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REPORT OVERVIEW

er Arizona Administrative Code R9-4-302, all blood lead results are reportable to the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS). The 2019 Blood Lead Surveillance Annual Report describes childhood blood lead data maintained and analyzed by the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP) for the 2019 calendar year.

The report contains an analysis of statewide and county level data, including a breakdown of elevated blood lead levels (EBLLs) and screening rates in high-risk zip codes. The high-risk zip codes used for analyses in this report came from the 2018 Targeted Lead Screening Plan for the Prevention of Childhood Lead Poisoning. An analysis of statewide screening rates in high-risk census tracts is also included in this report. The intent of this report is to provide information for stakeholders to identify areas across Arizona to target interventions.

Data displayed are for children less than 6 years of age at the time of first reported EBLL or first reported test. A child was considered to have had an EBLL when a venous test was reported greater than or equal to (\ge) 5 µg/dL.

Screening rates were calculated using venous and capillary blood lead test results reported to ADHS. These rates do not include verbal assessments or questionnaires administered by health care providers.



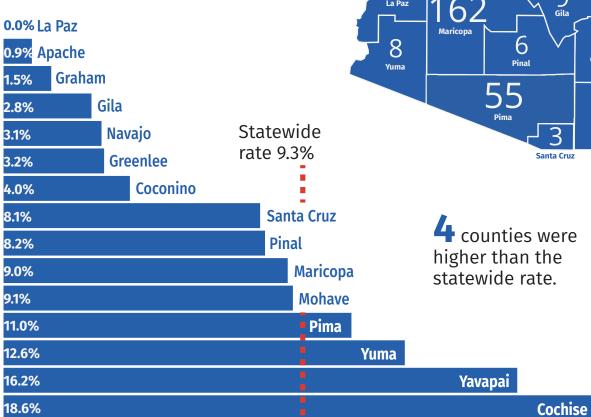
2019 ANNUAL SURVEILLANCE REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

298 total children had elevated blood lead levels in 2019.

85% of EBLL cases in 2019 lived in high-risk zip codes.

61,391 unique children under the age of 6 had a blood lead test in 2019.

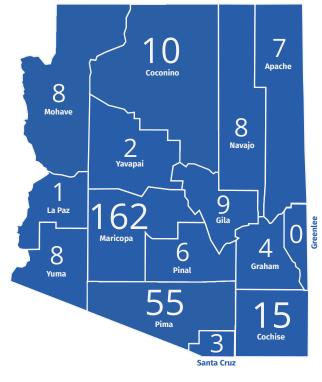
12 & 24 Month Screening Rates in High-Risk Zip Codes*



^{*}Children living in high-risk zip codes were recommended a blood lead test at both 12 and 24 months of age. For current high-risk areas, visit www.azhealth.gov/leadmap.

EBLL Case Distribution Across the State

This map shows the distribution of unique children under the age of 6 years reported with a venous blood lead level $\geq 5 \,\mu\text{g/dL}$ in 2019.





Statewide Data

61,391 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 298 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 μ g/dL. 230 children had EBLLs between 5 and 9.9 μ g/dL, and 68 children had levels greater than or equal to 10 μ g/dL. The highest venous blood lead level identified in a child was 31.7 μ g/dL.

Of the children with an EBLL in 2019, over 79% had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

2019 EBLL Prevalent Cases

298 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019.

230	68
5-9 µg/dL	≥10 µg/dL

2019 EBLL Incident Cases

236 of the 298 children had their first reported elevated blood lead level in 2019.

180	56
5-9 μg/dL	≥10 µg/dL
First EBLL	First EBLL

Screening Rates

Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 26.6% of children living in a high-risk zip code had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. Even fewer, 16.8%, had a blood lead test at 24 months of age. Even fewer still, 9.3%, had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Statewide
12 & 24 months	9.3% [†]
12 months	26.6% [†]
24 months	16.8% [†]



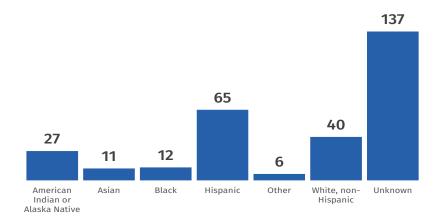
^{*}A list of high-risk zip codes by county can be found in Appendix D.

Statewide Case Demographics

Lead poisoning can disproportionately affect young children based on risk factors such as race or ethnicity, household income, immigrant or refugee status, and age of housing.

