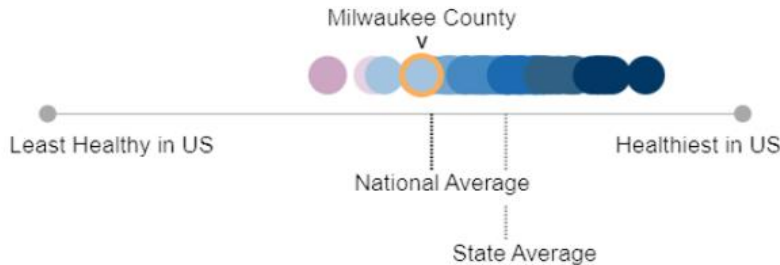


Health

Population Health Rating



Milwaukee County Community Conditions - 2025



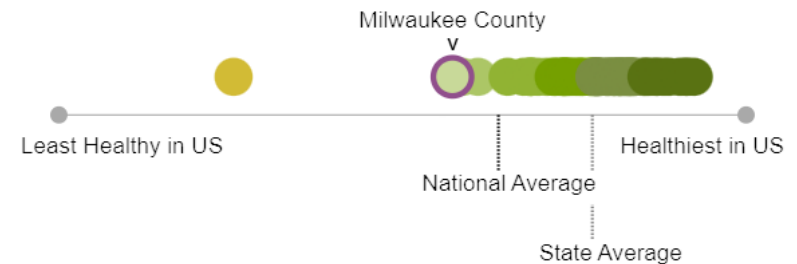
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Strengths

- Access to exercise
- Availability of primary care, mental health providers and dentists
- Low uninsured rate
- Level of education



Milwaukee County Population Health and Well-being - 2025



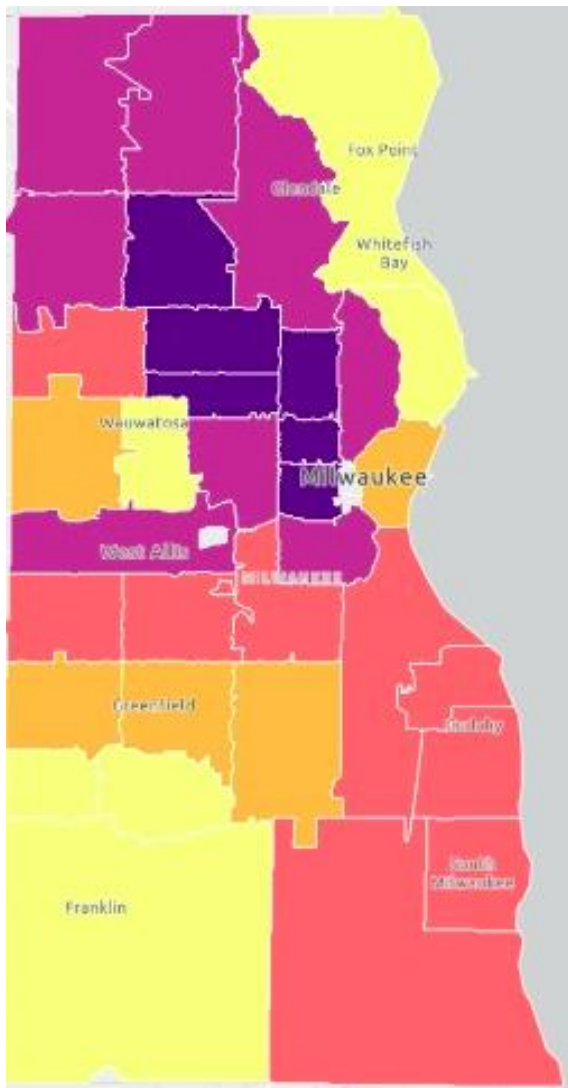
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Leading Risks

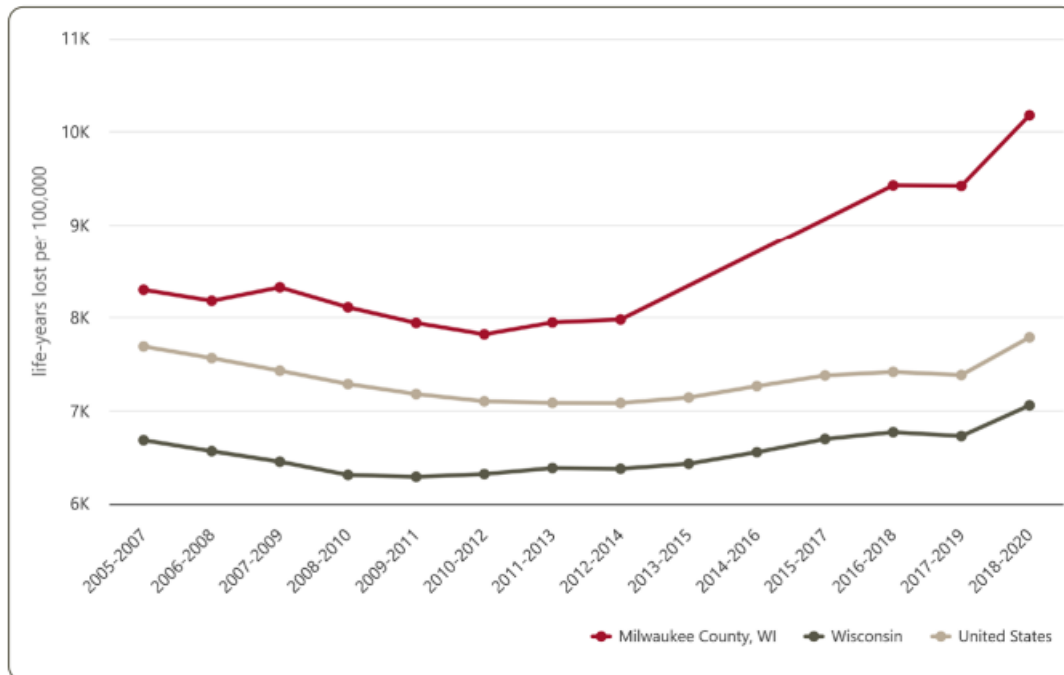
- High rates of preventable hospital stays
- Severe housing problems
- Income inequality
- Children in poverty
- Injury deaths
- Child care cost burden

Life Expectancy & Years of Potential Life Lost

Life Expectancy, 2014-2018



Years of Potential Life Lost, Milwaukee County and comparison, 2005-2020



Life expectancy in Milwaukee's central zip codes is 15 years less than in southwest and north shore zip codes.

Leading Cause of Mortality by Age: 2022

	All Ages	1-4	5-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
1	Diseases of the heart	Other Causes	Accidents	Homicide	Accidents	Accidents	Accidents	Diseases of the heart	Diseases of the heart
2	Cancer	Accidents	Homicide	Accidents	Homicide	Other Causes	Diseases of the heart	Cancer	Cancer
3	Other Causes	Septicemia	Other Causes	Suicide	Other Causes	Homicide	Cancer	Accidents	Other Causes
4	Accidents	Homicide	Chronic lower respiratory	Other Causes	Suicide	Cancer	Other Causes	Other Causes	Accidents
5	Cardiovascular Diseases	Chronic lower respiratory	Congenital malformations	Cancer	Diseases of the heart	Diseases of the heart	Liver disease & Cirrhosis	COVID-19	Cardiovascular Disease
6	COVID-19	COVID-19	Cancer	Chronic lower respiratory	Cancer	Suicide	Homicide	Liver disease & Cirrhosis	COVID-19
7	Chronic lower respiratory		Suicide	COVID-19	Chronic lower respiratory	Liver disease & Cirrhosis	Cardiovascular Disease	Cardiovascular Disease	Chronic lower respiratory
8	Alzheimer's		COVID-19	Diseases of the heart	Diabetes	Diabetes	Diabetes	Chronic lower respiratory	Alzheimer's
9	Diabetes			Influenza & Pneumonia	COVID-19	COVID-19	COVID-19	Diabetes	Diabetes
10	Homicide			Pregnancy & Childbirth	Hypertension	Influenza & Pneumonia	Suicide	Hypertension	Nephrosis

