

2025 Community Health Needs Assessment

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Livingston Hospital is honored to serve Livingston and Crittenden counties, as well as the surrounding communities. For more than 71 years, the hospital has remained steady, dependable and firmly rooted in service by providing high-quality healthcare to the patients who rely on us. In recent years, we have continued to build on this foundation by expanding existing services and adding new specialty services to better meet the needs of those we serve.

Our mission is to provide personalized, high-quality healthcare that is responsive to the needs of the community through careful stewardship. Understanding the needs of our communities and the people we serve is central to that mission. To ensure that we remain aligned with local priorities, the hospital has partnered with other community organizations to form a steering committee dedicated to identifying health concerns, measuring the impact of current health initiatives, and guiding the effective use of our resources through the Community Health Needs Assessment.

The 2025 Community Health Needs Assessment identifies the medical and health needs of the communities we serve and outlines how Livingston Hospital plans to respond. This report reflects one of the many ways we are committed to delivering healthcare services efficiently and responsibly.

We invite you to review the 2025 Community Health Needs Assessment and the implementation strategies outlined in this report. Your insight and feedback are invaluable as we continue working to strengthen the health of our communities. We welcome your thoughts, questions, and suggestions, and encourage you to share them with us as we refine our efforts and plan for the future.

Thank you for the trust you place in Livingston Hospital every day. Together, we will continue working to improve the health and well-being of the residents of Livingston and Crittenden counties and the surrounding areas. **TOGETHER, we can build healthier communities for all.**

Sincerely,

Shane Whittington
Chief Executive Officer
Livingston Hospital

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Introduction

Established in 1954 as the Salem Community Medical Building, Inc. by the Salem Lions Club and a group of civic and community-minded citizens, the hospital was built to support Dr. Roscoe Faulkner in his efforts to meet the health care needs of the residents of Livingston, Crittenden and Lyon counties. More than 65 years later, Livingston Hospital is a licensed 25-bed Critical Access Hospital with a solid reputation and rich history of providing high quality, compassionate care to the people of the surrounding communities.

The hospital is supported by exceptional medical staff, dedicated employees and friendly volunteers who help ensure that we are offering inpatient and outpatient services needed to keep care close to home.

In January 2022, Livingston Hospital entered into an affiliation agreement with Deaconess Health System, Evansville, IN, to manage and provide additional support for services, and we look forward to the enhancements this partnership will bring to our hospital and our patients.

MISSION

To provide personalized, high quality healthcare, responsive to the needs of the community through careful stewardship.

VISION

To partner with our patients on their individual health needs so that our overall community will be healthier.

VALUES

The following values are important to us as we work toward completion of our mission:

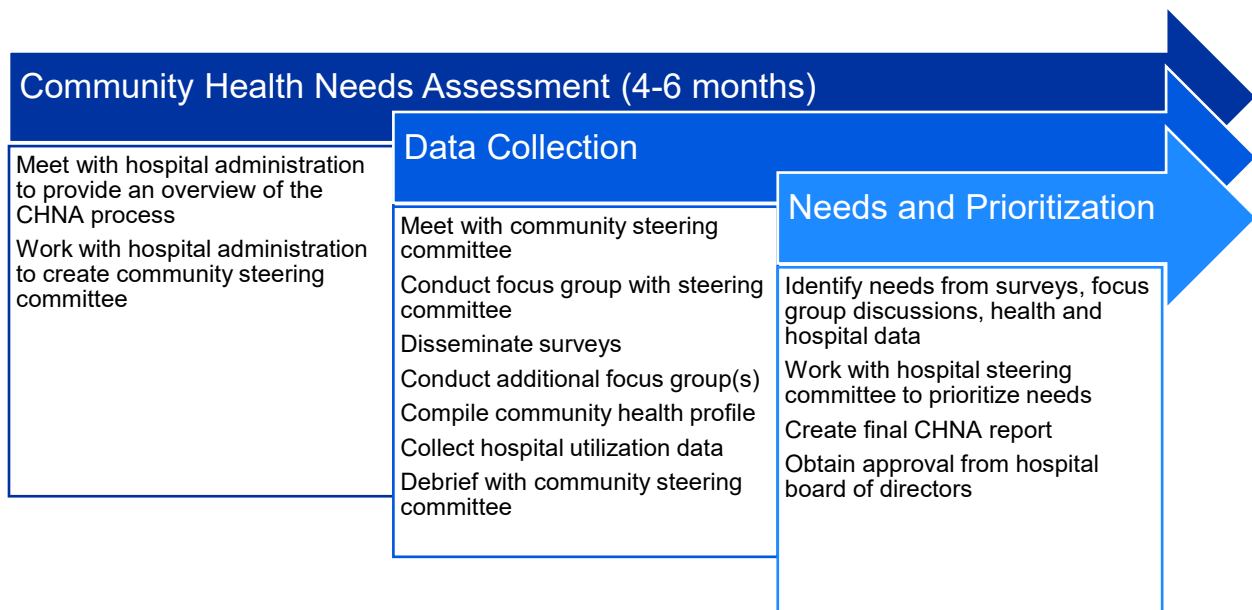
Integrity, Compassion, Accountability, Respect, and Excellence.

CHNA Process

Livingston Hospital contracted Blueprint Kentucky in the summer of 2025 to conduct a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) for the facility in accordance with the Affordable Care Act. The Affordable Care Act, enacted March 23, 2010, added requirements that hospital organizations must satisfy in order to be described in section 501(c)(3), as well as reporting and excise taxes.

The IRS requires hospital organizations to complete a CHNA and adopt an implementation strategy at least once every three years. This CHNA was the fifth prepared by Blueprint Kentucky for this organization; prior reports were completed in 2013, 2016, 2019, and 2022.

Here is an overview of the CHNA process that Blueprint Kentucky uses based on the IRS guidelines:



2022

Community Health Needs... addressed!

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The new Clifton and Thelma Jo Arflack Therapy Center.

FROM OUR CEO...

"Opening the new Clifton and Thelma Jo Arflack Therapy Center has been a tremendous milestone for Livingston Hospital. This space was thoughtfully designed to give our patients easier access, plenty of room to move and the benefit of brand-new technology and equipment. We are truly grateful for the generosity that made this center possible, and I'm excited for the difference it will make in the health and well-being of our community for years to come."

"In 2024, we announced our intention to build a new, modern, and efficient hospital facility that will serve our communities for generations to come. This project will allow us to expand and enhance critical services, bringing many specialties that our patients currently travel long distances to receive right here to Livingston Hospital. This investment ensures we will continue providing access to high-quality care close to home while expanding the depth, convenience, and availability of the services our communities rely on."



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✓ Goal One: Mental Health

The hospital has taken steps by combatting mental health issues in our service area. The hospital has hired two full time Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioners and a Licensed Professional Health Counselor.

The hospital also offers its employees an Employee Assistance Program that provides short-term counseling for issues.

✓ Goal Two: Increase Specialties

The hospital has added the following specialties:

- Cardiology
- Orthopedics
- Podiatry
- Psychiatric Mental Health

The hospital now offers the following services:

- 3D Mammography
- MRI
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech Therapy

✓ Goal Three: Marketing

The hospital has used its affiliation with Deaconess to increase marketing and promoting benefits. Deaconess marketing team designs professional items to promote services and providers. They manage the website and social media platforms to ensure everything is professionally done.

Our facility conducts a Community Health Needs Assessment every three years.

We are excited to share our progress from the last assessment, as we prioritize our next goals based on recent community input.

Thank you for your continued support of Livingston Hospital.

Shane Whittington
Livingston Hospital CEO

Community Served by Livingston Hospital

Livingston Hospital determined its defined service area for this Community Health Needs Assessment as Livingston, Crittenden and Lyon counties in the Pennyriple District of Kentucky by reviewing admissions data by county of residence in 2024. In that year, 88.3% percent of Livingston Hospital outpatient admissions originated from Livingston, Crittenden, or Lyon Counties. This figure comes from the data provided by the hospital.

In this section, publicly available data are presented for Livingston, Lyon, and Crittenden Counties. These data come from the *County Health Rankings & Roadmaps* website (<https://www.countyhealthrankings.org/>), data on substance use rates come from *Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center* (<https://kiprc.uky.edu/>), and data on invasive cancer incidence are from *Kentucky Cancer Registry* (<https://www.kcr.uky.edu/>).

These data sites provide social, economic, and health data that are intended for use by communities to understand the multiple factors that influence a population's health. For more information on data sources, please see the Appendix. These data were accessed in December 2025.

Population	Livingston	Crittenden	Lyon	Kentucky	US Overall
2023 Population Estimate	8,892	8,974	9,187	4,526,154	334,914,895
Percent of Population under 18 years	20.5%	22.3%	14.0%	22.5%	21.7%
Percent of Population 65 year and older	23.1%	21.9%	23.7%	17.8%	17.7%
Percent of Population Non-Hispanic White	93.8%	94.3%	87.4%	82.4%	58.4%
Percent of Population Non-Hispanic Black	0.9%	1.3%	8.0%	8.4%	12.6%
Percent of Population Hispanic	2.6%	2.1%	2.4%	5.0%	19.5%
Percent of Population Asian	0.4%	0.3%	0.5%	1.8%	6.2%
Percent of Population American Indian & Alaska Native	0.6%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%	0.7%
Percent Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Percent of the Population not Proficient in English	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	1.3%	8.4%
Percent of the Population Female	50.7%	49.2%	40.8%	50.4%	50.5%
Percent of the Population Rural	95.3%	100.0%	100.0%	41.3%	20%

Health Outcomes	Livingston	Crittenden	Lyon	Kentucky	Top US Performers
Premature death rate (under age 75) per 100,000 pop.	13,207	13,654	8,310	11,687	8,400
Percent of live births with low birth weight	8.5%	7.6%	7.0%	8.8%	8%
Percent of population in fair/poor health	20.2%	22.9%	20.2%	20.3%	17%
Physically unhealthy days	5.1	5.2	4.6	4.5	3.9
Percent of population in frequent physical distress	14.2%	15.5%	13.5%	14.3%	12%
Mentally unhealthy days	5.7	5.6	5.1	5.0	5.1
Percent of population who are diabetic	11.5%	12.1%	12.1%	12.9%	10%
HIV prevalence rate	9	N/A	10	8,464	387

Health Behaviors	Livingston	Crittenden	Lyon	Kentucky	Top US Performers
Percent adult smokers	19.4%	20.6%	18.4%	17.6%	13%
Percent obese adults with BMI >=30	41.1%	41.0%	38.3%	38.1%	34%
Percent physically inactive adults	24.9%	27.6%	24.9%	25.1%	23%
Percent of population with access to exercise opp.	43.1%	58.6%	63.6%	69.8%	84%
Percent of adults excessively/binge drinking	15.3%	15.1%	16.4%	15.3%	19%
Percent of driving deaths due to alcohol impairment	14.3%	30.0%	28.6%	25.6%	26%
Chlamydia rate (newly diagnosed) per 100,000 pop.	178.5	189.3	87.9	406.8	495
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19) per 100,000 pop.	29	30	19	24	16
Drug overdose mortality rate per 100,000 pop.	N/A	N/A	N/A	50	31
Motor vehicle crash deaths per 100,000 pop.	30	27	N/A	17	12

Clinical Care	Livingston	Crittenden	Lyon	Kentucky	Top US Performers
Percent uninsured adults	6.5%	8.2%	9.5%	7.6%	11%
Percent uninsured children	3.8%	6.2%	6.0%	4.2%	5%
Primary care provider ratio	2986:1	2237:1	2934:1	1601:1	1310:1
Dentist ratio	8963:1	8981:1	4551:1	1502:1	1340:1
Mental health provider ratio	1482:1	8974:1	1837:1	320:1	290:1
Preventable hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 100,000 Medicare enrollees	4,491	5,954	2,270	3,336	2,666
Percent of population FFS Medicare enrollees receiving flu vaccinations	40.0%	35.0%	44.0%	46.0%	48%
Percent of female Medicare enrollees ages 65-74 receiving mammography screening	46.0%	32.0%	46.0%	43.0%	44%

Social & Economic Environment	Livingston	Crittenden	Lyon	Kentucky	US Overall
Percentage of adults ages 25 and over with a high school diploma or equivalent	89.5%	83.8%	90.1%	88.5%	89%
Percentage of ages 25-44 with some post-secondary college	56.8%	50.5%	33.7%	63.2%	68%
Percent of unemployed job-seeking population 16 years and older	5.0%	4.1%	4.4%	4.2%	3.60%
Percent of children in poverty	22.7%	26.6%	17.9%	20.2%	16%
Percent of children in single-parent households	33.1%	25.3%	14.4%	25.5%	32.6%
Median household income	\$57,586	\$53,894	\$63,989	\$61,099	\$77,700
Social association rate per 10,000 population	15.6	13.4	7.7	10.2	9.1
Injury death rate per 100,000 population	93	110	125	110	84

Physical Environment					
Average daily density of air pollution - PM 2.5	8.4	8.4	8.0	8.0	7.3
Presence of drinking water violations	Yes	No	No	N/A	N/A
Percentage of severe housing problems with at least one of the following: Overcrowding, high housing costs, or lack of kitchen or plumbing facilities	10.0%	12.3%	8.6%	12.9%	17%
Percentage of workforce driving alone to work	76.0%	72.7%	87.8%	77.8%	70%
Percentage of workforce commuting alone for more than 30 minutes	46.2%	32.3%	36.5%	30.8%	37%

Food Access					
Percentage of population who lack adequate access to food	18.4%	18.3%	17.0%	15.7%	N/A
Percentage of population who are low-income and do not live close to a grocery store	6.7%	4.8%	1.0%	6.4%	N/A
Percentage of children enrolled in public schools that are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch	57.2%	61.4%	52.3%	57.5%	55%

Substance Use Rates, Livingston	2019	2023
Any Drug-Involved Fatal Overdose, rate per 100K population	<i>Suppressed</i>	<i>Suppressed</i>
Any Drug-Involved Non-Fatal Overdose, rate per 100K population	426.3	292.4
ED Visit with a SUD Diagnosis, rate per 100K population	1,038.5	1,270.8

