

Core Public Health Services Activity Summary

This is a snapshot of core service activity as reported by local health departments from Jan. 1, 2024 - Jun. 30, 2025

PORTER COUNTY

Population: 175,335

Total Number of Preventative Services Provided: 54,173

Access and Linkage to Clinical Care

Total Number of Services Provided: 8,064

Screening and Referrals (265)		265
Number of people screened for high blood pressure through local health department or partners		51
Number of people identified with undiagnosed high blood pressure through local health department or partners		10
Number of people screened with a hemoglobin A1c through local health department or partners		49
Number of people identified with elevated hemoglobin A1c		4
Number of people screened for diabetes risk factors through local health department or partners		54
Number of people referred to or enrolled in a diabetes prevention program		10
Number of people referred to or enrolled in a diabetes self-management education support program		6
Number of people screened for BMI		37
Number of people referred to a weight treatment or obesity prevention program		17
Number of people identified as having a BMI over 30		17
Number of people referred to a food assistance program		10
Programming (134)		134
Number of adults participating in nutrition and physical activity education programming		67
Number of seniors participating in nutrition and physical activity education programming		66
Number of cancer risk reduction and prevention programs provided by the LHD		1
Number of pediatric referrals for clinical care: (5)		5
Substance Use Disorder		1
Mental Health Services		2
General		2
Number of adults referrals for clinical care: (67)		67
Diabetes		1
HIV		5
Hepatitis		7
Syphilis		7
Chlamydia		6
Gonorrhea		6
Substance Use Disorder		4
Mental Health Services		11
General		9
Number of individuals referred to insurance navigation or Medicaid/Medicare		11
Other (7,593)		7,593
Other Services Provided:		
- Transportation provided to medical appointments (distributed bikes, provided referrals, scheduled ride service, etc.)		7,593
- Various referrals provided (medical assistance, vision services, food pantry, dental, etc.)		
Child and Adult Immunizations		
Total Number of Services Provided: 4,968		
Number of children who received immunizations at the local health department or a contractor/partner of the LHD		2,515
Number of individuals connected with insurance navigation services		94
Number of adults who received immunizations at the LHD or a contractor/partner of the LHD		2,301
Number of vaccination clinics held off-site of primary LHD location		57
Other (1)		1
Other Services Provided:		
- Social media advertisements for immunizations and Smart Start		1
Childhood Lead Screening and Case Management		
Total Number of Services Provided: 554		
Testing (159)		159
Number of children tested for blood lead level		92
Number of children identified with an elevated blood lead level (EBLL) above 3.5 µg/dL		34
Number of children identified with an EBLL for whom case management was started		22
Number of children with an EBLL who were referred to developmental resource services (Head Start, etc.)		11
Home Services (7)		7
Number of homes of children with EBLLs at which the LHD was able to conduct a risk assessment		5
Number of children identified with an EBLL whose homes had an identified lead hazard		2
Education (286)		286
Number of families provided lead education		278
Number of health care providers or early childhood providers given lead testing/lead reduction education		8
Other (102)		102
Other Services Provided:		
- Blood lead tests performed		102
- Off-site testing for children		