Race/Ethnicity

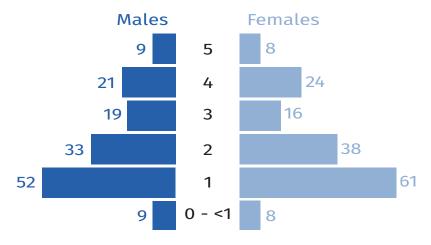
Lead poisoning can disproportionately affect young children, including Hispanic, Black, and Tribal families. In 2019, 21.8% of the children under the age of 6 with a confirmed EBLL were Hispanic, followed by 13.4% and 9.1% white, non-Hispanic and American Indian or Alaska Native, respectively. Children who identified as Asian, Black, or Other were less than 10% of cases. Of the children with an EBLL, 137 (45.9%) had an unknown race or ethnicity.



Sex and Age

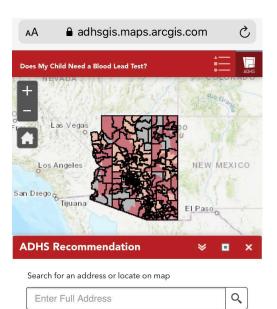
Children less than 6 years of age are at higher risk of lead exposure and are vulnerable to the irreversible effects of lead because they are still developing and they exhibit increased hand-to-mouth activity. Children aged 1 year old made up 37.9% of cases, followed by children aged 2 years and 4 years old (23.8% and 15.1% of cases, respectively).

Of the 298 cases, 52.0% (155 cases) were female while 48.0% (143 cases) were male.





Screening in High-Risk Neighborhoods



In 2018, the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program created a new web-based interactive map (www.azhealth.gov/leadmap) for families and health care providers to easily identify children living in high-risk areas around the state who need blood lead testing. The goal of this map is to provide screening recommendations at a smaller geographical scale.

An analysis was performed for 2019 blood lead data, to identify the number of children living in high-risk neighborhoods who received a blood lead test at the recommended ages of 12 months and 24 months.

Screening Rates

Of the 61,391 children <6 years of age screened in 2019, 40,773 (66.4%) were children living in high-risk census tract areas. 23,722 of these children were either 12 or 24 months of age when they were screened, as recommended.

In 2019, there were 14,208 children 12 months of age and 9,514 children 24 months of age tested. The 12 months screening rate increased from 25.1% in 2018 to 29.2% in 2019. A similar increase was seen in the 24 months screening rate, which raised from 15.9% in 2018 to 19.0% in 2019.

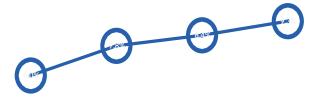
4,974 children received both recommended tests by the end of 2019. Only 9.9% of children living in high-risk areas received blood tests at the recommended ages of 12 and 24 months. The goal is to have all children living in high-risk areas to receive blood lead tests at these two ages.

Screening Age	Statewide
12 & 24 months	9.9% [†]
12 months	29.2% [†]
24 months	19.0% [†]

 $[\]dagger$ Significantly different from 2018 rate (p <0.05)



Statewide Screening Rate Trends



12 & 24 Month Screeening Rate

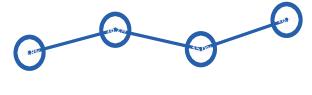
The statewide rate for children in high-risk zip codes receiving a blood lead test at both 12 and 24 months of age in 2019 has increased by 0.9% from 2018.

2016 2017 2018 2019

12 Month Screeening Rate

The statewide rate for children in high-risk zip codes receiving a blood lead test at 12 months of age in 2019 has increased by 2.2% from 2018.





2016 2017 2018 2019

24 Month Screeening Rate

The statewide rate for children in high-risk zip codes receiving a blood lead test at 24 months of age in 2019 has increased by 1.8% from 2018.

See <u>appendix L</u> for a full list of screening rates for the state and counties.



Statewide Sources

In order to gather more information about a child's environment and behavior, CLPPP makes efforts to complete a questionnaire regarding potential sources of lead exposure with the families. When a potential source is identified, CLPPP provides guidance to families on ways to reduce exposure. The information summarized below has been reported by parents and guardians for children identified with an EBLL in 2019. Not all sources can be or have been confirmed as the source of lead exposure for each child, but this summary may give a better understanding of the possible sources of lead that impact Arizona children.

- **130** children had a history of living in pre-1978 housing in Arizona.
 - 41 children were reported to have mouthed or eaten soil and/or non-food items.
 - 39 children were reported to have products from another country in their home, such as candy, spices, or makeup.
 - 11 children were reported to have imported or handmade glazed ceramics, pewter, crystal, or porcelain in their home.

33 children were reported to live with someone who has an occupation or hobby with a potential lead exposure.

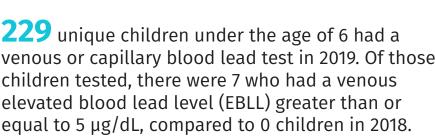
22 children were reported to have lived or visited outside of the U.S. in the past year.

Among the environmental samples collected in 2019 for children identified with an EBLL in the same year, CLPPP identified the following lead sources: pre-1978 paint, soil, household member hobbies, pottery, makeup, and spices brought from another country.



