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# 2004 Health Survey Results

## EC HealthNet

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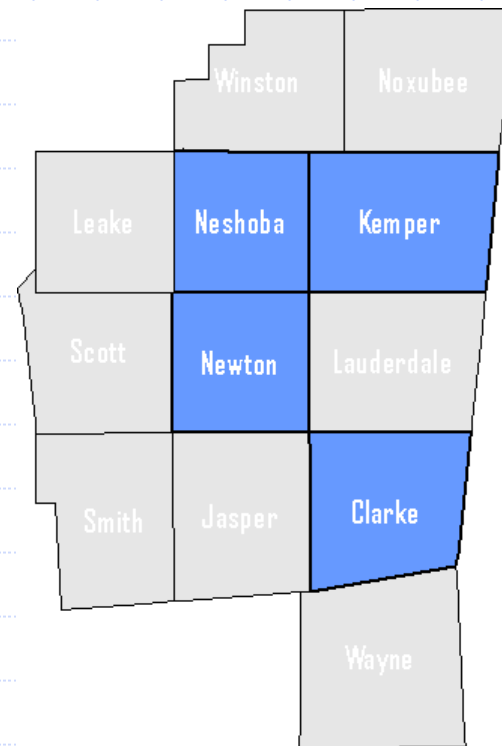
*Decatur, Mississippi*

# 2004 Health Survey

- ◆ Clarke, Kemper, Neshoba, Newton
- ◆ Household Survey (p.m.)
- ◆ March, April
- ◆ ~ 400 households
- ◆ Demographic, Economic, Behavioral

# 1,650 Households

- ◆ Clarke
  - 407
- ◆ Kemper
  - 408
- ◆ Neshoba
  - 432
- ◆ Newton
  - 403

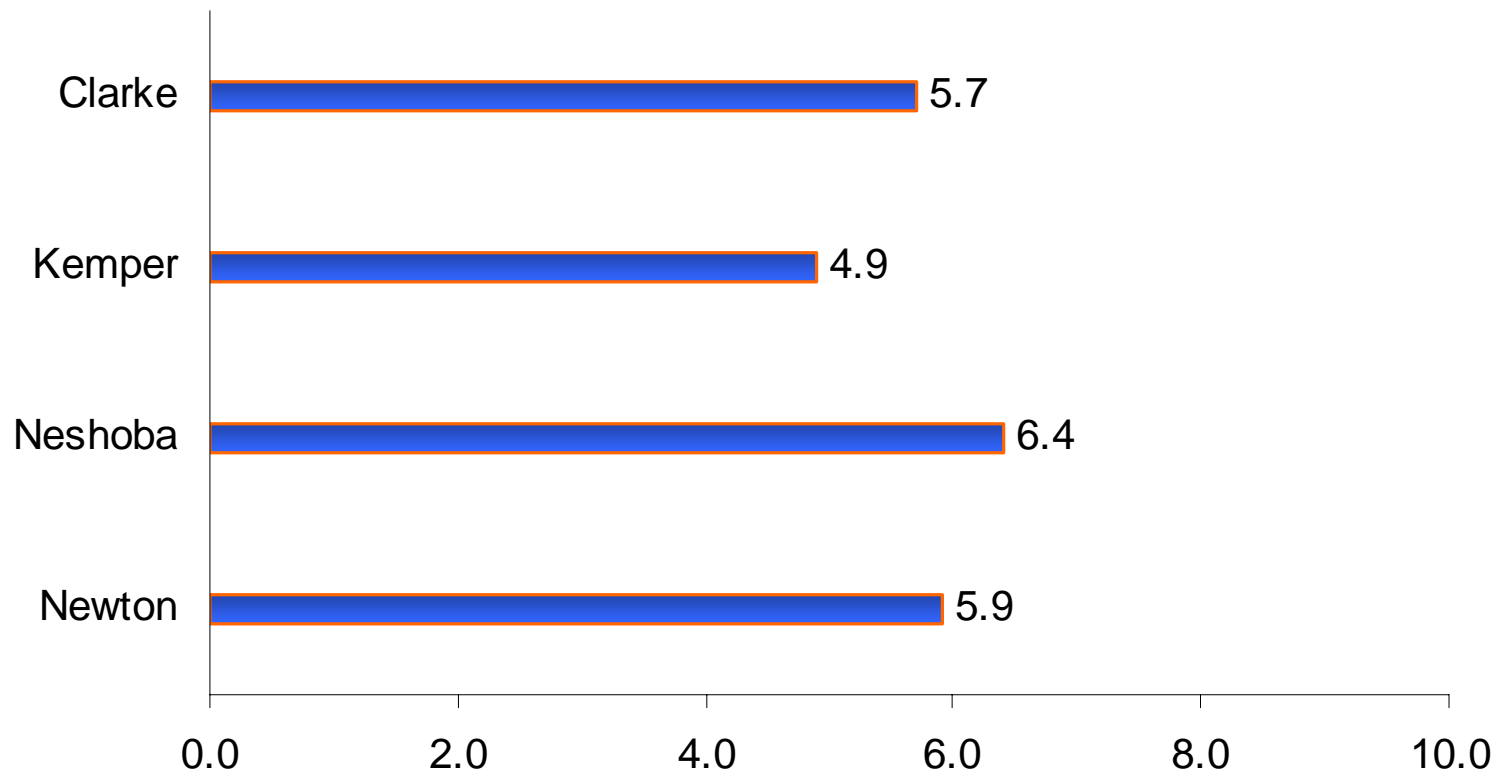


# Households by Race

	<b>White</b>	<b>Black</b>	<b>Native</b>
<b>Clarke</b>	68%	31%	*
<b>Kemper</b>	52%	46%	*
<b>Neshoba</b>	76%	18%	6%
<b>Newton</b>	73%	24%	*

	<b>Unemployment</b>	<b>Unable</b>	<b>Over 65</b>	<b>Retired</b>
<b>Clarke</b>	5%	11%	25%	27%
<b>Kemper</b>	4%	9%	23%	22%
<b>Neshoba</b>	3%	10%	22%	23%
<b>Newton</b>	5%	11%	25%	26%

Overall, on a scale of one to ten, with ten being best, how would you rate health care in the county where you live?