Substance Use Rates, Crittenden	2019	2023
Any Drug-Involved Fatal Overdose, rate per 100K population	<i>Suppressed</i>	<i>Suppressed</i>
Any Drug-Involved Non-Fatal Overdose, rate per 100K population	193.0	211.7
ED Visit with a SUD Diagnosis, rate per 100K population	1,010.6	1,337.2

Substance Use Rates, Lyon	2019	2023
Any Drug-Involved Fatal Overdose, rate per 100K population	<i>Suppressed</i>	<i>Suppressed</i>
Any Drug-Involved Non-Fatal Overdose, rate per 100K population	230.1	206.8
ED Visit with a SUD Diagnosis, rate per 100K population	666.2	576.9

Top 10 Invasive Cancer Incidence Rates

<i>All Genders, All Races, 2018-2022</i>	Livingston	Crude Rate	Age-adjusted Rate
Total all sites over five years ('18-'22)	408	909.4	598.4
Lung and Bronchus	91	202.8	126.6
Prostate (males only)	33	148.2	86
Breast	47	104.8	74.3
Melanoma of the Skin	26	58	47.5
Colon & Rectum	31	69.1	42.2
Corpus Uteri (females only)	9	39.8	30.2
Miscellaneous	18	40.1	26.5
Urinary Bladder, invasive and in situ	17	37.9	23.4
Pancreas	15	33.4	22.9
Kidney and Renal Pelvis	17	37.9	22.2

Top 10 Invasive Cancer Incidence Rates

<i>All Genders, All Races, 2018-2022</i>	Crittenden	Crude Rate	Age-adjusted Rate
Total all sites over five years ('18-'22)	271	602.9	414.2
Lung and Bronchus	63	140.2	89.9
Prostate (males only)	30	131.4	84.2
Breast	31	69	50.6
Kidney and Renal Pelvis	15	33.4	25.7
Colon & Rectum	15	33.4	24
Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma	14	31.1	19.3
Urinary Bladder, invasive and in situ	14	31.1	19.3
Melanoma of the Skin	10	22.2	18.1
Pancreas	10	22.2	16.7
Thyroid	8	17.8	15

Top 10 Invasive Cancer Incidence Rates

<i>All Genders, All Races, 2018-2022</i>	Lyon	Crude Rate	Age-adjusted Rate
Total all sites over five years ('18-'22)	337	773.1	475.8
Prostate (males only)	41	161.9	112.1
Lung and Bronchus	56	128.5	72
Colon & Rectum	39	89.5	58.4
Breast	34	78	43.9
Urinary Bladder, invasive and in situ	23	52.8	29.8
Miscellaneous	13	29.8	23.7
Melanoma of the Skin	17	39	23.6
Corpus Uteri (females only)	5	27.4	16.9
Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma	12	27.5	16.3
Pancreas	11	25.2	16.1

Note: All rates are per 100,000 population. All rates are age-adjusted to 2000 US Standard Million Population.

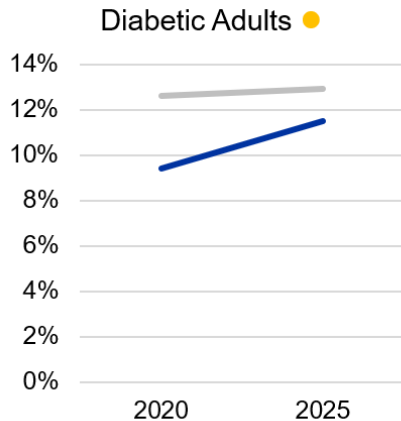
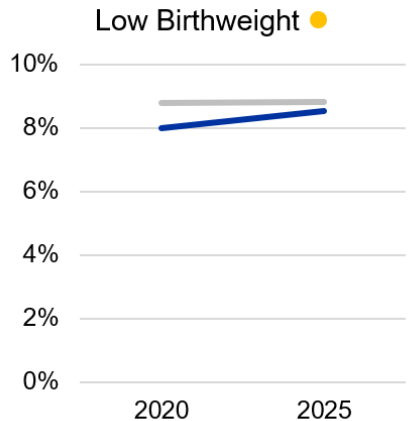
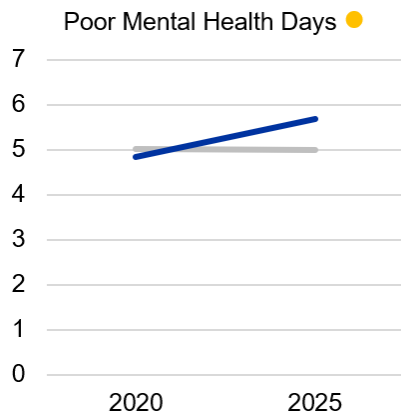
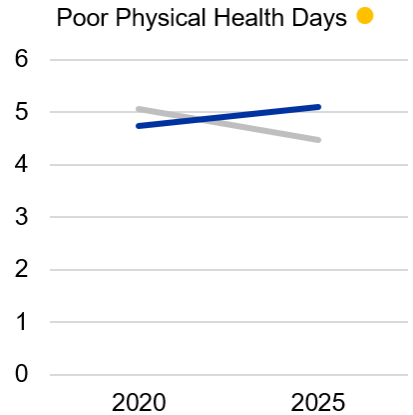
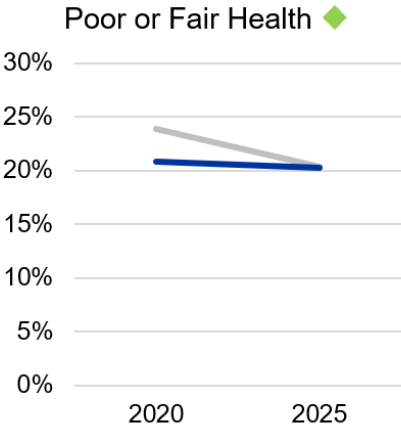
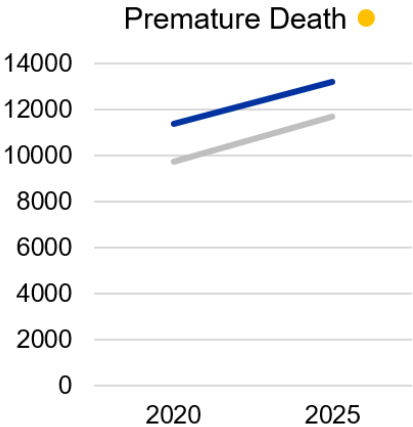
Next, to provide more context to the ongoing health of the community, we present five-year data trends for Livingston, Crittenden and Lyon counties alongside the state average. These data come from the *County Health Rankings & Roadmaps* website and include selected health outcomes, health behaviors, and access to care as well as social, economic, and environmental factors that impact the health of Livingston, Crittenden and Lyon county residents.

The blue lines represent county data, and the gray lines are the Kentucky average for comparison. Further, each graph includes a title of the data, and either a yellow circle or green diamond that helps the reader quickly determine if the data indicate an improving trend (green), or a worsening trend (yellow). For more information on data sources, please see the Appendix.

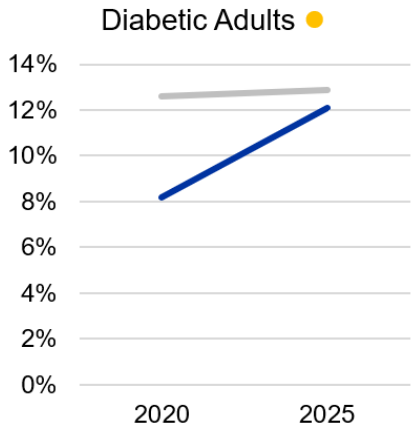
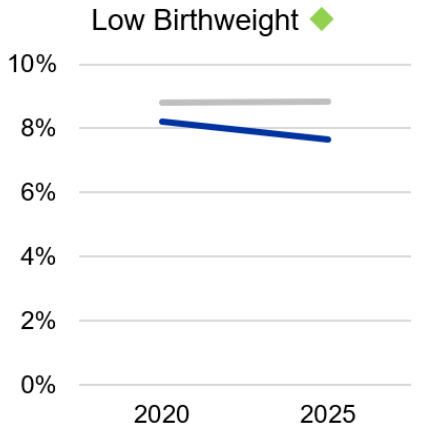
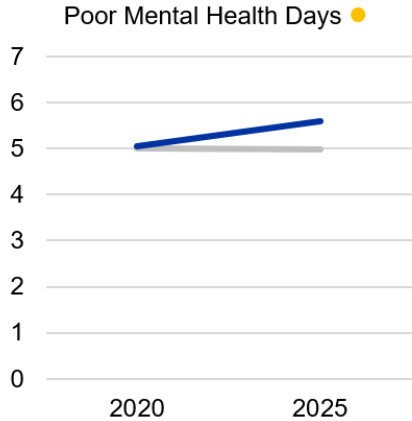
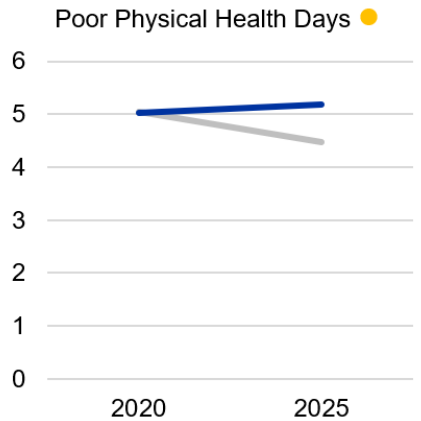
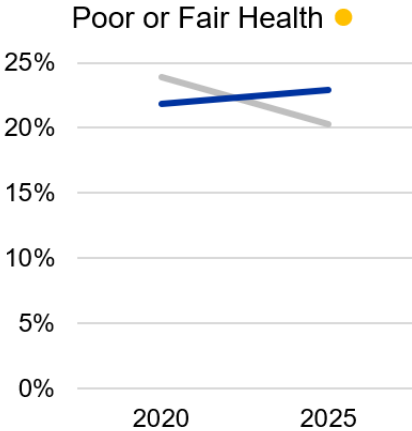
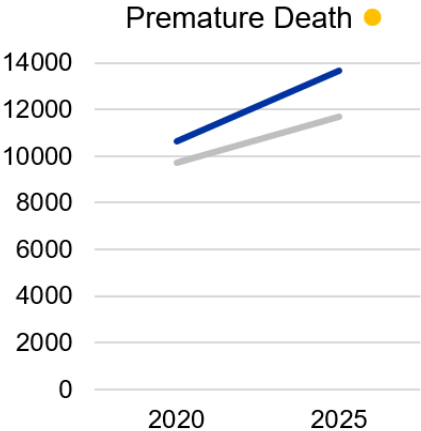
County Health Rankings Data Trends