#1 Milwaukee County Cause: Heart Disease

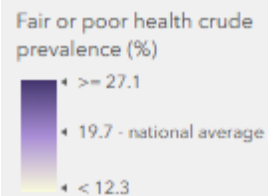
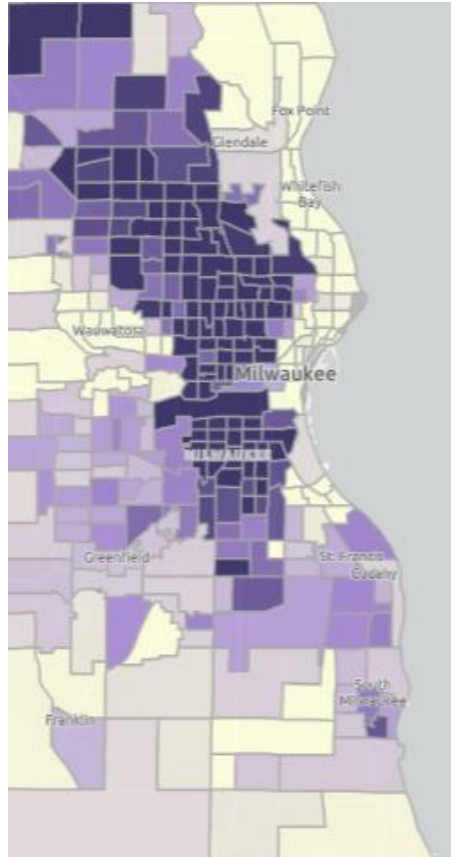
#2 Milwaukee County Cause: Cancer

#4 Milwaukee County Cause: Accidents

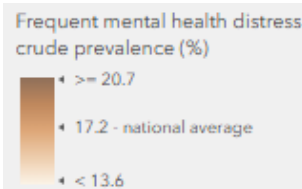
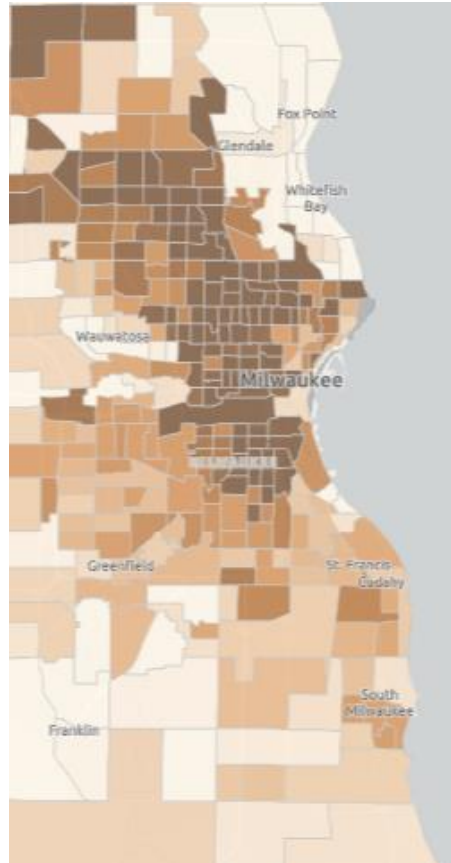
Heart disease and cancer are the top two causes of death for older adults. Accidents and homicide are the top causes for younger people.

General Health, Frequent Mental Distress & Frequent Physical Distress

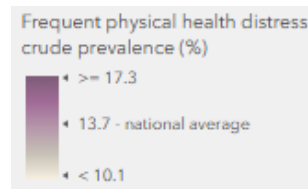
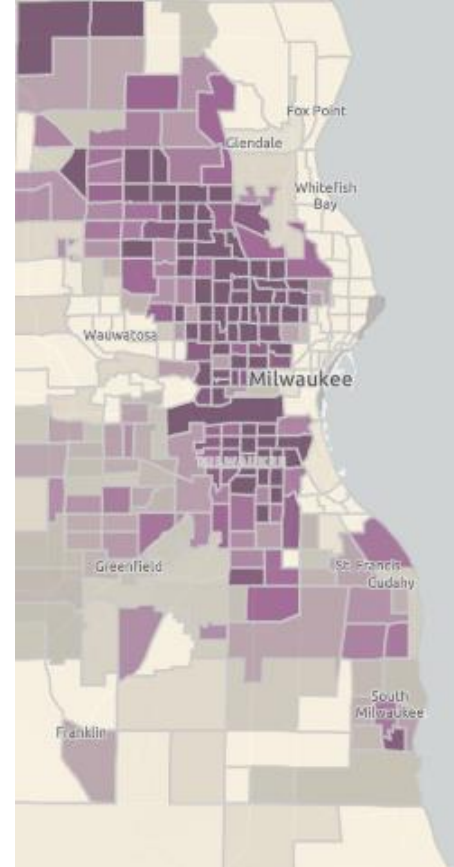
General Health



Frequent Mental Distress



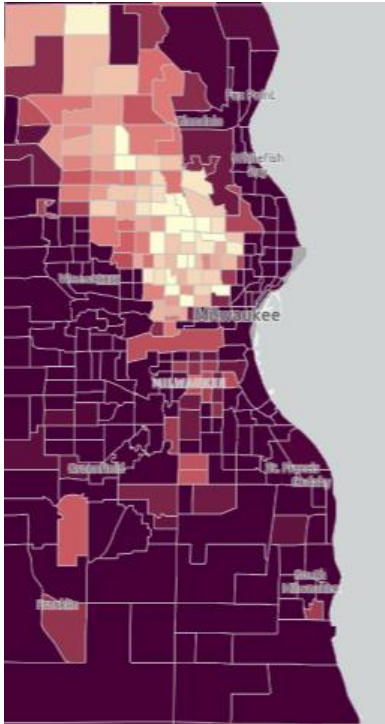
Frequent Physical Distress



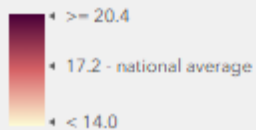
General health, mental distress and physical distress all follow the same pattern with poorer status in the central, near south and northwest parts of the County.

Health Risk Behaviors

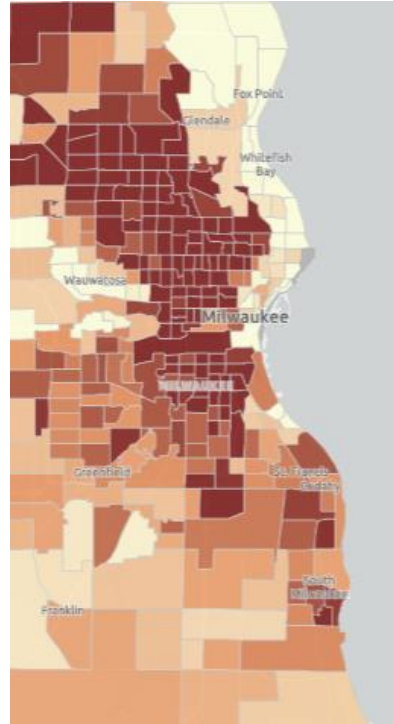
Binge Drinking



Binge drinking crude prevalence (%)



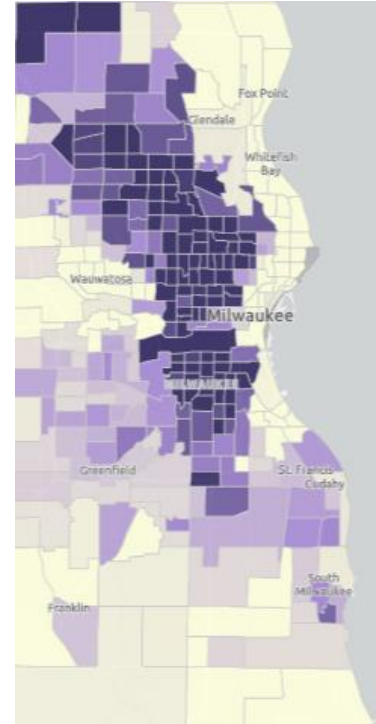
Smoking



Current smoking crude prevalence (%)



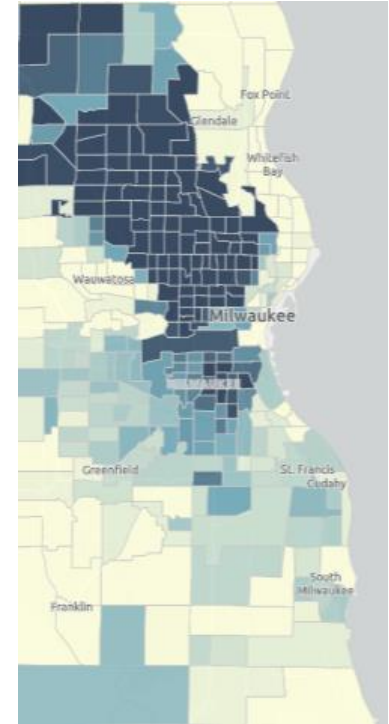
Physical Inactivity



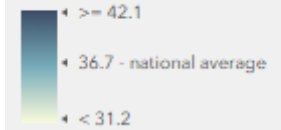
Physical inactivity crude prevalence (%)



