



# Local Health Area Profile

## Alberni-Clayoquot - 426

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# LHA Overview

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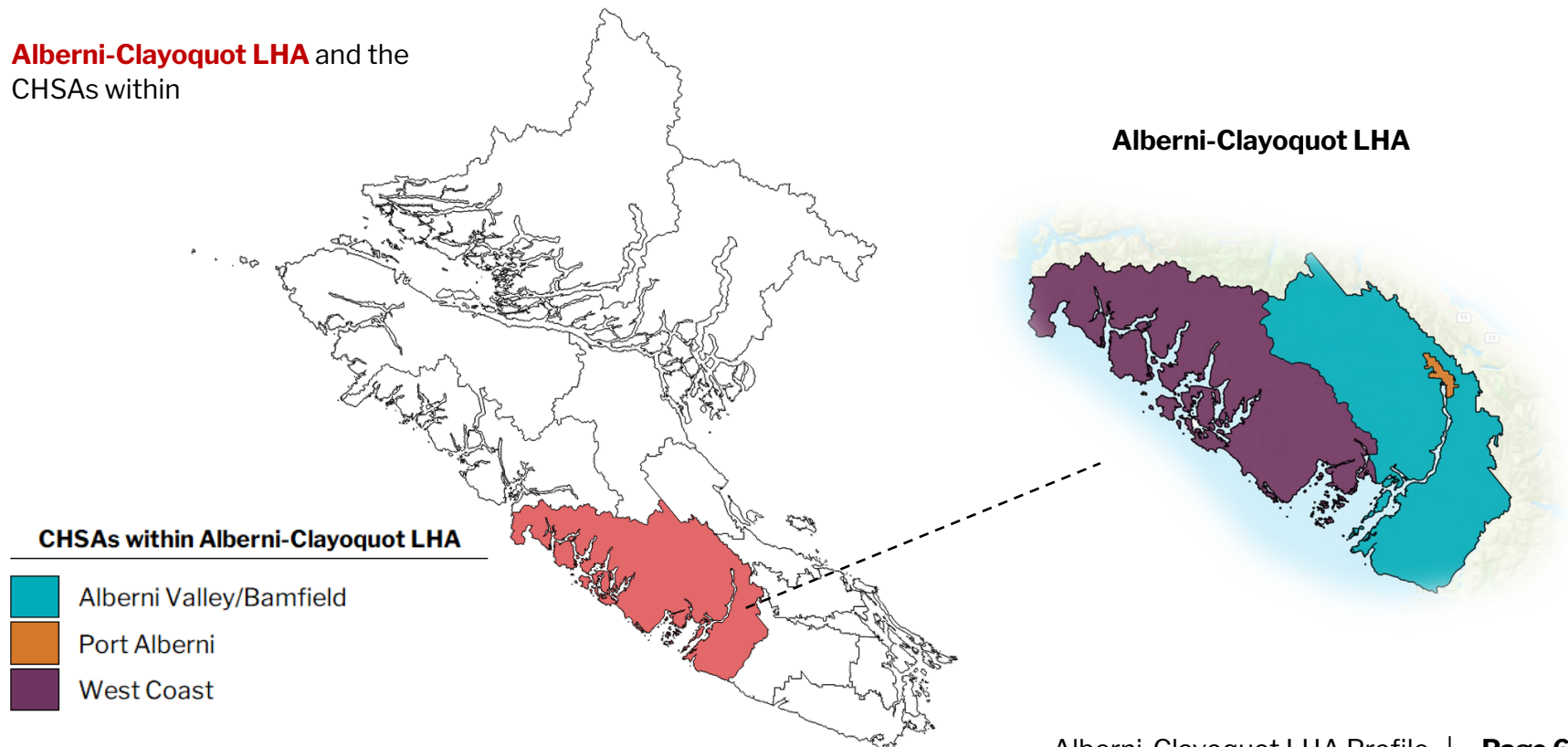
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# Geography

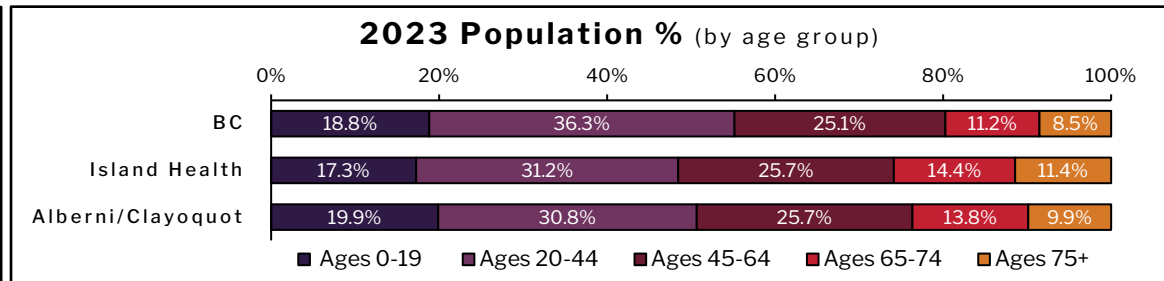
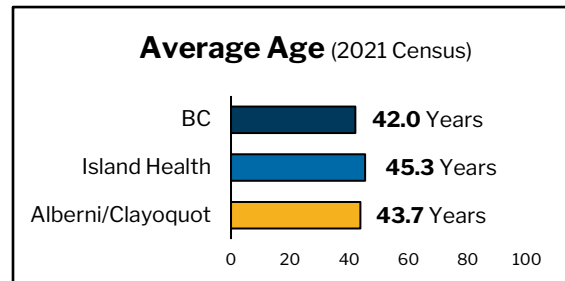
Alberni-Clayoquot Local Health Area (LHA) is one of 14 LHAs in Island Health and is located in Island Health's Central Island Health Service Delivery Area (HSDA). Alberni-Clayoquot is at the northwest corner of the Central HSDA. It covers 6,904 square kilometers, and includes the communities of Port Alberni, Tofino, and Ucluelet. The Alberni-Clayoquot LHA is located on the traditional lands of several First Nations: Huuṣiiṣaṣ, Yuutuṣitṣaṣ, Tukṣaaṣaṣ, Huuṣuqṣisṣaṣ, ṣaṣuukṣiṣaṣ, Huupaṣasṣaṣ, Ciṣaaṣaṣ, ṣaaṣuusṣaṣ, and Hiṣkṣiiṣaṣ. Alberni-Clayoquot LHA is also home to the Alberni-Clayoquot Métis Society, a Chartered Métis Community. It borders on six other LHAs: Vancouver Island West, Greater Campbell River, Comox Valley, Oceanside, Greater Nanaimo, and Cowichan Valley West. Alberni-Clayoquot is situated along Highway 4. Tofino is approximately two hours west of Port Alberni, which is an hour drive west from Nanaimo. There are more than five bus routes in the city of Port Alberni. There is also a daily bus service between Tofino, Ucluelet, Port Alberni, and the major Island hubs. The Alberni-Clayoquot LHA contains 3 unique Community Health Service Areas (CHSAs) within it. The areas can be viewed on the **map below**:

**Alberni-Clayoquot LHA** and the CHSAs within

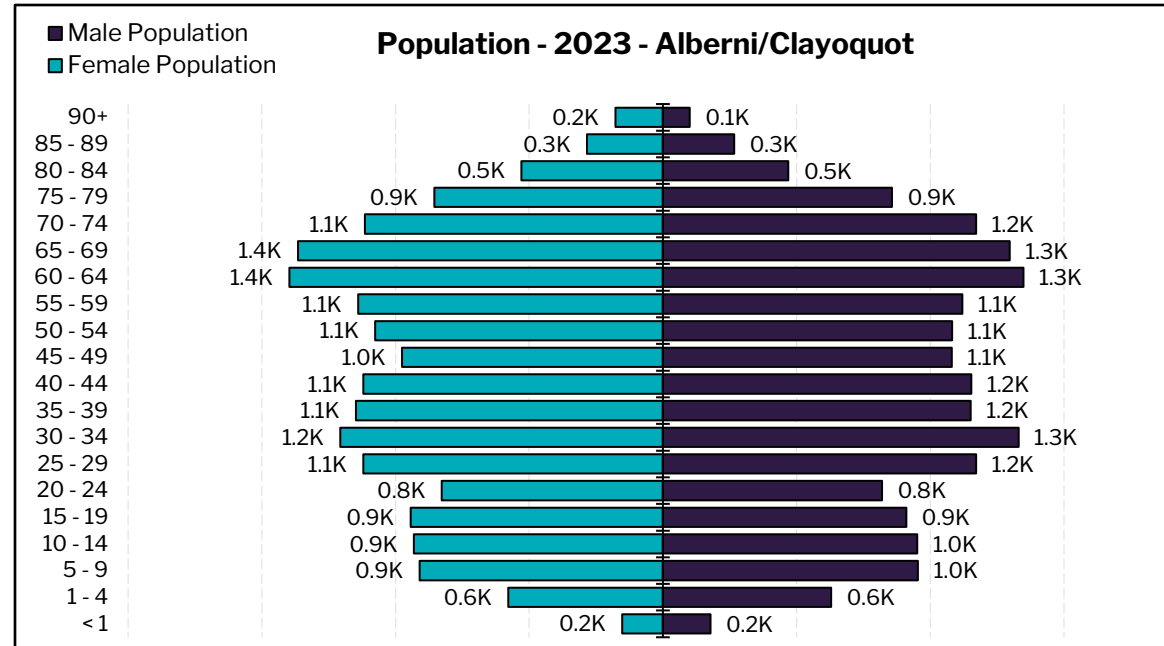


# Population and Demographics

As of 2023, the Alberni-Clayoquot LHA is estimated to represent 3.95% (35,885 people) of Island Health's total population of 908,627. According to the 2021 Census, 19.6% of people living in the Alberni-Clayoquot LHA identified themselves as Indigenous, considerably higher than the 7.8% across Island Health and 5.9% in BC. Additionally, 4.9% of people living in Alberni/Clayoquot area identified themselves as a visible minority, compared to 11.6% across Island Health and 34.4% in BC.

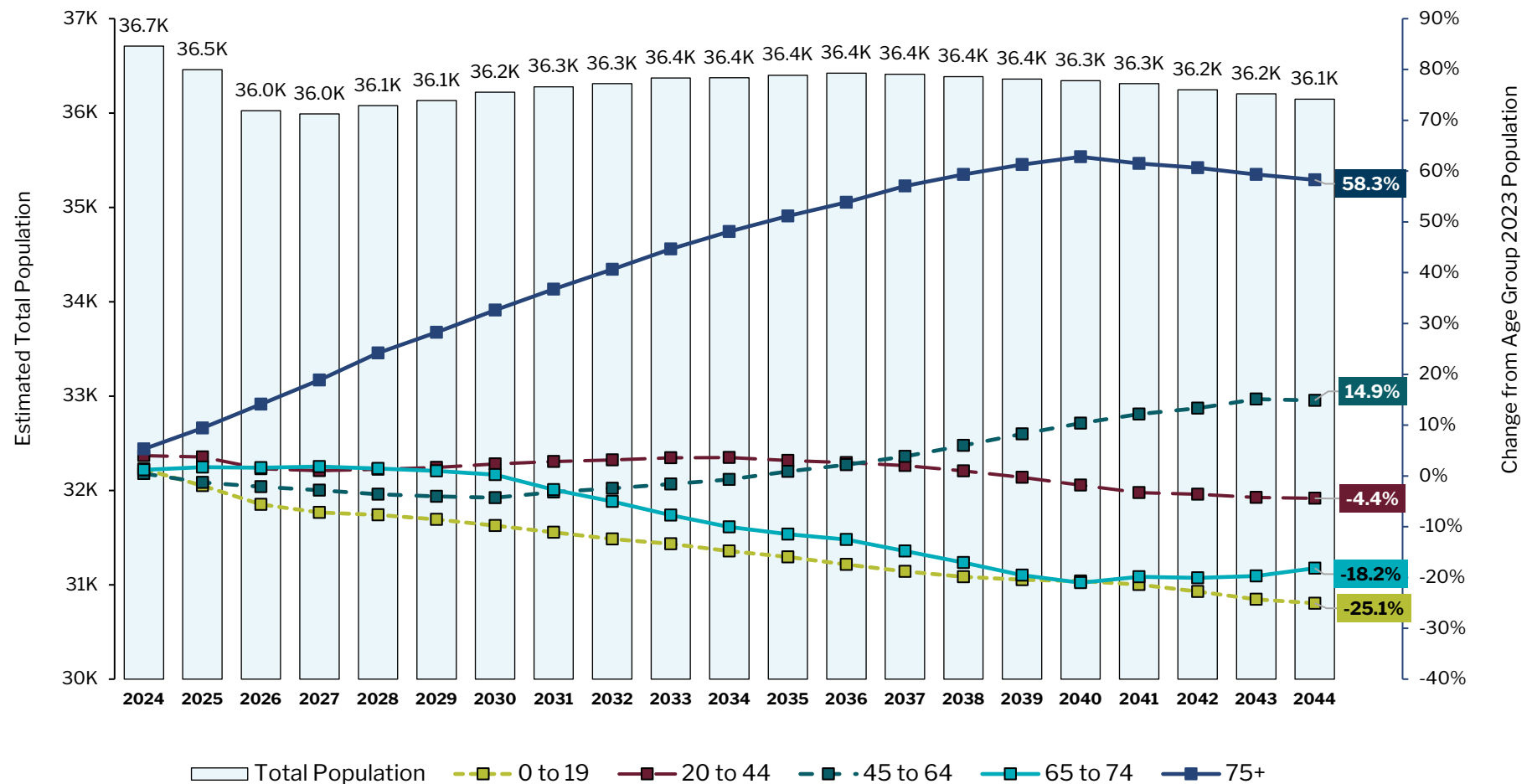


The average age in Alberni-Clayoquot is 43.7 years; this is younger than Island Health overall, but older than BC. The 20-44 age group makes up the largest proportion of the population at 30.8%, which is less than both BC (36.3%) and Island Health (31.2%). The Alberni-Clayoquot population is estimated to increase by 1.2% by the year 2032; this is lower than both BC (9.6% increase) and Island Health (6.2% increase). By the year 2044 the Alberni-Clayoquot population is estimated to grow to a total of 36.1 thousand people. There are expected increases in the population proportion of 75+ years (+58.3%) and



45-64 years (+14.9%) age groups by 2044. All other age groups will see declines by 2044, with the largest decline being seen among those 0-19 years (-25.1%). See the Population and Demographics summary on pages 28-29 for more information.