Apache County

229 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 7 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or



Unique children with an EBLL

total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. All of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

5	2
5-9 μg/dL	≥10 µg/dL
First EBLL	First EBLL

Screening Rates

Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 3.7% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Apache County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 2.6% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 0.9% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Apache	Statewide
12 & 24 months	0.9%	9.3%†
12 months	3.7%	26.6%†
24 months	2.6%	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019

12 & 24 Months	12 Months	24 Months
	50	⁴⁰
	40	32
	30	24
	20	16
	10	8
2016 2017 2018 2019	0 2016 2017 2018 2019	0 2016 2017 2018 2019

^{*} A list of high-risk zip codes by county can be found in Appendix D.



Cochise County

1,625 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 15 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 10 children in 2018.

Unique children with an EBLL

15 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. 12 of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

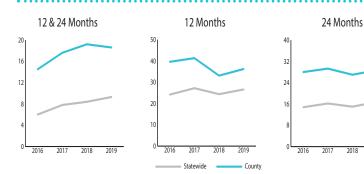
12	3
5-9 μg/dL	≥10 µg/dL
First EBLL	First EBLL

Screening Rates

Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 36.2% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Cochise County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 28.7% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 18.6% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Cochise	Statewide
12 & 24 months	18.6%	9.3% [†]
12 months	36.2%	26.6%†
24 months	28.7%	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019



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- † Significantly different from 2018 rate (p < 0.05)



Coconino County

984 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 10 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 5 children in 2018.



10 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. All 10 children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

5	5
5-9 µg/dL	≥10 µg/dL
First EBLL	First EBLL

Screening Rates

Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 12.7% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Coconino County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 7.1% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 4.0% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Coconino	Statewide
12 & 24 months	4.0%	9.3% [†]
12 months	12.7%	26.6% [†]
24 months	7.1%	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019



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Gila County

529 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 9 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 μg/dL, compared to 9 children in 2018.



Unique children with an EBLL

9 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. 5 of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

6	3
5-9 µg/dL	≥10 µg/dL
First EBLL	First EBLL

Screening Rates

Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 18.6% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Gila County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 6.6% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 2.8% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Gila	Statewide
12 & 24 months	2.8%	9.3% [†]
12 months	18.6%	26.6% [†]
24 months	6.6%	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019

12 & 24 Months	12 Months	24 Months
20	50	40
16	40	32
12	30	24
8	20	16
4	10	8
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	Statewide County	

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Graham County

272 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 4 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 5 children in 2018.



4 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. 3 of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

3	1
5-9 μg/dL	≥10 µg/dL
First EBLL	First EBLL

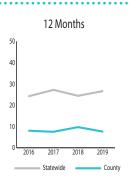
Screening Rates

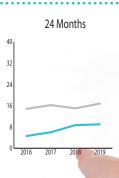
Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 7.6% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Graham County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 9.0% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 1.5% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Graham	Statewide
12 & 24 months	1.5%	9.3% [†]
12 months	7.6%	26.6%†
24 months	9.0%	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019

	12	& 24 M	onths	
20				
16				
12				
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4		_	_	
ا۰	2016	2017	2018	2019





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Greenlee County

69 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there was none who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to $5 \mu g/dL$, compared to 0 children in 2018.

Unique children with an EBLL

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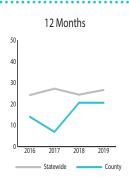
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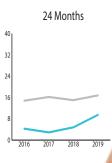
Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 20.6% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Greenlee County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 9.5% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 3.2% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Greenlee	Statewide
12 & 24 months	3.2%	$9.3\%^{\dagger}$
12 months	20.6%	26.6%†
24 months	9.5%	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019

	12	& 24 M	onths	
20				
16				
12				
8				
4				
ا٥	2016	2017	2018	2019





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La Paz County

93 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there was 1 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 3 children in 2018.



1 child had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. This child had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

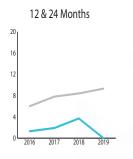
5-9 μg/dL First EBLL

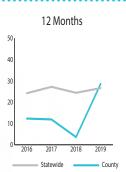
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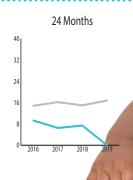
Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 28.6% of children living in a high-risk zip code in La Paz County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 0.0% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 0.0% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	La Paz	Statewide
12 & 24 months	0.0%	9.3% [†]
12 months	28.6% [†]	26.6%†
24 months	0.0%	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019







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Maricopa County

35,751 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 162 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 165 children in 2018.



