

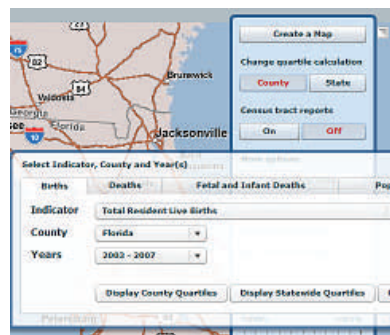
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New interactive community maps

FloridaCHARTS has released the updated interactive community map application. All of the familiar functions are still included: maps for births, deaths, fetal deaths and population, print and export capability for the maps, zip code overlays and tabular versions of the indicator data.

We have also added new features and enhancements: the application provides your results much faster, all data requests take place within the application window, you may display quartile data based on only one county, detailed census reports for census tracts that can be exported or printed, enhanced base data with satellite imagery and a transparency control for the quartile data.



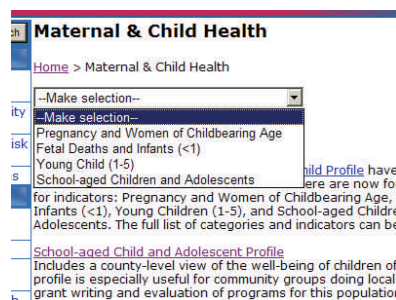
Statistical Notes

The new interactive community maps application on FloridaCHARTS.com is essentially two applications in one. Users may choose to calculate the quartiles for their county or for the entire state.

Births	Deaths	Fetal and Infant Deaths
Indicator Total Resident Live Births		
County Florida		
Years 2003 - 2007		
Display County Quartiles		Display Statewide Quartiles

Maternal and child health section of CHARTS redesigned

The maternal and child health domain contains nearly 100 new health indicators. The domain is now divided into four sections: pregnancy and women of child bearing age, fetal deaths and infants (less than 1 year old), young child (1 to 5 years old) and school-aged children and adolescents. When new profiles are added to the site, indicators that were not part of the site before are also added to their corresponding domain in the "health indicators" menu. The 100 new indicators came from two new profiles: the School-aged Child and Adolescent Profile and the Pregnancy and Young Child Profile.



When choosing the "display county results" option, the calculations for quartiles only consider the data from census tracts in the selected county. This method restricts the sub-county level analysis to one county and shows how the census tracts compare with each other on a certain health indicator. This method helps answer the question, "how do the communities in our county compare to one another?"

Community health assessment news

The Saint Johns County Health Improvement Council recently completed a comprehensive community health assessment and released the findings in the Saint Johns County 2008 Health Needs Assessment Report. Saint Johns County Health Department staff championed the process that brought together public health system partners to assess and prioritize health issues. For more information on their priorities, goals, activities and to view the report, visit their [website](#).



The second method for calculation used in the interactive community maps is the statewide method. Here, data values from all 3,154 census tracts in the state are classified. While the data is still shown at the sub-county level, this method makes a census tract comparison across the state. This method can help answer the questions for state and county-level planning and assessment. This method may best suited to answer the question, "how do the communities in our county compare to other communities across the state?"