

Introduction and Methodology

The Georgia Health Policy Center has prepared this evaluation of the Georgia Oral Health Prevention Program under contract to the Oral Health Section (OHS) of the Family Health Branch of the Georgia Department of Human Resources.

The Georgia Oral Health Prevention Program (OHPP) provides low-income children with oral health screening, basic preventive services, and limited treatment services. The Program was developed with limited funding, necessitating significant reliance on county and municipal resources to develop and operate the program. Each dental public health district developed its program somewhat independently. This has resulted in a situation where services are not uniformly available throughout the state and data, where available, is not comparable across districts.

The purpose of this evaluation is to document the oral health prevention activities in place in each dental public health district, and determine what is needed to provide uniformly high quality, easily accessible services to children throughout the state. The Oral Health Section also specifically requested that data collection and reporting procedures be evaluated across all districts so that data comparability, and the ability to monitor the effectiveness of the oral health program, can be improved in the future.

We conducted telephone interviews with the following individuals in each district:

- The Oral Health Coordinator, who in most cases was the District Dental Director,
- The person to whom the Oral Health Coordinator reports (the District Health Director or Program Manager, depending on the district), and
- The individual responsible for data collection and reporting.

We also reviewed activity data from the Oral Health Program, and claims data from the Medicaid and PeachCare programs.

Background

Funding for public dental health services in Georgia is a mixture of state, county, and municipal funds, and federal block grants. The programs are under the auspices of the district health director. They are operated in cooperation with the county health departments and, for school-based services, the local school districts. The result is substantial variation among the districts in the approaches to providing dental services, and in the services offered.

At a state level, public dental health has been threatened with severe cutbacks or elimination three times in the last 20 years. This uncertainty has made it difficult to achieve the momentum needed to develop the program to a high level of effectiveness.

The goal of the Georgia Oral Health Prevention Program is to improve access to dental prevention services for poor children. The program was developed to focus on school-based dental prevention with emphasis on children in preschools and elementary schools, children eligible for the free and reduced meal program, and children who do not have dental insurance or access to a dentist. Specific state funding is appropriated for this

program. The money is used to fund positions for a district dental director and/or dental hygienist. The appropriation for FY 2001 provided funding so that each district could have at least a full time hygienist working under the oversight of a shared full-time district/regional dentist. Revenue is collected for services billable to Medicaid and PeachCare. In more mature programs, these funds can exceed expenses, and are being used to expand the capacity of the dental public health programs in those districts.

Statewide Summary

The current state budget (FY2002) provides over \$2.8 million for dental public health. Of this, almost \$1.2 million is for district dental offices, and an additional \$1.1 million is distributed to the districts as grant-in-aid. The budget for the Oral Health Section is \$614,000.

Children served It is impossible to determine with certainty the number of children served by the public oral health programs. Data on the number of children served is maintained in most districts using tick marks, which are manually tabulated. Because child-specific data is not maintained, an unduplicated count is difficult to achieve.

For the fixed clinics, an estimate of the number of children served can be obtained using the Patient Type field (new admission vs. readmission by age grouping). An individual is counted as a new admission for their first visit of every fiscal year. Therefore, the number of new admissions should provide an unduplicated count of the number of people seen in the fixed clinics. Since it is impossible to audit tick marks, the accuracy of these numbers is uncertain. See **Table 1**¹ for the number of new admissions by district for FY2000.

An unduplicated count of children served is not possible for the school programs. The reports for the school program count the number of each type of service provided (fluoride rinse, sealants, dental health education) and the number screened who fell into each category (Green/Pass, Yellow/Fail, Red/Emergency). **Table 1** also includes this data.

