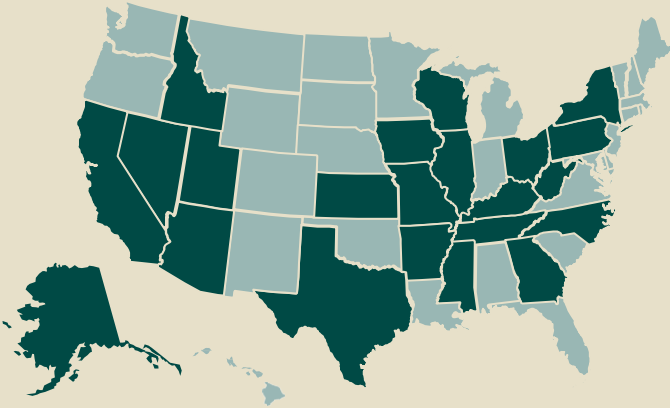




Insuring America's Children

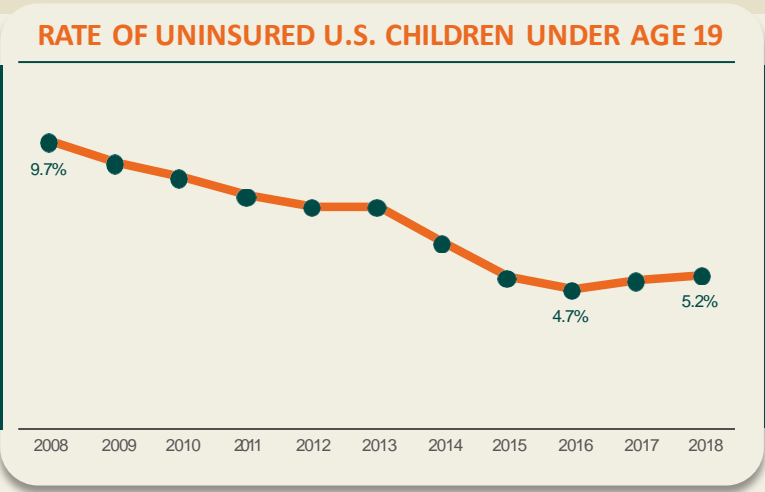
Reaching the Finish Line Initiative



THE CHILDREN, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES PROGRAM AT THE DAVID AND LUCILE PACKARD FOUNDATION strives to ensure that all children have access to high quality health care and early learning experiences. We invest in the practices, advocacy, and research that help children develop the bodies, brains and relationships they need for success in school and life. We can give our youngest children a strong start by making sure families have access to comprehensive health insurance coverage, access to quality health and nutrition services, and a system that supports children and families' well being.

Since 2007, the Packard Foundation has funded state-based advocacy organizations in support of work in states to provide health insurance coverage and access to quality health care services for children and their families.

FOR OVER A DECADE, states have made historic gains in covering children. But, with coverage rates stalling or headed in the wrong direction, we are strengthening our efforts to reach and enroll eligible children, focus on system improvements to keep them covered, and ensure that parents have health insurance, so they can keep themselves and their families healthy.



KIDS WITH COVERAGE:

- ✔ Miss less school
- ✔ Do better in school
- ✔ Graduate and attend college
- ✔ Become healthier adults
- ✔ Earn higher wages
- ✔ Pay more in taxes

Sources: Medicaid: Putting United States Children on a Path to Success Fact Sheet, Georgetown University Center for Children and Families & American Academy of Pediatrics; U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey