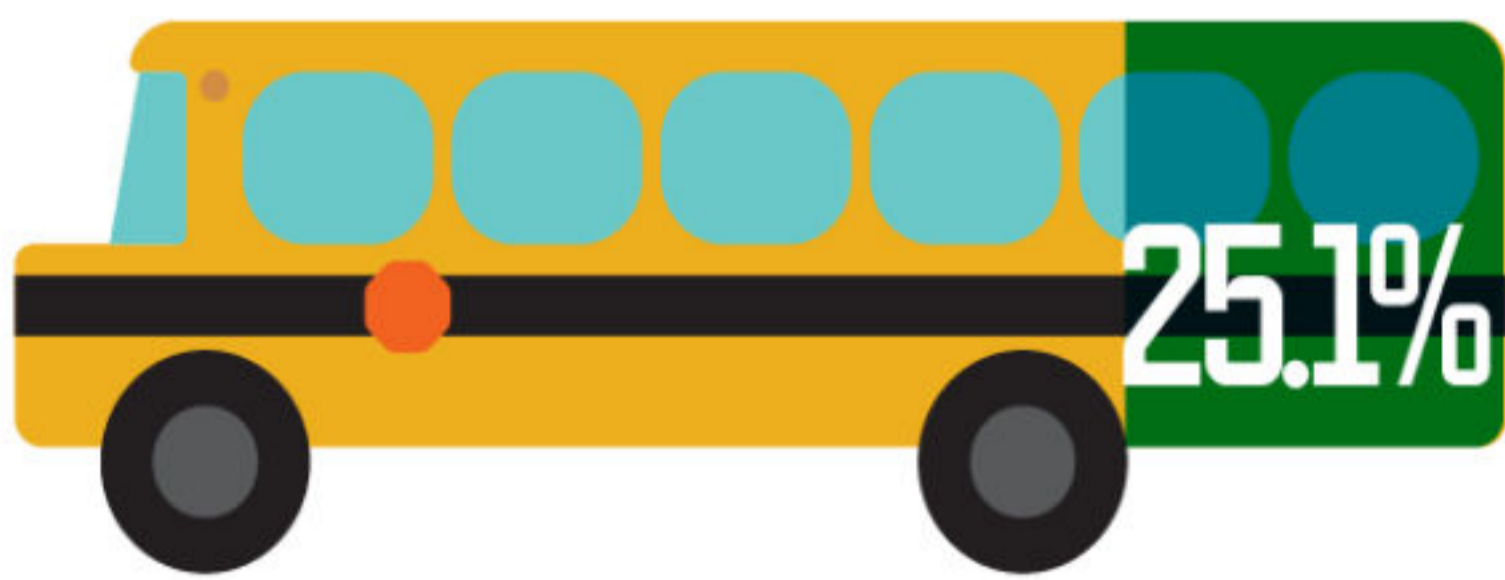# Child and Adolescent Oral Health in Florida

Florida HEALTH

Oral Health Status

Tooth decay is the most prevalent chronic disease among children and adolescents.

