

NGHS SSA North Service Area

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The following is a report on key health indicators within the NGHS SSA North service area of Banks, Habersham, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, and White counties. Indicators in **red** mean the indicator is worse than the state rate and indicators in **green** mean that indicator is better than the state rate.

Demographics	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
Total Population , 2019, Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population	170,123	10,403,847
	Total Land Area (Square Miles)	1,787.47	57,594.80
	Population Density (Per Square Mile)	95	181
Total Population Change, 2010 - 2020 , 2019, Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population, 2010 Census	162,866	9,687,647
	Total Population, 2020 Census	172,861	10,711,908
	Population Change, 2010-2020	9,995	1,024,261
	Population Change, 2010-2020, Percent	6.14%	10.57%
Families with Children , 2019, Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Households	64,420	3,758,798
	Total Family Households	45,096	2,524,982
	Families with Children (Under Age 18)	16,879	1,254,395
	Families with Children (Under Age 18), Percent of Total Households	26.20%	33.37%
Population with Any Disability , 2019, Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population (For Whom Disability Status Is Determined)	167,299	10,213,659
	Population with a Disability	30,976	1,261,925
	Population with a Disability, Percent	18.52%	12.36%
Population in Limited English Households , 2019, Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population Age 5+	161,442	9,747,170
	Linguistically Isolated Population	5,320	295,256
	Linguistically Isolated Population, Percent	3.30%	3.03%
Population with Limited English Proficiency , 2019, Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Population Age 5+	45,442	9,747,170
	Population Age 5+ with Limited English Proficiency	782	539,739
	Population Age 5+ with Limited English Proficiency, Percent	1.72%	5.54%
Citizenship Status , 2019, Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Native	160,789	9,206,715
	Born in a US Territory	261	44,360
	Born Abroad to US Citizens	1,075	98,898
	Naturalized	3,056	459,275
	Non-Citizen	4,942	594,599
	Non-Citizen, Percent	2.90%	5.72%
Veteran Population , 2019, Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population Age 18+	136,081	7,849,349
	Total Veterans	13,276	629,302
	Veterans, Percent of Total Population	9.76%	8.02%

Income and Economics	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
Employment - Labor Force Participation Rate , 2019, Census Bureau	Total Population Age 16+	140,782	8,187,263
	Labor Force	72,233	5,125,182
	Labor Force Participation Rate	51.31%	62.60%
Employment - Unemployment Rate , US Dept of Labor, February 2022	Labor Force	78,785	5,295,401
	Number Employed	76,443	5,121,517
	Number Unemployed	2,342	173,884
	Unemployment Rate	3.0%	3.3%
Gross Domestic Product (GDP) , 2020, US Dept of Commerce	GDP (Millions)	\$5,648.69	\$625,713.57
	10-Year Percent Change in GDP	38.58%	50.90%
Income - Median Household Income , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Households	64,420	3,758,798
	Average Household Income	\$63,999	\$82,406
	Median Household Income	No data	\$58,700
Income - Per Capita Income , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population	170,123	10,403,847
	Total Income (\$)	\$4,289,781,200	\$323,213,247,400
	Per Capita Income (\$)	\$25,215	\$31,066
Income - Public Assistance Income , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Households	64,420	3,758,798
	Households with Public Assistance Income	1,196	56,805
	Percent Households with Public Assistance Income	1.86%	1.51%
Poverty - Children Below 100% FPL , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population	164,600	10,130,335
	Population Under Age 18	33,363	2,468,726
	Population Under Age 18 in Poverty	6,129	531,056
	Percent Population Under Age 18 in Poverty	18.37%	21.51%
Poverty - Children Below 200% FPL , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population Under Age 18	33,363	2,468,726
	Population Under Age 18 at or Below 200% FPL	16,826	1,106,903
	Percent Population Under Age 18 at or Below 200% FPL	50.43%	44.84%
Poverty - Children Eligible for Free/Reduced-Price Lunch , National Center for Education Statistics, 2020- 2021 School Year	Total Students	25,689	1,729,964
	Students Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Lunch	12,872	975,542
	Students Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Lunch, Percent	50.11%	56.44%
Poverty - Population Below 100% FPL (Annual) , 2019, Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population	171,469	10,466,629
	Population in Poverty	23,298	1,465,328
	Percent Population in Poverty	13.6%	14%
Poverty - Population Below 185% FPL , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Population with Income at or Below 185% FPL	57,933	3,177,699
	Percent Population with Income at or Below 185% FPL	35.20%	31.37%
Poverty - Population Below 200% FPL , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Population with Income at or Below 200% FPL	63,383	3,470,773
	Percent Population with Income at or Below 200% FPL	38.51%	34.26%
Poverty - Population Below 50% FPL , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Population with Income at or Below 50% FPL	10,312	687,294
	Percent Population with Income at or Below 50% FPL	6.26%	6.78%

