



2020 Vision

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Introduction

Buffalo County Community Partners has developed a 2020 vision around five strategic directions:

1. Active Lifestyle and Healthy Eating
2. **Eliminate Health Disparities**
3. High Impact Prevention Services
4. Healthy Homes and Sustainable Communities
5. Injury Free Living

Each strategic direction has identified 2020 well-being indicators as well as measures and targets. The purpose of the data reports for each of the strategic directions is to provide baseline and indicator data directly related to each of the strategic directions to measure and review changes in the community data. Data sources are indicated within each of the tables and figures. The tables and figures may include, when available and appropriate, regional, and state data comparisons.

2020 Well Being Measures

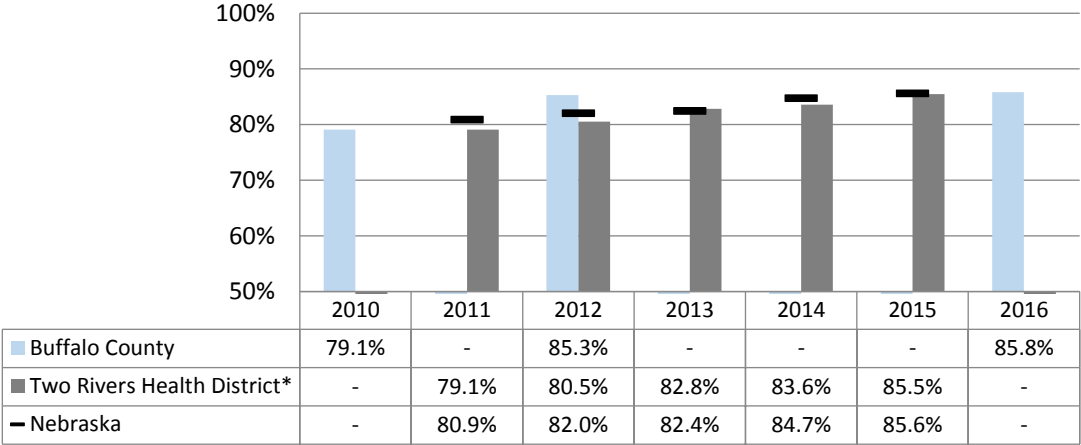
The 2020 well-being measures (and objectives) for “Eliminate Health Disparities” are listed below. This data report includes these measures.

- Increase the number of adults and children with health insurance
- Increase the number of adults reporting “healthy days”
- Decrease the number of minority residents reporting barriers to healthcare

Indicator Data

In 2015, an estimated 85.8% of adults in Buffalo County reported having health insurance. This rate is comparable to the rates for the Two Rivers Health District and the State (Figure 1).

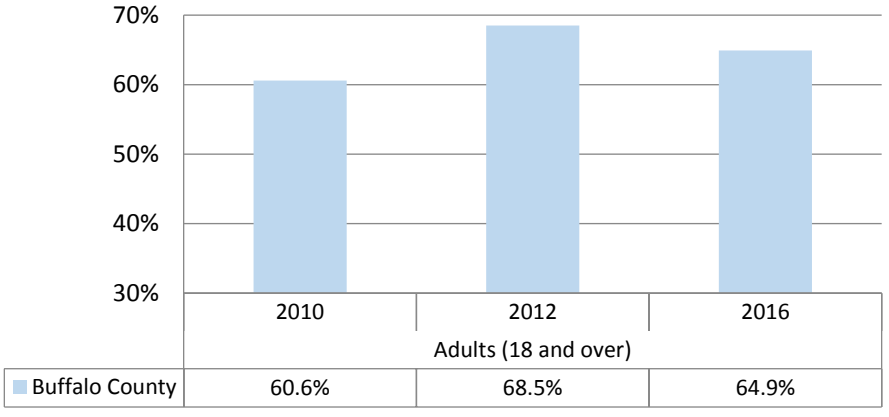
Figure 1. Percentage of Adults (18-64 years old) Who Have Health Insurance



*Includes Buffalo, Dawson, Gosper, Phelps, Kearney, Harlan, and Franklin Counties.
(Source: Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System)

In 2016, 64.9% of adults in Buffalo County reported that their physical health was good for everyday in the past month (Figure 2).

