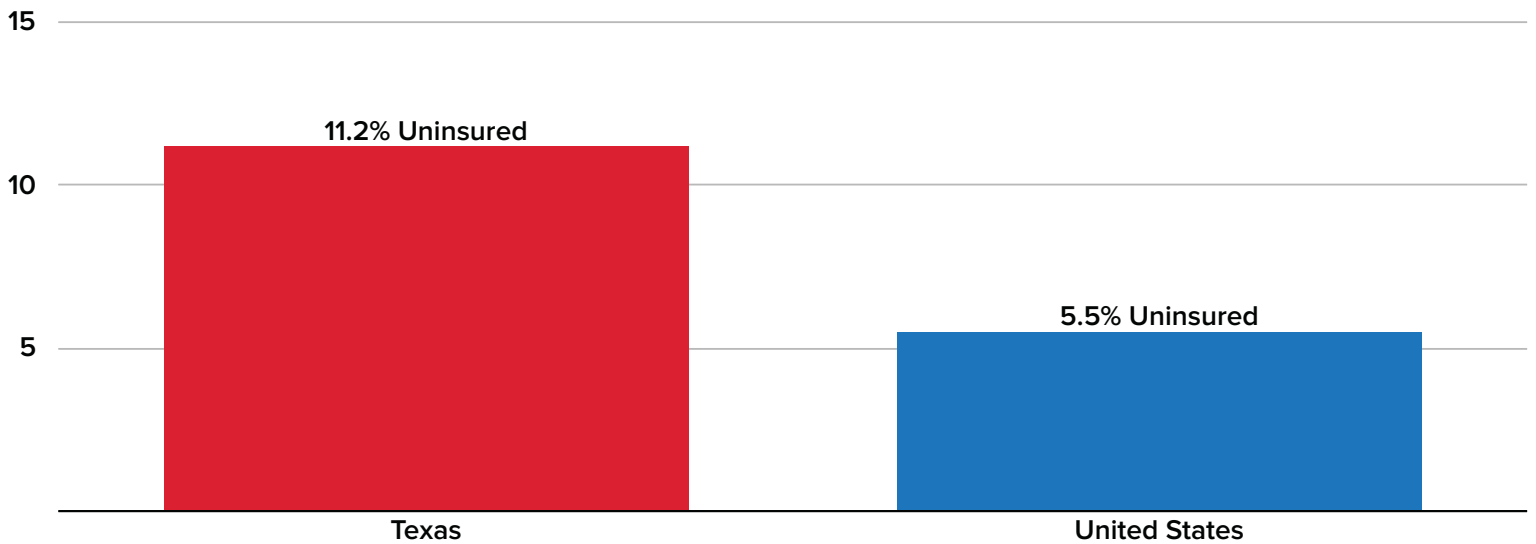




## Too Many Texas Children Lack Health Coverage

Texas has by far the worst uninsured rate for children in the nation.