Education	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
Access - Head Start , US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, 2019	Children Under Age 5	9,353	686,785
	Total Head Start Programs	8	469
	Head Start Programs, Rate (Per 10,000 Children)	8.55	6.83
Access - Preschool Enrollment (Age 3-4) , National Center for Education Statistics, 2019	Population Age 3-4	3,655	273,912
	Population Age 3-4 Enrolled in School	1,309	137,655
	Population Age 3-4 Enrolled in School, Percent	35.81%	50.26%
Attainment - High School Graduation Rate , US Department of Education, 2019-2020	Adjusted Student Cohort	1,607	127,831
	Number of Diplomas Issued	1,480	109,218
	Cohort Graduation Rate	92.1%	85.4%
Attainment - Overview , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	No High School Diploma	16.8%	12.86%
	High School Only	34.4%	27.7%
	Some College	20.3%	20.3%
	Associates Degree	7.3%	7.8%
	Bachelor's Degree	12.0%	19.2%
	Graduate or Professional Degree	9.3%	12.1%
Chronic Absence Rate , US Department of Education, 2019-2020	Student Cohort	25,934	1,753,047
	Number Chronically Absent	5,875	251,310
	Chronic Absence Rate	22.65%	14.34%

Housing and Families	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
Households - Overview , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Households	64,420	3,758,798
	Family Households	45,096	2,524,982
	Family Households, Percent	70.00%	67.18%
	Non-Family Households	19,324	1,233,816
	Non-Family Households, Percent	30.00%	32.82%
Affordable Housing , indicating which houses are available at percentages of the Area Median Income, 2015-2019, Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Units Affordable at 15% AMI	3.37%	2.89%
	Units Affordable at 30% AMI	8.48%	7.62%
	Units Affordable at 40% AMI	14.06%	13.15%
	Units Affordable at 50% AMI	21.20%	21.63%
	Units Affordable at 60% AMI	30.13%	32.11%
	Units Affordable at 80% AMI	46.89%	52.58%
	Units Affordable at 100% AMI	59.59%	67.13%
	Units Affordable at 125% AMI	71.19%	78.02%
Affordable Housing - Low Income Tax Credits , US Dept of Housing and Urban Development, 2019	LIHTC Properties	18	1,037
	LIHTC Units	1,000	101,831
Affordable Housing - Assisted Housing Units , US Dept of Housing and Urban Development, 2021	Total Housing Units (2020)	66,162	3,830,264
	Total HUD-Assisted Housing Units	1,078.00	135,070.00
	HUD-Assisted Units, Rate per 10,000 Housing Units	162.93	352.64

Household Structure - Older Adults Living Alone , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Occupied Households	64,420	3,758,798
	Total Households with Seniors (Age 65+)	26,649	990,989
	Households with Seniors Living Alone	9,140	352,372
	Percentage of Total Households	14.19%	9.37%
	Percentage of Senior Households	34.30%	35.56%
Household Structure - Single-Parent Households , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Population Age 0-17	33,882	2,499,486
	Children in Single-Parent Households	7,157	761,172
	Percentage of Children in Single-Parent Households	21.12%	30.45%
Housing Costs - Cost Burden (30%) , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Households	64,420	3,758,798
	Cost Burdened Households (Housing Costs Exceed 30% of Income)	15,711	1,110,770
	Cost Burdened Households, Percent	24.39%	29.55%
Housing Costs - Cost Burden, Severe (50%) , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Households	64,420	3,758,798
	Cost Burdened Households (Housing Costs Exceed 50% of Income)	7,005	506,094
	Percentage of Cost Burdened Households (Over 50% of Income)	10.87%	13.46%
Housing Costs - Owner Costs , US Dept of Housing and Urban Development, 2021	Total Owner-Occupied Housing Units	48,767	2,377,773
	Average Monthly Owner Costs	\$862	\$1,235
	Median Monthly Owner Costs	No data	\$1,056
Housing Costs - Renter Costs , US Dept of Housing and Urban Development, 2021	Total Renter-Occupied Housing Units	15,653	1,381,025
	Average Gross Rent	\$682	\$1,002
	Median Gross Rent	No data	\$1,006
Housing Quality - Substandard Housing , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Occupied Housing Units	64,420	3,758,798
	Occupied Housing Units with One or More Substandard Conditions	16,158	1,131,218
	Occupied Housing Units with One or More Substandard Conditions, Percent	25.08%	30.10%
Housing Quality - Substandard Housing, Severe , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Occupied Households	61,350	3,574,335
	Percentage of Households with One or More Severe Problems	15.44%	17.71%