### Alberni - Clayoquot Population Projections (2024 - 2044)





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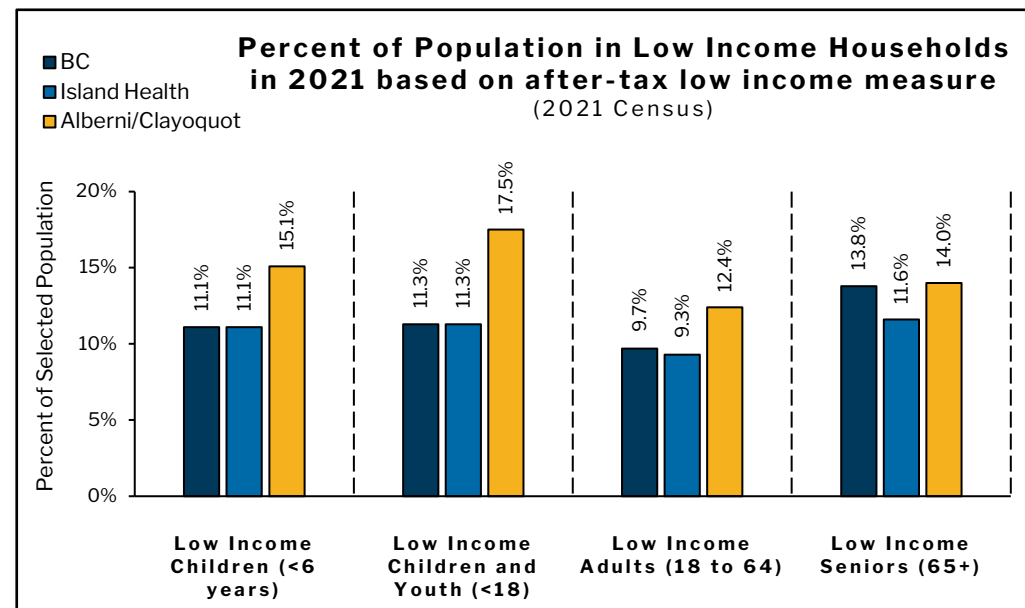
# Determinants of Health

Access to adequate income, affordable housing, nutritious food, education, safe environments, and recreational opportunities influence our health and wellbeing. People who are less well-off generally have poorer health and shorter life expectancies than those who are well-off. By working upstream to improve the conditions in which all people live, work and play, we can decrease these gaps and improve the health and wellbeing of our population.

## Income and Employment

The median household income for Alberni-Clayoquot was \$68,500 in 2021, considerably lower than the BC median household income of \$85,000 and Island Health of \$80,000.

The after-tax Low Income Measure (LIM-AT) is defined as the number of persons in households for which their adjusted<sup>1</sup> household income is 50% or less of the median income in Canada. in Alberni-Clayoquot, slightly less than one in five children under 18 live in low-income households, and 15.1% of children aged six and younger live in low-income households. These proportions are notably higher than figures for both Island Health overall and BC. Additionally, 12.4% of working-age adults and 14.0% of seniors in Alberni-Clayoquot live in low-income households. Within the LHA, the West Coast CHSA has the highest proportion of children in low-income households, while the Port Alberni CHSA



<sup>1</sup> "Adjusted" income is calculated using a formula that takes into account the number of persons in the home, in order to account for the needs of the household and its members when assessing low income.

has the highest proportion of adults in low-income households. Alberni Valley / Bamfield has the lowest proportion of low-income households across all age groups.

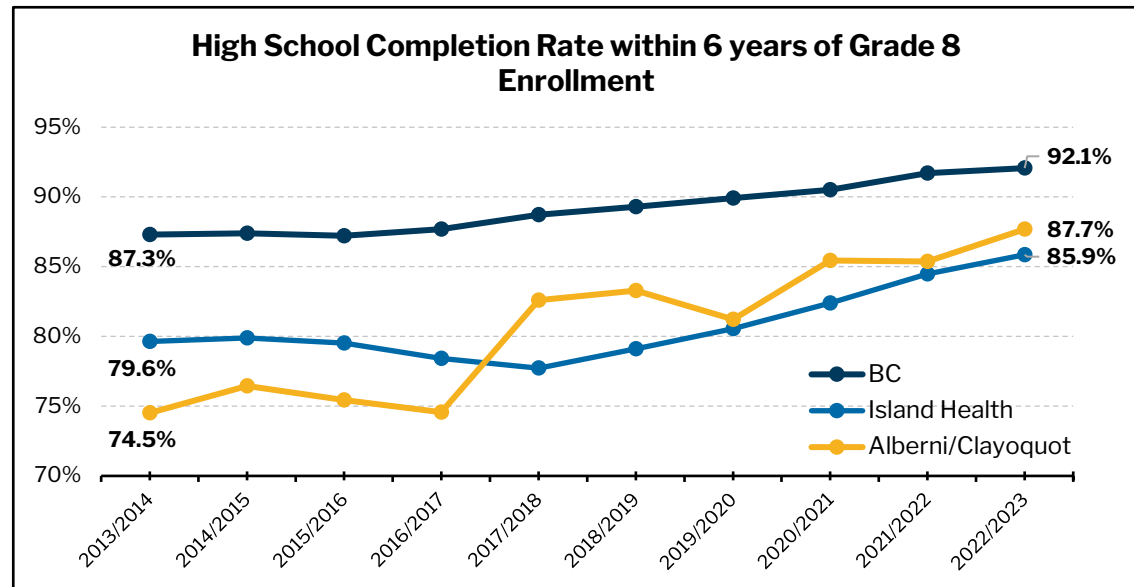
The unemployment rate in Alberni-Clayoquot is higher than both BC and Island Health (see page 30).

**Percent of Population in Low Income Households in 2021 based on after-tax low income measure (2021 Census)**

	<b>Low Income Children (&lt;6 years)</b>	<b>Low Income Children and Youth (&lt;18)</b>	<b>Low Income Adults (18 to 64)</b>	<b>Low Income Seniors (65+)</b>
<b>BC</b>	<b>11.1%</b>	<b>11.3%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>13.8%</b>
<b>Island Health</b>	<b>11.1%</b>	<b>11.3%</b>	<b>9.3%</b>	<b>11.6%</b>
<b>Alberni - Clayoquot</b>	<b>15.1%</b>	<b>17.5%</b>	<b>12.4%</b>	<b>14.0%</b>
<b>CHSAs</b>				
Port Alberni	15.6%	16.9%	12.9%	15.4%
Alberni Valley/Bamfield	10.0%	13.2%	9.8%	10.2%
West Coast	16.5%	20.8%	12.5%	11.0%

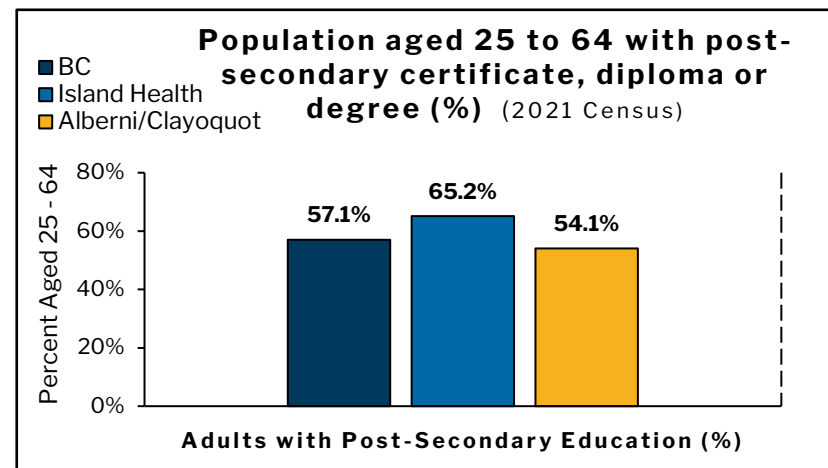
## Education

High school completion rates for Alberni-Clayoquot have been increasing over the last 10 years, from 74.5% in 2013/14 to the current rate of 87.7%. In 2022/23, the graduation rate is higher than the rate for Island Health by 1.8% and lower than BC by 4.4%. Also, according to the 2021 Census, a lower proportion of the Alberni-Clayoquot adult population have completed post-secondary education, compared to Island Health as a whole, and BC.



**Population aged 25 to 64 with post-secondary certificate, diploma, or degree (%) (2021 Census)**

<b>BC</b>	<b>57.1%</b>
<b>Island Health</b>	<b>65.2%</b>
<b>Alberni - Clayoquot</b>	<b>54.1%</b>
<b>CHSAs</b>	
Port Alberni	52.6%
Alberni Valley/Bamfield	52.7%
West Coast	59.1%

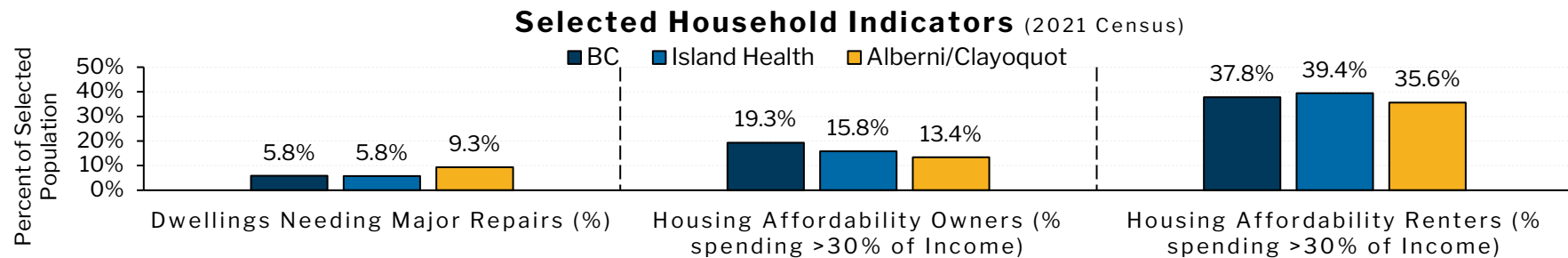




## Housing

One way to measure the affordability of housing is to look at how much of a household's income is spent on shelter, the shelter-to-income ratio (STIR). Statistics Canada considers households with STIRs above 30% to be experiencing housing unaffordability. In Alberni-Clayoquot, 13.4% of owner households and 35.6% of renter households were experiencing housing unaffordability in 2021. These figures are lower than Island Health and BC figures overall.

Another measure of housing suitability is households living in homes in need of major repairs, which include repairs to defective plumbing or electrical wiring, or structural repairs to walls, floors or ceilings. In Alberni-Clayoquot, nearly one in ten (9.3%) households live in homes needing major repairs. This is considerably higher than the average for Island Health and BC (both 5.8%). Households living in the West Coast CHSA are most likely to be living in homes in need of major repairs.



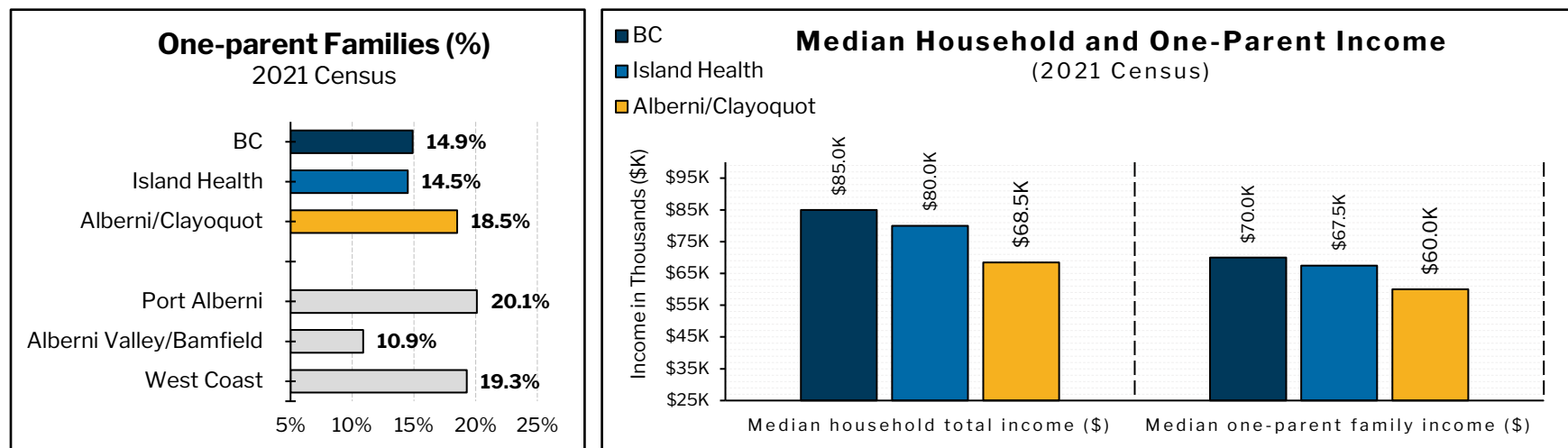
**Selected Household Indicators (2021 Census)**

	Dwellings Needing Major Repairs (%)	Housing Affordability Owners (% spending >30% of Income)	Housing Affordability Renters (% spending >30% of Income)
<b>BC</b>	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>19.3%</b>	<b>37.8%</b>
<b>Island Health</b>	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>39.4%</b>
<b>Alberni - Clayoquot</b>	<b>9.3%</b>	<b>13.4%</b>	<b>35.6%</b>
<b>CHSAs</b>			
Port Alberni	8.4%	12.0%	40.7%
Alberni Valley/Bamfield	8.2%	11.5%	28.6%
West Coast	13.8%	23.6%	21.8%

## Early Childhood Development

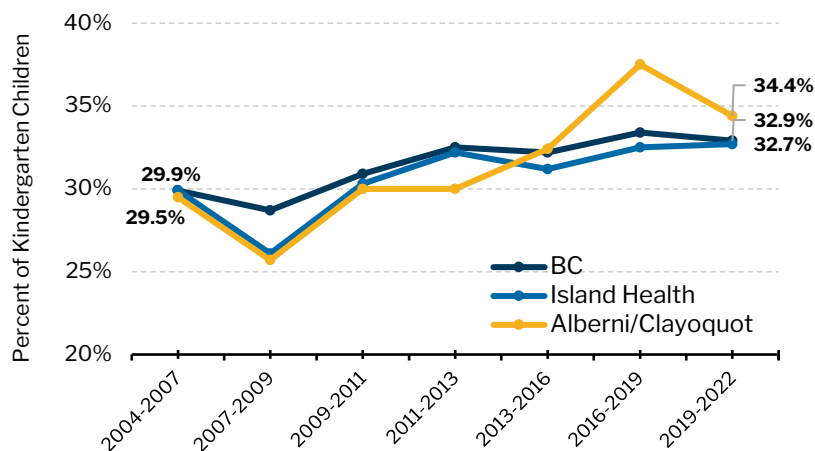
Creating supportive and healthy environments where all children and youth can grow and thrive is critical to the health of the population. This includes supporting birthing persons during the pre- and post-natal period, supporting families during early development years, supporting children and youth to grow, learn, and transition into adulthood. Socioeconomic factors, such as household income, also play important roles in supporting optimal childhood and youth development.

