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Social determinants of health (SDOH) are the social, economic, and environmental conditions that affect everyone's health and quality of life. They are grouped into five domains: health care access and quality, education access and quality, social and community context, economic stability, and neighborhood and built environment. This report focuses on the economic stability aspect of SDOH.

Poverty and Cost of Living



Social Determinants of Health

1 in 10 Wood County residents live in poverty.

of Wood County residents were unemployed as of May 2021.

Wood county residents paid, on average, \$450 less in rent than other Ohio counties.

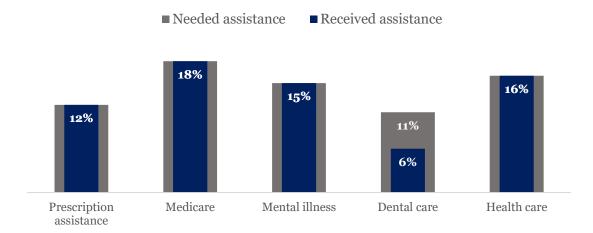


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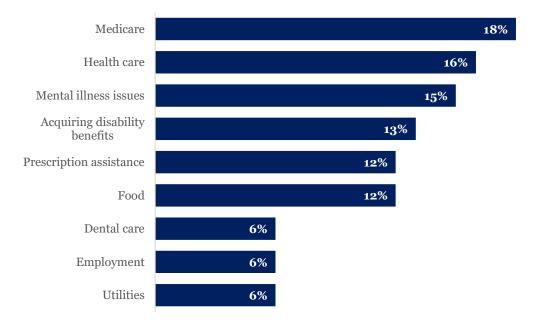
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Residents of Wood County received assistance for health care related cost for various services and materials.

Most Wood County residents received needed medical assistance except for **dental care**.

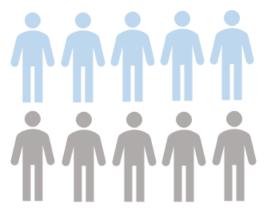


Healthcare-related assistance was utilized most often.



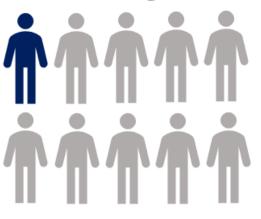
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5 out of 10 of Wood County residents reported spending 30% or less of their income on their housing cost.

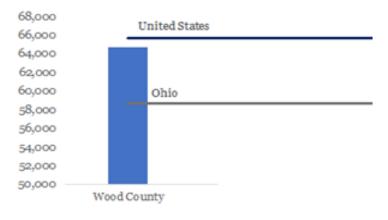


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1 out of 10 of Wood County residents reported spending 50% or more of their income on their housing cost.



Median income for residents was higher than **Ohio's median income** but lower than the **United States' median income**.



Economic Stability: Why It Matters

It is important to understand the context in which our neighbors live. Many Wood County residents required some kind of assistance, especially for healthcare-related expenditures.

Economic Stability: What Can Be Done

Strengthening community resources and access to assistance, especially mental health care, is of extreme importance. There are services available through local and state agencies that can assist people who are struggling.

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- Wood County Resources for Housing, Food, and Job Services: <u>https://www.glcap.org/programs/housing-assistance/community-resources/wood-county-community-resources/</u>
- Project Connect: <u>https://wamhelps.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Project-</u> <u>Connect-April-2021-Resource-Guide.pdf</u>
- Emergencies, Non-emergency childcare and medical transportation: <u>https://www.woodcountyjfs.com/social-services/</u>
- Wood County's No Wrong Door: <u>https://www.co.wood.oh.us/Commissioners/NoWrongDoor/</u>