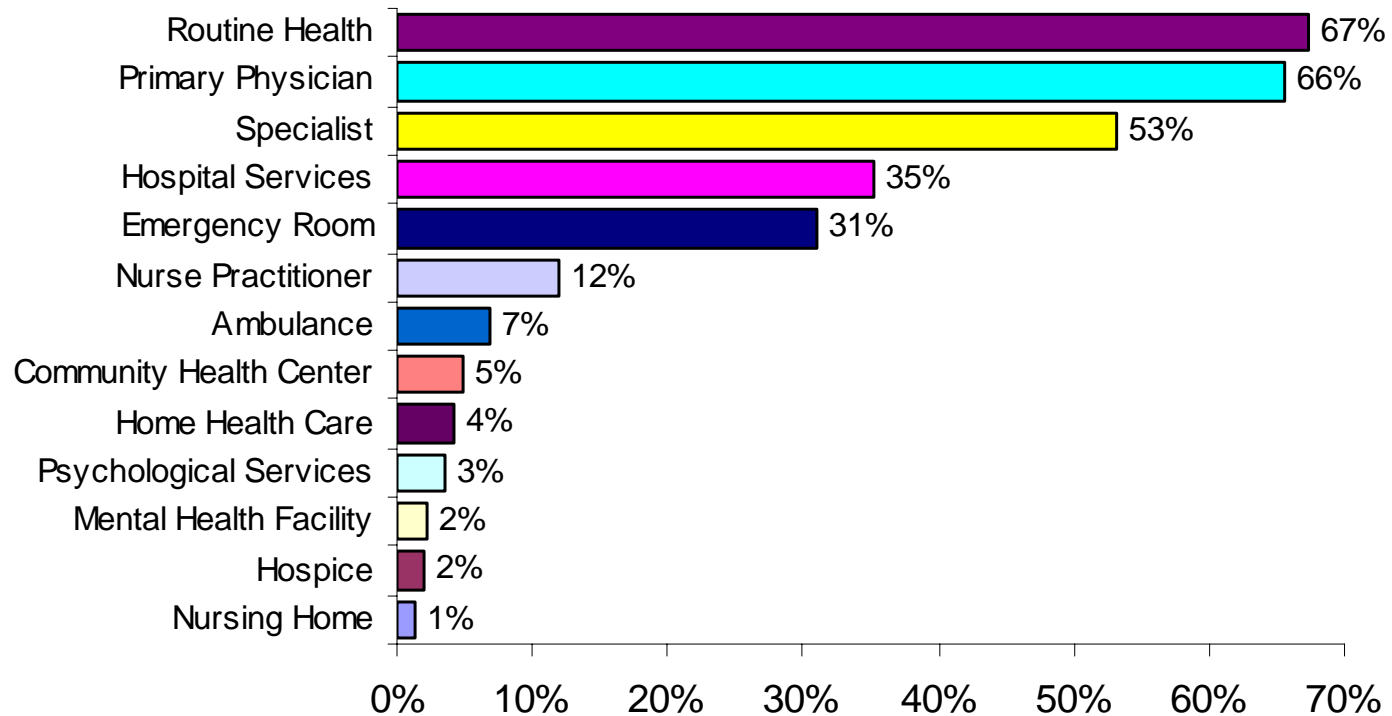


Have you or a member of your family received health care in the past 12 months?

	<b>YES</b>	<b>Clarke</b>	<b>Kemper</b>	<b>Neshoba</b>	<b>Newton</b>	<b>Lauderdale</b>
<b>Clarke</b>	73%	28%				67%
<b>Kemper</b>	68%		23%	5%		64%
<b>Neshoba</b>	74%			53%	5%	31%
<b>Newton</b>	69%				31%	54%

In what county did your family receive MOST of its health care?

# Which of the following services did you or your family use in the past 12 months?



In the past 12 months, have you or your family received health care from outside of your county of residence?

.....Why? \*

	<b>YES</b>	<b>CNVNCE</b>	<b>FMLRTY</b>	<b>NCCSTY</b>	<b>QULTY</b>	<b>COST</b>
<b>Clarke</b>	86%	81%	85%	81%	92%	38%
<b>Kemper</b>	88%	80%	89%	86%	94%	38%
<b>Neshoba</b>	78%	64%	65%	74%	83%	28%
<b>Newton</b>	87%	76%	78%	79%	85%	41%