In Alberni-Clayoquot, slightly less than one in five Census families (18.5%) are one-parent families, higher than the proportions for Island Health and BC. Median household income in Alberni-Clayoquot is \$68,500, and the median household income for one-parent families is \$60,000. Both of these figures are lower than the figures for both Island Health and BC.

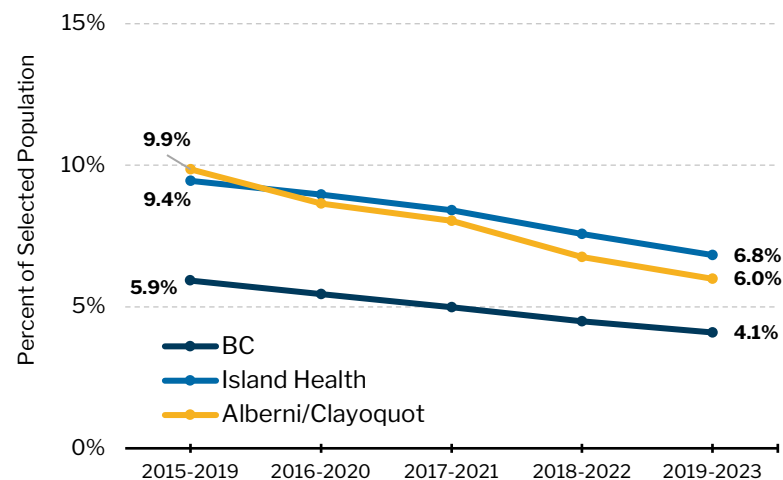


The Early Development Instrument (EDI) is used to measure vulnerability among kindergarten children across five domains (social, physical, emotional, language, and communication). Increases in the EDI rate is a negative indicator of child health and decreases are a positive indicator. In Alberni-Clayoquot, vulnerability has increased over time and, as of the most recent data collection period, more than one in three children (34.4%) are identified as vulnerable. This figure is slightly higher than both Island Health and BC (32.7% and 32.9%, respectively).

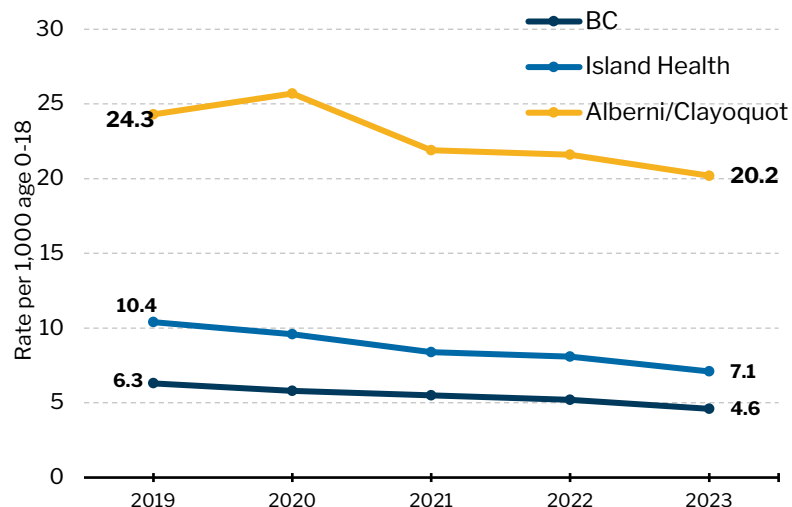
### Early Development Instrument (EDI) Percent of Kindergarten Children Vulnerable in EDI: Vulnerable on ≥1 Domains



### Pregnant individuals who reported smoking at any time during current pregnancy (%) (5yr Agg)



### Children and Youth in Care (rate per 1,000 children aged 0 to 18)

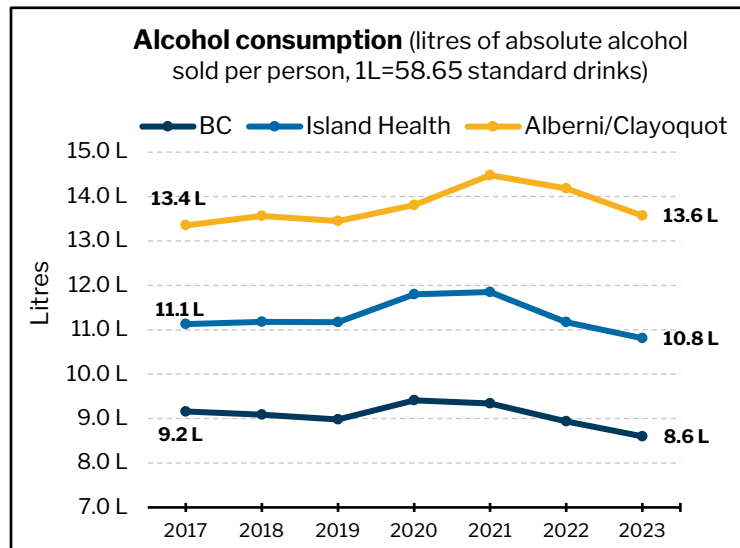


Smoking during pregnancy has demonstrated negative effects for both the pregnant individual and baby. Across all geographies, rates have been decreasing since 2015. In Alberni-Clayoquot specifically, the rate of smoking during pregnancy was 6.0% as of 2019-2023, lower than the Island Health rate (6.8%) but higher than the provincial rate (4.1%).

The rate of children and youth in care (per 1,000 children aged 0 to 18) has been declining in Alberni-Clayoquot, and at other geographies, since 2019. In 2023 in Alberni-Clayoquot, the rate was 20.2; this is nearly three times the Island Health average (7.1) and more than four times the provincial rate (4.6).

See the Determinants of Health summary on pages 30- 33 for more information.

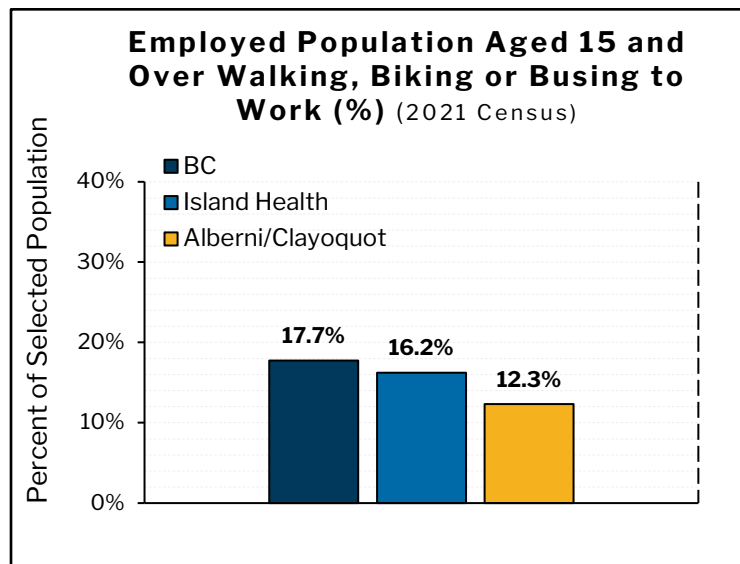
## Healthy Behaviours and Built Environment



Supporting healthy behaviours such as healthy eating, exercise, not smoking, reducing alcohol consumption, and maintaining social connections contributes to population health. Many healthy behaviour indicators are available through the Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS) but not all the data are available at the LHA level, however some are reported here.

Average annual per capita alcohol sales, an indicator of overall alcohol consumption, in Alberni-Clayoquot is 13.6 L of absolute alcohol; this is notably higher than both the Island Health rate (10.8 L) and the British Columbia rate (8.6 L).

Among those who are employed, 12.3% took sustainable forms of transportation (walking, biking, or busing) to work. This is lower than the proportion for both Island Health (16.2%) and BC overall (17.7%). Rates of taking sustainable transportation to work within Alberni-Clayoquot were highest on the West Coast (28.4%) and lowest in Alberni Valley / Bamfield (4.9%).



### Employed Population Aged 15 and Over Walking, Biking or Busing to Work (%) (2021 Census)

<b>BC</b>	<b>17.7%</b>
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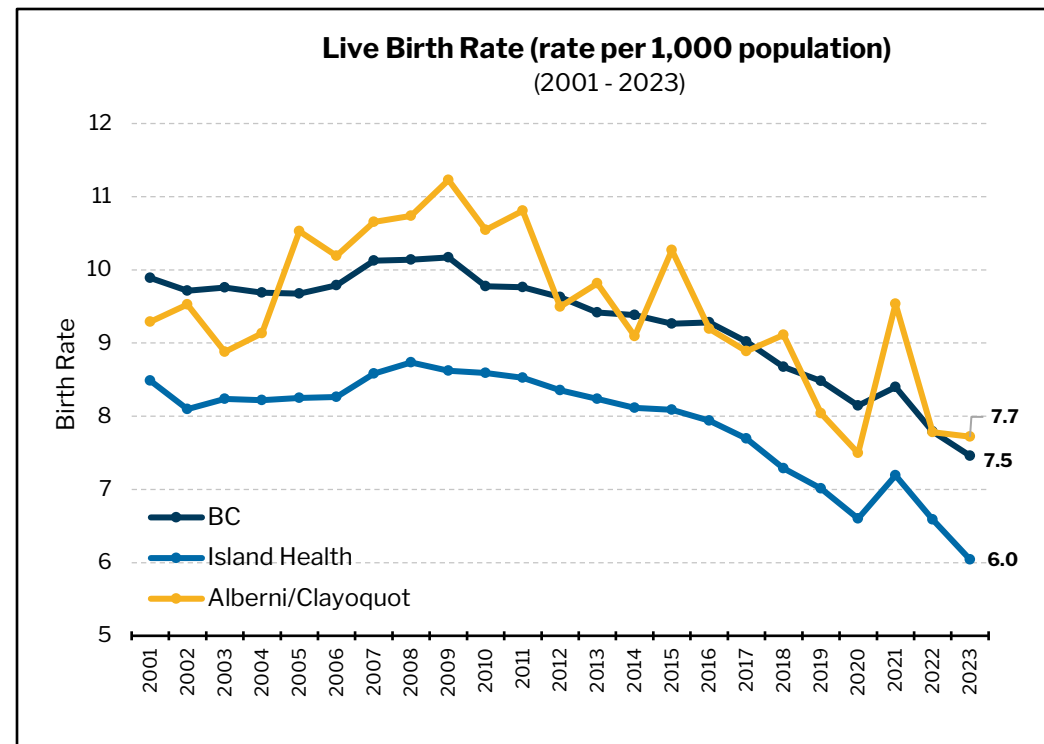
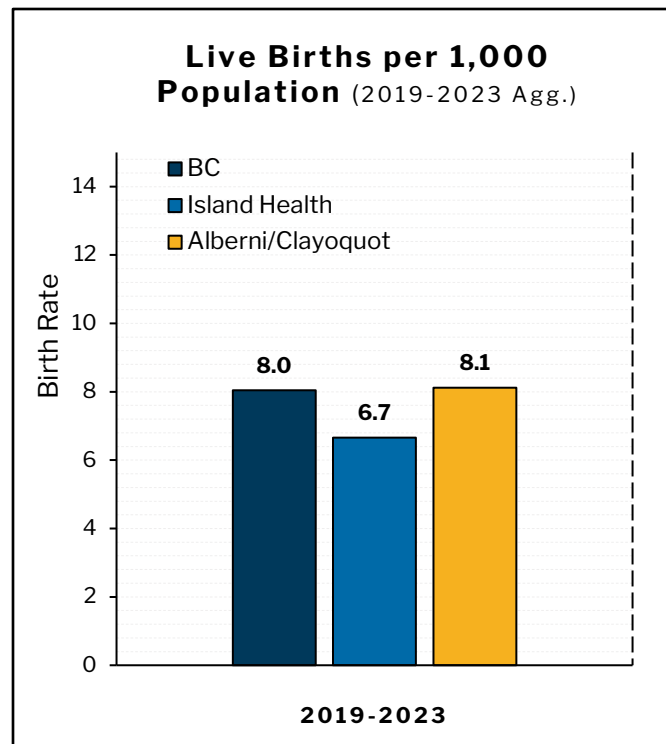


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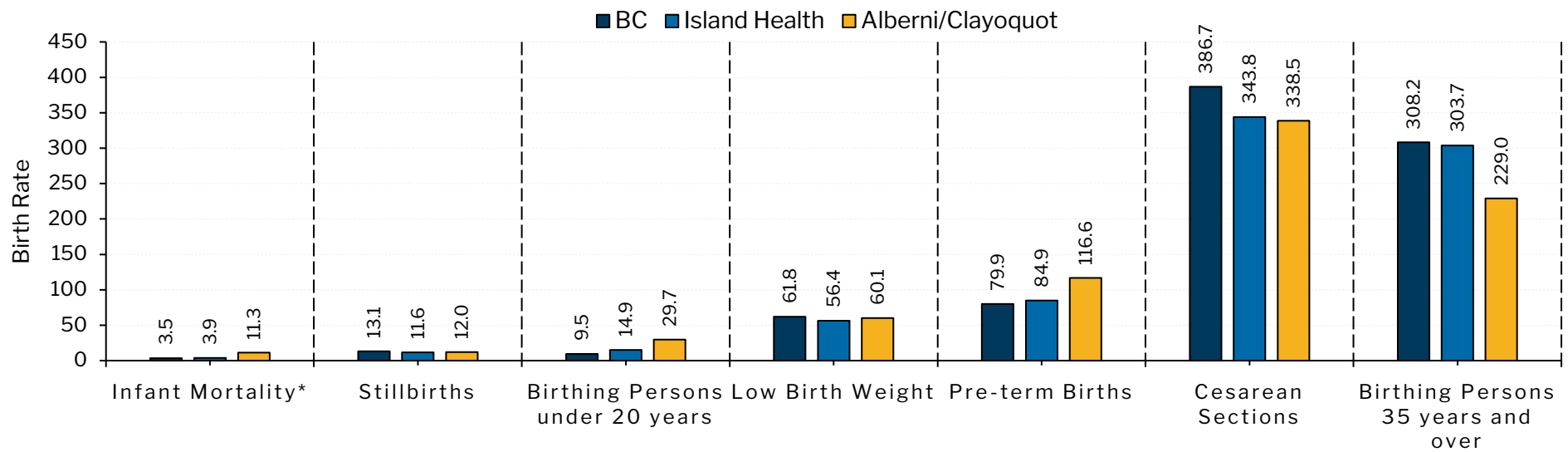
The health status of the population is measured with several indicators such as life expectancy, infant mortality, prevalence of chronic disease, mortality, and premature mortality.