Social & Economic Factors	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
Area Deprivation Index ranks neighborhoods relative to those across the nation using 17 measures related to education, income/employment, housing, and household characteristics. University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Medicine and Public Health, Neighborhood Atlas, 2021	State Percentile	53	No data
	National Percentile	61	56
Food Insecurity Rate , Feeding America, 2017	Food Insecure Population, Total	18,020	1,501,680
	Food Insecurity Rate	10.86%	14.40%
	Total Students	23,691	1,741,375
Homeless Children & Youth , US Department of Education, EDFacts; CARES, 2019-2020	Districts Reporting	100.0%	93.7%
	Students in Reported Districts	100.0%	99.3%
	Homeless Students	605	36,678
	Homeless Students, Percent	2.6%	2.1%

Households with No Motor Vehicle , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Occupied Households	64,420	3,758,798
	Households with No Motor Vehicle	3,009	242,468
	Households with No Motor Vehicle, Percent	4.67%	6.45%
Insurance - Insured Population and Provider Type , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population (For Whom Insurance Status is Determined)	167,299	10,213,659
	Population with Health Insurance	143,805	8,862,562
	Percentage with Private Insurance	72.19%	76.31%
	Percentage with Public Insurance	47.23%	35.72%
Insurance - Medicare Enrollment Demographics , Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services, Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2021	Total Medicare Beneficiaries	46,485	1,680,680
	Medicaid Advantage Beneficiaries	19,901	802,847
	Fee-for-Service Beneficiaries	26,584	877,833
	Medicaid Eligible, Percentage	15.56%	15.84%
	Average Age	73	72
Insurance - Population Receiving Medicaid , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Population (For Whom Insurance Status is Determined)	167,299	10,213,659
	Population with Any Health Insurance	143,805	8,862,562
	Population Receiving Medicaid	29,665	1,787,277
	Percent of Insured Population Receiving Medicaid	20.63%	20.17%
Insurance - Uninsured Adults , US Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates, 2020	Total Population Age 18 - 64	94,310	6,384,960
	Population with Medical Insurance	72,660	5,171,779
	Percent Population With Medical Insurance	77.04%	81.00%
	Population Without Medical Insurance	21,650	1,213,181
	Percent Population Without Medical Insurance	22.96%	19.00%
Insurance - Uninsured Children , US Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates, 2020	Total Population Under Age 19	35,533	2,578,343
	Population With Medical Insurance	32,129	2,385,431
	Percent Population With Medical Insurance	90.42%	192,912
	Population Without Medical Insurance	3,404	7.48%
	Percent Population Without Medical Insurance	9.58%	
Insurance - Uninsured Population (ACS) , US Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates, 2020	Uninsured Population	6,802	1,351,097
	Uninsured Population, Percent	14.08%	13.23%
Racial Segregation (Interaction Index) , higher numbers noting greater levels of segregation, US Census Bureau, Decennial Census, 2020, University of Missouri, Center for Applied Research and Engagement Systems	Non-Hispanic White Population	145,413	5,535,598
	Non-Hispanic Black Population	6,111	2,997,627
	Segregation Index	0.59	No data
SNAP Benefits - Households Receiving SNAP (ACS)	Households Receiving SNAP Benefits	8,331	3,758,798
	Percent Households Receiving SNAP Benefits	12.93%	12.80%
Social Vulnerability Index measures the degree of social vulnerability among five key areas with higher numbers indicating greater vulnerability, CDC/National Center for Health Statistics, 2019	Socioeconomic Theme Score	0.59	0.52
	Household Composition Theme Score	0.41	0.41
	Minority Status Theme Score	0.53	0.80
	Housing & Transportation Theme Score	0.46	0.53
	Social Vulnerability Index Score	0.53	0.57
Teen Births , CDC – National Vital Statistics System, 2019	Female Population Age 15-19	38,054	4,893,952
	Teen Births, Rate per 1,000 Female Population Age 15-19	26.3	24.2

