

# A SNAPSHOT OF ADOLESCENT HEALTH & WELL-BEING GILMER COUNTY

Population: 32,026

### **WELL-BEING**

- The unemployment rate in Gilmer is 3% while the Georgia average is 3.9%.
- 24% of children in Gilmer are living in poverty, while the Georgia average is 20%.
- 31% of children in Gilmer 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 Gilmer is 15.7 per 1,000 compared to the Georgia average of 9.9 per 1,000.
- The teen birth rate in Gilmer is 23 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 Gilmer is 11.8 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**

- 3% of youth in Gilmer expressed that they've seriously considered attempting suicide, while the Georgia average is 6%.
- 87% of youth in Gilmer 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**

- 8% of youth in Gilmer consumed alcohol in the last 30 days, the same as the Georgia average.
- The obesity rate in Gilmer is 35% while the Georgia average is 34%.
- 22% of the youth in Gilmer 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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