Health insurance coverage is important for accessing health care and staying healthy. Nationally, approximately 11% of women aged 19–64 years were not insured for health care in 2017.¹ Lack of health care coverage for pregnant women is associated with inadequate prenatal care, which can lead to poor outcomes. It has been estimated that every dollar spent on prenatal care can save approximately $3.33 in postnatal care costs and $4.63 in long-term costs.²

¹ https://www.kff.org/womens-health-policy/fact-sheet/womens-health-insurance-coverage-fact-sheet/

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PERCENT OF UNINSURED MOTHERS IN 2018 BY RACE...BEFORE PREGNANCY:
- 10% White, non-Hispanic mothers
- 16% American Indian mothers
- 27% mothers of other races

BEING UNINSURED BEFORE PREGNANCY WAS ASSOCIATED WITH BEING:
- A mother of other races or an American Indian mother
- Hispanic
- Less years of education
- Not married
- Lower household income

Data from SD 2018 PRAMS report. See https://doh.sd.gov/statistics/prams.aspx

*Mothers could check more than one type of insurance. Insurance during pregnancy does not include mothers who did not receive prenatal care.