NGMC Habersham: CHNA Data

The following is a report on key health indicators within the NGMC Habersham service area, which includes Habersham, Banks, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, and White. Indicators in **red** mean the indicator is worse than the state rate, and indicators in **green** mean the indicator is better than the state rate. Please note that most data reflects the US Census's American Community Survey's 2019 to 2023 data. Other sources include the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. All data is the most recent available.

Demographics

Data Indicator	Indicator Variable	Location Summary	Georgia
Total Population	Total Population	176,445	10,822,590
	Total Land Area (Square Miles)	1,787.79	57,716.61
	Population Density (Per Square Mile)	99	188
Total Population Change, 2010 - 2020	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%**
Population with Any Disability	Population with a Disability	30,883	1,375,224
	Population with a Disability, Percent	**17.80%**	**12.94%**
Population in Limited English Households	Linguistically Isolated Population Age 5+	1,961	285,708
	Linguistically Isolated Population Age 5+, Percent	**1.17%**	**2.81%**
People of Color (Not Non-Hispanic White)	Non Hispanic Non-White Population	26,694	5,428,519
	Percent Population Non Hispanic Non-White	15.13%	50.16%
Citizenship Status	Native	166,667	9,480,215
	Born in a US Territory	242	52,175
	Born Abroad to US Citizens	1,225	117,712
	Naturalized	3,174	567,064
	Non-Citizen	5,137	605,424
	Non-Citizen, Percent	2.91%	5.59%

Income and Economics

Data Indicator	Indicator Variable	Location Summary	Georgia
Employment - Labor Force Participation Rate	Labor Force Participation Rate	**53.29%**	**63.70%**
Employment - Unemployment Rate	Number Employed	75,243	5,192,730
	Number Unemployed	2,659	186,857
	Unemployment Rate	**3.4%**	**3.5%**
Poverty - Children Below 100% FPL	Population < Age 18 in Poverty	5,689	467,864
	Population < Age 18 in Poverty, Percent	**17.10%**	**18.66%**
Poverty - Children Below 200% FPL	Population Under Age 18 Below 200% FPL	14,862	1,034,212
	Population Under Age 18 Below 200% FPL, Percent	**44.66%**	**41.25%**
Poverty - Population Below 100% FPL	Population in Poverty	21,932	1,423,159
	Population in Poverty, Percent	**12.87%**	**13.48%**
Poverty - Population Below 185% FPL	Population with Income Below 185% FPL	52,521	2,998,450
	Population with Income Below 185% FPL, Percent	**30.82%**	**28.39%**
Poverty - Population Below 200% FPL	Population with Income Below 200% FPL	57,723	3,282,672
	Population with Income Below 200% FPL, Percent	**33.87%**	**31.08%**

Education

Data Indicator	Indicator Variable	Location Summary	Georgia
Access - Childcare Centers	Total Childcare Centers	73	8,072
	Rate of Childcare Centers per 1,000 Population Age < 5	**8.30**	**14.33**
Access - Childcare Cost Burden	Median Household Income	$445,620	$74,521
	Childcare Cost	$81,424	$17,102
	Childcare Costs, Percentage of Median Household Income	**18.27%**	**22.95%**
Access - Post-Secondary Enrollment	Enrolled in Post-Secondary School	8,619	696,312
	Enrolled in Post-Secondary School, Percent	**5.03%**	**6.66%**
Attainment - Some Post-secondary Education	Population Age 25-44 with at least Some College Education, Total	19,900	1,924,056
	Population Age 25-44 with at Least Some College Education, Percent	**52.82%**	**65.57%**
Employment Status by Educational Attainment	Sub High School Unemployed	386	22,892
	High School Only Unemployed	606	57,758
	Some College or Associate's Unemployed	423	55,373
	Bachelor's or Higher Unemployed	182	48,239

