

Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN)

Indicator	Year	CSHCN in California	CSHCN in the U.S.	Data Source
Percentage of Children Ages 0-17 with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN)	2022	15.8%	20.8%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2024).
CSHCN with Four or More Chronic Conditions	2022	27.2%	31.1%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023).
CSHCN with More Complex Needs Not Managed Primarily with Prescription Medication	2022	77.2%	75.3%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023).
CSHCN with Public Health Insurance Coverage Only	2022	37.2%[!]	37.2%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023).
CSHCN with Private Health Insurance Coverage Only	2022	51.5%[!]	50.6%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023).
CSHCN with Adequate Health Insurance Coverage	2022	59.0%[!]	61.4%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jun. 2024).
CSHCN Who Receive Health Care in a Well-Functioning System of Services	2022	7.6%	12.8%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (May 2024).
CSHCN with a Preventive Medical Visit in the Previous Year	2022	81.6%	86.9%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023).
CSHCN Whose Families Felt Like Partners in Shared Decision-Making with Providers in the Previous Year	2022	87.4%	83.2%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jun. 2024).
CSHCN with Unmet Health Care Needs in the Previous Year	2022	8.2%	8.4%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023).
CSHCN Who Receive Care Within a Medical Home	2022	31.2%	38.1%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jun. 2024).
CSHCN with a Usual Source of Sick Care	2022	79.7%	81.6%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023).
CSHCN Who Received Family-Centered Care in the Previous Year	2022	78.1%	81.2%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jun. 2024).
CSHCN with Difficulties Getting Needed Referrals in the Previous Year	2022	39.3%[!]	30.9%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023).

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CSHCN Who Received Needed Care Coordination in the Previous Year	2022	50.2%	54.8%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jun. 2024).
CSHCN Ages 1-17 Receiving Early Intervention or Special Education Services	2022	30.0%	30.8%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023).
CSHCN Ages 3-17 with Emotional or Behavioral Conditions Receiving Mental Health Services in the Previous Year	2022	73.9%[!]	63.2%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023).
CSHCN Ages 6-17 Missing 11 or More School Days in the Previous Year Due to Illness or Injury	2016-2019	14.3%[!]	11.4%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Oct. 2020).
CSHCN Ages 6-17 Who Have Repeated a Grade in School	2016-2019	6.6%	11.7%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Oct. 2020).
CSHCN Ages 10-17 Who Are Overweight or Obese	2022	38.0%[!]	37.6%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2024).
CSHCN Whose Parents Felt Aggravation from Parenting in the Previous Month	2016-2019	21.2%[!]	16.3%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Oct. 2020).
CSHCN Whose Family Members Avoided Changing Jobs in Previous Year to Maintain Health Insurance	2016-2019	12.1%	13.0%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Oct. 2020).
CSHCN Whose Family Members Cut Back or Stopped Working in the Previous Year Because of their Child's Health	2016-2019	19.1%[!]	17.3%	U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Oct. 2020).

Definitions for LNE, N/A, N/R, or S can be found in the footnote section of the indicator page.

More data on Children with Special Health Care Needs: <https://kidsdata.org/demographic/5/children-with-special-health-care-needs/summary>