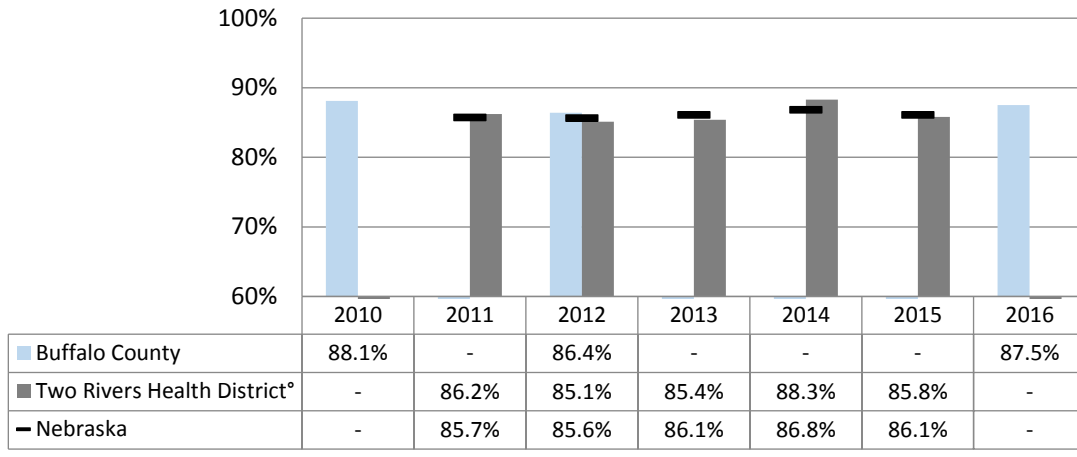
Figure 2. Percentage of Adults (18 and over) Reporting That Their Physical Health Was Good for Everyday in the Past Month



(Source: Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System)

Alternate measure to Figure 2. The percentage of Buffalo County adults describing their health as good, very good, or excellent has consistently remained above 86%, largely comparable to the Two Rivers Health District and the State (Figure 3).

Figure 3. Percentage of Adults (18 and over) Describing Their General Health as Good, Very Good, or Excellent*



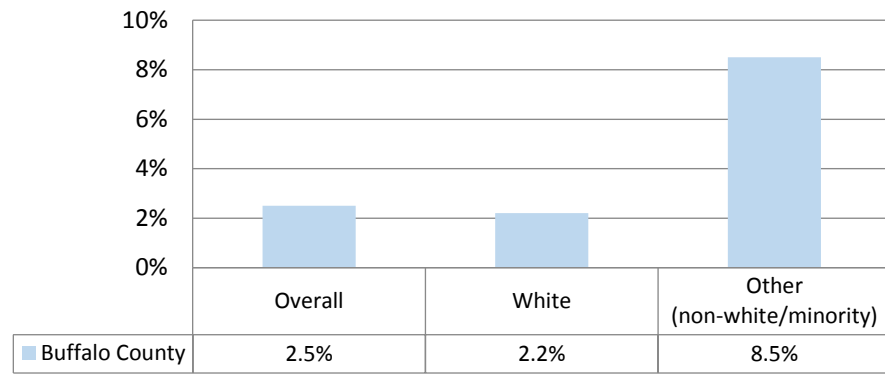
*Response options: poor, fair, good, very good, excellent

°Includes Buffalo, Dawson, Gosper, Phelps, Kearney, Harlan, and Franklin Counties.

(Source: Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System)

In the 2012 Buffalo County Behavioral Risk Factors Survey, 8.5% of minority respondents reported that they were treated worse than other races when seeking health care in the past month, whereas just 2.2% of White respondents indicated the same (Figure 4).

Figure 4. Percentage of Buffalo County Adults (18 and over) Who Felt That They Were Treated Worse than Other Races When Seeking Health Care in the Past Month (2012 only)

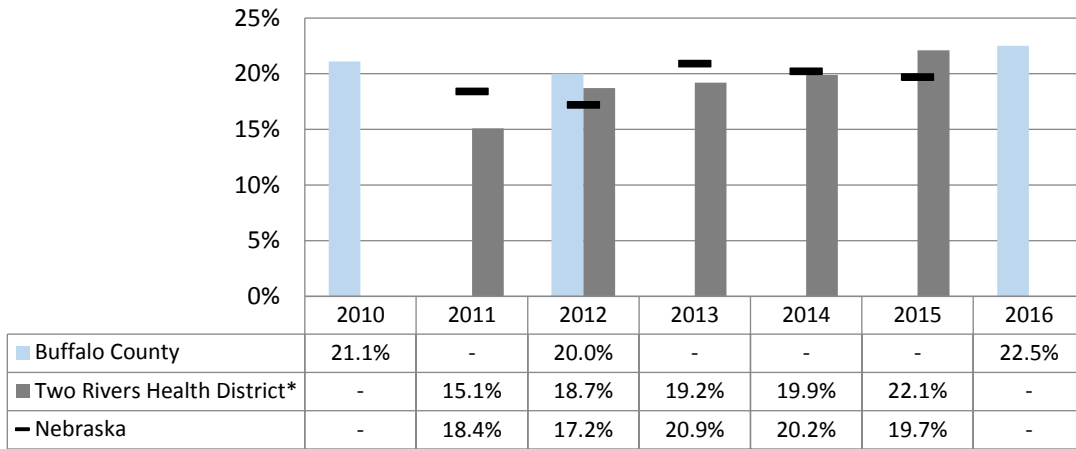


(Source: Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System)