Inadequate Sleep



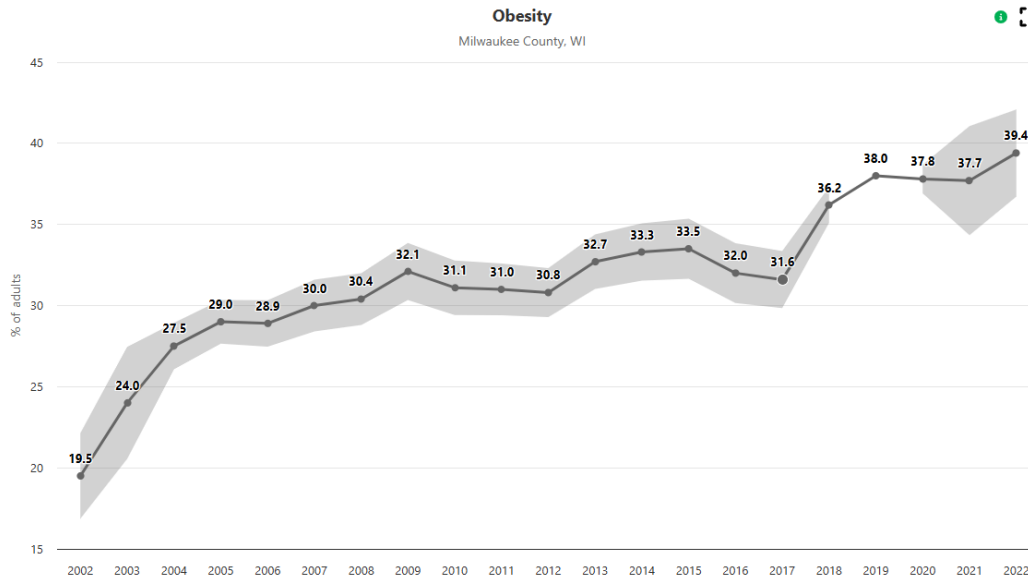
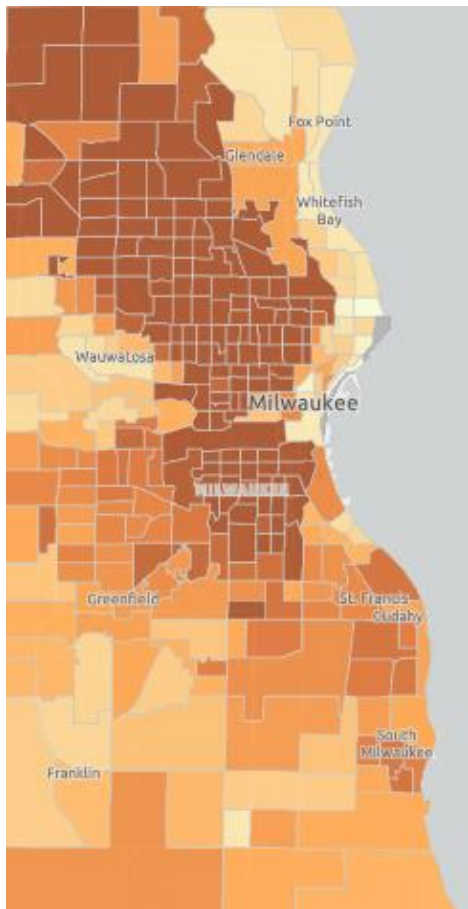
Sleep <7 hours crude prevalence (%)



Most risk behaviors follow the pattern of general health being highest in the central and northwest. Binge drinking has the opposite pattern.

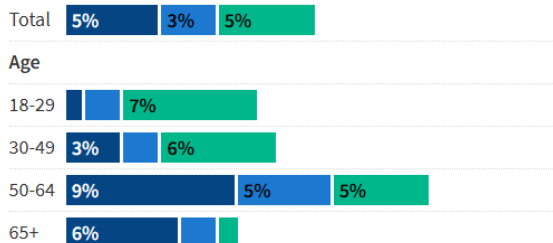
Obesity

% Obese



Use of GLP-1 Weight Loss Drugs

■ Yes, used to treat a chronic condition
 ■ Yes, used both to lose weight and treat a chronic condition
 ■ Yes, used to lose weight



Obesity patterns follow general health and have been increasing. Older adults use GLP-1 weight loss drugs at lower levels than other age groups.

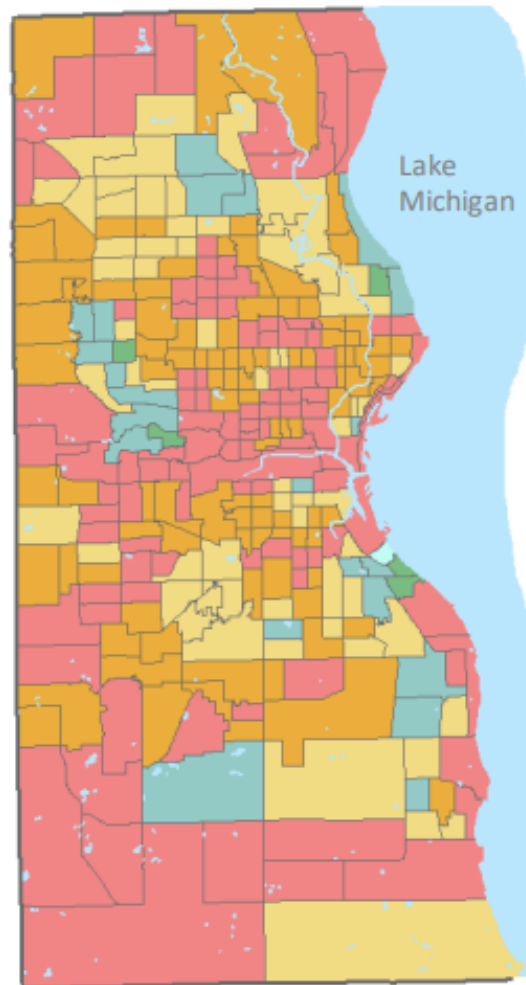
Food Access

MILWAUKEE COUNTY

- FOOD DESERT
- GROCERY STORE



mRFEI for Milwaukee County census tracts

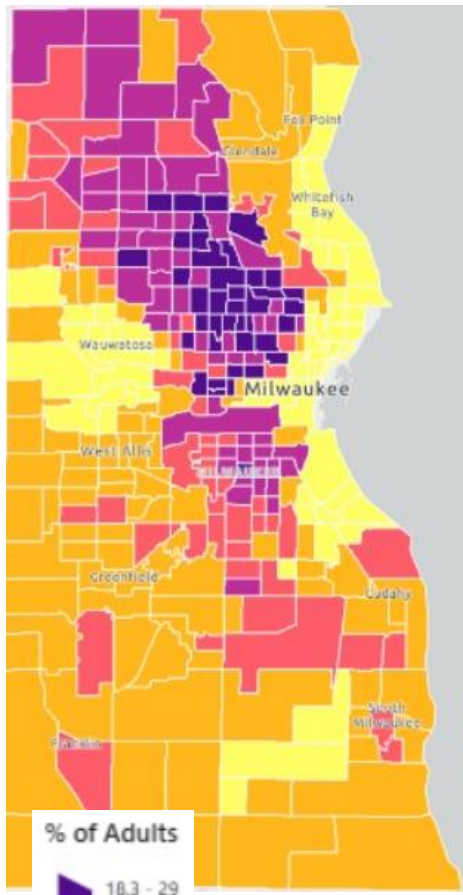


- 19 to 20
- 12-18
- 11
- 1 to 10
- No healthy food retailers

38% of neighborhoods do not have a grocery store within ½ mile.