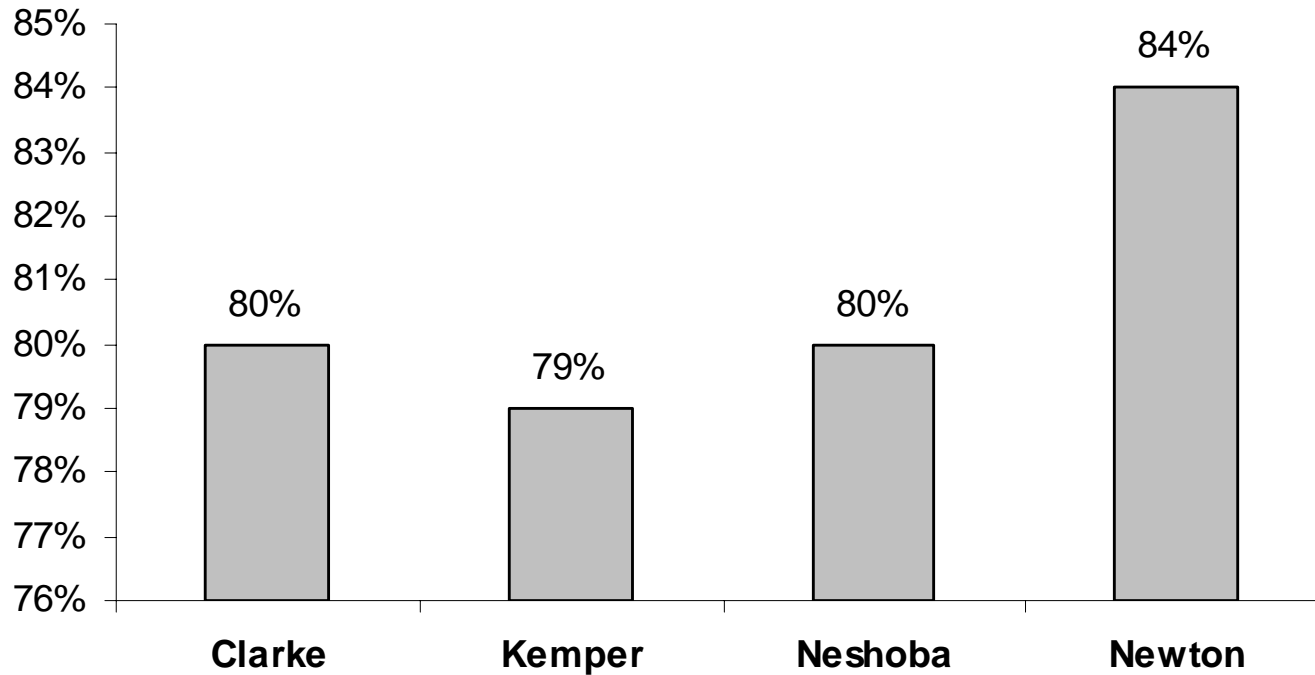
\* CNVNCE = convenience  
 FMLRTY = familiarity  
 NCCSTY = Necessity  
 QULTY = quality

(percentages are for  
 "agree" and "strongly  
 agree")

"I think the quality of health care outside of [my] county is better"

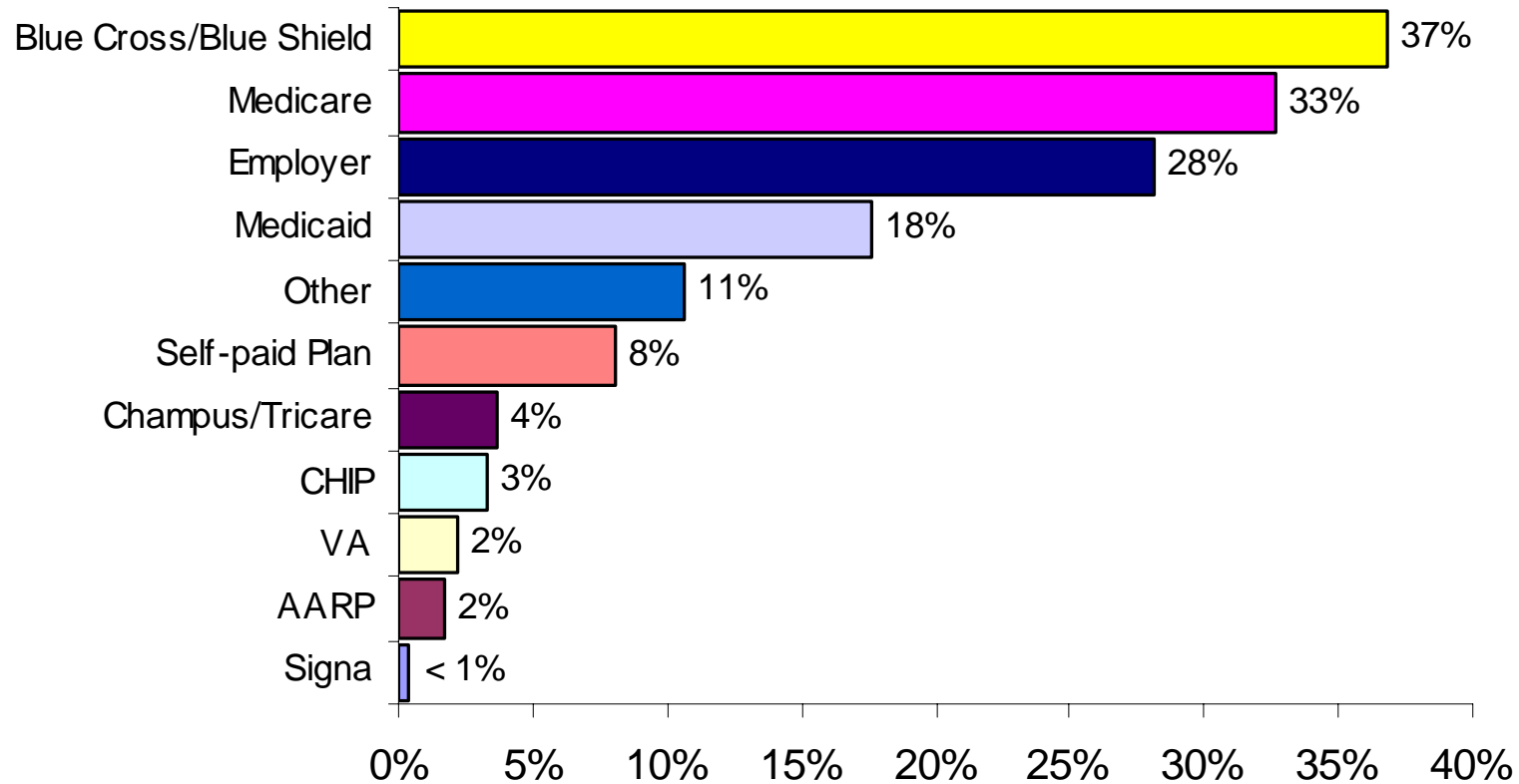
"The services are faster and better"; "Better doctors and better care"; "not many doctors in the area, and they're not very good"

