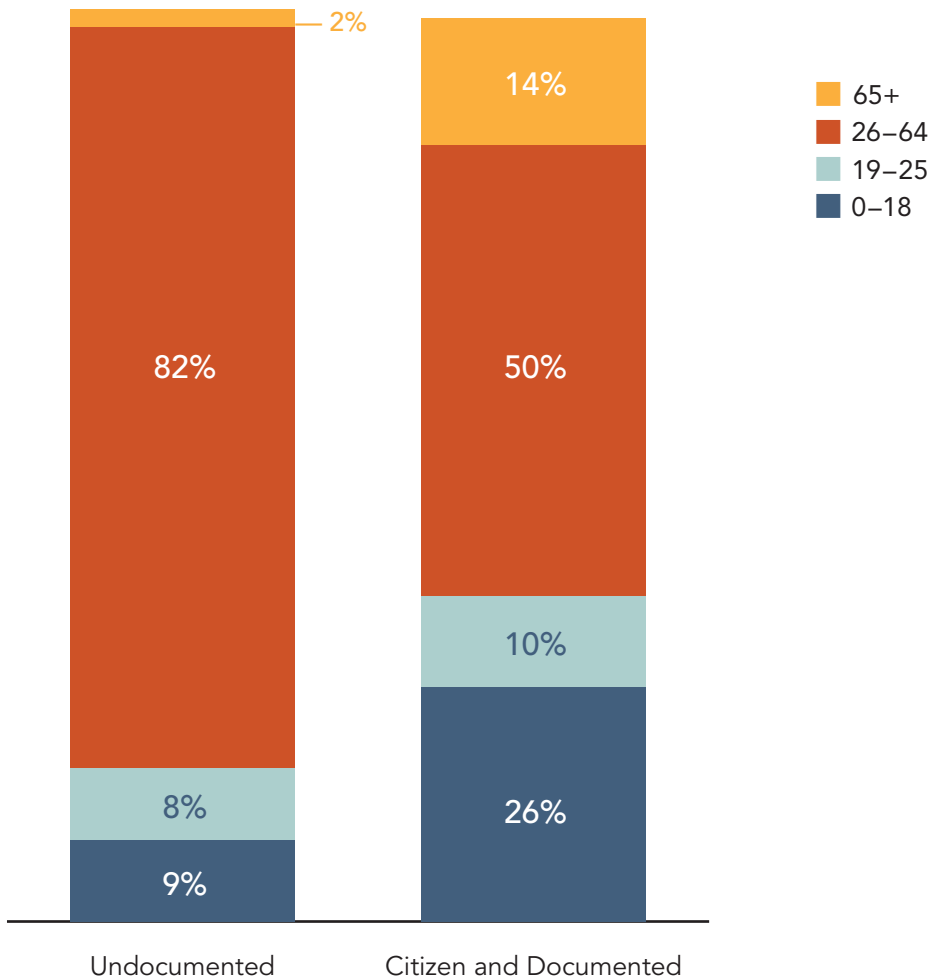




## Six Facts About Undocumented Californians: Analysis of 2015–2016 California Health Interview Survey

## Age, by Citizenship Status California, 2015–2016



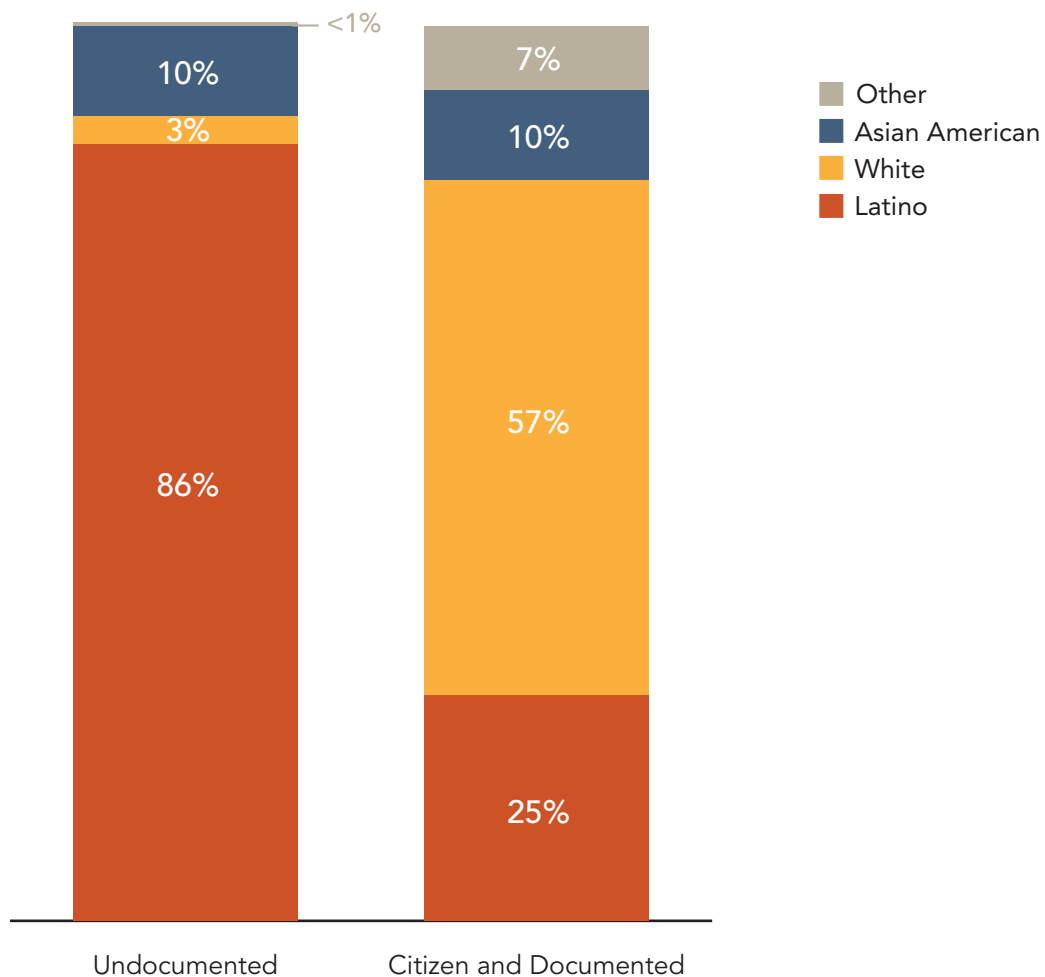
### Fact #1

Children and seniors make up a smaller portion of undocumented California residents compared to other California residents.

Notes: Includes all income levels. *Citizen and documented* includes US born, naturalized, legal permanent residents, and others with legal status such as refugees and those with work visas. Segments may not add to 100% due to rounding.

Source: UCLA Center for Health Policy Research analysis of California Health Interview Survey (CHIS), 2015–2016.

