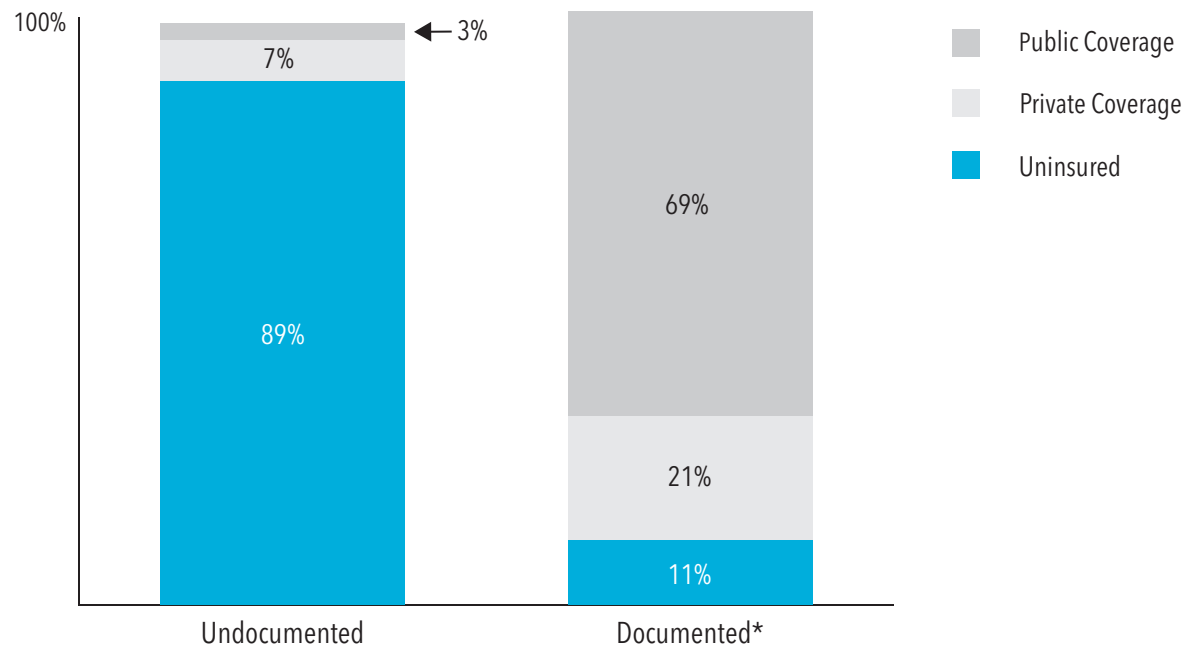




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## Nearly 9 in 10 Undocumented Adults With Low Incomes Lack Health Coverage

Health Insurance Status of California Adults With Low Incomes, Ages 19 to 64, 2016-2017



- **Undocumented immigrants make significant contributions to our state.** Numbering over 2 million, these Californians comprise nearly one-tenth of the workforce and pay about \$3 billion in state and local taxes each year.

- **Nearly 9 in 10 undocumented adults with low incomes are uninsured.** Due to their immigration status, undocumented adults are ineligible for comprehensive Medi-Cal coverage. Moreover, relatively few have private health insurance due to cost or other factors.

- **California can provide health coverage to low-income undocumented adults by expanding eligibility for Medi-Cal.** While federal funds cannot be used to provide comprehensive Medi-Cal coverage to undocumented residents, California may use state dollars to do so. In fact, in 2016 California extended eligibility for full Medi-Cal benefits to undocumented children and youth through age 18.

\* Includes US-born citizens, naturalized citizens, and legal permanent residents.  
Note: "Low income" is defined as having an income at or below 138% of the federal poverty line.  
Figures do not sum to 100 due to rounding.  
Source: UCLA Center for Health Policy Research