

DEKALB COUNTY PRIORITIZATION TABLE

Priority Issue	BRFS	Comm. Quest.	Health Indicator Trends (Secondary Data)
Teen Pregnancy	(2)	(1)	The rate of teenage pregnancies has steadily increased since 87-89, with the rate for 94-96 being above the region and below the state. The rate for teenage pregnancies (ages 10-14) has been extremely unstable over the past 10 years. The rate for 94-96 is above the region, but below the state. In ages 15-17, the pregnancy rate has steadily increased since 87-89 with the rate for 94-96 being well above the region and the state. In ages 18-19, the pregnancy rate increased from 85-87 through 89-91. The rate then declined from that time until 92-94, but has since increased slightly with the 94-96 rate being above the region, but below the state.
Teen Alcohol/Drug Abuse	(3/4) Addressed Total Population	(2)	Deaths from suicide in ages 15-24 has dramatically increased from 90-92. The rate for 94-96 is well above both the state and the region.
Adult Alcohol Abuse	(4)	(3)	The suicide mortality rate in ages 25-44 has dramatically increased since 87-89. The rate for 94-96 is well above both the state and the region. Death rates from chronic liver disease and cirrhosis in ages 25-44 increased from 87-89 through 89-91 and remained high until 92-94. The rates since that time have decreased although the rate for 94-96 remains above both the state and the region. In ages 45-64, mortality rates from chronic liver disease and cirrhosis have dramatically increased since 89-91, with the rate for 94-96 being above the state and the region. Suicide rates for ages 45-64 have dramatically increased since 88-90, with the 94-96 rate being well above both the state and the region.
Tobacco Use/Smoking/ Smokeless Tobacco	(1)	(4) (6)	Rates for malignant neoplasms in ages 25-44 have steadily increased since 86-88, with the rate for 94-96 being well above both the state and the region. In ages 45-64, the rate has shown a decline over the past 10 years. The rate for 94-96 is below the state and the region. For ages 65+, mortality rates for malignant neoplasms have increased slightly over the past 10 years, with the rate for 94-96 being above the region and almost equal to the state. Lung cancer incidence rate for 1995 was 77.0, with the state's rate being 64.2. There were 16 reported cases for 1995.
Adult Drug Abuse	(3)	(4)	
High Blood Pressure	(9)	(6) Stress Ranked 5 th	The 10-year trend of mortality rates for cerebrovascular disease in ages 25-44 has been extremely unstable. The rates were stable from 85-87 through 89-91 at which time the rate dropped and no deaths were reported in 90-92. Since that time, the rates have increased to above both the region and the state for 94-96. Rates for ages 45-64 have shown a steady increase since 87-89, with the 94-96 rate being well above the state and the region. For ages 65+, the mortality rates have shown an increase since 88-90 with the rate for 94-96 being above the state and the region.