Unique children with an EBLL

162 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. 119 of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

126

36 210 µg/dL First EBLL

Screening Rates

Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 26.1% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Maricopa County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 16.8% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 9.0% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Maricopa	Statewide
12 & 24 months	9.0 % [†]	9.3%†
12 months	26.1% [†]	26.6% [†]
24 months	16.8% [†]	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019

	12 & 24 Months	12 Months	24 Months
20		50	40
16		40	32
12		30	24
8		20	16
4		10	8
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		Statewide County	

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Mohave County

1,576 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 8 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 10 children in 2018.



total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. 5 of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

7	1
5-9 μg/dL	≥10 µg/dL
First EBLL	First EBLL

Screening Rates

Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 32.2% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Mohave County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 20.6% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 9.1% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Mohave	Statewide
12 & 24 months	9.1%	9.3% [†]
12 months	32.2% [†]	26.6% [†]
24 months	20.6% [†]	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019

	12 & 24 Months	12 Months
20		50
16		40
12		30
8		20
4		10
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		Statewide County

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Navajo County

849 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 8 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 18 children in 2018.



total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. 7 of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

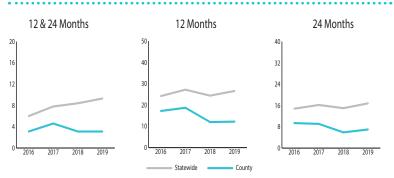
7	1	
5-9 μg/dL First EBLL	≥10 µg/dL First EBLL	

Screening Rates

Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 12.2% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Navajo County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 7.0% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 3.1% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Navajo	Statewide
12 & 24 months	3.1%	9.3% [†]
12 months	12.2%	26.6% [†]
24 months	7.0%	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019



* A list of high-risk zip codes by county can be found in Appendix 🔀



Pima County

8,282 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 55 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 36 children in 2018.



55 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. 50 of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

42 5-9 µg/dL First EBLL 13 ≥10 µg/dL First EBLL

Screening Rates

Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 32.6% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Pima County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 19.2% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 11.0% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Pima	Statewide
12 & 24 months	11.0% [†]	9.3% [†]
12 months	32.6% [†]	26.6% [†]
24 months	19.2%	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019

	12 & 24 Months	12 Months			24 M	onths
20		50	40			
16		40	32			
12		30	24			
8		20	16			
4		10	8			
٥	2016 2017 2018 2019	0 2016 2017 2018 2019	٦٥	2016	2017	2018
		Statewide County				

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Pinal County

3,495 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 6 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 7 children in 2018.



Unique children with an EBLL

6 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. All of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

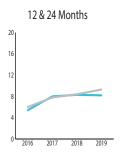
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5-9 µg/dL First EBLL	

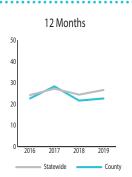
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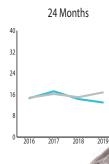
Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 22.6% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Pinal County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 13.0% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 8.2% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Pinal	Statewide
12 & 24 months	8.2%	9.3% [†]
12 months	22.6%	26.6% [†]
24 months	13.0%	16.8% [†]









* A list of high-risk zip codes by county can be found in Appendix D



Santa Cruz County

948 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 3 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 2 children in 2018.



3 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. All of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

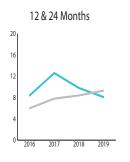
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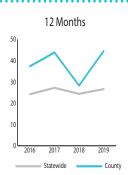
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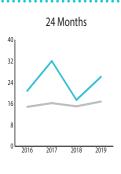
Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 44.5% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Santa Cruz County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 26.1% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 8.1% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Santa Cruz	Statewide
12 & 24 months	8.1%	9.3% [†]
12 months	44.5% [†]	26.6%†
24 months	26.1% [†]	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019







^{*} A list of high-risk zip codes by county can be found in Appendix D.



Yavapai County

1,369 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 2 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 3 children in 2018.



Unique children with an EBLL

2 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. One of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

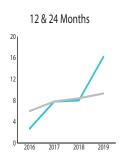
2 5-9 μg/dL

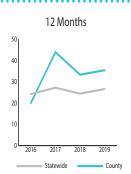
Screening Rates

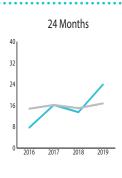
Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 35.4% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Yavapai County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 23.9% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 16.2% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Yavapai	Statewide
12 & 24 months	16.2% [†]	9.3% [†]
12 months	35.4%	26.6% [†]
24 months	23.9% [†]	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019







* A list of high-risk zip codes by county can be found in Appendix D.



Yuma County

2,994 unique children under the age of 6 had a venous or capillary blood lead test in 2019. Of those children tested, there were 8 who had a venous elevated blood lead level (EBLL) greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL, compared to 9 children in 2018.



8 total children had an elevated blood lead level in 2019. 7 of these children had their first reported EBLL in 2019.

