

A Child is a Child

SNAPSHOT: California
Children's Health



AANHPI* Children's Health

*** Asian American, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander**

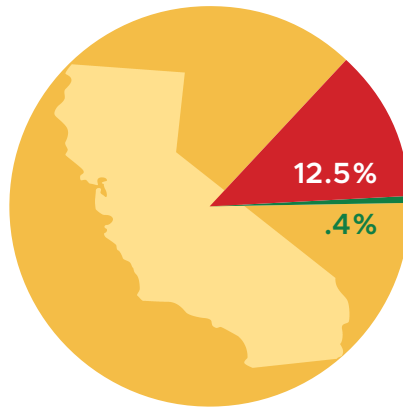
We know that when children are healthy, they are more likely to succeed in school and in life. That's why The Children's Partnership works to level the playing field so that children from historically marginalized communities have the resources and opportunities they need to thrive.

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.



MASKED HEALTH INEQUITIES

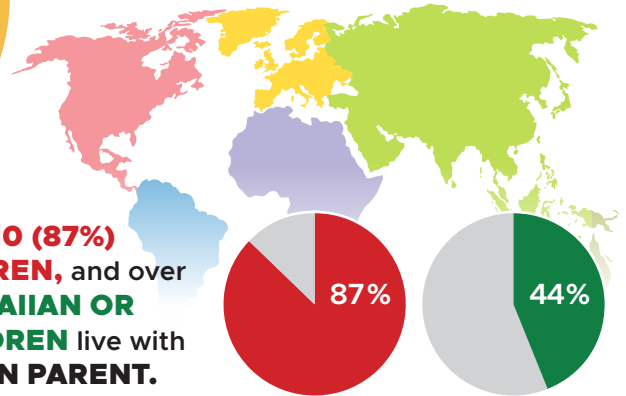
An accurate picture of the health of AANHPI children in California is impossible without accurate and detailed data that is disaggregated by racial and ethnic subgroups. Health inequities that exist within the AANHPI community are understudied and overlooked at least in part because much of the data on this ethnically diverse population are aggregated, leading to a masking of differences and hidden health disparities between racial subgroups.



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**.

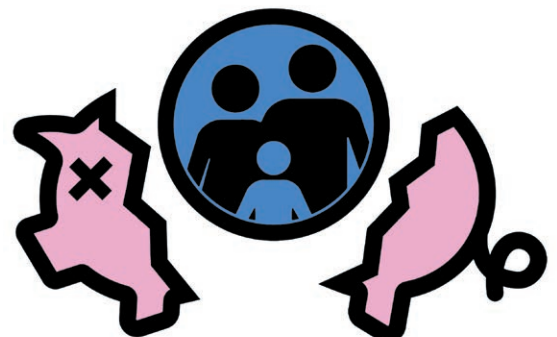
POPULATION

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



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**.





MORE THAN

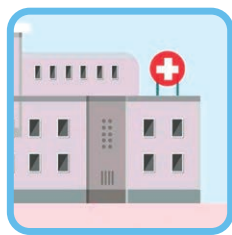
25,000

Asian American children,
AND

775

Native Hawaiian or Pacific
Islander children remain

UNINSURED.



10%

of AANHPI children
in California **DO NOT**
HAVE A USUAL
SOURCE OF CARE.

25%

use an **EMERGENCY**
ROOM, HOSPITAL, CLINIC
OR URGENT CARE as the
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.

FOOD INSECURITY

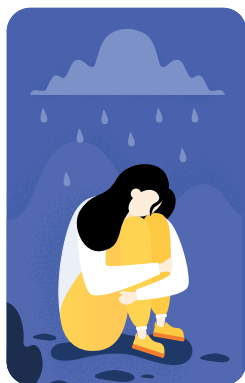
is more prevalent among foreign-born
and non-English speaking AAPI
households than AAPI
families born in the US —
including Chinese, Filipino,
South Asian, Japanese and
Vietnamese subgroups.



6%

of AANHPI
households
in California
participate in

*Cal***Fresh**



MENTAL HEALTH

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** that
of white students (41% compared to 27%).



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