



2005 COMMUNITY REPORT CARD

Here's how we look

The purpose of the report card is to show you how our community “stacks up” when we look at our health and well-being.

Trends are represented by symbols: **I** Indicates we are Improving. **W** Indicates things are Getting Worse. \leftrightarrow Indicates little or no change over time. **NA** Indicates a trend is not currently available.

Degree of Concern is represented by:

1 – Concerned

3 – Very Concerned

5 – Most Concerned

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING INDICATOR

TREND & CONCERN

OUR ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE

Estimate of uninsured adults and children - <i>The lack of sufficient health insurance coverage is a barrier to good health care.</i>	NA	3
Access to health care providers – <i>The non-acceptance of insurance plans (Medicaid & Family/Child Health Plus) and lack of local specialists can impact access to health care.</i>	W	5

OUR ECONOMY

Poverty – <i>The poverty rate measures the percent of people considered to have too little household income to meet basic needs.</i>	I	3
Median Family Income – <i>How families are faring financially.</i>	I	3
Unemployment – <i>The unemployment rate is one indication of the state of the economy.</i>	I	1
Homelessness/At Risk for Homelessness – <i>Estimating homelessness provides insight into the economy, health and overall welfare of a community's residents.</i>	W	3

OUR HEALTH

Infant Mortality - <i>The number of deaths under one year of age. This is one of the most widely used indicators to look at the health and welfare of a population.</i>	I	3
Prenatal Care - <i>Early care of pregnant women helps in the births of healthy infants.</i>	I	1
Oral Health of Children - <i>Poor oral and dental health impacts children's overall physical health and ability to function well in school.</i>	W	5
Hospitalizations for Asthma - <i>Managing this serious disease is very difficult.</i>	I	3
Heart Disease Deaths - <i>Threats to our health are identified by leading causes of death.</i>	I	3
Hospitalizations for Unintentional Injuries - <i>These injuries may result in temporary or permanent disability or eventual death.</i>	W	3
Drug-related Hospitalizations – <i>These crises help to reflect drug use and abuse.</i>	W	3
Alcohol-related Deaths and Injuries – <i>Indicator of serious alcohol abuse.</i>	I	3

**HEALTH AND WELL-BEING INDICATOR****TREND & CONCERN**

Hospitalizations for Self-inflicted Injuries - <i>These injuries reflect suicide attempts, self-directed violence and mental health status.</i>	W	3
Overweight and obesity - <i>Overweight and obesity place increasing numbers of persons at risk.</i>	NA	5
Use of Tobacco/Smoking - <i>Tobacco use is the most frequent underlying cause of death.</i>	↔	3

OUR FAMILIES

Teen Pregnancy - <i>Teen parents face social, financial and emotional burdens.</i>	I	5
Foster Care - <i>Children ages birth to 21 removed from their homes and placed in out-of-home care.</i>	I	3
School Drop-out - <i>The lack of a high school degree puts youth at a great disadvantage socially and economically.</i>	↔	3
Child Abuse and Neglect - <i>Abused and neglected children can suffer long-term emotional and social problems.</i>	W	5

OUR ENVIRONMENT

Drinking Water Quality - <i>Clean water is key to good health.</i>	NA	1
Lead Poisoning - <i>Due to lead in our environment children should be screened.</i>	I	1

OUR CRIME

Violent Crime - <i>An indicator to help show criminal activity in a community.</i>	↔	5
Domestic Violence - <i>Physical crimes committed among family members.</i>	W	5
DWI - <i>Driving while intoxicated increases the risk of auto accidents, injury and death.</i>	I	3
Juvenile Arrests - <i>Violent and property crime arrests of local youth.</i>	I	3
Juvenile Arrests - Drugs - <i>Drug-related criminal wrong doing by local youth.</i>	W	3

OUR POPULATION

Estimate of the number of people living in the county	W	1
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WANT MORE INFORMATION?????

For more information about this card and the data behind these health and well-being indicators, please refer to "Community Report Card" on-line at <http://co.cayuga.ny.us/hhs/doh/reportcard> or call 315-253-1451 for a paper copy.