Housing and Families

Data Indicator	Indicator Variable	Location Summary	Georgia
Families - Overview	Married Couple	37,661	1,867,456
	Female, Spouse Absent	6,446	600,475
	Male, Spouse Absent	2,883	193,575
Affordable Housing	Units Affordable at 15% AMI	3.90%	3.81%
	Units Affordable at 30% AMI	9.85%	9.02%
	Units Affordable at 40% AMI	14.11%	14.27%
	Units Affordable at 50% AMI	20.90%	21.07%
	Units Affordable at 60% AMI	28.65%	28.49%
Affordable Housing - Low Income Tax Credits	LIHTC Properties	18	1,037
	LIHTC Units	1,000	101,831
Affordable Housing - Assisted Housing Units	Total HUD-Assisted Housing Units	1,072	136,938
	HUD-Assisted Units, Rate per 10,000 Housing Units	**162.03**	**357.52**
Household Structure - Families with Children	Families with Children (Age 0-17)	17,127	1,274,490
	Families with Children (Age 0-17), Percent of Total Households	25.38%	31.80%
Household Structure - Single-Parent Households	Children in Single-Parent Households	7,538	770,740
	Percentage of Children in Single-Parent Households	**22.21%**	**30.37%**
Household Structure - Older Adults Living Alone	Households with Seniors Living Alone	9,494	400,402
	Percentage of Total Households	14.07%	9.99%
	Percentage of Senior Households	**33.26%**	**35.22%**

Housing Costs - Cost Burden (30%)	Cost-Burdened Households	15,217	1,129,475
	Cost-Burdened Households, Percent	**22.55%**	**28.18%**
Housing Costs - Cost Burden, Severe (50%)	Severely Burdened Households	7,178	539,428
	Severely Burdened Households, Percent	**10.64%**	**13.46%**
Housing Quality - Overcrowding	Overcrowded Housing Units	1,700	92,313
	Percentage of Housing Units Overcrowded	**2.52%**	**2.30%**
Housing Quality - Substandard Housing	Occupied Housing Units with One or More Substandard Conditions	16,799	1,208,196
	Occupied Housing Units with One or More Substandard Conditions, Percent	**24.90%**	**30.14%**
Utility Services Threat	Adults Age 18+ Having Utility Services Threat	**7.1%**	**9.4%**

Other Social & Economic Factors

Data Indicator	Indicator Variable	Location Summary	Georgia
Area Deprivation Index	State Percentile	56	50
	National Percentile	**60**	**54**
Food Insecurity Rate	Food Insecure Population, Total	26,820	1,371,420
	Food Insecurity Rate	**15.41%**	**12.79%**
Homeless Children & Youth (ED)	Students in All Districts	23,782	1,740,875
	Students Reporting Experiencing Homelessness	527	36,547
	Students Reporting Experiencing Homelessness, Percent	**2.22%**	**2.10%**
	Districts Reporting	100.00%	79.91%
	Students in Reported Districts	100.00%	98.14%
Households with No Motor Vehicle	Households with No Motor Vehicle	2,623	238,394
	Households with No Motor Vehicle, Percent	**3.89%**	**5.95%**
Incarceration Rate	Incarceration Rate	**1.3%**	**2.1%**
Insurance - Insured Population and Provider Type	Population with Health Insurance	150,730	9,288,560
	Percentage with Private Insurance	**69.83%**	**75.38%**
	Percentage with Public Insurance	48.49%	37.11%
Insurance - Medicare Enrollment Demographics	Medicaid Eligible, Percentage	13.05%	13.09%
	Avg. Age of FFS Beneficiaries	73	72
Insurance - Population Receiving Medicaid	Population with Any Health Insurance	150,730	9,288,560
	Population Receiving Medicaid	33,640	1,928,147
	Percent of Insured Population Receiving Medicaid	**22.32%**	**20.76%**
Insurance - Uninsured Adults	Pop. Age 18-64 w/ Insurance	77,361	5,440,432
	Pop. Age 18-64 w/ Insurance, Percent	79.55%	83.48%
	Pop. Age 18-64 w/o Insurance	19,891	1,076,981
	Pop. Age 18-64 w/o Insurance, Percent	**20.45%**	**16.52%**
Insurance - Uninsured Children	Pop. Age 0-18 w/ Insurance	32,979	2,409,565
	Pop. Age 0-18 w/ Insurance, Percent	92.01%	93.77%
	Pop. Age 0-18 w/o Insurance	2,863	159,988
	Pop. Age 0-18 w/o Insurance, Percent	**7.99%**	**6.23%**
Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI)	Socioeconomic Theme Score	0.63	0.66
	Household Composition Theme Score	0.47	0.56
	Minority Status Theme Score	0.39	0.81
	Housing & Transportation Theme Score	0.55	0.50
	Social Vulnerability Index Score	**0.56**	**0.64**
Housing + Transportation Affordability Index (H+T Index)	Housing + Transportation Costs % Income	**54%**	**49%**
	Housing Costs % Income	25%	25%
	Transportation Costs % Income	29%	24%