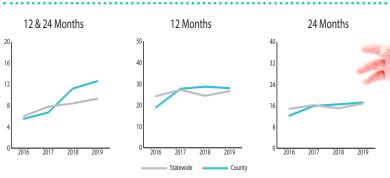
5	3
5-9 µg/dL	≥10 µg/dL
First EBLL	First EBLL

Screening Rates

Children living in high-risk zip codes* in Arizona should receive a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age through their health care provider. 28.0% of children living in a high-risk zip code in Yuma County had a blood lead test at 12 months of age. 17.2% of children had a blood lead test at 24 months of age and 12.6% of children had received both recommended blood lead tests at 12 and 24 months of age.

Screening Age	Yuma	Statewide
12 & 24 months	12.6%	9.3% [†]
12 months	28.0%	26.6% [†]
24 months	17.2%	16.8% [†]

Screening Rate Trends, 2016-2019



* A list of high-risk zip codes by county can be found in Appendix D.



APPENDIX A: DEFINITIONS

Test where a blood sample is taken from the finger or heel of a **Capillary**

child, used for screening purposes

Demographic data sets and population projections produced Claritas[©] Data

annually at the Block Group and Zip Code level by Claritas, LLC

An elevated blood lead level (EBLL) is a blood lead level greater **EBLL**

than or equal to 5 µg/dL

The Medical Electronic Disease Surveillance Intelligence System **MEDSIS**

(MEDSIS) is the secure, web-based surveillance system used to

manage blood lead data

The Systematic Tracking of Elevated Lead Levels and Remediation **STELLAR**

was a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) database

previously used to maintain blood lead data

An individual child who had at least one blood lead test result **Unique Child**

within the dataset within the calendar year

μg/dL The amount of lead in micrograms per deciliter of blood

Test where a blood sample is taken from a vein; typically used for Venous

diagnostic purposes and to confirm an initial elevated capillary test

Screening questions asked by the health care provider to **Verbal Assessment**

determine the risk level of a child for lead exposure

APPENDIX B: DESCRIPTION OF DATA

er Arizona Administrative Code R9-4-302, all blood lead results are reportable to the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS). 2011-2016 data were maintained in the Arizona lead registry database, Systematic Tracking of Elevated Lead Levels and Remediation (STELLAR), and 2017-2019 data were maintained in the Arizona Medical Electronic Disease Surveillance Intelligence System (MEDSIS). Data were combined and managed in SAS (statistical analysis system) version 9.4. Prior to analyses, efforts were taken to de-duplicate test results and children based on demographic and test result data. Analyses were performed on first reported blood lead result or elevated venous blood lead level (EBLL) result per child in 2019 whose age was less than 72 months. Test results were excluded when the child's address. was outside of Arizona. Children with a blank address. were assumed to have resided in Arizona at the time of the test. Claritas 2019 population estimates were used to calculate screening rates. Results are not representative of all children living in Arizona because blood lead testing is not universal. Please note that there is a potential underestimation of counts and rates presented in this report due to ADHS' reliance on provider and laboratory reporting of blood lead test results. Rates based on counts less than 20 may be unstable and should be interpreted with caution. Children with missing address information were not included in screening rate calculations. Test results reported for the zip code 85334 were excluded from screening rate calculations due to lack of population estimate data for this zip code.



APPENDIX C: BACKGROUND

ead is a naturally occurring heavy metal, but most high levels in the environment that people are exposed to come from human activities. Lead has properties that make it easy to work with and has been widely used in a variety of products and materials such as pipes, paints, ceramics, and gasoline. When ingested or inhaled, lead can have adverse effects on nearly all organ systems in the body. Children under the age of six years are especially at risk because they are still developing, have a tendency to put objects and their hands in their mouth, and absorb lead easily. Lead exposure often occurs with no obvious signs and symptoms. In children, lead poisoning can cause slowed development, reading and other learning problems, behavioral problems, as well as brain, liver, and kidney damage. Pregnant women can also pass lead to their unborn babies. For these reasons, major public health campaigns have focused on eliminating childhood lead poisoning.

Childhood lead poisoning is entirely preventable; however, it remains one of the most common environmental health dangers to children. In 2012, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) adopted the reference level of 5µg/dL for an elevated blood lead level (EBLL). This reference level was determined as the 97.5th percentile of the blood lead distribution in children one to five years of age from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES). Children with blood lead levels at the reference level or higher are considered to have been exposed to more lead than most other children.



APPENDIX D: SUMMARY OF ADHS SCREENING RECOMMENDATIONS

he Arizona Department of Health Services developed and used the following recommendations in 2019 to identify children with elevated blood lead levels in order to eliminate exposure and reduce the effects of lead on Arizona children.

A more in-depth discussion of our current screening recommendations can be found in Arizona's Targeted Lead Screening Plan for the Prevention of Childhood Lead Poisoning. For current high-risk areas, visit www.azhealth.gov/leadmap.

