

## POPULATION HEALTH

## Health outcomes


**Community**  
Saint John,  
Simonds and  
Musquash

**Zone 2**  
Fundy Shore and  
Saint John Area

**Province**  
New Brunswick

## Quality of Life

**Infant (newborn)**

Infants - low birth weight %	n/a	n/a	n/a
Infants - higher than average birth weight %	n/a	n/a	n/a

**Children**

High level of mental fitness (having a positive sense of how they feel, think and act) %   2023-2024	18.8	18.7	19.8
Pro-social behaviours (being helpful, respectful, thoughtful, etc.) %   2022-2023	35.9	34.6	35.4
Oppositional behaviours (being defiant, disrespectful, rude, etc.) %   2022-2023	13.8	14.4	19.0
Healthy weight %   2016-2017	52.4	55.0	57.9
Underweight %   2016-2017	8.5	7.7	7.0
Overweight or obese %   2016-2017	39.1	37.3	35.1

**Youth**

Moderate to high level of mental fitness (having a positive sense of how they feel, think and act) %   2022-2023	72.0	72.3	75.1
Perceived mental health, very good or excellent %   2023-2024	37.4	38.4	43.0
Perceived health, very good or excellent %   2023-2024	49.0	49.7	54.3

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Resilience, high or moderate level %   2023-2024	<b>67.3</b>	<b>68.8</b>	<b>69.5</b>
Life satisfaction %   2023-2024	<b>77.2</b>	<b>77.8</b>	<b>80.2</b>
Pro-social behaviours (being helpful, respectful, thoughtful, etc.) %   2022-2023	<b>80.2</b>	<b>81.2</b>	<b>83.1</b>
Oppositional behaviours (being defiant, disrespectful, rude, etc.) %   2022-2023	<b>22.4</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>21.3</b>
Symptoms of depression %   2023-2024	<b>41.7</b>	<b>40.0</b>	<b>36.8</b>
Symptoms of anxiety %   2023-2024	<b>46.5</b>	<b>46.1</b>	<b>44.1</b>
Have been injured and had to be treated by a doctor or nurse %   2022-2023	<b>16.9</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>15.6</b>
Overweight or obese %   2023-2024	<b>27.8</b>	<b>26.1</b>	<b>26.9</b>
<b>👤 Adults</b>			
Perceived mental health, very good or excellent %   2020	<b>49.8</b>	<b>51.7</b>	<b>50.8</b>
Perceived health, very good or excellent %   2020	<b>45.7</b>	<b>46.8</b>	<b>44.6</b>
Life satisfaction, very satisfied or satisfied %   2020	<b>88.2</b>	<b>90.4</b>	<b>90.1</b>
Lonely (based on loneliness score) %   2020	<b>24.8</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>21.1</b>
Have a chronic health condition and takes 6 or more different prescription medications on a regular basis %   2020	<b>13.3</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>12.4</b>
<b>👥 Seniors</b>			
Perceived mental health, very good or excellent %   2020	<b>43.2</b>	<b>49.6</b>	<b>48.8</b>
Perceived health, very good or excellent %   2020	<b>21.0</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>26.8</b>
Life satisfaction, very satisfied or satisfied %   2020	<b>84.6</b>	<b>88.9</b>	<b>89.3</b>
Lonely (based on loneliness score) %   2020	<b>24.4</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>17.9</b>
Have a chronic health condition and takes 6 or more different prescription medications on a regular basis %   2020	<b>29.8</b>	<b>27.0</b>	<b>26.6</b>
Have been injured and had to be treated by a doctor or nurse %   2020	<b>15.5</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>13.6</b>

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### **Prevalence of chronic health conditions of adults and seniors**

No chronic health condition %   2017	37.4	38.9	39.1
3 or more chronic health conditions %   2020	27.0	24.5	23.1

### **Types of chronic health conditions of adults and seniors - mental health**

Anxiety %   2020	24.2	19.8	19.2
Depression %   2020	21.3	17.4	17.3
Mood disorder (other than depression) %   2020	5.6	3.4	3.2

