

# A SNAPSHOT OF ADOLESCENT HEALTH & WELL-BEING

# DEKALB COUNTY

Population: 757,718

## WELL-BEING

- The unemployment rate in Dekalb is 5% while the Georgia average is 3.9%.
- 24% of children in Dekalb are living in poverty, while the Georgia average is 20%.
- 39% of children in Dekalb 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 Dekalb is 12.9 per 1,000 compared to the Georgia average of 9.9 per 1,000.
- The teen birth rate in Dekalb is 16.6 per 1,000, compared to the Georgia average of 16.5 per 1,000.
- 12% of teen mothers in Dekalb are giving birth to a second child are giving birth to a second child while the average in Georgia is 14%.
- The STD incidence of youth in Dekalb is 31.6 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

- 7% of youth in Dekalb expressed that they've seriously considered attempting suicide, while the Georgia average is 6%.
- 83% of youth in Dekalb 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

- 6% of youth in Dekalb consumed alcohol in the last 30 days while the Georgia average is 8%.
- The obesity rate in Dekalb is 38% while the Georgia average is 34%.
- 29% of the youth in Dekalb 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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