Health Outcomes

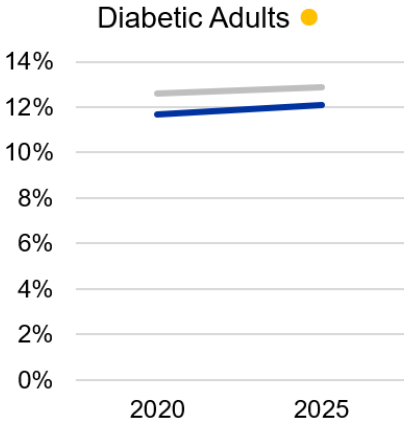
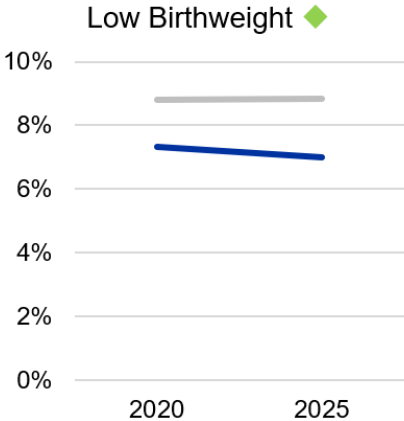
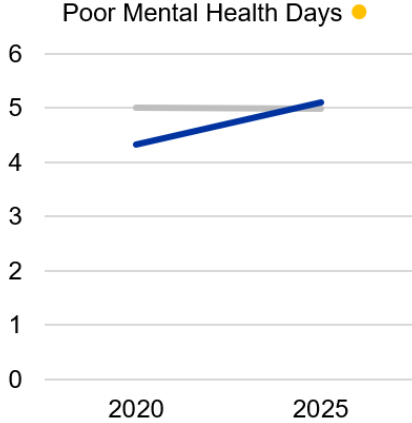
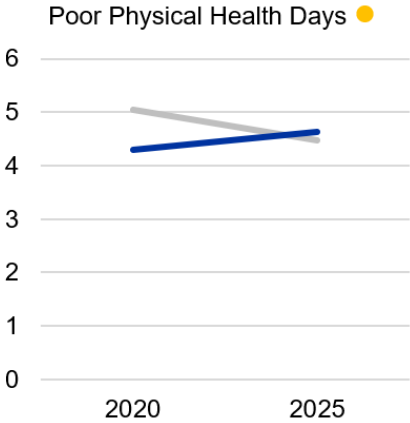
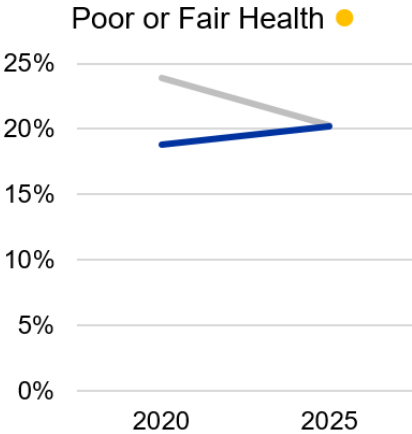
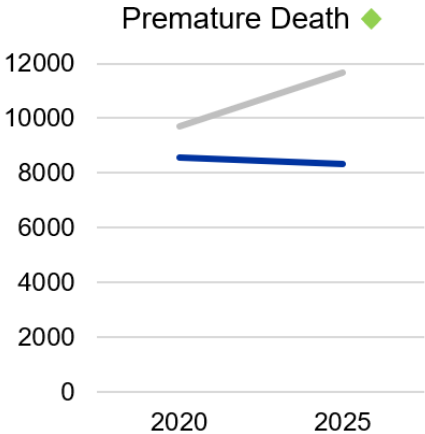
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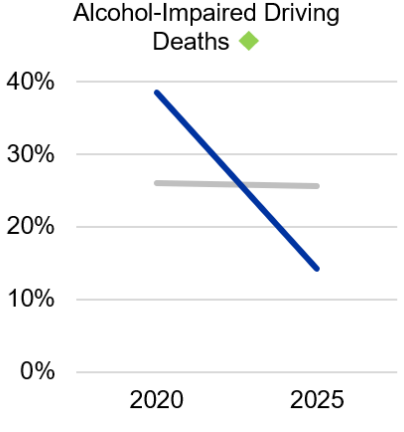
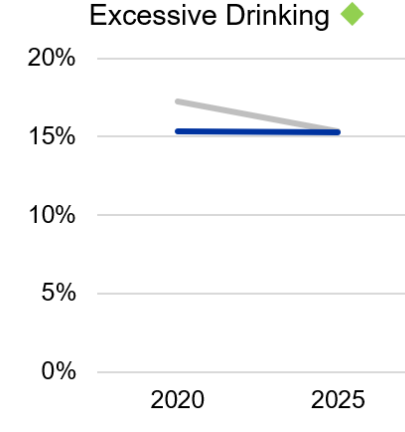
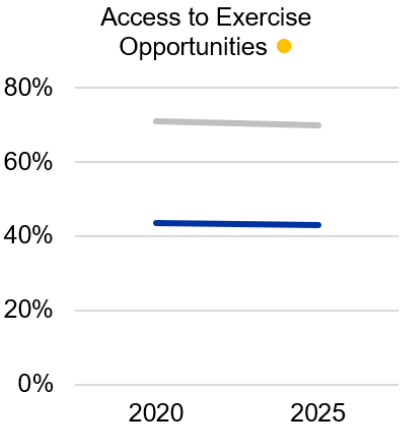
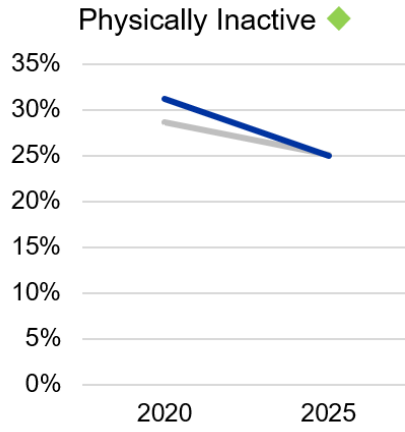
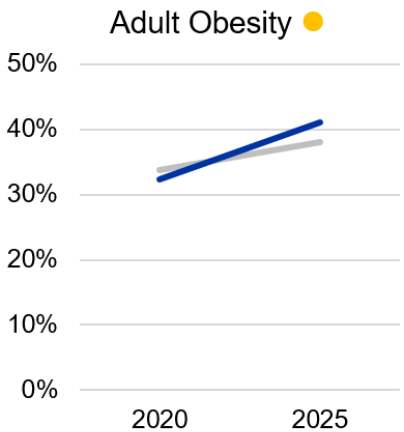
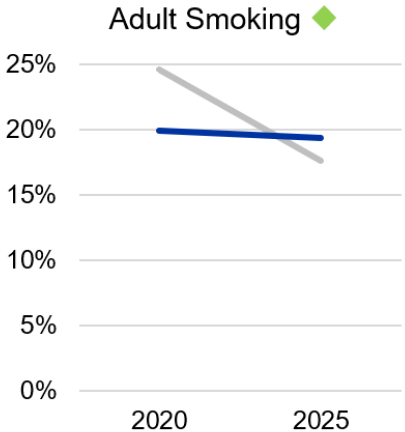


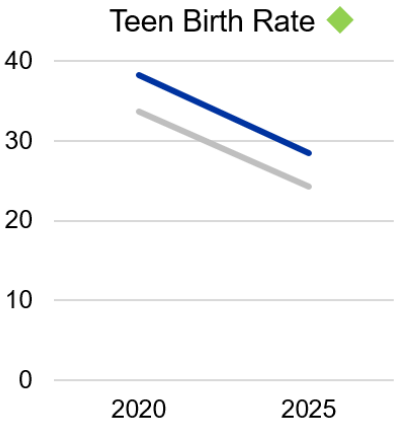
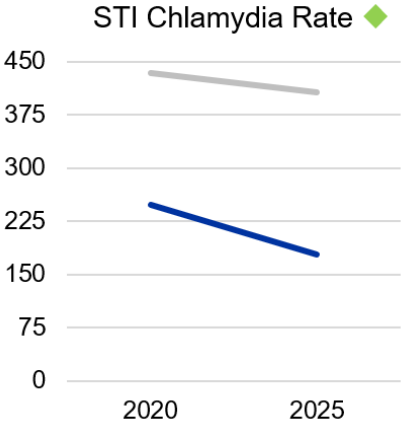
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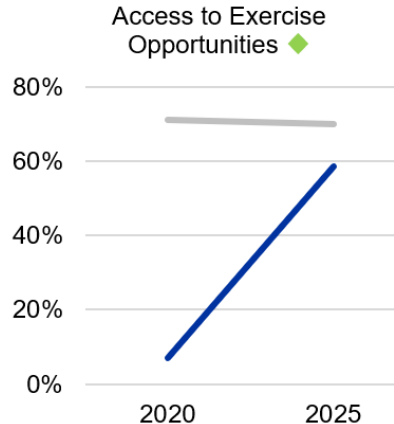
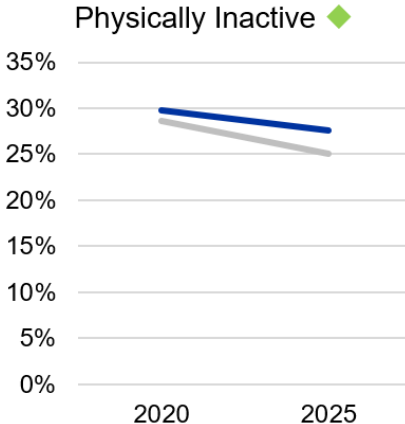
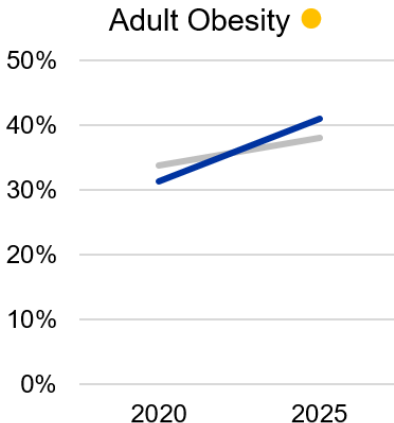
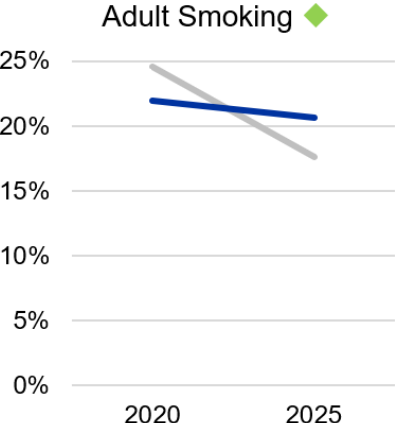
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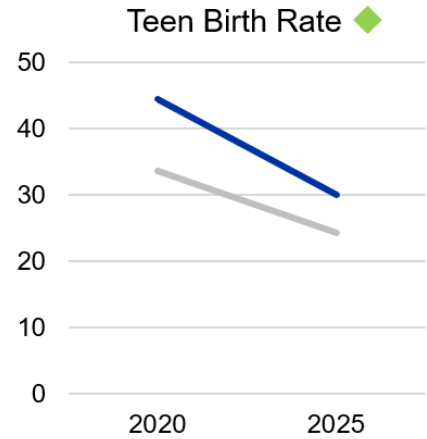
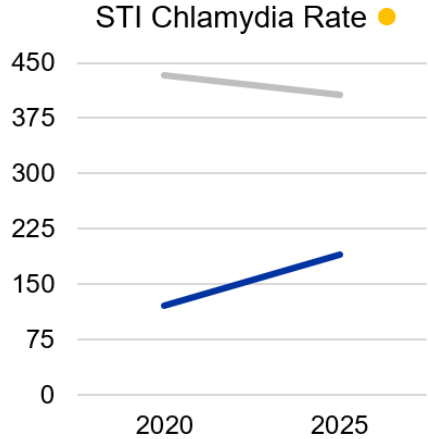
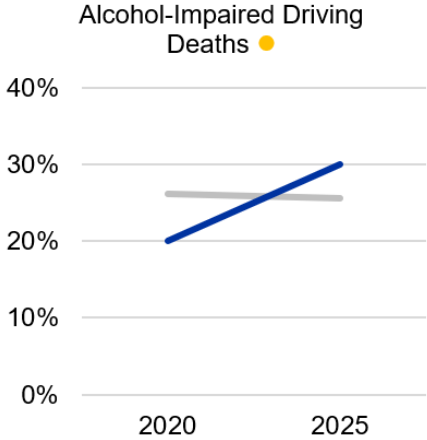
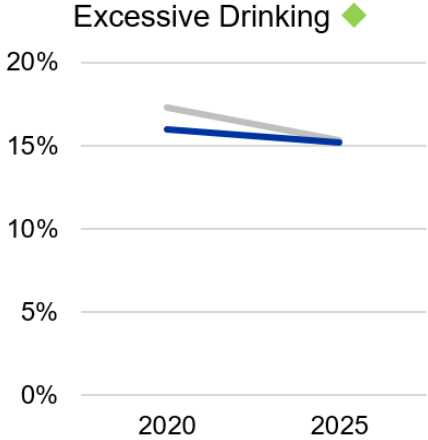
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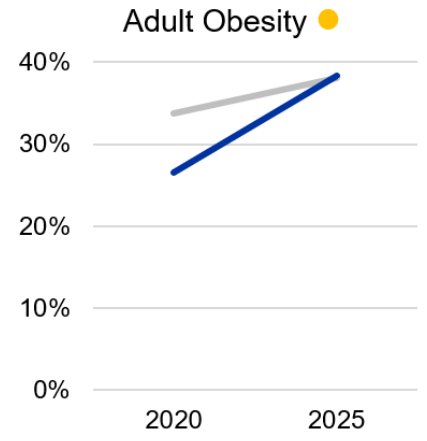
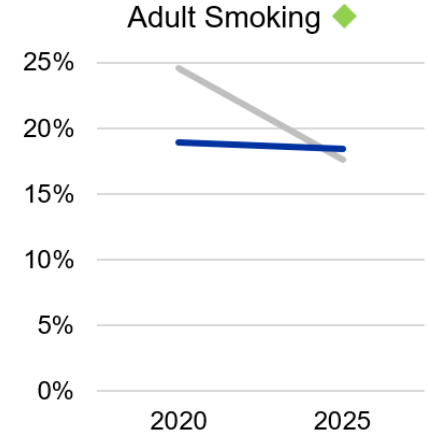


