



# Local Health Area Profile

**Greater Victoria** - 411

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# Greater Victoria Local Health Area (LHA)

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# LHA Overview

## Geography

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## Population and Demographics

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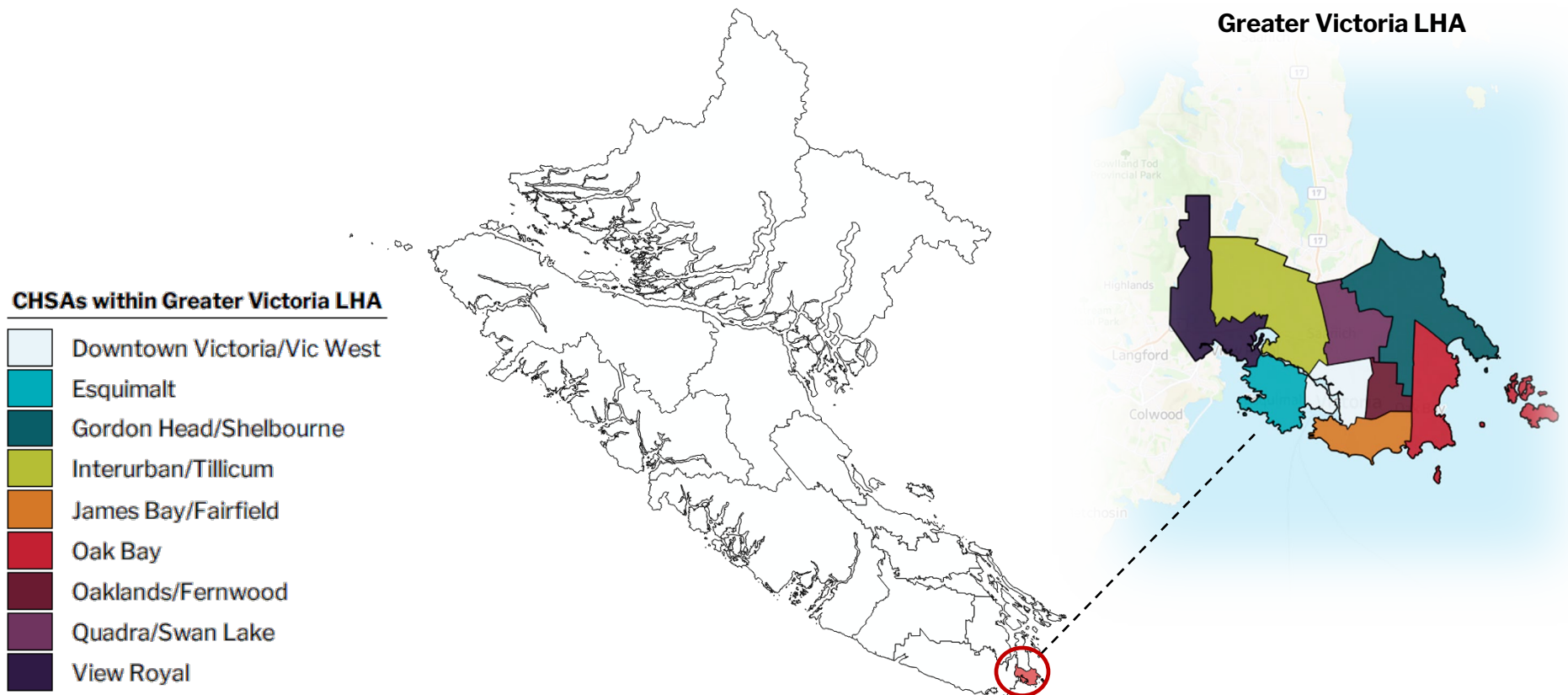
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- **Island Health Purpose**

# Geography

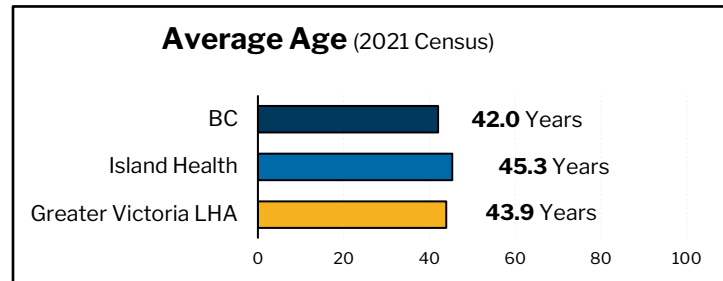
Greater Victoria Local Health Area (LHA) is one of 14 LHAs in Island Health and is located on the southern tip of the South Island Health Service Delivery Area (HSDA). It is 107.9 square kilometres and borders two other LHAs: Western Communities and Saanich Peninsula. The city of Victoria, the capital city of British Columbia, is located within this LHA. It is home to two Coast Salish communities, the Esquimalt and Songhees First Nations as well as the Métis Nation of Greater Victoria Association. Greater Victoria is linked to three major highways: Highway 1, Highway 14, and Highway 17. It is approximately forty-five minutes by car from Sidney, one hour from Duncan, and just under two hours from Nanaimo. Victoria has more than 50 bus routes, a handyDART service, an international harbour with float plane service, and ferry routes to Seattle and Port Angeles. The Greater Victoria LHA contains 9 unique Community Health Service Areas (CHSAs) within it. The areas can be viewed on the **map below**:

**Greater Victoria LHA** and the CHSAs within

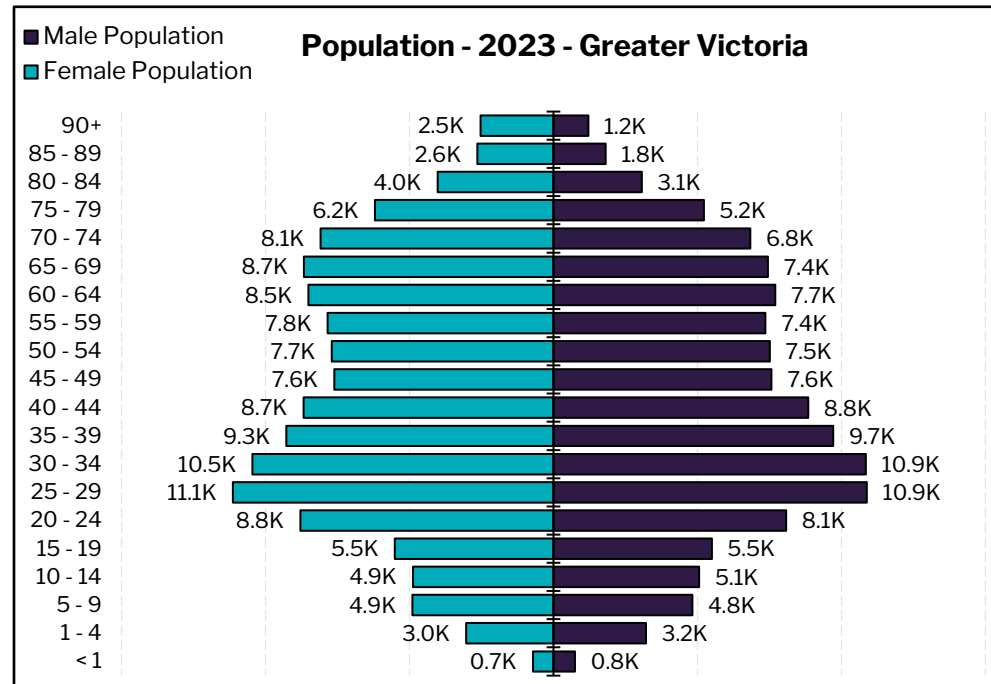
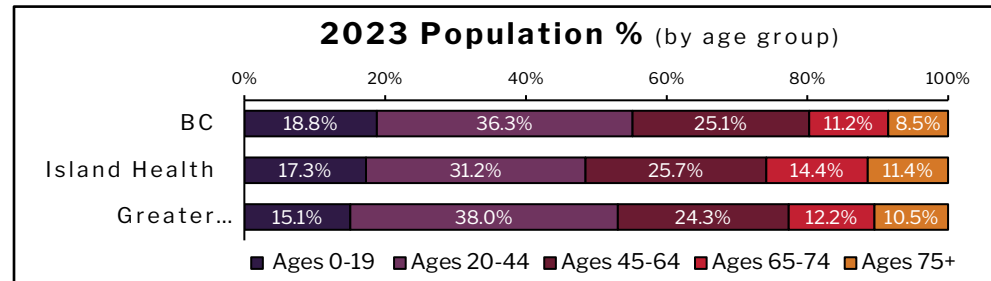


# Population and Demographics

As of 2023, the Greater Victoria LHA represents 28.0% (254,649 people) of Island Health's total population of 908,627. According to the 2021 Census, 4.5% of people living in the Greater Victoria LHA identified themselves as Indigenous, compared to 7.8% across Island Health and 5.9% in BC. Additionally, 20.1% of people living in Greater Victoria area identified themselves as a visible minority, compared to 11.6% across Island Health and 34.4% in BC.

