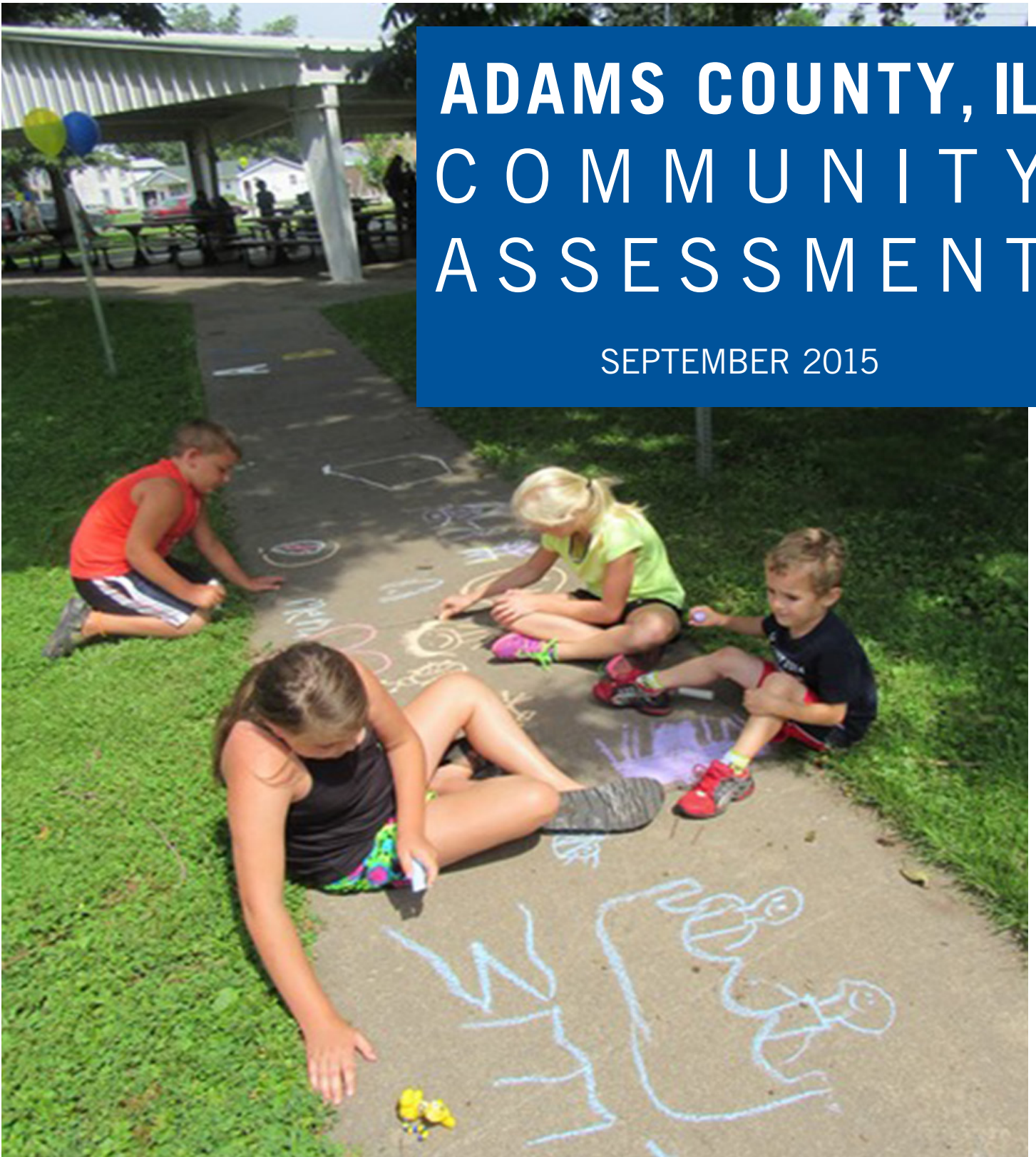
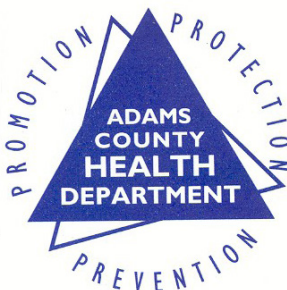


ADAMS COUNTY, IL COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT

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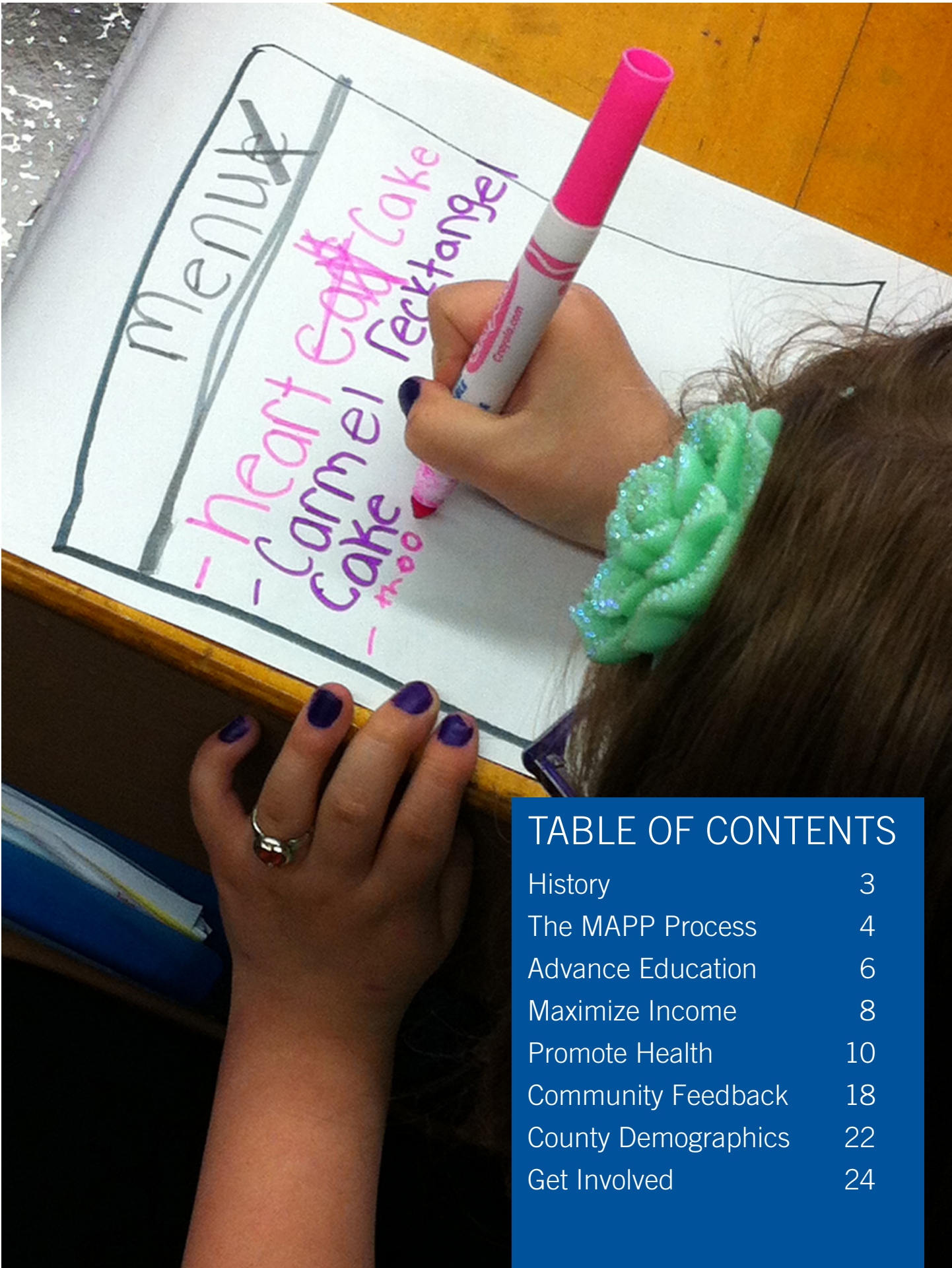


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HISTORY

In 2001, United Way of Adams County, University of Illinois Extension and Adams County Health Department joined forces to conduct a Community Assessment for Adams County. When passage of the national Affordable Care Act required non-profit hospitals to have a community health improvement plan in place, the Blessing Health System joined the collaboration taking an active role in community building efforts.