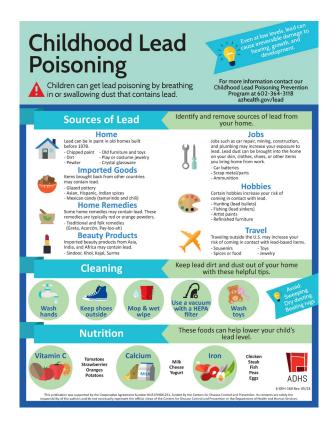
- Children living in high-risk zip codes: All children living in high-risk zip codes should have had a blood lead test at 12 and 24 months of age. Children aged 36 to 72 months should be tested if they have not been previously tested.
- 2. Children living outside of high-risk zip codes: Children living in Arizona, but not in a high-risk zip code, should have received an individual risk assessment questionnaire at 12 and 24 months of age.



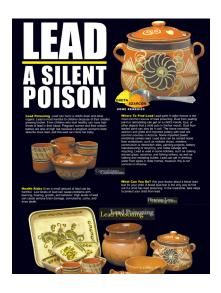
APPENDIX E: RESOURCES - EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

Educational handouts are provided to the public and to health care professionals. Every family that has a child with an EBLL will receive the primary educational handout (right) that details various sources of lead, cleaning techniques, and nutritional tips to increase awareness on preventative techniques for lead poisoning. Several of the educational handouts are available in both English and Spanish.

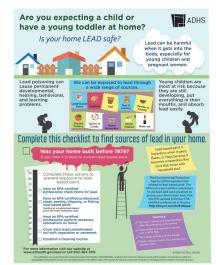
Each of these handouts and are available on the AZDHS website.



Additional Educational Handouts









APPENDIX F: RESOURCES - CLPPP COALITION

n 2018, the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Coalition was created with the purpose of establishing a network of partners to address lead poisoning prevention among various sectors and to provide a range of perspectives and expertise to address challenges encountered. The coalition aims to identify, prioritize, and address community and partner needs regarding lead poisoning prevention efforts and to achieve a widespread reach within our communities, connecting families to vital resources.

Current Priorities

- Increasing blood lead testing in high-risk areas
- Increasing education and awareness of lead poisoning in Arizona provided to health care providers and families
- Implementing new lead poisoning prevention activities

If you would like to participate in the CLPPP coalition, please send an email to HealthyHomes@azdhs.gov.



APPENDIX G: 2018 HIGH-RISK LEAD POISONING ZIP CODES

COUNTY City City	Zip Codes PO Box Zip	COCONINO Bellemont Flagstaff	86015 86001 86002	Chandler Heigh	85286 hts 85127 85335	85007 85008 85009 85010
APACHE Blue Gap, Low	Mountain 86520		86002 86003 86004 86005	Fort McDowe	II 85264	85010 85011 85012 85013
Chambers	86502 86512	Gray Mountain		Gila Bend	85269	85014 85015
Chinle	86503	Page Parks	86018	Gilbert	85337 85236	85016
Dennehotso Eagar	86535 85925	Sedona	86339		8 5296 85299	85017 85018
Fort Defiance	86504	GILA		Glendale	85301	85019
Ganado Greer	86 505 85927	Claypool	85532		85302	85020
Hawley Lake	85930	Globe	85501 85502		85303 85304	85021 85022
Houck	86506	Miami	85539		85306	85023
Lupton Nazlini	86508 86540	Peridot Winkelman	85542 85192		85307 85311	85024 85027
Nutrioso	85932	Young	85554		85312	85028
Red Rock Rock Point	86544 86545	CDALIANA		C. I.	85318	85029
St. Johns	85936	GRAHAM Bylas	85530	Goodyear	85338 85395	85030 85031
Teec Nos Pos		Safford	85546	Laveen	85339	85032
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COCHISE Benson	85602	GREENLEE	0.5.5.0		85202	85036
Bisbee	85603	Clifton Duncan	85533 85534		85203 85204	8 5037 85038
Douglas	85607		03304		85205	85040
	85608 85655	LA PAZ	05004		85206	85041
Hereford	85615	Parker Poston	85334 85371		85207 85208	85042 85043
Huachuca Cit		Salome	85348		85209	85046
Mc Neal	85616 85617	Wenden	85357		8 5210 85211	85050 85051
Naco	85620	MARICOPA			85212	85053
Pirtleville Pomerene	85626 85627	Aguila	85320		85213	85060
San Simon	85632	Avondale	8 5323 85329		85214 85216	85061 85062
Sierra Vista	85635		85392		85274	85063
	85636 85650	Buckeye	85326	Doorio	85275	85064
	85670	Chandler	85396 85224	Peoria	85345 85380	85066 85067
Tombstone	85638		85225		85385	85068
Willcox	85643 85644		8 5226 85244	Phoenix	85003 85005	85069 85070
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	85072	Mohave Valle			85724	YAVAPAI	
	85074	Worldvc valid	86440		85725	Camp Verde	86322
	85075		86446				
		1/			85726	Chino Valley	86323
	85078	Yucca	86438		85730	Cornville	86325
	85079				85731	Cottonwood	86326
	85080	NAVAJO			85732	Lake Montezui	
	85082	Cibecue	85911		85733		86342
	85086	Clay Springs	85923		85734	Paulden	86334
Queen Creek	85142	Fort Apache	85926		85735	Prescott	86301
Scottsdale	85250	Holbrook	86025		85736		86302
	85251	Hotevilla	86030		85745		86303
	85252	Indian Wells	86031		85746		86304
	85256	Pinedale	85934		85754		86305
	85257	Pinon	86510		85756	D	86313
	85260	Polacca	86042		85757	Prescott Valle	
	85261	Shonto	86054				86312
	85267	Show Low	85901	PINAL			86314
	85271		85902	Apache Junct	ion		86315
Sun City	85351	Sun Valley	86029		85117	Rimrock	86335
	85372	White Mount	ain Lake		85119	Sedona	86336
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Tempe	85280	DIAAA			85130	Colfred	85352
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	85283	Catalina Footl		Eloy	85131	San Luis	85349
	85285		85751	Florence	85132	Somerton	85350
Tolleson	85353	Marana	85658	Gold Canyon	85118	Wellton	85356
Tonopah	85354	Sahuarita	85629	Hayden	85135	Yuma	85364
Tortilla Flat	85190	Sasabe	85633	Maricopa	85138		85365
Wickenburg	85358	Sells	85634		85139		85366
O .	85390	Topawa	85639	Oracle	85623		85367
Wittmann	85361	Tucson	85701	Picacho	85141		85369
Youngtown	85363	1465011	85702	San Manuel			03007
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Chloride	86431		85711				
Colorado City			85712	SANTA CRUZ			
Golden Valley	86413		85713	Nogales	85621		
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APPENDIX H: NUMBER OF CHILDREN <6 YEARS WHO HAD A VENOUS OR CAPILLARY TEST, 2019