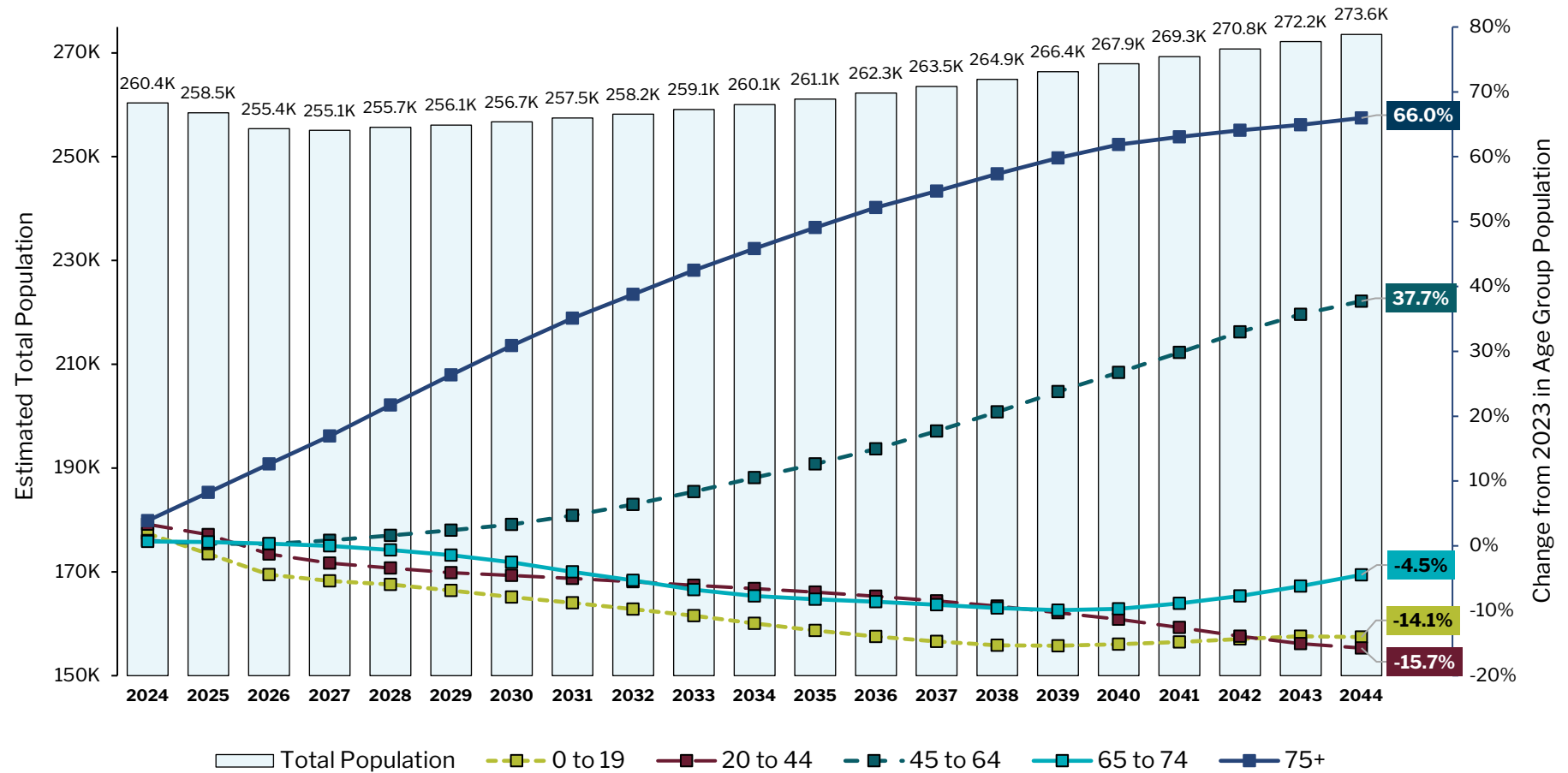


The population of Greater Victoria is younger than Island Health overall, but older than BC, with an average age of 43.9 years. The 20-44 year age group makes up the largest proportion of the population at 38.0%, which is greater than both BC (36.3%) and Island Health (31.2%). Greater Victoria's population is estimated to increase by 1.4% by 2032; this is lower than projections for both BC (9.6% increase) and Island Health (6.2% increase). By the year 2044, the population of the Greater Victoria LHA is expected to reach 273.6K people. The 0-19, 20-44 and, 65-74 year age groups are expected to decline over the next 20 years, while the 45-64 and 75+ age groups are projected to increase. The chart on the following page highlights the estimated total population projection along with the projected change by age group from 2023 through 2044.



See the Population and Demographics summary on page 29 - 30 for more information.

### Greater Victoria Population Projections (2024 - 2044)



# Indicators & Data Reporting

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- ▶ Healthy Behaviors and Built Environment

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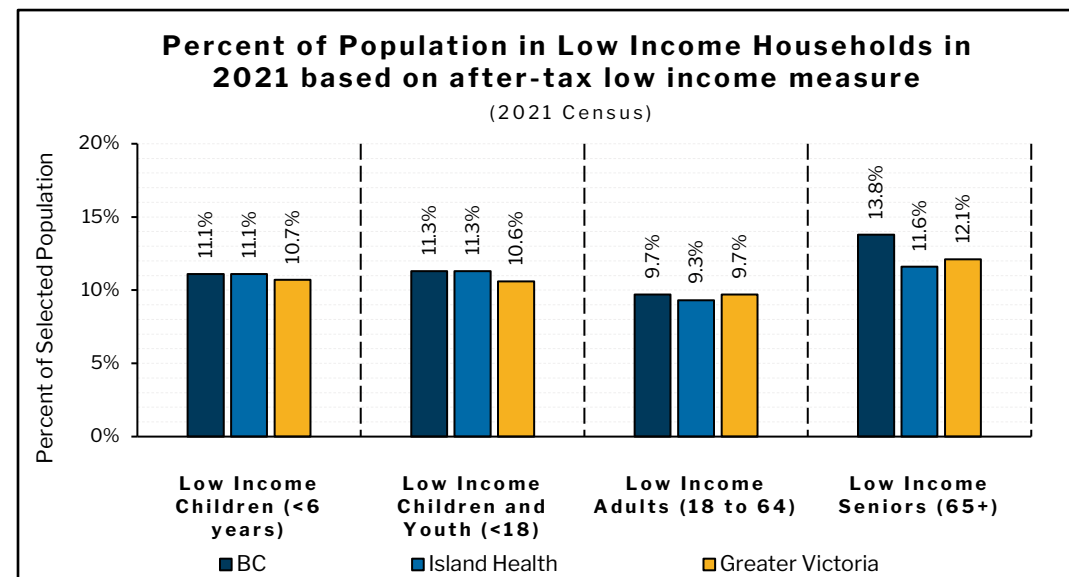
# Determinants of Health

Access to adequate income, affordable housing, healthy food, education, healthy 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 Greater Victoria was \$78,000 in 2021, lower than Island Health at \$80,000 and BC at \$85,000.

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 Greater Victoria, approximately one in ten children (those aged under 6 years, and those aged under 18) live in low-income households. A similar proportion of adults live in low-income households in Greater Victoria, while approximately 12.1% of seniors do. These figures are comparable to low-income rates in Island Health and BC overall, with the exception of seniors; in this age group, there is a higher proportion low-income seniors in Greater Victoria than in Island Health overall, but lower than the provincial proportion. Within Greater Victoria, the Downtown Victoria/Vic West CHSA has the highest percent of population with low income, for all age groups; Oaklands / Fernwood also has a higher proportion of low-income households



<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.

across all age groups, compared to the overall Greater Victoria LHA. CHSAs with the lowest proportion of low-income households, across all age groups, include View Royal and Interurban / Tillicum. View Royal and Interurban/Tillicum have low-income proportions lower than Greater Victoria for all age groupings.

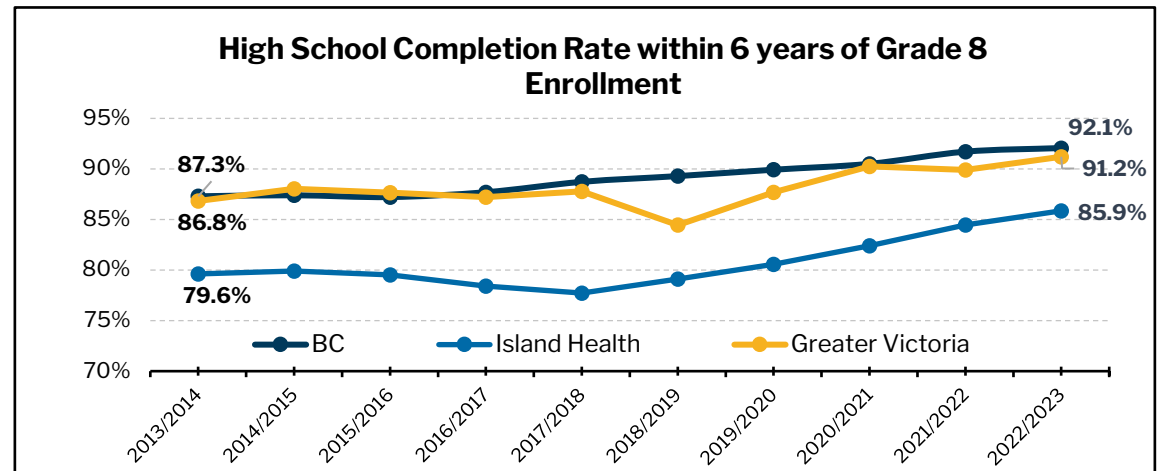
The unemployment rate in Greater Victoria is lower than BC, and the same as Island Health (see page 31).

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

|                            | Low Income Children<br>(<6 years) | Low Income Children<br>and Youth (<18) | Low Income Adults (18<br>to 64) | Low Income Seniors<br>(65+) |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <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>Greater Victoria</b>    | <b>10.7%</b>                      | <b>10.6%</b>                           | <b>9.7%</b>                     | <b>12.1%</b>                |
| <b>CHSAs</b>               |                                   |  |                                 |                             |
| Downtown Victoria/Vic West | 15.2%                             | 16.4%                                  | 13.0%                           | 21.7%                       |
| Esquimalt                  | 10.4%                             | 10.3%                                  | 9.2%                            | 12.6%                       |
| Gordon Head/Shelbourne     | 10.4%                             | 9.4%                                   | 10.1%                           | 9.1%                        |
| James Bay/Fairfield        | 9.6%                              | 10.7%                                  | 11.5%                           | 12.8%                       |
| Oak Bay                    | 10.8%                             | 11.6%                                  | 8.4%                            | 7.2%                        |
| Oaklands/Fernwood          | 15.0%                             | 13.0%                                  | 11.1%                           | 17.0%                       |
| Quadra/Swan Lake           | 11.4%                             | 10.0%                                  | 8.9%                            | 10.2%                       |
| Interurban/Tillicum        | 6.0%                              | 8.1%                                   | 5.8%                            | 9.9%                        |
| View Royal                 | 7.4%                              | 7.1%                                   | 4.6%                            | 9.4%                        |