## Race/Ethnicity, by Citizenship Status California, 2015–2016



### Fact #2

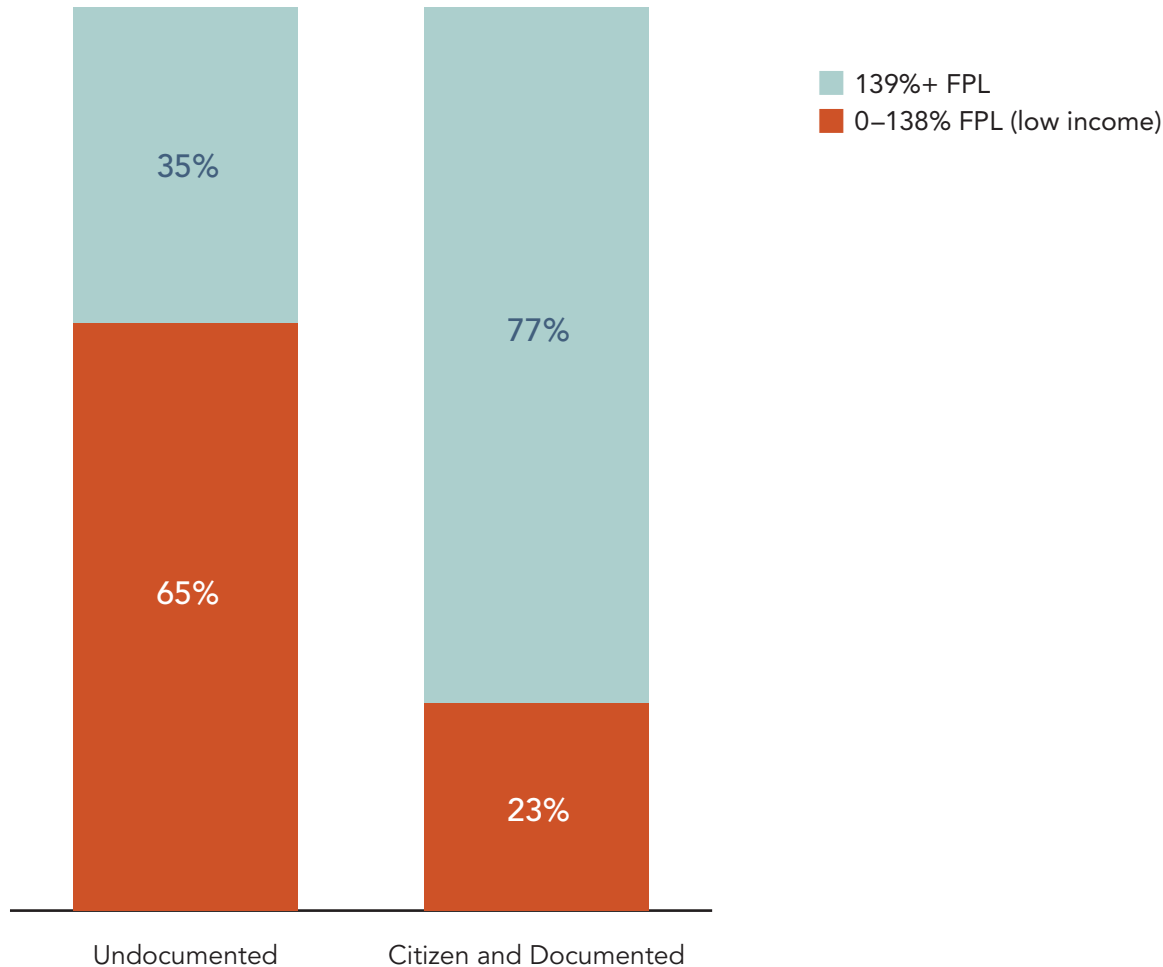
A higher proportion of undocumented Californians are Latino and a much smaller proportion are white compared to other California residents.

Notes: Includes all ages and income levels. *Other* includes non-Latino African Americans, Pacific Islanders, Native Hawaiians, Native Americans, Alaska Natives, and those reporting more than one race. *Citizen and documented* includes US born, naturalized, legal permanent residents, and others with legal status such as refugees and those with work visas. Segments may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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## Poverty Level, by Citizenship Status

### Adults, California, 2015–2016



#### Fact #3

About two-thirds of undocumented adult Californians are low income compared to less than one-quarter of other Californian adults.

