2023 Lee County, Florida Health Profile
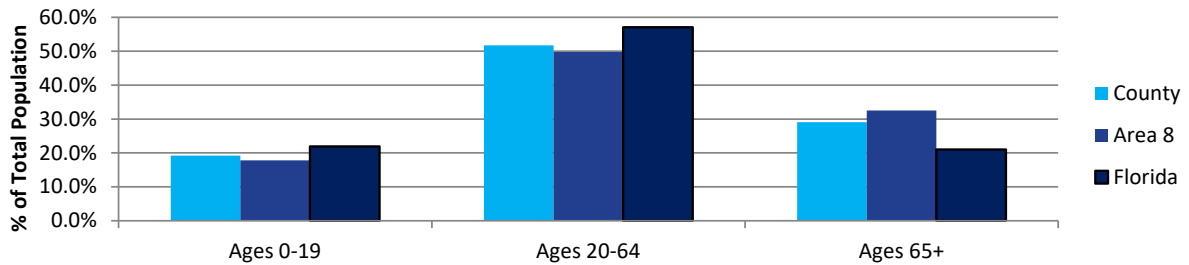
Data for year ending 2021, unless otherwise noted

Demographics*

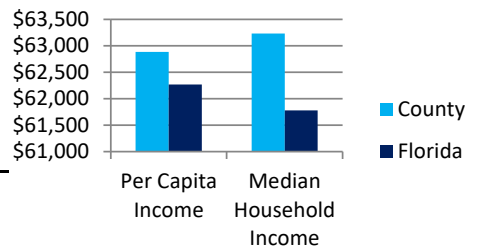|	County		Area 8**		Florida	
Total	807,798	41.8%	1,930,959	8.6%	22,329,178	
Male	397,725	49.2%	950,752	49.2%	10,978,577	49.2%
Female	410,073	50.8%	980,207	50.8%	11,350,601	50.8%
Ages 0-19	154,983	19.2%	343,544	17.8%	4,889,259	21.9%
Ages 20-64	418,129	51.8%	960,221	49.7%	12,738,712	57.0%
Ages 65+	234,686	29.1%	627,194	32.5%	4,701,207	21.1%
White	698,709	86.5%	1,705,483	88.3%	17,160,051	76.9%
Black	74,332	9.2%	146,696	7.6%	3,813,045	17.1%
Other	34,757	4.3%	78,780	4.1%	1,356,082	6.1%
Hispanic	192,068	23.8%	403,566	20.9%	6,011,553	26.9%

* *Area 8 includes Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Hendry, Glades, Lee, & Sarasota counties*

*2022 Data

Socioeconomics

	County	Trend	Florida
Per Capita Income	$62,885	Positive	$62,270
Median Household Income	$63,235	Positive	$61,777
Persons <100% of FPL	12.0%	Inconsistent	13.1%
Children under 18 years <100% of FPL	18.7%	Inconsistent	18.2%
High School Graduate or Higher*	89.8%	Positive	89.0%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher*	29.0%	Positive	31.5%
Labor Force as % of Population Age 18+**	55.9%	Negative	59.0%
Unemployment Rate**	4.2%	Inconsistent	4.6%
Households with Access to the Internet	89.1%	Steady	87.2%
% of Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population with a Disability***	13.6%		13.4%

*FPL: Federal Poverty Level   *age 25 and over   **2021*

*** 5 year estimates

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a large impact on the economy. Some of the effects will not be seen until future years, however, they are already reflected in numbers like the unemployment rate.