County	Total Children Screened
Arizona	61,391*
Apache	229
Cochise	1,625
Coconino	984
Gila	529
Graham	272
Greenlee	69
La Paz	93
Maricopa	35,751
Mohave	1,576
Navajo	849
Pima	8,282
Pinal	3,495
Santa Cruz	948
Yavapai	1,369
Yuma	2,994

^{*2,326} screened children from 2019 were missing address information and were not counted at the county level.



APPENDIX I: PREVALENT CASES OF CHILDREN <6 YEARS OLD IDENTIFIED WITH AN EBLL, 2019

County	Total children with EBLL	Children with 5-9 μg/dL EBLL	Children with ≥10 μg/dL EBLL
Arizona	298	230	68
Apache	7	5	2
Cochise	15	12	3
Coconino	10	5	5
Gila	9	6	3
Graham	4	3	1
Greenlee	0	0	0
La Paz	1	1	0
Maricopa	162	126	36
Mohave	8	7	1
Navajo	8	7	1
Pima	55	42	13
Pinal	6	6	0
Santa Cruz	3	3	0
Yavapai	2	2	0
Yuma	8	5	3



APPENDIX J: PERCENT OF CHILDREN <6 YEARS SCREENED WHO HAD AN EBLL, 2019

County	Percent Positivity
Arizona	0.5*
Apache	3.1
Cochise	0.9
Coconino	1.0
Gila	1.7
Graham	1.5
Greenlee	0.0
La Paz	1.1
Maricopa	0.5
Mohave	0.5
Navajo	0.9
Pima	0.7
Pinal	0.2
Santa Cruz	0.3
Yavapai	0.1
Yuma	0.3



^{*2,326} screened children from 2019 were missing address information and were not counted at the county level.

APPENDIX L: SCREENING RATES OF CHILDREN <6 YEARS OLD IN HIGH-RISK CENSUS TRACTS (%), 2019

County	At both 12 & 24 months*	At 12 months only*	At 24 months only*
Arizona	9.9 †	29.2 [†]	19.0 [†]
Apache	2.1†	7.2 [†]	5.1 [†]
Cochise	17.2	33.0	27.6
Coconino	0.2	12.8 [†]	6.7 [†]
Gila	4.7 [†]	33.1†	15.3 [†]
Graham	0.9	4.0	4.4
Greenlee	2.2	13.6	6.7
La Paz	4.2	12.9	9.2
Maricopa	10.5 [†]	29.3 [†]	19.5 [†]
Mohave	8.5	29.7 [†]	19.6 [†]
Navajo	4.7	20.6†	11.2 [†]
Pima	11.0	33.0	19.8
Pinal	9.5	27.6 [†]	17.6 [†]
Santa Cruz	8.3	44.4 [†]	26.2 [†]
Yavapai	12.5 [†]	29.8	20.5 [†]
Yuma	7.3	32.0 [†]	19.2 [†]



^{*} Children living in a high-risk zip code were recommended a blood lead test at both 12 & 24 months of age. Screening rates for 12 & 24 month and 24 months only indicators were calculated for children who were 24 months old in 2019. Screening rates for the 12 months only indicator was calculated for children who were 12 months old in 2019.