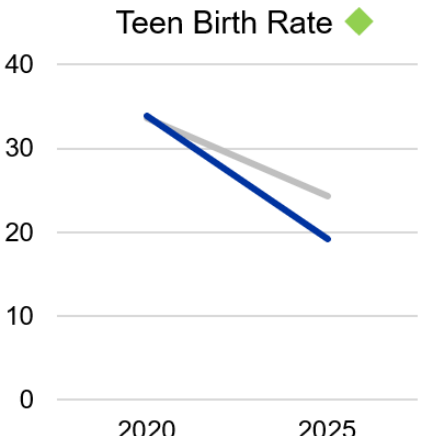
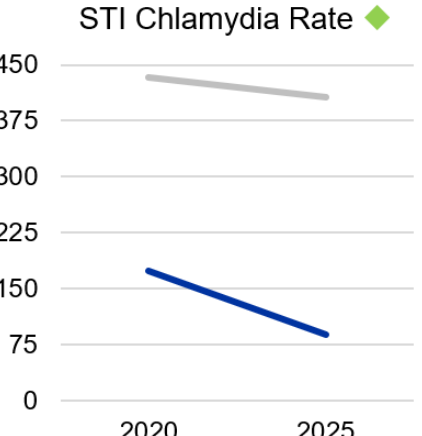
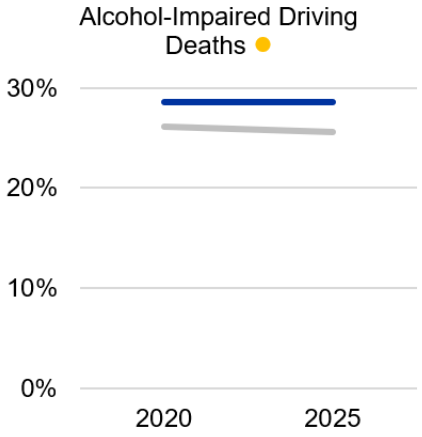
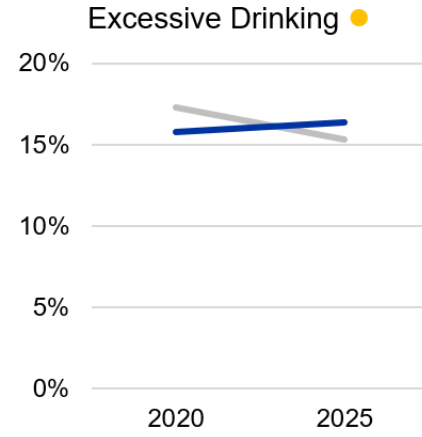
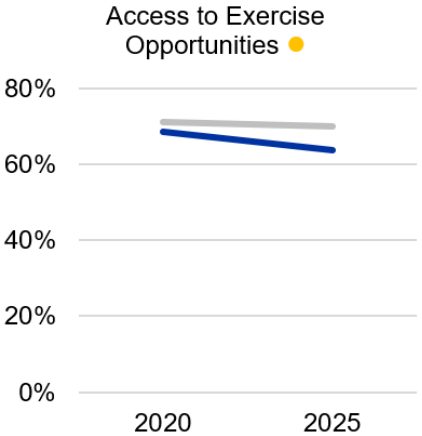
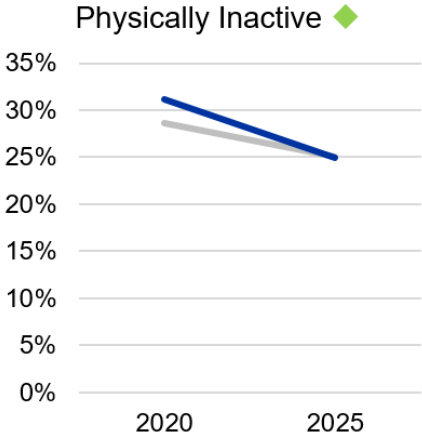
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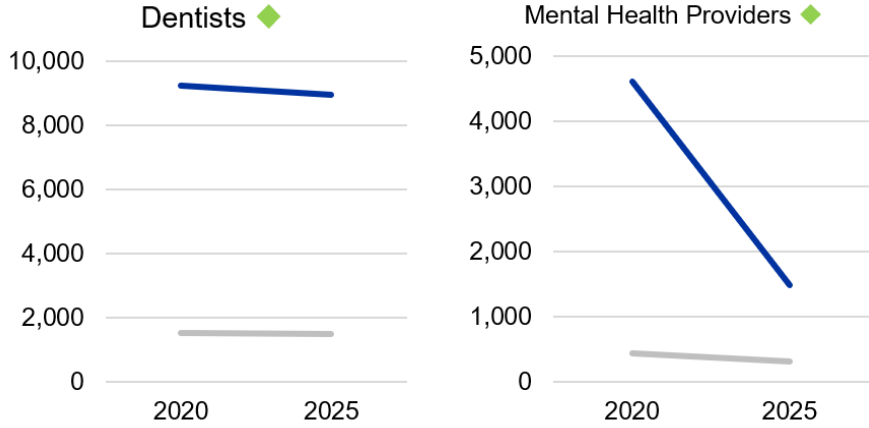
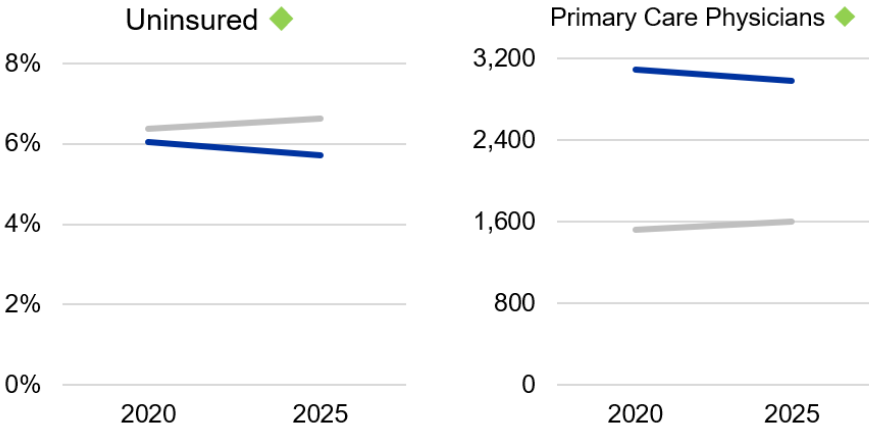
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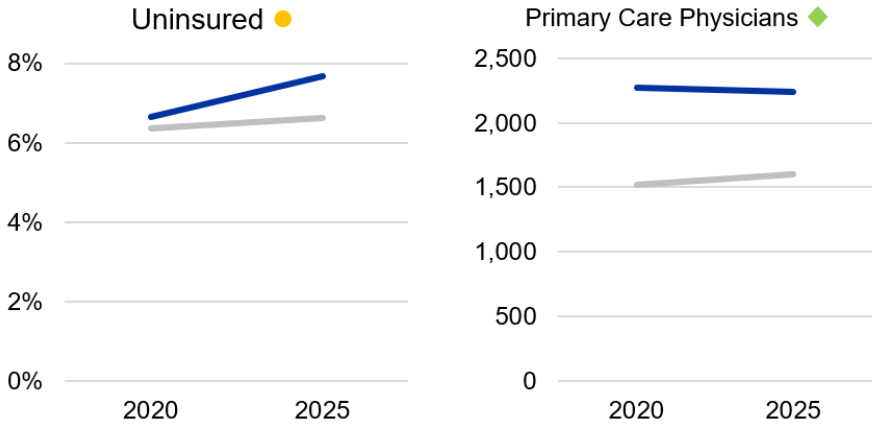


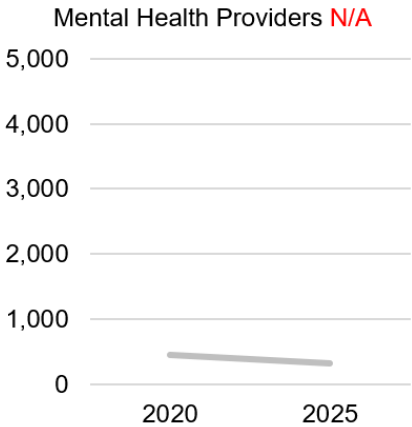
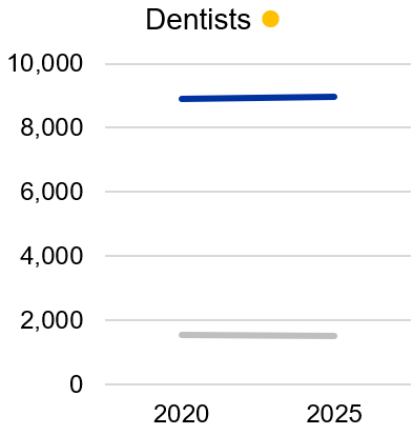
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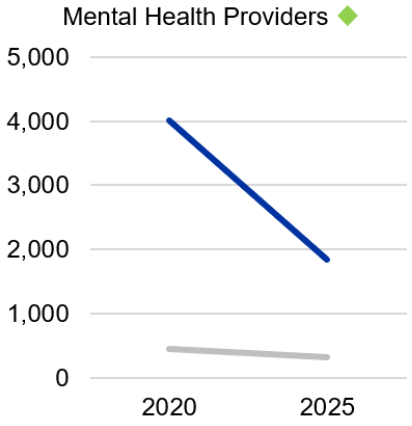
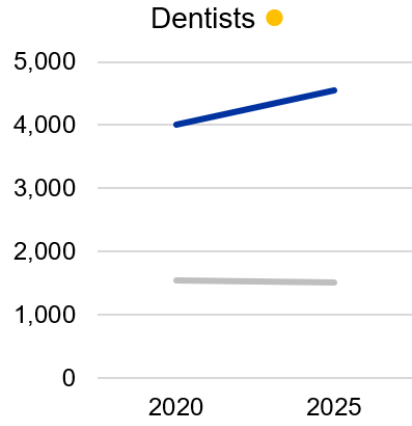
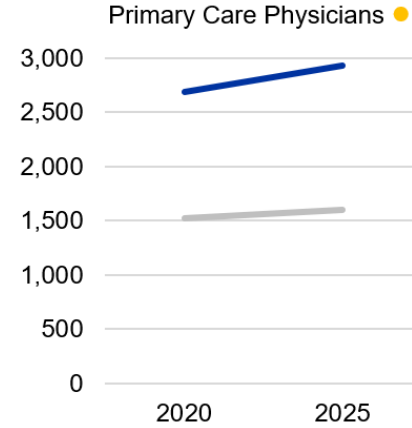
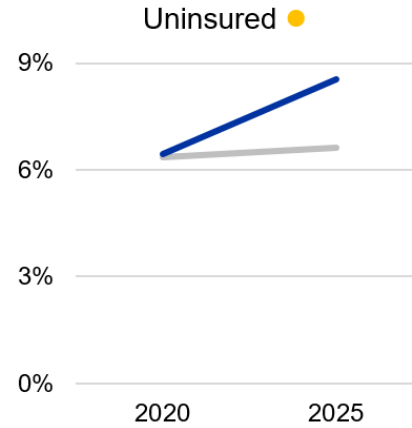


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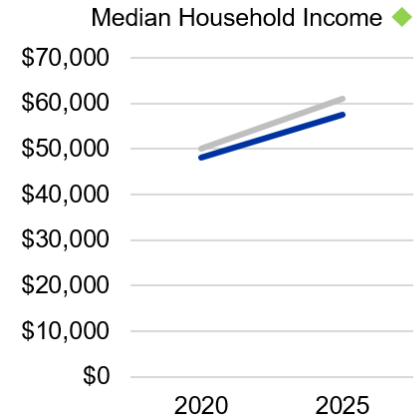
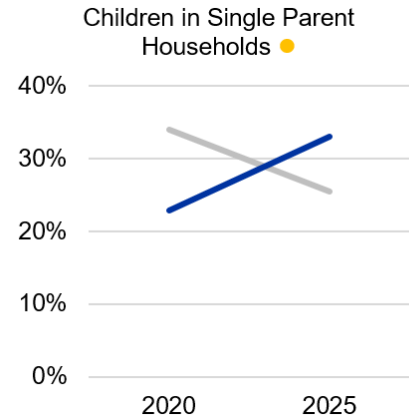
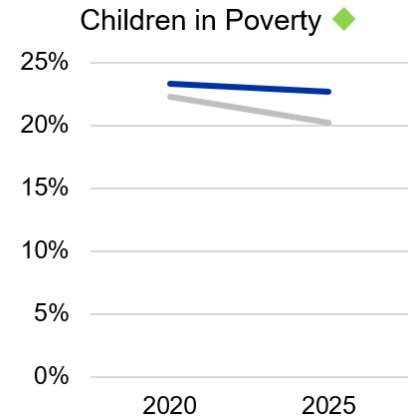
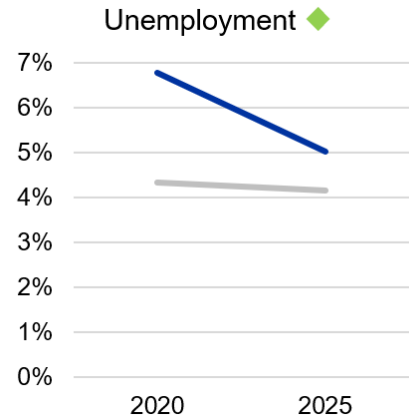
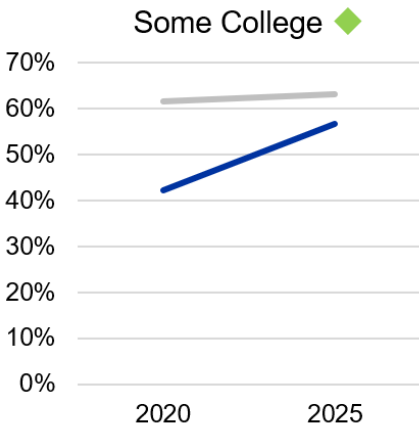
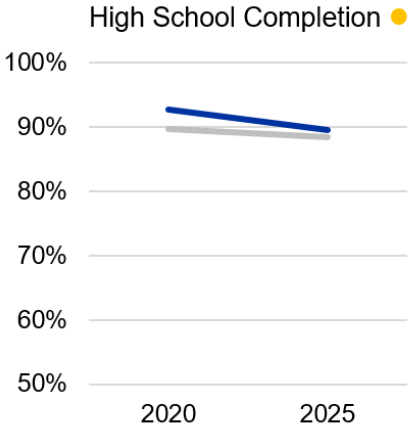