Health Care Access Data

In 2016, one-in-five (22.5%) of adults in Buffalo County reported that they do not have a personal doctor or health care provider. This rate is comparable to the rate for the Two Rivers Health District, but slightly higher than state-level estimates (Figure 5).

Figure 5. Percentage of Adults (18 and over) without a Personal Doctor or Health Care Provider

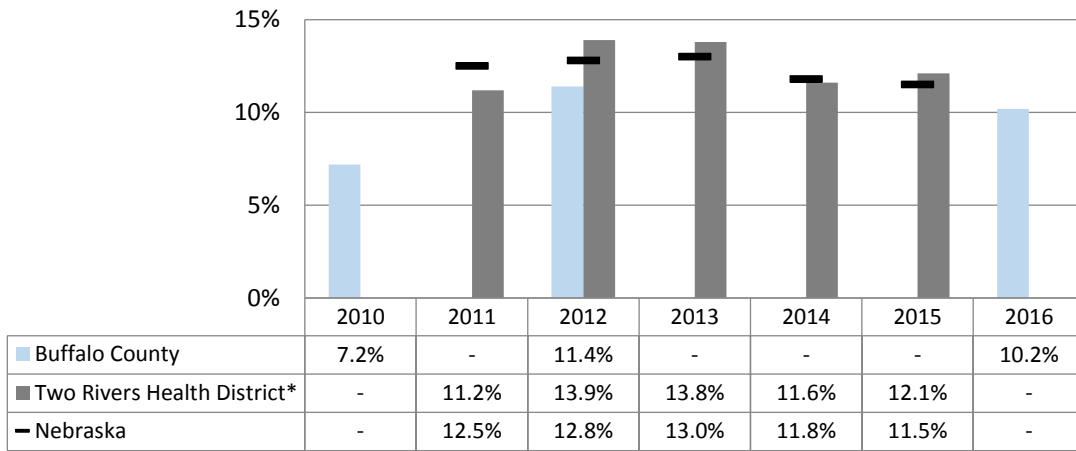


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(Source: Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System)

The percentage of adults in Buffalo County who reported that they were unable to see a doctor due to cost was 10.2% in 2016. This rate continues to remain slightly below rates for the Two Rivers Health District and the state (Figure 6).

Figure 6. Percentage of Adults (18 and over) Unable to See a Doctor Due to Cost in the Past 12 Months

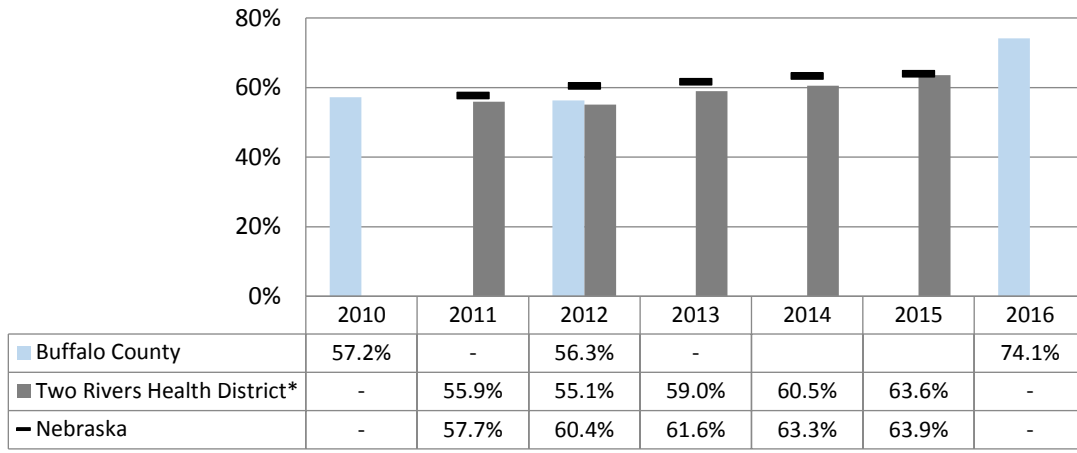


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(Source: Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System)

The percentage of Buffalo County adults who reported visiting a doctor in the past year for a routine checkup or general physical exam saw a large increase from 56.3% in 2012 to 74.1% in 2016. This 2016 rate from Buffalo County is notably higher than the rates for the Two Rivers Health District and the state (Figure 7).