As a result, Adams County adopted the Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) process developed by the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) to guide community building efforts. This strategic planning tool uses the community's strengths, needs and desires to identify priority health issues and the resources to address them. The MAPP model consists of the following components:

- Organize for success
- Partnership development
- Formulate goals and strategies
- Identify strategic issues
- Conduct MAPP assessments
- Action including planning, implementation and evaluation

The Adams County Health Department, Blessing Health System, University of Illinois Extension and United Way of Adams County continue to provide strong leadership in the MAPP process. However, long-term success and value comes from community participation with other partners across Adams County.

Like the world around us, our community building work is constantly evolving. Adams County's approach to community building is designed to foster partnerships, open lines of communication and effectively direct resources to address challenging issues in changing times. More importantly, community building structure allows us to have a unified voice as we advocate for change in Adams County.

ENGAGING OTHERS IN COMMUNITY BUILDING

Volunteers participating in all aspects of community building engage in meaningful and rich discussions to learn about community issues and promising practices. They have a lead role in the formation, implementation, and updating of long range visions to meet the most critical needs in our community, in studying trends that affect our community, and recommending ways in which we can make an impact on these trends through the mobilization of financial, volunteer and community resources.

The **Community Building Council** (CBC) guides the development of programs, partnerships, and collaborations working to make Adams County a region where students are prepared to succeed in school, youth are on track for success in college or career after high school, children and adults are healthy, and families/individuals can manage basic needs and save for the future. CBC members are community leaders representing local businesses, foundations, human service providers, education, healthcare and government.

Reporting to the CBC are three **Leadership Delegations** (LD) each focusing on one of the three building blocks of a good life – Education, Income and Health. Serving on the delegations are program supervisors/staff working on the front lines in each of these sectors. These experts encourage networking, collaboration, and partnerships across the sector. The focus and structure of the Delegations have evolved based on unique needs of the sector. Each group oversees the work of an Impact Area Initiative developed as a result of program gaps identified by the delegation. The Health Delegation also advises a number of **Community Solution Teams** (CST) working on specific community issues pinpointed in the 2012 Community Needs Assessment.

Finally, the **Research & Evaluation Committee** analyzes county data from state/national surveys and other third party sources to determine the long-term impact of our work. The measurements show where Adams County is succeeding and provides focus on areas where there are gaps.

Understanding

The MAPP* Process Consists of Four Assessments:

*Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships

COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT

The Community Assessment identifies priority issues related to community health and quality of life using data tracking educational achievement, economic conditions impacting income, health status, quality of life and risk factors in the community. This assessment has been ongoing since 2003.

The 2015 Adams County Community Assessment captures countywide data to advance education, maximize income and promote health. This data provides a collective focus for businesses, civic groups, social service agencies, the faith community, educational systems, health facilities and others to support efforts resulting in positive, lasting change for Adams County.

While efforts have been made to maintain consistency in the data collection, indicators have been adapted as survey methods have changed.

COMMUNITY THEMES & STRENGTHS SURVEY

The Community Themes and Strengths Survey provides a deeper understanding of the issues that county residents feel are important. It identifies that interest the community, perceptions about quality of life and summarizes community assets.

This survey started in June 2014 and continued through April 2015. In addition, the survey shows what residents of Adams County find important about the region in which they live. Results are highlighted on pages 18, 19, 22 and 23 of this report.

The Community Building Council, three impact Leadership Delegations and Community Solution Teams review assessment data generated from the MAPP process. While there are many items for which to measure, each impact delegation selected three key indicators representing the needles we seek to move as a result of community building efforts across Adams County. The nine indicators represent the Adams County Agenda for Change and are highlighted on pages 6, 8 and 10. While progress is being made in some areas, the needles will move at different rates depending on the level of long-term behavioral change needed to create lasting gains.

NOTE: Data cited within this report has been gathered from the third party sources listed on page 5. Efforts have been made to use consistent sources for each measurement and to report the most currently available information.

the Process

LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM ASSESSMENT

The local Public Health System Assessment (LPHSA) is a comprehensive assessment of all of the organizations and entities that contribute to the public's health. It measures the capacity and performance of the local public health system – all organizations and entities that contribute to the public's health. This assessment will take place in late 2015 with the results to be included in the Illinois Project for Local Assessment of Needs (IPLAN) for Adams County, which will be released in the fall of 2016.

FORCES OF CHANGE ASSESSMENT

The Forces of Change Assessment identifies forces such as legislation, technology and other issues that affect the context in which the community and its public health system operates. It identifies forces that are or will be affecting the community or the local public health system. This assessment will also be part of the 2016 IPLAN.

DATA SOURCES

Healthy People 2020

www.healthypeople.gov

County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

www.countyhealthrankings.org

Illinois Youth Survey

<https://iys.cprd.illinois.edu>

Adams County Health Department Annual Report

www.co.adams.il.us/Health/index.htm

Illinois Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

<http://app.idph.state.il.us/brfss/>

American Community Survey (US Census)

<http://quickfacts.census.gov>

Illinois State Board of Education

www.isbe.state.il.us

Heartland Alliance / Social Impact Research Center

www.heartlandalliance.org/research



ADVANCE EDUCATION

Education is the foundation for a good life, setting individuals on a path of personal fulfillment, economic security and community stewardship. Educational success begins by preparing children for Kindergarten and continues through graduation. The ultimate goal - students complete high school with the ability to be successful in college or career. Tracking specific milestones in a student's educational development reveals areas of growth and potential achievement gaps.

CURRENT TREND:

44% of low-income 3rd graders meet or exceed reading levels.

Source: Illinois State Board of Education (2014)

Adams County students score an average of 20 on the ACT exam.

Source: Illinois State Board of Education (2014)

Graduation rate for low income students has increased to 90%.

Source: Illinois State Board of Education (2014)

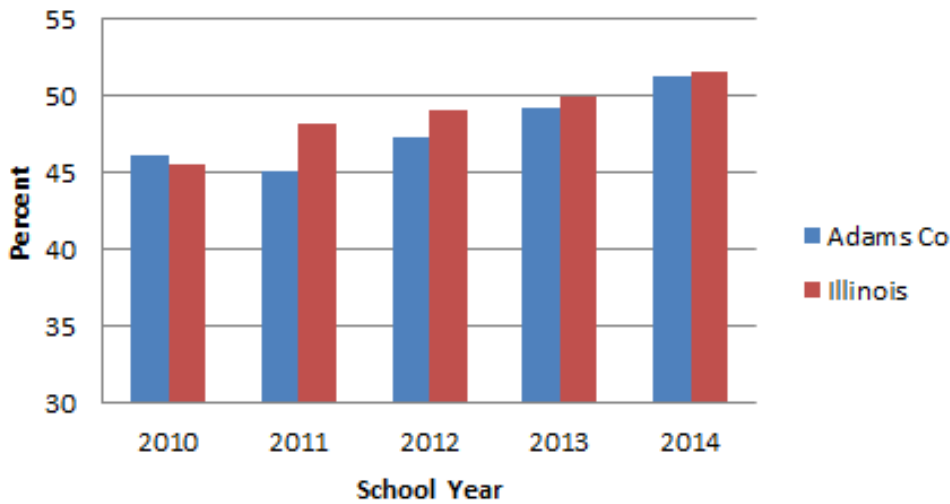
IMPROVING WITH GAINS TO BE MADE

LITTLE TO NO CHANGE

IMPROVING

The Education Leadership Delegation, led by representatives from the Regional Office of Education and the Quincy Public Library, placed its focus on early learning in the first five years of life - critical stage for brain development that impacts future success in school and into adulthood.