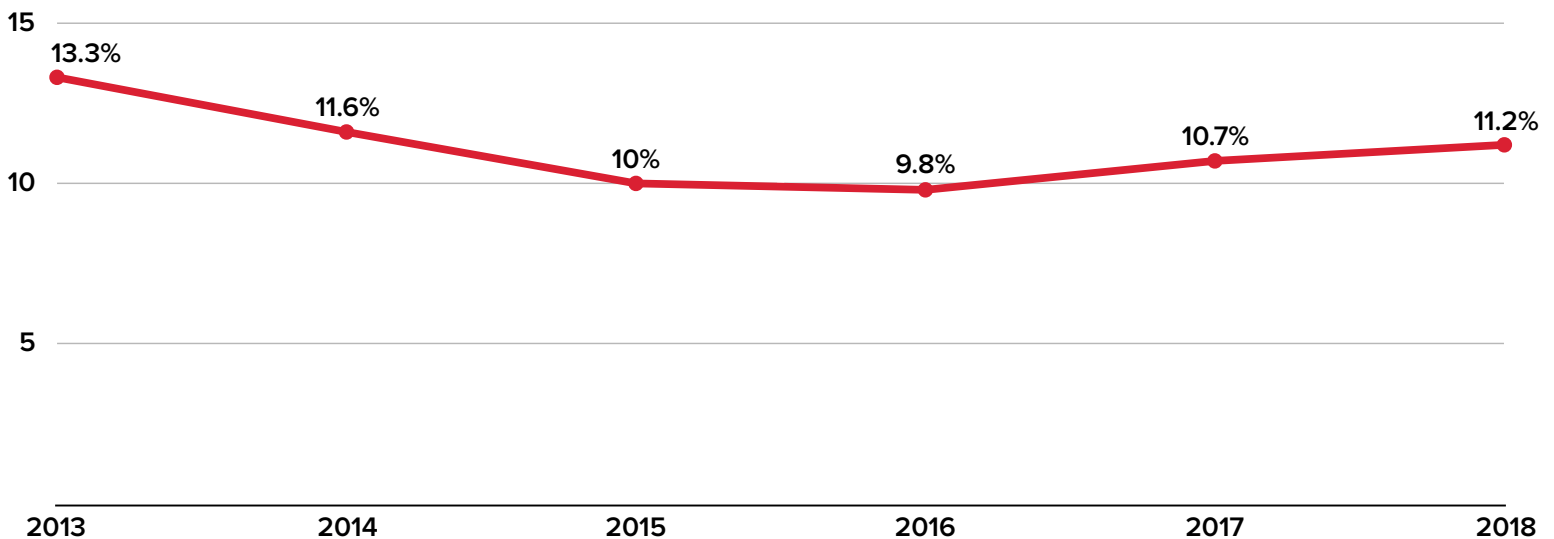
Children's Uninsured Rate, 2018



Source: US Census Bureau

And it's getting worse.

Uninsured Rate of Children in Texas

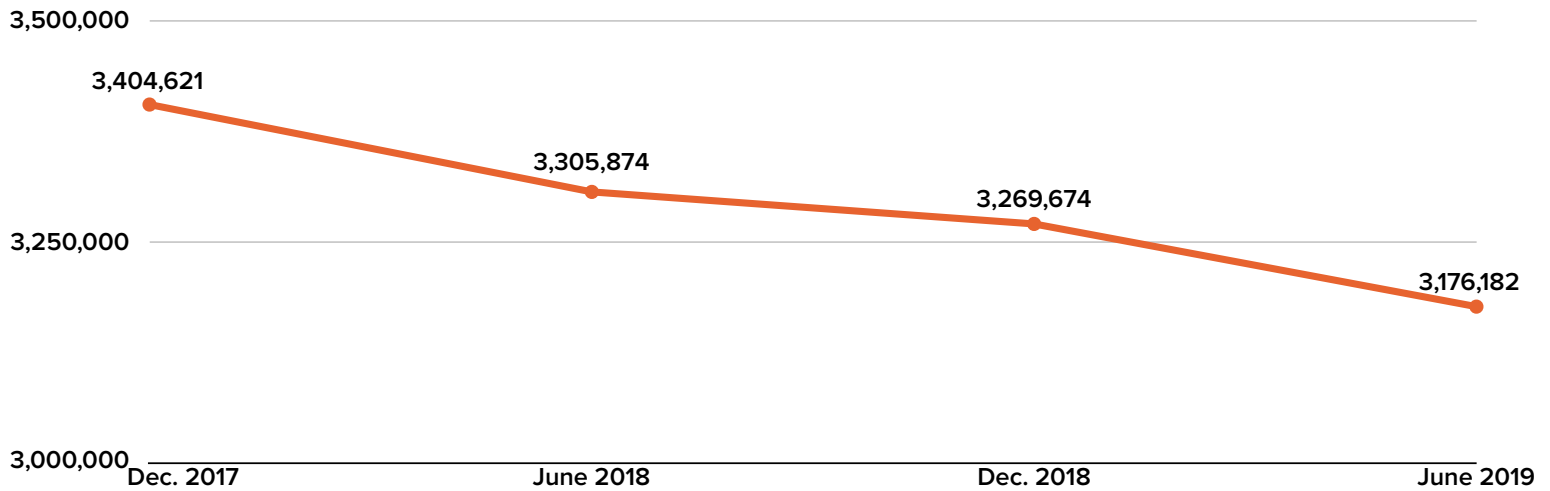


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## A big reason it's getting worse:

### Children's enrollment in Medicaid/CHIP is falling in Texas and nationwide.

Children's Enrollment in Texas Medicaid/CHIP



Source: Texas Health and Human Services Commission  
During this time period, enrollment fell by 228,000 children, a 7 percent decline.

### Causes of the spike in the children's uninsured rate include:

- ✓ Reduced funding for outreach and consumer assistance
- ✓ Fear that participation of US citizen and legal immigrant children may threaten a parent's immigration status
- ✓ Eligible children losing Medicaid coverage due to excessive red tape

The Children's Health Coverage Coalition (CHCC) was formed in 1998 (as the Texas CHIP Coalition) to work for the establishment of a strong Children's Health Insurance Program in Texas. Today, this broadbased coalition continues to work to improve access to health care for all Texas children, whether through Medicaid, CHIP, or private insurance.