

A SNAPSHOT OF ADOLESCENT HEALTH & WELL-BEING

DAWSON COUNTY

Population: 28,497

WELL-BEING

- The unemployment rate in Dawson is 3 % while the Georgia average is 3.9%.
- 13% of children in Dawson are living in poverty, while the Georgia average is 20%.
- 268% of children in Dawson live in single parent families while the Georgia average is 34%

Unemployment, Children Living in Poverty, Children Living in Single Parent Families Data Source: Kids Count: United States Census , U.S. Department of Commerce, United States Census Bureau, Small Area Income & Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems Office, Yearly Data.

SEXUAL & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

- The teen pregnancy rate in Georgia is an average of 9.9 per 1,000.
- The teen birth rate in Dawson is 9.2 per 1,000, compared to the Georgia average of 16.5 per 1,000.
- 14% of teen mothers in Georgia are giving birth to a second child.
- The STD incidence of youth in Dawson is 8 per 1,000, compared to the Georgia average of 28.3 per 1,000.

Pregnancy Rate , Teen Birth Rate, Repeat Teen Pregnancy, and STD Infection Rate Data Source: Kids count: Birth Certificate Records, Fetal Death Certificate Records, and Abortion Certificate Records : Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health, Office of Health Information and Policy.

MENTAL HEALTH

- 4% of youth in Dawson expressed that they've seriously considered attempting suicide, while the Georgia average is 6%.
- 80% of youth in Dawson expressed that they've felt stressed.

Suicide Ideation and Stress Data Source: Georgia Department of Education Student Health Survey 2022 (6th-12th grade and 9th-12 grade)

PHYSICAL HEALTH & NUTRITION

- 7% of youth in Dawson consumed alcohol in the last 30 days while the Georgia average is 8%.
- The obesity rate in Dawson is 38% while the Georgia average is 34%.
- 26% of the youth in Dawson were not physically active for at least 60 minutes in the last 7 days.

Alcohol Consumption Data Source: Georgia Department of Education Student Health Survey 2022(9th-12th grade)

Obesity in Youth Data Source: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Database

Physical Activity Data Source: Georgia Department of Education Student Health Survey 2022 (9th-12th grade);

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