

## I. HISTORY

The Franklin County Health Council was established in 1992 to address the health needs of Franklin County residents and oversee the health status of Franklin County. The council is made up of local health care professionals, elected officials, social service workers and other local citizens. Since 1992, the council has orchestrated various activities to address health needs including forums for TennCare issues, free health screenings, free dental and eye clinics and other special projects for the population of Franklin County. Begun in May of 1998, the Community Diagnosis Process has offered the council a systematic approach to identifying health issues in a manner that is sensible, effective, and assures long-term improvement.

## II. MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Franklin County Health Council is to assure that quality health care is accessible, available, and affordable to fellow residents.

## III. SELECTED DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

**Total Number of Households: 9,185**

	Franklin County	Southeast Region	State
Percent of households that are family households	78.1	77.1	72.7
Percent of households that are headed by a female with non husband present	9.0	10.3	12.6
Percent of households that are families headed by a female with no husband present and with children under 18 years	4.3	5.3	6.9
Percent of households with the householder 65 and up	25.9	22.7	21.8

### EDUCATION

	Franklin County	Southeast Region	State
Number of persons age 25 and older	22,461	163,220	3,139,066
Percent of persons 25 and up that are high school graduates or higher	63.5	58.0	67.1
Percent of persons 25 and up with a bachelor's degree or higher	13.1	9.7	16.0