
Hispanic	327	21.5	53	100	4.3	2.9
<i>Family Workforce Status</i>						
No Workers	204	13.4	23.6	55	2.1	1.6
Only PT Workers	152	10	29	11	-0.7	-6.4
1 FT Worker	588	38.8	18.2	115	2.8	-1.1
2+ FT Workers	574	37.8	18.1	19	-4.3	2.9
<i>Age</i>						
0-17	298	19.6	13.4	42	0.2	1.1
18-24	238	15.7	31.2	25	-0.5	2.3
25-34	342	22.5	27.4	20	-1.9	1.2
35-44	274	18	20.7	28	-0.6	1.4
45-54	215	14.2	18.5	38	0.7	2.1
55-64	151	10	14.1	46	2	0.6
<i>Citizenship</i>						
Citizen	1,244	81.9	17	128	-2.8	0.6
Not a citizen	274	18.1	56.3	73	2.8	-0.5
<i>Gender</i>						
Male	809	53.3	20.8	142	2.7	2
Female	709	46.7	18.2	58	-2.7	0.2
<i>Rural/Urban</i>						
Urban	924	60.9	17.7	27	-7.2	0.1
Rural	594	39.1	23.1	173	7.2	2.9
<i>Self-Perceived Health Status</i>						
Excellent	422	27.8	14.8	75	1.5	0.8
Very Good	461	30.4	18.4	33	-2.1	0.1
Good	487	32.1	27.5	114	3.8	4.5
Fair	116	7.6	25.8	7	-0.6	0.8
Poor	31	2.1	14.3	-29	-2.5	-5.5

**Table 2: Adults (Age 19-64)**

Category	2005-2006 Rates			Change: 2001-2002 to 2005-2006		
	Thousands of Uninsured Adults	Percent of All Uninsured Adults	Percent of this Group Uninsured	Thousands of Uninsured Adults	Percent of All Uninsured Adults	Percent of this Group Uninsured
Total	1,200	100	22	156	0	1.1
<i>Income</i>						
<100% FPG	279	23.2	44.3	-12	-4.7	-4.5
100-200% FPG	403	33.6	40.2	97	4.2	4.2
200-300% FPG	226	18.9	21.7	30	0.1	-1.2
300%+ FPG	292	24.3	10.5	42	0.3	1.2
<i>Race/Ethnicity</i>						
White, Not Hispanic	591	49.3	16.1	58	-1.8	0.5
Af-Amer, Not Hispanic	284	23.6	24.7	1	-3.4	-1.5
Not White or Af-Amer or Hispanic	77	6.4	34.1	26	1.5	10.4
Hispanic	248	20.7	61.5	71	3.7	-0.2
<i>Labor Force Status</i>						
Not in Labor Force	318	26.5	27.1	42	0.1	1.2
Unemployed	84	7	43	-35	-4.4	-1.1
Part Time	172	14.3	28.9	-1	-2.2	-1.7
Full Time	626	52.2	18.1	150	6.5	2.5
<i>Firm Size</i>						
1-24 employees	443	55.5	35.1	111	4.3	1
25-99	80	10.1	17.5	20	0.7	0.8
100-999	83	10.3	13.5	7	-1.2	3.3
Greater than 1000	141	17.6	8.7	-3	-4.5	-1.1
Unknown Size	52	6.5	48.4	14	0.7	-6.5
<i>Family Workforce Status</i>						
No Workers	180	15	28.1	55	3.1	0.5
Only PT Workers	123	10.3	36.2	13	-0.3	-6.9
1 FT Worker	447	37.2	20.8	81	2.2	-1
2+ FT Workers	450	37.5	19.4	7	-4.9	2.4
<i>Age</i>						
18-24	218	18.2	33.5	23	-0.5	3.5
25-34	342	28.5	27.4	20	-2.3	1.2
35-44	274	22.8	20.7	28	-0.7	1.4
45-54	215	17.9	18.5	38	1	2.1
55-64	151	12.6	14.1	46	2.6	0.6
<i>Citizenship</i>						
Citizen	953	79.4	18.9	86	-3.7	0.5
Not a citizen	247	20.6	59.6	70	3.7	1.4
<i>Gender</i>						
Male	633	52.8	23.6	108	2.4	2.1
Female	567	47.2	20.4	48	-2.4	0.2
<i>Rural/Urban</i>						
Urban	743	61.9	20.2	29	-6.4	0.3
Rural	457	38.1	25.6	127	6.4	2.6

**Table 2: Adults (Age 19-64), continued**

Category	2005-2006 Rates			Change: 2001-2002 to 2005-2006		
	Thousands of Uninsured Adults	Percent of All Uninsured Adults	Percent of this Group Uninsured	Thousands of Uninsured Adults	Percent of All Uninsured Adults	Percent of this Group Uninsured
<i>Self-Perceived Health Status</i>						
Excellent	292	24.3	17.5	53	1.5	0.8
Very Good	351	29.2	19.6	11	-3.3	-0.8
Good	416	34.6	30.5	105	4.9	5.4
Fair	111	9.3	26.7	12	-0.3	1.2
Poor	31	2.6	14.2	-25	-2.8	-5.2
<i>Industry</i>						
Agriculture	15	1.8	27.3	-4	-1.1	-7
Construction	196	24.6	49.2	52	2.3	6.3
Manufacture	70	8.7	12	1	-1.9	0.4
Transport	24	3	14.5	4	0	2
Trade	99	12.4	18.3	3	-2.4	-0.6
Health & Educ	113	14.1	12.7	24	0.5	2
Finance	40	5	13	23	2.4	5.6
Government	6	0.8	3.6	2	0.2	0.2
Hospitality	114	14.3	33.1	32	1.6	-1.2
Other	122	15.2	20.2	12	-1.6	0.5

**Table 3: Children (Age 0-18)**

Category	2005-2006 Rates			Change: 2001-2002 to 2005-2006		
	Thousands of Uninsured Children	All Uninsured Children	Percent of This Group Uninsured	of Uninsured Children	Percent of All Uninsured Children	Percent of This Group Uninsured
Total	318	100	13.6	44	0	1
<i>Income</i>						
<100% FPG	81	25.5	17.4	-22	-12.2	-6.6
100-200% FPG	112	35.3	20.1	28	4.7	2.7
200-300% FPG	68	21.5	16.2	27	6.6	6
300%+ FPG	56	17.7	6.4	10	0.9	0.9
<i>Race/Ethnicity</i>						
White, Not Hispanic	137	43.3	10.1	25	2.3	1.3
Af-Amer, Not Hispanic	85	26.9	13.5	-18	-10.8	-3.8
Not White or Af-Amer or Hispanic	16	5.2	13.8	7	1.7	5.5
Hispanic	78	24.7	36.9	29	6.8	7
<i>Citizenship</i>						
Citizen	291	91.6	12.9	42	0.5	1.1
Not a citizen	27	8.4	37.2	2	-0.5	-10.6
<i>Gender</i>						
Male	176	55.4	14.6	34	3.7	1.8
Female	142	44.6	12.6	10	-3.7	0.1
<i>Rural/Urban</i>						
Urban	181	56.9	11.7	-2	-10	-0.4
Rural	137	43.1	17.5	46	10	3.4
<i>Self-Perceived Health Status</i>						
Excellent	130	41	11.1	22	1.5	0.6
Very Good	110	34.7	15.6	21	2.2	2.4
Good	72	22.5	17.6	9	-0.4	1.2
Fair	5	1.5	14.4	-4	-1.9	-6.5
Poor	1	0.2	14.7	-4	-1.4	-10.3

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