Violent Crime - Assault , FBI Uniform Crime Reports, 2017	Assaults, 3-year Total	734	72,734
	Assaults, Annual Rate (Per 100,000 Pop.)	144.30	230.20
Violent Crime - Rape , FBI Uniform Crime Reports, 2017	Total Population	169,493	10,527,735
	Rapes, 3-year Total	133	7,790
	Rapes, Annual Rate (Per 100,000 Pop.)	26.10	24.60
Violent Crime - Robbery , FBI Uniform Crime Reports, 2017	Total Population	169,493	10,527,735
	Robberies, 3-year Total	85	35,248
	Robberies, Annual Rate (Per 100,000 Pop.)	16.70	111.60
Violent Crime - Total , FBI Uniform Crime Reports, 2017	Total Population	169,493	10,527,735
	Violent Crimes, 3-year Total	967	117,844
	Violent Crimes, Annual Rate (Per 100,000 Pop.)	190.10	373.10
Property Crime - Total , FBI Uniform Crime Reports, 2017	Total Population	166,445	10,203,814
	Property Crimes, Annual Average	3,549	323,958
	Property Crimes, Annual Rate (Per 100,000 Pop.)	2,133.4	3,175.2
Voter Participation Rate , Townhall.com, 2020	Total Citizens Age 18+	131,785	7,356,558
	Total Votes Cast	89,038	4,997,716
	Voter Participation Rate	67.6%	67.9%
Young People Not in School and Not Working , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Population Age 16-19	9,226	583,596
	Population Age 16-19 Not in School and Not Employed	371	45,857
	Population Age 16-19 Not in School and Not Employed, Percent	4.02%	7.86%

Physical Environment	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
Built Environment - Households with No Computer , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Households	64,420	3,758,798
	Households with No Computer	10,849	367,646
	Households with No Computer, Percent	16.84%	9.78%
Built Environment - Households with No or Slow Internet , Census Bureau, ACS, 2015-2019	Total Households	64,420	3,758,798
	Households with No or Slow Internet	17,889	701,579
	Households with No or Slow Internet, Percent	27.77%	18.66%
Food Environment - Food Desert Census Tracts , USDA – Food Access Research Atlas, 2019	Food Desert Census Tracts	3	441
	Other Census Tracts	33	1,516
	Food Desert Population	10,573	2,158,463
	Other Population	159,550	2,223,225
Food Environment - Low Food Access , US Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service, 2019	Population with Low Food Access	2,718	2,992,914
	Percent Population with Low Food Access	11,729	30.89%
Food Environment - Low Income & Low Food Access , US Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service, 2019	Low Income Population	7.20%	3,420,617
	Low Income Population with Low Food Access	5,318	971,069
	Percent Low Income Population with Low Food Access	8.43%	28.39%

Clinical Care and Prevention	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
Cancer Screening - Mammogram (Medicare) , CMS, Mapping Medicare Disparities Tool, 2020	Medicare Beneficiaries	44,991	1,633,421
	Female Beneficiaries with Recent Mammogram, Percent	35%	33%
Cancer Screening - Mammogram (Adult) , CDC, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Females Age 50-74 with Recent Mammogram (Crude)	72.9%	77.1%
	Females Age 50-74 with Recent Mammogram (Age-Adjusted)	73.3%	76.7%
Cancer Screening - Pap Smear Test , CDC, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Females age 21-65 with Recent Pap Smear (Crude)	83.2%	85.1%
	Females age 21-65 with Recent Pap Smear (Age-Adjusted)	84.1%	85.6%
Cancer Screening - Sigmoidoscopy or Colonoscopy , CDC, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Adults with Adequate Colorectal Cancer Screening (Crude)	64.3%	63.8%
	Adults with Adequate Colorectal Cancer Screening (Age-Adjusted)	61.6%	63.0%
Dental Care Utilization , CDC, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Adults with Recent Dental Visit (Crude)	59.8%	61.0%
	Adults with Recent Dental Visit (Age-Adjusted)	59.0%	60.9%
Diabetes Management - Hemoglobin A1c Test , Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care, 2019	Medicare Enrollees with Diabetes	2,989	101,932
	Medicare Enrollees with Diabetes with Annual Exam	2,722	89,176
	Medicare Enrollees with Diabetes with Annual Exam, Percent	91.07%	87.49%
Prevention - High Blood Pressure Management , CDC Atlas of Heart Disease and Stroke, 2018	Medicare Beneficiaries	44,053	1,589,372
	Blood Pressure Medication Nonadherence, Percentage	23.1%	25.2%

