

# Maine Shared Community Health Needs Assessment County Summary: 2015

Franklin County

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## Qualitative Stakeholder Input

A survey of 46 health professionals and community stakeholders in Franklin County provided insight into the most critical health issues and determinants impacting the lives of those living in the area. According to these stakeholders, the following five health issues and health factors have the most impact on Franklin County resulting in poor health outcomes for residents.

### Top five health issues

- Obesity
- Drug and alcohol abuse
- Physical activity and nutrition
- Cardiovascular diseases
- Mental health

### Top five health factors

- Poverty
- Transportation
- Employment
- Food security
- Access to behavioral care/mental health care


Maine Shared CHNA Health Indicators	Year	Franklin	Trend	Maine	U.S.
<b>Demographics</b>					
Total Population	2013	30,495		1,328,302	319 Mil
Population – % ages 0-17	2013	18.7%		19.7%	23.3%
Population – % ages 18-64	2013	62.6%		62.6%	62.6%
Population – % ages 65+	2013	18.7%		17.7%	14.1%
Population – % White	2013	97.2%		95.2%	77.7%
Population – % Black or African American	2013	0.4%		1.4%	13.2%
Population – % American Indian and Alaska Native	2013	0.4%		0.7%	1.2%
Population – % Asian	2013	0.6%		1.1%	5.3%
Population – % Hispanic	2013	1.2%		1.4%	17.1%
Population – % with a disability	2013	17.9%		15.9%	12.1%
Population density (per square mile)	2013	18.1		43.1	87.4
<b>Socioeconomic Status Measures</b>					
Individuals living in poverty	2009-2013	15.6%	NA	13.6%	15.4%
Children living in poverty	2009-2013	19.9%	NA	18.5%	21.6%
High school graduation rate	2013-2014	89.6%	NA	86.5%	81.0%
Median household income	2009-2013	\$41,626	NA	\$48,453	\$53,046
Percentage of people living in rural areas	2013	100.0%	NA	66.4%	NA
Single-parent families	2009-2013	39.4%	NA	34.0%	33.2%
Unemployment rate	2014	6.6%	NA	5.7%	6.2%
65+ living alone	2009-2013	31.8%	NA	41.2%	37.7%
<b>General Health Status</b>					
Adults who rate their health fair to poor	2011-2013	15.9%		15.6%	16.7%
Adults with 14+ days lost due to poor mental health	2011-2013	11.9%		12.4%	NA
Adults with 14+ days lost due to poor physical health	2011-2013	14.1%		13.1%	NA
Adults with three or more chronic conditions	2011, 2013	29.9%		27.6%	NA
<b>Mortality</b>					
Life expectancy (Female)	2012	80.7	NA	81.5	81.2
Life expectancy (Male)	2012	77.2	NA	76.7	76.4
Overall mortality rate per 100,000 population	2009-2013	758.0	NA	745.8	731.9
<b>Access</b>					
Adults with a usual primary care provider	2011-2013	87.8%		87.7%	76.6%
Individuals who are unable to obtain or delay obtaining necessary medical care due to cost	2011-2013	12.8%		11.0%	15.3%
MaineCare enrollment	2015	27.8%	NA	27.0%	23.0%
Percent of children ages 0-19 enrolled in MaineCare	2015	42.8%	NA	41.8%	48.0%