Low Income Students

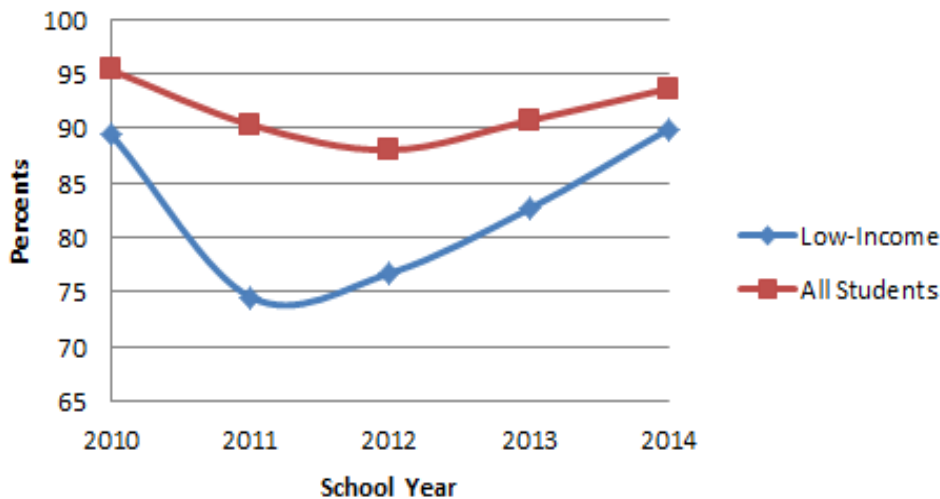


The Illinois State Board of Education defines low-income as the percentage of students in the district who are eligible to receive free or reduced-price lunches, live in substitute care, or whose families receive public aid.

The percentage charted represents the compiled enrollment numbers of low-income students for each of the five school districts in Adams County.

Source: Illinois State Board of Education

Graduation Rates in Adams County



The percentage charted represents the average graduation rate of the five school districts in Adams County.

While the overall graduation rate remains relatively steady, the trend shows districts are closing the graduation gap for low-income students.

Source: Illinois State Board of Education

Average truancy rate of Adams County schools is 3.6%. These students missed more than 5% of school days within the academic year due to unexcused absences. The Adams County average is better than the state average of 8.7%.

Source: Illinois State Board of Education (2014)

The dropout rate of high school students is 1% for Adams County, compared to the Illinois dropout rate of 2.2%. A dropout is defined as a student who is enrolled in school, but does not meet graduation requirements.

Source: Illinois State Board of Education (2014)



MAXIMIZE INCOME

Even with more than one family member bringing in wages or with one person holding down two or three jobs, many families are barely getting by, with no ability to save for the future. Wages have not kept up with the rising cost of living.

One unanticipated expense - a car breakdown, an uninsured illness, a week without a paycheck - can lead to crisis. Achieving greater stability allows working families to move toward financial independence.

CURRENT TREND:

20% of children in Adams County live below federal poverty level.

Source: County Health Rankings (2015)

The median household income in Adams County is \$43,604.

Source: County Health Rankings (2013)

42.2% of families do not have sufficient assets to live without income for three months.

Source: Social Impact Research Center (2011)

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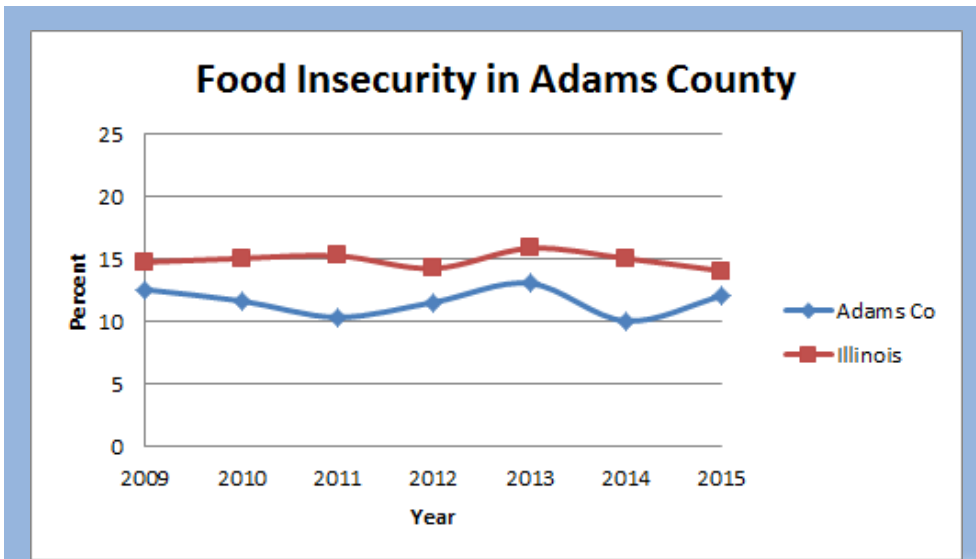
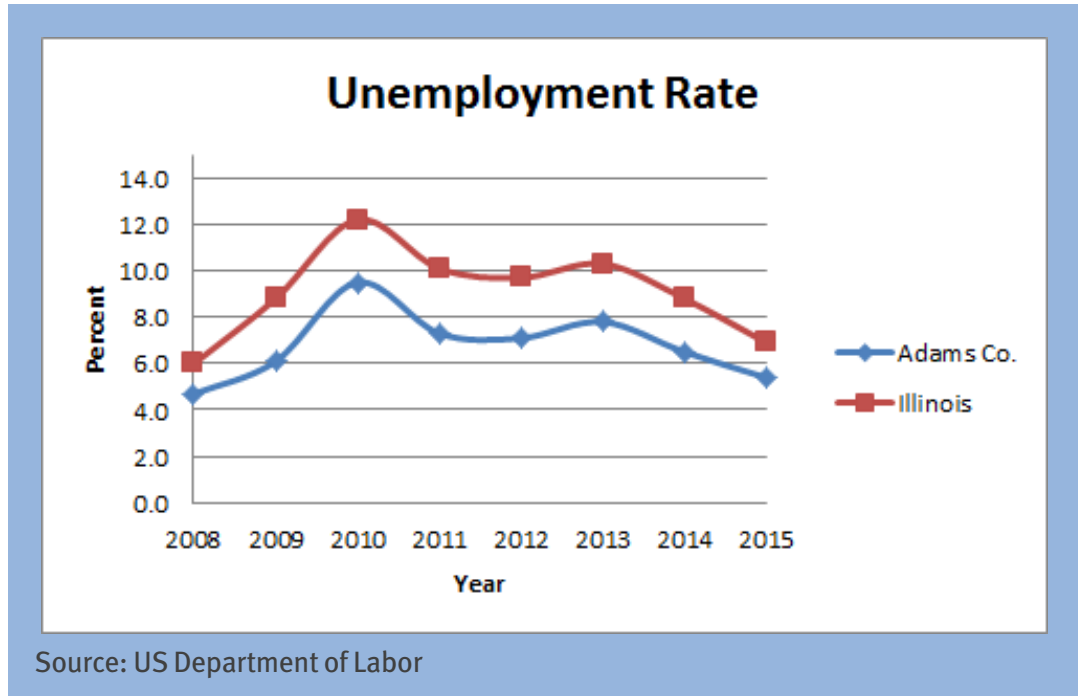
DECLINING

A NEW MEASURE
WITH NO TREND

The Income Leadership Delegation, now aligned with the Adams County Work Readiness Team, has focused its efforts on increasing work readiness and financial literacy skills of youth and adults. This is part of Adams County Works program led by the Great River Economic Development Foundation and the Work Force Investment Board of Western Illinois.

The unemployment rate for Adams County is declining which is positive. However, the statistics regarding food insecurity and the hourly wage needed to afford a 2-bedroom rental have increased.