Hospitalizations - Preventable Conditions , CMS, Mapping Medicare Disparities Tool, 2020	Medicare Beneficiaries	44,991	1,633,421
	Preventable Hospitalizations, Rate per 100,000 Beneficiaries	3,210	3,503
Hospitalizations - Inpatient Stays , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Medicare Part A and B Beneficiaries	46,485	1,680,680
	Total Beneficiaries with Inpatient Stays	3,633	128,847
	Beneficiaries with Inpatient Stays	13.7%	14.7%
	Total Inpatient Stays, Rate (per 1,000 Beneficiaries)	203.9	230.0
Hospitalizations - Emergency Room Visits , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Medicare Part A and B Beneficiaries	46,485	1,680,680
	Emergency Room Visits	14,290	483,604
	Emergency Room Visits, Rate (per 1,000 Beneficiaries)	537.8	551.0
Hospitalizations - Heart Disease , CDC Atlas of Heart Disease and Stroke, 2018	Medicare Beneficiaries	44,053	1,589,372
	Cardiovascular Disease Hospitalizations, Rate per 1,000	11.3	12.2
Hospitalizations - Stroke , CDC Atlas of Heart Disease and Stroke, 2018	Medicare Beneficiaries	44,053	1,589,372
	Ischemic Stroke Hospitalizations, Rate per 1,000	9.0	9.3
Prevention - Annual Wellness Exam (Medicare) , CMS, Mapping Medicare Disparities Tool, 2020	Medicare Beneficiaries	11,745	1,633,421
	Beneficiaries with Annual Wellness Visit, Percent	35.90%	35%
Prevention - Seasonal Influenza Vaccine , CDC – FluVaxView, 2019-2020	Percentage of Adults with Recent Influenza Immunization	38.00%	36.50%
Prevention – Cholesterol Screening , CDC, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Percentage of Adults with Recent Cholesterol Screening	87.1%	87.3%
Prevention - Recent Primary Care Visit (Adult) , CDC, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Percentage of Adults with Routine Checkup in Past 1 Year Total Population (2019)	77.7%	77.33%
Prevention - Recent Primary Care Visit (Medicare) , CMS, Mapping Medicare Disparities Tool, 2020	Medicare Enrollees	23,208	746,460
	Medicare Enrollees with Recent Primary Care Visit	20,070	625,580
	Medicare Enrollees with Recent Primary Care Visit, Percent	86.48%	83.81%
Prevention - Core Preventative Services for Men , CDC, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Percentage of Males age 65+ Up to Date on Core Preventative Services	30.2%	28.69%
Prevention - Core Preventative Services for Women , CDC, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Percentage of Females age 65+ Up to Date on Core Preventative Services	31.7%	32.42%
Readmissions - All Cause (Medicare Population) , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Medicare Part A and B Beneficiaries	12,118	1,680,680
	30-Day Hospital Readmissions	46,485	35,341
	30-Day Hospital Readmissions, Rate	846	18.7%
Readmissions - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Discharges for COPD	548	21,579
	30-day Readmission Rate	18.32	19.50
Readmissions - Heart Attack , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Discharges for Heart Attack	0	11,876
	30-day Readmission Rate	No data	15.85
Readmissions - Heart Failure , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Discharges for Heart Failure	373	33,725
	30-day Readmission Rate	21.08	21.70
Readmissions - Pneumonia , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Discharges for Pneumonia	1,047	35,666
	30-day Readmission Rate	16.32	16.95
Timely and Effective Care - Heart Attack , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Patients with Heart Attack or Chest Pain	32	147
	Median Facility Transfer Time	27.00	64.08
Timely and Effective Care - Elective Delivery , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	In-Hospital Births	125	6,576
	Early Elective Deliveries, Percent	1.70%	1.48%