Physical Environment

Data Indicator	Indicator Variable	Location Summary	Georgia
Food Environment - Grocery Stores	Establishments, Rate per 100,000 Population	13.31	16.38

Clinical Care and Prevention

Data Indicator	Indicator Variable	Location Summary	Georgia
Cancer Screening - Mammogram (Medicare)	With Screening Mammography, Total	4,740	151,451
	With Screening Mammography, Percent	35%	34%
Cancer Screening - Mammogram (Adult)	Females Age 50-74 with Recent Mammogram	73.1%	75.8%
Cancer Screening - Cervical Cancer Screening	Females Age 21-65 with Cervical Cancer Screening Test	80.4%	82.3%
Cancer Screening - Sigmoidoscopy or Colonoscopy	Adults Age 45-75 with Adequate Colorectal Cancer Screening	66.5%	64.4%
Dental Care Utilization	Adults Age 18+ with Recent Dental Visit	58.8%	59.2%
Diabetes Management - Hemoglobin A1c Test	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%
Hospitalizations - Inpatient Stays	Total Beneficiaries with Inpatient Stays	3,039	109,761
	Beneficiaries with Inpatient Stays	12.6%	14.2%
	Total Inpatient Stays, Rate (per 1,000 Beneficiaries)	183.8	219.6
Hospitalizations - Heart Disease	Cardiovascular Disease Hospitalizations, Rate per 1,000	9.5	10.3
Health Care - FQHC Patient Profile	Under Age 18	20.81%	26.05%
	Age 18 - 64	62.61%	60.02%
	Age 65 and Older	16.59%	13.92%
Health Care - FQHC Patient Services Profile	Medical Patients	96.70%	93.00%
	Dental Patients	3.69%	8.12%
	Mental Health Patients	3.21%	3.57%
Health Care - FQHC Preventative Services	Cervical Cancer Screening	53.36%	46.34%
	Breast Cancer Screening	47.20%	41.85%
	Colorectal Cancer Screening	43.71%	31.81%
	Childhood Immunization Status	24.63%	20.00%
Health Care - FQHC Medical Conditions	Diabetes	16.17%	17.67%
	Hypertension	4.41%	5.00%
	Asthma	28.31%	32.46%
	Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)	0.10%	1.18%
Health Care - FQHC Maternal and Child Health	Total Prenatal Care Patients	298	7,372
	Early Entry into Prenatal Care	80.94%	65.85%
	Low and Very Low Birth Weight	17.11%	14.58%
Prevention - High Blood Pressure Management (Medicare)	Blood Pressure Medication Nonadherence, Percentage	23.2%	24.9%

Prevention - Recent Primary Care Visit (Medicare)	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	Males Age 65+ Up to Date on Core Preventative Services	**45.1%**	**45.7%**
Prevention - Recent Primary Care Visit (Adult)	Adults Age 18+ with Routine Checkup in Past 1 Year	**77.0%**	**76.3%**
Prevention - Core Preventative Services for Women	Females Age 65+ Up to Date on Core Preventative Services	**39.3%**	**39.3%**
Readmissions - Heart Failure	Discharges for Heart Failure	299	27,192
	30-day Readmission Rate	**20.03%**	**19.73%**
Readmissions - Pneumonia	Discharges for Pneumonia	457	22,484
	30-day Readmission Rate	**16.17%**	**16.41%**