# Is every member of your household covered by health insurance?

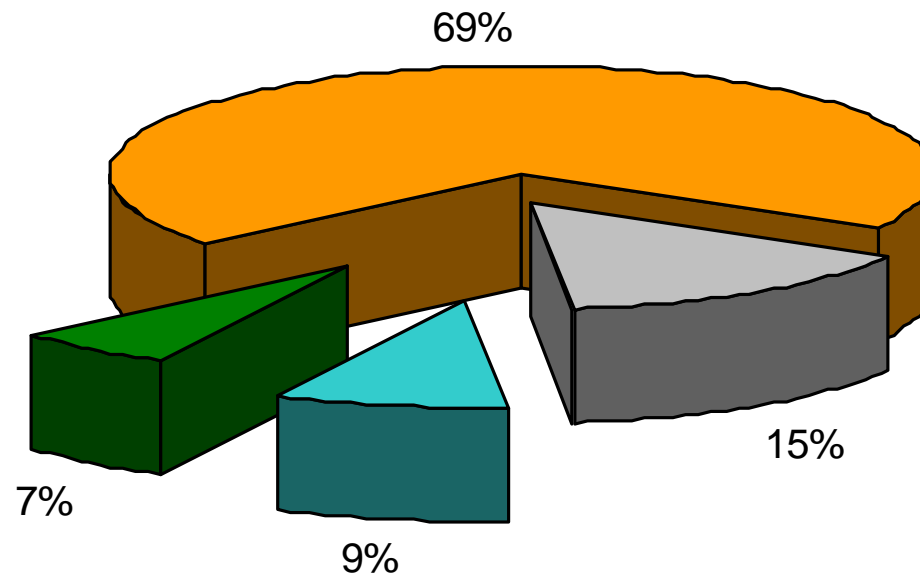


- No statistical difference between counties

## Insurance Utilization by Type




# 1 / 5 Respondents Have No Health Insurance




■ Unable to afford premiums ■ Lost/Change Job ■ Employer doesn't offer coverage ■ Other

Was there a time in the past 12 months when you needed to see a doctor but could not because of the cost?



	<b>YES</b>	<b>8+ Days</b>
<b>Clarke</b>	22%	10%
<b>Kemper</b>	21%	8%
<b>Neshoba</b>	25%	9%
<b>Newton</b>	16%	9%



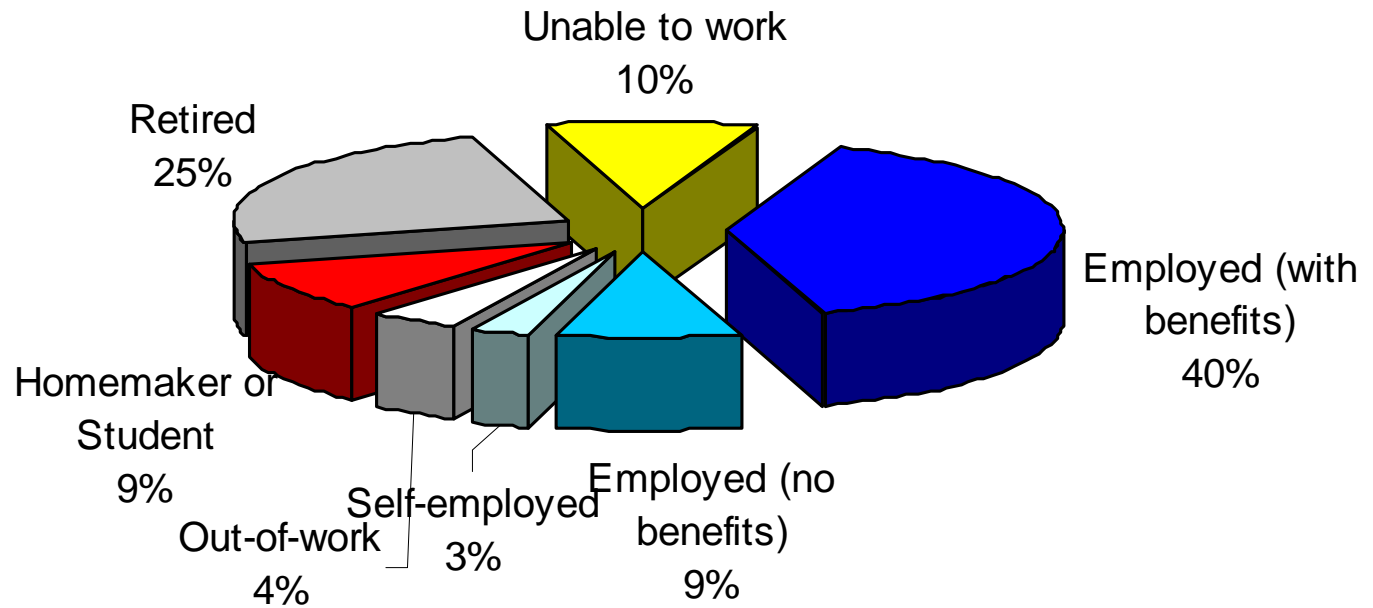
During the past 30 days, how many days did poor physical or mental health keep you from doing your usual activities, such as self-care, work, or recreation?

