

The Status of Women in Florida by County: Poverty & Opportunity

The Status of Women in Florida by County: Poverty & Opportunity is the first in a series produced by the Institute for Women's Policy Research and commissioned by Florida Women's Funding Alliance, an affinity group of Florida Philanthropic Network. This research aims to provide critical data that can help to build economic security and overall well-being among the state's women and girls.

Key Findings: Health Insurance

Health Insurance Coverage by Race and Ethnicity, Florida Women Aged 18-64

Women's coverage rates are higher than men's in every racial and ethnic group; yet Florida ranks 50th in the nation for its share of nonelderly women with health insurance.

All - 75.3%

White - 81.7%

Other Race or two or more races - 77.4%

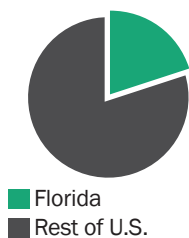
Asian / Pacific Islander - 76.8%

Black 72.7%

Native American - 69.6%

Hispanic 63.0%

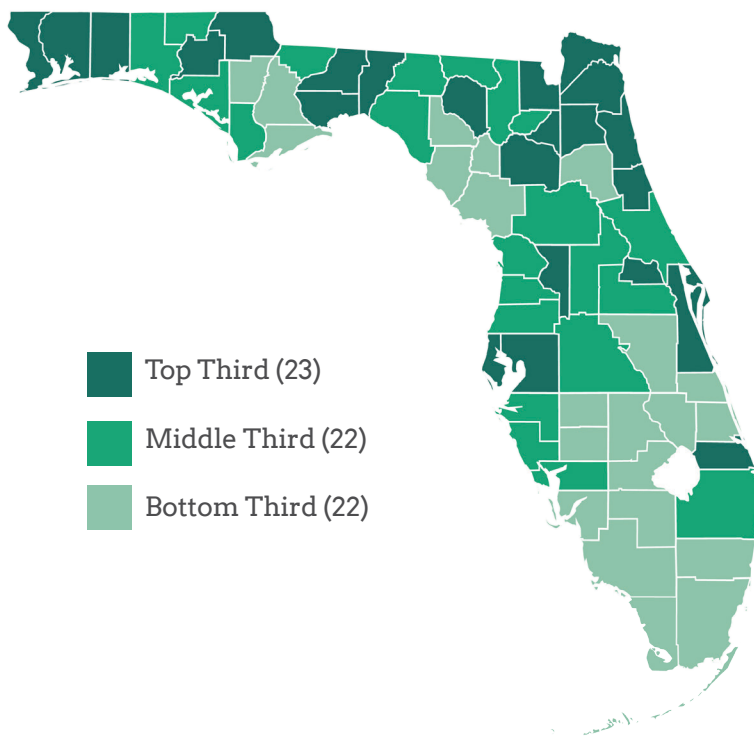
567,000 Adults in Florida Fall in Insurance Coverage Gap



Of the approximately 2.9 million adults in the U.S. in the insurance coverage gap — those with income between Medicaid eligibility and 100 percent of the federal poverty level — 20 percent, or 567,000, live in Florida.

Percent of Nonelderly Women with Health Insurance by County, 2014 Florida Women Aged 18-64

Health insurance is a crucial component of women's personal and economic well-being. In addition to improving health outcomes by increasing access to health care services, it reduces out-of-pocket expenses for individuals and families, relieving their financial burden.



Rates of health insurance coverage among Florida women vary widely by county, with the highest rate at 86.3 percent in St. Johns County and the lowest rate at 60.7 percent in Glades County. In 16 Florida counties, more than 80 percent of nonelderly women are covered by health insurance; yet in 10 Florida counties fewer than 70 percent of women have health insurance.



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