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Percent uninsured	2009-2013	11.6%	NA	10.4%	11.7%
<b>Health Care Quality</b>					
Ambulatory care-sensitive condition hospital admission rate per 100,000 population	2011	1,741.7		1,499.3	1457.5
Ambulatory care-sensitive condition emergency department rate per 100,000 population	2011	4,301.9	NA	4,258.8	NA
<b>Oral Health</b>					
Adults with visits to a dentist in the past 12 months	2012	58.5%	NA	65.3%	67.2%
MaineCare members under 18 with a visit to the dentist in the past year	2014	56.2%	NA	55.1%	NA
<b>Respiratory</b>					
Asthma emergency department visits per 10,000 population	2009-2011	58.0	–	67.3	NA
COPD diagnosed	2011-2013	9.0%		7.6%	6.5%
COPD hospitalizations per 100,000 population	2011	264.8		216.3	NA
Current asthma (Adults)	2011-2013	12.7%		11.7%	9.0%
Current asthma (Youth 0-17)	2011-2013	9.8%†	NA	9.1%	NA
Pneumonia emergency department rate per 100,000 population	2011	611.1		719.9	NA
Pneumonia hospitalizations per 100,000 population	2011	420.5		329.4	NA
<b>Cancer</b>					
Mortality – all cancers per 100,000 population	2007-2011	182.9	NA	185.5	168.7
Incidence – all cancers per 100,000 population	2007-2011	452.9	NA	500.1	453.4
Bladder cancer incidence per 100,000 population	2007-2011	31.2	NA	28.3	20.2
Female breast cancer mortality per 100,000 population	2007-2011	18.0	NA	20.0	21.5
Breast cancer late-stage incidence (females only) per 100,000 population	2007-2011	35.9	NA	41.6	43.7
Female breast cancer incidence per 100,000 population	2007-2011	118.4	NA	126.3	124.1
Mammograms females age 50+ in past two years	2012	81.4%	NA	82.1%	77.0%
Colorectal cancer mortality per 100,000 population	2007-2011	24.8	NA	16.1	15.1
Colorectal late-stage incidence per 100,000 population	2007-2011	21.4	NA	22.7	22.9
Colorectal cancer incidence per 100,000 population	2007-2011	45.6	NA	43.5	42.0
Colorectal screening	2012	69.6%	NA	72.2%	NA
Lung cancer mortality per 100,000 population	2007-2011	55.6	NA	54.3	46.0
Lung cancer incidence per 100,000 population	2007-2011	67.6	NA	75.5	58.6
Melanoma incidence per 100,000 population	2007-2011	16.1	NA	22.2	21.3
Pap smears females ages 21-65 in past three years	2012	NA	NA	88.0%	78.0%
Prostate cancer mortality per 100,000 population	2007-2011	18.6	NA	22.1	20.8
Prostate cancer incidence per 100,000 population	2007-2011	133.8	NA	133.8	140.8
Tobacco-related neoplasms, mortality per 100,000 population	2007-2011	31.9	NA	37.4	34.3
Tobacco-related neoplasms, incidence per 100,000 population	2007-2011	82.3	NA	91.9	81.7
<b>Cardiovascular Disease</b>					
Acute myocardial infarction hospitalizations per 10,000 population	2010-2012	20.6		23.5	NA
Acute myocardial infarction mortality per 100,000 population	2009-2013	36.4	NA	32.2	32.4
Cholesterol checked every five years	2011, 2013	79.3%		81.0%	76.4%
Coronary heart disease mortality per 100,000 population	2009-2013	82.0	NA	89.8	102.6
Heart failure hospitalizations per 10,000 population	2010-2012	24.4		21.9	NA
Hypertension prevalence	2011, 2013	30.6%		32.8%	31.4%
High cholesterol	2011, 2013	44.6%		40.3%	38.4%
Hypertension hospitalizations per 100,000 population	2011	15.3		28.0	NA
Stroke hospitalizations per 10,000 population	2010-2012	22.7		20.8	NA