Health Behaviors

Data Indicator	Indicator Variable	Location Summary	Georgia
Alcohol - Binge Drinking	Adults Age 18+ Binge Drinking in the Past 30 Days	**14.3%**	**15.3%**
Physical Inactivity	Adults Age 20+ with No Leisure Time Physical Activity	25,509	1,686,986
	Adults Age 20+ with No Leisure Time Physical Activity, Percent	**16.7%**	**20.6%**
STI - Chlamydia Incidence	Chlamydia Infections	395	71,294
	Chlamydia Infections, Rate per 100,000 Pop.	**216.56**	**646.41**
STI - HIV Prevalence	Population with HIV / AIDS	225	60,902
	Population with HIV / AIDS, Rate per 100,000 Pop.	**144.99**	**664.1**
Insufficient Sleep	Adults Age 18+ Sleeping Less Than 7 Hours on Average	**34.1%**	**38.4%**
Tobacco Usage - Current Smokers	Adults Age 18+ as Current Smokers	**16.5%**	**14.5%**
Walking or Biking to Work	Population Walking or Biking to Work	1,261	76,369
	Percentage Walking or Biking to Work	**1.70%**	**1.51%**
Breastfeeding Initiation (HRSA)	Breastfeeding Infants, Total	1,512	102,431
	Breastfeeding Infants, Percent	**87.0%**	**82.5%**
Obesity - Pre-pregnancy (HRSA)	To Women with Obesity, Total	635	41,239
	To Women with Obesity, Percent	**36.5%**	**33.2%**

Health Outcomes

Data Indicator	Indicator Variable	Location Summary	Georgia
Birth Outcomes - Infant Mortality (CDC)	Number of Infant Deaths	46	6,113
	Deaths per 1,000 Live Births	**9.2**	**7.0**
Cancer Incidence - Colon and Rectum	New Cases (Annual Average)	112	4,546
	Cancer Incidence Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**42.8**	**39.3**
Cancer Incidence - Lung	New Cases (Annual Average)	184	6,885
	Cancer Incidence Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**63.4**	**57.9**
Cancer Incidence - Prostate	New Cases (Annual Average)	184	7,711
	Cancer Incidence Rate (Per 100,000 Males)	**127.9**	**134.7**
Cancer Prevalence - All Sites (Medicare Population)	Cancer - Colorectal, Breast, Prostate, Lung Prevalence, Total	2,686	89,890
	Cancer - Colorectal, Breast, Prostate, Lung Prevalence, Percent	**11%**	**11%**
Chronic Conditions - Alzheimer's Disease (Medicare Population)	Beneficiaries with Alzheimer's Disease	2,987	98,702
	Beneficiaries with Alzheimer's Disease, Percent	**10.7%**	**10.7%**
Chronic Conditions - Asthma (Medicare Population)	Beneficiaries with Asthma	1,121	43,405
	Percentage with Asthma	**4.0%**	**4.7%**
Chronic Conditions - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (Medicare Population)	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Prevalence, Total	3,414	98,062
	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Prevalence, Percent	**14%**	**12%**
Chronic Conditions - Depression (Medicare Population)	Depressive Disorders Prevalence, Total	4,192	130,749
	Depressive Disorders Prevalence, Percent	**17%**	**16%**
Chronic Conditions - Diabetes Prevalence (Adult)	Adults Age 18+ Ever Diagnosed with Diabetes	**13.7%**	**12.6%**
Chronic Conditions - Diabetes Prevalence (Adult - Trends)	Adults Age 20+ with Diagnosed Diabetes	13,958	835,312
	Adults Age 20+ with Diagnosed Diabetes	**7.9%**	**9.6%**
Chronic Conditions - Diabetes Prevalence (Medicare Population)	Diabetes Prevalence, Total	6,352	212,467
	Diabetes Prevalence, Percent	**25%**	**26%**
Chronic Conditions - Heart Disease (Adult)	Adults Age 18+ Ever Diagnosed with CHD	**9.0%**	**6.4%**
Chronic Conditions - Heart Disease (Medicare Population)	Ischemic Heart Disease Prevalence, Total	5,425	179,780
	Ischemic Heart Disease Prevalence, Percent	**22%**	**22%**
Chronic Conditions - High Blood Pressure (Adult)	Adults Age 18+ with HTN	**40.4%**	**37.4%**
Chronic Conditions - High Blood Pressure (Medicare Population)	Hypertension Prevalence, Total	17,661	563,855
	Hypertension Prevalence, Percent	**70%**	**69%**
Chronic Conditions - High Cholesterol (Adult)	Adults Age 18+ with High Cholesterol	**40.7%**	**35.3%**
Chronic Conditions - High Cholesterol (Medicare Population)	Beneficiaries with High Cholesterol	15,136	461,974
	Percent with High Cholesterol	**54.1%**	**50.1%**
Chronic Conditions - Kidney Disease (Adult)	Adults Age 18+ Ever Diagnosed with Kidney	**3.9%**	**3.3%**