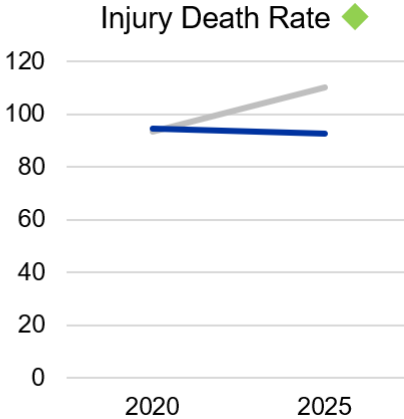
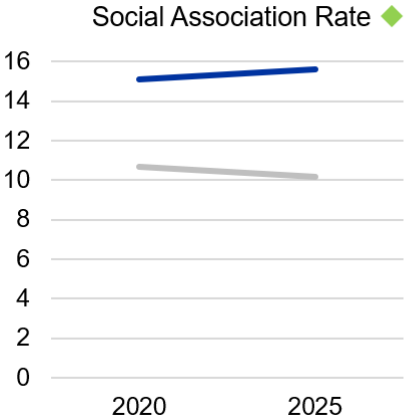
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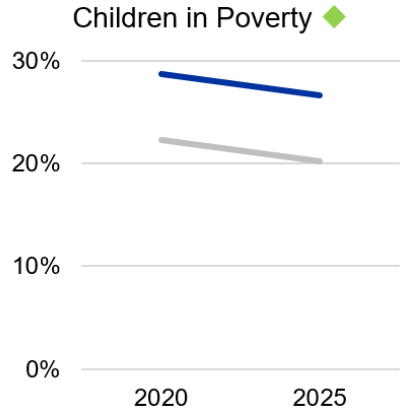
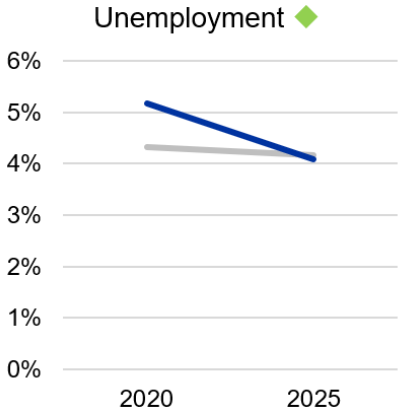
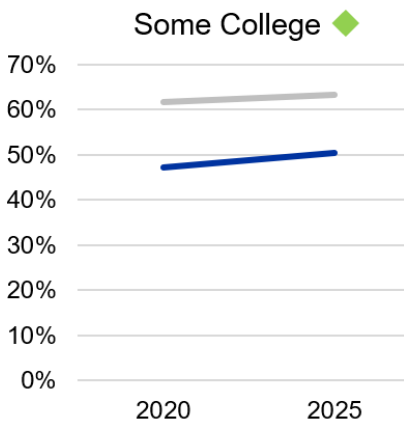
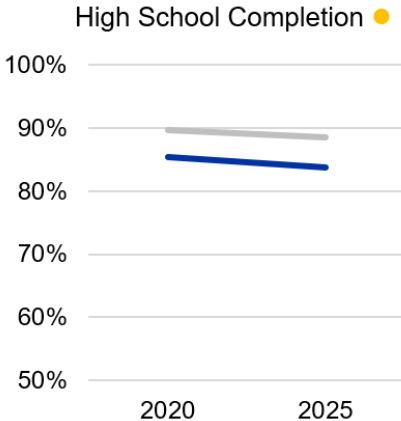
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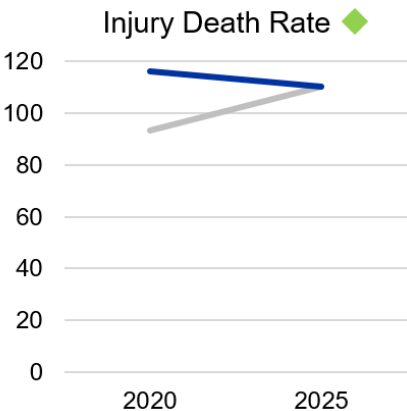
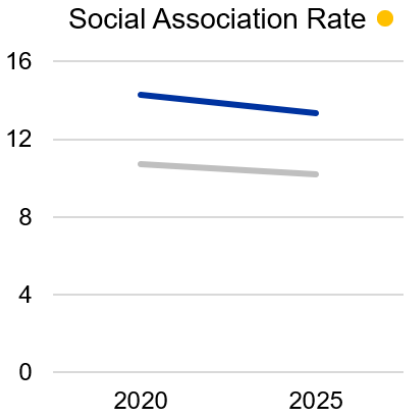
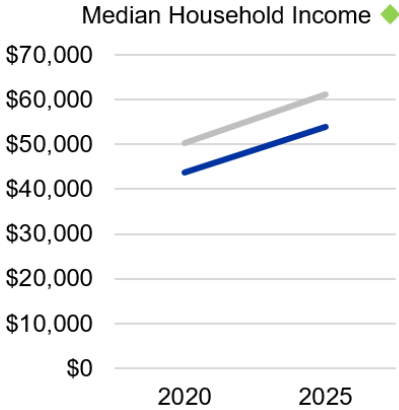
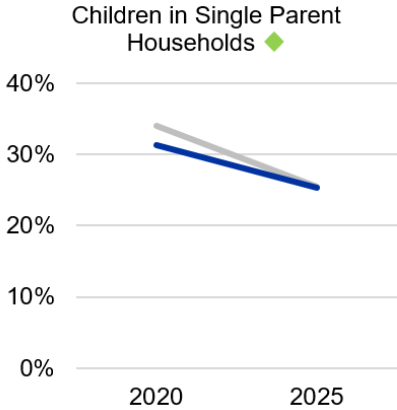
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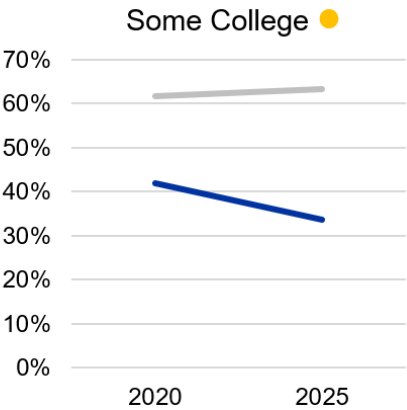
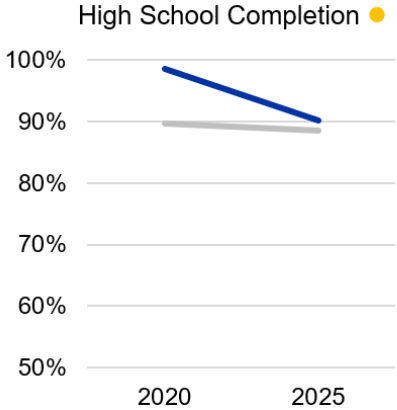


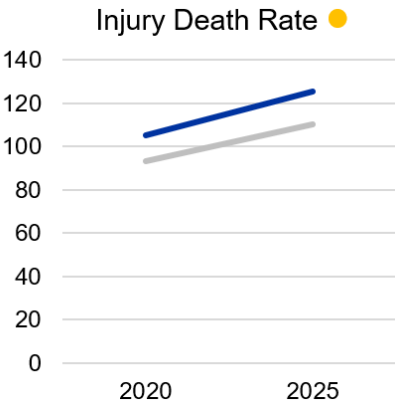
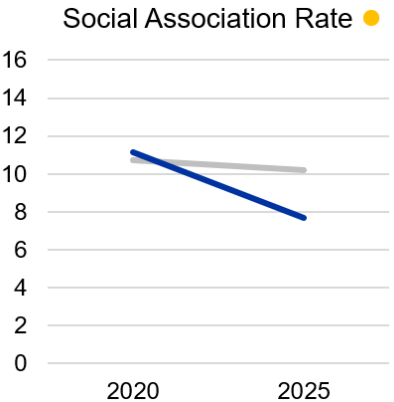
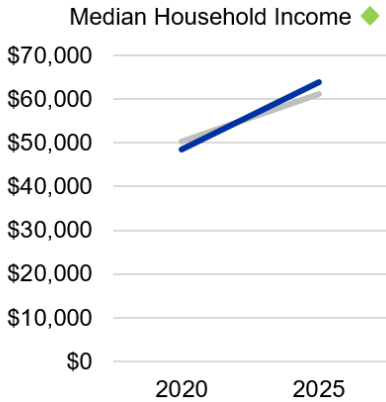
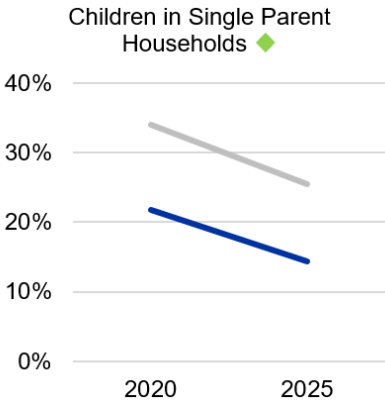
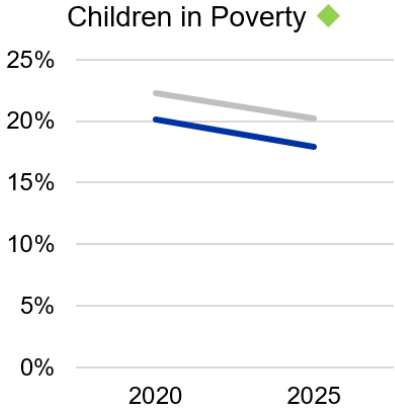
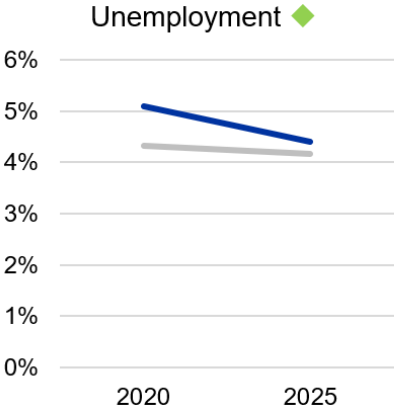
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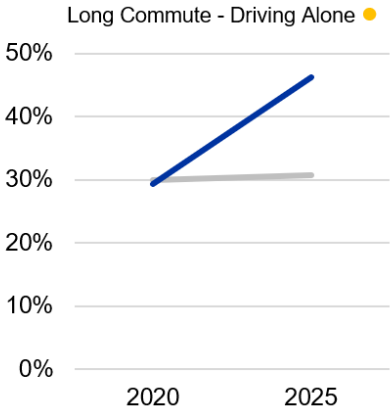
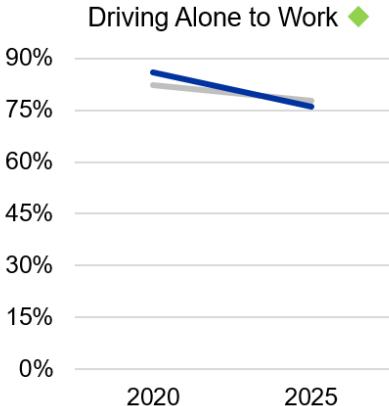
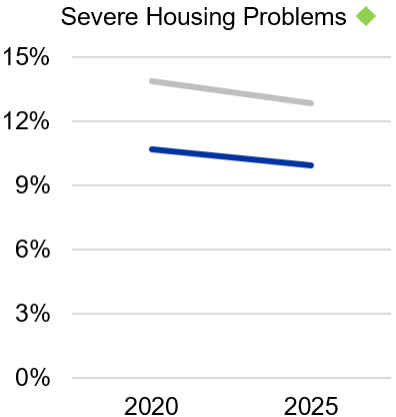
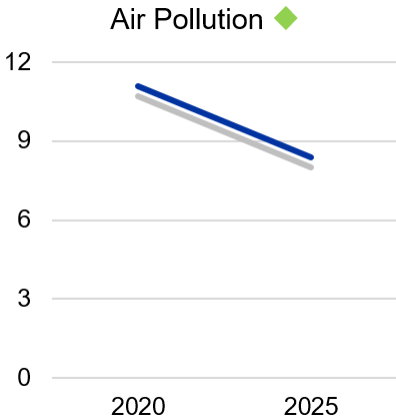
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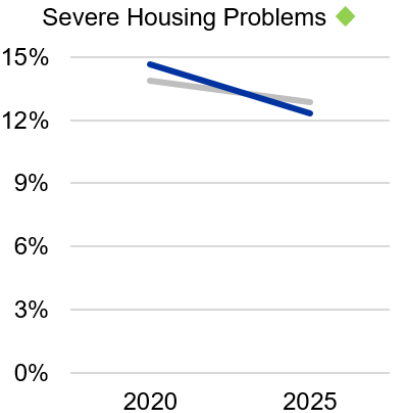
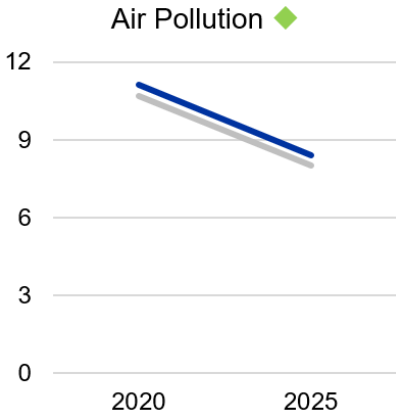


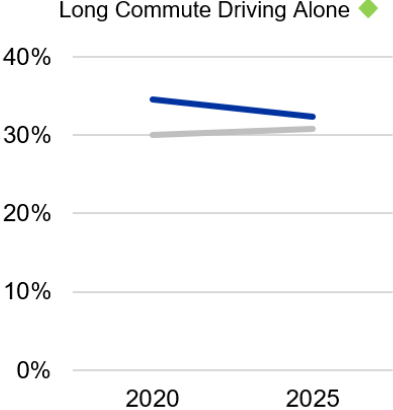
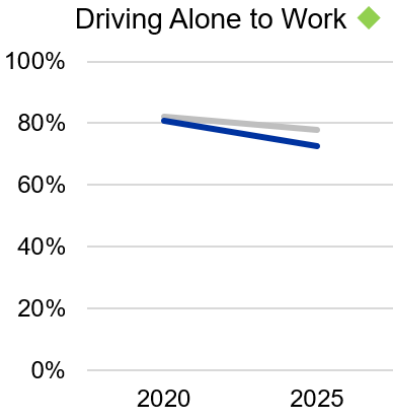
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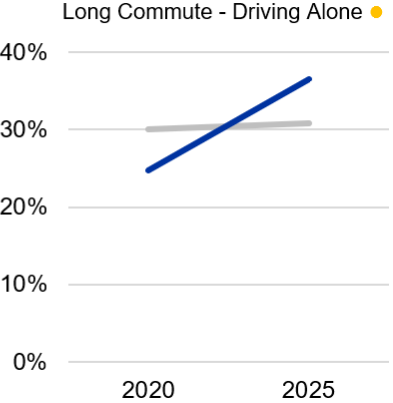
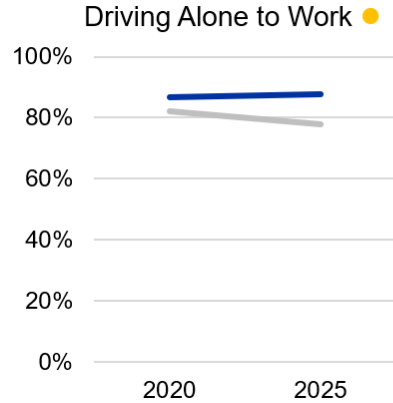
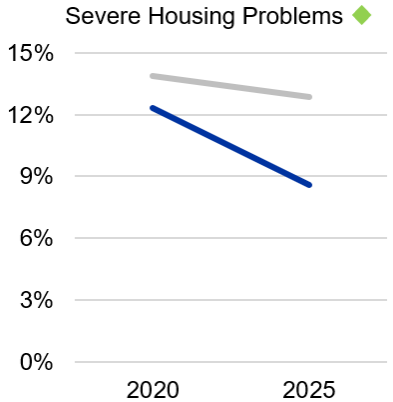
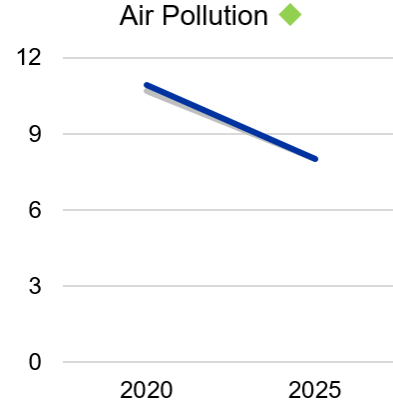