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Stroke mortality per 100,000 population	2009-2013	38.0	NA	35.0	36.2
<b>Diabetes</b>					
Diabetes prevalence (ever been told)	2011-2013	9.1%		9.6%	9.7%
Pre-diabetes prevalence	2011-2013	4.7%†	NA	6.9%	NA
Adults with diabetes who have eye exam annually	2011-2013	NA	NA	71.2%	NA
Adults with diabetes who have foot exam annually	2011-2013	NA	NA	83.3%	NA
Adults with diabetes who have had an A1C test twice per year	2011-2013	NA	NA	73.2%	NA
Adults with diabetes who have received formal diabetes education	2011-2013	NA	NA	60.0%	55.8%
Diabetes emergency department visits (principal diagnosis) per 100,000 population	2011	236.8		235.9	NA
Diabetes hospitalizations (principal diagnosis) per 10,000 population	2010-2012	18.1		11.7	NA
Diabetes long-term complication hospitalizations	2011	80.3		59.1	NA
Diabetes mortality (underlying cause) per 100,000 population	2009-2013	23.9	NA	20.8	21.2
<b>Environmental Health</b>					
Children with confirmed elevated blood lead levels (% among those screened)	2009-2013	2.3%	NA	2.5%	NA
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Homes with private wells tested for arsenic	2009, 2012	26.7%	NA	43.3%	NA
Lead screening among children age 12-23 months	2009-2013	70.9%	NA	49.2%	NA
Lead screening among children age 24-35 months	2009-2013	52.8%	NA	27.6%	NA
<b>Immunization</b>					
Adults immunized annually for influenza	2011-2013	37.0%		41.5%	NA
Adults immunized for pneumococcal pneumonia (ages 65 and older)	2011-2013	74.5%	NA	72.4%	69.5%
Immunization exemptions among kindergarteners for philosophical reasons	2015	4.2%	NA	3.7%	NA
Two-year-olds up to date with "Series of Seven Immunizations" 4-3-1-3-3-1-4	2015	81.0%	NA	75.0%	NA
<b>Infectious Disease</b>					
Hepatitis A (acute) incidence per 100,000 population	2014	0.0†	NA	0.6	0.4
Hepatitis B (acute) incidence per 100,000 population	2014	3.3†	NA	0.9	0.9
Hepatitis C (acute) incidence per 100,000 population	2014	0.0†	NA	2.3	0.7
Incidence of past or present hepatitis C virus (HCV) per 100,000 population	2014	82.5	NA	107.1	NA
Incidence of newly reported chronic hepatitis B virus (HBV) per 100,000 population	2014	9.9†	NA	8.1	NA
Lyme disease incidence per 100,000 population	2014	33.0†	NA	105.3	10.5
Pertussis incidence per 100,000 population	2014	165.0	NA	41.9	10.3
Tuberculosis incidence per 100,000 population	2014	0.0†	NA	1.1	3.0
<b>STD/HIV</b>					
AIDS incidence per 100,000 population	2014	0.0†	NA	2.1	8.4
Chlamydia incidence per 100,000 population	2014	214.5	NA	265.5	452.2
Gonorrhea incidence per 100,000 population	2014	16.5†	NA	17.8	109.8
HIV incidence per 100,000 population	2014	0.0†	NA	4.4	11.2
HIV/AIDS hospitalization rate per 100,000 population	2011	21.6		21.4	NA
Syphilis incidence per 100,000 population	2014	0.0†	NA	1.6	19.9
<b>Intentional Injury</b>					
Domestic assaults reports to police per 100,000 population	2013	540.6	NA	413.0	NA
Firearm deaths per 100,000 population	2009-2013	8.9†	NA	9.2	10.4

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Intentional self-injury (Youth)	2013	NA	NA	17.9%	NA
Lifetime rape/non-consensual sex (among females)	2013	NA	NA	11.3%	NA
Nonfatal child maltreatment per 1,000 population	2013	NA	NA	14.6	9.1
Reported rape per 100,000 population	2013	19.7+	NA	27.0	25.2
Suicide deaths per 100,000 population	2009-2013	9.9+	NA	15.2	12.6
Violence by current or former intimate partners in past 12 months (among females)	2013	NA	NA	0.8%	NA
Violent crime rate per 100,000 population	2013	131.1	NA	125.0	368
<b>Unintentional Injury</b>					
Always wear seatbelt (Adults)	2013	81.9%		85.2%	NA
Always wear seatbelt (High School Students)	2013	NA		61.6%	54.7%
Traumatic brain injury related emergency department visits (all intents) per 10,000 population	2011	71.5	NA	81.4	NA
Unintentional and undetermined intent poisoning deaths per 100,000 population	2009-2013	6.9+	NA	11.1	13.2
Unintentional fall related deaths per 100,000 population	2009-2013	7.2+	NA	6.8	8.5
Unintentional fall related injury emergency department visits per 10,000 population	2011	431.0	NA	361.3	NA
Unintentional motor vehicle traffic crash related deaths per 100,000 population	2009-2013	17.7	NA	10.8	10.5
<b>Occupational Health</b>					
Deaths from work-related injuries (number)	2013	NA	NA	19	4,585
Nonfatal occupational injuries (number)	2013	145	NA	13,205	NA
<b>Mental Health</b>					
Adults who have ever had anxiety	2011-2013	17.4%		19.4%	NA
Adults who have ever had depression	2011-2013	22.5%		23.5%	18.7%
Adults with current symptoms of depression	2011-2013	9.8%		10.0%	NA
Adults currently receiving outpatient mental health treatment	2011-2013	14.0%		17.7%	NA
Co-morbidity for persons with mental illness	2011, 2013	NA	NA	35.2%	NA
Mental health emergency department rates per 100,000 population	2011	1,568.5		1,972.1	NA
Sad/hopeless for two weeks in a row (High School Students)	2013	NA		24.3%	29.9%
Seriously considered suicide (High School Students)	2013	NA		14.6%	17.0%
<b>Physical Activity, Nutrition and Weight</b>					
Fewer than two hours combined screen time (High School Students)	2013	NA	NA	33.9%	NA
Fruit and vegetable consumption (High School Students)	2013	NA	NA	16.8%	NA
Fruit consumption among Adults 18+ (less than one serving per day)	2013	37.8%	NA	34.0%	39.2%
Met physical activity recommendations (Adults)	2013	55.5%		53.4%	50.8%
Physical activity for at least 60 minutes per day on five of the past seven days (High School Students)	2013	NA	NA	43.7%	47.3%
Sedentary lifestyle – no leisure-time physical activity in past month (Adults)	2011-2013	23.8%		22.4%	25.3%
Soda/sports drink consumption (High School Students)	2013	NA	NA	26.2%	27.0%
Vegetable consumption among Adults 18+ (less than one serving per day)	2013	21.0%	NA	17.9%	22.9%
Obesity (Adults)	2013	29.0%		28.9%	29.4%
Obesity (High School Students)	2013	NA		12.7%	13.7%
Overweight (Adults)	2013	35.0%		36.0%	35.4%
Overweight (High School Students)	2013	NA		16.0%	16.6%
<b>Pregnancy and Birth Outcomes</b>					
Children with special health care needs	2009-2010	NA	NA	23.6%	19.8%

