Oral Health Care System: Ohio

This fact sheet summarizes select data on the oral health care system as of 2015. Topics include dental care utilization; oral health status; attitudes and knowledge of oral health; fluoridation rates; reimbursement rates to providers and the supply of dentists.

For methods and data sources, please visit ADA.org/statefacts.

For more information on the ADA Health Policy Institute, please visit ADA.org/HPI.

Percentage with a Dental Visit in the Past 12 Months

Percentage of Medicaid Children Who Received a Sealant on a Permanent Molar in 2013

Of Ohio Medicaid children 6 through 14 years old received a sealant on a permanent molar in 2013, compared to 14% nationally.

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### Oral Health Status Index Among Adults in 2015

- **Ohio**: 8.6
- **U.S.**: 8.0

**Color Key**
- **Excellent Oral Health**: 8.6
- **Good Oral Health**: 8.0
- **Fair Oral Health**: 7.2
- **Poor Oral Health**: 6.0

### Oral Health Knowledge Index Among Adults in 2015

- **Ohio**: 55%
- **U.S.**: 43%

**Text**
- **55% of high-income Ohio adults** answered all of HPI’s oral health knowledge survey questions correctly compared to 52% of high-income and 44% of low-income U.S. adults.

### Oral Health Attitude Index Among Adults in 2015

- **Positive**:
  - **High-Income Adults**: 6.5
  - **Low-Income Adults**: 4.3
  - **High-Income U.S.**: 5.9
  - **Low-Income U.S.**: 4.0

**Color Key**
- **Positive**: Green
- **Neutral**: Yellow
- **Negative**: Red

### Percentage of Population on Community Water Systems Receiving Fluoridated Water in 2012

- **Ohio**: 92%
- **U.S.**: 78%

**Color Key**
- **0-25%**: Light Blue
- **26-50%**: Medium Blue
- **51-75%**: Dark Blue
- **76-100%**: Indigo

**Text**
- **92% of Ohio’s population on community water systems receive fluoridated water.**
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Change in Private Dental Benefit Plan Charges Between 2003 and 2013

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Medicaid Fee-for-Service Reimbursement as a Percentage of Private Dental Benefit Plan Charges for Child Dental Services

2003 AND 2013 REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR CHILD DENTAL SERVICES IN MEDICAID decreased 32.3% in Ohio

Number of Dentists per 100,000 Population

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Percentage of Dentists Participating in Medicaid for Child Dental Services in 2014

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