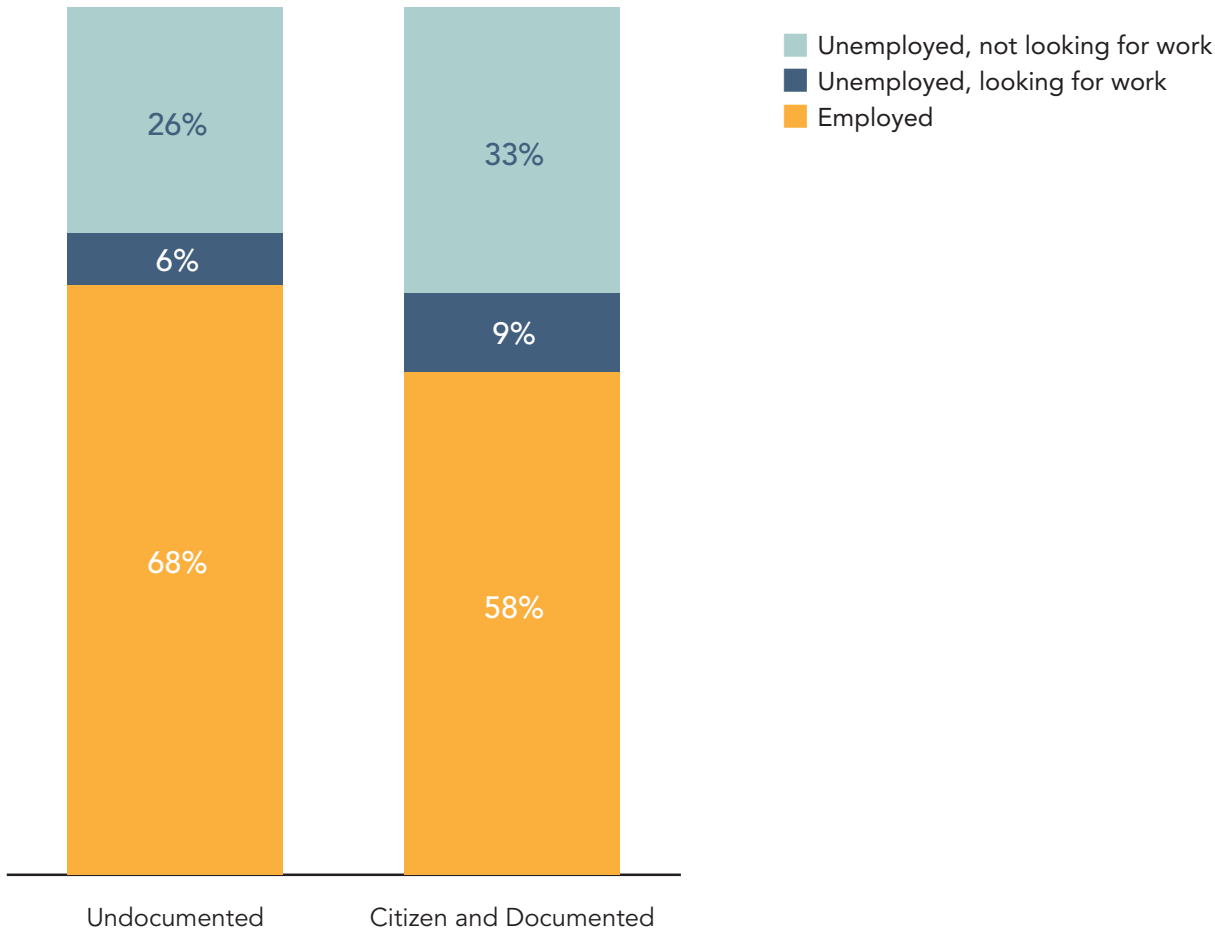
Note: *Low income* is defined as family income at or below 138% FPL. With the exception of undocumented adults, Californians with incomes up to 138% FPL are eligible for Medi-Cal.

Notes: *Poverty level* is calculated based on household income and size, and compared to federal poverty level (FPL). *Citizen and documented* includes US born, naturalized, legal permanent residents, and others with legal status such as refugees and those with work visas.

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## Work Status, by Citizenship Status

### Low-Income Adults Under 65, California, 2015–2016



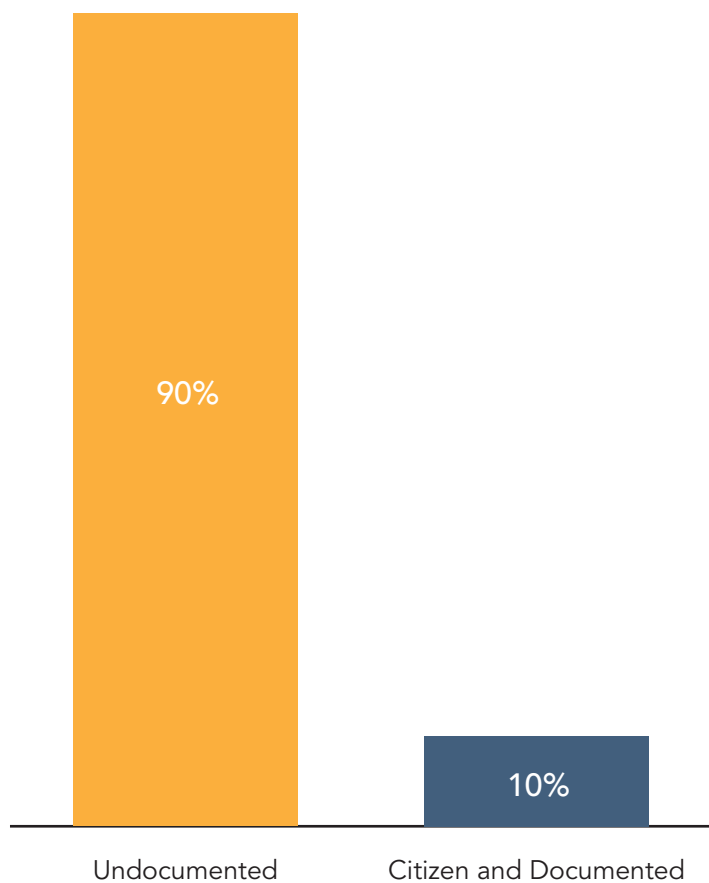
#### Fact #4

Among low-income undocumented adults under 65, a greater proportion are employed compared to other California residents.