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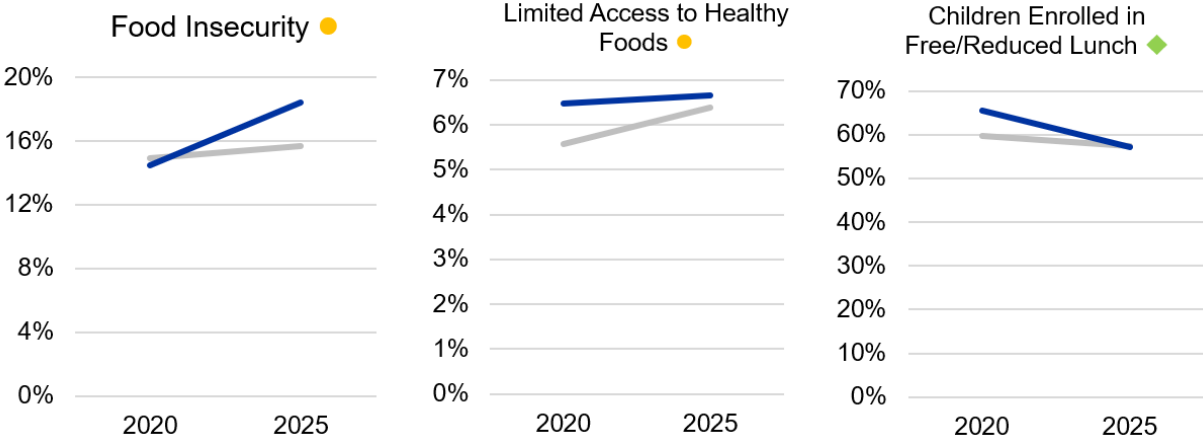


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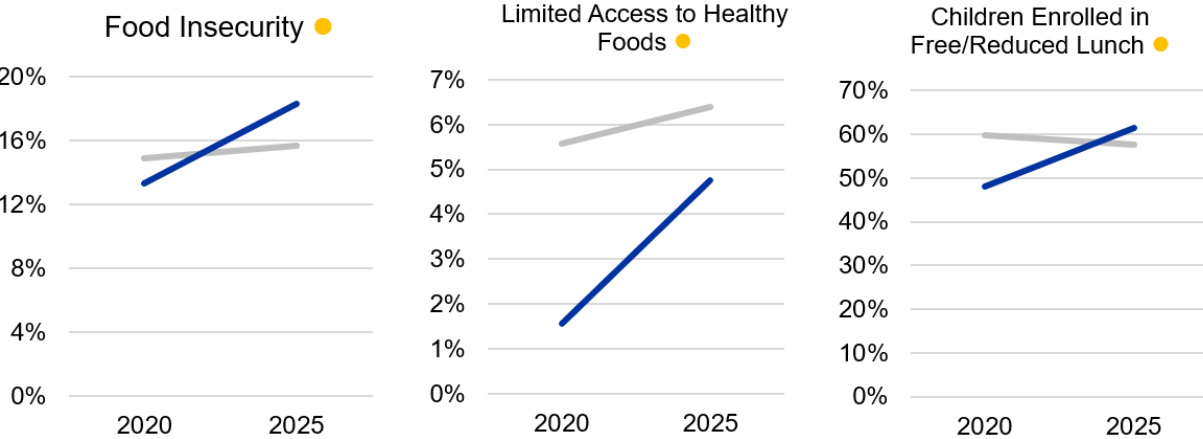


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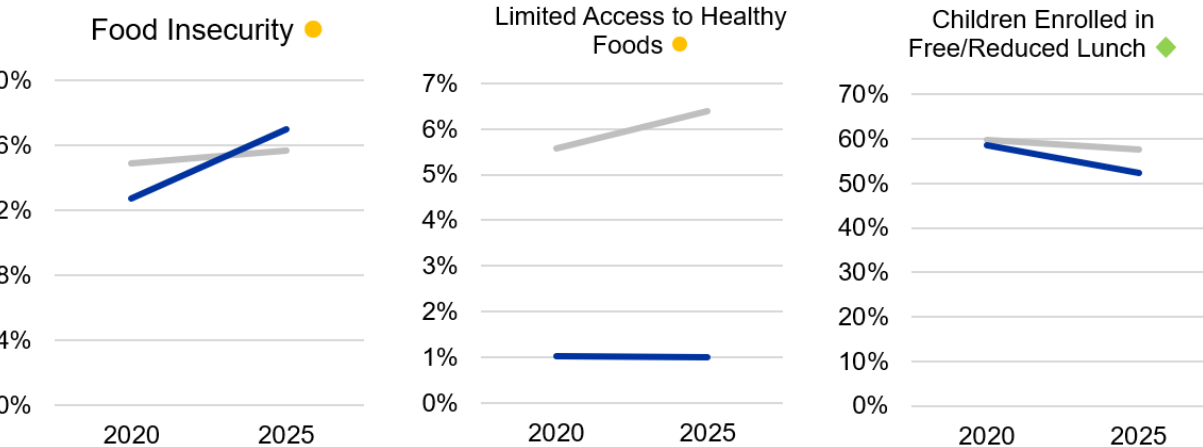
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Hospital Utilization Data

The Tables below provide an overview of patients at Livingston Hospital; in particular how they pay, and why they visited.

Hospital Usage, 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2024

Patient Status	Total
Inpatient Discharges	536
Outpatient Visits (excluding Off-Campus Clinics)	15,358
Off-Campus Clinic Visits	11,118

Hospital Inpatient Payer Mix, 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2024

Payer	Discharges
Medicare	458
Medicaid	33
Commercial	25
Other	19
Self-pay and Charity	1
Total	536

Hospital Outpatient Payer Mix (excluding Off-Campus Clinics), 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2024

Payer	Visits
Medicare	6,554
Medicaid	3,057
Commercial	4,683
Other	567
Self-pay and Charity	497
Total	15,358

Hospital Outpatient Payer Mix (Off-Campus Clinics), 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2024

Payer	Visits
Medicare	3,238
Medicaid	2,959
Commercial	4,594
Other	91
Self-pay and Charity	236
Total	11,118

Hospital Inpatient Diagnosis Related Group, 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2024

DRG Description	Discharges
Medicine - General	168
Medicine - Pulmonary	125
Medicine - Cardiovascular Disease	87
Surgery - General	54
Medicine - Nephrology/Urology	41
Medicine - Orthopedics	22
Surgery - Cardiovascular & Thoracic	12
Medicine - Neuro Sciences	8
Medical - Oncology	7
Psychiatry	5
Medicine - Otolaryngology	2
Chemical Dependency	2
Surgery - Oncology	2
Medicine - Ophthalmology	1

Hospital Inpatient Discharges by Origin, 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2024

County	Discharges
Crittenden County	229
Livingston County	208
Marshall County	12
McCracken County	12
Caldwell County	11
Muhlenberg County	11
Union County	9
Lyon County	6
Christian County, Graves County, Warren County (tie)	4
Other Kentucky counties	8
Total Kentucky	518
Out-of-state	18
Total discharges	536

Hospital Outpatient (excluding Off-Campus Clinics) Visits by Origin, 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2024

County	Visits
Livingston County	6,788
Crittenden County	6,415
Caldwell County	472
McCracken County	386
Lyon County	364
Union County	163
Marshall County	148
Graves County	115
Webster County	63
Christian County	38
Calloway County	36
Other Kentucky counties	174
Total Kentucky	15,162
Out-of-state	196
Total visits	15,358

Hospital Off-Campus Clinic Visits by Origin, 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2024

County	Visits
Livingston County	3,602
Crittenden County	3,522
Lyon County	1,643
Caldwell County	919
Marshall County	420
McCracken County	257
Union County	197
Hopkins County	123
Webster County	78
Graves County	62
Trigg County	51
Other Kentucky counties	87
Total Kentucky	10,961
Out-of-state	157
Total visits	11,118

Community Steering Committee

The Community Steering Committee plays a vital role to the CHNA process. Blueprint Kentucky provides a list of community leaders, agencies, and organizations to the hospital to assist them in the recruitment of members that facilitates broad community input.

These committee members represent organizations and agencies that serve the populations of Livingston, Crittenden, and Lyon counties in a variety of areas that relate to the health of the population. By volunteering their time, the committee members enable the hospital to acquire input from residents that are often not engaged in conversations about their health needs. The steering committee provides both an expert view of the needs they see while working with the people and clients they serve and by expanding the distribution of the community survey. The community steering committee committed to the process both promoting the survey through social media and encouraging organizations to share through email channels.

Livingston Hospital leadership recruited members of the community to serve on the steering committee. Blueprint Kentucky representatives scheduled and completed the first meeting on August 22, 2025, to introduce the assessment process, share the role of a committee member, and lead a focus group. A final steering committee meeting was held December 8, 2025, for a presentation of survey data, focus group and key informant interview results along with selected secondary health data to inform and guide the prioritization process of the identified health needs. This resulted in the community steering committee making recommendations on the priority health needs for Livingston Hospital to address over the next three years.

Livingston Hospital Community Steering Committee

Name	Representing Organization
Tyler Coleman	Farmer's Bank and Trust
Kelsee Comp	Pennyrile District Health Department
Micha Croft	Livingston County Schools - FRYSC
Sonny Evans	Livingston County EMS
Jessica Head	Crittenden County Schools
Michael Williams	Livingston County Judge Executive

Community Feedback

On August 22, 2025, members of the Livingston Hospital Community Health Needs Assessment steering committee participated in a focus group. The committee membership includes representation from the Crittenden County Schools, Farmer's Bank and Trust, Livingston County Schools Family Resource Youth Service Center, Livingston County EMS, Livingston County Judge Executive, and the Pennyryle District Health Department (that includes Crittenden, Livingston and Lyon counties). Twenty-nine individuals participated in two focus groups. Additionally, five key informant interviews were conducted in October and November 2025 with Crittenden County Judge Executive Perry Newcom, Livingston Judge Executive Michael Williams, Gary Damron, Mayor Salem, KY, Chris Evans, The Crittenden County Press, and Ricky Brown, retired insurance professional. What follows is a summary of the responses that highlight the results of the conversations that identify strengths of the community and the healthcare system, challenges/barriers in the broader healthcare system and opportunities for improving the health of the community.



Focus Group and Key Informant Findings

Qualitative analysis of focus group and key informant responses revealed overarching themes. Findings consistently underscored challenging experiences that not only hindered community ability to access services, but also the need for expanded services. The key findings from each of the four questions posed to the focus group participants and the key informant are listed below:

- There is a strong sense of pride in the available community assets including: access to healthcare, responsive community organizations, and the natural environment that enhance health and healthy lifestyles.
- The greatest health needs in the identified service area include chronic diseases, access to healthy foods, mental health and substance use, and access to care. Social drivers of health specific to Livingston, Crittenden and Lyon counties heavily impact the community's view of the greatest health needs.
- The current healthcare system is perceived to have a broad array of services across the region, but there is a need for expanding access to services including specialty care and dental services.
- To better meet health needs in the three counties, expanded services, increased transportation, and additional health education are identified as necessary approaches.

Finding 1: There is a strong sense of pride in the available community assets including: access to healthcare, responsive community organizations, and the natural environment that enhance health and healthy lifestyles.

The responses that contributed to this finding are listed below.

Community involvement and engagement

- Caring community
- Active churches and faith community
- Strong schools, and community support for the schools
- Local business support for well-being
- Community events and gatherings
- Strong senior centers in the counties

Healthy lifestyles

- Parks, walking trails, pickleball courts and leagues
- Golf courses
- Outdoor recreation – hunting, fishing, water sports
- Rural setting – low crime, less traffic, and beautiful natural environment

- County Extension – offers nutrition education and health food and meal preparation classes
- Health departments – provide chronic disease prevention and management classes

Access to care

- Livingston Hospital and other area hospitals
- Emergency department
- EMS
- Physical therapy clinic
- Behavioral health support
- Air Evac – emergency services

Finding 2: The greatest health needs in the identified service area include chronic diseases, access to healthy foods, mental health and substance use, and access to care. Social drivers of health specific to Livingston, Crittenden and Lyon counties heavily impact the community's view of the greatest health needs.

The responses that contributed to this finding are listed below.

Chronic Diseases

- Adult and Child Obesity
- Diabetes
- Arthritis
- Kidney Disease
- Cancer – lung, breast, skin, liver
- Lung diseases – COPD
- High blood pressure
- Heart disease

Mental Health and Substance Use

- Mental health – depression and anxiety – all age groups
- Alcohol and drug use (inc. opioids and meth)
- Smoking/Smokeless tobacco
- Vaping

Access to Care

- Substance use treatment resources and care
- Lack of dental services
- Lack of weekend pharmacy coverage

- Lack of prenatal services
- Distance to specialty care and cancer treatment
- Transportation – elderly and low-income for appointments and pharmacy visits

Environmental and Infrastructure issues

- Water issues
- Sewer system problems
- Lack of sidewalks and rural road conditions
- Unsafe walking conditions

Social determinants of health particular to Livingston, Crittenden, and Lyon counties that impact the greatest health needs in the community are:

Physical Environment/Transportation

Transportation to and from essential services, including healthcare is a barrier for people. This includes the need of safe walking paths for community members to use. There are programs that are unavailable to some community members because transportation is not provided and serves as a barrier to access.

Economic Security

The community needs economic development regarding recruiting businesses to provide more jobs with a living wage to combat poverty and the sense of hopelessness in the area. Many feel as though the lack of opportunity in the area causes many young people to leave.

Quality & Access to Health Education

Community members need health education to live healthier lives, which includes understanding a healthy diet and coping skills to combat mental health issues. There are some resources available, but many people do not know about them or how to access them.

Housing

The poor quality and unsafe conditions of housing for some residents, along with shortages of available housing results in negative impacts to health.

Finding 3: The current healthcare system is perceived to have a broad array of services across the region, but there is a need for expanding access to services including specialty care and dental services.

The responses that contributed to this finding are listed below.