Disparities in Chronic Disease

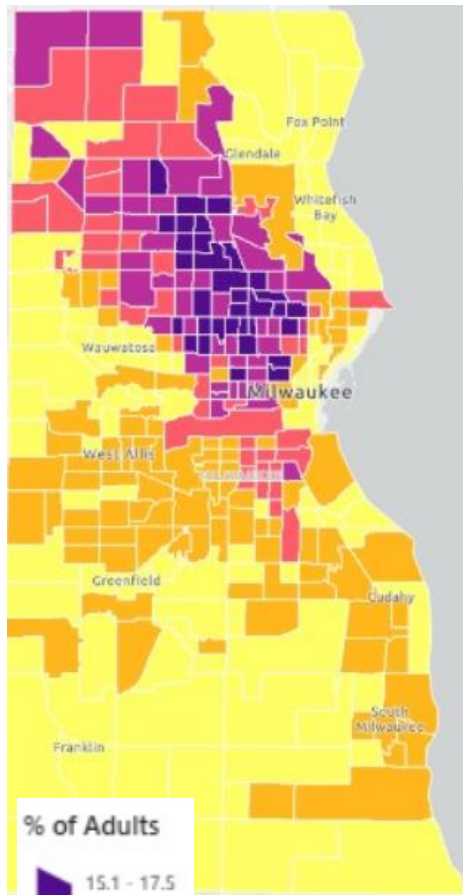
Diabetes



% of Adults



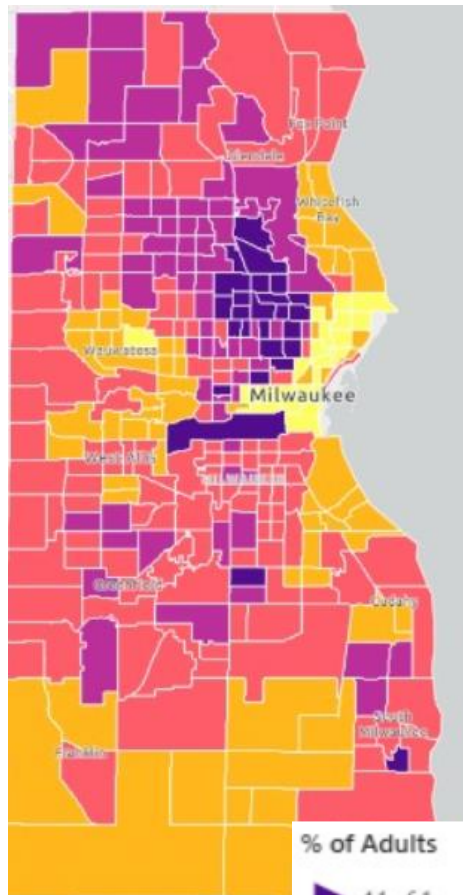
Asthma



% of Adults



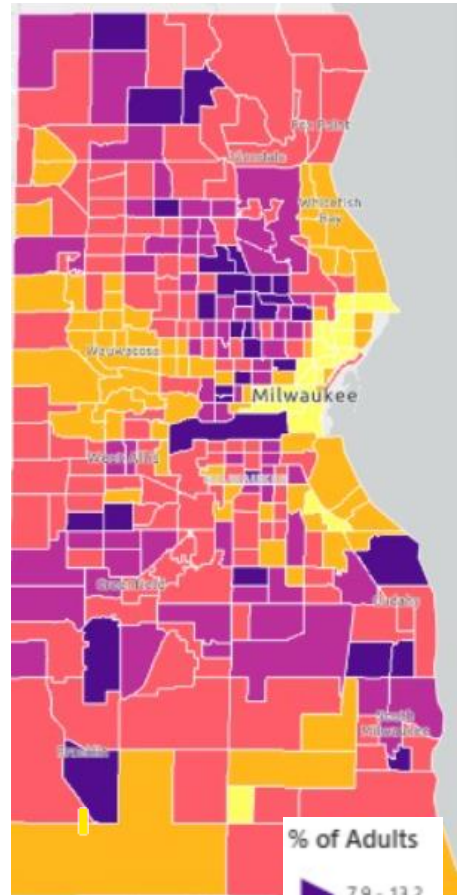
Kidney Disease



% of Adults



Heart Disease



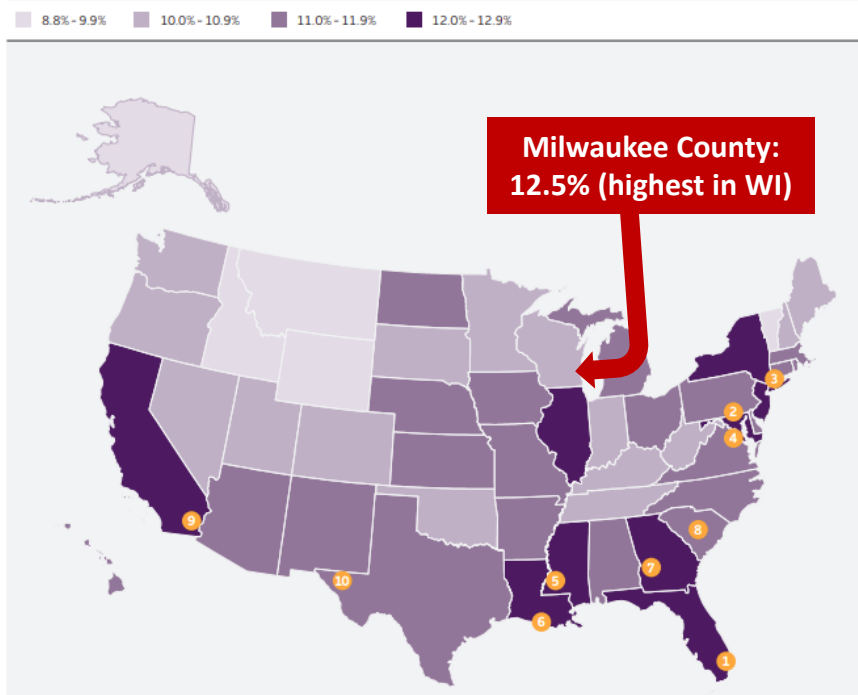
% of Adults



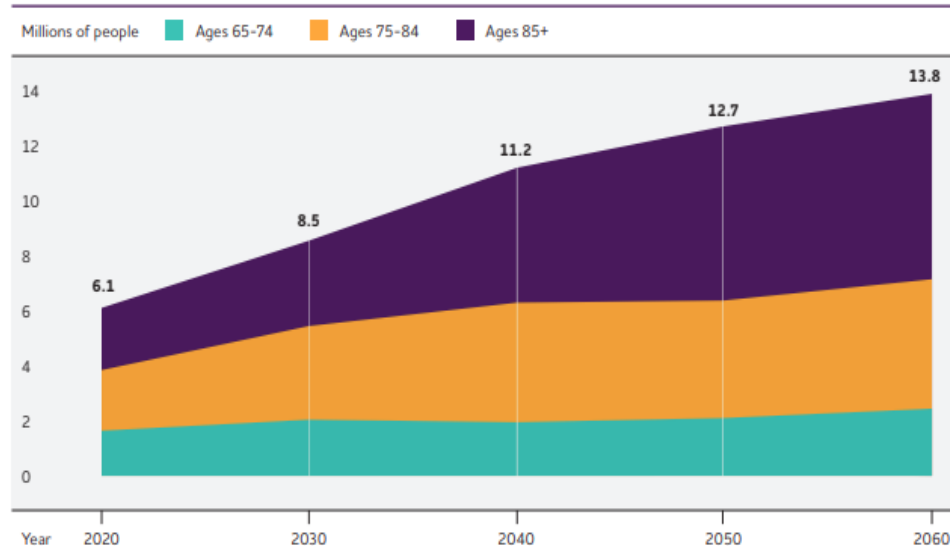
Disparities in chronic disease follow similar patterns as overall social vulnerability index.

Prevalence of Alzheimer's Disease

Prevalence of Alzheimer's Disease in the 50 U.S. States, and the 10 Counties with the Highest Prevalence, 2020*