## Did you or your family receive health care in the following medical facilities in the last 12 months?

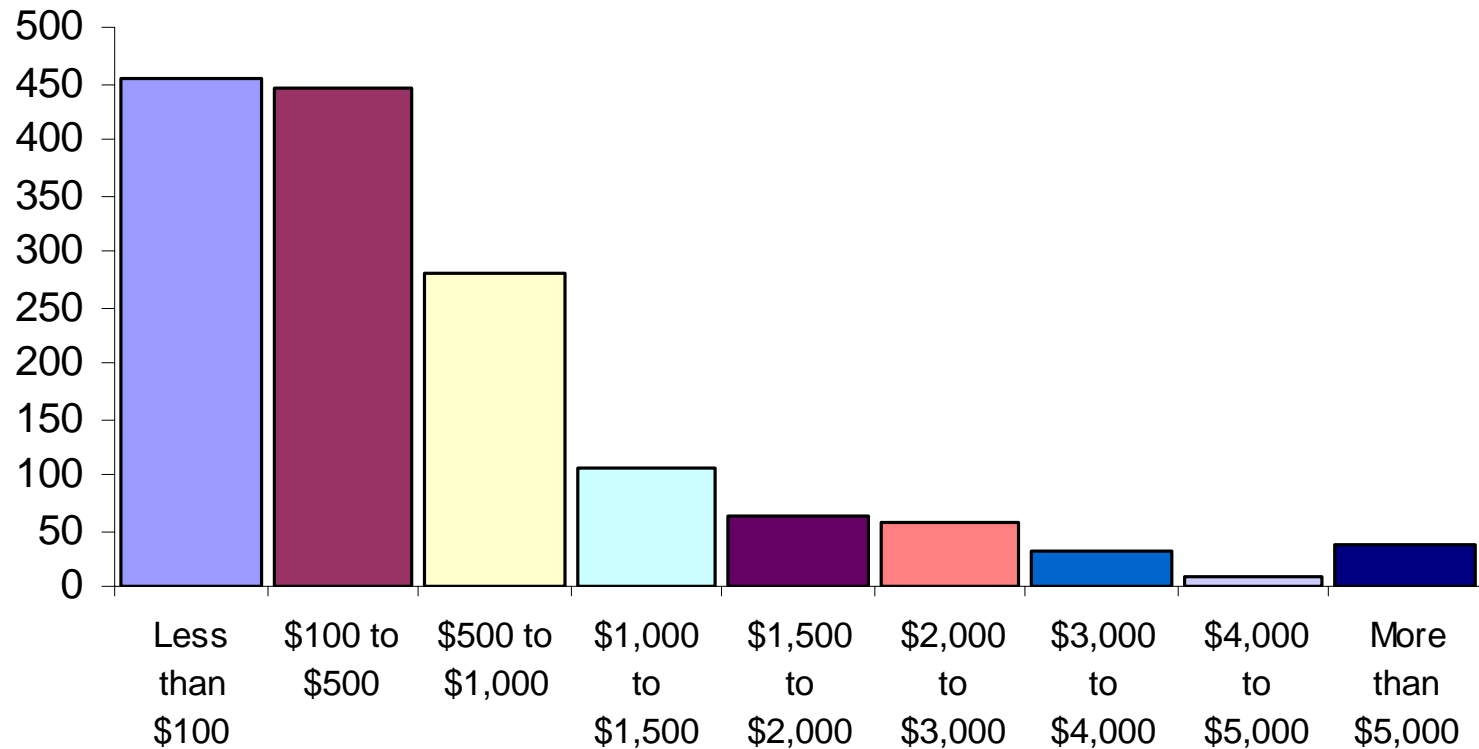
	Clarke	Kemper	Neshoba	Newton
Alliance-Laird			15%	19%
Greater Meridian Health Clinic	5%	29%		
H.C. Watkins	27%			
Kemper Co. Health Dept.		23%		
Neshoba Co. General		9%	44%	
Newton Regional				19%
<b>Increased usage at new facility</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>31%</b>

- Percentages less than 5% are not shown

# Employment and Health Insurance Coverage



# Distribution of annual household out-of-pocket spending for health care



During the past 30 days, how many days did poor physical or mental health keep you from doing your usual activities, such as self-care, work, or recreation?

	Days Lost	Annual/Resp.	Lost-P
<b>Clarke</b>	904	8.762	69,307
<b>Kemper</b>	884	11.102	43,742
<b>Neshoba</b>	977	10.66	179,088
<b>Newton</b>	889	9.88	77,953

## Poor Health Affects Productivity, Income, Spending

	Lost-P	Emp-Years	Lost Wages
<b>Clarke</b>	69,307	267	\$6.67 M
<b>Kemper</b>	43,742	168	\$3.63 M
<b>Neshoba</b>	179,088	689	\$16.86 M
<b>Newton</b>	77,953	300	\$6.88 M
<b>total.....</b>	<b>370,090</b>	<b>1,424</b>	<b>\$34.04 M</b>

Reduced spending impacts the regional economy

◆ Lost Disposable Income: \$29+ Million

## Jobs

- ◆ An additional 210 jobs supported by spending alone

## Economic Activity

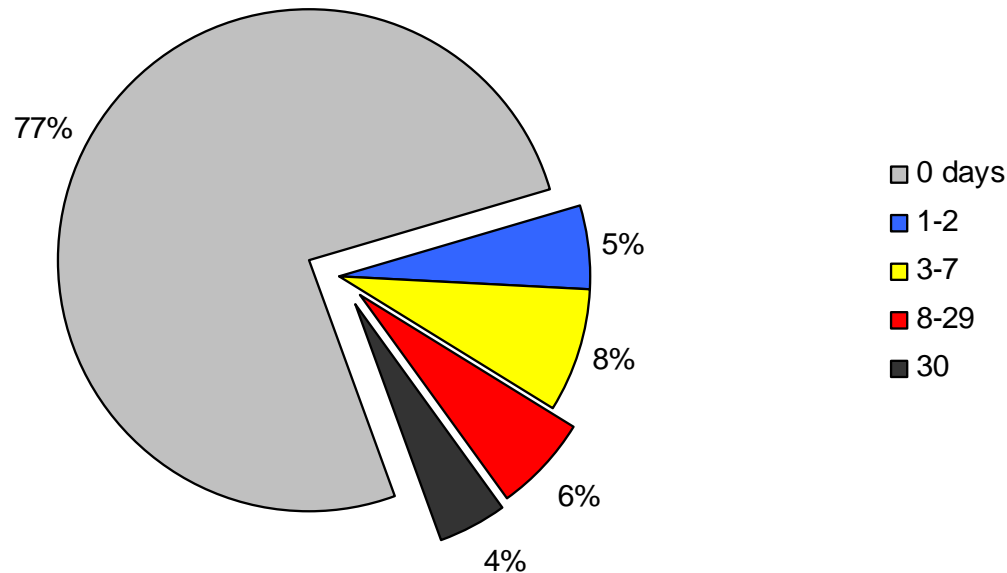
- ◆ Rents, interest, wages, profits
- ◆ \$8,000,000 annually because of poor health