## Birth Statistics

The overall birth rate for Alberni-Clayoquot is 8.1 live births per 1,000 population; this is higher than Island Health, but comparable to BC overall. Alberni-Clayoquot experiences higher rates of infant mortality, pre-term births, and birthing persons under 20 years old compared to Island Health and BC. Alberni-Clayoquot has a far lower rate of birthing persons aged 35 or older compared to both Island Health and BC.



### Birth Statistics, Per 1,000 Live Births (2019-2023 Agg.)



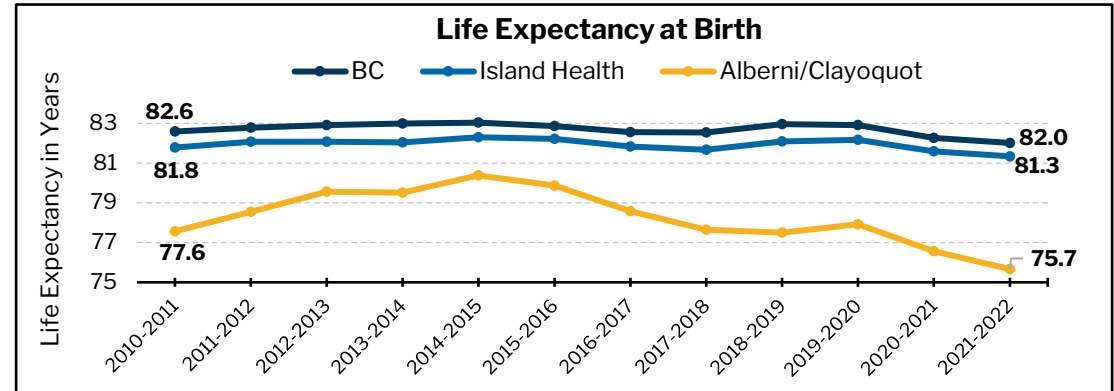
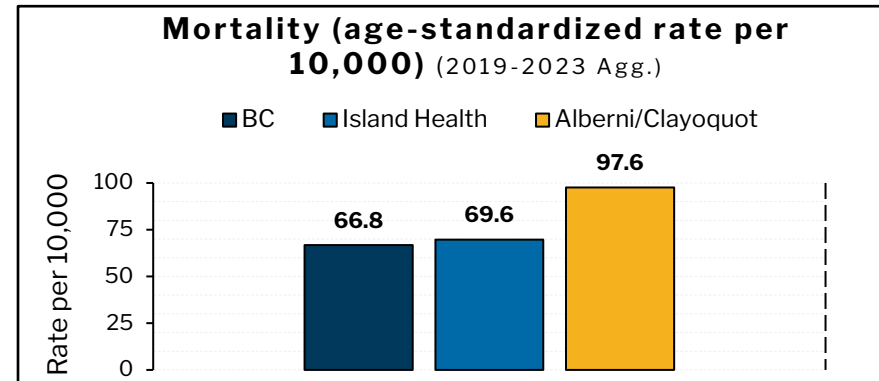
\* It is important to note that caution should be exercised when dealing with a small number of cases as an increase or decrease may indicate random variation rather than a notable change in rates.

## Mortality Statistics

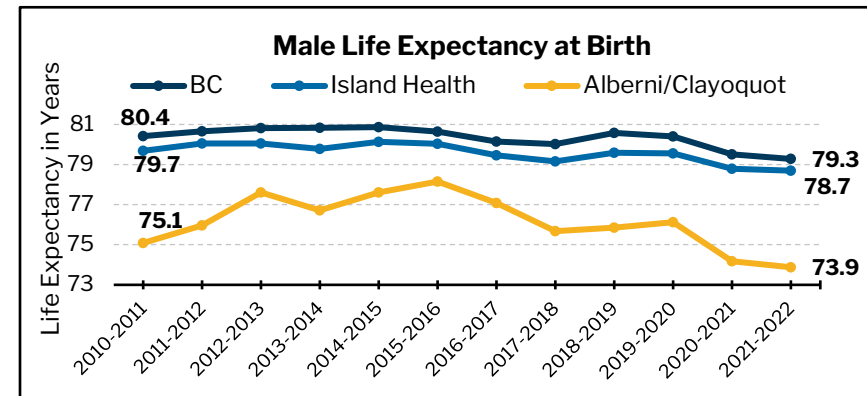
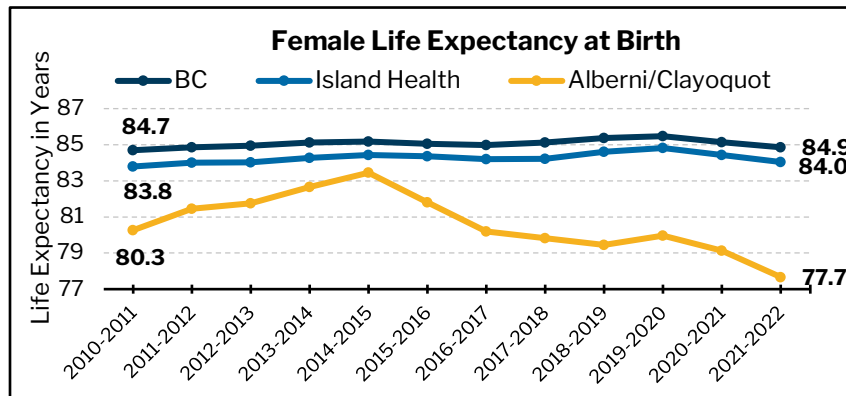
Mortality rates have seen a large increase in Alberni-Clayoquot from 78.1 per 10,000 population in 2013-2017 to 97.6 per 10,000 population in years 2019-2023. Currently, the age standardized all-cause mortality rate per 10,000 population in Alberni-Clayoquot is 97.6, considerably higher than BC (66.8) and Island Health (69.6).

Potential years of life lost (PYLL) is a measure of premature mortality (an estimate of the average years a person would have lived if they had not died before the established life expectancy of 75 years). The age standardized all-cause PYLL rate in Alberni-Clayoquot is 103.0, years lost per 1,000 population nearly 100% higher than Island Health (58.3) and BC (52.3). A complete list of PYLL by cause can be found on page 39. The PYLL for all individual causes of death in Alberni-Clayoquot are higher than, or comparable to, provincial and Island Health rates.

Life expectancy at birth in Alberni-Clayoquot has seen declines as well, falling from a peak of 80.4 years in 2014/15 to 75.7 years in 2021/22. While BC and Island Health have also seen declines in life expectancy at birth, the drop in Alberni-Clayoquot has been much steeper over this time period.



The life expectancy in 2021-2022 for females in Alberni-Clayoquot was 3.8 years greater (77.7 years for females and 73.9 years for males). Both the male and female life expectancy in Alberni-Clayoquot is lower than that of BC and Island Health. The life expectancy through time has followed a similar trend for both females and males.

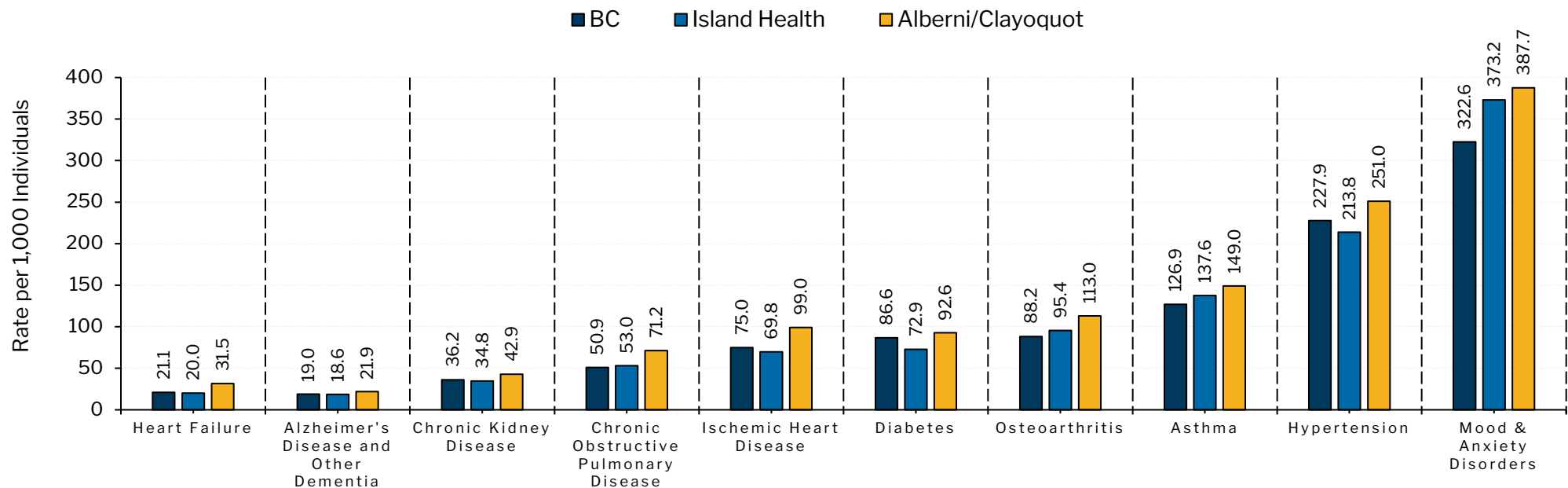




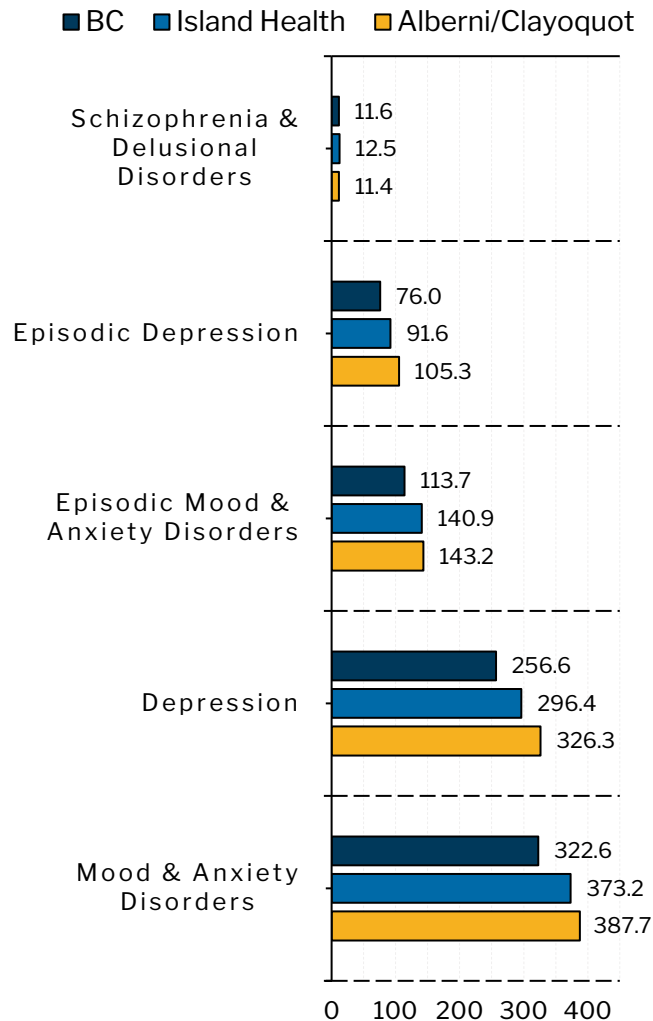
## Chronic Disease

Chronic disease prevalence rates tend to be higher for Alberni-Clayoquot in comparison to Island Health and BC. For the tracked chronic diseases shown below, all prevalence rates are higher for Alberni-Clayoquot than both BC and Island Health. See the Health Status summary on pages 34 - 37 for more information.

