The 2011 Child Well-Being Survey included an oversample of households in the Cincinnati neighborhood of Avondale. Avondale is one of three sites participating in the Place Matters initiative, a place-based investment project which aims to improve quality of life by targeting specific issues in strategically selected neighborhoods. A total of 123 surveys were completed with parents/caregivers in Avondale to help provide a more detailed understanding of the health status and needs of children in Avondale.

**General Health Status**

8 out of 10 parents in Avondale described their child’s health as “excellent” or “very good.”

1 out of 10 described their child’s health as “fair” or “poor.”

**Oral Health & Preventive Dental Care**

7 out of 10 parents in Avondale described their child’s teeth as “excellent” or “very good.”

2 out of 10 parents reported that their child has experienced toothaches, cavities, broken teeth, and/or bleeding gums within the past six months.

8 out of 10 parents in Avondale reported that their child has had at least one preventive dental care visit within the past year.

**Health Problems**

3 out of 10 parents in Avondale reported that their child has a special health care need.

1 out of 10 report that their child has asthma.

2 out of 10 children with asthma have had to visit the ER or urgent care within the past year due to their asthma.

1 out of 10 children without an asthma diagnosis experience asthma-like symptoms.

3 out of 10 children ages 10 – 17 years in Avondale are overweight/obese. However, only 1 out of 10 parents of children ages 10 – 17 years in Avondale describe their child as “overweight” or “obese.”
The Child Well-Being Survey (CWBS) is a random-digit-dial (RDD) telephone survey of primary caregivers in the Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky region. Primary caregivers, usually parents, are asked questions about one randomly selected child in their household. The CWBS was previously conducted in 2000 and 2005. The 2011 sample includes 2,083 completed surveys and covers several health topics, including: general health status, chronic conditions, usual source of care, oral health and preventive dental care, screen time and physical activity, food security, and neighborhood resources. The sampling error for the 2011 CWBS is ±2.1%; the margin of error for the Avondale oversample is ±8.8%.

For more findings from the 2011 Child Well-Being survey and past surveys visit www.cchmc.org/service/j/anderson-center/health-policy/well-being/ or www.HealthFoundation.org. For more information, please contact Rachel Sebastian, MA at (513) 803-2396 or rachel.sebastian@cchmc.org.

### Accessing Health Care

- **6 out of 10** children in Avondale are covered by Medicaid or some other kind of public insurance.
- **9 out of 10** children in Avondale received some kind of preventive health care in the past year.
- **1 out of 10** received treatment for a behavioral health issue within the past year.

### Food Security

- **2 out of 10** parents in Avondale expressed difficulty obtaining enough food to feed their household during the past year.
- **3 out of 10** said that there were months when their household’s food didn't last and they didn't have enough money to buy more.
- **8 out of 10** parents say that it’s easy to obtain healthy foods for their families where they live.

### Neighborhood Characteristics

- **8 out of 10** parents report high levels of social support in their neighborhoods.
- **4 out of 10** parents in Avondale report litter, rundown housing, and/or vandalism in their neighborhoods.
- **8 out of 10** parents in Avondale “usually” or “always” feel that their child is safe in their community or neighborhood.
- **9 out of 10** parents in Avondale “usually” or “always” feel that their child is safe at school.

### Parenting

- **5** average days per week in which everyone in the household shares a meal.
- **7 out of 10** Avondale parents talked to their child about drugs and alcohol within the past month.

### Physical Activity & Screen Time

- **4** average number of days/week children get at least 20 minutes of physical activity.
- **2** average number of hours per day of screen time of children in Avondale.