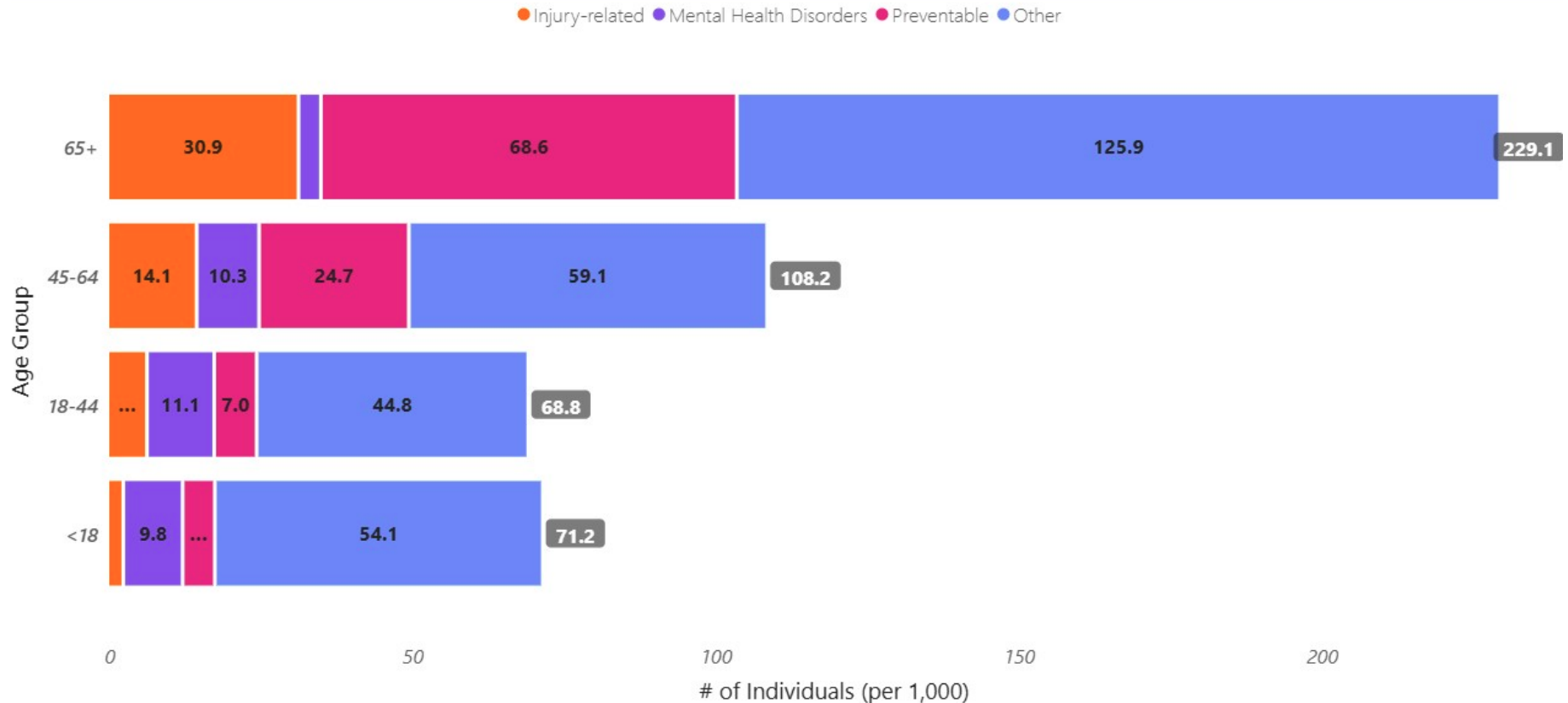


Projected Number of People Age 65 and Older (Total and by Age) in the U.S. Population with Alzheimer's Dementia, 2020 to 2060



Milwaukee County has the highest prevalence of Alzheimer's in WI. The number of people with Alzheimer's is projected to double in the next 40 years.

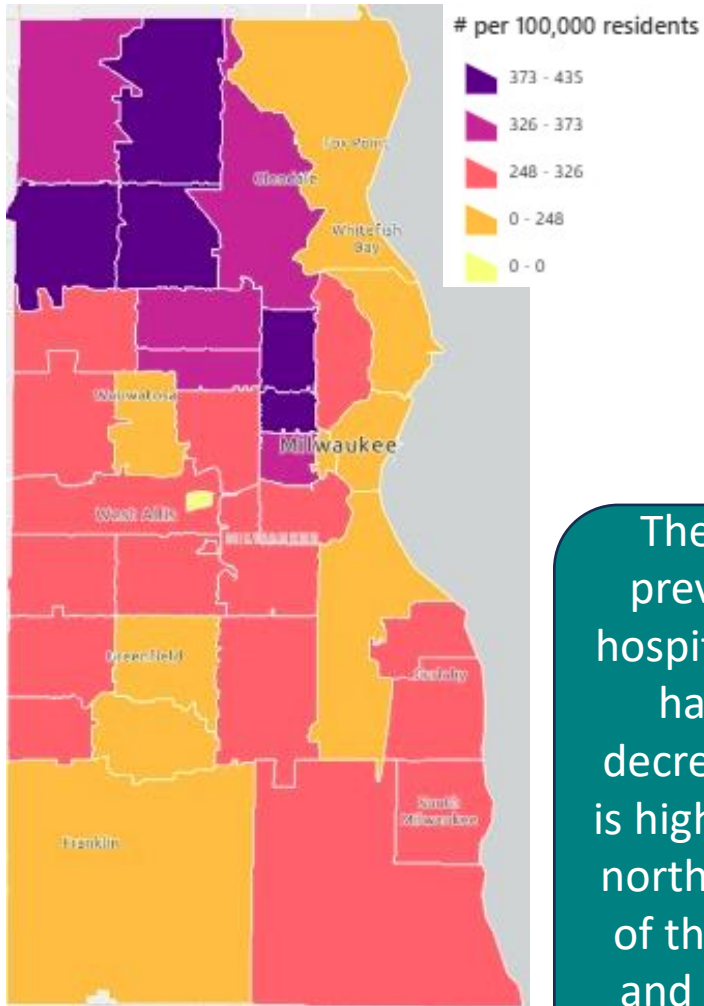
Hospitalization Rate by Age: 2017



Older adults are hospitalized at far greater rates than other age groups.

Preventable Hospitalizations, 2020-2024

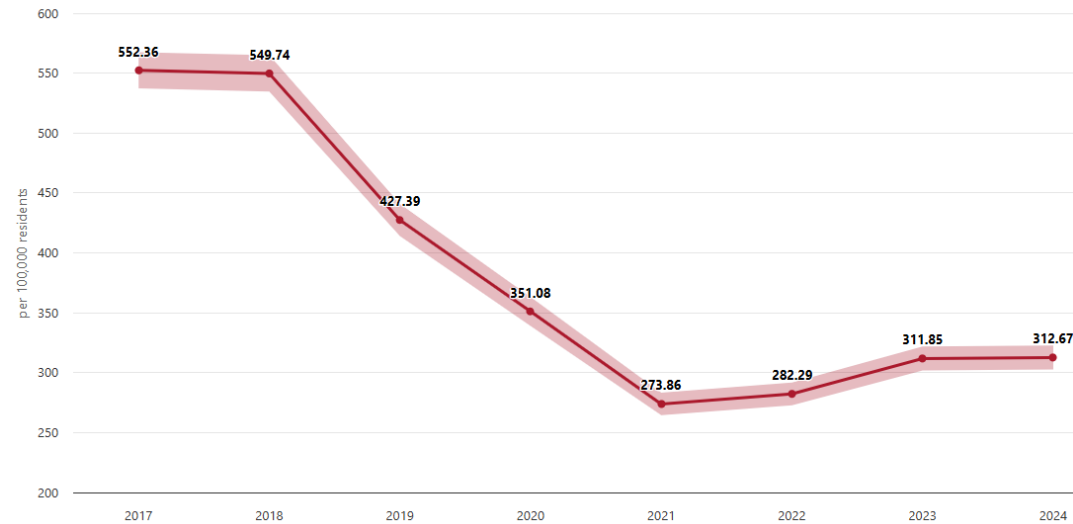
Preventable Acute Hospitalization Rate per 100,000 residents



The rate of preventable hospitalizations has been decreasing but is highest in the northwest part of the County and for Black residents.

