Asthma

Children under age 5 made up 29.4% of the asthma inpatient visits and 8.9% of the outpatient visits.

75% of the inpatient visits and 50.1% of the outpatient visits for asthma of all ages were initially seen in the emergency room.

Access to Healthcare: Community Health Survey

- **Mental Healthcare**: 6.6% of people reported they struggle with mental health issues and are not receiving help.
- **Uninsured**: 3/4 of the people that reported they were uninsured were Black/African American.
- **Costs**: Between 20.4% - 26.9% of people reported they can not access mental service, insurance, and healthcare due to income.
- **Childcare**: 19.7% of people reported they do not have access to childcare due to income.

Low Birthweight

7.7% of births in Black Hawk County were low birthweight births in 2018.

Low birthweight rates were different between races:
- White = 325/100,000
- Black/African American = 1,534/100,000

Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI)

Iowa was ranked comparatively low in STI rates as compared to other U.S. states with a rate of 467/100,000.

Black Hawk County was ranked one of the highest amongst U.S. counties.

In 2018, Black Hawk County had a rate of 757/100,000 (Iowa = 467/100,000) for chlamydia and 310/100,000 (Iowa = 154/100,000) for gonorrhea.

Source

Iowa Department of Public Health

Community Health Survey

Center for Disease Control and Prevention