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Infant deaths per 1,000 live births	2003-2012	6.9	NA	6.0	6.0
Live births for which the mother received early and adequate prenatal care	2010-2012	84.4%	NA	86.4%	84.8%
Live births to 15-19 year olds per 1,000 population	2010-2012	21.8	NA	20.5	26.5
Low birth weight (<2500 grams)	2010-2012	7.7%	NA	6.6%	8.0%
<b>Substance and Alcohol Abuse</b>					
Alcohol-induced mortality per 100,000 population	2009-2013	7.5 <sup>†</sup>	NA	8.0	8.2
Binge drinking of alcoholic beverages (High School Students)	2013	NA		14.8%	20.8%
Binge drinking of alcoholic beverages (Adults)	2011-2013	18.0%		17.4%	16.8%
Chronic heavy drinking (Adults)	2011-2013	7.5%		7.3%	6.2%
Drug-affected baby referrals received as a percentage of all live births	2014	2.8%	NA	7.8%	NA
Drug-induced mortality per 100,000 population	2009-2013	NA	NA	12.4	14.6
Emergency medical service overdose response per 100,000 population	2014	217.9	NA	391.5	NA
Opiate poisoning (ED visits) per 100,000 population	2009-2011	18.7		25.1	NA
Opiate poisoning (hospitalizations) per 100,000 population	2009-2011	8.8		13.2	NA
Past-30-day alcohol use (High School Students)	2013	NA		26.0%	34.9%
Past-30-day inhalant use (High School Students)	2013	NA		3.2%	NA
Past-30-day marijuana use (Adults)	2011-2013	4.9% <sup>†</sup>	NA	8.2%	NA
Past-30-day marijuana use (High School Students)	2013	NA		21.6%	23.4%
Past-30-day nonmedical use of prescription drugs (Adult)	2011-2013	NA	NA	1.1%	NA
Past-30-day nonmedical use of prescription drugs (High School Students)	2013	NA		5.6%	NA
Prescription Monitoring Program opioid prescriptions (days supply/pop)	2014-2015	6.8	NA	6.8	NA
Substance-abuse hospital admissions per 100,000 population	2011	205.9		328.1	NA
<b>Tobacco Use</b>					
Current smoking (Adults)	2011-2013	20.3% <sup>†</sup>		20.2%	19.0%
Current smoking (High School Students)	2013	NA		12.9%	15.7%
Current tobacco use (High School Students)	2013	NA	NA	18.2%	22.4%
Secondhand smoke exposure (Youth)	2013	NA		38.3%	NA

 Indicates county is significantly better than state average (using a 95% confidence level).

 Indicates county is significantly worse than state average (using a 95% confidence level).

+ Indicates an improvement in the indicator over time at the county level (using a 95% confidence level)

– Indicates a worsening in the indicator over time at the county level (using a 95% confidence level)

† Results may be statistically unreliable due to small numerator, use caution when interpreting.

NA = No data available