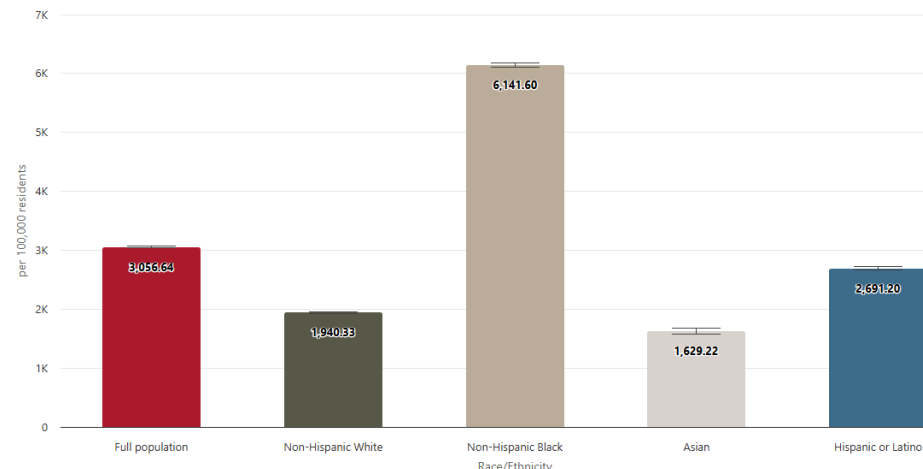
Preventable acute hospitalization rate

Milwaukee County, WI



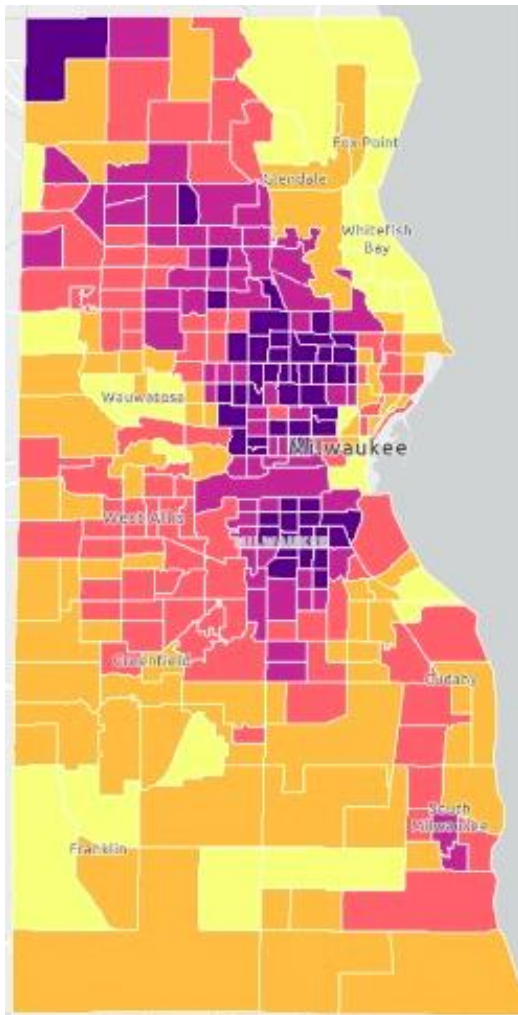
Preventable emergency department visit rate by Race/Ethnicity, Milwaukee County, WI

2020-2024



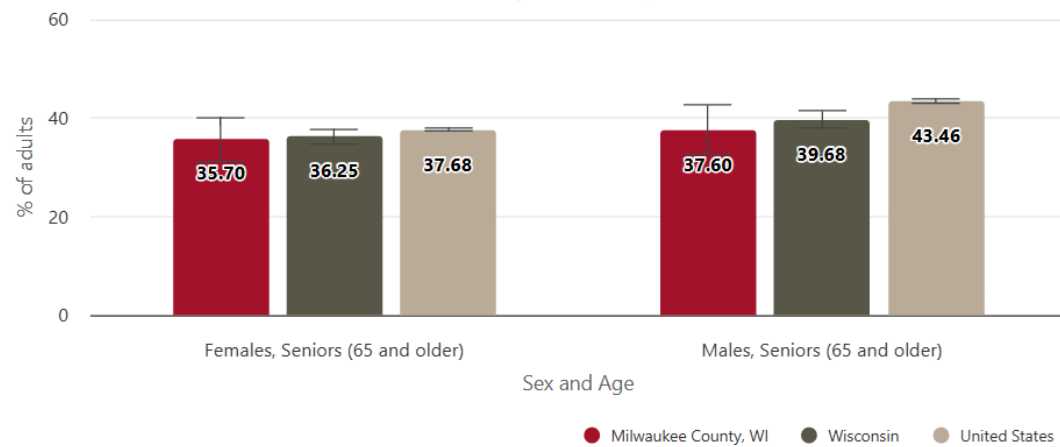
Older Adults Up-to-Date on Preventative Services

Adults 65+ Current with Preventative Services



Seniors up to date on core preventative services by Sex and Age, 2020

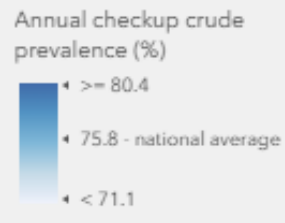
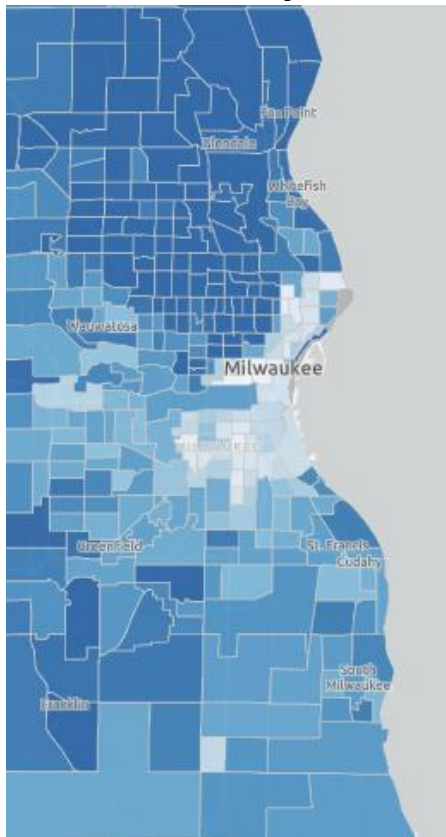
Milwaukee County, WI and comparison



Less than half of older adults are up-to-date with preventative services.

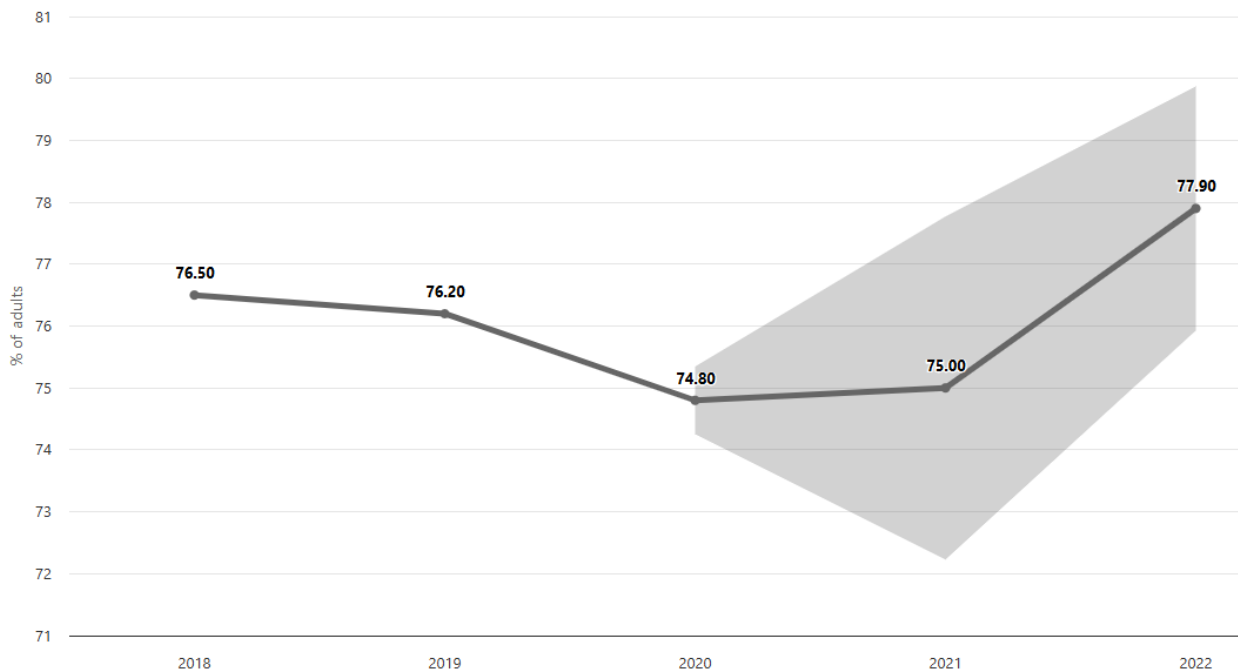
Annual Physical Health Care Visit

Annual Physical



Visited doctor for routine checkup

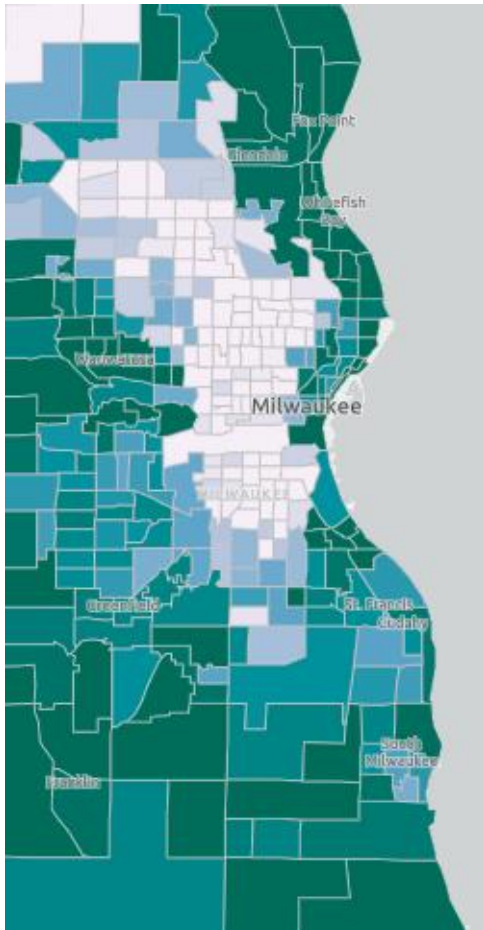
Milwaukee County, WI



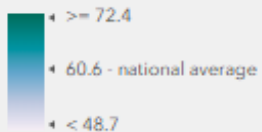
There are high rates of receiving a routine check-up (70%+) in all parts of the County.

