



Hennepin County Children's Mental Health Dashboard

Full list of measures

The Hennepin County Children's Mental Health Collaborative has compiled a dashboard of data about the mental health and well-being of County children and families. The dashboard draws on a variety of local, state, and national data sources. The information is intended to provide a snapshot of available data, for use in monitoring trends and informing service and system reform efforts. In addition to presenting key data, each dashboard section includes recommended resources for learning more about the topic and some questions, designed to encourage reflection regarding the findings and strategies that can be used to take action in the community.

See the briefs posted on our website for the most up-to-date information related to these indicators.

Economic well-being

1. Percentage of people under 18 living in poverty (Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates)
2. Percentage of children enrolled in public schools that are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch (National Center for Education Statistics)
3. Percentage of households that spend 50% or more of their household income on housing (American Community Survey, 5-year estimates)
4. Percentage of 9th grade students reporting that in the past 12 months they have stayed in a shelter, somewhere not intended as a place to live, or someone else's home because they had no other place to stay (Minnesota Student Survey)

Mental health

5. Percentage of 9th grade students reporting long-term mental health, behavioral, or emotional problems (Minnesota Student Survey)
6. Percentage of 9th grade students indicating that they have seriously considered attempting suicide at least once in the last 12 months (Minnesota Student Survey)

7. Percentage of parents who report that mental or emotional difficulties kept their child from doing his or her usual school or daily activities at least “somewhat” in the past month (Hennepin County SHAPE survey)
8. Percentage of parents reporting that their child has long-term mental health, behavioral, or emotional problems (Hennepin County SHAPE survey)
9. Percentage of parents reporting that a doctor, teacher, or school counselor told them that their child needed professional help for emotional or behavioral problems in the past 12 months (Hennepin County SHAPE survey)

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

10. Percentage of 9th grade students reporting at least three ACEs (ACE score-short) (Minnesota Student Survey)
11. Percentage of 9th grade students who reported that a parent or guardian had been in jail or prison (Minnesota Student Survey)
12. Percentage of 9th grade students reporting that they live with anyone who drinks too much alcohol (Minnesota Student Survey)
13. Percentage of 9th grade students reporting that they live with someone who is depressed or has other mental health issues (Minnesota Student Survey)

Community engagement

14. High school graduation rate (percentage of 9th grade students who graduate in four years) (Minnesota Department of Education)
15. Percentage of 9th grade students who care about doing well in school at least “most of the time” (Minnesota Student Survey)
16. Percentage of teens and young adults (ages 16-19) who are neither working nor in school (“disconnected youth”) (American Community Survey, 5-year estimates)
17. Percentage of parents who agree that at least one other adult in their child’s school, neighborhood, or community knows their child well and can be relied on for advice or guidance (Hennepin County SHAPE survey)
18. Percentage of parents who report that their child (ages 6-17) engages in at least one out-of-school activity at least once per week (Hennepin County SHAPE survey)
19. Percentage of 9th grade students who report that their school or community offers a variety of programs for people their age to participate in outside of the regular school day (Minnesota Student Survey)

Substance use

20. Percentage of 9th grade students who use alcohol (beer, wine, liquor) at least once a month (Minnesota Student Survey)
21. Percentage of 11th grade students who use a vaping device or e-cigarette at least once a month (Minnesota Student Survey)
22. Percentage of 11th grade students who used alcohol or marijuana or other drugs at least once in the past year (Minnesota Student Survey)

Community safety

23. Rate of children under 18 arrested for Part 1 crimes (murder, rape, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, vehicle theft, and arson) (Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension)
24. Percentage of 9th grade students who “agree” or “strongly agree” that they feel safe in their neighborhood (Minnesota Student Survey)
25. Percentage of 9th grade students who report being bullied at least once in the last 30 days (Minnesota Student Survey)
26. Violent crime rate (number of reported violent crime offenses per 100,000 population) (Uniform Crime Reporting – FBI)

Child welfare

27. Teen birth rate (number of births per 1,000 female population ages 15-19) (National Center for Health Statistics)
28. Number of children for whom a report of child abuse or neglect was substantiated by a county child protection worker (Minnesota Department of Human Services, Child Welfare Report)
29. Children under age 18 in the foster care system (National Data Archive on Child Abuse and Neglect)
30. Number of children whose families participated in the Family Assessment (FA) Response (Minnesota Department of Human Services, Child Welfare Report)

School-based mental health

31. Number/percentage of public, charter, and intermediate schools with school-based mental health services (Hennepin County)
32. Number of students receiving school-based mental health services (MN Kids database)
33. Of the students receiving school-based mental health services, percentage who are receiving mental health services for the first time (MN Kids database)

Early childhood mental health and well-being

34. Percentage of parents who say that in the past 12 months a doctor, teacher, or school counselor ever told them that the child needed professional help for physical or developmental problems (early childhood) (Hennepin County SHAPE survey)
35. Percentage of parents who describe their child’s mental and emotional health as “very good” or better (early childhood) (Hennepin County SHAPE survey)
36. Percentage of parents who say that their child has seen a doctor or other health care professional for preventative medical care at least once during the past 12 months (early childhood) (Hennepin County SHAPE survey)
37. Percentage of Kindergarteners who received early childhood screening before age 5 (Minnesota Department of Education)