Health Behaviors	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
Alcohol - Heavy Alcohol Consumption , University of Wisconsin, County Health Rankings, 2019	Adults Reporting Excessive Drinking	31,254	1,768,723
	Percentage of Adults Reporting Excessive Drinking	18.06%	16.81%
Alcohol - Binge Drinking , CDC, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Percentage of Adults Binge Drinking in the Past 30 Days	15.3%	16.18%
Physical Inactivity , CDC, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Population Age 20+	135,742	7,816,370
	Adults with No Leisure Time Physical Activity	32,155	1,875,691
	Adults with No Leisure Time Physical Activity, Percent	22.0%	23.6%
Soda Expenditures , Nielsen SiteReports, 2018	State Rank	Suppressed	No data
	Z-Score (US)	1.39	0.21
	Z-Score (Within-State)	1.31	No data
	Average Expenditures (USD)	\$252.30	\$231.07
	Percentage of Food-At-Home Expenditures	4.51%	4.18%
STI - Chlamydia Incidence , CDC, National Center for HIV/Aids, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB prevention, 2018	Chlamydia Infections	458	65,936
	Chlamydia Infections, Rate per 100,000 Pop.	269.24	632.21
STI - Gonorrhea Incidence , CDC, National Center for HIV/Aids, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB prevention, 2018	Gonorrhea Infections	144	20,867
	Gonorrhea Infections, Rate per 100,000 Pop.	84.70	200.10
STI - HIV Incidence , CDC, National Center for HIV/Aids, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB prevention, 2018	Population Age 13+	149,192	8,737,682
	Total HIV / AIDS Infections	5	2,501
	HIV / AIDS Infections, Rate per 100,000 Pop.	4.48	28.60
STI - HIV Prevalence , CDC, National Center for HIV/Aids, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB prevention, 2018	Population Age 13+	149,192	8,737,682
	Population with HIV / AIDS	201	54,600
	Population with HIV / AIDS, Rate per 100,000 Pop.	134.73	624.90
Tobacco Expenditures , Nielsen SiteReports, 2018	State Rank	Suppressed	No data
	Z-Score (US)	1.61	-0.04
	Z-Score (Within-State)	1.59	No data
	Average Expenditures (USD)	\$1,024.51	\$835.80
	Percentage of Food-At-Home Expenditures	2.20%	1.68%
Tobacco Usage - Current Smokers , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Adult Current Smokers (Crude)	19.4%	18.09%
	Adult Current Smokers (Age-Adjusted)	21.0%	18.26%
Insufficient Sleep , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Adults Sleeping Less Than 7 Hours on Average (Crude)	35.3%	38.6%
	Adults Sleeping Less Than 7 Hours on Average (Age-Adjusted)	36.9%	38.9%

Health Outcomes	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
Cancer Incidence - All Sites , State Cancer Profiles, 2014- 2018	New Cases (Annual Average)	1,253	51,965
	Cancer Incidence Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	503.0	468.5
Cancer Incidence - Breast , State Cancer Profiles, 2014- 2018	New Cases (Annual Average)	1,253	7,664
	Cancer Incidence Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	503.0	128.4
Cancer Incidence - Cervical , State Cancer Profiles, 2014- 2018	New Cases (Annual Average)	No data	432
	Cancer Incidence Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	No data	8.0
Cancer Incidence - Colon and Rectum , State Cancer Profiles, 2014-2018	New Cases (Annual Average)	114	4,499
	Cancer Incidence Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	45.9	40.9
Cancer Incidence - Lung , State Cancer Profiles, 2014- 2018	New Cases (Annual Average)	179	6,811
	Cancer Incidence Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	65.7	61.3
Cancer Incidence - Prostate , State Cancer Profiles, 2014- 2018	New Cases (Annual Average)	41	6,829
	Cancer Incidence Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	2,987	126.6
Chronic Conditions - Alzheimer's Disease (Medicare Population) , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Beneficiaries with Alzheimer's Disease	123.1	98,702
	Beneficiaries with Alzheimer's Disease, Percent	10.7%	10.7%
Chronic Conditions - Asthma Prevalence (Adult) , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Adults with Asthma (Crude)	123.1	9.2%
	Adults with Asthma (Age-Adjusted)	123.1	9.1%
Chronic Conditions - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (Adult) , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Percentage of Adults Ever Diagnosed with Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	9.7%	7.14%
	Total Medicare Fee-for-Service Beneficiaries	27,971	922,696
Chronic Conditions - Depression (Medicare Population) , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Beneficiaries with Depression	5,117	158,319
	Beneficiaries with Depression, Percent	18.3%	17.2%
Chronic Conditions - Newly Diagnosed Diabetes (Adults) , CDC National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, 2019	Adults Newly Diagnosed with Diabetes	1,391	75,221
	Adults Newly Diagnosed with Diabetes, Age-Adjusted Rate per 1000	10.8	11.0
Chronic Conditions - Diabetes (Adult) , CDC National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, 2019	Adults with Diagnosed Diabetes	13,782	829,435
	Adults with Diagnosed Diabetes, Age-Adjusted Rate	7.8%	9.8%
Chronic Conditions - Kidney Disease , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Percentage of Adults Ever Diagnosed with Kidney Disease	3.6%	3.22%
	Percentage of Medicare Beneficiaries Ever Diagnosed with Kidney Disease	27.4%	26.85%
Chronic Conditions - Heart Disease (Adult) , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Adults Ever Diagnosed with Coronary Heart Disease (Age- Adjusted)	6.4%	5.97%
Chronic Conditions - High Blood Pressure (Adult) , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Percentage of Adults with High Blood Pressure	39.0%	35.5%