This demonstrates that although less citizens are unemployed, the quality of life they are able to provide has not improved.



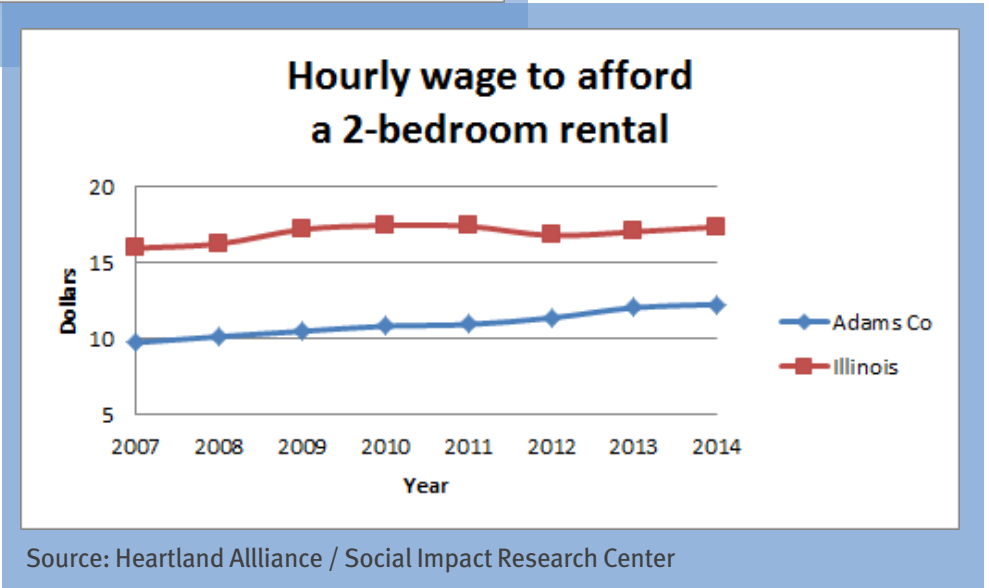
Food Insecurity is the percentage of the population who did not have access to a reliable source of food during the past year.

The average hourly wage needed to afford a two bedroom rental (\$12.25) exceeds the mean hourly wage of renters in Adams County (\$9.25) making it difficult to secure and maintain stable housing.

Source: County Health Rankings

In 2015, 11% of households in Adams County reported one of four severe housing issues - an ill-equipped kitchen; inadequate plumbing; overcrowded or rent burdened.

Source: County Health Rankings





PROMOTE HEALTH

Good health allows children to learn better and adults to increase their income through productive work. Elements of good health include mental health, physical/oral health, and environmental health.

County-wide efforts to promote health and wellness are focused on ensuring residents have access to health and social services, as well as encouraging children and adults to lead healthy lifestyles.

7.3% of Adams County babies are born at a low birth weight.

Source: County Health Rankings (2015)

58% of 10th graders have not used alcohol and 84% have not smoked in the past year.

Source: Illinois Youth Survey (2014)

35% of Adams County adults are considered obese.

Source: Social Impact Research Center (2015)

CURRENT TREND:

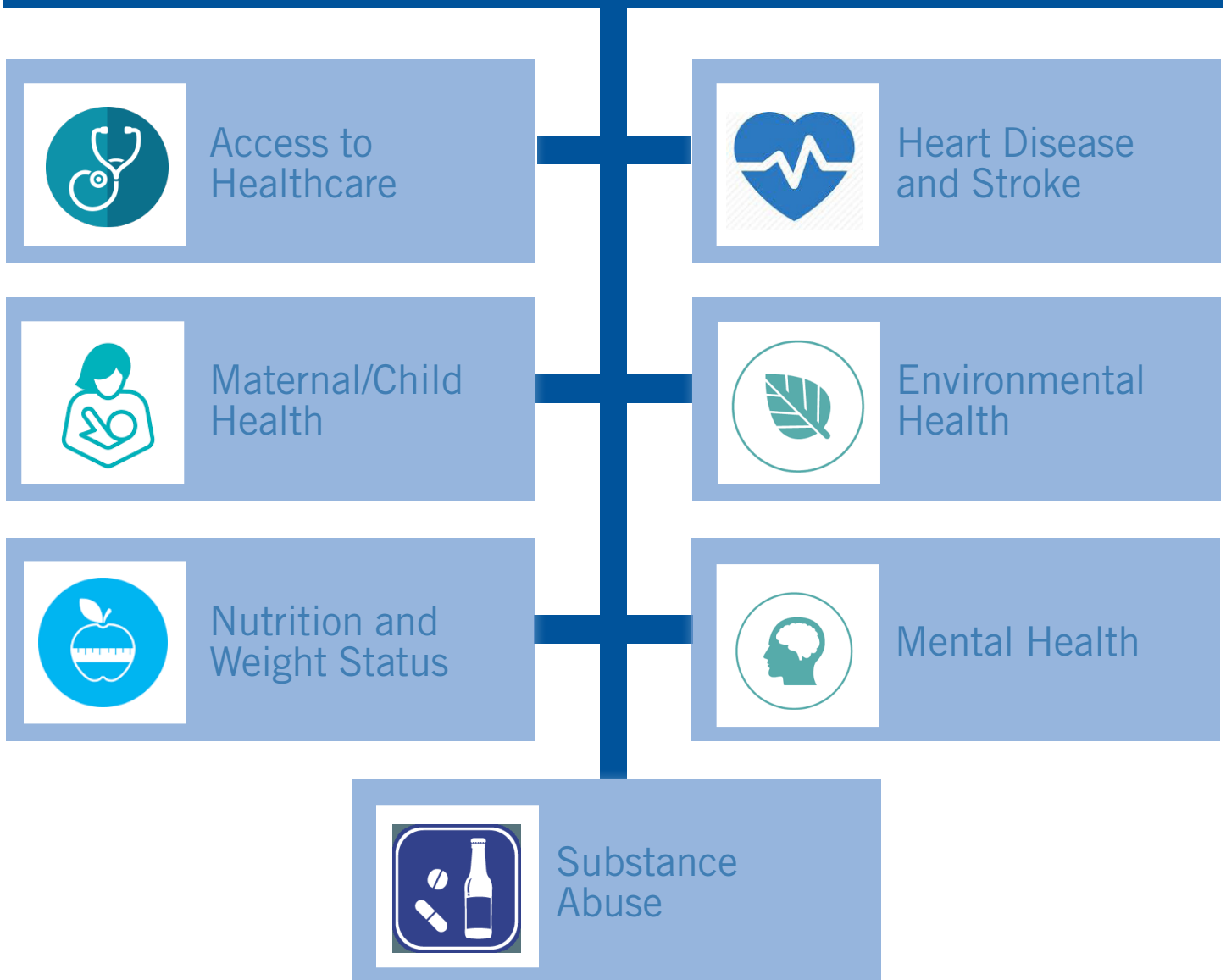
LITTLE TO NO CHANGE

IMPROVING WITH GAINS TO BE MADE

WORSENING

The Health Leadership Delegation, led by representatives from the Blessing Health System and the Adams County Health Department, seeks to encourage good health starting at birth and continuing through every stage of life. This includes physical health, oral health and mental health as well as promoting environmental stewardship.

As a result of the 2012 Community Assessment, Community Solution Teams have been working to address gaps in seven key health areas. Members represent various health professionals, social service agencies as well as interested community members. Businesses, groups or individuals wanting to get involved on a Community Solutions Team are invited to call United Way of Adams County at (217) 222-5020.





Access to Healthcare

Why this is important: A person's ability to access health services has a profound effect on every aspect of his or her health. People without medical insurance are more likely to lack a usual source of medical care, such as a Primary Care Provider, and are more likely to skip routine medical care due to costs, increasing their risk for serious and disabling health conditions. When they do access health services, they are often burdened with large medical bills and out-of-pocket expenses.