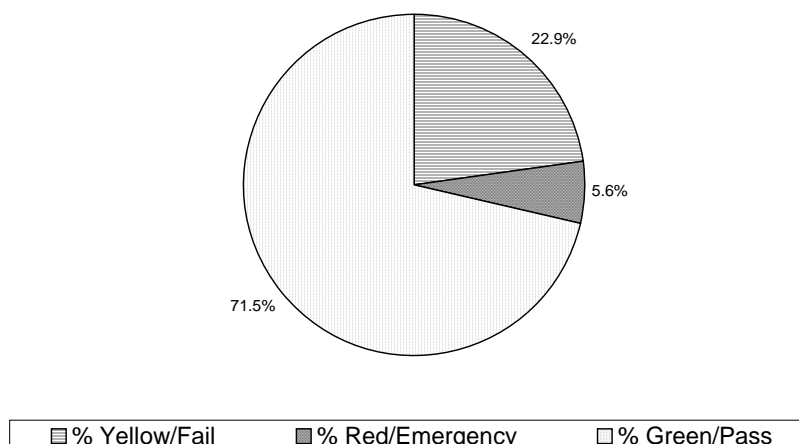
Statewide, 22.9% of children screened fail (yellow), and 5.6% of children screened had untreated dental disease so severe that it was considered an emergency (red). (See **Figure 1** and **Table 1**.)

Access Data on the utilization of dental services by Medicaid- and PeachCare-enrolled children are used in this report as a proxy for access to dental services by all low-income children. Data are not available for uninsured or privately insured children. Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program (FRLP) and not enrolled in either Medicaid or PeachCare, may have private insurance, but are more likely to be uninsured and to have limited, if any, access to dental care.

Table 2 shows the number, statewide and by district, of children enrolled in Medicaid and PeachCare in calendar year 2000. It also shows the percentage of these children that

¹ The data in Table 1 were taken from the activity reports submitted by the districts to the Oral Health Section. Data maintained by the staff of the Family Health Branch for the Oral Health Section, based on the same reports, do not always agree with the data as presented here. See the section on Data Collection and Reporting for a full discussion of the data issues.

Figure 1
Results of Dental Screening - Statewide
FY2000



received any dental services. **Table 3** shows the number and percent of Medicaid- and PeachCare-enrolled children who received preventive or restorative dental services² in calendar year 2000. The percentage of children receiving preventive dental services can be thought of as a measure of the breadth of access to dental care, while the percentage of children receiving restorative dental care can be viewed as a measure of the depth of access.

Children may be receiving preventive services in settings such as schools, but not receiving the indicated follow-up care. Restorative services are less often provided in school settings because of the types of facilities required to provide those services. While it is important to offer screening and preventive services, ensuring access to restorative care for problems identified in the screening visit involves additional challenges. The parents must be involved to schedule and keep appointments, provide or arrange transportation to a fixed clinic or private dental provider, and arrange for time off from work, if necessary.

Statewide, 24.1% of Medicaid and PeachCare enrolled children received some dental services in calendar year 2000. (See **Table 4**.) This was an increase from 23.2% in calendar year 1999. District level figures for calendar year 2000 ranged from a low of 16.9% (Cobb-Douglas) to a high of 34.3% (Savannah). The percentage of Medicaid and PeachCare children receiving any dental service went down in Fulton (-15.0%) and Savannah (-0.7%). This was an actual decrease of 1,901 Medicaid and PeachCare enrolled children receiving any dental service in District 3-2, Fulton County. In Savannah, there was an increase in the number of Medicaid and PeachCare enrolled children receiving services, but it was not as great as the increase in enrollment, resulting in a slightly lower percentage of enrolled children receiving services.

² See Key to Terminology and Data Sources.

Figure 2 shows that the access rates are significantly different for Medicaid and PeachCare. (See also **Tables 5 and 6.**) Statewide, only 21.8% of Medicaid enrolled children received any dental services in 2000, a decrease from the 1999 level of 22.6%. PeachCare access improved markedly from 1999 to 2000, increasing from 30.0% to 37.4%, even though PeachCare enrollment more than doubled over the same period. The range for Medicaid in 2000 was 13.0% (Cobb-Douglas) to 32.7% (Savannah). For PeachCare, the range in 2000 was 29.2% (Fulton) to 46.8% (Valdosta).

Healthy People 2010 uses the percent of children receiving at least one preventive dental service as its measure of access. The national baseline in 1996 was 20.0%, and the target is 57.0%. In 2000, the figure for Georgia Medicaid- and PeachCare-enrolled children was 20.8%. **Figure 3** shows district level dental access using this measure.