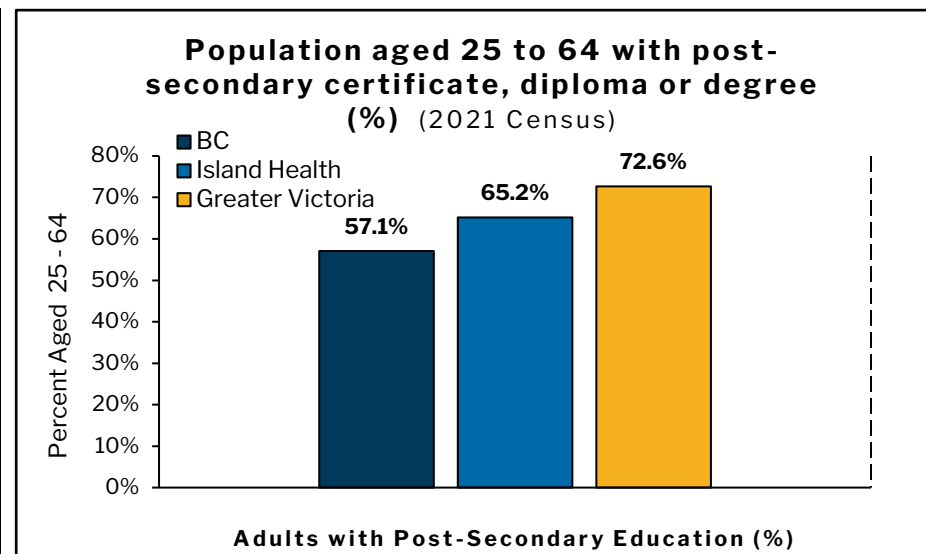
## Education

High school completion rates for Greater Victoria have been increasing over the last 10 years, currently reaching 91.2%. This figure is notably higher than Island Health overall (85.9%) but lower than the provincial rate (92.1%). According to 2021 Census data, a higher proportion of the Greater Victoria 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>Greater Victoria</b>    | <b>72.6%</b> |
| <b>CHSAs</b>               |              |
| Downtown Victoria/Vic West | 72.6%        |
| Esquimalt                  | 62.1%        |
| Gordon Head/Shelbourne     | 77.2%        |
| James Bay/Fairfield        | 77.5%        |
| Oak Bay                    | 84.6%        |
| Oaklands/Fernwood          | 73.4%        |
| Quadra/Swan Lake           | 70.4%        |
| Interurban/Tillicum        | 65.6%        |
| View Royal                 | 72.3%        |

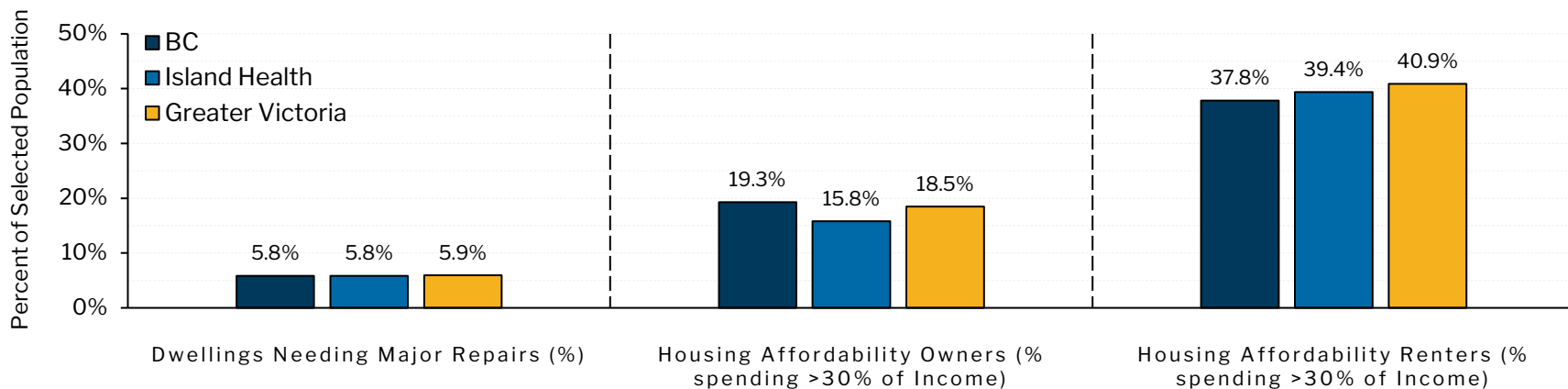


## Housing

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 Greater Victoria, slightly less than one in five homeowner households and approximately two in five renter households are experiencing housing unaffordability. Homeowners in Greater Victoria experience unaffordability at rates higher than Island Health, but slightly lower than BC. Renter households in Greater Victoria experience higher rates of unaffordability than both Island Health and BC overall. For renters, housing unaffordability is greatest in Gordon Head / Shelbourne, James Bay / Fairfield, Oak Bay, and Downtown Victoria / Vic West CHSAs. In contrast, unaffordability is greatest for homeowners in Downtown Victoria / Vic West, Oaklands / Fernwood, and James Bay / Fairfield.

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 Greater Victoria, 5.9% of households live in homes in need of major repairs, comparable to rates at the Island Health and provincial levels (see page 31 for more).

### Selected Household Indicators (2021 Census)



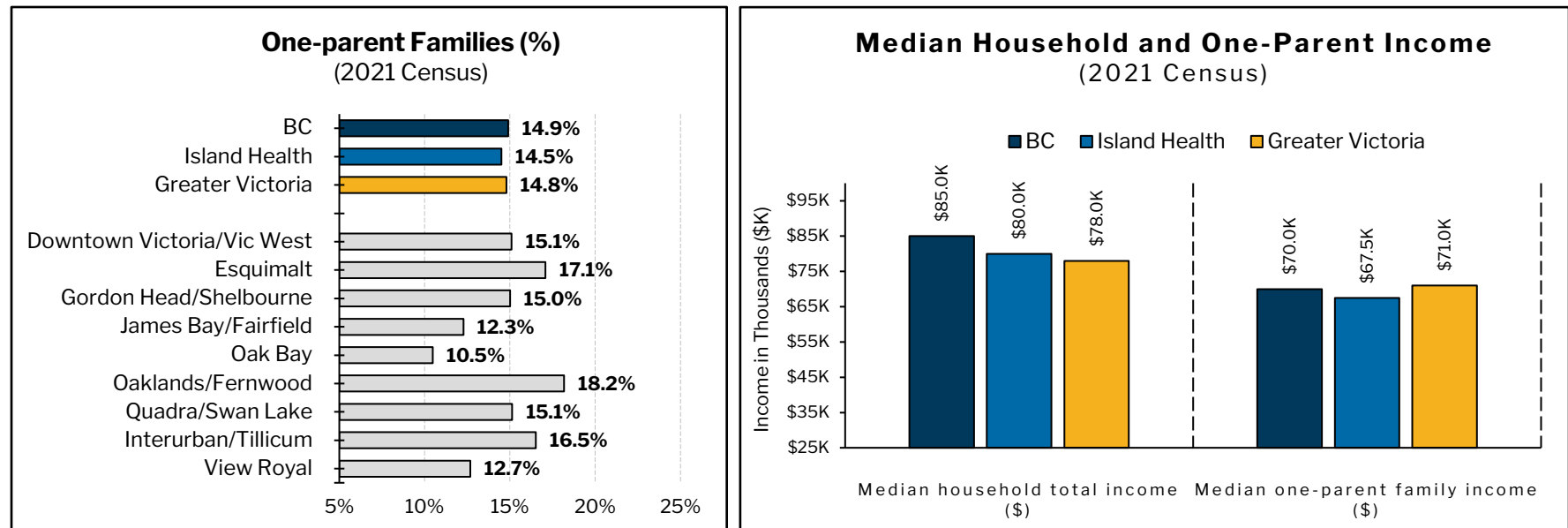
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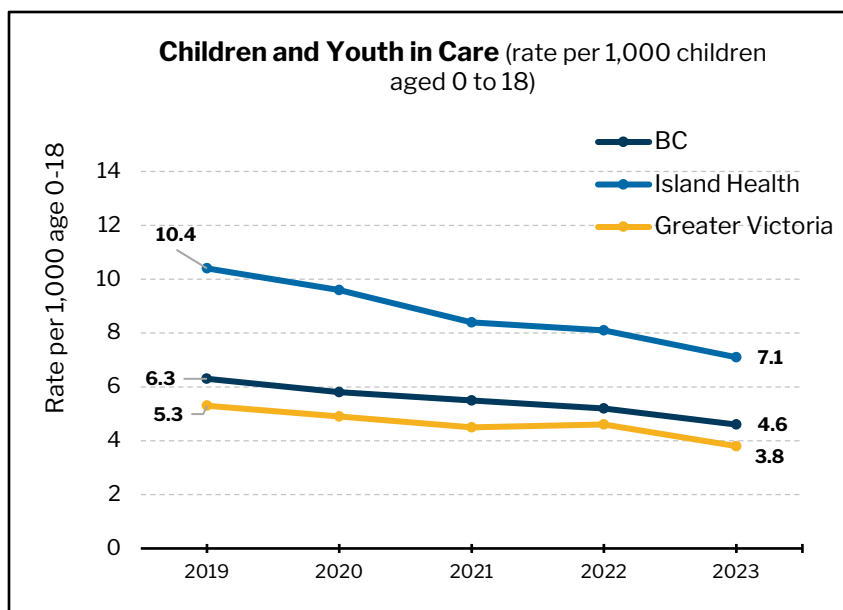
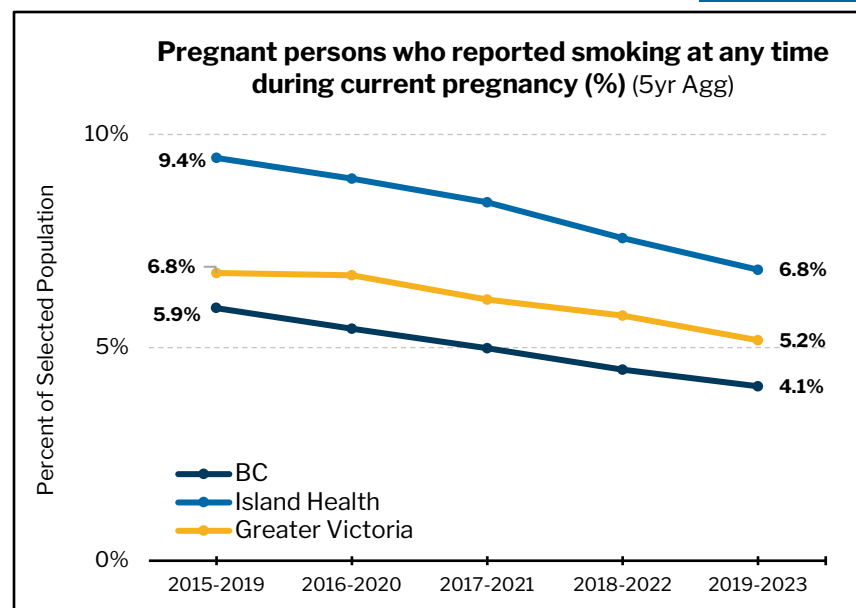
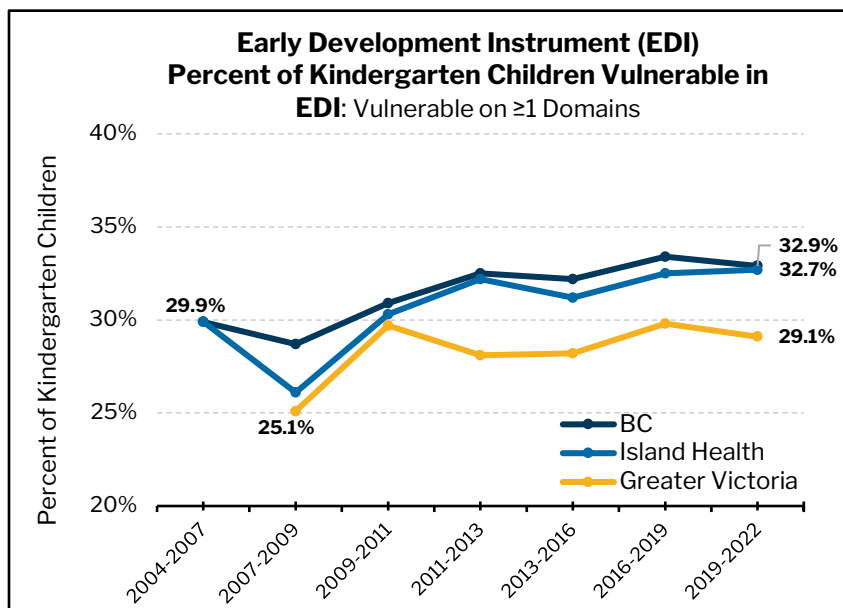
|                            | <b>Dwellings Needing Major Repairs (%)</b> | <b>Housing Affordability Owners (%)<br/>spending &gt;30% of Income)</b> | <b>Housing Affordability Renters (%)<br/>spending &gt;30% of Income)</b> |
|----------------------------|--|---|--|
| <b>BC</b>                  | <b>5.8%</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>Greater Victoria</b>    | <b>5.9%</b>                                | <b>18.5%</b>  | <b>40.9%</b>   |
| <b>CHSAs</b>               |  |   |  |
| Downtown Victoria/Vic West | 5.6%                                       | 23.3%   | 41.7%  |
| Esquimalt                  | 7.8%                                       | 19.4%   | 36.4%  |
| Gordon Head/Shelbourne     | 6.0%                                       | 15.6%   | 45.6%  |
| James Bay/Fairfield        | 6.4%                                       | 20.3%   | 44.9%  |
| Oak Bay                    | 5.7%                                       | 15.8%   | 45.2%  |
| Oaklands/Fernwood          | 6.9%                                       | 20.6%   | 38.6%  |
| Quadra/Swan Lake           | 5.1%                                       | 19.2%   | 36.9%  |
| Interurban/Tillicum        | 5.6%                                       | 17.2%   | 34.2%  |
| View Royal                 | 3.0%                                       | 15.1%   | 34.1%  |

