

Table 5. Percent distribution of uninsured persons under age 65 by selected population characteristics, United States, 1996

Population characteristic	Total population (in thousands)	Percent distribution of population	Percent uninsured	Percent distribution of uninsured population
Total ^a	231,676	100.0	19.2	100.0
Age in years				
< 4	15,577	6.7	13.8	4.8
4-6	12,716	5.5	13.3	3.8
7-12	24,092	10.4	15.5	8.4
13-17	19,036	8.2	17.9	7.7
18	3,445	1.5	28.4	2.2
19-24	21,643	9.3	37.8	18.4
25-29	18,703	8.1	26.8	11.3
30-34	21,383	9.2	19.3	9.3
35-54	74,423	32.1	16.4	27.4
55-64	20,658	8.9	14.7	6.8
Race/ethnicity				
Total Hispanic	26,898	11.6	35.1	21.2
Total Black	30,297	13.1	24.8	16.9
Total White	163,378	70.5	15.2	55.8
Total Other	11,104	4.8	24.3	6.1
Hispanic male	13,671	5.9	38.9	12.0
Black male	14,297	6.2	26.6	8.6
White male	81,443	35.2	16.3	29.9
Hispanic female	13,227	5.7	31.2	9.3
Black female	16,000	6.9	23.2	8.4
White female	81,934	35.4	14.0	25.8
Marital status^b				
Married	91,323	39.5	13.9	28.8
Widowed	3,412	1.5	24.1	1.9
Divorced	16,952	7.3	26.6	10.2
Separated	4,291	1.9	30.5	3.0
Never married	51,495	22.3	29.8	34.7
Census region				
Northeast	44,555	19.2	15.6	15.7
Midwest	54,045	23.3	15.5	18.8
South	80,707	34.8	22.6	41.0
West	52,370	22.6	20.9	24.6
Perceived health status				
Excellent	89,770	38.9	17.4	35.6
Very good	70,584	30.6	16.9	27.1
Good	49,509	21.4	22.8	25.7
Fair	15,400	6.7	25.1	8.8
Poor	5,588	2.4	21.4	2.7

^a Total includes persons with unknown perceived health status and marital status.

^b Marital status is defined for individuals age 17 and older.

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research. Medical Expenditure Panel Survey-- Household Component, 1996 (round 1).

Table E. Standard errors for percent distribution of uninsured persons under age 65 by selected population characteristics, United States, 1996

Population characteristic	Standard errors		
	Percent distribution of population	Percent uninsured	Percent distribution of uninsured population
Total ^a	--	0.52	--
Age in years			
< 4	0.22	1.17	0.40
4-6	0.18	1.24	0.34
7-12	0.26	1.10	0.57
13-17	0.21	1.15	0.44
18	0.10	2.98	0.27
19-24	0.27	1.44	0.82
25-29	0.28	1.39	0.57
30-34	0.25	1.08	0.50
35-54	0.38	0.61	0.77
55-64	0.28	0.88	0.41
Race/ethnicity			
Total Hispanic	0.57	1.59	1.45
Total Black	0.70	1.34	1.33
Total White	0.86	0.57	1.73
Total Other	0.40	2.43	0.43
Hispanic male	0.31	1.72	0.87
Black male	0.34	1.70	0.74
White male	0.49	0.68	1.11
Hispanic female	0.28	1.75	0.69
Black female	0.40	1.71	0.80
White female	0.50	0.60	1.00
Marital status^b			
Married	0.46	0.58	0.86
Widowed	0.09	2.55	0.23
Divorced	0.25	1.34	0.55
Separated	0.12	2.97	0.34
Never married	0.40	0.92	1.01
Census region			
Northeast	0.79	0.99	1.11
Midwest	0.97	1.11	1.45
South	1.26	0.91	1.87
West	0.81	1.09	1.29
Perceived health status			
Excellent	0.59	0.74	1.13
Very good	0.43	0.67	0.93
Good	0.40	0.83	0.88
Fair	0.22	1.35	0.52
Poor	0.15	2.32	0.31

^a Total includes persons with unknown perceived health status and marital status.

^b Marital status is defined for individuals age 17 and older.

* Relative standard error is greater than or equal to 30%.

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