25.1%

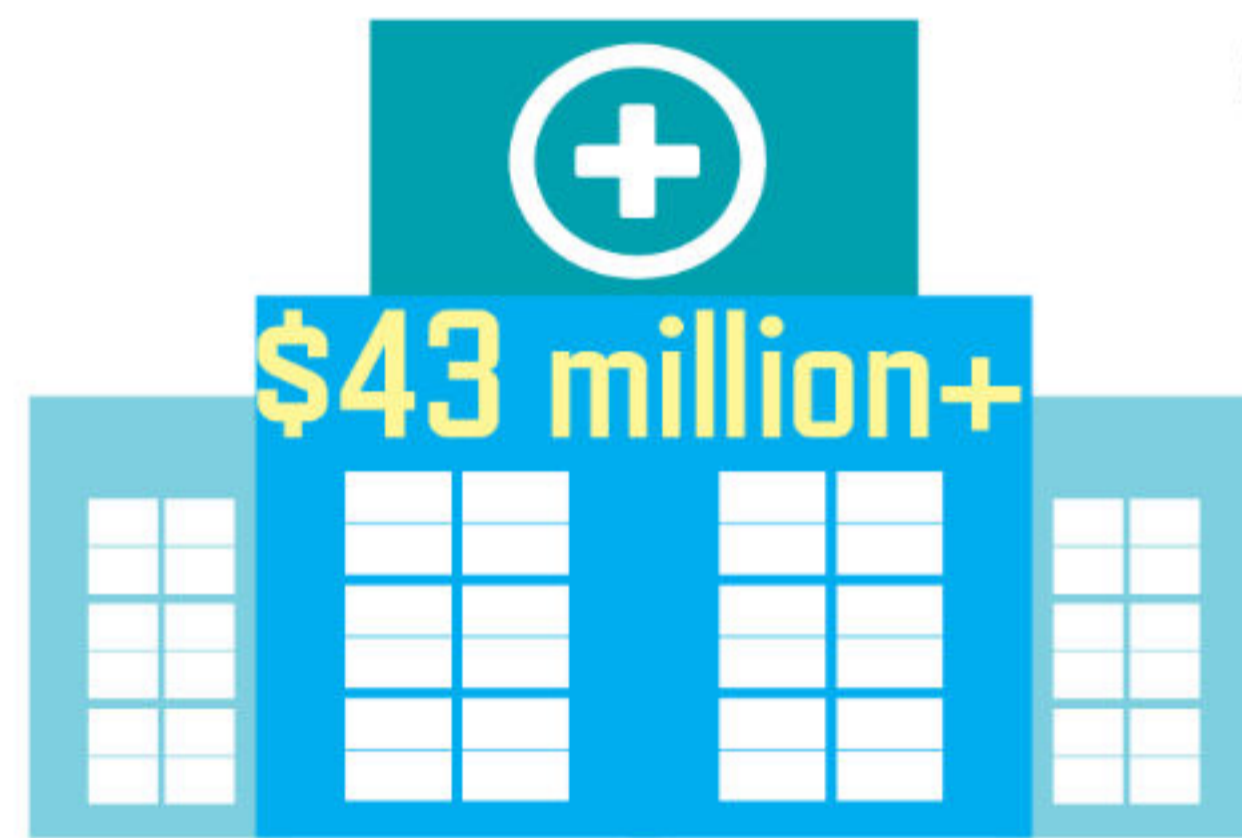About 25.1% of Florida third graders have untreated tooth decay.

Source: Third Grade BSS Survey, 2016-2017

1 in 5
Florida Head Start children have untreated tooth decay.

Source: Head Start BSS Survey, 2017-2018

$43 million+

There were 21,241 dental-related emergency room visits by children ages 0-20 costing more than $43 million in 2018.

Source: Florida AHCA Emergency Department Database, 2018

Preventive Services

Dental sealants can prevent up to 80% of cavities and protect teeth for several years.

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DOH School-Based Sealant Programs