Oral diseases ranging from dental cavities to oral cancers cause pain and disability for millions of Americans. The impact of these diseases does not stop at the mouth and teeth. A growing body of evidence has linked oral health, particularly periodontal (gum) disease, to several chronic diseases, including diabetes, heart disease, and stroke. Increasing access to routine oral health care, medical care and medical insurance are vital steps in improving the health of all Americans.

Source: Healthy People 2020

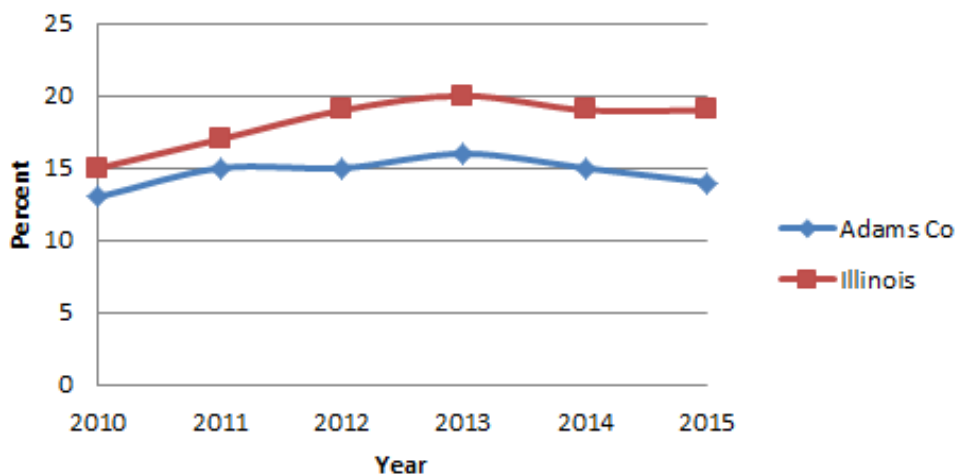
From 2008 to 2012, Adams County residents seeing a dentist annually decreased from 71.3% to 68%.

Source: IL Behavioral Risk Factor Survey

From 2008 to 2012, Adams County residents with a primary medical provider improved from 87.7% to 89.8%

Source: IL Behavioral Risk Factor Survey

Uninsured Residents under age 65



Source: County Health Rankings

Uninsured Residents represents the percentage of the population ages 18 to 65 that has no health insurance coverage.

Lack of health insurance coverage is a significant barrier to accessing needed health care.

In 2012, 1 in 10 Adams County adults did not visit the doctor due to the cost and 27% reported they have not had a routine checkup in over a year.

Source: IL Behavioral Risk Factor Survey

Heart Disease and Stroke



Why this is important: Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States with stroke coming in at third place. Wellness programs teaching lifestyle changes that reduce the leading modifiable (controllable) risk factors for heart disease and stroke have been shown to prevent the potentially devastating complications of chronic cardiovascular disease. In addition, early recognition of the warning signs of heart attack/stroke and seeking emergency treatment within the first hour are critical to decrease heart/brain damage.

Source: Healthy People 2020

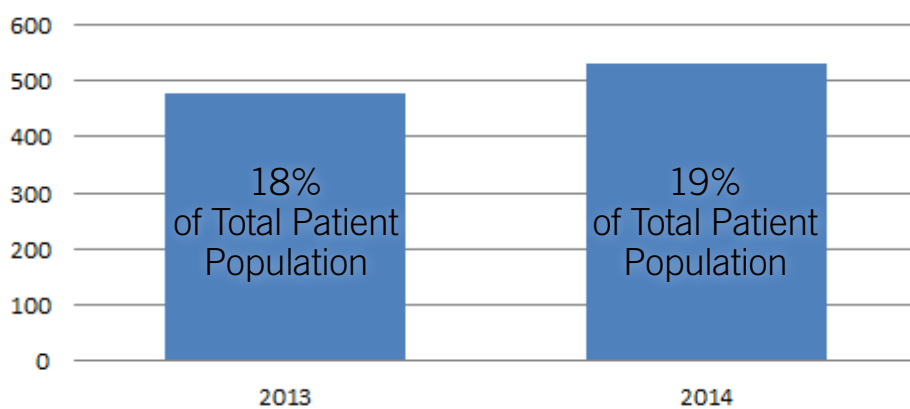
In both 2013 and 2014, the leading cause of death in Adams County was heart disease claiming nearly one in four lives. Stroke was the third leading cause at 6% of all deaths in the county.

Source: IL Department of Public Health

Between 2013 - 2014, Blessing Health System staff provided education to 10,869 people on warning signs of heart attack/stroke and calling 911 rather than driving to the ER for treatment.

Source: Blessing Health System

Patients arriving to ER by ambulance with heart attack/stroke symptoms*



*2015 to date, 23% of patient population have arrived via ambulance.

Source: Blessing Health System

Participants of the Be Well for Life program, a sixteen week wellness program open to the community, showed notable health improvements at the completion of the program and one year later.

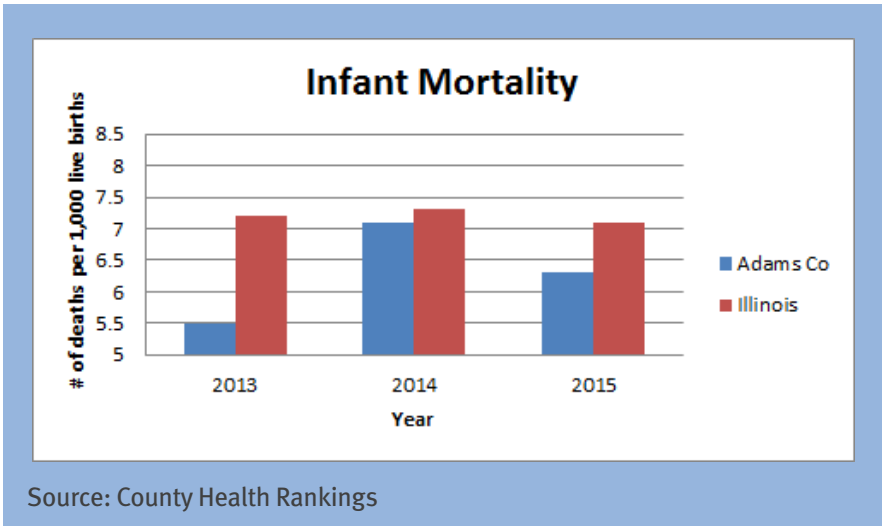
| MEASURE | UPON COMPLETION | ONE YEAR LATER |
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| Systolic Blood Pressure | 71% lowered BP | 50% maintained lower BP |
| Body Mass Index | 93% lowered BMI | 91% maintained lower BMI |
| Percentage of Body Fat | 70% lowered body fat | 68% maintained lower body fat |
| Blood Sugar | 57% lowered blood sugar | 36% maintained lower blood sugar |

Source: Blessing Health System



Maternal/Child Health

Why this is important: The well-being of mothers, infants, and children determines the health of the next generation and can help predict future public health challenges for families, communities, and the medical care system. Moreover, healthy birth outcomes and early identification and treatment of health conditions among infants can prevent death or disability and enable children to reach their full potential. **Source: Healthy People 2020**



Over the past decade, the number of births in Adams County has remained steady between 1,000 to 1,200 with 1,129 in 2014. **Source: Adams County Health Department**

Infant mortality measures the number of deaths among children less than one year of age per 1,000 live births.



