

Indicator 6: Third graders with dental caries experience

Table 4. Summary of dental health status of **Oklahoma** third grade students, weighted estimates and 95% confidence intervals

| <i>Dental Health Status Indicator</i> | <i>Prevalence</i> | <i>95% CI</i> |
|---|-------------------|---------------|
| Percentage of third graders in Oklahoma with sealants on at least one permanent molar tooth | 21.5% | 16.4% - 26.6% |
| Percentage of third graders in Oklahoma with dental caries experience | 66.7% | 60.9% - 72.5% |
| Percentage of third graders in Oklahoma with untreated decay (active caries) in at least one permanent or primary tooth | 26.9% | 21.8% - 32.0% |
| Percentage of third graders in Oklahoma with untreated decay in at least one permanent tooth (active caries) | 6.3% | 4.0% - 8.5% |
| Percentage of third graders in Oklahoma with untreated decay in at least one primary tooth (active caries) | 24.7% | 20.0% - 29.5% |
| Percentage of third graders in Oklahoma with at least one missing permanent tooth | 1.4% | 0.6% - 2.2% |
| Percentage of third graders in Oklahoma with at least one missing primary tooth | 13.0% | 10.1% - 15.9% |
| Percentage of third graders in Oklahoma with at least one filled (treated/restored) permanent tooth | 10.2% | 6.7% - 13.6% |
| Percentage of third graders in Oklahoma with at least one filled (treated/restored) primary tooth | 48.5% | 43.0% - 54.1% |

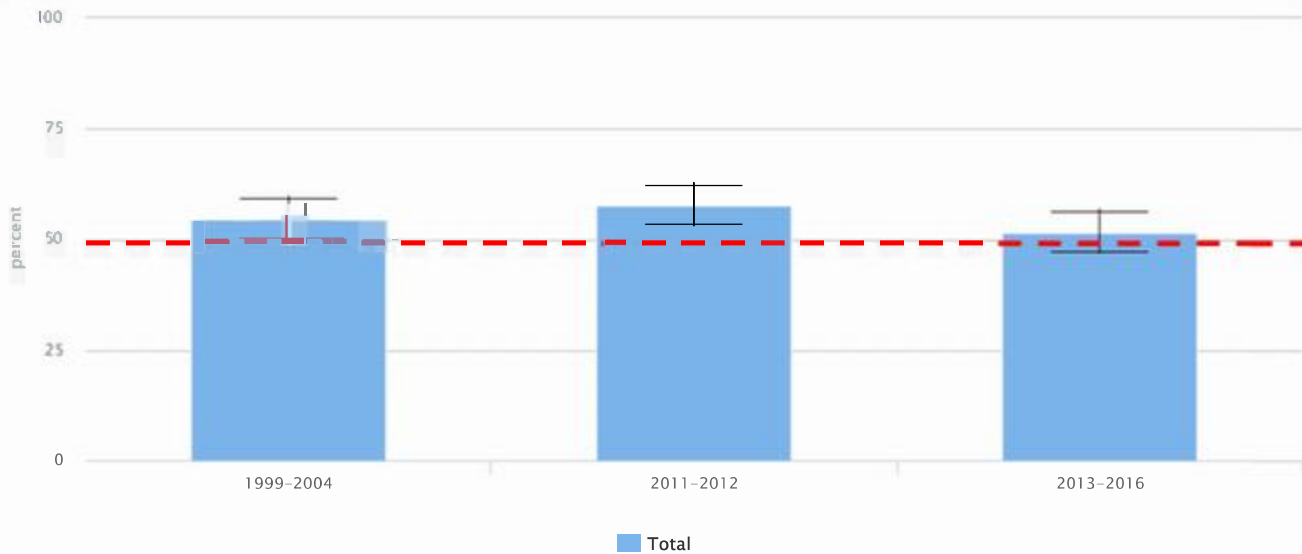
Sealants on Permanent Molar Teeth

Sealants consist of a protective coating used to protect teeth from decay. In this study, the number of sealants can range from 0 to 4 because only sealants on permanent molar teeth were assessed. Although 21.5% (weighted) of third graders in Oklahoma have sealants on one or more permanent molars, results by region are highly variable (Figure 1 and 2). Only one of the six regions has a prevalence of sealants greater than 25%, the SW with 26.9%, followed closely by Tulsa county with 24.5%. Two regions have a prevalence of sealants less than 20%, Oklahoma County with 18.1% and the SE with 18.2%. Of all students sampled, 15.1% have four molars with protective sealants. The mean number of sealants on permanent molar teeth for the students assessed equals 0.7 with a standard deviation of 1.5. This is the tenth assessment completed in the past 20



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By Total

2020 Baseline (year): 54.4 (1999-2004) **--- 2020 Target:** 49.0 **Desired Direction:** Decrease desired



Data Source: National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics (CDC/NCHS)
Error Bar (I) represents the 95% confidence interval
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OH-1.2 Reduce the proportion of children aged 6 to 9 years with dental caries experience in their primary or permanent teeth

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| POPULATIONS | 1999-2004 | 2011-2012 | 2013-2016 |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| TOTAL | 54.4 | 57.7 | 51.6 |

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