# Behavioral Questions

## ◆ Based on CDC questions

- Mental Health
- Diabetes
- Hypertension
- Cholesterol
- Smoking
- Exercise

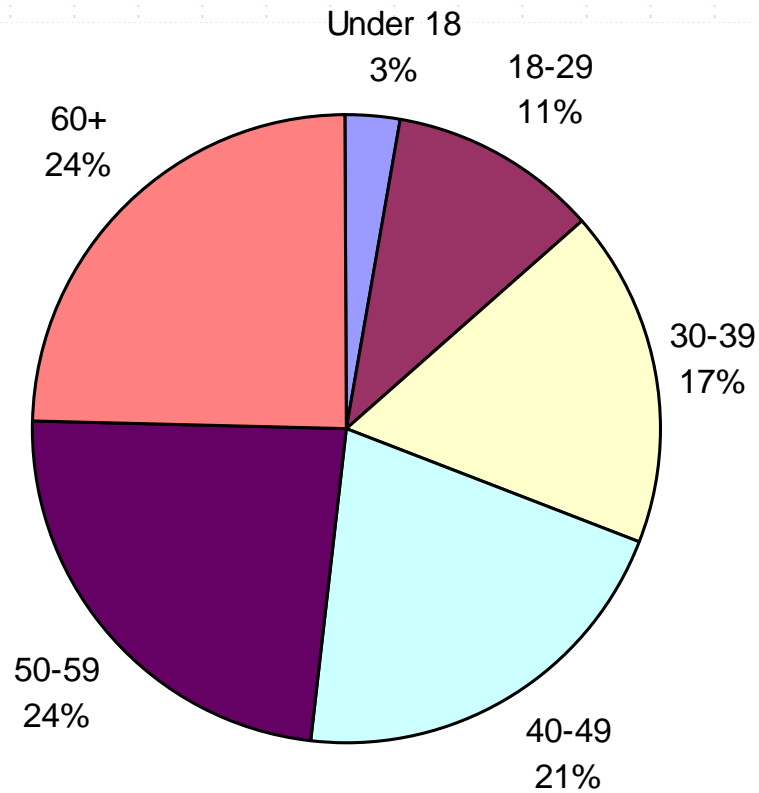
Thinking about your mental health, which includes stress, depression, and problems with emotions, for how many days, in the past 30 days, was your mental health not good?



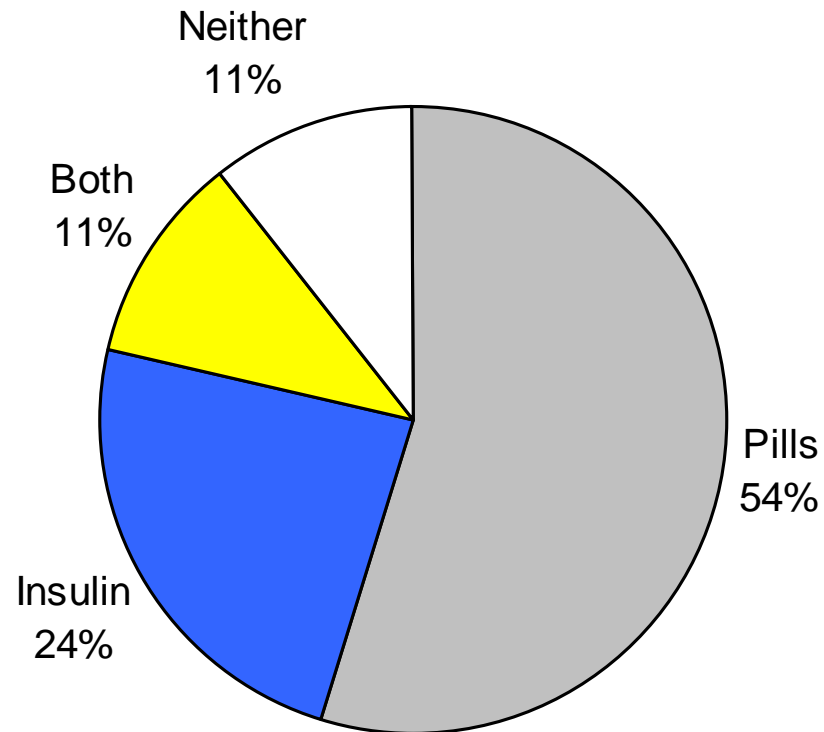
Have you ever been told by a doctor or other health professional that you have diabetes?

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Preg.</b>
<b>Clarke</b>	15%	43	1
<b>Kemper</b>	15%	47	2
<b>Neshoba</b>	12%	38	7
<b>Newton</b>	14%	47	2