Environmental Health

Why this is important: Environment directly affects health status and plays a major role in quality of life. An environment free of hazards, such as secondhand smoke, carbon monoxide, allergens, lead, and toxic chemicals, helps prevent disease and other health problems. Implementing and enforcing environmental standards and regulations, monitoring pollution levels and considering the risks of pollution in decision-making result in environments that support healthy lifestyles. **Source: Healthy People 2020**

In 2014, Adams County recycled 208 tons of waste - just above the five year average of 195 tons per year. **Source: Adams County Health Department**

From 2003-2011, 605 Adams County sites were radon tested. 53% reported higher than recommended levels and 322 radon mitigations were conducted. **Source: Illinois Emergency Management Agency**

24 tons of unused electronics were recycled in 2014 - lower than the five year average of 56 tons due to the reduction in size of electronic devices. **Source: Adams County Health Department**

From 2012 to 2014, the percentage of children in Adams County testing positive for high lead levels decreased from 3.4% to 1.8% **Source: Adams County Health Department**

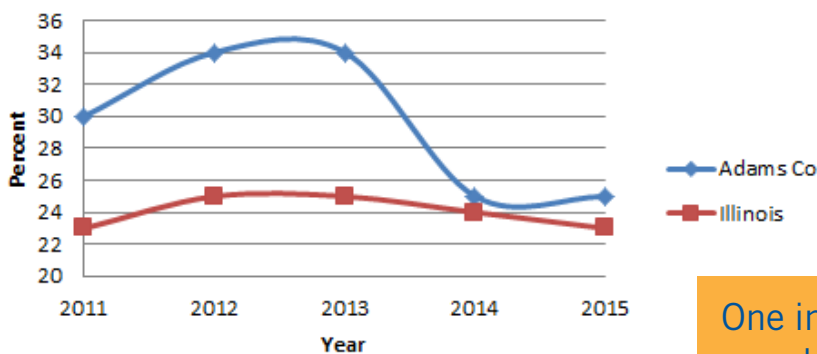
Nutrition and Weight Status



Why this is important: Good nutrition, physical activity, and healthy body weight are essential parts of a person’s overall health and well-being. Together, these can help decrease a person’s risk of developing serious health conditions, such as high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, heart disease, stroke, and cancer. A healthy diet, regular physical activity, and maintaining a healthy weight are critical to improving health as well as to manage chronic conditions so they do not worsen over time.

Source: Healthy People 2020

Physical Inactivity of Adults in Adams County



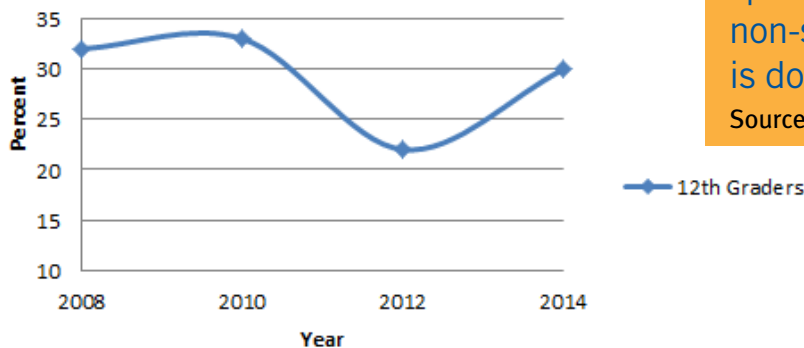
Physical Inactivity is the percentage of adults aged 20 and over reporting no leisure-time physical activity. Examples of physical activities provided include running, strength training, golf, gardening, or walking for exercise.

One in four Adams County 12th graders reported exercising at least 60 minutes every day.

Source: IL Youth Survey (2014)

Source: County Health Rankings

Youth who perceive themselves as overweight



29% of 6th graders in Adams County spend more than two hours per day on non-school related screen time, which is down from 33% in 2012.

Source: IL Youth Survey (2014)

This percentage includes 12th grade youth who described their weight as either slightly overweight or very overweight.

Source: IL Youth Survey

On average, only one in 10 Adams County 10th graders eats more than four servings of fruit and vegetables daily.

Source: IL Youth Survey (2014)

40% of 10th graders say they eat dinner with their family less than three times per week.

Source: IL Youth Survey (2014)



Mental Health

Why this is important: The burden of mental illness in the United States is among the highest of all diseases and mental disorders are among the most common causes of disability. Mental health is essential to a person's well-being, healthy family and interpersonal relationships, and the ability to live a full and productive life. People, including children and adolescents, with untreated mental health disorders are at high risk for many unhealthy and unsafe behaviors, including alcohol or drug abuse, violent or self-destructive behavior and suicide.

Mental health disorders also have a serious impact on physical health and are associated with the prevalence, progression, and outcome of some of today's most pressing chronic diseases, including diabetes, heart disease, and cancer. Mental health disorders can have harmful and long-lasting effects—including high psychosocial and economic costs—not only for people living with the disorder, but also for their families, schools, workplaces, and communities. Early diagnosis and treatment can decrease the burden of mental health disorders as well as associated chronic diseases. Assessing and addressing mental health remains important to ensure that all Americans lead longer, healthier lives.

Source: Healthy People 2020

From 2008 to 2012, Adams County adults claiming more than 8 poor mental health days in the previous month increased from 12.1% to 17.9%.

Source: IL Behavioral Risk Factor Survey

The percent of Adams County 10th graders reporting to have considered suicide in the past 12 months increased from 18% to 26%.

Source: IL Youth Survey (2014)



From 2012 to 2014, the percentage of 6th graders who say they were bullied, harassed or had spread rumors about them on social media or through text messages dropped from 23% to 14%.

Source: IL Youth Survey

From 2010 to 2012, the percentage of Adams County 12th graders feeling so sad that they stopped usual activities dropped from 23% to 15%.

Source: IL Youth Survey

One in 10 Adams County 10 graders said at least once in the past year, they took prescription medication that was not prescribed to them.

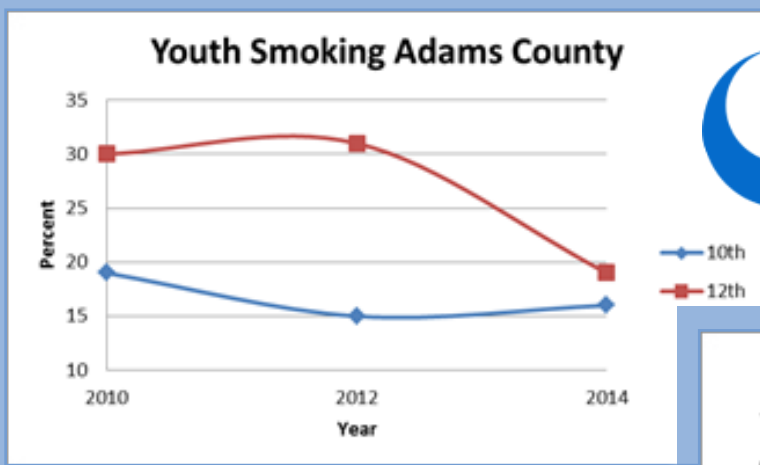
Source: IL Youth Survey (2014)

Substance Abuse



Why this is important: Although progress has been made in substantially lowering rates of substance abuse in the United States, the use of mind- and behavior-altering substances continues to take a major toll on the health of individuals, families, and communities nationwide. Substance abuse is associated with a range of destructive social conditions, including family disruptions, financial problems, lost productivity, failure in school, domestic violence, child abuse, and crime. Moreover, both social attitudes and legal responses to the consumption of alcohol and illicit drugs make substance abuse one of the most complex public health issues.