### Chronic Disease Age Standardized Prevalence in 2022/23 Per 1,000 Individuals



### Mental Health Disorders Age Standardized Prevalence per 1,000 Individuals 2022/23

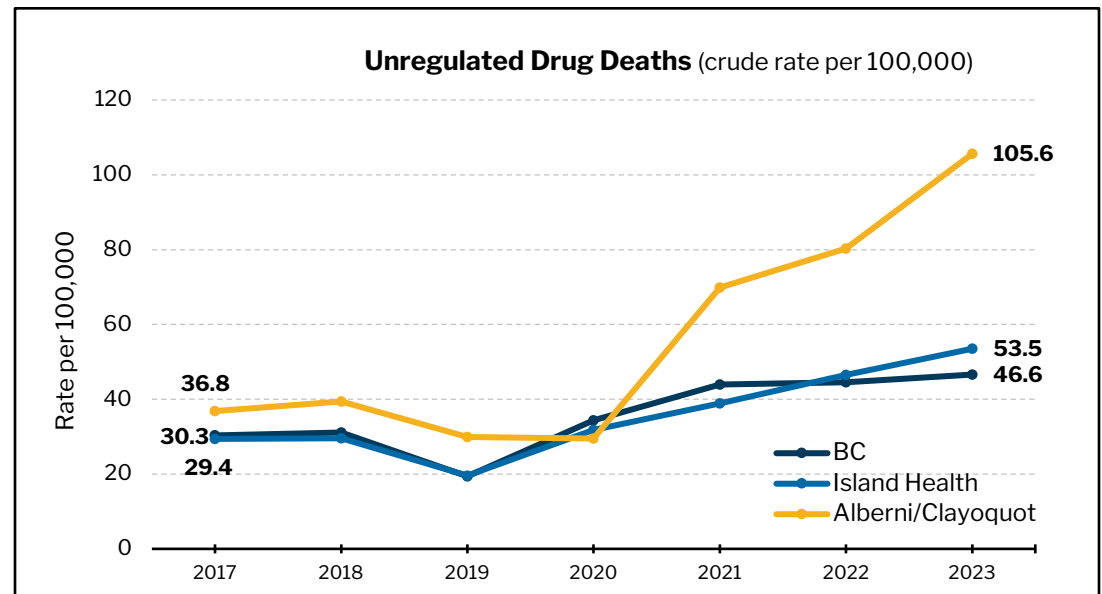


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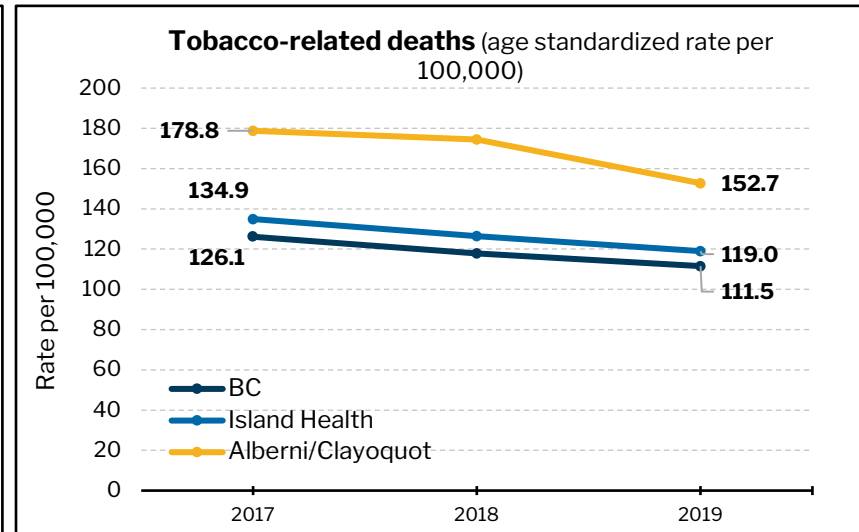
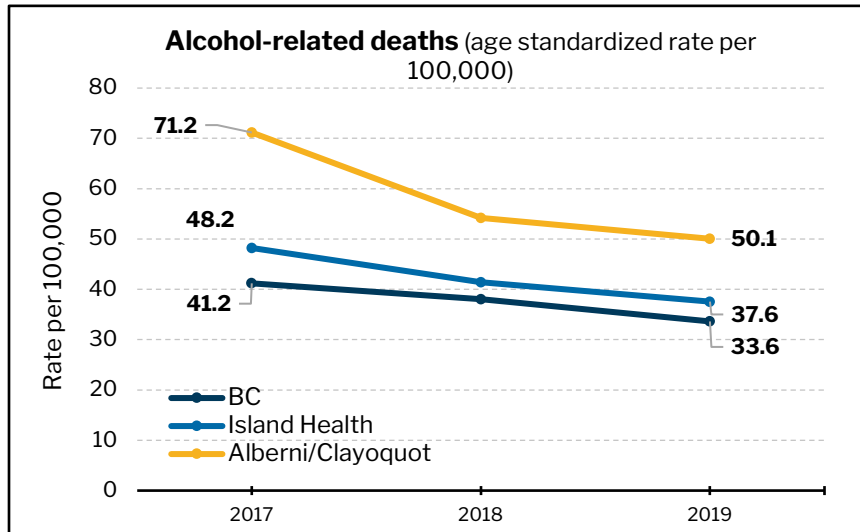
The most prevalent mental health disorder in Alberni-Clayoquot is mood and anxiety disorders, while the least common is schizophrenia and delusional disorders. Alberni-Clayoquot has higher rates of nearly all mental health disorders, with the exception of schizophrenia and delusional disorders, compared to Island Health and BC.

Alberni-Clayoquot has seen a disproportionate increase in unregulated drug deaths since 2020, compared to Island Health and BC. As of 2023, the rate of unregulated drug deaths (crude rate per 100,000) was 105.6, approximately double that of Island Health and BC.

For the most up to date data on Unregulated Drug Deaths, visit:  
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/life-events/death/coroners-service/statistical-reports>.



Tobacco and alcohol-related deaths in Alberni-Clayoquot decreased between 2017-2019, but remained higher than either Island Health or BC. As of 2019, the age standardized the alcohol-related death rate in Alberni-Clayoquot was 51.1 per 100,000 population, and the age standardized tobacco-related death rate was 152.7 per 100,000 population. The indicators listed for unregulated drugs, alcohol, and tobacco report deaths that are partially or entirely attributed to the substance being measured; for more details visit <http://aodtool.cfar.uvic.ca/aod/about.php>. Also, see hospitalization rates on page 41.

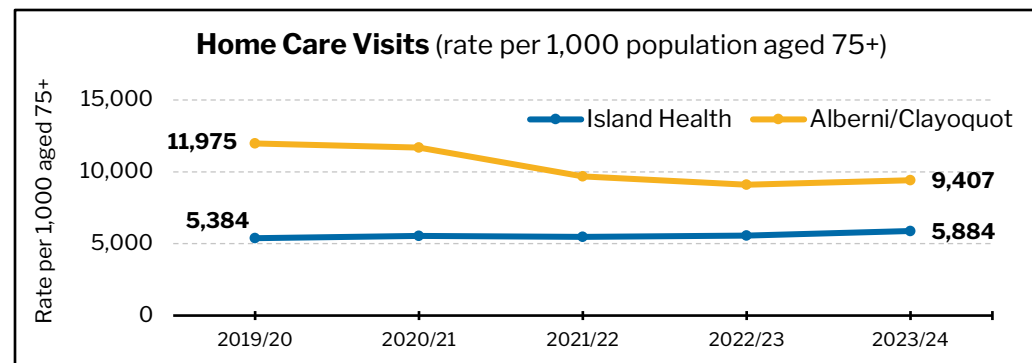
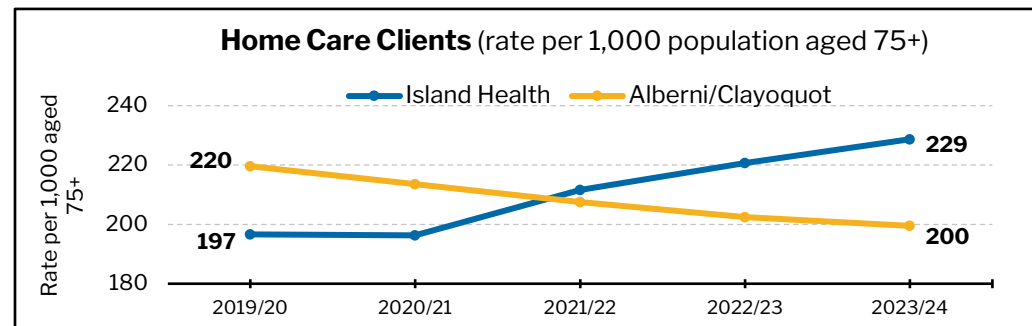
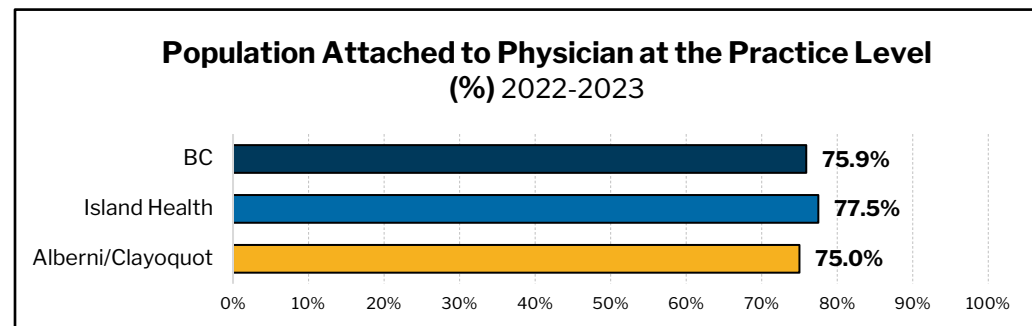


# Health Service Use

## Physician Attachment and Home-Care Visits

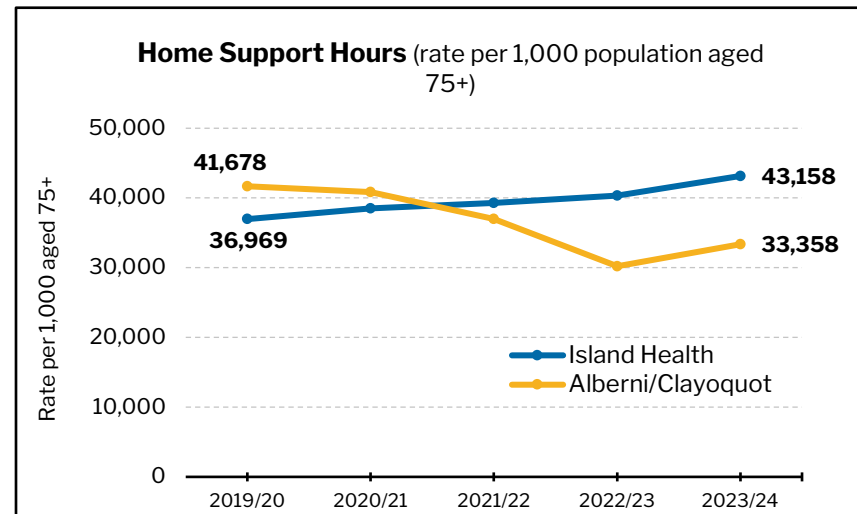
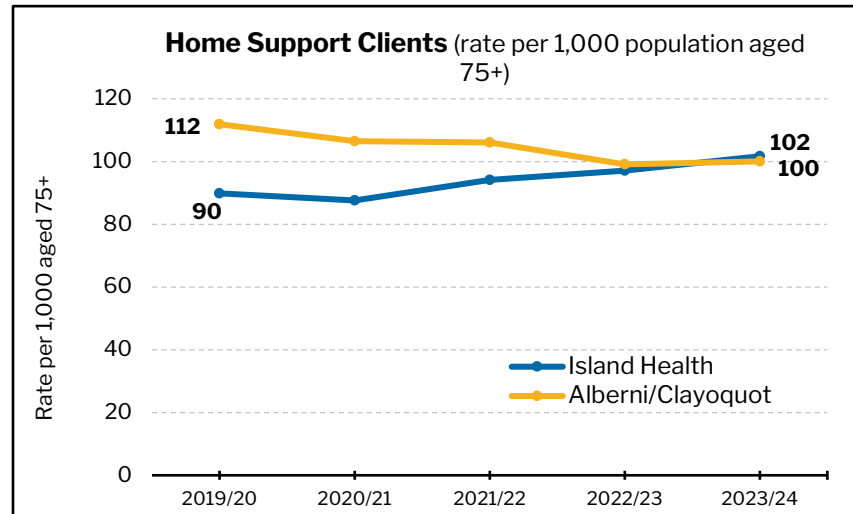
Access to primary care services plays an important role in decreasing the use of emergency department and inpatient services. The population attached to physicians at the practice level is calculated by the Ministry of Health and indicates the percentage of the population who have a regular physician or regular physician practice. Three-quarters of the population in Alberni-Clayoquot are attached to a physician at the practice level, which is lower than the rate for Island Health (77.5%), but comparable to the BC rate (75.9%).

The rate of home care clients (measured as the number of clients per 1,000 population aged 75+) in Alberni-Clayoquot has been decreasing over the past several years, from 220 in 2019/20 to 200 in 2023/24. This trend is contrary to that of Island Health, where the rate increased from 197 to 229 over the same time period. The number of home care visits in Alberni-Clayoquot also declined by more than 20% over this time period, while they increased by more than 20% for Island Health overall. See Health Service Use summary on pages 40 - 41 more information on these topics.



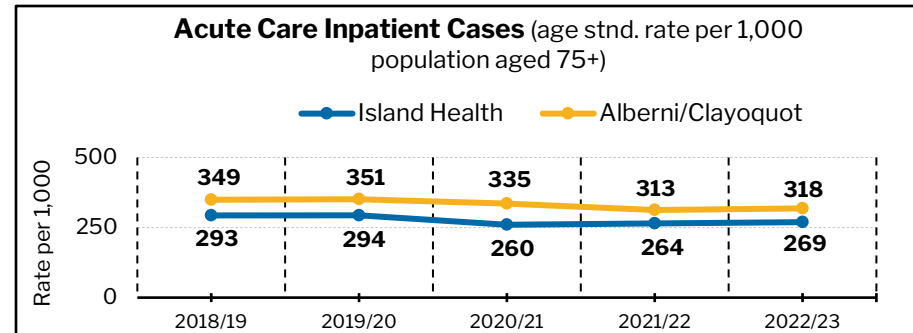
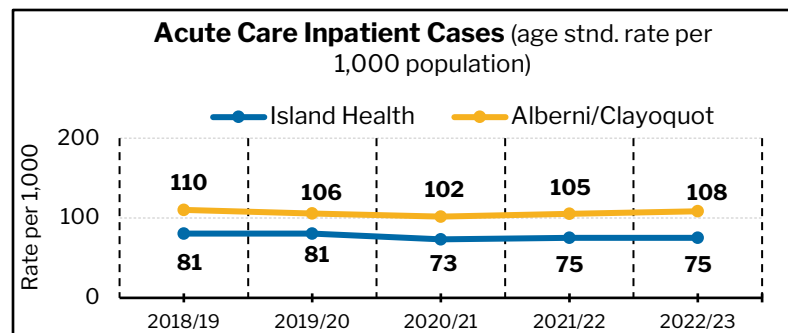


In a similar trend, the rate of home support clients, and number of hours dedicated to home support, have decreased in Alberni-Clayoquot since 2019/20. As of 2023/24 there were 100 home support clients per 1,000 population aged 75+, and 33,358 hours per 1,000 population aged 75+ spent on home support services. Island Health overall has experienced the opposite trend, with the rate of home support clients and number of home support hours increasing over the same time period.



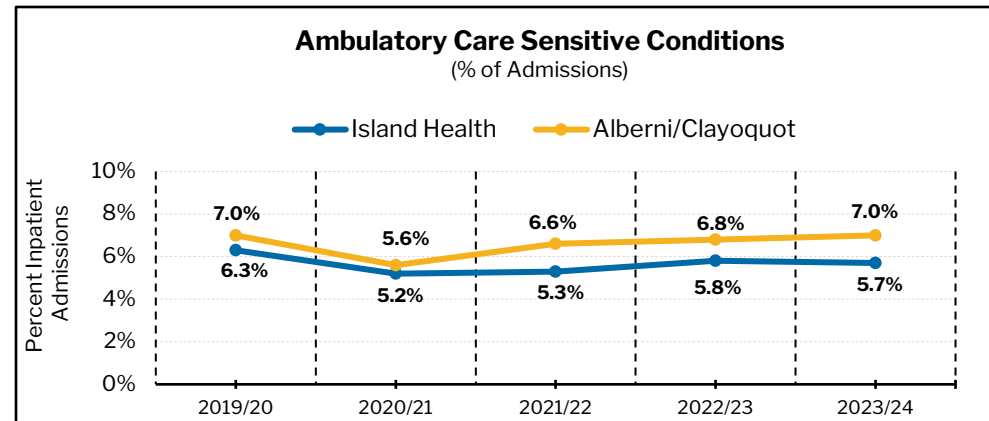
## Acute Care Inpatient Cases

The age standardized hospitalization rate (inpatient admissions) in Alberni-Clayoquot is 108 per 1,000 population overall, and 318 per 1,000 population aged 75+. These figures are higher than Island Health, with the gap particularly pronounced in the general population.



## Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions

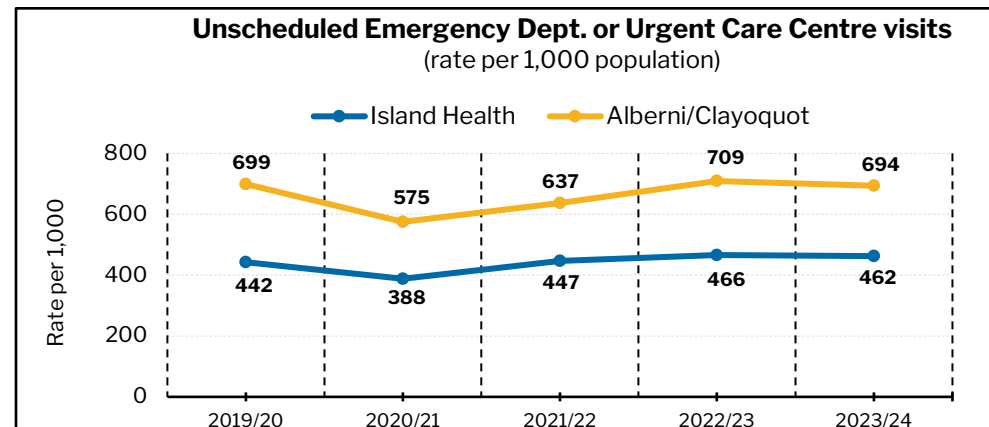
Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions (ACSCs) are conditions that can be treated in the community if services are available and would not necessarily require hospitalization. Tracking the percentage of hospital admissions due to ACSCs can provide an indicator of access to primary or other non-urgent care. In Alberni-Clayoquot, this indicator has been increasing since 2020/21, reaching 7.0% in 2023/24. This figure is higher than Island Health's rate of 5.7%.



## Emergency and Urgent Care Centre Visits

Unscheduled emergency department and urgent care centre visits for Alberni-Clayoquot were 694 per 1,000 population in 2023/24. Throughout the tracking period, this rate has consistently remained higher than the Island Health rate, on average by about 50%.

Health service usage is based on where the user resides, rather than where the service is provided. See the Health Service Use summary on pages 37-38 for more information on these topics.



## Additional Indicators and Data

The tables below compare various indicators for this Local Health Area (LHA) with those of Island Health, British Columbia, and other LHAs within Island Health.

LHAs referenced in the below data tables include 411: Greater Victoria, 412: Western Communities, 413: Saanich Peninsula, 414: Southern Gulf Islands, 421: Cowichan Valley South, 422: Cowichan Valley West, 423: Cowichan Valley North, 424: Greater Nanaimo, 425: Oceanside, **426: Alberni - Clayoquot**, 431: Comox Valley, 432: Greater Campbell River, 433: Vancouver Island West, and 434: Vancouver Island North. These will be referred to numerically in the tables.

**The LHA profile covered by this report is highlighted in yellow in the tables.**

Population and Demographics Summary																	
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Indicator Description	Time Period	BC	Island Health	411	412	413	414	421	422	423	424	425	426	431	432	433	434
Population and Population Projection																	
10-year population growth (%)	2023 - 2032	9.6	6.2	1.4	26.7	-0.4	6.2	3.4	2.2	4.3	7.9	6.2	1.2	6.6	4.3	-8.0	-11.0
Population aged 0-19 (%)	2023	18.8	17.3	15.1	21.0	16.0	13.8	20.0	16.4	17.0	18.3	12.5	19.9	18.3	18.5	18.7	19.1
Population aged 20-44 (%)	2023	36.3	31.2	38.0	36.7	25.0	21.4	27.4	24.0	24.0	31.3	18.8	30.8	27.2	28.2	23.9	25.7
Population aged 45-64 (%)	2023	25.1	25.7	24.3	25.6	25.8	28.3	27.2	31.7	26.5	25.4	26.8	25.7	26.3	26.2	29.3	28.2
Population aged 65-74 (%)	2023	11.2	14.4	12.2	10.3	16.9	21.9	14.7	18.4	18.3	13.9	22.5	13.8	15.5	16.2	18.2	17.7
Population aged 75 and over (%)	2023	8.5	11.4	10.5	6.4	16.2	14.7	10.8	9.5	14.2	11.0	19.4	9.9	12.7	10.9	9.9	9.2
Percent growth of the 0-19 age group population in next 10 years	2023 - 2032	-3.4	-6.0	-9.7	10.0	-5.6	-4.1	-10.2	-6.7	-2.5	-6.6	-8.0	-12.4	-2.8	-13.8	-33.7	-35.6
Percent growth of the 20-44 age group population in next 10 years	2023 - 2032	9.3	4.1	-5.5	28.1	0.0	21.8	4.6	2.5	9.2	3.3	4.1	3.2	6.1	5.3	2.5	-19.5
Percent growth of the 45-64 age group population in next 10 years	2023 - 2032	6.7	4.0	6.4	25.1	-6.9	3.0	-6.3	-7.7	-8.5	9.5	-5.2	-2.5	2.9	-0.8	-38.7	-28.2
Percent growth of the 65-74 age group population in next 10 years	2023 - 2032	10.4	-0.5	-5.3	30.7	-12.7	-14.5	3.9	-5.3	-6.7	4.1	-1.9	-5.1	-1.5	-6.7	15.7	3.9
Percent growth of the 75+ age group population in next 10 years	2023 - 2032	47.6	43.7	38.8	73.4	27.2	30.1	49.9	64.7	42.2	46.1	42.6	40.7	38.7	61.2	63.3	87.1
Average age (years)	2023	42.0	45.3	43.9	40.4	49.1	51.5	45.0	47.5	48.6	44.6	53.9	43.7	46.4	45.6	46.6	45.7

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Age and Demographics																	
Median age of population (years)	2021	42.8	48.0	43.6	41.2	55.2	58.4	48.8	53.6	55.2	46.4	60.8	46.4	50.8	49.2	52.4	45.2
Population where language spoken most often at home is not English or French (%)	2021	10.2	2.3	4.2	2.0	2.3	0.8	1.0	0.3	0.6	2.4	0.7	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.0	0.7
Visible minority population (%)	2021	34.4	11.6	20.1	11.8	11.6	5.1	6.4	3.1	4.1	11.9	4.1	4.9	5.7	5.1	2.5	4.6
Population in private households with Indigenous Identity (%)	2021	5.9	7.8	4.5	6.1	5.3	3.7	12.5	11.8	13.0	8.5	4.5	19.6	7.3	12.1	27.6	29.8
Marital Status																	
Population aged 15 and over who are married (%)	2021	47.5	45.5	39.3	47.9	54.9	47.1	48.3	46.8	50.1	44.1	54.8	41.1	48.3	46.8	39.4	38.3
Population aged 15 and over who are common-law (%)	2021	10.0	12.4	12.3	13.5	9.1	14.4	12.0	14.2	12.5	12.4	11.2	14.4	12.7	13.3	18.0	17.1
Population aged 15 and over who are single, never married (%)	2021	28.1	25.3	31.8	24.5	19.9	19.4	23.1	22.0	19.4	25.9	15.9	26.7	21.7	22.7	23.7	27.5
Population aged 15 and over who are widowed (%)	2021	5.5	6.3	5.5	4.5	7.6	6.9	6.3	6.3	7.7	6.5	8.2	6.8	6.8	6.5	6.5	6.2
Population aged 15 and over who are separated or divorced (%)	2021	11.6	14.3	13.9	13.5	12.2	17.6	14.4	16.3	15.0	14.9	14.9	14.8	15.0	15.5	18.3	15.7
Migration and Immigrants																	
Immigrant population (%)	2021	29.0	16.0	20.6	14.2	19.5	21.6	12.3	7.6	12.4	15.5	16.5	9.1	12.7	11.0	8.4	9.1
Population migrating to area in the last 5 years (%)	2021	43.8	44.2	45.6	50.3	36.5	42.8	40.2	43.2	38.6	46.5	42.1	44.0	44.3	42.7	43.1	41.5



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<b>Education</b>																	
Population aged 25 to 64 with post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree (%)	2021	57.1	65.2	72.6	62.6	71.3	68.7	58.9	52.0	60.1	63.2	62.2	54.1	62.8	58.3	38.0	48.2
Grade 12 completion among students entering Grade 12 for the first time (%)	2022 / 2023	83.0	78.3	83.0	84.0	69.0	90.0	74.0	N/A	N/A	82.0	80.0	75.0	71.0	77.0	88.0	67.0
Students completing high school within six years of enrollment in Grade 8 (%)	2022 / 2023	92.1	85.9	91.2	89.9	90.0	100.0	84.6	N/A	N/A	88.1	90.5	87.7	83.3	86.5	70.6	67.9
<b>Employment</b>																	
Population aged 15 and over who are unemployed (%)	2021	8.4	7.5	7.5	6.1	5.5	5.9	6.9	9.1	8.3	8.3	8.7	9.6	8.0	9.0	11.9	9.2
<b>Health Behaviours</b>																	
Alcohol consumption per year (litres of absolute alcohol sold per person, 1L=58.64 standard drinks)	2023	8.6	10.8	8.9	9.6	10.1	12.6	11.5	17.9	7.8	10.6	11.0	13.6	10.3	13.2	12.6	14.6
<b>Household</b>																	
One-parent family households (% of census families with children)	2021	14.9	14.5	14.8	14.4	11.1	11.5	15.7	14.0	12.8	16.7	10.4	18.5	13.9	15.4	17.5	19.3
Private households with multiple families (%)	2021	1.0	0.8	0.7	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.6	N/A	0.5
Private households with 5 or more persons (%)	2021	6.4	4.9	4.3	5.4	4.5	3.6	6.2	4.3	5.1	5.4	3.1	6.0	4.9	5.3	5.8	6.6
Dwellings rated as needing major repairs by renter or owner (%)	2021	5.8	5.8	5.9	4.0	3.9	8.8	6.6	6.8	6.5	5.7	4.2	9.3	5.7	6.0	14.1	13.6
Private households that are owner-occupied (%)	2021	66.8	69.0	53.6	71.7	81.4	83.0	77.4	84.1	81.0	69.5	81.6	71.1	77.3	74.1	76.6	71.2

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Morbidity																	
Alcohol-related hospital admissions (age stnd. rate per 100,000)	2019	352.0	468.7	450.0	345.5	428.9	384.8	606.0	575.6	517.7	481.4	431.7	766.4	412.7	534.2	749.1	813.3
Cannabis-related hospital admissions (age stnd rate per 100,000)	2019	25.0	33.3	25.1	20.4	17.7	27.5	50.7	88.9	46.2	54.1	49.4	33.1	32.7	33.0	29.9	40.9
Opioid-related hospital admissions (age stnd rate per 100,000)	2019	40.3	51.9	41.6	23.7	25.8	24.2	90.0	207.7	68.1	71.3	68.3	61.3	58.5	50.0	63.7	128.0
Tobacco-related hospital admissions (age stnd rate per 100,000)	2019	429.5	426.1	378.3	441.8	294.1	303.0	567.9	592.3	405.8	454.6	334.5	617.1	474.0	540.7	528.7	740.0
Transportation																	
Employed population aged 15 and over walking, biking or busing to work (%)	2021	17.7	16.2	31.1	11.2	11.6	14.1	7.1	10.3	7.8	10.1	8.3	12.3	10.7	8.7	26.4	13.8
Child Health																	
Child mental diseases & disorders hospital admissions (rate per 1,000 aged 0-14)	2022/23	1.8	2.0	2.4	2.3	1.0	2.7	2.6	5.9	5.0	2.3	2.0	1.0	0.5	1.2	0.0	0.0
Youth mental diseases & disorders hospital admissions (rate per 1,000 aged 15-24)	2022/23	11.0	13.6	9.2	12.5	9.4	13.8	19.5	24.6	11.8	18.7	13.5	24.0	9.0	13.9	0.0	19.0
Child/youth mental diseases & disorders hospital admissions (rate per 1,000 aged 0 to 24)	2022/23	6.0	7.1	5.9	6.4	4.8	6.5	9.6	13.4	7.7	9.4	6.7	10.2	3.8	6.3	0.0	8.1
Child hospitalization admissions - injury/poisoning (rate per 1,000 aged 0 to 14)	2022/23	1.9	2.2	2.5	1.6	1.8	2.7	3.0	0.0	6.1	2.1	0.0	2.5	2.3	2.0	0.0	3.0
Child hospitalizations - respiratory diseases & disorders (rate per 1,000 aged 0 to 14)	2022/23	6.2	7.2	6.9	6.9	7.3	7.0	7.3	11.8	8.7	7.9	4.0	12.1	4.7	6.8	17.8	16.2
Pregnant persons who reported smoking at any time during current pregnancy (%) (5yr Agg)	2018 - 2022	4.5	7.6	5.8	8.6	4.6	7.0	10.2	16.4	7.1	7.7	7.9	6.8	6.2	11.0	29.0	16.4

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Early Development																	
EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for physical development (%)	2019 - 2022	14.7	15.6	11.1	17.4	14.2	16.2	20.1	5.8	14.9	15.7	14.1	19.1	16.9	15.7	28.6	13.2
EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for social development (%)	2019 - 2022	16.3	15.9	14.8	18.7	14.2	15.5	16.7	5.8	12.1	17.2	12.6	15.1	17.1	16.6	37.1	13.7
EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for emotional development (%)	2019 - 2022	17.5	19.0	18.9	19.5	18.4	19.0	20.1	15.4	15.6	19.8	16.7	17.3	21.4	19.3	37.1	17.7
EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for language development (%)	2019 - 2022	10.5	11.0	7.2	10.7	7.7	4.2	11.9	5.8	12.1	13.9	8.8	14.5	12.4	11.6	33.3	17.6
EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for communication development (%)	2019 - 2022	14.3	11.8	9.2	12.7	10.3	11.3	15.2	1.9	9.2	12.3	8.1	15.1	12.1	12.8	22.9	12.3
EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable on one or more domains (%)	2019 - 2022	32.9	32.7	29.1	33.3	28.3	34.5	36.3	23.1	31.9	34.7	28.4	34.4	37.0	33.7	54.3	34.8
Income																	
Median one-parent family income (\$)	2021	70K	68K	71K	74K	79K	59K	66K	58K	71K	65K	61K	60K	66K	61K	48K	58K
Median household total income (\$, in thousands)	2021	85K	80K	78K	95K	99K	72K	82K	70K	78K	77K	74K	69K	78K	76K	56K	68K