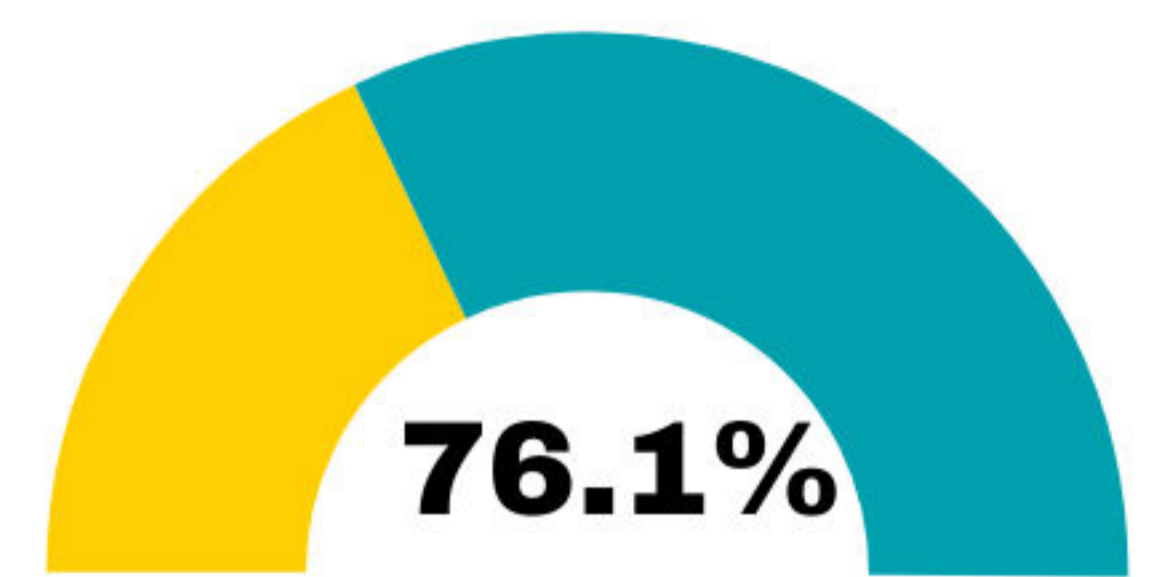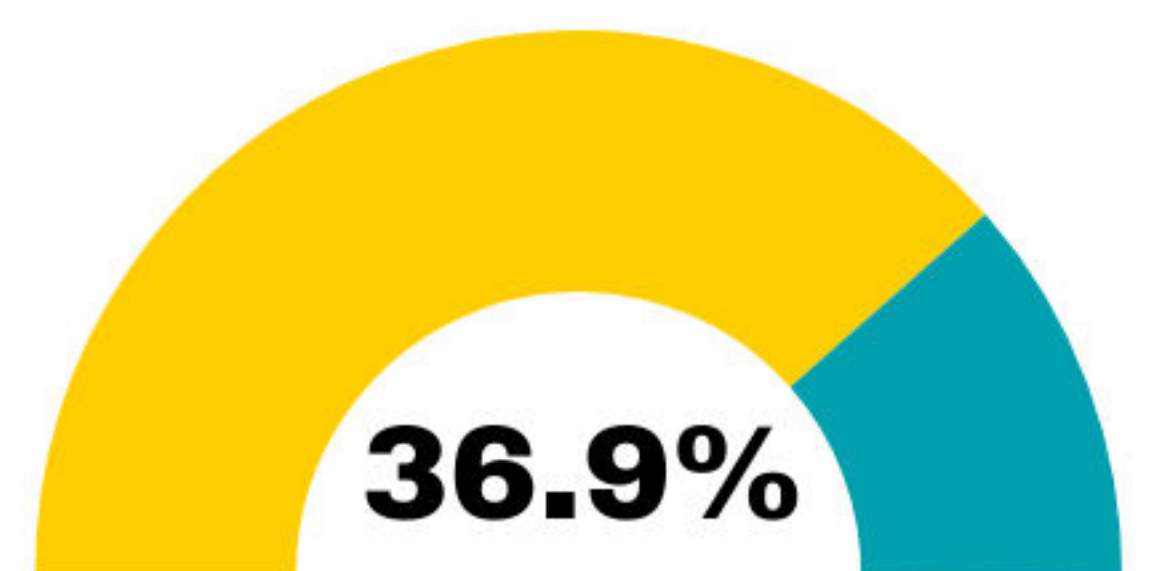| 117,703 children served | 621,480 services provided |

Source: FLOSS S-BSP Data, 2017-2018

40.5%
of Florida's third grade children received dental sealants in 2016-2017.

Source: Third Grade BSS Survey, 2016-2017

76.1%
of Florida's children, ages 1-17, had a preventive dental visit in the previous year.

36.9%
of Florida's Medicaid children, ages 1-20, received preventive dental services.

Source: National Survey of Children Health, 2017-2018
Source: Annual EPSDT Report CMS-416, 2018