Annual Dental Visit

Annual Dental Exam

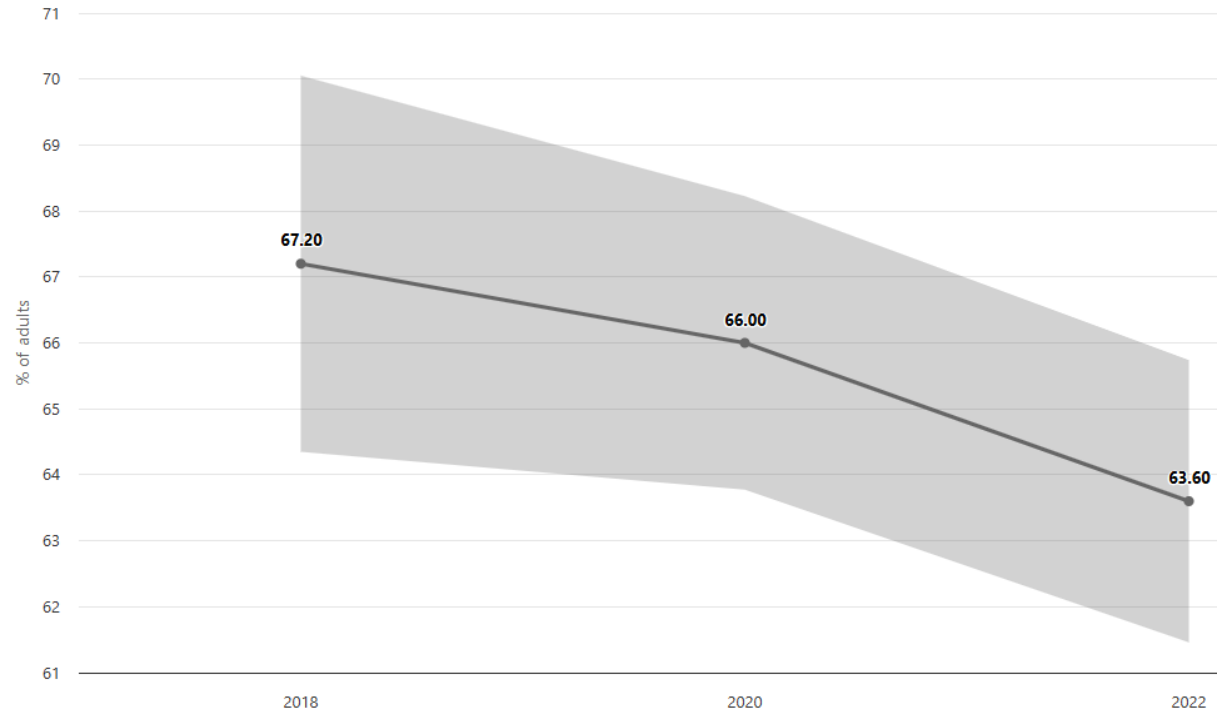


Dental visit crude prevalence (%)



Visited dentist

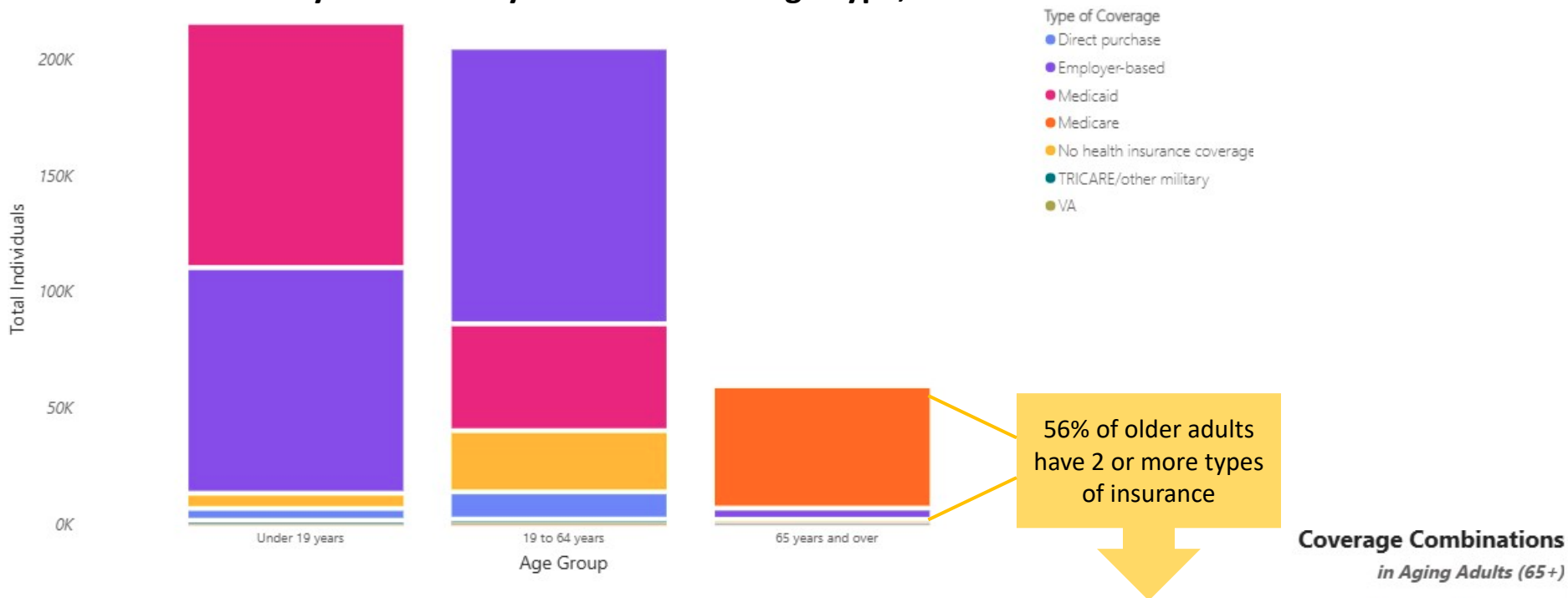
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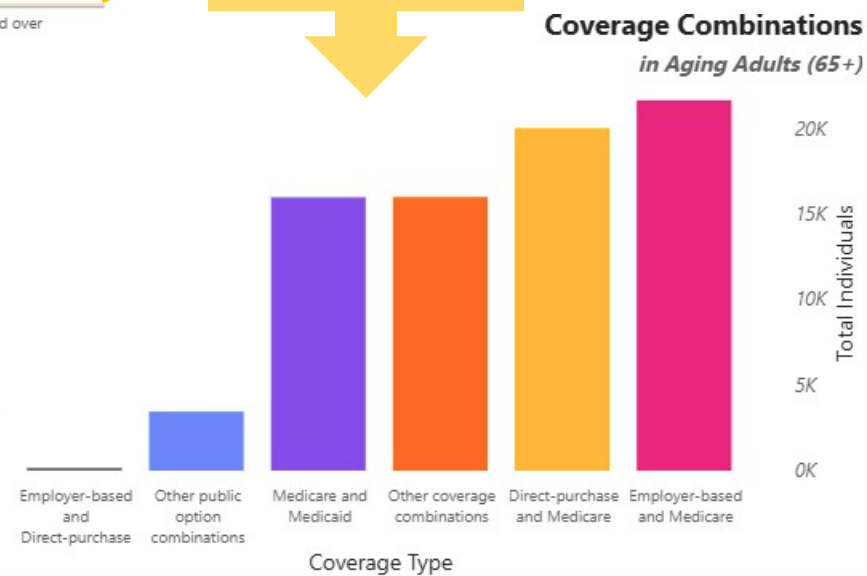
Less than half of residents in the central and northwest parts of the County.