Workforce

Top Industries (% of all workers)	County	Florida
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	19.9%	20.7%
Government	15.4%	11.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	14.9%	12.7%
Professional & Business Services	13.4%	16.5%
Construction	12.6%	6.5%

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Crime

3-year rate per 100,000, 2018-2020	County	Trend	Florida	County Quartile
Forcible Sex Offenses	53.5	Inconsistent	53.7	3
Aggravated Assault	190.0	Positive	268.4	2
Total Domestic Violence Offenses	420.8	Inconsistent	495.9	2
Murder	4.3	Positive	5.5	3
Alcohol Confirmed Motor Vehicle Traffic Crash Fatilities*	2.2	Inconsistent	1.8	2

3-year rate per 100,000, 2019-2021

Healthcare Utilization & Resources

Rate per 100,000	County	Florida
Total Hospital Beds	276.6	316.0
Acute Care Beds	220.7	247.1
Specialty Beds	55.9	69.0
Nursing Home Beds*	275.5	386.5
County Health Dept FTE**	30.7	47.0
County Health Dept Expenditures***	$20.30	$32.80

*2020   **fiscal year ending 2021, FTE: full-time employees*

**Dollars ($) expended per person, fiscal year ending 2021*

Licensed Health Professionals*

Rate per 100,000†	County	Florida
Physicians	320.6	308.8
OB/GYNs	8.6	9.1
Pediatricians	18.4	21.6
Dentists	43.9	55.7

Number of licensed providers may not equal the number of practicing providers. †fiscal year ending 2021

Healthcare Access*

	Lee County Percentage of Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	Florida Percentage of Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	Trend**
With Health Insurance Coverage	76.2%	87.4%	Inconsistent
No Health Insurance Coverage	17.0%	12.6%	Inconsistent

5 year estimates, 2017-2021
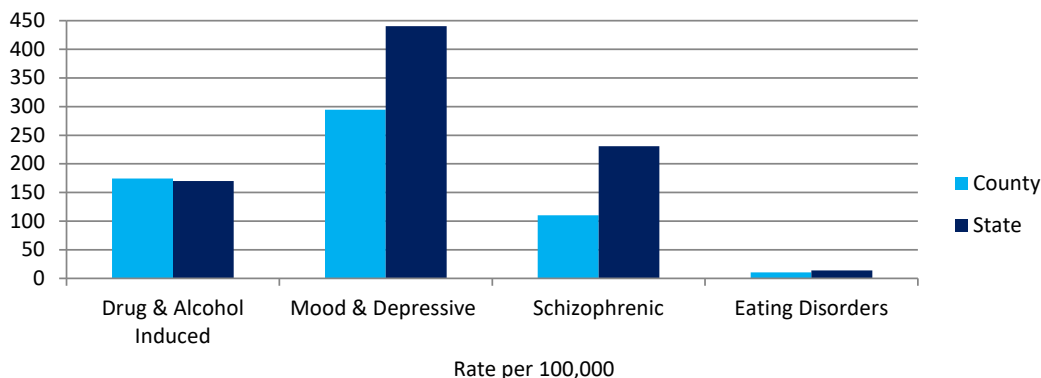
**Single year trend, 2021*

School-Aged Children

Percentages	County	Florida
Immunization at Kindergarten	93.5%	93.5%
Third Grade Language Arts Proficiency**	50.0%	54.0%
High School Graduation Rate**	89.5%	94.0%
Middle School Students Eligible for Free/Reduced Lunch	46.7%	55.1%

Mental Health

Rate per 100,000	County	Florida
Good Mental Health*	87.6%	86.2%
Licensed Counselors+	39.8	57.3
Total Professionals+	88.0	117.1
Non-Fatal Injury Hospitalizations by Self Harm	514.4	524.7

2019 data   + FY ending 2021

Mental Health Disorders

Rate per 100,000

Mortality & Leading Causes of Death
Age-Adjusted Rate per 100,000, 2022

	County Age-Adjusted Rate / 100,000	Trend	Florida Age-Adjusted Rate / 100,000	County Quartile
All Causes	638.7	Inconsistent	738.1	1
Heart Disease	127.0	Negative	146.9	1
Cancer	124.9	Inconsistent	138.8	1
Unintential Injury	85.2	Negative	69.4	3
Stroke	29.9	Inconsistent	47.6	1
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	25.9	Inconsistent	31.8	1
COVID-19	22.2	Inconsistent	35.8	1
Alzheimer's Disease	15.9	Inconsistent	18.3	2
Diabetes	15.6	Inconsistent	22.8	1
Suicide	17.9	Negative	14.1	3