## 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, and 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 Greater Victoria, 14.8% of all Census families in 2021 were one-parent families. This rate is comparable to those of both Island Health (14.5%) and BC overall (14.9%). Median household income across all households was lower in Greater Victoria (\$78.0K) than both Island Health (\$80.0K) and BC (\$85.0K). While the median income for one-parent households was lower across all geographies, Greater Victoria had the highest median household income among one-parent families when compared to Island Health and BC overall.



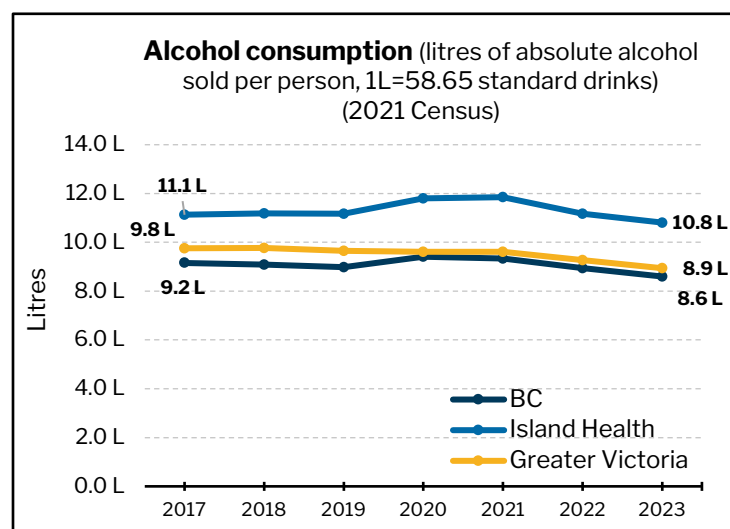


The Early Development Instrument (EDI) is used to measure vulnerability among kindergarten children across five domains: social, physical, emotional, language, and communication. Increases in the EDI rate are a negative indicator of child health and decreases are a positive indicator. For Island Health overall, vulnerability has increased over time but has seen minimal change in the last 10 years. Approximately three in ten (29.1%) children in Greater Victoria were assessed as vulnerable on the EDI in the most recent round of data collection; this is lower than the rates for both Island Health (32.7%) and BC (32.9%).

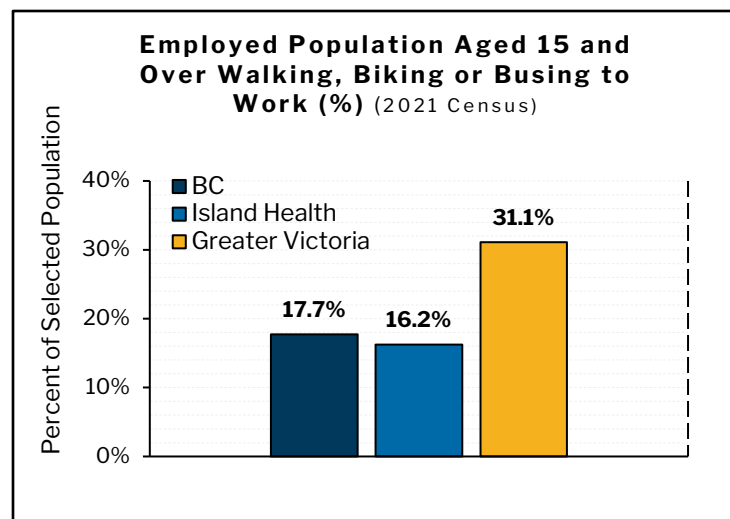
Smoking during pregnancy has demonstrated negative effects for both the pregnant person and baby. In Greater Victoria, 5.2% of pregnant persons reported smoking during their pregnancy; this is lower than the overall Island Health rate but higher than the provincial rate.

In 2023, the rate of Children and Youth in Care was 3.8 per 1,000 children in Greater Victoria, lower than both the Island Health and BC rates. See the Determinants of Health summary on pages 31 – 34 for more information.

## Healthy Behaviors 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. Among LHA-level available data, substance use in Greater Victoria, particularly annual alcohol sales per capita (an indicator of overall alcohol consumption), falls in between the Island Health and BC average. Among those who are employed in Greater Victoria, nearly a third report taking sustainable transportation to work (CHSA range 17.3-44.5%).



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

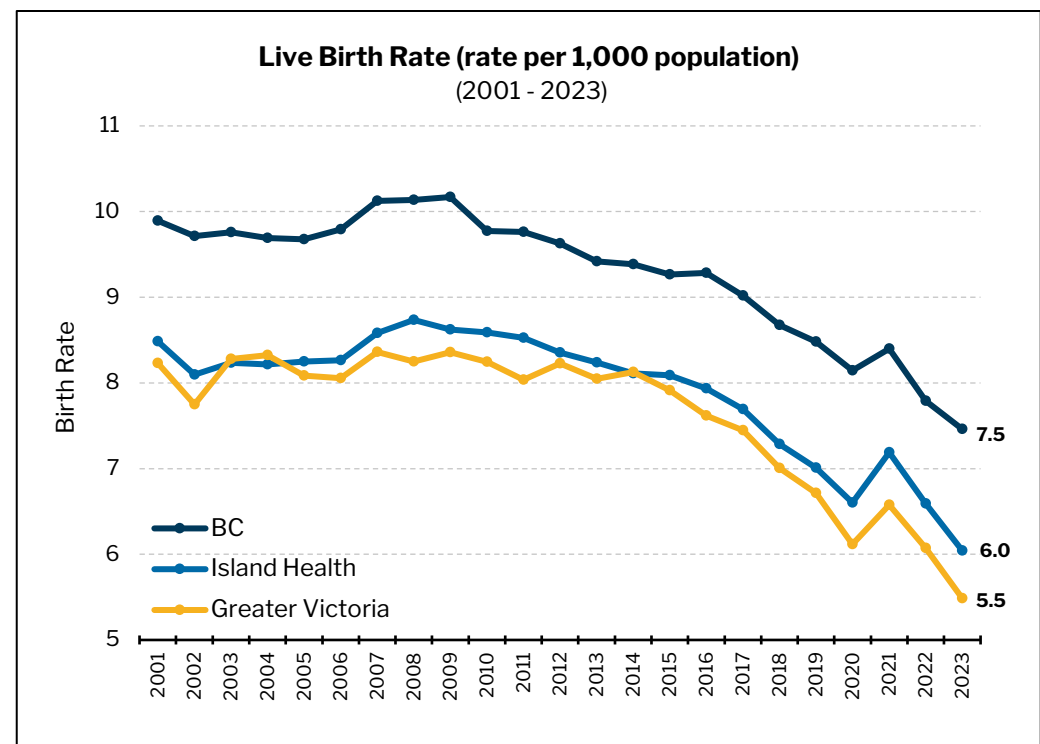
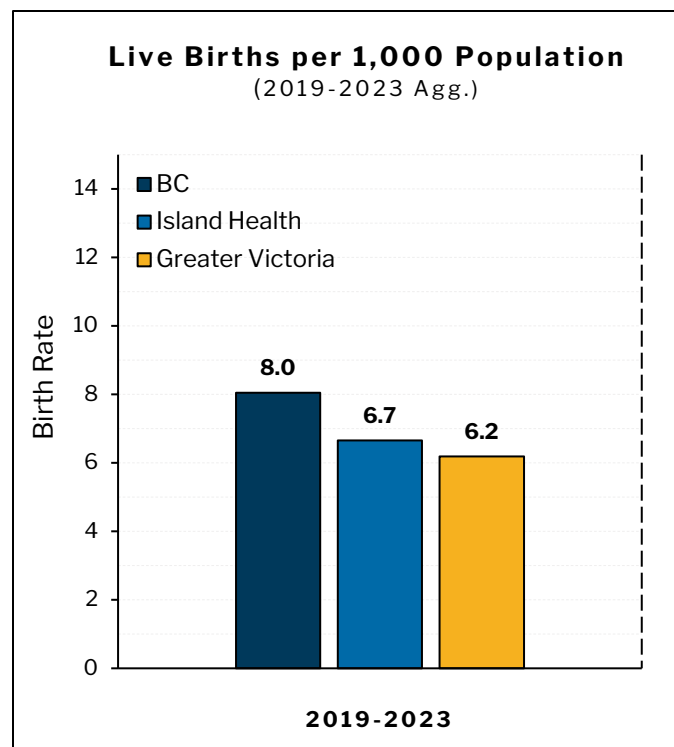
|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| <b>BC</b>                  | <b>17.7%</b> |
| <b>Island Health</b>       | <b>16.2%</b> |
| <b>Greater Victoria</b>    | <b>31.1%</b> |
| <b>CHSAs</b>               |              |
| Downtown Victoria/Vic West | 44.5%        |
| Esquimalt                  | 30.1%        |
| Gordon Head/Shelbourne     | 23.8%        |
| James Bay/Fairfield        | 43.8%        |
| Oak Bay                    | 26.8%        |
| Oaklands/Fernwood          | 40.6%        |
| Quadra/Swan Lake           | 22.2%        |
| Interurban/Tillicum        | 19.9%        |
| View Royal                 | 17.3%        |

