



FRANKLIN COUNTY

Community Health Needs Assessment 2022

OVERVIEW & METHODOLOGY

Healthy Franklin County has been proudly supporting and advancing the health of Franklin County since our inception in 2011. Healthy Franklin County's vision is to have all people achieve their full potential for health and well-being across their lifespan—a vision we carry out in our work every day through partnership and collaboration. Our group of community leaders from education, health, faith, business, non-profit and local government sectors work together to conduct a Community Health Needs Assessment every three years. The 2022 Community Health Needs Assessment highlights the challenges and opportunities for the county, which roughly 154,147 community members call home.



The Healthy Franklin County coalition promotes, strengthens and evaluates Franklin County's efforts to improve the health and well-being of all people.

HOW ARE WE DOING?

Survey data show that the health issues of Franklin County residents are strongly associated with obesity and associated indicators, such as poor eating, a lack of physical activities and poor mental health.

Additionally:



Adults are less physically active.



Suicide death rates have increased.



More than half (63%) of residents report being affected negatively by grief, loss and burnout.



African American and Hispanic/ Latino residents are disproportionately likely to be uninsured.



There are sizable income inequities. People of color earn a significantly lower median household income.



Every school district demonstrates rising economic disadvantage among children.



Franklin County is ranked 12th in the state for County Health Rankings.



Health issues related to the physical environment, including poor air quality, are significant.

DEMOGRAPHICS

- Franklin County continues to grow, with roughly one in five residents over the age of 65.
- Chambersburg and Waynesboro are the most populous cities within the county.
- Median home value (\$180,400) and median rent (\$883 monthly).
- 9.3% of Franklin Countians are living in poverty, with concentrations in urban centers.
- Median household income (\$63,379) which trails neighboring counties and is consistent with Pennsylvania income (\$61,744).

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Indicator	Franklin County						Trends
	1996	2008	2012	2015	2019	2022	
Adult e-cigarette vaping (% current vapers)				4%	7%	2%	
Did not receive health care because of a lack of transportation					5%	3%	
Used illegal drugs in past year				3%	4%	4%	
Fell behind paying rent or mortgage				6%		6%	
Did not receive health care in past year because of cost		11%	12%	7%	8%	6%	
Skipped or reduced meals						8%	
Ate fast food three or more days in past week				13%	12%	9%	
PHQ-8 current depression indicator-currently depressed				8%	11%	10%	
Experienced any unfair treatment b/c of race, ethnicity or cultural background					9%	10%	
No health insurance any time during past year (ages 18 - 64)					19%	10%	
Experienced a reduction in pay					13%	12%	
Does not get needed social and emotional support		7%		11%	8%	12%	
Adult smoking (% current smokers)		20%	20%	17%	16%	13%	
Poor or fair health		14%			18%	13%	
Uninsured (% of pop. under age 65 without health insurance)					14%	13%	
Binge drinking behavior		12%	12%	8%	12%	14%	
Has a high-deductible health plan					18%	16%	
Needs help reading health materials at least occasionally						16%	
Does not have a personal physician		8%	18%	13%	13%	17%	
Used marijuana one or more days in past month						21%	
Experienced any trauma symptoms						21%	
Does not believe vaccines are generally safe and effective						22%	
No routine check-up with doctor in past 12 months			27%	30%	31%	24%	
Economic hardships (one or more)				30%	32%	28%	
COVID negatively impacted family finances						29%	
Stressed about recent loss of a loved one					32%	30%	
Has not seen a dentist in past year			29%	35%	28%	31%	
Has not received COVID vaccine						33%	
Did not participate in physical activities or exercise in past month		27%	26%	26%	37%	35%	
At least one day mental health was not good in past month		29%	34%	29%	34%	40%	
COVID negatively impacted mental health						44%	
At least one day physical health was not good in past month		36%	39%	39%	44%	45%	
Stressed about money worries					46%	47%	
No strength training in past month				59%	60%	57%	
One or more days with depressive symptoms in past two weeks				52%	62%	62%	
BMI: Overweight and Obese		63%	66%	64%	73%	72%	
Experienced any symptoms of not getting enough sleep						72%	
Did not exercise 30 minutes on five days in past week			75%	83%	80%	80%	

Note: The CHNA uses a combination of primary and secondary data sources to measure health indicators. Both primary and secondary data sources used are statistically relevant and reflect the health needs of Franklin County residents.

Get Involved

We need your help! Are you interested in getting involved with Healthy Franklin County? Contact us to learn more or to receive Healthy Franklin County communications.

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