

National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs

Key Indicators for CSHCN: Trending Across Years

These fifteen key indicators, chosen by the federal Maternal and Child Health Bureau, measure health and functional status, access to care, quality of care and impact on the family for children with special health care needs (CSHCN) and are measured in the National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs (NS-CSHCN). Many are comparable across all three years of administration: 2001, 2005/06 and 2009/10, but in some cases the method of measurement was modified between survey years. The table below shows the percentage of CSHCN experiencing the consequence nationally, as measured in the 2009/10 NS-CSHCN and earlier survey years when applicable (indicators are comparable unless otherwise noted).

Indicators	2001	2005/2006	2009/2010
Indicator #1: % of CSHCN whose health conditions consistently and often greatly affect their daily activities	23.2%	24.0%	27.1%
Indicator #2: % of CSHCN ages 5-17 with 11 or more days of school absences due to illness	15.8%	14.3%	15.5%
Indicator #3: % of CSHCN without insurance at some point during the past year	11.6%	8.8%	9.3%
Indicator #4: % of CSHCN uninsured at the time of the survey	5.2%	3.5%	3.5%
Indicator #5: % of currently insured CSHCN with coverage that is not adequate	33.8%	33.1%	34.3%
<u>Indicator #6</u> *: % of CSHCN with one or more unmet needs for specific health care services	Ø	Ø	23.6%
Indicator #7: % of CSHCN whose families needed but were not able to get all the respite care, genetic counseling and/or mental health services they needed	Ø	4.9%	7.2%
Indicator #8: % of CSHCN needing specialty care who had problems getting a referral.	Ø	21.1%	23.4%
Indicator #9: % of CSHCN without a usual source of care or who rely on the emergency room	9.3%	5.7%	9.5%
Indicator #10: % of CSHCN without a personal doctor or nurse	Ø	6.5%	6.9%
Indicator #11: % of CSHCN without family-centered care	33.2%	34.4%	35.4%
Indicator #12: % of CSHCN whose families pay more than \$1000 per year for child's medical expenses	Ø	20.0%	22.1%
Indicator #13: % of CSHCN whose families experienced financial problems due to child's health needs	20.9%	18.1%	21.6%
Indicator #14: % of CSHCN whose families spend 11 or more hours per week providing and/or coordinating health care for child	Ø	9.7%	13.1%
Indicator #15: % of CSHCN whose family members cut back and/or stopped working because of child's health needs	Ø	23.8%	25.0%

^{*}Indicator 6 is comparable between 2001 and 2005/06

Indicator not comparable to 2009/10 data for indicated survey year(s)