Community Health Assessment: County Snapshot

Moving Toward a Healthier Cherokee County

Based on the 2019 County Health Rankings, Cherokee County is ranked 29th out of 46 counties in South Carolina for health outcomes, which measures length and quality of life, and is ranked 28th for health factors, which measures health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic factors, and physical environment.

Cherokee County Demographics

Population = 57,105, a 3.1% increase from 2010

- non-Hispanic White: 73.6%
- non-Hispanic Black: 21.0%
- Hispanic/Latino: 4.4%

- 60% aged 18 - 64
- 16% aged < 18
- 24% aged 65+

- 82.5% graduated high school in 2018
- 18.1% of the population had a disability
- Median Household Income = $35,286
- 4.9% unemployment rate
Leading Causes of Death

- Heart Disease
- Cancer
- Influenza and Pneumonia

Access to Healthcare

Insurance Status Among Adults 18-64, 2017

- 82.5% Insured
- 17.5% Uninsured

16.5% of adults delayed medical care due to cost

5.9 Primary care physicians per 10,000 residents

7,583 avoidable emergency department visits per 100,000

1,560 avoidable inpatient hospitalizations per 100,000

Maternal and Infant Health

- 13.0% of infants were born prior to 37 weeks

- Infant mortality rate was 6.7 deaths per 1,000 live births

Percent of Mothers Receiving Adequate Prenatal Care, 2015-2017

- 74.1% Adequate Prenatal Care
- 25.9% Inadequate Prenatal Care
Infectious Disease

STD incidence rate of 1043.7 per 100,000 residents for chlamydia, gonorrhea, and infectious syphilis. 69% of individuals with HIV are virally suppressed.

Chronic Disease and Risk Factors

462.4
All cancer incidence rate per 100,000 residents.

10-Year Stroke Mortality Rate
Rate per 100,000 population

South Carolina: 22.2
Cherokee: 20.6

49.4%
of Cherokee county adults were obese.

Smoking Status Among Adults

Smoker: 31.6%
Non-smoker: 68.4%

Maternal and Infant Health

11.9% of babies were born at a low birthweight.

63.4% of mothers initiated breastfeeding at birth.

Teen Birth Rate (15-19 Years)
Rate per 1,000 females

Cherokee: 38.4
South Carolina: 23.8
### Injury

19.3 motor vehicle crash deaths per 100,000 residents\(^1\)

The 5-year injury death rate is 76.0 deaths per 100,000 residents\(^1\)

### Behavioral Health

6.6% of adults reported binge drinking\(^7\)

The 5-year drug overdose death rate is 6.2 deaths per 100,000 residents\(^14\)

#### Depression Among Adults\(^7\)

- Depression: 26.3%
- No Depression: 73.7%

### Cross-Cutting

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**Gini Value:** A measure of income inequality from 0 (perfect equality) to 1 (perfect inequality)\(^3\)

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