Notes: Work status is based on a survey question about whether the individual was employed last week. Examples of reasons for being *unemployed, not looking for work* may include keeping house, caring for children/others, going to school, retirement, physical disability, illness, or being unable to find a job. *Low income* is defined as family income at or below 138% FPL. With the exception of undocumented adults, Californians with incomes up to 138% FPL are eligible for Medi-Cal. *Citizen and documented* includes US born, naturalized, legal permanent residents, and others with legal status such as refugees and those with work visas.

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## Uninsured Rate, by Citizenship Status Low-Income Adults, California, 2015–2016



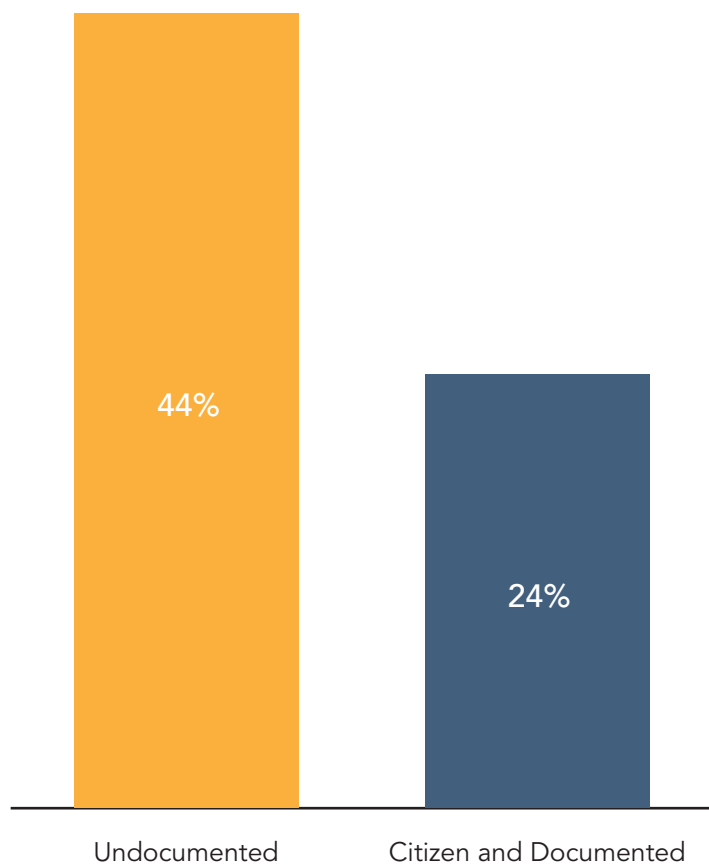
Notes: *Low income* is defined as family income at or below 138% FPL. With the exception of undocumented adults, Californians with incomes up to 138% FPL are eligible for Medi-Cal. *Undocumented* adults reporting Medi-Cal coverage are assumed to have restricted-scope Medi-Cal and are considered uninsured. Restricted-scope Medi-Cal covers emergency and pregnancy-related services and, when needed, state-funded long-term care. *Citizen and documented* includes US born, naturalized, legal permanent residents, and others with legal status such as refugees and those with work visas.

Source: UCLA Center for Health Policy Research analysis of California Health Interview Survey (CHIS), 2015–2016.

### Fact #5

Undocumented low-income Californians are much more likely to be uninsured, compared to other low-income Californians.

## No Usual Source of Care, by Citizenship Status Low-Income Adults, California, 2015–2016



Notes: Survey respondents are asked if they have a place they usually go when they are sick or need advice about their health. Those who reported using the emergency room or alternative providers (e.g., acupuncturist, herbalist) are grouped with those who do not have a usual source of care. *Low income* is defined as family income at or below 138% FPL. With the exception of undocumented adults, Californians with incomes up to 138% are eligible for Medi-Cal. *Citizen and documented* includes US born, naturalized, legal permanent residents, and others with legal status such as refugees and those with work visas.

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### Fact #6

Almost twice as many undocumented low-income adult Californians report having no usual source of care compared to other low-income Californians.

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