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<b>Income Inequality</b>																	
Difference in median income comparing males and females aged 15 and over	2021	3200	1600	800	4400	4000	-1600	4400	1600	7600	2000	0	400	4400	3600	-4400	7600
Low income based on after-tax low income measure (%)	2021	10.8	10.2	10.4	6.8	6.5	14.5	10.3	13.2	11.0	11.0	11.2	13.7	10.2	11.0	22.5	17.3
Low income based on after-tax low-income measure, ages less than 18 years (%)	2021	11.3	11.3	10.6	7.2	6.5	19.1	13.6	20.4	12.1	11.5	13.9	17.5	10.6	13.0	34.5	21.5
Low income based on after-tax low-income measure, ages less than 6 years (%)	2021	11.1	11.1	10.7	6.4	5.5	19.2	13.4	16.5	10.6	12.1	14.7	15.1	11.8	11.7	36.0	22.0
Low income based on after-tax low-income measure, ages 18 to 64 years (%)	2021	9.7	9.3	9.7	5.9	6.1	15.3	9.2	11.6	9.9	9.6	11.1	12.4	9.3	9.5	20.2	15.0
Low income based on after-tax low-income measure, ages 65 years and over (%)	2021	13.8	11.6	12.1	9.7	7.2	11.7	10.3	12.6	12.1	14.0	10.4	14.0	11.9	12.8	18.8	19.7
Households (owned) spending more than 30% of income on housing (%)	2021	19.3	15.8	18.5	17.5	14.2	17.9	14.7	16.2	12.7	15.7	13.6	13.4	14.7	14.5	9.7	10.1
Households (rented) spending more than 30% of income on housing (%)	2021	37.8	39.4	40.9	37.2	36.9	39.9	36.2	33.3	37.0	40.0	43.6	35.6	38.3	37.6	28.0	25.0
<b>Protecting Child and Youth</b>																	
Children and youth in care (rate per 1,000 children aged 0-18)	2023	4.6	7.1	3.8	5.9	N/A	N/A	11.8	19.4	12.0	7.4	5.2	20.2	5.1	9.3	N/A	N/A
Children and youth in need of protection (rate per 1,000 children aged 0-18)	2022	22.6	31.0	21.8	28.1	24.6	18.8	45.0	28.9	49.2	42.5	22.8	58.9	30.2	35.4	129.9	44.8

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Births																	
Live birth rate (rate per 1,000 population)	2019 - 2023	8.0	6.7	6.2	9.0	5.3	4.7	7.2	8.1	6.9	7.0	4.1	8.1	6.5	7.0	6.6	9.0
Stillbirths (rate per 1,000 births)	2019 - 2023	13.1	11.6	12.5	9.8	6.4	21.2	10.9	10.5	9.5	12.9	11.3	12.0	13.2	10.2	42.3	11.5
Infant mortality - deaths of infants under 1 year of age (rate per 1,000 live births)	2019 - 2023	3.5	3.9	4.3	3.6	2.7	0.0	3.0	3.5	5.4	3.0	0.0	11.3	3.3	4.8	14.1	1.9
Low weight births - less than 2,500 grams (rate per 1,000 live births)	2019 - 2023	61.8	56.4	58.4	57.4	65.4	30.6	56.9	52.6	69.4	53.9	42.4	60.1	46.4	57.1	98.6	59.4
Cesarean sections (rate per 1,000 live births)	2019 - 2023	386.7	343.8	339.9	352.4	325.9	280.0	316.1	333.3	337.4	366.1	335.2	338.5	364.6	342.9	169.0	298.9
Pre-term births - gestational age less than 37 weeks (rate per 1,000 live births)	2019 - 2023	79.9	84.9	80.3	81.3	86.1	58.8	97.3	63.2	100.7	78.5	87.6	116.6	73.2	86.5	211.3	113.0
Birthing persons - live births to persons under 20 years of age (rate per 1,000 live births)	2019 - 2023	9.5	14.9	6.5	7.4	11.2	2.4	30.8	3.5	38.1	18.6	8.5	29.7	8.2	18.6	98.6	78.5
Birthing persons - live births to persons aged 35 and over (rate per 1,000 live births)	2019 - 2023	308.2	303.7	393.0	291.2	328.5	383.5	222.3	242.1	219.0	262.3	287.2	229.0	299.2	251.7	70.4	201.1

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Morbidity																	
Alzheimer's disease and other dementia - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	19.0	18.6	20.5	17.1	16.1	15.1	17.7	15.1	19.9	20.7	17.1	21.9	17.7	17.9	8.1	16.7
Asthma - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	126.9	137.6	127.2	139.4	134.5	117.0	150.7	151.2	165.1	141.2	138.2	149.0	133.1	156.7	160.4	177.4
Chronic kidney disease - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	36.2	34.8	34.3	39.5	33.7	25.4	34.3	41.6	33.5	36.6	32.8	42.9	32.5	36.0	35.8	35.5
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	50.9	53.0	40.6	52.2	33.1	44.0	88.3	102.6	65.2	55.2	47.8	71.2	50.7	73.9	65.3	90.0
Mood and anxiety disorders - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	322.6	373.2	371.7	373.9	357.0	358.0	399.5	401.6	382.8	367.5	362.6	387.7	374.6	395.7	333.4	385.6
Depression - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	256.6	296.4	297.8	302.0	286.0	258.8	309.6	310.0	313.8	285.1	287.1	326.3	298.8	306.8	261.0	309.3
Diabetes - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	86.6	72.9	70.1	84.2	65.4	46.7	74.5	79.6	74.7	76.8	65.6	92.6	63.5	83.0	84.9	93.1
Heart failure - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	21.1	20.0	17.7	20.5	16.0	15.3	19.4	19.2	20.1	21.1	19.7	31.5	20.5	26.7	22.5	32.4



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<b>Morbidity Con't</b>																	
Hypertension - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	227.9	213.8	200.5	232.0	208.7	171.2	226.6	232.4	223.7	211.2	208.6	251.0	208.8	229.3	235.4	245.3
Ischemic heart disease - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	75.0	69.8	57.5	68.1	60.5	53.1	63.0	68.9	70.3	80.8	79.0	99.0	78.7	83.5	83.6	78.4
Osteoarthritis - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	88.2	95.4	86.4	94.3	93.6	93.7	106.2	106.5	105.4	92.1	95.8	113.0	92.3	116.1	104.7	103.3
Episodic asthma - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	51.2	56.1	53.6	58.8	53.9	42.6	63.9	64.9	69.7	55.6	53.1	60.2	52.3	61.2	58.0	64.1
Episodic depression - prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	76.0	91.6	94.7	95.8	92.5	69.3	85.9	87.1	100.7	90.3	84.5	105.3	86.7	91.4	73.2	79.9
Episodic mood & anxiety disorders - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	113.7	140.9	145.1	150.2	138.4	117.8	146.7	149.5	145.0	131.9	125.1	143.2	141.9	142.9	123.9	129.6
Schizophrenia & delusional disorders - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000)	2022/23	11.6	12.5	17.3	9.2	9.8	12.8	11.9	13.3	7.3	12.8	11.1	11.4	9.9	10.5	6.9	13.4
<b>Deaths</b>																	
Mortality (age stnd. rate per 10,000)	2019 - 2023	66.8	69.6	67.1	64.0	57.6	56.7	75.5	89.4	73.1	73.6	66.9	97.6	71.4	79.1	75.3	87.1
Mortality- unintentional injury (age stnd. rate per 10,000)	2019 - 2023	4.9	4.7	4.6	2.8	2.6	3.9	5.4	6.4	4.5	5.7	4.9	7.4	5.0	5.9	14.5	6.6
Alcohol-related deaths (age stnd rate per 100,000)	2019	33.6	37.6	42.2	27.2	41.1	27.0	37.9	31.3	32.1	37.1	29.0	50.1	35.8	45.3	81.5	73.3
Unregulated drug deaths (crude rate per 100,000)	2023	46.6	53.6	58.1	15.8	11.1	26.4	59.5	54.6	13.6	91.7	27.9	105.9	47.6	93.3	N/A	51.5
Tobacco-related deaths (age stnd rate per 100,000)	2019	111.5	119.0	121.9	110.0	82.3	84.8	124.9	128.6	120.2	131.2	103.0	152.7	120.6	149.1	178.4	200.0

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Life Expectancy																	
Life expectancy (years)	2021 - 2022	82.0	81.3	82.0	82.7	84.2	83.6	79.8	80.5	80.2	80.6	83.1	75.7	80.7	79.4	N/A	75.3
Female life expectancy (years)	2021 - 2022	84.9	84.0	84.3	84.9	86.6	85.4	83.8	83.1	83.4	83.3	86.5	77.7	83.5	81.8	N/A	80.2
Male life expectancy (years)	2021 - 2022	79.3	78.7	79.6	80.4	81.9	81.9	76.1	78.6	77.1	78.0	79.8	73.9	78.0	77.3	N/A	71.2

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Health Matrix*																	
Health matrix: non-users (%)	2022 - 2023	18.1	15.8	13.2	16.5	14.4	14.4	14.4	12.4	15.7	11.7	14.9	13.8	14.1	13.0	16.2	15.0
Health matrix: healthy (%)	2022 - 2023	33.0	29.1	27.7	28.0	28.1	28.7	25.0	25.9	29.8	24.7	28.3	28.9	29.8	28.1	25.0	27.7
Health matrix: adult (18+) major conditions (%)	2022 - 2023	2.5	2.7	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.9	2.9	2.5	2.8	3.0	2.6	2.0	2.3
Health matrix: child and youth (<18) major conditions(%)	2022 - 2023	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.7	1.2	1.0
Health matrix: low chronic conditions (%)	2022 - 2023	24.6	27.0	28.4	26.6	27.0	27.0	28.1	28.9	26.1	28.3	26.8	27.3	26.8	27.8	27.1	28.6
Health matrix: medium chronic conditions (%)	2022 - 2023	9.0	11.0	13.4	12.7	12.2	12.6	14.9	14.2	10.4	15.3	10.9	11.7	11.6	11.9	13.3	10.7
Health matrix: severe mental health & substance use (%)	2022 - 2023	1.8	2.2	1.2	2.0	2.5	2.4	2.7	1.9	2.8	1.8	2.9	2.2	1.9	2.5	3.2	2.9
Health matrix: maternity & healthy newborns (%)	2022 - 2023	1.9	1.6	1.2	1.1	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.8	1.0	2.0	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.9	2.0
Health matrix: frail in community (%)	2022 - 2023	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.6
Health matrix: high chronic w/o frailty (%)	2022 - 2023	4.5	5.0	5.6	5.0	5.8	5.4	6.1	6.4	5.1	7.3	6.6	5.6	5.0	6.3	6.6	6.2
Health matrix: high chronic w/ frailty (%)	2022 - 2023	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.5	1.0	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.8
Health matrix: cancer (%)	2022 - 2023	1.8	2.0	2.5	2.6	1.8	1.6	2.2	2.0	1.6	2.5	1.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	1.8	1.3
Health matrix: frail in residential care(%)	2022 - 2023	0.7	0.9	1.1	0.6	0.9	0.8	0.0	1.0	0.8	1.3	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.1	0.3
Health matrix: end of life (%)	2022 - 2023	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.9	1.3	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.6

Potential Years of Life Lost (PYLL) from life expectancy of 75 years

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Potential Years of Life Lost																	
All cause PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	52.3	58.3	54.4	44.2	40.6	47.8	71.0	68.8	62.6	62.8	52.5	103.0	58.8	76.1	87.8	109.2
Cerebrovascular diseases - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.4	0.6	1.0	1.8	0.9	0.7	1.2	0.9	2.1	1.2	1.9	0.0	0.7
Chronic lower respiratory diseases - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.7	1.2	3.5	0.3	0.9	0.4	1.8	0.8	1.3	1.3	1.3
Diabetes - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	0.9	0.1	1.4	1.9	0.5	1.4	0.8	3.1	1.1	1.3	0.5	2.2
Arteries, arterioles and capillaries - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.8
Accidental falls - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.2
Influenza and pneumonia - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.9	3.2	0.1	0.7	0.1	0.9	0.5	1.0	0.8	2.0
Suicide - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	2.2	2.9	2.9	3.2	1.6	2.6	3.4	1.9	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.6	3.3	3.1	1.4	9.0
Ischemic heart diseases - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	2.5	2.6	2.3	2.6	1.8	3.4	3.2	3.0	3.1	2.8	3.0	4.7	2.5	2.4	1.7	4.6
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	1.7	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.3	0.3	2.3	2.2	1.3	2.1	1.0	4.7	1.4	2.7	3.1	4.1
Circulatory system - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	5.5	6.0	5.7	4.9	3.5	6.2	8.3	8.8	5.7	6.6	5.2	10.1	5.6	6.9	4.2	11.8
Lung/tracheal cancer - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.1	0.9	2.1	1.8	2.1	2.1	1.4	3.1	2.1	1.8	0.8	2.7
Malignant neoplasms - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	10.8	11.7	11.1	11.7	10.2	9.1	13.9	12.2	13.3	12.0	11.6	13.7	11.6	12.5	8.4	14.5
Motor vehicle accidents - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	1.0	0.8	0.3	0.8	0.4	0.0	1.3	4.4	0.5	1.3	2.0	1.3	0.5	0.7	0.0	3.9
Diseases of the respiratory system - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.0	1.4	0.8	2.5	7.2	1.9	1.9	0.6	3.5	1.5	3.0	2.1	3.5
Diseases of the digestive system - PYLL rate (age stnd. per 1,000)	2019 - 2023	2.8	3.8	3.5	3.0	3.7	1.5	4.2	2.3	6.2	3.4	2.4	7.5	3.8	4.3	13.6	10.1

