

Public-Health Programs

Nevada

Nevada has two state-level programs which can assist children from low-income households who need health care.

Medicaid (Healthy Kids)

The Medicaid program, authorized by the Social Security Act in 1965, is a health-insurance program for low-income individuals and families. Medicaid provides comprehensive, preventive coverage with some benefits designed specifically for children, including immunizations; well-child checkups; school physicals; and hearing, dental, and vision-screening services. In calendar year 2002, an estimated 78,624 children 18 years of age and younger were Medicaid-eligible.¹

Nevada Check Up (CHIP)

New federal funds became available after Congress enacted the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP, also called S-CHIP). The 1997 Nevada Legislature passed enabling legislation to authorize the development and implementation of Nevada Check Up, which began October 1, 1998.

Uninsured children ages birth to 18, from families with incomes that are too high for Medicaid and too low to afford private insurance coverage, can be covered by Nevada Check Up. Families with income levels up to 200 percent of the federal poverty level may qualify. Program quarterly premiums, based on income and family size, range from \$10, \$25, and \$50 per quarter (per family). Families have no co-payments or deductibles. As of January 8, 2004, children covered by Nevada Check Up numbered 25,250.

Number of Children Enrolled in Nevada Check Up by County and Age: 2004

<i>County</i>	<i>Less Than 1 Year</i>	<i>1 to 6 Years</i>	<i>7 to 13 Years</i>	<i>14 to 18 Years</i>	<i>Total Children</i>
Carson City	39	397	416	177	1,029
Churchill	7	116	124	56	303
Clark	742	6,667	6,855	2,350	16,614
Douglas	13	132	203	115	463
Elko	23	227	298	161	709
Esmeralda	0	5	11	1	17
Eureka	0	3	3	1	7
Humboldt	6	109	169	89	373
Lander	1	26	52	22	101
Lincoln	1	6	17	20	44
Lyon	17	228	306	196	747
Mineral	2	21	29	20	72
Nye	14	104	173	99	390
Pershing	0	22	32	29	83
Storey	0	1	2	2	5
Washoe	135	1,485	1,832	728	4,180
White Pine	1	24	51	37	113
NEVADA	1,001	9,573	10,573	4,103	25,250

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, January 2004, "Nevada Check Up: Number of Children Receiving Coverage by County and Age," available online at: <<http://www.nevadacheckup.state.nv.us/Statistics/ChildEnrByCountyAge20040101.pdf>> as of January 8, 2004.

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**Number of Children Enrolled in Nevada Check Up
by County and Race/Ethnicity: 2004**

<i>County</i>	<i>Native American</i>	<i>Black (African American)</i>	<i>Asian</i>	<i>Hispanic</i>	<i>White</i>	<i>Other</i>	<i>Total Children</i>
Carson City	23	6	16	648	311	25	1,029
Churchill	36	2	3	95	156	11	303
Clark	102	1,399	576	10,172	3,669	696	16,614
Douglas	12	4	5	135	297	10	463
Elko	53	0	7	401	227	21	709
Esmeralda	0	0	0	15	2	0	17
Eureka	0	0	0	5	2	0	7
Humboldt	12	2	6	198	135	20	373
Lander	2	0	3	21	72	3	101
Lincoln	0	0	0	3	41	0	44
Lyon	59	6	4	260	388	30	747
Mineral	33	0	0	5	33	1	72
Nye	4	9	1	133	224	19	390
Pershing	8	1	0	46	28	0	83
Storey	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Washoe	122	80	89	2,637	1,118	134	4,180
White Pine	13	0	0	11	87	2	113
NEVADA	479	1,509	710	14,785	6,795	972	25,250

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, January 2004, "Nevada Check Up: Number of Children Receiving Coverage by County and Ethnic Status," available online at: <<http://www.nevadacheckup.state.nv.us/Statistics/ChildEnrEthnicity20040101.pdf>> as of January 8, 2004.