### **Types of chronic health conditions of adults and seniors - physical health**

Hypertension %   2020	31.5	30.1	29.8
High cholesterol %   2020	20.5	20.9	20.7
Chronic pain %   2020	18.9	17.3	17.6
Arthritis %   2020	28.6	23.2	19.2
Gastric reflux %   2020	16.9	16.8	16.6
Diabetes %   2020	13.7	12.2	12.0
Asthma %   2020	12.0	11.9	11.8
Cancer %   2020	8.4	9.2	8.8
Heart disease %   2020	8.7	9.9	9.6
Emphysema/COPD %   2020	5.0	4.5	3.5
Stroke %   2020	3.7	3.2	2.5
Obesity %   2020	35.1	33.2	34.1

### **Management of chronic health conditions**

Adults - strongly agree that their health largely depends on how well they take care of themselves %   2020	66.4	65.6	62.1
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Adults - know how to prevent further problems with their health condition, strongly agree %   2020	<b>42.4</b>	<b>41.9</b>	<b>38.0</b>
Adults - very confident in managing their health condition %   2020	<b>41.8</b>	<b>43.0</b>	<b>39.3</b>
Seniors - strongly agree that their health largely depends on how well they take care of themselves %   2020	<b>51.6</b>	<b>51.6</b>	<b>51.1</b>
Seniors - know how to prevent further problems with their health condition, strongly agree %   2020	<b>31.3</b>	<b>32.4</b>	<b>30.6</b>
Seniors - very confident in managing their health condition %   2020	<b>45.8</b>	<b>47.2</b>	<b>43.4</b>

## Length of life

Infant death Rate per 1,000 live births	n/a	n/a	n/a
Life expectancy at birth Years   2015 to 2017	<b>S</b>	<b>80.1</b>	<b>80.7</b>
Male Years   2015 to 2017	<b>S</b>	<b>78.0</b>	<b>78.6</b>
Female Years   2015 to 2017	<b>S</b>	<b>82.1</b>	<b>82.9</b>
Median age at death Years   2017 to 2021	<b>79</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>78</b>
Male Years   2014 to 2018	<b>76</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>76</b>
Female Years   2014 to 2018	<b>82</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>83</b>

## Premature death - 0 to 19 years old

Cancer, years of life lost Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Male Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Female Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Injuries, years of life lost Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Male Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Female Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Suicides and self-inflicted injuries, years of life lost Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Male Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Female Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b> Premature death - all population</b>			
Cancer, years of life lost Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Male Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Female Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Injuries, years of life lost Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Male Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Female Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Suicides and self-inflicted injuries, years of life lost Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Male Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Female Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Heart and stroke, years of life lost Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Male Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Female Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Breathing diseases, years of life lost Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Male Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a
Female Rate per 10,000 population	n/a	n/a	n/a

## About this Table

Health Outcomes are influenced by many factors that influence health, such as the quality of the medical care received to having access to affordable housing.

**Content and description**

Information on quality and length of life.

Quality of life, or how healthy people feel, is a blend of a person's physical, mental, emotional and social functioning. It goes beyond measuring the life expectancy and causes of death. It is available by different age groups in this data table.

Length of life is about life expectancy and median age at death. It is influenced by premature death, potentially avoidable death from preventable causes, potentially avoidable death from treatable causes.

**Why is this important?**

Health Outcomes indicators represent how healthy are individuals in a community. The indicators reflect the physical and mental well-being of these New Brunswickers.

Having the ability to access local population health information relating to children, youth, adults and seniors for a specific community is important to support planning and targeted strategies. Knowledge of the Physical Environment, Health Behaviours, Social and Economic Factor and Health Services can be a powerful tool in improving Health Outcomes.

**Availability of the data**

Indicators from a variety of sources are collected, organized, and analyzed by the NBHC. These data sources are used to represent the population health of New Brunswickers. Each have various levels of reliability and limitations as detailed in the Indicator pages.

The information for this data table is available for the 33 NBHC Communities, 7 Health Zones and for New Brunswick overall.

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The Population Health data table series provides comprehensive view about the people who live, learn, work, take part in activities and in community life in this area.

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**Caption**

n/a = Not applicable / not available

S = Data suppressed due to confidentiality requirements and/or small sample size

 Above-average performance

 Below-average performance