# How old were you when you were told you had diabetes?



# Are you now taking insulin, pills, both or neither?

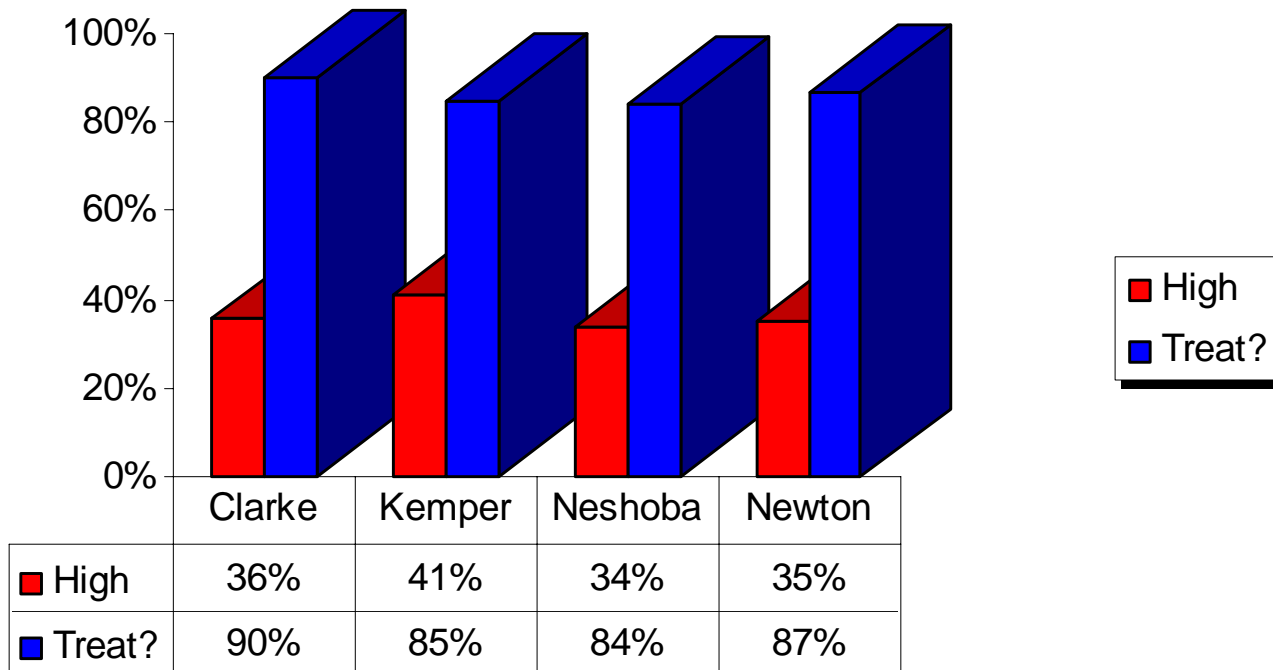


## How often do you check your blood glucose level?

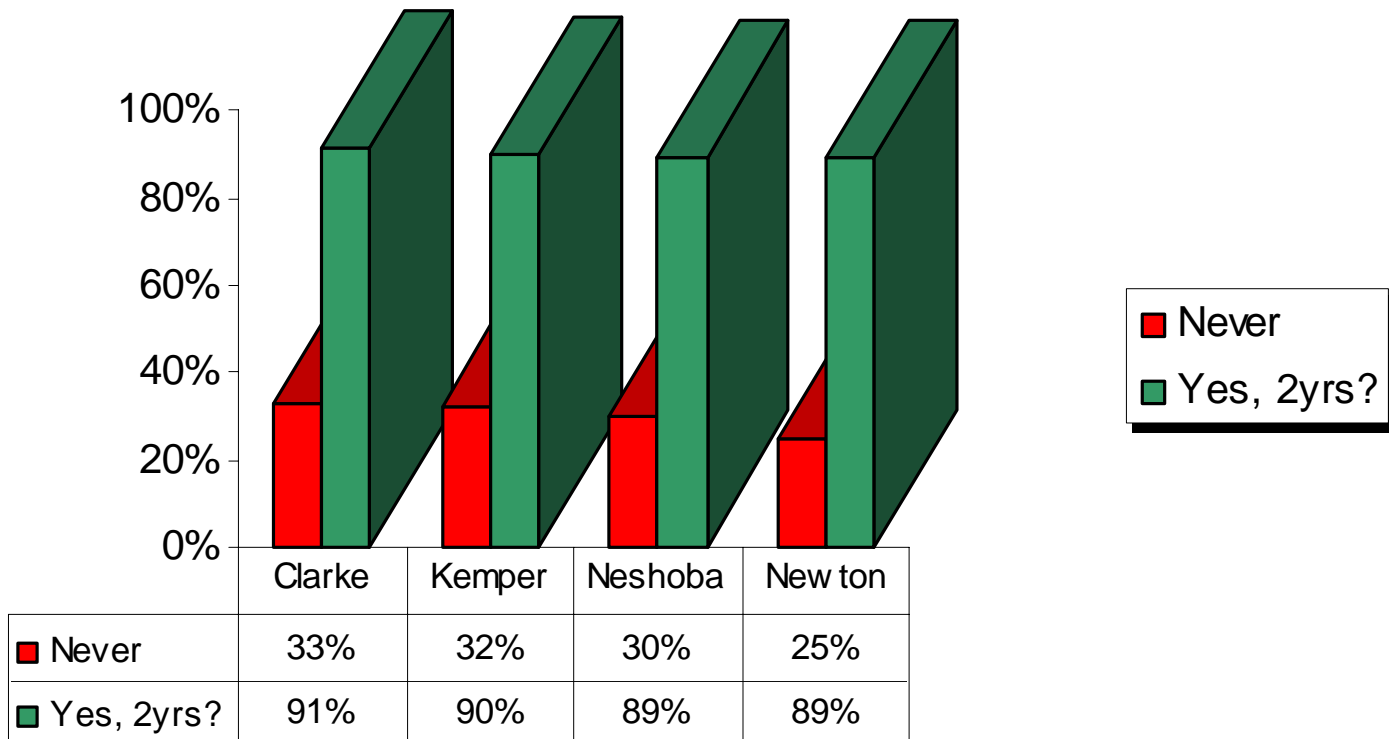
- ◆ 60-70% Daily
- ◆ 14-19% Weekly

	<b>Never</b>
<b>Clarke</b>	2%
<b>Kemper</b>	3%
<b>Neshoba</b>	7%
<b>Newton</b>	2%