Chronic Conditions - High Cholesterol (Adult), Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Percentage of Adults with High Cholesterol	37.5%	32.3%
Chronic Conditions - Multiple Chronic Conditions (Medicare Population), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 2018	Beneficiaries with 2 or More Chronic Conditions	20,386	654,006
	Beneficiaries with 2 or More Chronic Conditions, Percent	72.9%	70.9%
Deaths of Despair (Suicide + Drug/Alcohol Poisoning), CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	502	20,881
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	58.1	39.7
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	55.1	38.1
Low Birth Weight, University of Wisconsin, County Health Rankings, 2020	Total Live Births	12,038	1,801,717
	Low Birthweight Births	929	175,548
	Low Birthweight Births, Percentage	7.7%	9.7%
Mortality - Infant Mortality (CDC), University of Wisconsin, County Health Rankings, 2020	Number of Infant Deaths	23	12,283
	Deaths per 1,000 Live Births	6.4	7.3
Mortality - Cancer, CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	2,138	87,299
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	247.5	166.0
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	155.5	153.1
Mortality - Coronary Heart Disease, CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	396	39,694
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	161.8	75.5
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	120.0	72.4
Mortality - Poisoning, CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	156	8,294
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	19.4	15.8
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	22.1	15.7
Mortality - Heart Disease, CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	2,295	96,177
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	265.7	182.9
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	175.2	178.0
Mortality - Homicide, CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	10	4,352
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	4.4	8.3
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	No data	8.4
Mortality - Life Expectancy, CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Life Expectancy at Birth	77.52	77.38
Mortality - Lung Disease, CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	783	24,234
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	90.6	46.1
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	57.1	44.5
Mortality - Motor Vehicle Crash, CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	183	7,787
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	21.2	14.8
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	21.7	14.5
Mortality - Motor Vehicle Crash, Alcohol-Involved, US Dept of Transportation, National Highway Safety Administration, Fatality Analysis Reporting System, 2015- 2019	Alcohol-Involved Crash Deaths (2015-2019)	36	1,525
	Alcohol-Involved Crash Deaths, Annual Rate per 100,000 Population	7.4	5.2

