



*State of California, Department of Health Care Services*

## **Medi-Cal Eligibles with Threshold Languages By County**

### **Methodology: What this Report Measures**

#### **Date Range**

This report counts Medi-Cal beneficiaries, enrolled during October 2011, with information updated through October 2012. This ensures that there is a full twelve months of reporting lag to allow for any retroactive eligibility or delayed reporting from the counties.

#### **Universe**

This report counts both, **certified eligibles**, as well as those enrolled with an **unmet Share-of-Cost obligation**. Certified eligibles are defined as those beneficiaries who are deemed qualified for Medi-Cal by a valid eligibility determination and have enrolled in the program. Thus, those beneficiaries who may be eligible for Medi-Cal, but have not enrolled, are not counted as certified. This classification also excludes Share-of-Cost (SOC) beneficiaries who have not met their monthly SOC obligation and are not eligible for Medi-Cal benefits.

The SOC program is designed to assist individuals and families whose incomes are too high to qualify for cash assistance but insufficient to cover their medical expenses. Unlike traditional or no-cost Medi-Cal coverage, SOC beneficiaries must contribute to their coverage by paying their medical expenses up to a predetermined threshold (also called the SOC obligation) each month. In contrast to other forms of cost-sharing (i.e., copayments or deductibles), it is only after beneficiaries meet their monthly SOC obligation that they qualify for Medi-Cal benefits. For this reason SOC beneficiaries are not counted as certified eligible in months when they do not meet their SOC obligations, because they are not eligible to receive Medi-Cal covered benefits .

### **Identification of Eligibles Meeting the Threshold Language Criteria**

Eligibles meeting the threshold language criteria were identified using the definition mandated by the California Code of Regulations, Title 9. Rehabilitative and Developmental Services, Section 1810.410 "Cultural and Linguistic Requirements" which reads:

(3) "Threshold Language" means a language that has been identified as the primary language, as

## Medi-Cal Threshold Language Summary

Population Totals as of October 2011 (information updated through  
October 2012)

**Note:** Percent of County Totals Only Valid within Counties

Threshold_Flag	Yes	
Row Labels	Sum of Eligibles	Sum of Percent_of_County
<b>Alameda</b>	<b>89,998</b>	<b>33.50%</b>
Spanish	64,301	23.94%
Cantonese	14,333	5.34%
Vietnamese	7,693	2.86%
Mandarin	3,671	1.37%
<b>Amador</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>5.98%</b>
Spanish	294	5.98%
<b>Butte</b>	<b>5,096</b>	<b>9.31%</b>
Spanish	5,096	9.31%
<b>Calaveras</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>5.25%</b>
Spanish	381	5.25%
<b>Colusa</b>	<b>2,676</b>	<b>50.57%</b>
Spanish	2,676	50.57%
<b>Contra Costa</b>	<b>43,829</b>	<b>28.93%</b>
Spanish	43,829	28.93%
<b>Del Norte</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>5.85%</b>
Spanish	503	5.85%
<b>El Dorado</b>	<b>2,933</b>	<b>14.32%</b>
Spanish	2,933	14.32%
<b>Fresno</b>	<b>117,226</b>	<b>35.91%</b>
Spanish	105,349	32.28%
Hmong	11,877	3.64%
<b>Glenn</b>	<b>2,400</b>	<b>31.62%</b>
Spanish	2,400	31.62%
<b>Humboldt</b>	<b>1,591</b>	<b>5.57%</b>
Spanish	1,591	5.57%
<b>Imperial</b>	<b>34,707</b>	<b>56.73%</b>
Spanish	34,707	56.73%
<b>Inyo</b>	<b>864</b>	<b>21.70%</b>
Spanish	864	21.70%
<b>Kern</b>	<b>86,055</b>	<b>34.43%</b>
Spanish	86,055	34.43%
<b>Kings</b>	<b>12,896</b>	<b>33.48%</b>