Opportunities for healthcare system

- Health care provider shortage – recruit more specialty physicians (orthopedics, pediatrics)
- Explore adding dialysis facility in the area
- Dentistry and Vision services are needed
- Pharmacy access – night and weekend hours
- Transportation to appointments and essential services (grocery, pharmacy)
- Community Health Workers could benefit seniors and others that find navigating health care system difficult
- Support for grandparents raising grandchildren
- Services for children born to drug addicted mothers
- Continued support for EMS services

Strengths of healthcare system

- Livingston Hospital is growing and responsive to community needs
- Strong regional hospital referral system: Paducah, Madisonville, Evansville
- Strong family practice coverage
- Community empathy: Providers and EMS personnel know families, fostering trust
- Expansion of PT/OT and walk-in clinics
- 340B program helps with prescription affordability
- Celebrate Recovery programs at local churches
- PACS – great resource for transportation services, but awareness is low on availability
- Fire Departments and EMS – expanded Livingston County locations – increasing response times

Finding 4: To better meet health needs in the three counties, expanded services, increased transportation, and additional health education are identified as necessary approaches.

The responses that contributed to this finding are listed below.

Preventive Health and Education

- Nutrition education – for youth and adults
- Elderly engagement programs
- Substance use education
- Promote existing services – hospital and community resources

Impact: Builds a culture of prevention and informed health choices.

Expanded Access to Care

- Mobile Clinic – Health Department to serve rural areas
- Expand Home Health agency
- Add a Community Paramedicine Program – follow-up post-hospital discharge
- Expand telehealth services
- Increase staff in Emergency Department and Walk-in clinic – reduce wait times
- Improve transportation for medical appointments – in and out of the county
- Expand prescription assistance programs
- Dialysis center – explore bringing one to the area
- Recruit dentists to the area
- Increase mental health providers

Impact: Improved continuity of care, improved accessibility

Community Infrastructure and facilities

- Livingston Hospital expansion
- Add walking trails, community park in Salem
- Senior centers – improve facilities and indoor activities

Impact: Builds a healthier environment and improves service delivery

Livingston Hospital Survey Results

WINTER 2025

Respondent Demographics

396
Respondents

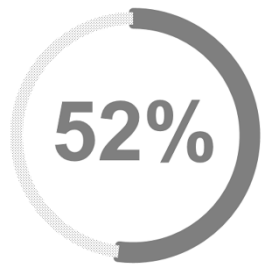


Respondents describe themselves as female.

Additional responses: Male (15%), Other (0.3%).

Respondents by age group:

18 - 24	2%
25 - 39	16%
40 - 54	29%
55 - 64	25%
65 - 69	11%
70 or older	17%



Respondents are employed full-time.

Additional responses: Retired (31%), Employed part-time (8%), Unemployed (4%), Other (4%).

Respondents by educational attainment:

College or above	53%
Technical school	8%
High school/GED	34%
Other	5%



Respondents are white.

Additional responses: Asian/Pacific Islander (1%), Hispanic/Latino (0.3%).

Respondents by annual household income:

\$0-\$24,999	10%
\$25,000-\$49,999	20%
\$50,000-\$74,999	20%
\$75,000-\$99,999	18%
\$100,000 or more	22%
Prefer not to answer	11%



Respondents unable to pay electric, water, or heating bills at least once in the past 12

Resources used by respondents unable to pay utility bill at least once in past 12 months:

Family	44%
Friends	7%
Church	4%
Community resource	11%
Cash advance/ loans	19%
Employer	1%
Other	13%

Overdraft bank account, conserved power, payment arrangements with utilities company, utility shut off until paid



Respondent households have delayed healthcare due to lack of money and/or insurance. 5% of respondent households are currently without insurance.



Respondent households eligible for Medicare.

Additional responses: Commercial/private insurance (37%), Medicaid (15%), SNAP (6%), Public housing assistance (1%).



Respondent households receive treatment for high blood pressure.

Respondent households also receive treatment for:

Diabetes	27%
Mental illness	16%
Cancer	5%
Drug/alcohol abuse	1%

Health challenges respondent households face:

High blood pressure	26%
Overweight/obesity	18%
Diabetes	14%
Heart disease	10%
Mental health challenges	9%
Respiratory/lung disease	7%
Cancer	4%
Stroke	2%
Substance use disorder	1%
Sexually transmitted infections	0.3%
Other <i>kidney disease, liver, arthritis, Parkinson's, autoimmune, OB/gyn</i>	9%

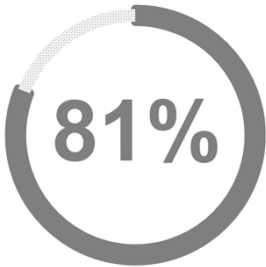
Treatment and/or support used for SUD in the past 12 months:

Primary care provider	13%
Counselor/therapist	5%
Emergency department	4%
Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT)	2%
Psychologist/Psychiatrist	1%
Support group	0.7%
Certified peer support specialist	0.3%
Faith based leader/program	0.3%
Alcoholics Anonymous/Narcotics Anonymous	0%
Other	1%
I have not needed to use treatment or support for substance use disorder	72%

Services used by respondents or their household members at Livingston or another hospital in the past 12 months:

	At Livingston Hospital	At Another Facility
Cardiology	14%	11%
Obstetrics/Gynecology	1%	10%
Radiology	25%	13%
Neurology	0.3%	6%
Psychiatry	2%	1%
Oncology (Cancer Care)	0.3%	4%
Urology	1%	6%
Orthopedics	4%	9%
Pulmonology (Lung Care)	3%	5%
Pediatrics	0.3%	5%
Dialysis	0%	1%
Primary Care	21%	13%
Drug/Alcohol Abuse	0.3%	0%
Outpatient Services (Laboratory, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy)	28%	14%
Infusion Therapy	1%	2%
Cardiac Rehabilitation	0.2%	1%
Total	100%	100%

How respondents and their household members use hospital services:



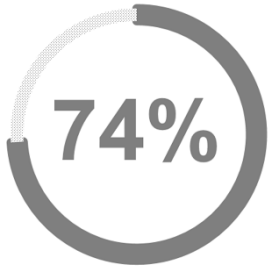
Used the services of a Hospital in the past 12 months.

The three most important factors while receiving care in a hospital:

Effective treatment	27%
Nursing care	20%
Explanation of diagnosis	16%
Close to family/home	14%
Comfort of the hospital/environment	12%
Physical interaction with patients	9%
Other	1%

Hospital services used in the past 12 months:

Emergency room for life-threatening issue	9%
Emergency room for non-life-threatening issue	30%
Outpatient services (radiology, laboratory, therapy, etc.)	47%
Inpatient	14%

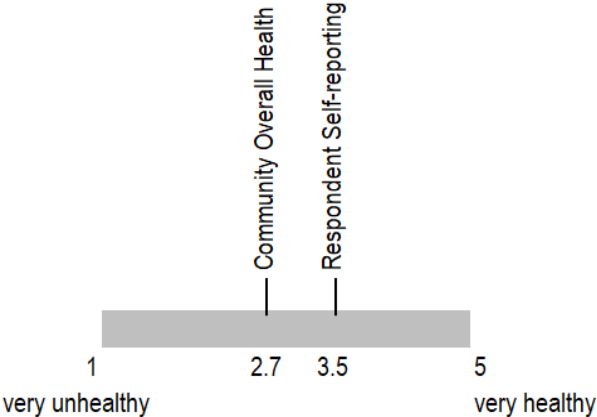


Used the services of Livingston Hospital in the past 12 months.



Respondents “Very satisfied” or “Satisfied” with the overall care they received at Livingston Hospital.

Respondent rating of community overall health and their personal health:

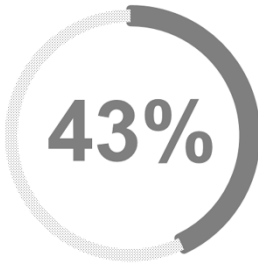




Used the services of a hospital other than Livingston.

Other facilities where respondents used hospital services:

Baptist Health Paducah	45%
Mercy Health	18%
Crittenden Community Hospital	12%
Baptist Health Deaconess Madisonville	5%
Caldwell Medical Center	4%
Other	17%
<i>Deaconess Gateway, Vanderbilt, Jackson Purchase Medical Center, Union County Hospital</i>	

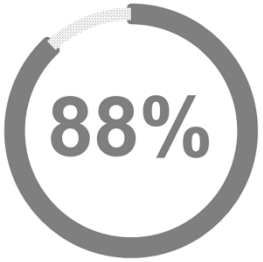


Respondents used another hospital because the service they needed was not available at Livingston Hospital.

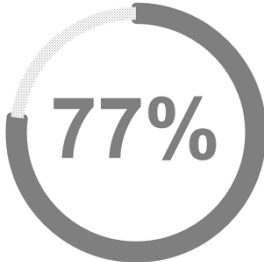
Additional reasons respondents used a hospital other than Livingston Hospital in the past 12 months:

My doctor referred me to another hospital	19%
My insurance requires me to go somewhere else	1%
I prefer larger hospitals	6%
Other	31%
<i>Closer to home, specialist/surgery, negative experience at Livingston, emergency</i>	

Respondents' proclivity for telemedicine:

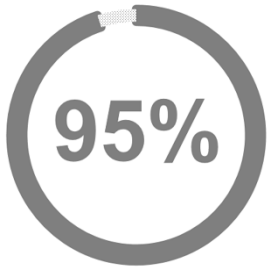


Respondents with reliable home internet access.



Respondents with reliable home internet access and willing to use telemedicine.

Where respondents and their household members go for routine health care:



Respondents have a primary care provider.

Respondent households used these options for routine health care:

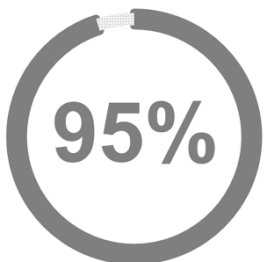
Provider's office	91%
Emergency room	3%
Urgent care center	2%
Health Department	0.3%
Other	1%
I do not receive routine healthcare*	4%

** Reasons provided: Cannot afford it, Cannot take off work, Other (unspecified)*



Respondents regularly visit their PCP for a check-up.

Presence of reliable/affordable transportation:



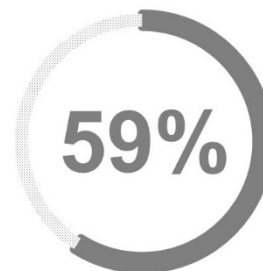
Have reliable and/or affordable transportation.

Other responses:

No, I have a vehicle, but at times cannot afford gas	2%
No, but a family member or friend can take me	1%
No, I have a vehicle but it breaks down a lot	1%
Yes, I use PACS or other public transportation	0.3%

How far members of respondent households drive to see a specialist:

Less than 20 miles	39%
20 - 49 miles	32%
50 - 100 miles	19%
More than 100 miles	8%
I do not see any specialists	2%



Respondents drive more than 20 miles to see a specialist.

Housing problems reported by respondents:

Pests, such as bugs or mice	12%
Mold	8%
Smoke detectors not working/missing	4%
Lack of air conditioning	3%
Lack of heat	2%
Holes in the flooring	2%
Lack of oven/oven does not work	2%
Lack of refrigerator/refrigerator does not work	0.3%
Other	2%
None of the above	65%

How the hospital could better meet the community's health needs:

Outpatient services	28%
Educational programs	23%
After-hours access	23%
Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services	15%

Barriers cited by respondents for not eating 5 servings of fruits and vegetables:

Cost	38%
Limited options available	29%
Lack of access to fruits and vegetables	11%
Do not like taste of fruits and vegetables	8%
Lack of knowledge of how to prepare fruits and vegetables	3%
Other	11%
<i>lack of time/convenience, preference, short-shelf life/perishable</i>	

Respondents' current living situation:

I have a steady place to live	93%
I have a steady place to live today, but I worry about losing it in the future	7%
I do not have a steady place to live (I am temporarily staying with others, in a hotel, in a shelter, living outside on the street, in a car, in an abandoned building, at a bus or train station, or at a park)	0.3%

The top five most important factors for a healthy community:

Access to primary care	13%
Low crime/safe neighborhoods	11%
Positive place to raise children	9%
Healthy economy (job opportunities, low poverty rate, etc.)	9%
Good school systems	8%
Access to medical specialists	8%
Religious/spiritual values	7%
Affordable/safe housing	6%
Access to nutritious foods	6%
Access to dental services	5%
Access to behavioral/mental health care	4%
Access to eye care	3%
Availability of care for senior citizens (assisted care, long-term care, etc.)	3%
Access to parks and recreation	2%
Low disease rates	2%
Access to quality, affordable childcare	2%
Transportation	1%
Excellent race relations	1%
Other	0.4%

Prioritization of Identified Health Needs

A second Livingston Hospital CHNA steering committee meeting was held in December 2025 to review findings from the community surveys, key informant interviews, focus groups and county specific secondary health data.

The process of priority selection followed the Association for Community Health Improvement (ACHI) recommendations to consider:

1. The ability of Livingston Hospital to evaluate and measure outcomes.
2. The number of people affected by the issue or size of the issue.
3. The consequences of not addressing this problem.
4. Prevalence of common themes.
5. The existence of hospital programs which respond to the identified need.

Blueprint Kentucky staff led a facilitated discussion with members of the steering committee after the data presentation and completed the process of prioritizing the identified health needs. The following represent the recommendations of the steering committee to Livingston Hospital for addressing health needs in Livingston, Crittenden and Lyon Counties and the hospital service area for the next three years.

Prioritized Needs

1. Lack of dental care in the area.
2. Transportation to medical appointments and essential services.
3. Chronic disease management and related health issues, including diabetes, high blood pressure, access to healthy foods, and lack of physical activity opportunities.
4. Expanded specialty care, including oncology and obstetrics/gynecology.

Next Steps

Hospital administration and staff along with community partners will develop an implementation plan over the next three months that will include measurable goals, objectives, and action plan to address each identified priority health need in this community health needs assessment.

This Implementation Strategy will be rolled out over the next three years, from January 2026 through December 2028.

Livingston Hospital will kick off the implementation strategy by initiating collaborative efforts with community leaders to address each health priority identified through the assessment process.

Periodic evaluation of goals/objectives for each identified priority will be conducted to ensure that the hospital is on track to complete the plan as described.

Livingston Hospital staff will review the implementation strategy and report on the success experienced through the collaborative efforts of improving the health of the community.