Chronic Disease Prevention and Reduction	
Total Number of Services Provided: 1,719	
Screening and Referrals (996)	996
Number of people screened for high blood pressure through local health department or partners	374
Number of people identified with undiagnosed high blood pressure through local health department or partners	88
Number of people screened with a hemoglobin A1c through local health department or partners	120
Number of people identified with elevated hemoglobin A1c	29
Number of people screened for diabetes risk factors through local health department or partners	110
Number of people referred to or enrolled in a diabetes prevention program	76
Number of people referred to or enrolled in a diabetes self-management education support program	25
Number of people screened for BMI	99
Number of people referred to a weight treatment or obesity prevention program	39
Number of people identified as having a BMI over 30	36
Programming (498)	498
Number of adults participating in nutrition and physical activity education programming	292
Number of seniors participating in nutrition and physical activity education programming	202
Number of cancer risk reduction and prevention programs provided by the LHD	4
Other (225)	225
Other Services Provided: - Referral to medication assistance program - Medication assistance - Rock Steady Boxing classes offered in partnership with Portage YMCA - Various social media advertising (lung cancer, diabetes, breast cancer, prostate cancer, etc.)	225
Emergency Preparedness	
Total Number of Services Provided: 98	
Number of individuals that received medical countermeasure (vaccine, test, service) during public health related outbreak or emergency	8
Number of emergency preparedness drills/exercises conducted between LHD and other preparedness partners	31
Other (59)	59
Other Services Provided: - Various meetings/trainings attended (communications drill, bombing response training, pipeline safety training, etc.)	59
Fatality Review (Child, Infant, Fetal, Suicide, Overdose)	
Total Number of Services Provided: 2,480	
Equipment/Resources (565)	565
Number of people provided with infant safe sleep education, including families and professionals	255
Number of infant sleep sacks provided to families	265
Number of portable cribs provided to families	3
Number of firearm locks provided to families	42
Education (1,314)	1,314
Number of people trained in an evidence-based suicide prevention training (QPR, ASIST, MHFA, etc.)	12
Number of people educated about 988 and crisis resources	1,302
Referrals/Screenings (10)	10
Number of Handle with Care (HWC) referrals (if HWC present in county)	10
Community Support (10)	10
Number of schools in county with evidence-based anti-bullying programs and groups that support student mental health (e.g., Bring Change to Mind)	10
Other (581)	581
Other Services Provided: - PCHD Summer Kickoff to Health & Wellness Fair	581
Infectious Disease Prevention and Control	
Total Number of Services Provided: 2,791	
Disease Prevention and Control (23)	23
Number of outbreaks (or suspected outbreaks) that were investigated	17
Number of outbreaks (or suspected outbreaks) in which the pathogen responsible for the outbreak was identified if known	5
Number of vaccinations given due to disease investigation interviews (e.g., HAV, HBV)	1
Testing (1,643)	1,643
Number of people provided HIV testing	358
Number of people provided Hepatitis C testing	278
Number of people provided Syphilis testing	337
Number of people provided Chlamydia testing	335
Number of people provided Gonorrhea testing	335
Referrals and Treatment (161)	161
Number of referrals to counseling and/or care for HIV	8
Number of referrals to counseling and/or care for Hepatitis	11
Number of referrals to counseling and/or care for Syphilis	23
Number of referrals to counseling and/or care for Chlamydia	32
Number of referrals to counseling and/or care for Gonorrhea	15
Number of individuals treated for HCV/HIV/STI (not including Syphilis)	38
Number of individuals treated for Syphilis	34
Community Outreach (369)	369
Number of people educated on HIV/HCV/STI	369
Other (595)	595

Other Services Provided: - Communicable disease screenings/follow-up - HIV/STI testing, treatment, & education - Animal bite investigations & referrals	595
Maternal and Child Health	
Total Number of Services Provided: 3,847	
Prenatal Services (up to time of delivery) (35)	35
Number of pregnancy tests provided	9
Number of women referred to prenatal care	2
Number of women provided prenatal services - Syphilis testing	8
Number of women provided prenatal services - HIV testing	8
Number of women provided prenatal services - Hepatitis C testing	8
Postpartum Services (following delivery) (4)	4
Number of people provided with parenting classes/education	2
Number of families referred to childcare assistance (such as CCDF program)	2
Health and Safety Services (1,318)	1,318
Number of people receiving child car safety seats	26
Number of child car safety seats provided	29
Number of car safety seat inspections provided	71
Number of people provided safe sleep education	161
Number of people receiving sleep sacks	233
Number of cribs provided by LHD or partner	1
Number of period products distributed	797
Community Assistance (25)	25
Number of referrals to housing supports or resources	1
Number of families screened or referred to developmental services, such as First Steps	1
Number of families receiving home visiting services, such as a home visiting program	1
Number of families referred to home visiting services, such as a home visiting program	1
Number of families referred to an insurance navigator or Medicaid	21
Contraception/STIs (398)	398
Number of people provided contraceptive education	177
Number of women tested for STIs/HIV	178
Number of women referred for STI/HIV treatment	31
Number of women treated for STIs/HIV	12
Food and Nutrition (60)	60
Number of women referred to WIC	27
Number of families referred or connected to local food pantries	33
Other (2,007)	2,007
Other Services Provided: - Various supplies provided through LHD office & local food pantries (diapers, wipes, etc.)	2,007
Student Health/School Health Liaison	
Total Number of Services Provided: 14,063	
Screenings (172)	172
Number of children receiving vision screening through support of liaison	34
Number of children receiving hearing screening through support of liaison	106
Number of children receiving oral health screening through support of liaison	32
Education (3,822)	3,822
Number of schools requesting support with mental health education, resources through school liaison	64
Number of students receiving tobacco and vaping cessation education through LHD/school liaison	3,748
Number of schools in county with supported evidence-based anti-bullying programs and groups that support student mental health (e.g., Bring Change to Mind)	10
Number of schools partnering with school liaisons to provide health promotion and education for: (21)	21
Trauma and Injury Prevention	12
Child Safety Topics - Car Seat Safety	4
Child Safety Topics - Water Safety	5
Number of schools receiving emergency preparedness education (staff and students): (409)	409
Stop the Bleed	1
Overdose/naloxone	408
Equipment / Supplies (10)	10
Number of Stop the Bleed kits distributed through school liaisons	6
Number of schools who received other public health-related equipment from their LHD (such as vision screeners, etc.)	4
LHD Support (1,305)	1,305
Number of schools stocking emergency medications through LHD/school liaison - Albuterol	78
Number of schools stocking emergency medications through LHD/school liaison - Epinephrine	13
Number of schools stocking emergency medications through LHD/school liaison - Naloxone	689
Number of immunizations given at LHD/Liaison clinics for students/staff	525
Number of student support initiatives provided by school (or county) with support of LHD/school liaison: (5,196)	5,196
Hygiene Supplies	19
Feminine Hygiene Supplies	15
Weekend Food Bags	5,162
Other (3,128)	3,128