Figure 7. Percentage of Adults (18 and over) Who Visited a Doctor in the Past Year for a Routine Checkup or General Physical Exam

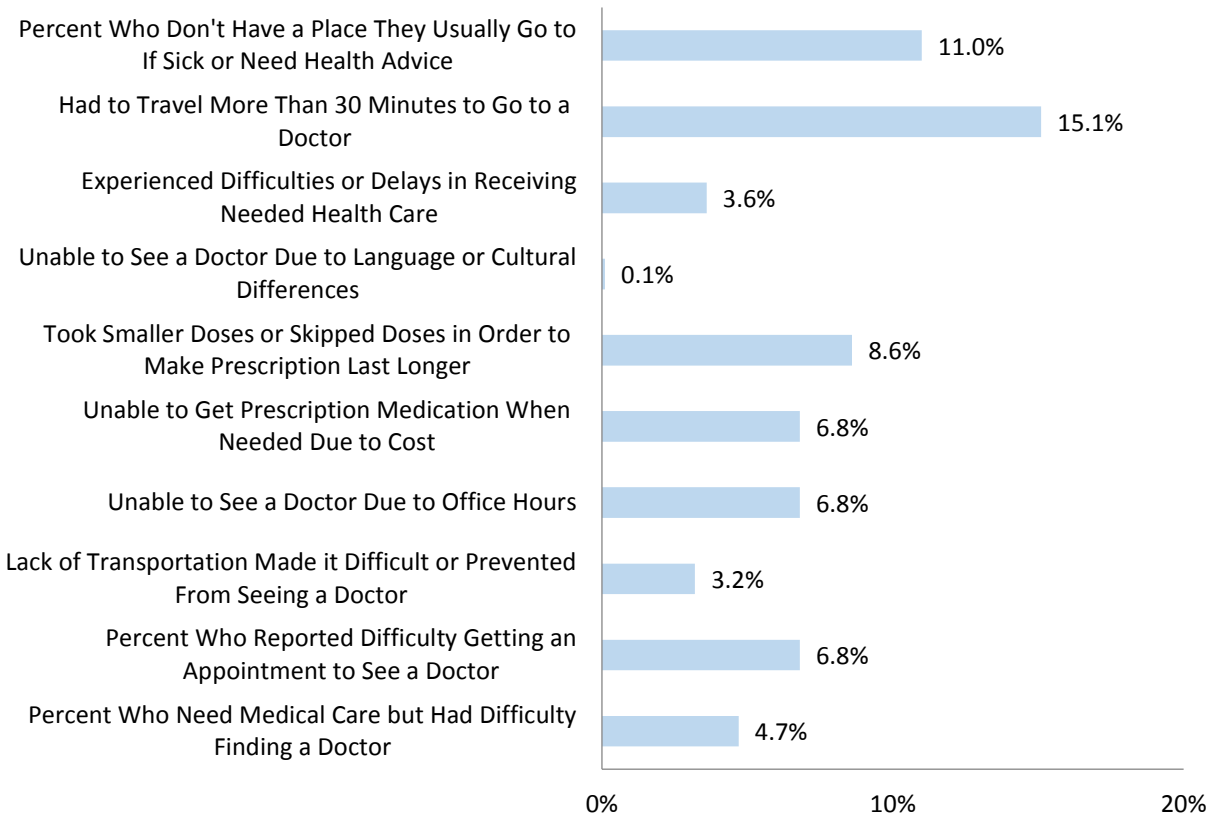


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(Source: Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System)

The largest barriers of access to health care as reported by Buffalo County residents in 2012 were individuals having to travel more than 30 minutes to go to a doctor (reported by 15.1%) and individuals who don't have a place they usually go to if sick or needing health advice (reported by 11.0%) (Figure 8).

Figure 8. Barriers to Access of Health Care Reported by Buffalo County Adults (18 and over) in the Past 12 Months (2012 only)



(Source: Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System)

The majority of Buffalo County residents reported not receiving advice from a doctor about physical activity and exercise or diet and nutrition in Buffalo County in 2012 (Figure 9).

Figure 9. Percentage of Buffalo County Adults (18 and over) Reporting Advice Given by Doctor in the Past 12 Months (2012 only)