Mortality - Opioid Overdose , CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	106	5,051
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	13.2	9.6
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	12.5	9.6
Mortality - Premature Death , CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Premature Deaths, 2017-2019	2,779	265,864
	Years of Potential Life Lost, 2017-2019 Average	39,225	4,559,513
	Years of Potential Life Lost, Rate per 100,000 Population	8,371	7,637
Mortality - Stroke , CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	564	22,661
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	65.3	43.1
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	42.6	43.2
Mortality - Suicide , CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	185	7,505
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	23.0	14.3
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	22.8	14.0
Mortality - Unintentional Injury (Accident) , CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	575	23,911
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	66.6	45.5
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	59.6	45.1
Mortality - Influenza & Pneumonia , CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	63	7,227
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	203	13.6
Mortality - Firearm , CDC, National Vital Statistics System, Accessed via CDC Wonder, 2016-2020	Five Year Total Deaths, 2016-2020 Total	140	8,466
	Age-Adjusted Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	16.7	16.0
Obesity , CDC, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, 2019	Population Age 20+	135,664	7,815,161
	Adults with BMI > 30.0 (Obese)	32,282	2,240,278
	Adults with BMI > 30.0 (Obese), Percent	23.6%	28.4%
Poor dental health/teeth loss – the number of percent of adults who report having lost of all their natural teeth due to decay or gum disease, Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Adults with Poor Dental Health (Crude)	17.5%	10,519,475
	Adults with Poor Dental Health (Age-Adjusted)	17.9%	16.3%
Poor or Fair Health , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Adults with Poor or Fair General Health (Age-Adjusted)	20.9%	20.49%
Poor Mental Health - Days , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Average Poor Mental Health Days per Month	4.7	4.3
Poor Mental Health , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Adults with Poor Mental Health (Age-Adjusted)	17.7%	16.15%
Poor Physical Health - Days , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Average Poor Physical Health Days per Month	4.5	4.0
Poor Physical Health , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Adults with Poor Physical Health (Age-Adjusted)	14.7%	13.7%
Poor Mental Health - Mental Health and Substance Use Conditions , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Beneficiaries with Mental Health and Substance Use Conditions, Percent	34%	35%
Stroke (Adult) , Behavioral Risk Surveillance System, 2019	Adults Ever Having a Stroke (Age-Adjusted)	3.3%	3.5%
Stroke (Medicare Population) , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Percent Diagnosed with Stroke	3.2%	4.0%
Substance Use Disorder (Medicare Population) , CMS – Geographic Variation Public Use File, 2020	Percentage with Drug/Substance Use Disorder	4.0%	3.6%

Healthcare Workforce	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
Access to Care - Dental Health , US Dept of Health and Human Services, HRSA – Area Health Resource File, 2019	Dentists, 2019	58.00	5,025.00
	Dentists, Rate per 100,000 Population	34.90	49.20
Access to Care - Mental Health , CMS – National Plan and Provider Enumeration System, 2020	Number of Mental Health Providers	104	30,734
	Ratio of Mental Health Providers to Population (1 Provider perx Persons)	1,497.5	685.1
	Mental Health Care Provider Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	66.8	146
Access to Care - Primary Care , CMS – National Plan and Provider Enumeration System, 2020	Primary Care Physicians	87	6,974
	Primary Care Physicians, Rate per 100,000 Population	50.26	66.30
Federally Qualified Health Centers , US Dept of Health and Human Services, Provider of Services File, 2020	Number of Federally Qualified Health Centers	7	287
	Rate of Federally Qualified Health Centers per 100,000 Population	4.05	2.68
Health Professional Shortage Areas - All , US Dept of Health and Human Services, HRSA – Health Professions Shortage Areas Database, 2022	Primary Care Facilities	2	83
	Mental Health Care Facilities	1	73
	Dental Health Care Facilities	1	72
	Total HPSA Facility Designations	4	228
Health Professional Shortage Areas - Dental Care , US Dept of Health and Human Services, HRSA – Health Professions Shortage Areas Database, 2022	Population Living in a HPSA	162,858	5,720,632
	Percentage of Population Living in a HPSA	100%	59.05%
Population Living in a Health Professional Shortage Area , US Dept of Health and Human Services, HRSA – Health Professions Shortage Areas Database, 2022	Population Living in an Area Affected by a HPSA	66,462	3,140,331
	Percentage of Population Living in an Area Affected by a HPSA	39.07%	30.18%
	Percentage of HPSA Population Underserved	76.21%	56.14%

COVID-19	Indicator Variable	SSA North	Georgia
COVID-19 - Confirmed Cases , Johns Hopkins University, accessed via ESRI, 2022	Total Confirmed Cases	37,891	2,430,802
	Confirmed Cases, Rate per 100,000 Population	21,889.53	23,107.64
	Last Update	05/09/2022	05/08/2022
COVID-19 - Mortality , Johns Hopkins University, accessed via ESRI, 2022	Total Deaths	1,053	36,492
	Deaths, Rate per 100,000 Population	608.32	346.90
	Last Update	05/09/2022	05/08/2022