Other Services Provided: - Backpack snack program - Performed heart screenings & physicals - Dental training - Provided lice supplies	3,128
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Trauma and Injury Prevention and Education

Total Number of Services Provided: 3,620

Training/Education (1,166)	1,166
Number of people receiving Stop the Bleed training	26
Number of people receiving CPR training	307
Number of people educated or trained on water safety (including swim lessons)	68
Number of people educated about brain injury risks and safety practices	4
Number of people educated in fall prevention and home remedied for fall risks	33
Number of people educated and/or trained on substance use prevention	167
Number of people educated and/or trained on mental health and suicide prevention	258
Number of seniors participating in activities related to fall prevention	303
Equipment (791)	791
Number of child car seats distributed	29
Number of bicycle helmets distributed	110
Number of firearm locks provided to families	51
Number of people provided with infant safe sleep education, including families and professionals	276
Number of infant sleep sacks provided to families	323
Number of portable cribs provided to families	2
Referrals (65)	65
Number of people referred/linked to substance use/mental health treatment	65
Other (1,598)	1,598
Other Services Provided: - First responder mental health training - Safe medication disposal - Distributed harm reduction kits - Various referrals provided (housing assistance and repair, employment, senior assistance, food pantries, clothing, etc.) - Seasonal Affective Disorder & Impaired Driving Prevention education	1,598

Tuberculosis (TB) Prevention and Case Management

Total Number of Services Provided: 1,943

Number of people provided TB testing (IGRA or TST)	896
Number of people provided treatment for latent TB infection (LTBI)	44
Number of people provided treatment for TB disease	3
Number of people provided Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) services	3
Number of people educated on TB	901
Number of people with a Class B1 TB designation served	10
Number of referrals to wraparound services	6
Other (80)	80
Other Services Provided: - Social media education on TB	80

Vital Records

Total Number of Services Provided: 10,026

Certificates (10,012)	10,012
Number of birth certificates issued by the LHD within jurisdiction	2,974
Number of death certificates issued by the LHD within jurisdiction	7,038
Number of other vital record services performed (14)	14
Genealogy - (Number of people's records researched)	2
Paternity - (All Types)	10
Court Ordered Change	2

Notes:

- This report contains data pertaining to preventative core services as reported by local health departments in the activity tracker from 1/1/2024-6/30/2025.
- Vital Records only reflects services provided from 1/1/2025-6/30/2025.
- Calculations focused on number of services provided summing the subfields when data was available; when unavailable, the number of unique individuals served was used.
- Changes to these data and/or associated collection methods may affect the comparability of counts to previous or future reports.
- Reported counts may also contain duplications of unique individuals and activities.
- Population data are based on the 2023 U.S. Bureau of Census estimate population counts for Indiana and its county populations.

Data is current as of 7/1/2025