

Citizens who reported experiencing any financial barrier in getting the health care they needed in the last 12 months

Unit: %

	Year 2020
Province	
New Brunswick	26.5
Health zones	
Zone 1 - Moncton and South-East Area	28.8
Zone 2 - Fundy Shore and Saint John Area	24.2
Zone 3 - Fredericton and River Valley Area	23.9
Zone 4 - Madawaska and North-West Area	33.8
Zone 5 - Restigouche Area	29.1
Zone 6 - Bathurst and Acadian Peninsula Area	28.8
Zone 7 - Miramichi Area	25.8
Communities	
Bathurst, Beresford, Petit-Rocher Area	27.9
Bouctouche, Richibucto, Saint-Antoine Area	27.5
Campbellton, Atholville, Tide Head Area	31.0
Caraquet, Paquetville, Bertrand Area	29.1
Dalhousie, Balmoral, Belledune Area	26.2
Dieppe and Memramcook	21.4
Douglas, Saint Marys, Doaktown Area	26.3
Edmundston, Rivière-Verte, Lac Baker Area	31.6
Florenceville-Bristol, Woodstock, Wakefield Area	23.1
Fredericton	21.5
Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area	21.0



	Year 2020
Grand Falls, Saint-Léonard, Drummond Area	35.9
Hillsborough, Riverside-Albert, Alma Area	32.4
Kedgwick, Saint-Quentin and Grimmer	38.8
Minto, Chipman, Cambridge-Narrows Area	31.3
Miramichi, Rogersville, Blackville Area	24.6
Moncton	30.9
Nackawic, McAdam, Canterbury Area	24.8
Neguac, Alnwick, Esgenoopetitj Area	32.0
New Maryland, Kingsclear, Lincoln Area	15.8
Oromocto, Gagetown, Fredericton Junction Area	22.8
Perth-Andover, Plaster Rock, Tobique Area	30.4
Quispamsis, Rothesay, Hampton Area	15.9
Riverview and Coverdale	25.3
Sackville, Dorchester, Port Elgin Area	27.1
Saint John, Simonds and Musquash	26.2
Salisbury and Petitcodiac	36.0
Shediac, Beaubassin East and Cap-Pelé	31.6
Shippagan, Lamèque, Inkerman Area	29.5
St. George, Grand Manan, Blacks Harbour Area	25.6
St. Stephen, Saint Andrews, Campobello Island Area	29.9
Sussex, Norton, Sussex Corner Area	27.0
Tracadie and Saint-Isidore	29.8
Age	
18-64	28.4



	Year 2020
65 and over	21.2
Sex at birth	
Female	28.2
Male	24.7
Sexual identity	
Minority sexual identity	49.5
Heterosexual	25.2
Language	
Preferred language of service: English	26.4
Preferred language of service: French	27.7
Indigenous identity	
Indigenous	39.5
Non-Indigenous	26.0
Immigrant	
Immigrants	27.7
Non-immigrants	26.5
Education level	
	32.5
High school or less	
Postsecondary	23.2
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Postsecondary	23.2
Postsecondary Household income	



	Year 2020
Persons with a disability	
Without disability	22.4
With disability	39.4



About

This indicator is the percentage of citizens who reported experiencing any financial barrier in getting the health care they needed in the last 12 months, based on their responses to 4 individual questions related to costs.

Source

Primary Health Survey and Primary Care Survey

Calculations

This indicator combines the responses to the following 4 individual questions related to costs: Now think of any difficulties you may have experienced in getting the health care you needed in the last 12 months. In the last 12 months, did you: 'c) Find the cost for ambulance services too high (yes/no)', 'h) Not fill a prescription for medicine, or skip doses of your medicine because of the cost (yes/no)', 'g) Skip a medical test, treatment, or follow-up that was recommended by a doctor because of the cost (yes/no)' and 'i) Skip dental care or dental checkups because of the cost (yes/no)'. This indicator is calculated by dividing the number of respondents who answered 'yes' to at least 1 of these individual questions by the total number of respondents.

Notes

The 2020 edition of the Primary Health Survey (PHS) was conducted during the COVID-19 pandemic. While the pandemic did not influence the survey's response rate, NBHC had to assess the impact of surveying during the pandemic. Accordingly, advanced statistical analyses were performed to allow for comparison between the results obtained in 2020 and those obtained in previous PHS cycles. Despite these analyses, users are advised to use the PHS 2020 data with caution, especially when creating estimates for small subpopulations or when comparing it to other PHS editions.

Unit	Interpretation	NBHC code
%	Lower is better	PH_BARFI_1

Caption

n/a = Not applicable / not available

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