The Majority of Uninsured Alameda County Residents are Adults

There are many public programs to insure low-income children, including Medi-Cal and Healthy Families. Adults are eligible for few public health insurance programs.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey
Oakland and Hayward are Above the National Average on the Percent of Residents who are Uninsured

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey
Over half of the uninsured in Alameda County are receiving primary care services

The uninsured can receive comprehensive primary care services at one of the eight community health centers or one of the four county clinics in Alameda County.

Source: Increasing Access to Health Care for Low-Income Uninsured Residents of Alameda County, California: Baseline Assessment 2007
Forty Percent of the Uninsured in Alameda County are Latino and over twenty percent are either Asian or White

Source: 2007 & 2005 California Health Interview Survey
Nearly Half of the Uninsured in Alameda County are Limited-English Proficient

Not well or not at all: 44%
Very well or well: 56%

Source: 2007 & 2005 California Health Interview Survey
Most Uninsured Alameda County Residents Speak a Language Other than English at Home

- English: 37%
- Spanish, Spanish and English: 32%
- Chinese, Chinese and English: 7%
- Vietnamese: 3%
- Other: 21%

Source: 2007 & 2005 California Health Interview Survey
Uninsured residents in Alameda County face more language barriers than the insured population in accessing health services

Source: 2007 California Health Interview Survey
The vast majority of uninsured Alameda County residents do not qualify for Medi-Cal or Healthy Families. Many of the uninsured are not qualify for because of program requirements, such as family composition, income, disability status, and immigration documentation. 

Source: 2007 & 2005 California Health Interview Survey
The majority of the Uninsured in Alameda County do not have children

Many of the uninsured do not qualify for Medi-Cal because of program requirements, such as family composition or disability status.
The Vast Majority of Uninsured Residents in Alameda County are Employed

Those uninsured who are unemployed and not looking for work, likely fall into this category because they are students, retired, have family responsibilities, or have disabilities.

Source: 2007 & 2005 California Health Interview Survey
The majority of working uninsured are employed at small businesses

Typically small businesses are less likely to offer health insurance to employees, or if health coverage is offered, the employee's share of cost is unaffordable.

Source: 2007 & 2005 California Health Interview Survey
Uninsured Alameda County residents are less likely to have a usual source of care

Source: 2005 & 2003 California Health Interview Survey
Uninsured residents in Alameda County are less likely to see the doctor than insured residents.

Source: 2007 & 2005 California Health Interview Survey
Uninsured Alameda County residents are more likely than the insured to delay getting care.

Source: 2005 & 2003 California Health Interview Survey
Uninsured Alameda County residents are less likely to use the Emergency Room than the Insured Population.

Contrary to popular belief, uninsured residents use the ER less frequently than the insured population.

Source: 2007 & 2005 California Health Interview Survey
Uninsured in Alameda County Residents are more likely to report having fair to poor health status

Source: 2007 & 2005 California Health Interview Survey