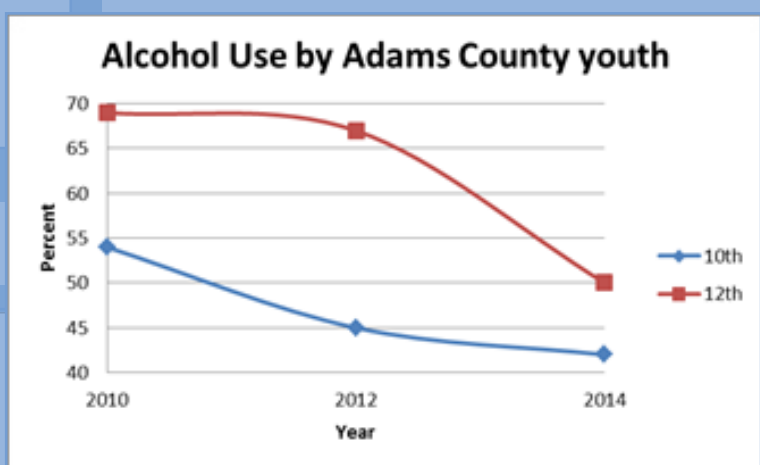
Source: Healthy People 2020



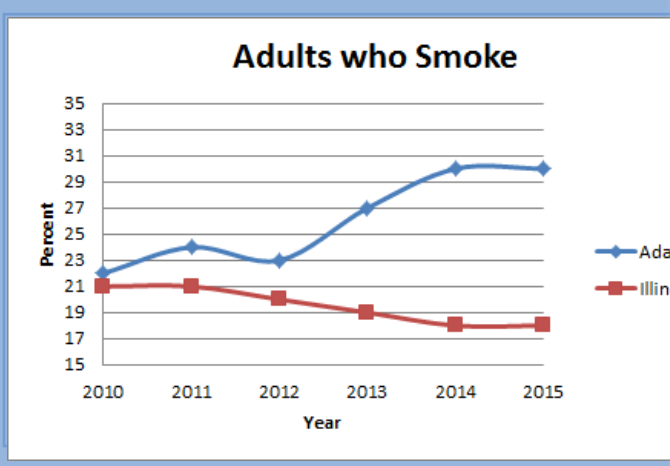
Source: IL Youth Survey



The percentage of 10th and 12th grade youth who indicated they had used either cigarettes or alcohol the past year has shown a steady decrease over the past four years.



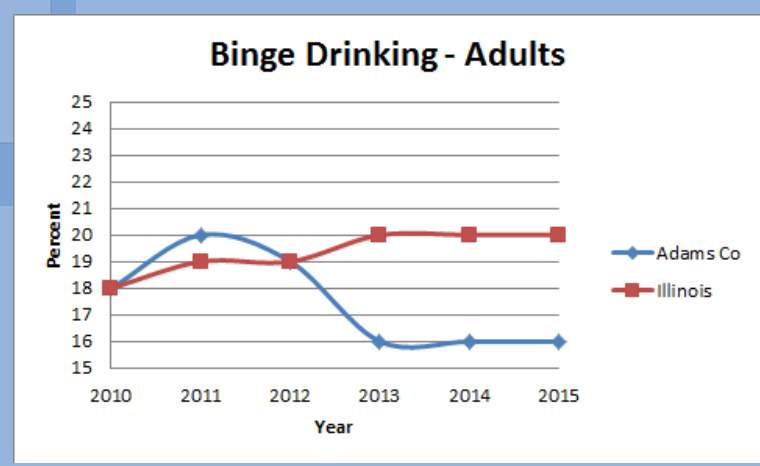
Source: IL Youth Survey



Source: County Health Rankings

Adults who smoke represents those who smoke all or most days of the week.

Binge Drinking is the percentage of adults who report consuming more than 4 (women) or 5 (men) alcoholic beverages on a single occasion in the past 30 days.



Source: County Health Rankings

Community Feedback



WHO WAS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE?

From June 2014 through April 2015, residents throughout Adams County were invited to complete the 2014/2015 Community Themes and Strengths Survey. The survey was sent by mail to leaders representing business, civic groups, local government, educational institutions, healthcare facilities, social services and the faith community. In addition, the survey was circulated to community groups, distributed at public events and shared at a variety of service organizations in an effort to reach a cross section of the general public.

There were four key questions on the survey that asked the respondent to answer using key words or phrases. Using word analysis, the words/phrases were ranked in order of how frequently they were mentioned. The graphics on the next four pages capture those key words shared by the respondents - the larger/bolder the word, the more often it was used.

QUESTION ONE:

DESCRIBE GOOD THINGS IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

SCHOOLS FAITH BASED
FRIENDLY CARING
COMMUNITY SIZE **ARTS**
PARKS EVENTS COLLABORATION
COST OF LIVING
BUSINESS **SAFE FAMILY SERVICES**
BEAUTIFUL

Themes & Strengths Survey



WHO RESPONDED?

Over the course of the survey period, 423 individuals completed the survey. The demographics of those who responded are shown below.

| | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Gender: | Female - 64% | Male - 36% | |
| Age: | Under 65 - 95% | Over 65 - 8% | |
| Marital Status: | Married - 76% | Single - 24% | |
| Home Zip Code: | Quincy - 79% | Rural Adams County - 21% | |
| Ethnicity: | Caucasion - 84% | African American- 4% | Other - 2% |
| Employment Status: | Employed - 84% | Unemployed - 8% | Retired - 7% |
| County Connection: | Live in Adams Co - 18% | Work in Adams Co - 10% | Both - 73% |

QUESTION TWO: ISSUES/CONCERNS FACING YOUR COMMUNITY.



Community Feedback

QUESTION THREE:
WHAT COULD IMPROVE OUR COMMUNITY?



HELP BUSINESSES

TAX INCENTIVES

ADDRESS

TRANSPORTATION

DRUG PROBLEMS

SUPPORT FAMILIES

MENTORING

ACCESS TO HEALTHY FOODS

FUNDING FOR AGENCIES

COUNSELING SERVICES

PUBLIC

TRANSPORTATION

IMPROVE SCHOOLS

NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE

KEEP/ATTRACT YOUNG ADULTS

JOBS

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Themes & Strengths Survey

QUESTION FOUR:

DESCRIBE THE COMMUNITY YOU WANT TO LIVE IN.

PROSPEROUS
NUMEROUS OPPORTUNITIES

HEALTHY

CLEAN FAITH BASED SAFE

FAMILY ORIENTED
EDUCATED

HAPPY PROGRESSIVE

VIBRANT FRIENDLY

CARING AFFORDABLE

Missed the survey?