# Health Status

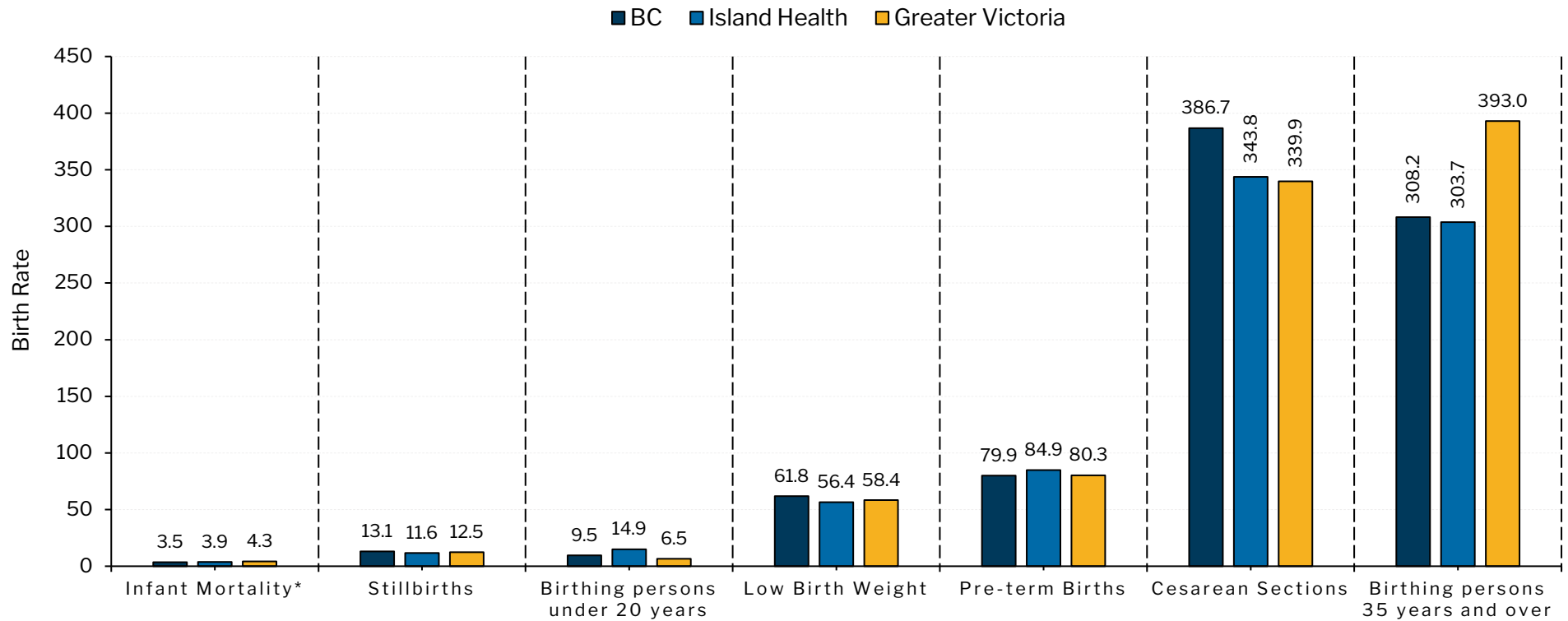
The health status of the population is measured with several indicators such as life expectancy, infant mortality, prevalence of chronic disease, mortality, and premature mortality.

## Birth Statistics

The overall birth rate for Greater Victoria is lower than the BC rate, but comparable to Island Health overall. Compared to Island Health however, there are proportionately more births to older (35 years and over) individuals and fewer births to those under the age of 20 years. The rate of low-birth-weight babies sits above Island Health and lower than BC. The rate of pre-term births (those born at less than 37 weeks) is lower than Island Health and higher than BC.



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



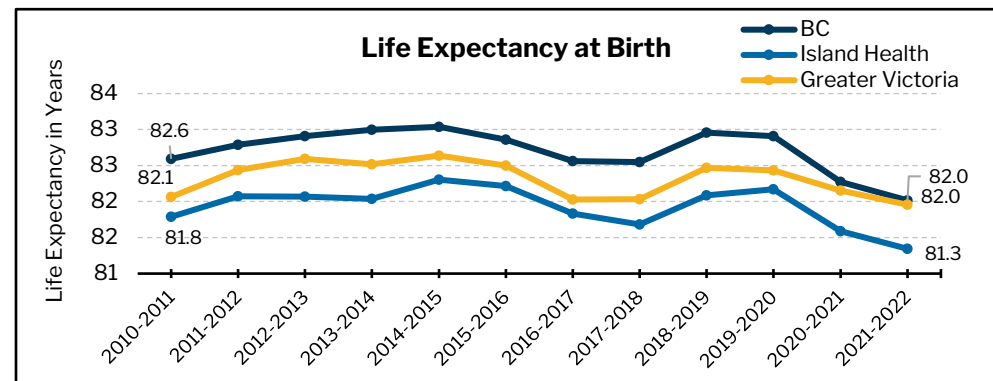
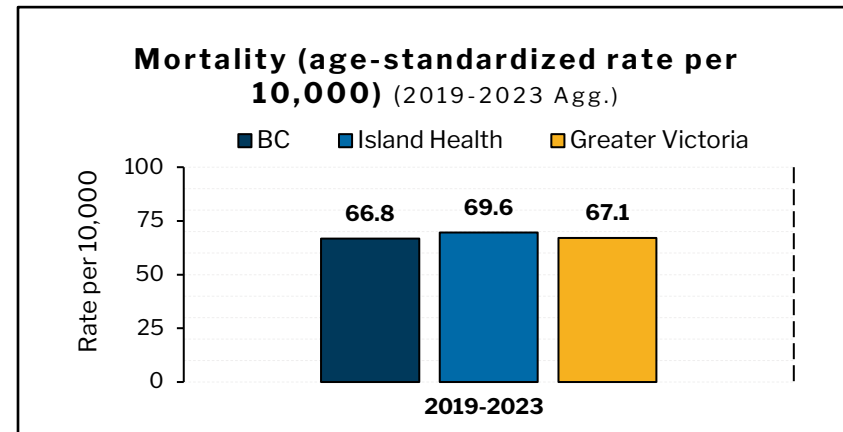
\* It is important to note that caution should be exercised when dealing with a small number of cases as an increase or decrease may indicate random variation rather than a notable change in rates.

## Mortality Statistics

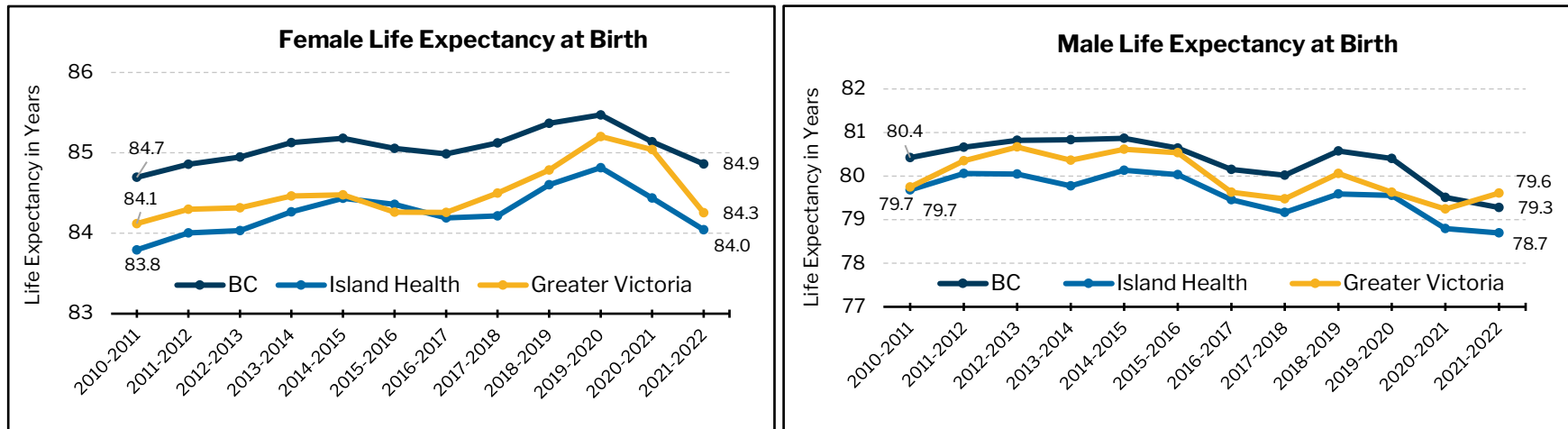
Mortality rates have seen a small increase in Greater Victoria from 65.9 per 10,000 population in 2013-2017 to 67.1 per 10,000 population in years 2019-2023. The age standardized all-cause mortality rate per 10,000 population in Greater Victoria is higher than BC (66.8 deaths per 10,000 population), and lower than Island Health (69.6 deaths per 10,000 population).

