We know that when children are healthy, they are more likely to succeed in school and in life. That’s why The Children’s Partnership works to level the playing field so that children from historically marginalized communities have the resources and opportunities they need to thrive.

This infographic, the second in a series, provides an overview of key child health facts in California and nationally to inform the work ahead. Now more than ever, we must work together to make California the best state to raise healthy, thriving children.

**POPULATION**

Of over 8 MILLION children in California, nearly 1 MILLION ARE ASIAN AMERICAN, and more than 30,000 ARE NATIVE HAWAIIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER.

In California, NEARLY 9 IN 10 (87%) ASIAN AMERICAN CHILDREN, and over 1 IN 3 (44%) NATIVE HAWAIIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER CHILDREN live with at least one FOREIGN-BORN PARENT.

**POVERTY**

Just over 9% OR NEARLY 95,000 ASIAN AMERICAN CHILDREN experience poverty. 1 IN 5 NATIVE HAWAIIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER CHILDREN experience poverty compared to 1 IN 6 OF ALL CHILDREN IN CALIFORNIA.
10% of AANHPI children in California do not have a usual source of care.

44% of low-income AANHPI preschoolers had early tooth decay. It is one of the highest rates among all racial groups in California.

More than 25,000 Asian American children, and 775 Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander children remain uninsured.

Food insecurity is more prevalent among foreign-born and non-English speaking AAPI households than AAPI families born in the US—including Chinese, Filipino, South Asian, Japanese and Vietnamese subgroups.

6% of AANHPI households in California participate in CalFresh.

1 in 4 Asian American children and over

1 in 3 Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander children in California report feeling depressed.

Self-reported rates of depression among Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander students in California are 1.5x greater than white students (41% compared to 27%).

Mental health

Language access

For AANHPI communities, translated materials and interpretation services are insufficient when accessing critical resources like health care. Of the top 10 most common languages spoken at home by English Learners in California schools, 7 are Asian languages. Over 100,000 students in CA public schools speak either: Mandarin, Vietnamese, Cantonese, Filipino, Hmong, Korean, or Punjabi.

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Note: The Children’s Partnership collected AANHPI children’s data from the U.S. Census Bureau’s 2018 one-year population estimates as well as from KidsData.org. The data is disaggregated between and within AANHPI communities where possible. All numbers in this fact sheet have been rounded to the nearest whole number. Citations for all data can be found at: bit.ly/AChildIsAChild