Appendix

- A. Secondary Data Sources
- B. Livingston Hospital CHNA Survey
- C. Board Approval

Secondary Data Sources, 2025 County Health Rankings

Population **Source** **Years of Data**

2023 Population Estimate	Total Population	Census Population Estimates	2023
Under 18 years	Percent of Population 18 years of age	Census Population Estimates	2023
65 years and older	Percent of Population 65 and older	Census Population Estimates	2023
Non-Hispanic Black	Percent of Population Non-Hispanic Black	Census Population Estimates	2023
American Indian & Alaska Native	Percent of Population American Indian & Alaska Native	Census Population Estimates	2023
Asian	Percent of Population Asian	Census Population Estimates	2023
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Percent of Population Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Census Population Estimates	2023
Hispanic	Percent of Population Hispanic	Census Population Estimates	2023
Non-Hispanic White	Percent of Population Non-Hispanic White	Census Population Estimates	2023
Not Proficient in English	Percentage of population aged 5 & over who reported speaking English less than well.	American Community Survey, 5-year estimates	2019-2023
Female	Percent of Population Female	Census Population Estimates	2023
Rural	Percent of Population Rural	Census Population Estimates	2020

Health Outcomes

Premature death rate	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted).	National Center for Health Statistics - Mortality Files	2020-2022
Child mortality rate	Number of deaths among residents under age 18 per 100,000 population.	National Center for Health Statistics - Mortality Files; Census Population Estimates Program	2019-2022
Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	2022
Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	2022
Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	2022
Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	National Center for Health Statistics - Natality files	2017-2023
Frequent physical distress	Percentage of adults reporting 14 or more days of poor physical health per month (age-adjusted).	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	2022
Diabetic adults	Percentage of adults aged 20 and above with diagnosed diabetes (age-adjusted).	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	2022
HIV prevalence rate	Number of people aged 13 years and older living with a diagnosis of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection per 100,000 population.	National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention	2022

Secondary Data Sources, 2025 County Health Rankings, continued

Health Behaviors	Source	Years of Data
Adult smoking	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	2022
Adult obesity	United States Diabetes Surveillance System	2022
Physical inactivity	United States Diabetes Surveillance System	2022
Percent with Access to Exercise Opportunities	ArcGIS Business Analyst and ArcGIS Online; YMCA; US Census TIGER/Line Shapefiles	2024, 2022 & 2020
Excessive drinking	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	2022
Alcohol-impaired driving deaths	Fatality Analysis Reporting System	2018-2022
Sexually transmitted infections	National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention	2022
Teen births	National Center for Health Statistics - Natality files	2017-2023
Drug overdose mortality rate	National Center for Health Statistics - Mortality Files; Census Population Estimates Program	2020-2022
Motor vehicle crash deaths	National Center for Health Statistics - Mortality Files; Census Population Estimates Program	2016-2022
Access to Care		
Uninsured adults	Small Area Health Insurance Estimates	2022
Uninsured children	Small Area Health Insurance Estimates	2022
Primary care physicians	Area Health Resource File/American Medical Association	2021
Dentists	Area Health Resource File/National Provider Identification file	2022
Mental health providers	CMS, National Provider Identification	2024
Preventable Hospital Stays	Mapping Medicare Disparities Tool	2022
Mammography Screening	Mapping Medicare Disparities Tool	2022
Flu Vaccinations	Mapping Medicare Disparities Tool	2022

Secondary Data Sources, 2025 County Health Rankings, continued

Social & Economic Factors		Source	Years of Data
High school completion	Percentage of adults ages 25 and over with a high school diploma or equivalent.	American Community Survey, 5-year estimates	2019-2023
Some college	Percentage of adults ages 25-44 with some post-secondary education.	American Community Survey, 5-year estimates	2019-2023
Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work.	Bureau of Labor Statistics	2023
Children in poverty	Percentage of people under age 18 in poverty.	Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates; American Community Survey, 5-year estimates	2023 & 2019-2023
Income inequality	Ratio of household income at the 80th percentile to income at the 20th percentile.	American Community Survey, 5-year estimates	2019-2023
Children in single-parent households	Percentage of children that live in a household headed by a single parent.	American Community Survey, 5-year estimates	2019-2023
Social associations	Number of membership associations per 10,000 population.	County Business Patterns	2022
Median household income	The income where half of households in a county earn more and half of households earn less.	Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates; American Community Survey, 5-year estimates	2023 & 2019-2023
Injury deaths	Number of deaths due to injury per 100,000 population.	National Center for Health Statistics - Mortality Files	2018-2022
Physical Environment			
Air pollution - particulate matter	Average daily density of fine particulate matter in micrograms per cubic meter (PM2.5).	Environmental Public Health Tracking Network	2020
Drinking water violations	Indicator of the presence of health-related drinking water violations. 'Yes' indicates the presence of a violation, 'No' indicates no violation.	Safe Drinking Water Information System	2023
Severe housing problems	Percentage of households with at least 1 of 4 housing problems: overcrowding, high housing costs, lack of kitchen facilities, or lack of plumbing facilities.	Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data	2017-2021
Driving alone to work	Percentage of the workforce that drives alone to work.	American Community Survey, 5-year estimates	2019-2023
Long commute - driving alone	Among workers who commute in their car alone, the percentage that commute more than 30 minutes.	American Community Survey, 5-year estimates	2019-2023
Food Access			
Food insecurity	Percentage of population who lack adequate access to food.	Map the Meal Gap	2022
Limited access to healthy foods	Percentage of population who are low-income and do not live close to a grocery store.	USDA Food Environment Atlas	2019
Children eligible for free or reduced price lunch	Percentage of children enrolled in public schools that are eligible for free or reduced price lunch.	National Center for Education Statistics	2022-2023



Livingston Hospital

DEACONESS KENTUCKY PARTNER

Livingston County 2025 CHNA Survey

Blueprint Kentucky, a community and economic development unit with the University of Kentucky, was contracted by Livingston Hospital to conduct the Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) for their facility. We want to better understand your health needs and how the hospital and its partners can better meet those needs. Please take just 5-10 minutes to fill out this survey. Please do not include your name anywhere, all responses will remain anonymous.

1. Please tell us your zip code.

2. Do you have a primary care provider?
 Yes
 No
3. Do you regularly visit your primary care provider for a check-up?
 Yes
 No
4. Where do you or anyone in your household go for routine healthcare such as annual checkups and wellness exams? Select all that apply.
 - Provider's office
 - Emergency room
 - Health department
 - Urgent care center
 - I do not receive routine healthcare *
 - Other (please specify)

5. * If you answered "I do not receive routine healthcare" to the above question, please select all that apply as to why.
 - No appointment available
 - Lack of providers in my community
 - No transportation
 - Cannot take off work
 - Cannot afford it
 - Other (please specify)

6. How far do you or anyone in your household travel to see a healthcare specialist?
 - Less than 20 miles
 - 20 – 49 miles
 - 50 – 100 miles
 - More than 100 miles
 - I do not see any specialists
7. Do you have reliable / affordable transportation? Select all that apply.
 - Yes, I have a reliable vehicle when needed
 - Yes, I use PACS or other public transportation
 - No, but a family or friend can take me
 - No, I have a vehicle, but it breaks down often.
 - No, I have a vehicle, but at times cannot afford gas.

8. In the past 12 months, have you experienced a time when you were personally unable to pay your electric, water, or heating bills?
- Yes 1-2 times
- Yes 3-4 times
- Yes 5 or more times
- No, never
9. * What resources did you use to assist you if you answered "yes" for the previous question? Select all that apply.
- Family
- Friends
- Church
- Community resource
- Cash advance / loans
- Employer
- Other (*please specify*)
- _____
10. Have you or someone in your household used the services of a hospital in the past 12 months?
- Yes
- No
11. Did you use the services of Livingston Hospital?
- Yes
- No
12. What services did you use? Select all that apply.?
- Emergency room for life-threatening issue
- Emergency room for non-life-threatening issue
- Outpatient services (radiology, laboratory, therapy, etc.)
- Inpatient
13. Did you use the services of another hospital?
- Yes
- No
14. If you used services at another facility, which hospital did you use? Select all that apply.
- Crittenden Community Hospital
- Caldwell Medical Center
- Mercy Health
- Baptist Health Paducah
- Baptist Health Deaconess Madisonville
- Other (*please specify*)
- _____
15. Why did you or someone in your household go to a hospital other than Livingston Hospital?
- Service I needed was not available
- My doctor referred me to another hospital
- My insurance requires me to go somewhere else
- I prefer larger hospitals
- Other (*please specify*)
- _____
16. If you received care at Livingston Hospital how satisfied were you with your overall experience?
- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

17. Which of the following health challenges do you or anyone in your household face? Select all that apply.

- Cancer
- Diabetes
- Mental health challenges
- Heart disease
- Stroke
- High blood pressure
- Sexually transmitted infections
- Overweight / obesity
- Respiratory / lung disease
- Substance use disorder
- Other (please specify)

18. While receiving care in a hospital, what is the most important to you? **Please select only three.**

- Nursing care
- Comfort of the hospital / environment
- Close to family / home
- Physical interaction with patients
- Explanation of diagnosis
- Effective treatment
- Other (please specify)

19. Have you or someone in your household used any of the services below in the past 12 months? Select all that apply.

	At Livingston Hospital	At Another Facility
Cardiology	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Obstetrics/Gynecology	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Radiology	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Neurology	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Psychiatry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Oncology (Cancer Care)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Urology	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Orthopedics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pulmonology (Lung Care)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pediatrics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dialysis	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Primary Care	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Drug/Alcohol Abuse	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outpatient Services - Laboratory, Physical Therapy, Occupational or Speech Therapy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cardiac Rehabilitation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

20. Are you or anyone in your household without health insurance currently?

- Yes
- No

21. Have you or someone in your household delayed health care due to lack of money and/or insurance?

- Yes
- No

22. Do you or someone in your household receive treatment for any of the following conditions? Select all that apply.
- Diabetes
 - High blood pressure
 - Cancer
 - Mental illness
 - Drug / alcohol abuse
23. What type of treatment and/or support have you used for substance use disorders in the past 12 months? Select all that apply.
- Alcoholics Anonymous / Narcotics Anonymous
 - Counselor / therapist
 - Emergency department
 - Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT)
 - Certified peer support specialist
 - Primary care provider
 - Psychologist / Psychiatrist
 - Faith based leader/program
 - Support group
 - I have not needed to use treatment or support for substance use disorder
 - Other (*please specify*)
-
24. Are you or members of your household currently eligible for any of the services listed below? Select all that apply.
- Medicare
 - Medicaid
 - Public housing assistance
 - SNAP (food stamp program)
 - Commercial / private insurance
25. How would you rate your **own personal health**?
- Very healthy
 - Healthy
 - Neither healthy nor unhealthy
 - Unhealthy
 - Very unhealthy
26. How would you rate the overall **health of your community**?
- Very healthy
 - Healthy
 - Neither healthy nor unhealthy
 - Unhealthy
 - Very unhealthy

27. What are the **top five** most important factors for a healthy community? Select up to five options.

- Positive place to raise children
 - Low crime / safe neighborhoods
 - Good school systems
 - Access to primary care
 - Access to medical specialists
 - Access to behavioral / mental health care
 - Access to dental services
 - Access to eye care
 - Access to parks and recreation
 - Affordable / safe housing
 - Access to quality, affordable childcare
 - Low disease rates
 - Excellent race relations
 - Religious / spiritual values
 - Availability of care for senior citizens (assisted care, long-term care, etc.)
 - Healthy economy (job opportunities, low poverty rate, etc.)
 - Access to nutritious foods
 - Transportation
 - Other (*please specify*)
-

28. What could the hospital do to better meet the community's health needs? Select all that apply.

- Educational programs
 - After-hours access
 - Outpatient services
 - Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services
 - Other (*please specify*)
-

29. What other healthcare services do you feel should be provided in your community?

30. According to American Heart Association, a person should eat a minimum of 5 servings of fruits and vegetables* (2 fruit and 3 vegetables) daily. If you do not eat the minimum recommended servings of fruits and vegetables daily, what are the reasons? Select all that apply.

- Lack of access to fruits and vegetables
 - Cost
 - Lack of knowledge on how to prepare fruits and vegetables
 - Limited options available
 - Do not like the taste of fruits and vegetables
 - Other (*please specify*)
-

31. Do you have reliable internet access at home? (Internet access includes DSL, wireless, cable modem, fiber, satellite, or broadband)

- Yes *
- No

32. * If you selected "yes" would you be willing to use telemedicine?

- Yes
- No

33. What is your age?

- 18 – 24
- 25 – 39
- 40 – 54
- 55 – 64
- 65 – 69
- 70 or older

34. What is your gender?
- Male
 - Female
 - Other (*please specify*)

35. What ethnic group do you identify with?
- African American / Black
 - Asian / Pacific Islander
 - Hispanic / Latino
 - Native American
 - White / Caucasian
 - Other (*please specify*)

36. What is the highest level of education you have completed?
- High school graduate / GED
 - Technical school
 - College or above
 - Other (*please specify*)

37. What is your annual household income?
- \$0 - \$24,999
 - \$25,000 - \$49,999
 - \$50,000 - \$74,999
 - \$75,000 - \$99,999
 - \$100,000 or more
 - Prefer not to answer
38. What is your current employment status?
- Employed full time
 - Employed part time
 - Unemployed
 - Retired
 - Student
 - Other (*please specify*)

39. What is your living situation today?
- I have a steady place to live.
 - I have a steady place to live today, but I worry about losing it in the future.
 - I do not have a steady place to live. (I am temporarily staying with others, in a hotel, in a shelter, living outside on the street, in a car, in an abandoned building, at a bus or train station, or at a park.)
40. Think about the place you live. Do you have problems with any of the following? Select all that apply.
- Pests, such as bugs or mice
 - Mold
 - Lead paint or pipes
 - Lack of heat
 - Lack of air conditioning
 - Holes in the flooring
 - Lack of oven / oven does not work
 - Lack of refrigerator / refrigerator does not work
 - Smoke detectors not working / missing
 - Other (*please specify*)


 - None of the above

Approval

This Community Health Needs Assessment was approved by the Livingston Hospital Board of Trustees on February 16, 2026.



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