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 for Greater Victoria for 2019-2023 was 54.4 years lost per 1,000 population; this is lower than Island Health (58.3) but higher than BC (52.3). Greater Victoria's PYLL rates due to influenza and pneumonia, and lung / tracheal cancers are higher than Island Health and provincial rates. The PYLL from most other causes listed are comparable to, or lower than, those for Island Health; PYLL indicators are generally higher for Island Health than BC overall. A complete list of PYLL by cause can be found on page 40.

Overall life expectancy at birth over the last decade has seen a small decrease. The Greater Victoria life expectancy has remained relatively stable and was 82.0 years in 2021-2022. In the same time period, the Island Health life expectancy has fallen 0.5 years, and the BC life expectancy has fallen 0.6 years. Greater Victoria, Island Health and BC have all seen a sharp decline in life expectancy since 2019-2020.



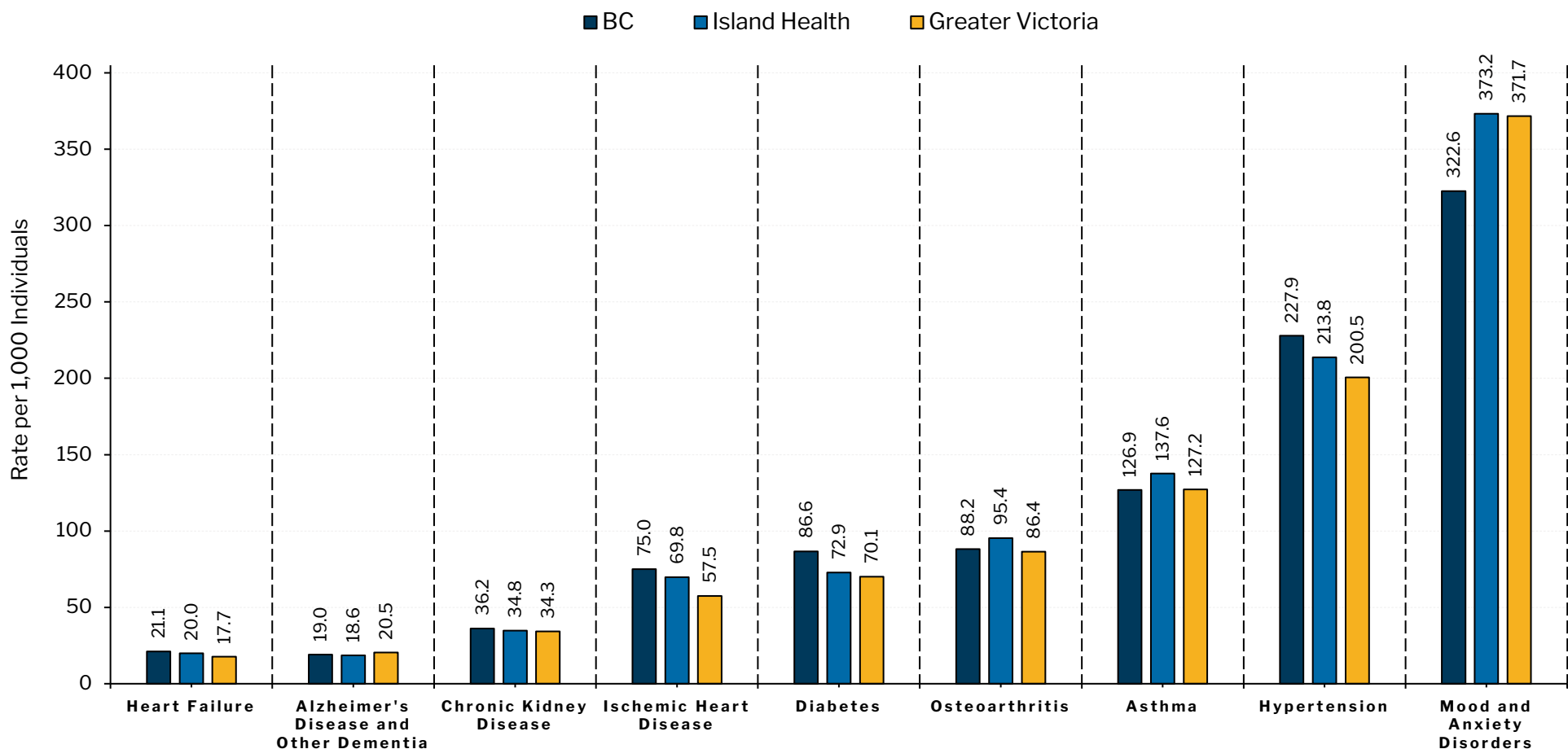
The life expectancy in 2021-2022 for females in Greater Victoria was 4.7 years greater (84.3 years for females and 79.6 years for males). The male life expectancy in Greater Victoria is higher than the male life expectancy in BC and Island Health in 2021-2022, whereas the female life expectancy in Greater Victoria is higher than the expectancy for Island Health and lower than the expectancy for BC. Life expectancies for both males and females in Greater Victoria have largely tracked with provincial and Island Health trends, however these trends have been divergent between males and females. Female life expectancy in Greater Victoria has dropped slightly in the past couple of years, whereas for males it has remained relatively stable.



## Chronic Disease

Among common chronic diseases, mood and anxiety disorders and hypertension are most prevalent among people in Greater Victoria. Rates are generally comparable to or lower than provincial and Island Health rates; the two notable exceptions to this trend are Alzheimer's and other dementia (slightly higher than the provincial rate) and mood and anxiety disorders (significantly higher than the provincial rate).

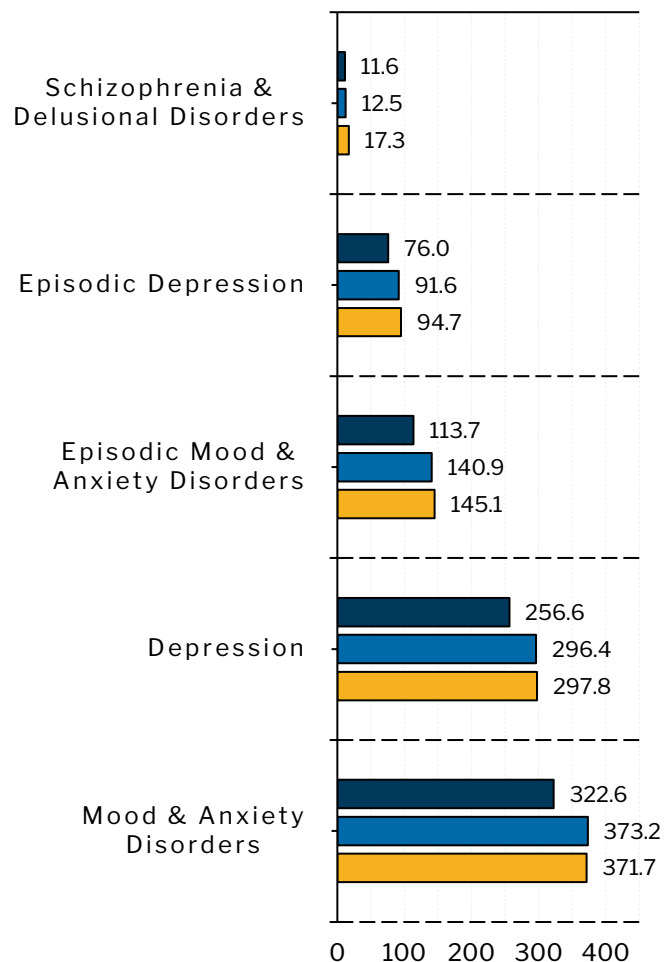
**Chronic Disease Age Standardized Prevalence in 2022/23 Per 1,000 Individuals**



## Mental Health & Substance Use

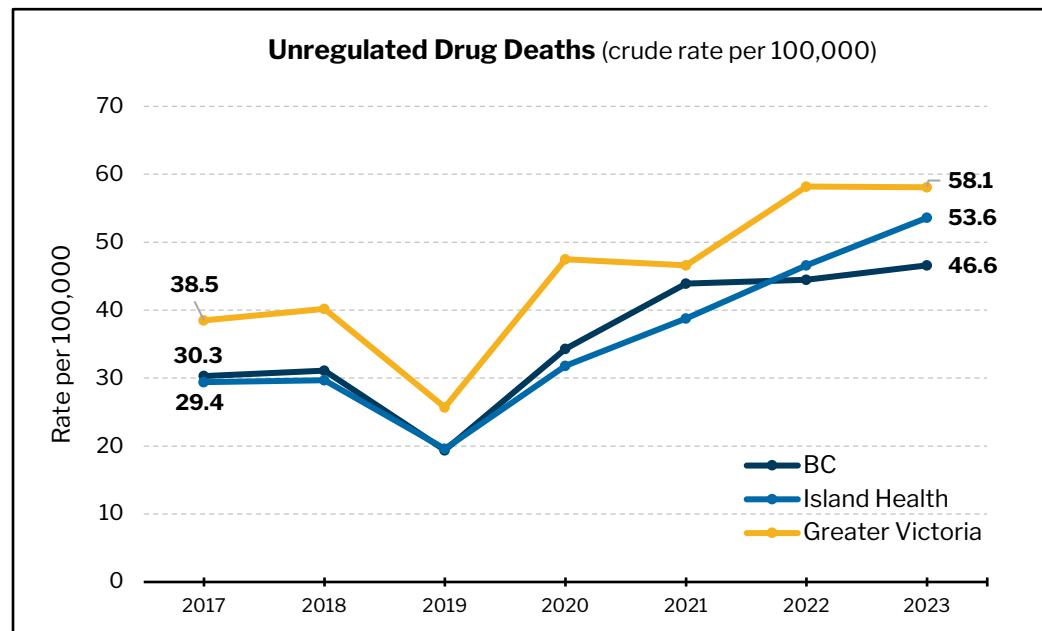
### Mental Health Disorders Age Standardized Prevalence per 1,000 Individuals, 2022/23

