

North Shore | Community Health Indicators

The chart below summarizes select indicators of health and well-being. Results for the North Shore are compared to the Metro Vancouver region as well as Vancouver Coastal Health Authority.

Compared to Vancouver Coastal Health

● Better ○ Similar ● Worse ◆ Metro Vancouver Average



DOMAIN	Indicator	North Shore (%) n = 2751	Metro Vancouver (%) n = 28128	Vancouver Coastal Health (%) n = 17648	Vancouver Coastal Health Worst (%)	Summary Chart	Vancouver Coastal Health Best (%)
ECONOMIC	Household income under \$40,000	25.0	31.7	35.6	40.4		18.6
	Currently unemployed	5.3	6.4	6.6	9.5		3.2
HEALTH STATUS	General health (excellent/very good)	60.1	48.5	50.3	41.5		68.2
	Mental health (excellent/very good)	64.6	56.5	54.9	52.2		71.0
	Obesity (BMI 30+)	20.1	21.7	17.0	39.1		14.2
	Diabetes	5.2	7.7	6.6	11.8		3.9
	High blood pressure	18.1	17.9	16.4	30.8		8.1
	Heart disease	3.9	4.7	4.1	12.0		3.1
	Chronic breathing condition	7.0	7.2	7.3	10.2		4.0
	Arthritis	14.4	13.1	12.4	21.6		11.6
	Mood or anxiety disorder	14.8	16.3	16.4	19.9		11.3
	Multiple chronic conditions ¹	6.7	7.9	6.8	13.7		5.8
	Cancer (lung, breast, prostate or colorectal)	4.6	2.9	2.9	7.8		2.4
	LIFESTYLE	Binge drinking (1+ times/month) ²	23.1	20.7	23.4	48.3	
Smoker (daily/occasional)		8.4	10.6	10.6	13.0		6.2
Physical activity (150+ minutes/week)		53.9	44.1	46.4	37.5		68.9
5+ servings of fruits and vegetables (/day)		29.9	24.9	27.2	20.9		37.1
Stress (extremely/quite stressed)		17.1	17.8	16.4	18.0		7.4
Screen time (2+ hours/day)		46.1	47.8	48.8	57.7		38.1
High physical wellness score (10-16) ³		43.6	37.7	40.9	29.3		55.9
PRIMARY CARE ACCESS	Family doctor access	86.6	83.1	81.0	76.9		93.2
	Visited health care professional (past 12 months)	84.5	80.4	81.5	76.0		87.9
	Visited physician with appointment	76.8	75.0	73.6	69.6		85.8
	Visited walk-in clinic without appointment	16.3	16.5	16.6	20.5		5.3
BUILT ENVIRONMENT	Commute - car	62.0	55.1	45.2	86.9		32.7
	Commute - public transit	23.0	28.2	31.8	4.1		38.9
	Commute - walk or cycle	11.5	13.7	20.2	8.2		25.7
	Commute time (one way 30+ minutes)	51.9	56.0	50.5	56.0		9.5
	Primary mode to run errands - walk or cycle	16.0	19.8	28.1	8.1		38.1
	Second hand smoke exposure (public places)	18.4	26.6	27.6	32.1		8.9
	Sidewalks well maintained (strongly/somewhat agree)	71.8	75.5	75.8	4.9		79.8
	Amenities within walking/cycling distance (strongly/somewhat agree)	68.5	69.5	74.9	32.9		87.4
COMMUNITY RESILIENCY	Transit stop (less than 5 minute walk)	87.3	84.0	88.0	68.7		93.4
	Emergency supplies (3+ days)	31.9	26.7	27.0	17.3		44.4
	Food insecure (sometimes/often)	5.1	7.0	7.3	8.5		2.3
	Community belonging (strong/somewhat strong)	67.9	55.9	57.8	53.8		82.3
	4+ people to confide in/turn to for help	49.4	45.0	48.1	41.4		55.9

¹ Reported diagnosis of two or more of the following: Diabetes, heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure or chronic breathing conditions.

² Five or more drinks on one occasion for males and 4 or more drinks on one occasion for females.

³ Lifestyles characterised by eating 5+ servings of fruits or vegetables a day, 30+ minutes of walking a day, 150+ minutes of moderate or vigorous physical activity a week, and not smoking. Wellness scores ranged from 0 -16.

