

Asian/Asian American Children in California

| Indicator | Year | Asian/Asian American Children | All Children/ Youth | Data Source |
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| Child Population Ages 0-17 | 2025 | 1,098,925 | 8,386,716 | California Dept. of Finance, Population Estimates and Projections ; U.S. Census Bureau, Population and Housing Unit Estimates (Mar. 2025). |
| Percentage of Infants Born at Low Birthweight (Asian/Pacific Islander) | 2017 | 7.5% | 7.4% | California Dept. of Public Health, Birth Statistical Master Files; CDC WONDER, Nativity Data (Mar. 2020). |
| Infant Mortality Rate | 2020 | 1.9 (Rate per 1,000) | 3.9 (Rate per 1,000) | CDC WONDER Online Database, Linked Birth / Infant Death Records (Apr. 2023). |
| Percentage of Children in Poverty - California Poverty Measure | 2023 Q1 | 8.8% | 13.8% | Public Policy Institute of California & Stanford Center on Poverty and Inequality, California Poverty Measure (Aug. 2024). |
| Percentage of Children in Deep Poverty - California Poverty Measure | 2023 Q1 | 2.3% | 2.2% | Public Policy Institute of California & Stanford Center on Poverty and Inequality, California Poverty Measure (Aug. 2024). |
| Percentage of Children Ages 0-18 with Health Insurance Coverage | 2021 | 97.4% | 96.5% | Population Reference Bureau, analysis of U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey summary files and public use microdata (Mar. 2024). |
| Percentage of Children/Youth Ages 0-20 Enrolled in Medi-Cal (Asian/Pacific Islander) | 2020 | 27.8% | 48.7% | California Dept. of Health Care Services, Eligible Individuals Under Age 21 Enrolled in Medi-Cal (Apr. 2021); California Dept. of Finance, Population Estimates and Projections (Jul. 2021). |
| Percentage of Children in Excellent or Very Good Health (Asian/Pacific Islander) | 2017-2018 | 78.9% | 75.5% | UCLA Center for Health Policy Research, California Health Interview Survey (Aug. 2020). |
| Percentage of 5th Graders Who Are Overweight or Obese | 2019 | 26.2% | 41.3% | California Dept. of Education, Physical Fitness Testing Research Files (Jan. 2020). |
| Children with Substantiated Cases of Abuse or Neglect (Asian/Pacific Islander) | 2020 | 1.9 (Rate per 1,000) | 6.8 (Rate per 1,000) | California Child Welfare Indicators Project, CCWIP Reports . University of California at Berkeley & California Dept. of Social Services (Oct. 2021). |
| Children/Youth Ages 0-20 in Foster Care (Asian/Pacific Islander) | 2018 | 1.0 (Rate per 1,000) | 5.3 (Rate per 1,000) | Webster, D., et al. California Child Welfare Indicators Project Reports . UC Berkeley Center for Social Services Research (Jul. 2019). |
| Special Education Enrollment | 2020 | 40,059 | 804,107 | California Dept. of Education, Special Education Division custom tabulation (Jun. 2021). |

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| Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Grade-Level Standard in Reading | 2021* | 75.0% | 49.0% | California Dept. of Education, Test Results for California's Assessments (Feb. 2022). |
| Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Grade-Level Standard in Math | 2021* | 68.8% | 33.8% | California Dept. of Education, Test Results for California's Assessments (Feb. 2022). |
| Percentage of Students Not Completing High School | 2021 | 3.0% | 9.4% | California Dept. of Education, Dropouts by Race and Gender (Jun. 2017) & Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate and Outcome Data (May 2022). |
| Students Suspended from School | 2018-2020 | 8.5 (Rate per 1,000) | 24.5 (Rate per 1,000) | California Dept. of Education, Suspension Data (May 2021). |
| Students Expelled from School | 2018-2020 | 0.2 (Rate per 1,000) | 0.5 (Rate per 1,000) | California Dept. of Education, Expulsion Data (May 2021). |
| Birth Rate Among Teens Ages 15-19 | 2021 | 1.1 (Rate per 1,000) | 9.3 (Rate per 1,000) | California Dept. of Public Health, Birth Statistical Master Files; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Births: Final Data (Aug. 2017); CDC WONDER, Nativity ; California Dept. of Finance, Population Estimates and Projections (Jun. 2023). |
| Rate of Firearm Injury Hospitalization Among Children/Youth Ages 0-24 | 2021 | 1.5 (Rate per 100,000) | 10.1 (Rate per 100,000) | California Dept. of Public Health, EpiCenter ; California Dept. of Finance, Population Estimates and Projections (Jul. 2023). |
| Number of Suicides Among Youth Ages 15-24 (Asian/Pacific Islander) | 2020 | 41 | N/A | California Dept. of Public Health, Death Statistical Master Files; CDC WONDER Online Database, Underlying Cause of Death (Apr. 2022). |
| Death Rate Among Children/Youth Ages 1-24 (Asian/Pacific Islander) | 2015-2017 | 18.7 (Rate per 100,000) | 29.8 (Rate per 100,000) | California Dept. of Public Health, Death Statistical Master Files (Apr. 2020); California Dept. of Finance, Population Estimates and Projections (Apr. 2020); CDC WONDER Online Database, Underlying Cause of Death (May 2020). |

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

More data on Asian/Asian American Children: <https://kidsdata.org/demographic/14/asian-asian-american-children/summary>