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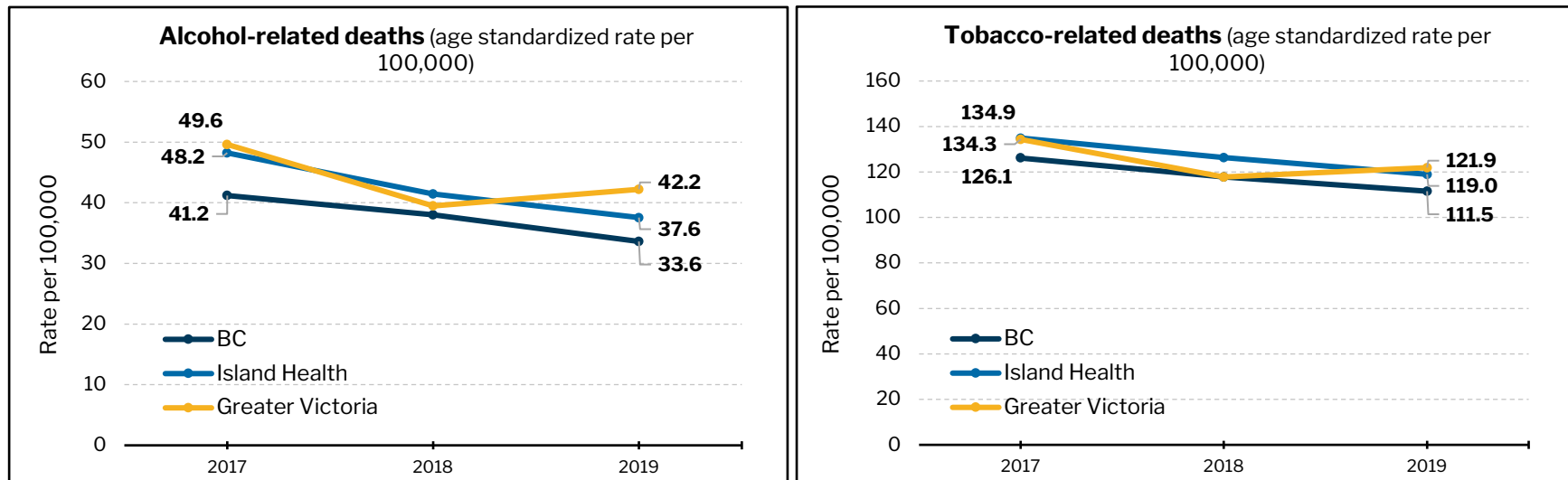
The most common mental health disorder in Greater Victoria is mood and anxiety disorders, at a rate of 371.7 per 1,000 individuals, followed by depression at 297.8 per 1,000 individuals, these rates are comparable to Island Health but higher than BC. The rate of schizophrenia and delusional disorders is 17.3 per 1,000 individuals which is higher than both Island Health and BC.

The rate of unregulated drug deaths in Greater Victoria have remained consistently higher than both Island Health and BC overall since 2017. For all geographies displayed in the figure, these rates have increased over time and are currently at an all-time high across years for which data are available. 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>



Alcohol-related deaths in Greater Victoria were on a downtrend from 2017 to 2018 but increased in 2019, although remained lower than the 2017 rate. Tobacco-related deaths in Greater Victoria follow a similar trend. For both substances, in 2019 their related death rates in Greater Victoria were comparable to or higher than both Island Health and BC rates.

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 42.

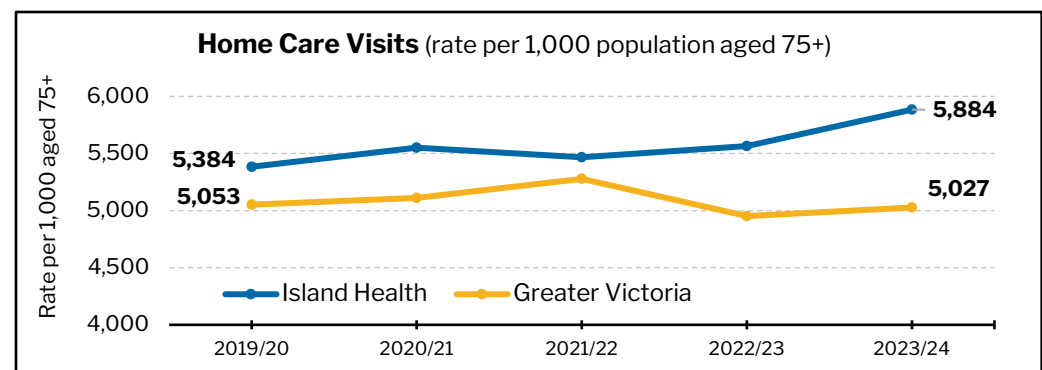
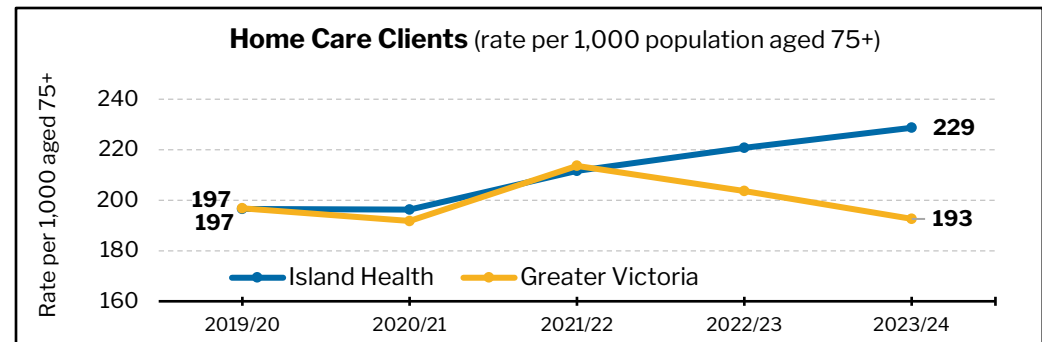
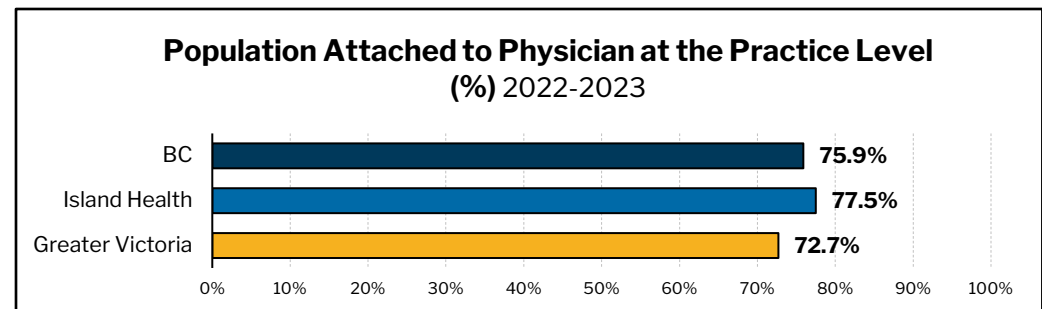


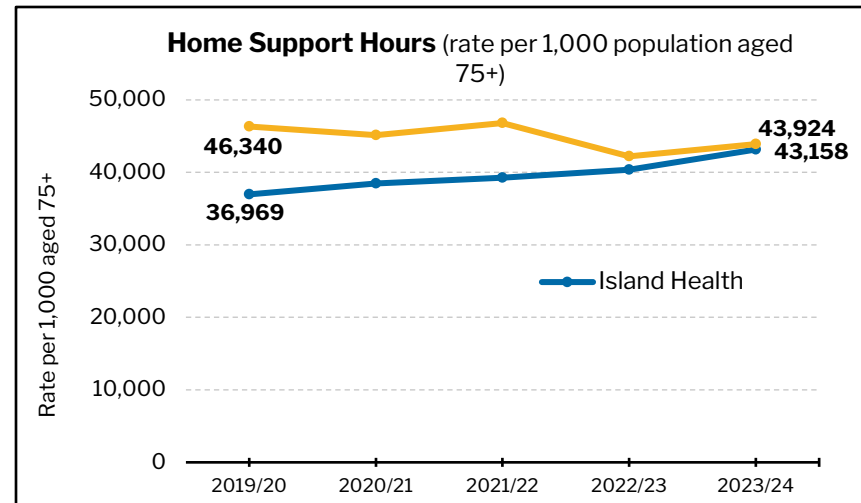
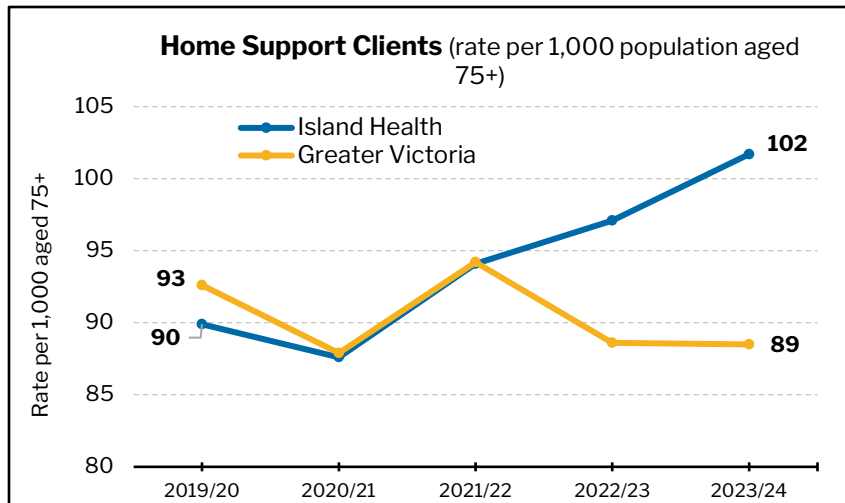
# Health Service Use

## 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. Nearly three-quarters (72.7%) of Greater Victoria residents are attached to a physician practice, lower than the rates for both Island Health and BC.