Type of Insurance Coverage by Age

Milwaukee County Residents by Insurance Coverage Type, 2024



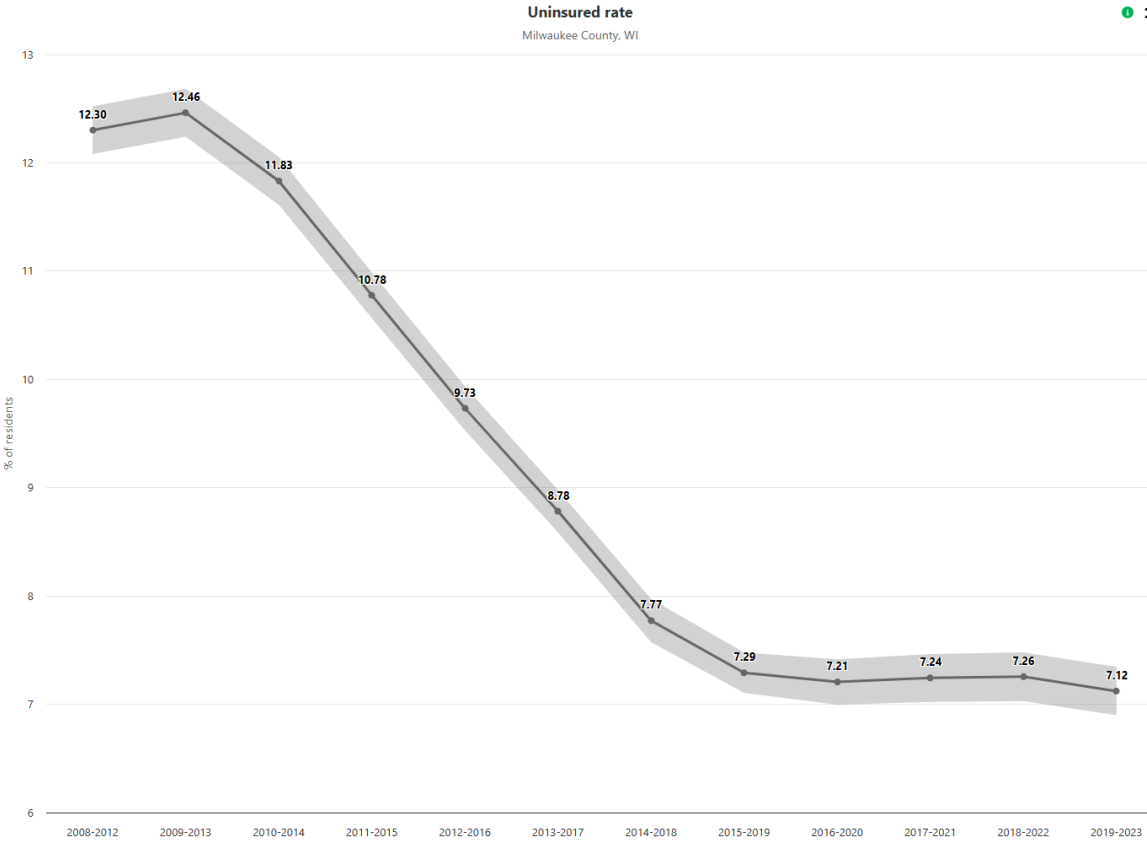
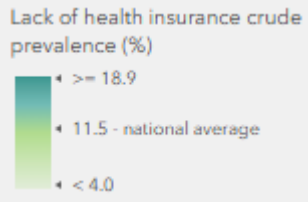
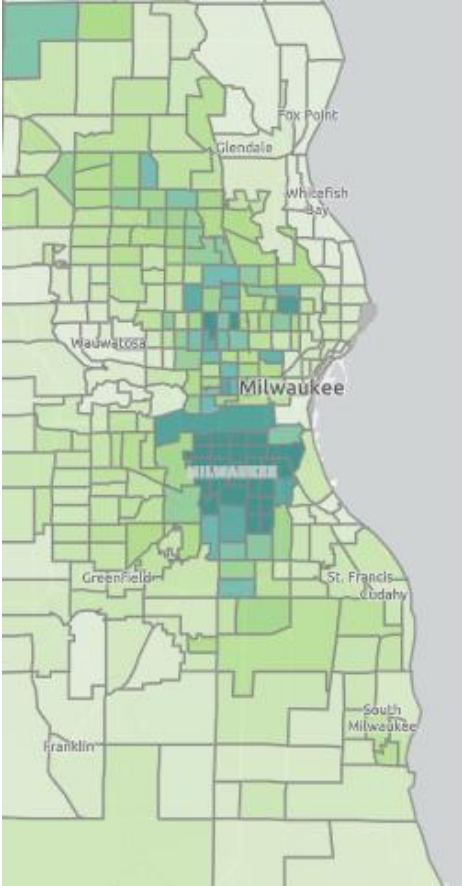
Children and working-age adults primarily have Medicaid or employer-based insurance whereas older adults primarily have Medicare/dual coverage. Working-age adults are most likely to be uninsured.



Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2024

Uninsured Rate

% Uninsured

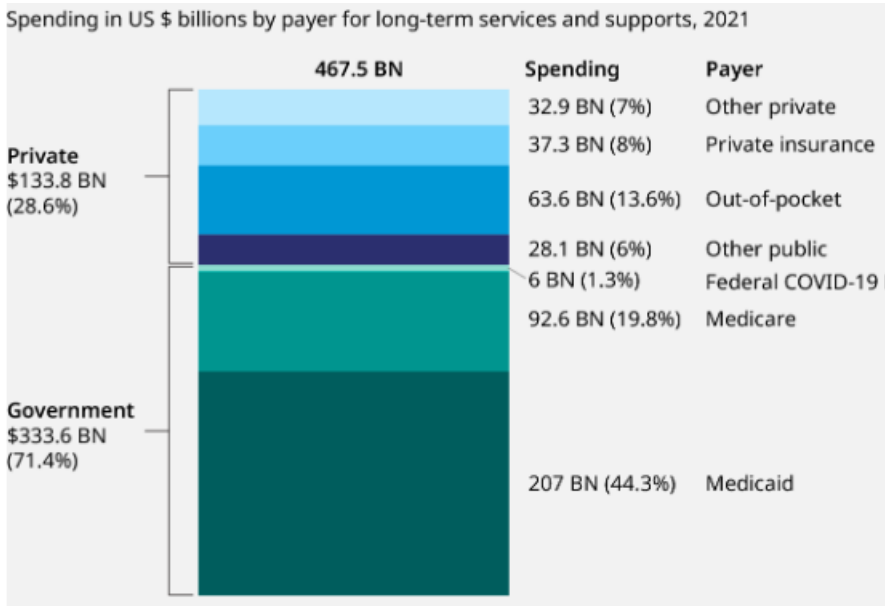


The uninsured rate has been low and declining since the inception of the Affordable Care Act. The near southside has the highest uninsured rate.

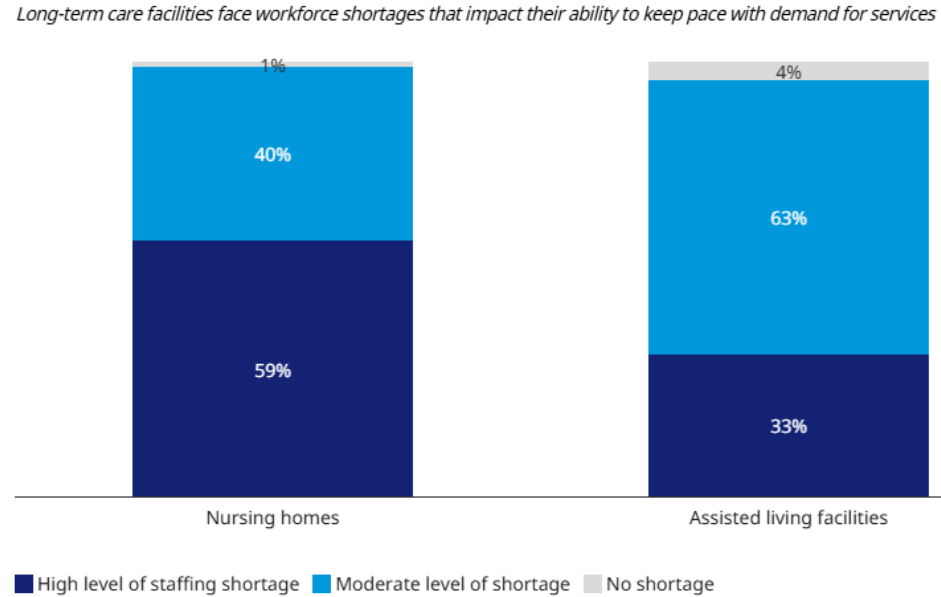
Data Source: CDC, National Center for Chronic Disease and Health Promotion, PLACES & Health Compass Milwaukee

Sustainability of Long-Term Care

Spending on Long-term Care, by Payer Type



Long-term Care Workforce Shortages



70% of long-term care spending comes from Medicaid and Medicare. Long-term care facilities are highly impacted by workforce shortages.