COUNTY HEALTH PROFILE 2023 Okeechobee County



LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH (RATE PER 100,000)

Heart Disease

Okeechobee County: 244.1 Florida: 144.1

Cancer

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Okeechobee County: 191.9 Florida: 137.7

COVID-19

Okeechobee County: 174.5 Florida: 108.8

Unintentional Injury Okeechobee County: 109.1 Florida: 72.8



Stroke

Okeechobee County: 47.6 Florida: 30.7 UNINSURED

In 2021, **20.9%** of residents under 65 years old were uninsured in Okeechobee County, compared to **15.6%** in Florida.



MATERNAL, INFANT, & CHILD HEALTH

In 2021, the birth rate in Okeechobee County was **13.1 per 1,000 population**, compared to **9.8 per 1,000 population** in Florida.

In 2021, the infant mortality rate in Okeechobee County was **7.2 per 1,000 population**, compared to **5.9 per 1,000 population** in Florida.

SOCIOECONOMICS

Indicator	Okeechobee	Florida
Per Capita Income	\$24,617	\$35,216
Median Household Income	\$47,020	\$61,777
Families Below Poverty Level	15.2%	9.3%
Unemployment Rate	5.0%	5.3%
H.S. Graduate or Higher	80.6%	89.0%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	16.6%	31.5%
PK-12 Students Eligible for Free / Reduced Lunch	97.8%	65.8%

HEALTHCARE UTILIZATION

Nursing Home Occupancy (Rate): 79.5%

Hospitalizations (Count): 7,514

Emergency Department Visits (Count): 23,052



HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SHORTAGE AREAS AND MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREAS/POPULATIONS

Primary Care

Low-income population of Okeechobee County; Okeechobee Correctional Institution; Florida Community Health Centers, Inc.

Dental Health

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Mental Health

High needs geographic area of Okeechobee County; Okeechobee Correctional Institution; Florida Community Health Centers, Inc.

Medically Underserved

Low-income/migrant farmworker population of Okeechobee County

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Sources: US Census Bureau, 2017-2021 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates; Florida Department of Education, Student Demographic Information SY 22/23; Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Immunization, 2022; Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, 2022; Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, 202