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# Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN)

| Indicator | Year | CSHCN in California | CSHCN in the U.S. | Data Source |
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| **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 with Uninterrupted Health Insurance Coverage in the Previous Year** | 2022 | 95.7% | 93.8% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jun. 2024). |
| **CSHCN with No Health Insurance Coverage** | 2022 | 3.7% | 4.7% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023). |
| **CSHCN with Household Income Below the Federal Poverty Threshold** | 2022 | 15.3% | 18.9% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023). |
| **CSHCN with 4 or More Adverse Childhood Experiences** | 2022 | 14.2% | 15.0% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023). |
| **CSHCN Who Are Usually or Always Calm and in Control When Facing a Challenge** | 2022 | 49.4%[!] | 48.2% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023). |
| **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 Ages 3-17 with Emotional or Behavioral Conditions** | 2022 | 51.0%[!] | 60.9% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2024). |

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| **CSHCN Ages 3-17 with Emotional or Behavioral Conditions Who Received 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 1-17 Who Receive 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 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 Ages 1-17 with a Dental Care Visit in the Previous Year** | 2022 | 90.7% | 85.7% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023). |
| **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 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). |
| **CSHCN Who Received Needed Specialist Care in the Previous Year** | 2022 | 90.3%[!] | 86.9% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Dec. 2023). |
| **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 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 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 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 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 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 with Conditions that Consistently Affected Their Daily Activities in the Previous Year** | 2023 | 16.3% | 16.8% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2025). |

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| **CSHCN Ages 6-17 Who Missed 11 or More School Days in the Previous Year Due to Illness or Injury** | 2023 | 18.6% | 13.8% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2025). |
| **CSHCN Ages 6-17 Who Have Repeated a Grade in School** | 2023 | 5.7% | 8.9% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2025). |
| **CSHCN with 1 or More Overnight Hospital Stays in the Previous Year** | 2023 | 5.8% | 6.4% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2025). |
| **CSHCN with 2 or More Emergency Room Visits in the Previous Year** | 2023 | 9.6% | 8.8% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2025). |
| **CSHCN with $1,000 or More in Out-of-Pocket Health Expenses in the Previous Year** | 2023 | 22.2% | 24.6% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2025). |
| **CSHCN Whose Families Provide 11 or More Hours of Health Care at Home Each Week** | 2023 | 26.7%[!] | 18.7% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2025). |
| **CSHCN Whose Family Members Avoided Changing Jobs in Previous Year, in Order to Maintain Health Insurance** | 2023 | 17.9% | 14.1% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2025). |
| **CSHCN Whose Family Members Cut Back or Stopped Working in the Previous Year Because of the Child's Health** | 2023 | 22.8% | 19.0% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2025). |
| **CSHCN Whose Parents Felt Aggravation from Parenting in the Previous Month** | 2023 | 20.3% | 17.9% | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health (Jan. 2025). |

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://w.kidsdata.org/demographic/5/children-with-special-health-care-needs/summary