[†] Significantly different from 2018 rate (p < 0.05)

APPENDIX K: SCREENING RATES OF CHILDREN <6 YEARS OLD IN HIGH-RISK ZIP CODES (%), 2019

County	At both 12 & 24 months*	At 12 months only*	At 24 months only*
Arizona	9.3 [†]	26.6 [†]	16.8 [†]
Apache	0.9	3.7	2.6
Cochise	18.6	36.2	28.7
Coconino	4.0	12.7	7.1
Gila	2.8	18.6	6.6
Graham	1.5	7.6	9.0
Greenlee	3.2	20.6	9.5
La Paz	0.0	28.6 [†]	0.0
Maricopa	9.0†	26.1 [†]	16.8 [†]
Mohave	9.1	32.2 [†]	20.6†
Navajo	3.1	12.2	7.0
Pima	11.0 [†]	32.6 [†]	19.2
Pinal	8.2	22.6	13.0
Santa Cruz	8.1	44.5 [†]	26.1 [†]
Yavapai	16.2 [†]	35.4	23.9†
Yuma	12.6	28.0	17.2



^{*} Children living in a high-risk zip code were recommended a blood lead test at both 12 & 24 months of age. Screening rates for 12 & 24 month and 24 months only indicators were calculated for children who were 24 months old in 2019. Screening rates for the 12 months only indicator was calculated for children who were 12 months old in 2019.

[†] Significantly different from 2018 rate (p < 0.05)

APPENDIX M: INCIDENT CASES AND RATES OF CHILDREN <6 YEARS OLD IDENTIFIED WITH AN EBLL ≥5 µg/dL, 2019

County	Newly identified cases*	Case rates per 10,000
Arizona	236	4.4
Apache	7	10.6 [†]
Cochise	12	12.5
Coconino	10	10.1
Gila	5	14.4
Graham	3	8.2
Greenlee	0	0.0
La Paz	1	8.8
Maricopa	119	3.5
Mohave	5	4.4
Navajo	7	7.0
Pima	50	7.0
Pinal	6	2.0
Santa Cruz	3	7.7
Yavapai	1	0.9
Yuma	7	3.9



[†] Significantly different from 2018 rate (p < 0.05)

APPENDIX M: INCIDENT CASES AND RATES OF CHILDREN <6 YEARS OLD IDENTIFIED WITH AN EBLL 5-9.9 µg/dL, 2019

County	Newly identified cases*	Case rates per 10,000
Arizona	180	3.4
Apache	5	7.6 [†]
Cochise	9	9.3
Coconino	5	5.1
Gila	3	8.6
Graham	2	5.5
Greenlee	0	0.0
La Paz	1	8.8
Maricopa	93	2.7
Mohave	4	3.6
Navajo	6	6.0
Pima	38	5.3
Pinal	6	2.0
Santa Cruz	3	7.7
Yavapai	1	0.9†
Yuma	4	2.2



[†] Significantly different from 2018 rate (p < 0.05)

APPENDIX M: INCIDENT CASES AND RATES OF CHILDREN <6 YEARS OLD IDENTIFIED WITH AN EBLL ≥10 µg/dL, 2019

County	Newly identified cases*	Case rates per 10,000
Arizona	56	1.1
Apache	2	3.0^{\dagger}
Cochise	3	3.1 [†]
Coconino	5	5.1 [†]
Gila	2	5.8 [†]
Graham	1	2.7†
Greenlee	0	0.0
La Paz	0	0.0
Maricopa	26	0.8
Mohave	1	0.9
Navajo	1	1.0^{\dagger}
Pima	12	1.7
Pinal	0	0.0^{\dagger}
Santa Cruz	0	0.0
Yavapai	0	0.0^{\dagger}
Yuma	3	1.7



[†] Significantly different from 2018 rate (p < 0.05)

APPENDIX N: DEMOGRAPHICS OF CASES, 2019

Race/Ethnicity	Count	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	27	9.1
Asian	11	3.7
Black	12	4.0
Hispanic	65	21.8
Other	6	2.0
White, non-Hispanic	40	13.4
Unknown	137	46.0

Age (in Years)	Male		Female	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0 - <1	9	3.0	8	2.7
1	52	17.5	61	20.5
2	33	11.1	38	12.7
3	19	6.4	16	5.4
4	21	4.1	24	8.0
5	9	3.0	8	2.7