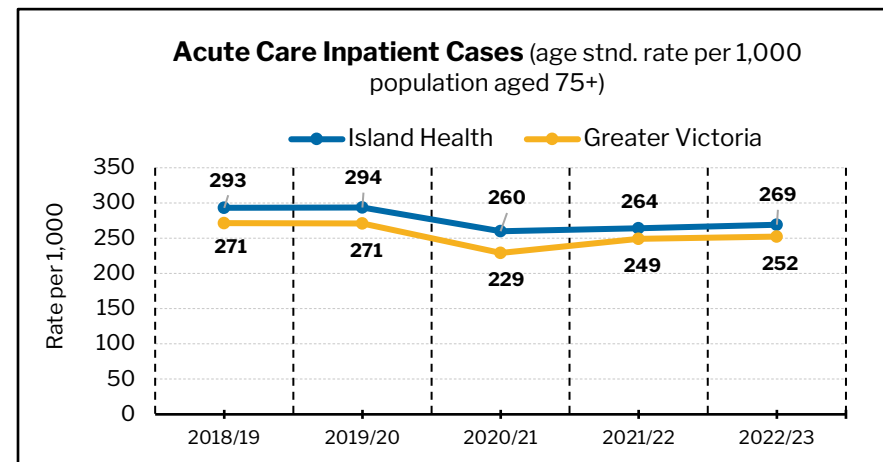
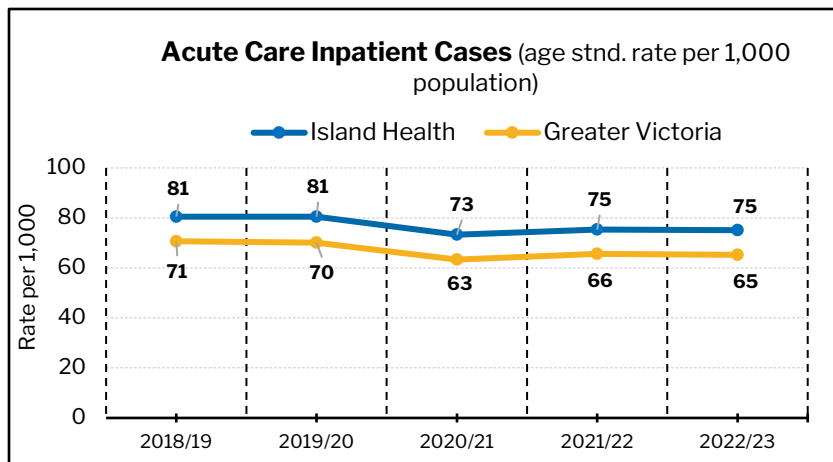
Since 2021/22, Greater Victoria has seen decreasing use of home care, measured by both number of home care clients and number of home care visits. This diverges from the overall Island Health trend, which has seen consistent increases in home care since 2019/20. Similarly, the numbers of home support clients and hours have decreased in Greater Victoria over time, while these indicators have increased for Island Health overall. See Health Service Use summary on pages 41 - 42 more information on these topics.





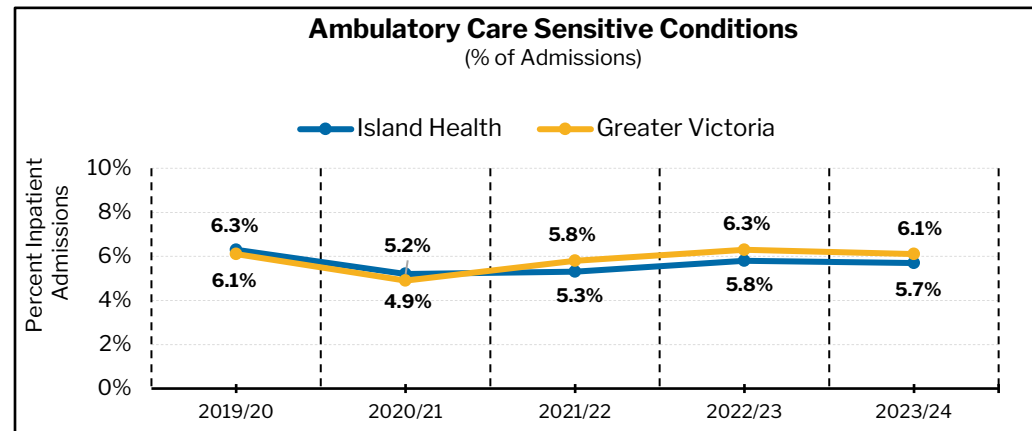
## Acute Care Inpatient Cases

The age standardized hospitalization rate (inpatient admissions) for the Greater Victoria population is comparable to that of Island Health overall; and higher for the population aged 75 and over.



## Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions

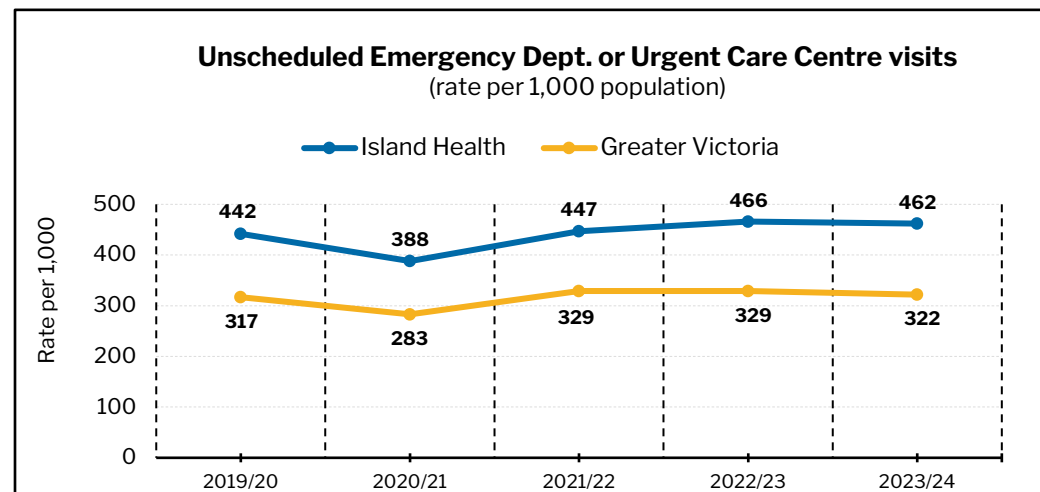
Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions (ACSCs) are conditions that can be treated in the community if services are available and would not necessarily require hospitalization. Tracking the percentage of hospital admissions due to ACSCs can provide an indicator of access to primary or other non-urgent care. In Greater Victoria, this figure is 6.1%, approximately equal to where it has been over the past several years (with the exception of 2020/21, during the initial COVID-19 outbreaks). This proportion for Greater Victoria has been higher than that of Island Health for the past three years.



## Emergency and Urgent Care Centre Visits

Unscheduled emergency or urgent care visit rates in Greater Victoria were 322 per 1,000 population in 2023/24; this figure has been relatively consistent for the past three years. For the past five years, Greater Victoria has had notably lower rates of unscheduled ED or urgent care visits compared to Island Health overall.

It is important to note that 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 38 - 39 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                               |             |      |               |                   |      |       |       |                     |      |      |      |      |       |                   |       |       |       |
|---|-------------|------|---------------|-------------------|------|-------|-------|---------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|
|   |             |      |               | LHAs              |      |       |       |                     |      |      |      |      |       |                   |       |       |       |
|   |             |      |               | South Island HSDA |      |       |       | Central Island HSDA |      |      |      |      |       | North Island HSDA |       |       |       |
| 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  |

# Population and Demographics Summary Cont'd

| LHAs   |             |      |               |                   |      |      |      |                     |      |      |      |      |      |                   |      |      |      |
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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  |
| 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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| Indicator Description  | Time Period | BC   | Island Health | 411               | 412  | 413  | 414  | 421                 | 422  | 423  | 424  | 425  | 426  | 431               | 432  | 433  | 434  |
| 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  |

| Determinants of Health Summary Cont'd   |             |      |               |                   |      |      |       |                     |      |      |      |      |      |                   |      |       |      |
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| LHAs  |             |      |               |                   |      |      |       |                     |      |      |      |      |      |                   |      |       |      |
|   |             |      |               | South Island HSDA |      |      |       | Central Island HSDA |      |      |      |      |      | North Island HSDA |      |       |      |
| Indicator Description   | Time Period | BC   | Island Health | 411               | 412  | 413  | 414   | 421                 | 422  | 423  | 424  | 425  | 426  | 431               | 432  | 433   | 434  |
| <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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|  |             |       |               | LHAs              |       |       |       |                     |       |       |       |       |       |                   |       |       |       |
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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   |
| 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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|   |             |       |               | LHAs              |       |       |       |                     |       |       |       |       |       |                   |       |       |       |
|   |             |       |               | South Island HSDA |       |       |       | Central Island HSDA |       |       |       |       |       | North Island HSDA |       |       |       |
| Indicator Description   | Time Period | BC    | Island Health | 411               | 412   | 413   | 414   | 421                 | 422   | 423   | 424   | 425   | 426   | 431               | 432   | 433   | 434   |
| 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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|   |             |       |               | LHAs              |       |       |       |                     |       |       |       |       |       |                   |       |       |       |
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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   |
| <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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|                                |             |      |               | LHAs              |      |      |      |                     |      |      |      |      |      |                   |      |     |      |
|                                |             |      |               | South Island HSDA |      |      |      | Central Island HSDA |      |      |      |      |      | North Island HSDA |      |     |      |
| Indicator Description          | Time Period | BC   | Island Health | 411               | 412  | 413  | 414  | 421                 | 422  | 423  | 424  | 425  | 426  | 431               | 432  | 433 | 434  |
| 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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|  |             |      |               | LHAs              |      |      |      |                     |      |      |      |      |      |                   |      |      |      |
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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  |
| 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

| LHAs  |             |      |               |                   |      |      |      |                     |      |      |      |      |       |                   |      |      |       |
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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  |

| Health Service Use Summary   |             |      |               |                   |        |        |        |                     |        |        |        |        |        |                   |        |        |        |
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| LHAs   |             |      |               |                   |        |        |        |                     |        |        |        |        |        |                   |        |        |        |
|  |             |      |               | South Island HSDA |        |        |        | Central Island HSDA |        |        |        |        |        | North Island HSDA |        |        |        |
| Indicator Description  | Time Period | BC   | Island Health | 411               | 412    | 413    | 414    | 421                 | 422    | 423    | 424    | 425    | 426    | 431               | 432    | 433    | 434    |
| 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   |

# Health Service Use Summary Cont'd

| LHAs   |             |       |               |                   |       |       |       |                     |       |       |       |       |       |                   |        |        |        |
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|  |             |       |               | South Island HSDA |       |       |       | Central Island HSDA |       |       |       |       |       | North Island HSDA |        |        |        |
| Indicator Description  | Time Period | BC    | Island Health | 411               | 412   | 413   | 414   | 421                 | 422   | 423   | 424   | 425   | 426   | 431               | 432    | 433    | 434    |
| Hospital Inpatient Care  |             |       |               |                   |       |       |       |                     |       |       |       |       |       |                   |        |        |        |
| 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