	Disease		
Mortality - All Cause Mortality	Five Year Total Deaths, 2019-2023 Total	12,367	500,030
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**1,389.6**	**924.8**
Mortality - Cancer	Five Year Total Deaths, 2019-2023 Total	2,361	90,533
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**265.3**	**167.4**
Mortality - Deaths of Despair (Suicide + Drug/Alcohol Poisoning)	Five Year Total Deaths, 2019-2023 Total	622	26,263
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**69.9**	**48.6**
Mortality - Drug Overdose (Modelled)	Rate of Drug Overdose Deaths per 100,000 Population	**19.09**	**19.10**
Mortality - Firearm Fatalities	Five Year Total Deaths, 2019-2023 Total	141	10,025
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**17.1**	**18.5**
Mortality - Firearms Fatalities (Modelled)	Rate of Firearm-Related Deaths per 100,000 Population	**17.3**	**18.20**
	Rate of Firearm Homicide per 100,000 Population	3.2	7.40
	Rate of Firearm Suicide per 100,000 Population	16.1	10.30
Mortality - Heart Disease	Five Year Total Deaths, 2019-2023 Total	2,664	105,591
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**299.3**	**195.3**
Mortality - Homicide (Modelled)	Rate of All Homicide Related Deaths per 100,000 Population	**4.6**	**8.90**
	Rate of Firearm Homicide per 100,000 Population	3.2	7.40
Mortality - Influenza & Pneumonia	Five Year Total Deaths, 2019-2023 Total	170	6,763
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**19.1**	**12.5**
Mortality - Life Expectancy	Life Expectancy at Birth (2020-22)	**74.5**	**75.6**
Mortality - Life Expectancy	Life Expectancy at Birth (2019)	**77.50**	**78.01**
Mortality - Life Expectancy (Census Tract)	Life Expectancy at Birth (2010-2015)	**77.59**	**77.14**
Mortality - Liver Disease	Five Year Total Deaths, 2019-2023 Total	217	7,407
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**24.4**	**13.7**
Mortality - Lung Disease	Five Year Total Deaths, 2019-2023 Total	720	23,744
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**80.9**	**43.9**
Mortality - Motor Vehicle Crash	Five Year Total Deaths, 2019-2023 Total	200	8,788
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**22.5**	**16.3**
Mortality - Motor Vehicle Crash, Overall	Total Crash Deaths (2018-2022)	392	17,118
	Fatal Crash Deaths, Annual Rate per 100,000 Population	**45.4**	**32.0**
Mortality - Motor Vehicle Crash, Alcohol-Involved	Alcohol-Involved Crash Deaths (2018-2022)	42	1,505
	Alcohol-Involved Crash Deaths, Annual Rate per 100,000 Population	**4.9**	**2.2**
Mortality - Premature Death	Premature Deaths, 2020-2022	3,589	169,399
	Years of Potential Life Lost, 2020-2022	51,248	2,874,493
	Years of Potential Life Lost, Rate per 100,000 Population	**10,681**	**9,406**
Mortality - Suicide	Five Year Total Deaths, 2019-2023 Total	185	8,046
	Crude Death Rate (Per 100,000 Population)	**22.4**	**14.9**

Mortality - Child Mortality	Number of Child Deaths	93	6,866
	Deaths per 100,000 Population Age < 20	**71.8**	**61.0**
Obesity (Adult)	Adults Age 18+ with Obesity	**36.4%**	**36.8%**
Poor Mental Health	Adults Age 18+ with Poor Mental Health	**17.0%**	**16.7%**
Poor Mental Health - Days	Average Poor Mental Health Days per Month	**5.7**	**5.3**
Poor or Fair Health	Adults Age 18+ with Poor or Fair General Health	**21.2%**	**19.1%**
Poor Physical Health - Days	Average Poor Physical Health Days per Month	**4.6**	**4.0**
Poor Physical Health	Adults Age 18+ with Poor Physical Health	**15.5%**	**13.2%**