County Health Rankings

2022	County	Florida	
Poor Mental Health Days	4.4	4.2	County Health Rankings by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation rank all counties in a state based on health data. **Lee County was ranked 11th out of the 67 counties in Florida overall. For both Health Outcomes and Health Factors, Lee County ranked among the healthiest counties in Florida (Highest 75-100%).** The data to the left are some of the factors tracked by County Health Rankings.
Adult Smoking	17%	16%	
Adult Obesity	28%	28%	
Physical Inactivity	24%	26%	
Diabetes Prevalence	10%	10%	
Food Insecurity	11%	11%	
Drug Overdose Deaths (rate per 100,000)	33.0	27.0	
Excessive Drinking	20%	17%	

Most of the data included in the 2022 rankings is from 2020.

Maternal and Infant Health

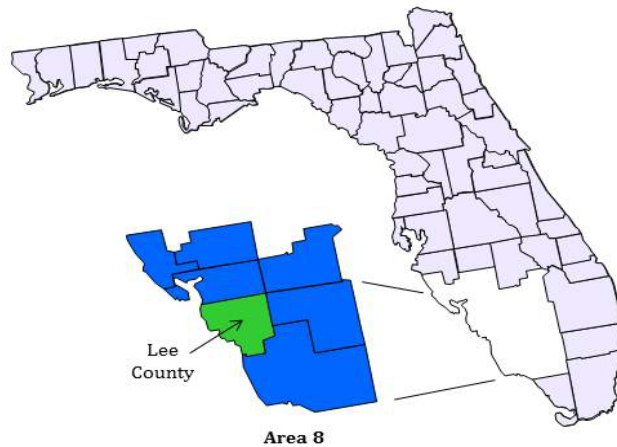| 2019-2021	County	Trend	Florida	County Quartile
Total Births (3 yr annual avg)	7,224			
Teen (15-19) Birth Rate*	18.2	Positive	14.9	2
Neonatal Death Rate (0-27 Days)*	4.3	Negative	4.0	3
Infant Death Rate (0-364 Days)*	6.0	Inconsistent	5.9	2
Low Birthweight <2500 Grams (% of Live Births)	8.7%	Negative	8.8%	2
% of Live Births with Late or No Prenatal Care	7.5%	Inconsistent	7.7%	2
% of Births with 1st Trimester Prenatal Care	69.7%	Negative	75.3%	3

per 1,000 births

Communicable Diseases

3-year rate per 100,000, 2019-2021	County	Trend	Florida	County Quartile
Infectious Syphilis Cases	13.1	Negative	17.3	3
Gonorrhea Cases	138.7	Negative	188.4	2
Chlamydia	416.6	Inconsistent	485.5	3
AIDS Cases	4.9	Inconsistent	8.2	3
Tuberculosis Cases	1.5	Positive	2.3	3

Lee County, Florida

Lee County has the largest population in Area 8. Its largest cities include Cape Coral, Lehigh Acres, Fort Myers, Bonita Springs, North Fort Myers, and Estero. Its county seat is Fort Myers. The cost of living in Lee County is slightly higher than the state average. Lee County has a primary health care shortage for its low-income populations in Bonita Springs, Fort Myers, Cape Coral, North Fort Myers, and Lehigh Acres. Lee County also has a dental health care shortage and a mental health care shortage for the low-income population. In 2018, the City of Sanibel was recognized as a Healthy Weight Community Champion. In 2019, Business Insiders ranked Cape Coral 24th out of the 50 happiest cities in America. The climate remains warm year-round, with a high of 75 in January (low of 54), and a high of 92 in July (low of 75).

Lee County

Area 8

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The Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida, Inc. is one of eleven local health planning councils in the state of Florida, serving the counties in Area 8: Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hendry, Lee, and Sarasota. HPCSWF works to increase the availability and accessibility of data regarding health needs and services within the region. Of particular interest to the HPCSWF is to improve access to health care for persons with limited financial resources and to reduce disparities in health status. We offer data subscriptions for hospital and nursing home utilization reports, planning and implementation support for agencies, counties, and health departments across southwest Florida, and are available to conduct community assessments as requested.

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