Spanish	12,896	33.48%
<b>Lake</b>	<b>2,092</b>	<b>10.93%</b>
Spanish	2,092	10.93%
<b>Los Angeles</b>	<b>1,338,443</b>	<b>52.69%</b>
Spanish	1,133,716	44.63%
Armenian	62,344	2.45%
Cantonese	27,340	1.08%
Vietnamese	23,402	0.92%
Korean	20,815	0.82%
Mandarin	18,515	0.73%
Tagalog	12,366	0.49%
Farsi	11,728	0.46%
Russian	10,875	0.43%
Cambodian	9,116	0.36%
Arabic	4,385	0.17%
Other Chinese	3,841	0.15%
<b>Madera</b>	<b>22,551</b>	<b>47.39%</b>
Spanish	22,551	47.39%
<b>Marin</b>	<b>10,997</b>	<b>45.35%</b>
Spanish	10,997	45.35%
<b>Mendocino</b>	<b>5,585</b>	<b>22.69%</b>
Spanish	5,585	22.69%
<b>Merced</b>	<b>33,954</b>	<b>38.61%</b>
Spanish	30,800	35.02%
Hmong	3,154	3.59%
<b>Modoc</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>9.10%</b>
Spanish	201	9.10%
<b>Mono</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>52.19%</b>
Spanish	785	52.19%
<b>Monterey</b>	<b>58,368</b>	<b>58.25%</b>
Spanish	58,368	58.25%
<b>Napa</b>	<b>8,520</b>	<b>45.34%</b>
Spanish	8,520	45.34%
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>8.54%</b>
Spanish	1,062	8.54%
<b>Orange</b>	<b>254,938</b>	<b>53.11%</b>
Spanish	201,844	42.05%
Vietnamese	49,239	10.26%
Farsi	3,855	0.80%
<b>Placer</b>	<b>3,959</b>	<b>11.96%</b>
Spanish	3,959	11.96%
<b>Riverside</b>	<b>137,403</b>	<b>32.16%</b>
Spanish	137,403	32.16%
<b>Sacramento</b>	<b>86,214</b>	<b>25.69%</b>
Spanish	47,399	14.13%
Russian	16,962	5.06%
Hmong	9,621	2.87%

Vietnamese	7,535	2.25%
Cantonese	4,697	1.40%
<b>San Benito</b>	<b>4,480</b>	<b>41.12%</b>
Spanish	4,480	41.12%
<b>San Bernardino</b>	<b>133,022</b>	<b>26.59%</b>
Spanish	133,022	26.59%
<b>San Diego</b>	<b>175,422</b>	<b>38.07%</b>
Spanish	148,745	32.28%
Arabic	11,675	2.53%
Vietnamese	9,296	2.02%
Tagalog	5,706	1.24%
<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>72,047</b>	<b>50.30%</b>
Cantonese	33,952	23.70%
Spanish	26,392	18.42%
Russian	4,647	3.24%
Vietnamese	3,534	2.47%
Tagalog	3,522	2.46%
<b>San Joaquin</b>	<b>52,532</b>	<b>27.71%</b>
Spanish	49,522	26.12%
Cambodian	3,010	1.59%
<b>San Luis Obispo</b>	<b>9,376</b>	<b>26.08%</b>
Spanish	9,376	26.08%
<b>San Mateo</b>	<b>33,596</b>	<b>41.22%</b>
Spanish	33,596	41.22%
<b>Santa Barbara</b>	<b>44,638</b>	<b>52.14%</b>
Spanish	44,638	52.14%
<b>Santa Clara</b>	<b>138,213</b>	<b>50.19%</b>
Spanish	93,334	33.89%
Vietnamese	32,410	11.77%
Mandarin	7,288	2.65%
Tagalog	5,181	1.88%
<b>Santa Cruz</b>	<b>21,698</b>	<b>47.98%</b>
Spanish	21,698	47.98%
<b>Siskiyou</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>5.09%</b>
Spanish	559	5.09%
<b>Solano</b>	<b>16,575</b>	<b>22.53%</b>
Spanish	16,575	22.53%
<b>Sonoma</b>	<b>24,008</b>	<b>35.68%</b>
Spanish	24,008	35.68%
<b>Stanislaus</b>	<b>40,199</b>	<b>27.84%</b>
Spanish	40,199	27.84%
<b>Sutter</b>	<b>5,764</b>	<b>23.07%</b>
Spanish	5,764	23.07%
<b>Tehama</b>	<b>3,389</b>	<b>18.16%</b>
Spanish	3,389	18.16%
<b>Tulare</b>	<b>72,010</b>	<b>40.88%</b>
Spanish	72,010	40.88%

<b>Ventura</b>	<b>65,369</b>	<b>48.77%</b>
Spanish	65,369	48.77%
<b>Yolo</b>	<b>11,404</b>	<b>34.72%</b>
Spanish	9,588	29.19%
Russian	1,816	5.53%
<b>Yuba</b>	<b>3,408</b>	<b>15.78%</b>
Spanish	3,408	15.78%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3,294,230</b>	<b>1561.10%</b>