Moving Toward a Healthier Georgetown County

Based on the 2019 County Health Rankings, Georgetown County is ranked 22nd out of 46 counties in South Carolina for health outcomes, which measures length and quality of life, and is ranked 14th for health factors, which measures health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic factors, and physical environment.

Georgetown County Demographics

Population = 61,607 a 2.4% increase from 2010

- Non-Hispanic White: 64.4%
- Non-Hispanic Black: 31.6%
- Hispanic/Latino: 3.1%

- < 18: 27%
- 18 - 64: 54%
- 65+: 19%

- 86.2% graduated high school in 2018
- 15.9% of the population had a disability
- Median Household Income = $46,967
- 5.5% unemployment rate
Leading Causes of Death

Access to Healthcare

Insurance Status Among Adults 18-64, 2017

- **15.5%** of adults delayed medical care due to cost

**12.6** primary care physicians per 10,000 residents

- **6,145** avoidable emergency department visits per 100,000
- **1,404** avoidable inpatient hospitalizations per 100,000

Maternal and Infant Health

- **11.7%** of infants were born prior to 37 weeks

- Infant mortality rate was **8.0 deaths per 1,000 live births**
Infectious Disease

STD incidence rate of 954.4 per 100,000 residents for chlamydia, gonorrhea, and infectious syphilis\(^\text{11}\)  
60% of individuals with HIV are virally suppressed\(^\text{11}\)

Chronic Disease and Risk Factors

462.8  
All cancer incidence rate per 100,000 residents\(^\text{12}\)

31.7%  
Of Georgetown county adults were obese\(^\text{13}\)

10-Year Stroke Mortality Rate\(^\text{10**}\)  
Rate per 100,000 population

South Carolina: 22.2
Georgetown: 21.0

Smoking Status Among Adults\(^\text{7}\)

21.0% Smoker
79.0% Non-smoker

Maternal and Infant Health

10.7% of babies were born at a low birthweight\(^\text{9}\)

70.3% of mothers initiated breastfeeding at birth\(^\text{1}\)

Teen Birth Rate (15-19 Years)\(^\text{9}\)  
Rate per 1,000 females

Georgetown: 21.6
South Carolina: 23.8
**Injury**

- 23.0 motor vehicle crash deaths per 100,000 residents\(^4\)
- The 5-year injury death rate is 86.1 deaths per 100,000 residents\(^1\)

**Behavioral Health**

- 16.2% of adults reported binge drinking\(^7\)
- The 5-year drug overdose death rate is 35.1 deaths per 100,000 residents\(^4\)

**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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