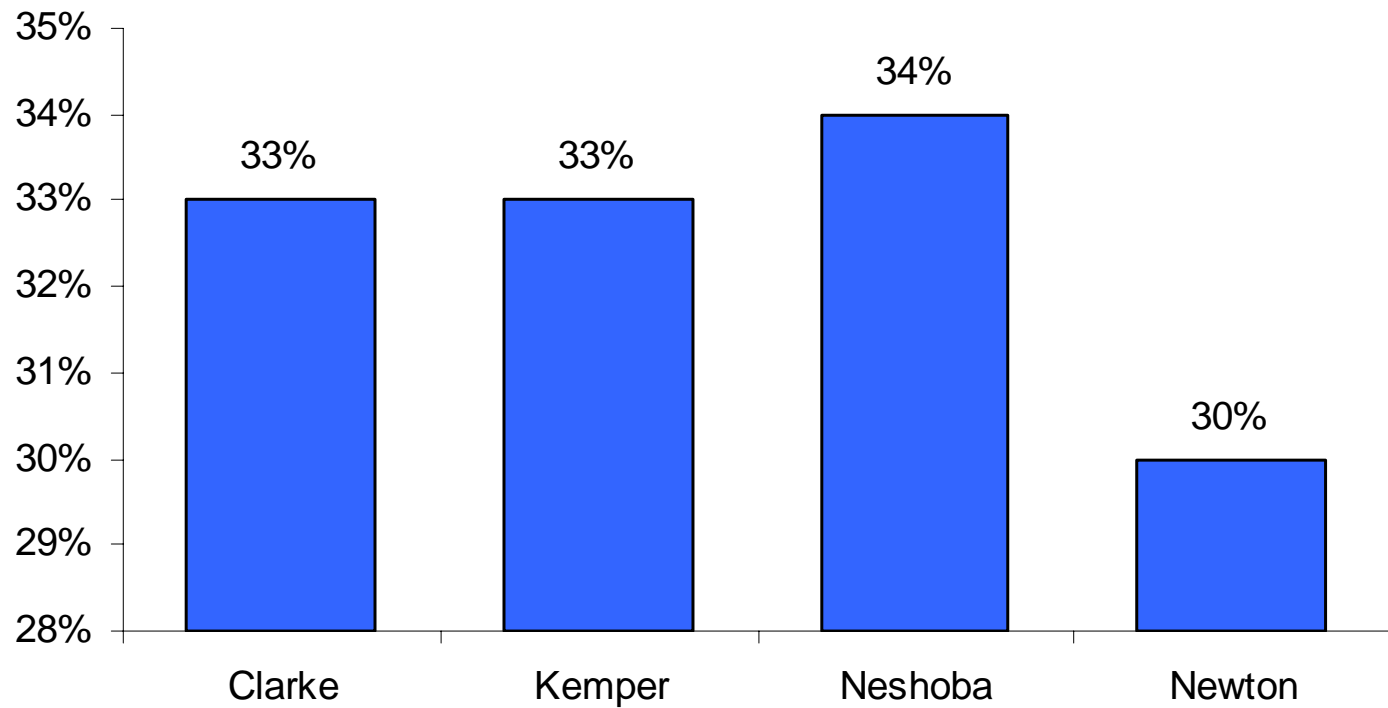
Have you ever been told you have high blood pressure?  
If yes, then are you currently taking medicine for it?



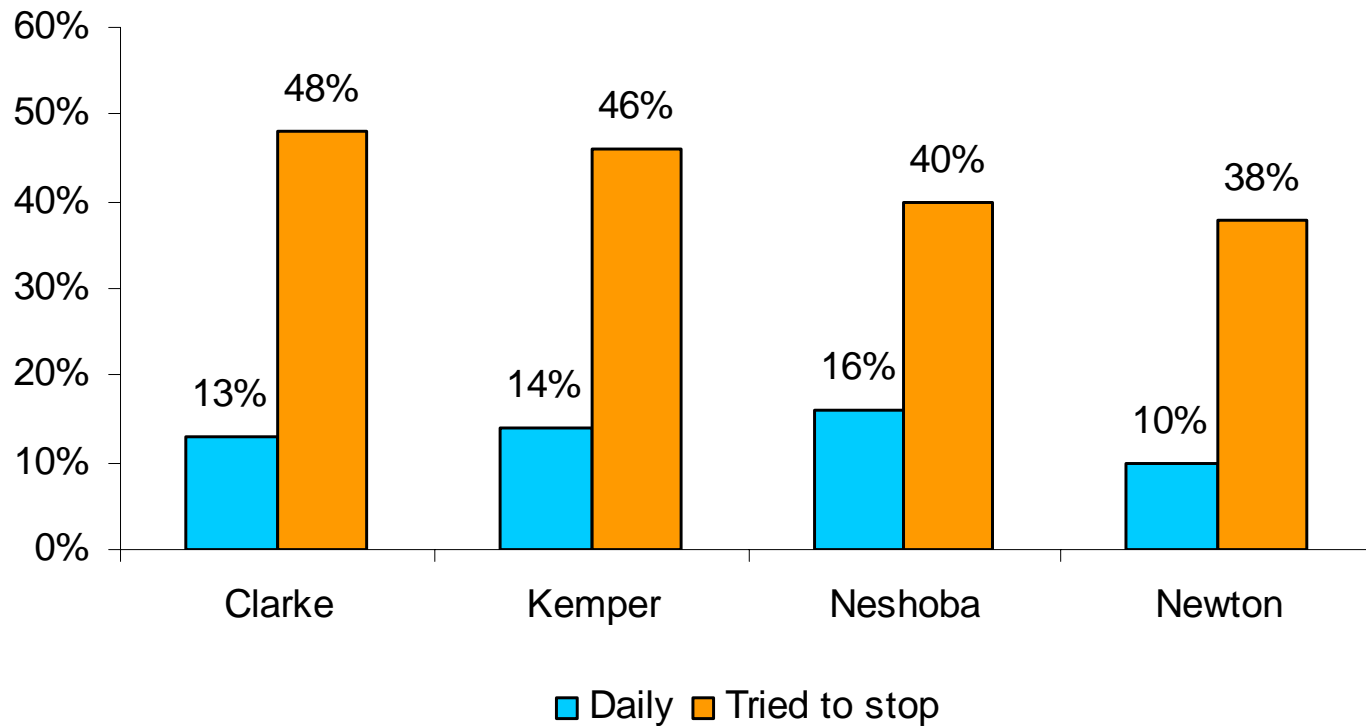
Have you ever had your blood cholesterol checked?  
 If yes, then about how long has been since you had it checked?



# Have you ever been told that your blood cholesterol is high?



## Do you currently smoke tobacco and have you tried to stop?



# When you are at work, which of the following best describes what you do?