You can still add your voice to the conversation

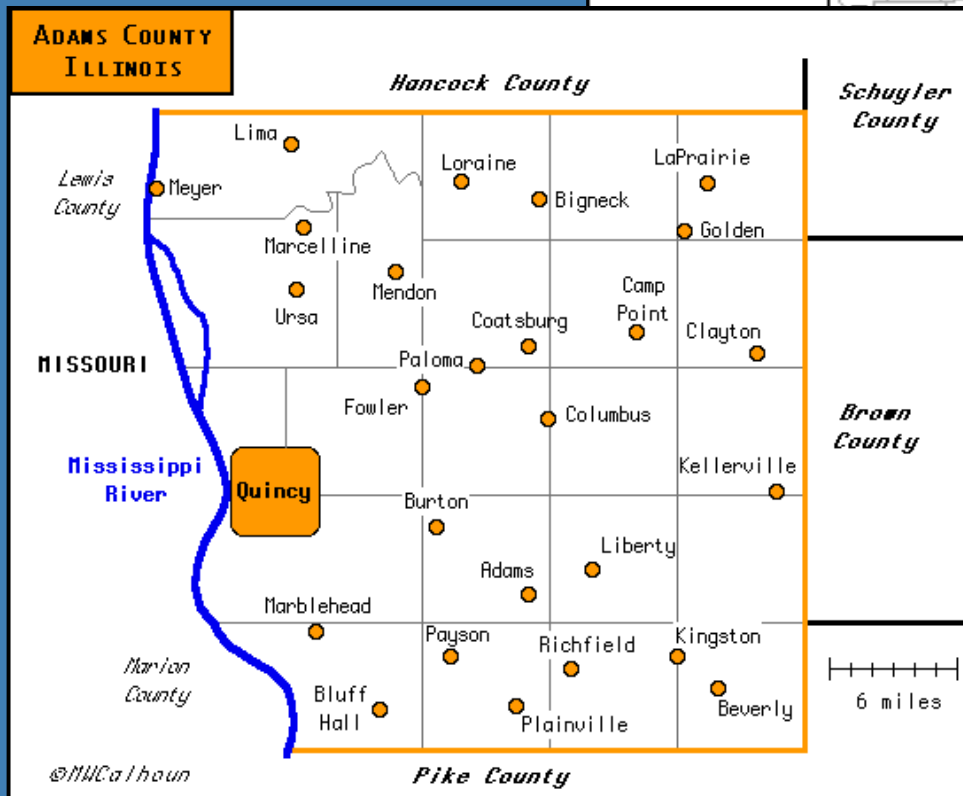
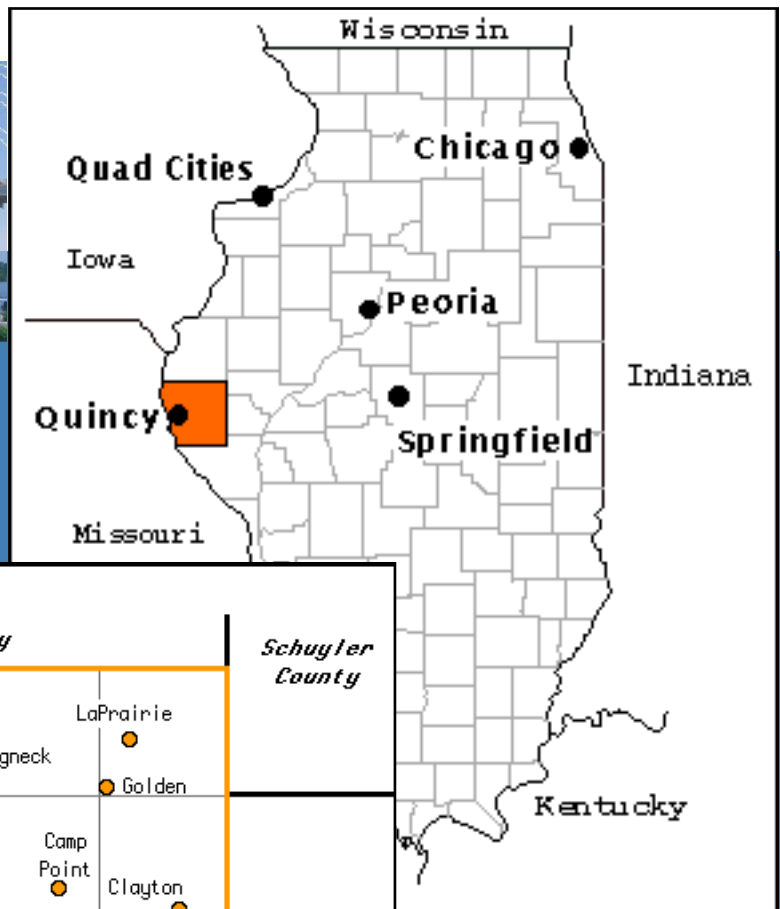
Beginning this fall and continuing through early spring 2016, Adams County residents have two opportunities to provide input and feedback regarding priority areas in our county.

JOIN A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION: The Adams County Health Department, United Way of Adams County and University of Illinois Extension will collaborate to host community conversations allowing county residents to share insight regarding the data presented in this Community Assessment. Call United Way at (217) 222-5020 for more information on these conversations.

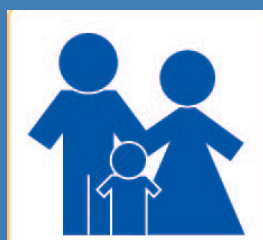
COMPLETE A PRIORITY FOCUS SURVEY: The University of Illinois Extension's Adams-Brown-Hancock-Pike-Schuyler Unit invites residents in its five-county region to complete a priority focus survey. Contact the Adams County office at (217) 223-8380 to have a survey sent to you or you can complete the survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BTZLTQ9>



SNAPSHOT OF ADAMS COUNTY



The westernmost county of the state of Illinois, Adams County sits on the banks of the Mississippi River, which provides transportation, tourism and recreational opportunities. The county covers 855 square miles of mainly rural agricultural land with a population of 67,524 people according to data collected by the Great River Economic Development Foundation (GREDF).



48.7% Male 51.3% Female
 93% White 3.7% Black 3.3% Other
 27,802 Total Households
 Average household size - 2.4 people

Quincy and Adams County, Illinois

DEMOGRAPHICS



The largest city within 100 miles, Quincy is a regional hub for industry, commerce, education, healthcare, recreation, culultural arts and more. Quincy draws more and 300,000 people in a 50 miles radius who choose to shop, dine, work and play in a community full of opportunities that is vibrant and easy to navigate.

POPULATION

| | 2010 | 2015 |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| Quincy | 40,633 | 40,309 |
| Adams County | 67,103 | 67,524 |

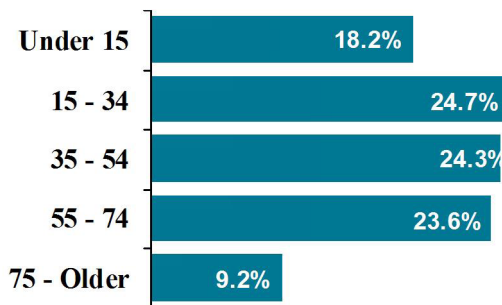
Source: US Census Bureau 2010, ESRI Forecast 2015

| | 2010 | 2015 |
|----------------|---------|---------|
| 25 mile radius | 112,620 | 112,290 |
| 50 mile radius | 256,093 | 255,714 |
| 75 mile radius | 615,412 | 614,744 |

Source: US Census Bureau 2010, ESRI Forecast 2015

AGE BREAKDOWN

Median Age: 41.5



Source: ESRI Forecast 2015 - Adams County

HOUSEHOLD INCOME DISTRIBUTION

| | 2010 | 2015 |
|---------------------|-------|-------|
| Under - \$35,000 | 41.8% | 41.2% |
| \$35,000 - \$50,000 | 15.7% | 14.8% |
| \$50,001 - \$75,000 | 26.8% | 17.8% |
| \$75,001 - Above | 15.6% | 26.1% |

Source: US Census Bureau 2010, ESRI Forecast 2015 - Adams County

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

| Workforce (25+ Years of Age) | 2015 Percentage |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Less than 9th Grade | 3.1% |
| 9th - 12th Grade, No Diploma | 6.4% |
| High School Graduate | 31.3% |
| GED/Alternative Credential | 4.9% |
| Some College, No Degree | 23.9% |
| Associate Degrees | 8.3% |
| Bachelor's Degree | 15.2% |
| Graduate/Professional Degree | 6.9% |

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

Employed population 16+ by Industry

| Industry | 2015 Percentage |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Agriculture/Mining | 2.5% |
| Construction | 4.6% |
| Manufacturing | 14.9% |
| Wholesale Trade | 4.0% |
| Retail Trade | 16.0% |
| Transportation/Utilities | 4.7% |
| Information | 1.8% |
| Finance/Insurance/Real Estate | 5.5% |
| Services | 43.5% |
| Public Administration | 2.6% |

Source: ESRI Market Profile Forecast 2015 - Adams County

HOUSING UNITS

| | Housing Units | Owner Occupied | Renter Occupied |
|--------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Quincy | 18,826 | 56.5% | 34.6% |
| Adams County | 30,364 | 64.0% | 27.6% |

Source: ESRI Market Profile Forecast 2015



YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

Like the world around us, our work to advance education, maximize income and promote health is constantly evolving. Adams County's approach to community building is designed to foster partnerships, open lines of communication and effectively direct resources to address challenging issues in changing times. More importantly, the community building structure allows us to have unified voice as we advocate for change in Adams County and encourage others to invest in our work with their own time, talents and treasure.

JOIN THE COMMUNITY BUILDING PROCESS

Bridging the gaps identified throughout this Community Assessment requires the commitment of individuals throughout Adams County. Those interested in becoming part of the process are invited to reach out to members of the Community Building Council and learn how you can add your voice to a Leadership Delegation or Community Solution Team.

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