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Complex Continuing Care																	
Home care visits (rate per 1,000 population aged 75+)	2023 - 2024	N/D	5884.0	5027.0	4380.0	3458.0	2534.0	5514.0	5705.0	5337.0	4908.0	3266.0	9407.0	5156.0	6370.0	1712.0	5586.0
Long term care beds (rate per 1,000 population aged 75+)	2023 - 2024	N/D	55.0	75.0	26.0	45.0	28.0	60.0	0.0	51.0	52.0	52.0	57.0	55.0	51.0	0.0	31.0
Home care clients (rate per 1,000 population aged 75+)	2023 - 2024	N/D	187.5	192.6	170.3	181.3	144.1	185.9	179.9	226.5	203.6	156.8	199.5	195.8	206.2	93.0	158.1
Home support clients (rate per 1,000 population aged 75+)	2023 - 2024	N/D	83.4	88.5	75.5	61.5	54.3	88.1	76.3	90.9	94.9	80.4	100.1	85.7	84.7	27.9	81.9
Home support hours (rate per 1,000 population aged 75+)	2023 - 2024	N/D	22.0	27.0	21.0	18.0	7.0	26.0	30.0	25.0	24.0	20.0	21.0	16.0	18.0	3.0	10.0
Emergency																	
Unscheduled emergency dept. or urgent care centre visits (rate per 1,000 pop.)	2023 - 2024	N/D	462.0	322.0	287.0	371.0	487.0	493.0	637.0	776.0	529.0	784.0	694.0	448.0	592.0	1462.0	1189.0
Unscheduled emergency dept. or urgent care centre visits (rate per 1,000 75+ pop.)	2023 - 2024	N/D	719.0	517.0	527.0	630.0	728.0	700.0	958.0	1075.0	743.0	1125.0	891.0	698.0	838.0	2633.0	1223.0
Primary Care																	
Population attached to physician (%)	2022 - 2023	75.9	77.5	72.7	74.8	80.9	80.2	80.2	77.9	79.5	79.3	83.3	75.0	80.9	82.6	81.3	70.7

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<b>Hospital Inpatient Care</b>																	
Acute care inpatient cases (age stdn. rate per 1,000 population)	2022 - 2023	69.6	75.1	65.3	73.6	65.6	64.3	87.9	112.5	86.4	85.6	70.2	108.4	72.3	88.2	79.4	109.8
Acute care inpatient cases (age stdn. rate per 1,000 population aged 75+)	2022 - 2023	270.9	269.2	252.5	329.0	270.0	233.9	283.9	391.7	274.8	273.3	240.0	317.8	272.0	286.0	186.6	254.3
Alternative level of care cases (age stdn. rate per 1,000 population)	2022-2023	3.5	1.8	2.2	1.9	1.1	0.9	1.8	0.6	1.1	1.4	1.1	4.4	1.4	1.5	0.0	0.9
Alternative level of care cases (age stdn. rate per 1,000 population 75+)	2022-2023	34.1	17.1	20.2	20.3	11.4	11.5	19.7	8.9	15.8	12.8	12.3	39.2	17.4	17.0	0.0	5.7
Acute care day cases (age stdn. rate per 1000 population)	2022-2023	87.3	103.7	76.1	85.0	84.0	65.3	81.3	125.6	90.8	85.8	82.2	89.0	90.8	96.3	92.2	79.9
Acute care day cases (age stdn. rate per 1000 population aged 75+)	2022-2023	235.9	207.3	183.8	203.3	224.2	186.5	207.1	306.2	224.7	211.6	227.8	205.4	215.0	199.1	128.7	130.4
Alternative level of care days (rate per 1,000 population)	2023-2024	N/D	126.0	158.0	59.0	140.0	94.0	94.0	47.0	100.0	87.0	109.0	124.0	156.0	221.0	173.0	176.0
Alternative level of care days ( rate per 1,000 population 75+)	2023-2024	N/D	744.0	976.0	517.0	606.0	371.0	523.0	260.0	514.0	445.0	458.0	854.0	967.0	1568.0	1679.0	1380.0
Ambulatory care sensitive conditions (%)	2023 - 2024	N/D	5.70	6.10	5.90	5.30	4.30	5.60	6.90	7.00	5.10	4.40	7.00	5.80	6.10	7.60	4.90
Maternity acute care utilization (case rate per 1,000 population)	2022 - 2023	8.8	7.2	6.5	9.1	5.8	4.6	8.0	9.6	7.9	8.0	4.8	9.5	6.9	7.5	7.4	10.2
Psychiatry (dementia excluded) acute care utilization (case rate per 1,000 population)	2022 - 2023	8.2	8.8	8.8	6.8	6.0	6.7	9.3	13.0	7.3	10.7	7.9	14.3	7.2	10.6	9.8	12.1
MRI utilization - outpatient MRI exams (per 1000 population)	2023 - 2024	N/D	57.7	54.3	54.8	70.6	50.0	51.9	74.4	59.4	67.3	69.0	51.3	52.4	49.1	51.1	41.6



# Population and Demographics, Data Sources

## Population and Population Projection

Average Age: BC Statistics – P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024| Population Pyramid: BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | Estimated Total Population - 2039: BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | Estimated Population Change - 2039: BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | 10 Year Population Growth (%): BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | Population aged 0-19 (%) - BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | Population aged 20-44 (%) – BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024| Population aged 45-64 (%) - BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | Population aged 65-74(%) - BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E.2024| Population aged 75 and over (%) - BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | Percent growth of the 0-19 age group population in next 10 years - BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | Percent growth of the 20-44 age group population in next 10 years – BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | Percent growth of the 45-64 age group population in next 10 years - BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | Percent growth of the 65-74 age group population in next 10 years - BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024 | Percent growth of the 75+ age group population in next 10 years - BC Statistics - P.E.O.P.L.E. 2024

## Age Demographics & Marital Status

Median Age of Population - Census, 2021 | Population where language spoken most often at home is not English or French (%) - Census, 2021 | Visible minority population (%) - Census, 2021 | Population in private households with Indigenous Identity (%) - Census, 2021 | Population aged 15 and over who are married (%) - Census, 2021 | Population aged 15 and over who are common-law (%) - Census, 2021 | Population aged 15 and over who are single, never married (%) - Census, 2021 | Population aged 15 and over who are widowed (%) - Census, 2021 | Population aged 15 and over who are separated or divorced (%) - Census, 2021

## Migration and Immigrants

Immigrant population (%): Census, 2021 | Population migrating to area in the last 5 years (%): Census, 2021

# Determinants of Health, Data Sources

## Education & Employment

Population aged 25 to 64 with post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree (%) - Census, 2021 | Grade 12 completion among students entering Grade 12 for the first time (%) (2yr Agg) - Ministry of Education, 2022-2023 | Students completing high school within six years of enrollment in Grade 8 (%) (2yr Agg) - Ministry of Education, 2022-2023 | Population aged 15 and over who are unemployed (%): Census, 2021

## Health Behaviours

Alcohol consumption (litres of absolute alcohol sold per person, 1L=58 standard drinks)- AOD: CISUR, 2023

**Household**

Dwellings rated as needing major repairs by renter or owner (%) - Census, 2021 | One-parent family households (% of census families with children) - Census, 2021 | Private households that are owner-occupied (%) - Census, 2021 | Private households with 5 or more persons (%) - Census, 2021 | Private households with multiple families (%) - Census, 2021 | Households (owned) spending more than 30% of income on housing (%) - Census, 2021 | Households (rented) spending more than 30% of income on housing (%) - Census, 2021

**Income & Income Inequality**

Median household total income (\$) - Census, 2021 | Median one-parent family income (\$) - Census, 2021 | Difference in median income comparing males and females aged 15 and over - Census, 2021 | Households (owned) spending more than 30% of income on housing (%) - Census, 2021 | Households (rented) spending more than 30% of income on housing (%) - Census, 2021 | Low income based on after-tax low income measure (%) - Census, 2021 | Low income based on after-tax low-income measure, ages 18 to 64 years (%) - Census, 2021 | Low income based on after-tax low-income measure, ages 65 years and over (%) - Census, 2021 | Low income based on after-tax low-income measure, ages less than 6 years (%) - Census, 2021 | Low income based on after-tax low-income measure, ages less than 18 years (%) - Census, 2021

**Morbidity**

Alcohol-related hospitalizations (age-standardized rate per 100,000) - CISUR, 2019 | Cannabis-related hospitalizations (age-standardized rate per 100,000) - CISUR, 2019 | Opioid-related hospitalizations (age-standardized rate per 100,000) - CISUR, 2019 | Tobacco-related hospitalizations (age-standardized rate per 100,000) - CISUR, 2019

**Transportation**

Employed population aged 15 and over walking, biking or busing to work (%) - Census, 2021

**Child Health**

Child Hospitalizations - Injury/Poisoning (rate per 1,000 aged 0 to 14) : Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Child hospitalizations - Respiratory Dis. (rate per 1,000 aged 0 to 14) Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Child Mental Diseases & Disorders Hospitalizations (rate per 1,000 aged 0-14) Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Youth Mental Diseases & Disorders Hospitalizations (rate per 1,000 aged 15-24): Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023

**Early Development**

EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for social development (%) - Early Development Instrument, 2019-2022 | EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for communication development (%) - Early Development Instrument, 2019-2022 | EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for emotional development (%) - Early Development Instrument, 2019-2022 | EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for language development (%) - Early Development Instrument, 2019-2022 | EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for physical development (%) - Early Development Instrument, 2019-2022 | EDI: Kindergarten children rated as vulnerable on one or more domains (%) - Early Development Instrument, 2019-2022 |

**Protecting Children and Youth**

Children and Youth in Care (rate per 1,000 children aged 0 to 18) - Ministry of Children and Family Development, 2023 | Children and Youth in Need of Protection (rate per 1,000 children aged 0 to 18) - Ministry of Children and Family Development, 2022

# Health Status, Data Sources

## Life Expectancy

Female Life Expectancy - Ministry of Health, 2021-2022 | Male Life Expectancy - Ministry of Health, 2021-2022| Life Expectancy - Ministry of Health, 2021-2022

## Deaths

Mortality (age-standardized rate per 10,000) - Vital Statistics, 2024 | Mortality due to unintentional injuries (age-standardized rate per 10,000) - Vital Statistics, 2024 | Alcohol-related deaths (age standardized rate per 100,000) - CISUR, 2019 | Tobacco-related deaths (age-standardized rate per 100,000) - CISUR, 2019 | Unregulated Drug Deaths (crude rate per 100,000) - BC Coroner's Service, 2023

## Health Matrix

Health System Matrix v.14: Healthy (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: Adult (18+) Major Conditions (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: Child and Youth (<18) Major Conditions (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: Low Chronic Conditions (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: Medium Chronic Conditions (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: Severe Mental Health & Substance Use (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: Maternity & Healthy Newborns (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: Frail in Community (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: High Chronic w/o Frailty (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: High Chronic w/ Frailty (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: Cancer (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: Frail in Residential Care(%) - HSM v.14, 2024 | Health System Matrix: End of Life (%) - HSM v.14, 2024 |

## Births

Live Birth Rate (rate per 1,000 population) - Vital Statistics/Ministry of Health, 2019-2023 | Stillbirths (rate per 1,000 births) - Vital Statistics/Ministry of Health, 2019-2023| Infant Mortality - deaths of infants under 1 year of age (rate per 1,000 live births) - Vital Statistics/Ministry of Health, 2019-2023 | Low Weight Births - less than 2,500 grams (rate per 1,000 live births) - Vital Statistics/Ministry of Health, 2019-2023 | Caesarean Sections (rate per 1,000 live births) - Vital Statistics/Ministry of Health, 2019-2023 | Pre-term Births - gestational age less than 37 weeks (rate per 1,000 live births) - Vital Statistics/Ministry of Health, 2019-2023 | Mothers under 20 - live births to mothers under 20 years of age (rate per 1,000 live births) – Vital Statistics/Ministry of Health, 2019-2023 | Mothers 35 and over - live births to mothers aged 35 and over (rate per 1,000 live births) - Vital Statistics/Ministry of Health, 2019-2023

## Morbidity

Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Asthma - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Chronic Kidney Disease – Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease – Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Mood and Anxiety Disorders – Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Depression - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Diabetes - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH – Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Heart Failure - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Hypertension - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Ischemic Heart Disease - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Osteoarthritis - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Episodic Asthma - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Episodic Depression - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Episodic Mood & Anxiety Disorders - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023 | Schizophrenia & Delusional Disorders - Prevalence (age-standardized rate per 1,000) - MoH - Chronic Disease Registries, 2022-2023

**Complex Continuing Care**

Home Care Visits (rate per 1,000 population) - Island Health - Ideas, 2023/2024 | Home Care Visits (rate per 1,000 population aged 75 and over) - Island Health - Ideas, 2023/2024 | Long-Term Care Beds (rate per 1,000 population aged 75 and over) - Island Health - Ideas, 2023/2024 | Home Care Clients (rate per 1,000 population aged 75 and over) - Island Health - Ideas, 2023/2024 | Home Support Clients (rate per 1,000 population) - Island Health – Ideas, 2023/2024 | Home Support Clients (rate per 1,000 population aged 75 and over) – Island Health - Ideas, 2023/2024 | Home Support Hours (rate per 1,000 population) - Island Health - Ideas, 2023/2024 | Home Support Hours (rate per 1,000 population aged 75 and over) - Island Health - Ideas, 2023/2024

**Emergency**

Unscheduled Emergency Department or Urgent Care Centre visits (rate per 1,000 population) - Island Health - Ideas, 2023/2024 | Unscheduled Emergency Department or Urgent Care Centre visits for 75+ (rate per 1,000 75+ population) - Island Health - Ideas, 2023/2024

**Hospital Day Care**

Acute Care Day Cases (age-standardized rate per 1,000 population) - Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Acute Care Day Cases (age-standardized rate per 1,000 population aged 75 and over) - Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023

**Primary Care**

Population attached to physician at the practice level (%) - Ministry of Health, 2022-2023

**Potential Years of Life Lost**

Accidental Falls - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | All Cause Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Arteries, arterioles and capillaries - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 Cerebrovascular diseases - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Chronic lower respiratory diseases - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Circulatory system - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Diabetes - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Diseases of the digestive system - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Diseases of the respiratory system - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Influenza and pneumonia - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Ischemic heart diseases – Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Lung/tracheal Cancer - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Malignant neoplasms - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Motor vehicle accidents - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023 | Suicide - Potential Years of Life Lost rate (age standardized per 1,000): Vital Statistics, Calendar year ending 2019-2023

**Hospital Inpatient Care**

Acute Care Inpatient Cases (age-standardized rate per 1,000 population aged 75 and over) - Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Alternative Level of Care Cases (age-standardized rate per 1,000 population) – Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Alternative Level of Care Cases (age-standardized rate per 1,000 population aged 75 and over) – Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Acute care day cases (age-standardized rate per 1,000 population) – Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Acute care day cases (age-standardized rate per 1,000 population aged 75+) – Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Alternative Level of Care Days (age-standardized rate per 1,000 population) - Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Alternative Level of Care Days (age-standardized rate per 1,000 population aged 75 and over) - Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Ambulatory Care Sensitive conditions (%) - Island Health - Ideas, 2023/2024 | Maternity Acute Care Utilization (case rate per 1,000 population) - Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | Psychiatry (Dementia excluded) Acute Care Utilization (case rate per 1,000 population) - Ministry of Health Ideas, 2022/2023 | MRI Utilization – Outpatient MRI Exams (rate per 1,000 population) - Island Health, 2023/2024