

Table 3 - SIPP
Characteristics of the Uninsured: Workers (Ages 19-64, Not self-employed)
Calendar Year 2002: Uninsured Ever During the Year

Characteristic	Number (Millions)	Distribution of Population	Uninsured (Millions)	Distribution of Uninsured	Uninsured Rate
TOTAL	128.2	100.0%	32.3	100.0%	25.2%
GENDER					
Men	64.9	50.6%	17.7	54.9%	27.3%
Women	63.3	49.4%	14.6	45.1%	23.0%
AGE					
ADULTS age 19-64	128.2	100.0%	32.3	100.0%	25.2%
Age 19-24	18.6	14.5%	8.4	26.0%	45.2%
Age 25-34	31.4	24.5%	10.0	31.0%	31.8%
Age 35-54	62.9	49.1%	11.9	36.7%	18.8%
Age 55-64	15.4	12.0%	2.0	6.3%	13.2%
RACE					
White*	106.0	82.7%	25.0	77.3%	23.6%
Black*	15.5	12.1%	5.3	16.4%	34.2%
Asian/Pacific Islander	5.2	4.0%	1.4	4.3%	26.9%
American Indian	1.6	1.3%	0.6	2.0%	39.3%
HISPANIC ORIGIN					
Hispanic	16.6	13.0%	8.8	27.1%	52.7%
Not Hispanic	111.6	87.0%	23.5	72.9%	21.1%
IMMIGRANT STATUS					
US Native	72.9	56.8%	18.2	56.3%	25.0%
Immigrant citizen	4.2	3.3%	1.1	3.5%	27.4%
Immigrant non-citizen	6.2	4.8%	1.4	4.2%	22.1%
Unknown	45.0	35.1%	11.6	35.9%	25.7%
EDUCATION					
Less than HS	13.0	10.2%	7.7	23.8%	58.8%
HS only	37.3	29.1%	11.4	35.3%	30.5%
Some post-HS	42.9	33.5%	9.5	29.3%	22.1%
4-year college degree or more	35.0	27.3%	3.8	11.6%	10.7%
INDIVIDUAL WORK STATUS (Annual)					
EMPLOYED FULL YEAR	74.7	58.3%	10.0	30.9%	13.3%
Full time	69.3	54.1%	8.6	26.7%	12.5%
Part time	5.4	4.2%	1.3	4.1%	24.6%

EMPLOYED PART YEAR	53.5	41.7%	22.3	69.1%	41.7%
Full Time	23.8	18.6%	10.3	31.9%	43.2%
Part time	29.7	23.2%	12.0	37.3%	40.5%
FAMILY WORK STATUS					
2 or more full time	47.5	37.0%	9.3	28.7%	19.6%
Only 1 full time	64.1	50.0%	14.9	46.3%	23.3%
Only part time	15.7	12.2%	7.6	23.6%	48.5%
Only self employed	1.0	0.7%	0.5	1.4%	47.9%
WAGE/SALARY FOR PRIMARY EARNERS					
None	4.6	3.6%	2.6	8.0%	55.4%
Under \$7/hour	7.6	5.9%	4.2	13.0%	55.3%
\$7-\$15/hour	48.1	37.5%	17.5	54.2%	36.4%
\$15-\$25/hour	37.4	29.1%	5.5	16.9%	14.6%
More than \$25/hour	30.5	23.8%	2.5	7.8%	8.3%
FAMILY COMPOSITION					
WITH CHILDREN	59.9	46.8%	15.4	47.8%	25.8%
1 Adult	7.5	5.8%	2.9	8.9%	38.6%
2 Married adults	45.7	35.7%	9.1	28.2%	19.9%
Other	6.7	5.2%	3.4	10.7%	51.2%
WITHOUT CHILDREN	68.3	53.2%	16.8	52.2%	24.7%
1 Adult	26.0	20.3%	8.4	25.9%	32.1%
2 Married adults	34.3	26.7%	5.3	16.4%	15.4%
Other	7.9	6.2%	3.2	9.9%	40.3%
INCOME (Poverty Level)					
Under 100% FPL	7.3	5.7%	4.7	14.7%	65.4%
100 - 200 % FPL	19.6	15.3%	10.6	32.7%	53.9%
200 - 300% FPL	23.8	18.6%	7.7	23.8%	32.3%
300 - 400% FPL	22.6	17.6%	4.5	14.0%	20.0%
More than 400% FPL	55.0	42.9%	4.8	14.8%	8.7%
*Includes both Hispanic and Non Hispanic					

The SIPP estimates are ERIU tabulations of data collected by the U.S. Census Bureau in the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) 2001 panel, which began in January 2001. The SIPP interviews respondents every four months over a period of roughly 4 years. The 2001 tabulations are based on responses to the first three interviews (waves) of the 2001 panel, covering a 12-month period that in most

cases corresponds with calendar year 2001. Respondents report whether they were covered by specific sources of public or private health insurance (Medicare, Medicaid, SCHIP, other public, employment-based private, other private health insurance). Respondents are considered uninsured if they respond “no” to all of the coverage options; they are not asked directly if they are uninsured. Respondents are considered uninsured if they respond “no” to all of the coverage options; they are not asked directly if they are uninsured. The “point in time” estimate reflects health insurance status in the 12th survey month. The “all year uninsured” estimate includes those without health insurance for all 12 months. The “ever uninsured” includes those reporting no health insurance for at least one month and for as many as 12 months.

For further discussion of issues related to counting the uninsured see "[Counting and Characterizing the Uninsured](#)," by Pamela Farley Short, and ERIU [Research Highlight 1: A Revolving Door: How Individuals Move In and Out of Health Insurance Coverage](#)