

Where to Find More Data

There is still more Contra Costa data available online.

Visit Contra Costa Health Services' website

http://www.cchealth.org/health_data/

Find countywide and neighborhood level data including communicable diseases, chronic diseases, injuries, and maternal and child health topics. Call Contra Costa Health Services' Community Health Assessment, Planning, and Evaluation (CHAPE) Group at (925) 313-6171 for further assistance.

How do we compare to other California counties?

<http://www.dhs.ca.gov/hisp/chs/OHIR/reports/healthstatusprofiles/default.htm>

The California Department of Health Services' County Health Status Report presents yearly public health data that can be directly compared with national benchmarks and rates among all other California counties.

Visit the U.S. Census American Fact Finder website for 2000-2006 population, housing, economic, and geographic data. (<http://factfinder.census.gov>)

Population Data

http://www.dof.ca.gov/html/Demograp/DRU_datafiles/DRU_datafiles.htm

California Department of Finance provides current age, sex, and race data for California counties. Their site provides official population projections for all of Contra Costa's cities and unincorporated areas for the years 2000 to 2050.

Local Births & Deaths

<http://www.dhs.ca.gov/hisp/chs/OHIR/reports>

The California Department of Health Services' website provides many downloadable data files, including birth and death data by zip code. The website also features an interactive query system - producing customized data tables and statistical reports for individual counties or California as a whole. Found at, <http://www.applications.dhs.ca.gov/vsq>

Injuries

<http://www.applications.dhs.ca.gov/epicdata/default.htm>

The EPICenter allows users to calculate local fatal and nonfatal injury totals and rates by providing current California injury data online.

Risks, Behaviors & Health

<http://www.cdc.gov/brfss/about.htm>

The Centers for Disease Control's Behavioral Risk Factor Survey (BRFSS) is the primary source of information on health-related behaviors of Americans. Data is collected state-by-state through telephone interviews. Questions are related to chronic diseases, injuries, and infectious diseases.

<http://www.chis.ucla.edu>

The 2005 California Health Interview Survey (CHIS) contains data on public health topics including information on health insurance coverage and access to care. This information was collected through phone interviews and the survey sample was designed so that results could be generated for most California counties.

Schools, Children & Learning

<http://data1.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/dataquest.asp>

The Department of Education's Data Quest website contains data at the individual school level, and includes information on local test scores, English Learners, and eligibility for free or reduced breakfast/lunch programs.

Scientific Research Articles

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PubMed>

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