**Enrollment in Nevada Check Up:
1998 to 2004**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Number</i>
1998 December	2,832
1999 June	5,927
2000 December 1	14,245
2001 December 12	18,577
2002 January 7	22,850
2003 January 7	25,523
2004 January 8	25,250

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, Nevada Check Up; and Nevada Department of Human Resources, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, January 2004, "Nevada Check Up: Number of Children Receiving Coverage by County and Ethnic Status," available online at: <http://www.nevadacheckup.state.nv.us/Statistics/ChildEnrEthnicity20040101.pdf> as of January 8, 2004.

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Medicaid Eligibles by Children Ages 0-18 by Program for Nevada Counties: Calendar Year 2002

	Age Group	TANF *	CHAP **	SVK ***	Disabled ****	CW XIX *****	Medicaid Eligible
Carson City	0-5	469	310	164	15	31	989
	6-12	270	140	189	27	54	680
	13-18	156	61	99	22	33	371
Churchill	0-5	260	102	79	8	28	477
	6-12	170	63	88	19	34	374
	13-18	99	37	54	19	25	234
Clark	0-5	14,146	8,848	2,872	711	735	27,312
	6-12	10,521	4,051	3,196	1,370	1,014	20,152
	13-18	4,862	2,006	1,819	1,066	808	10,561
Douglas	0-5	155	103	41	8	17	324
	6-12	122	53	67	13	34	289
	13-18	64	43	46	15	22	190
Elko	0-5	265	239	138	8	16	666
	6-12	155	95	126	26	24	426
	13-18	71	45	59	20	26	221
Esmeralda	0-5	4	3	1	0	0	8
	6-12	9	4	3	2	0	18
	13-18	5	2	3	1	0	11
Eureka	0-5	3	0	0	0	0	3
	6-12	1	1	1	1	0	4
	13-18	2	0	0	0	0	2
Humboldt	0-5	111	75	50	6	6	248
	6-12	79	26	47	16	9	177
	13-18	26	16	23	7	2	74
Lander	0-5	32	14	7	0	0	53
	6-12	23	4	15	4	2	48
	13-18	16	5	6	0	4	31

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Lincoln	0-5	36	20	6	0	1	63
	6-12	28	10	14	2	3	57
	13-18	12	8	9	2	1	32
Lyon	0-5	213	110	70	8	18	419
	6-12	204	71	105	29	45	454
	13-18	102	38	51	14	25	230
Mineral	0-5	76	18	21	4	2	121
	6-12	40	19	36	3	2	100
	13-18	26	7	15	2	1	51
Nye	0-5	420	144	126	14	45	749
	6-12	363	100	141	35	35	674
	13-18	208	66	98	28	17	417
Pershing	0-5	37	21	21	2	0	81
	6-12	28	13	26	5	0	72
	13-18	15	4	20	3	1	43
Storey	0-5	1	2	0	1	1	5
	6-12	3	1	0	1	5	10
	13-18	0	1	2	1	3	7
Washoe	0-5	2,519	1,796	663	128	137	5,243
	6-12	1,710	816	641	259	231	3,657
	13-18	722	328	371	196	194	1,811
White Pine	0-5	74	43	42	3	7	169
	6-12	47	27	40	2	15	131
	13-18	30	16	30	7	2	85
STATEWIDE	0-5	18,821	11,848	4,301	916	1,044	36,930
	6-12	13,773	5,494	4,735	1,814	1,507	27,323
	13-18	6,416	2,683	2,705	1,403	1,164	14,371
TOTAL*****	0-18	39,010	20,025	11,741	4,133	3,715	78,624

Note: For estimating purposes only--not official NSWDC caseload history. NSWDC LEGACY Monthly Report WL-00427 is a snapshot in time as of the monthly run data for CW. NSWDC NOMADS Monthly Report AME44A is a snapshot in time of the monthly run data for all other programs. Both are estimates only.

*TANF = Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Unemployed Parent Program (TANF-UP), and Medical (TANF-MED).

**CHAP = Child Health Assurance Program.

***SVK = Sneed vs. Kizer (an individual child's income cannot be used against the entire family's eligibility for Medicaid assistance).

****Disabled = Blind and Disabled combined.

*****CW XIX = Child Welfare Category 19. Medicaid-eligible children through foster care, adoptions, etc.

*****The total number of Medicaid eligibles may not be equal to the Nevada Department of Human Resources' due to rounding.

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Research & Statistics, Welfare Division, 2002.