Tables 7 and 8 shows the extent to which public oral health programs are providing the dental care that Medicaid and PeachCare-enrolled children are receiving. **Table 7** shows the number and percent of Medicaid and PeachCare-enrolled children that received any dental service provided by public health dentists in each district in 2000. The Gainesville district has the highest percentage (22.3%) of care being provided by public health dentists. Three other districts have percentages exceeding 10%: Cobb-Douglas (18.3%), Fulton (15.6%), and Columbus (10.5%). In six districts (Rome, LaGrange, Savannah, Valdosta, Waycross, and Brunswick), less than 1% of the Medicaid and PeachCare enrolled children receiving care are receiving it from public health dentists. (See also **Figure 4.**) **Table 8** shows the breakdown of these services by preventive and restorative services. These figures do not include as public health dentists those working in community health centers (CHCs) or rural health centers (RHCs).

Dental fee reimbursement for Medicaid and PeachCare was significantly increased in July 2000. Research has shown that notable increases in Medicaid dental fees should produce the following effects:

- First, an increase in the number of services provided to children already in the system,
- Second, an increase in the number of children seen by dentists participating, and
- Third, an increase in the number of dentists participating.

The data analyzed for this study covered only the first few months after implementation of the rate increase. **Figure 5** shows the percent of licensed dentists who were participating (defined as at least one claim for the period) and active (averaging at least one claim per week) in 2000 by district. A county-by-county listing is included as **Table 11**. Future studies should be done to document whether the above effects can be observed before and after the July 2000 rate increase.

Adults Services to adults are generally limited to emergencies. Some districts provide services to pregnant women, seniors, or adults with HIV. Only 12.4% of visits to the fixed clinics were for adults, and most of these were in the state's metropolitan areas. (See **Table 1.**)

Summary of District Programs

The 19 dental public health districts are extremely varied in size, population, and the dental resources available. Because of the decentralized nature of the public health system in Georgia, there are also many different political climates in which decisions are made. Attitudes, objectives, and priorities among the District Dental Directors vary widely. Some see the role of public health dentistry as limited to screening, preventive services, and education. Others feel it is futile to screen children, identify serious oral health problems, and then not provide an avenue for addressing these problems. These differing viewpoints are reflected in the variation in the services offered, and in the approach to difficult issues, such as follow-up on children identified as needing emergency dental care. Summaries of the district programs appear in the Appendix.

The largest program is Fulton County (District 3-2), but its program pre-existed the state's program, and is not reporting data to the state consistently. It receives only \$1,000 of state funds against a \$1.9 million budget.

District 2, Gainesville, has the largest system of fixed clinics, with a clinic operating at least one day per week in each of the district's 13 counties. Gainesville is aggressive in pursuing Medicaid and PeachCare reimbursement and revenues are expected to exceed expenses this year by between \$400,000 and \$700,000. The profitable nature of the dental program has convinced counties in the district to budget substantial support for the dental clinics and to increase that support each year. The budget for fiscal year 2003 includes a 20% increase. The primary constraint on the program's growth is the ability to recruit clinical staff. However, the financial success of the program has allowed the district dental director to compensate clinical staff at market levels, and improve the success of recruitment efforts. Most of the clinical staff are contract employees paid an hourly rate.

The DeKalb district has the largest school program. In FY2000, 11,059 children were screened (PreK through grade 7) and 9,510 children received dental health education.

Access There are no obvious factors that seem to affect the number or percent of Medicaid and PeachCare children who receive dental care. The three districts with the highest access rates for this population are Savannah, Valdosta, and Augusta. Savannah has one fixed clinic, but no school program. Valdosta has a school program, but no fixed clinic. Augusta has three fixed clinics and a school program. The participation rates by private dentists are 28.6% for Savannah, 46.9% for Valdosta, and 47.6% for Augusta. The total population for each dentist is 2,140, 4,630, and 1,652, respectively (See **Table 9** and **Figure 6**).

It is important to emphasize that services provided to children who are not covered by Medicaid or PeachCare are not captured in this data. While it may be appropriate to use this claims data to get an overall measure of how many of the state's low income children are receiving dental care, the data's usefulness in comparing access among districts is limited. Given the philosophical differences among the District Health Directors, the percentage of care provided on a sliding fee scale relative to that provided to children enrolled in Medicaid and PeachCare most likely varies widely. The percentage of services provided to children in different pay categories is not reported by all districts.

Parent Involvement The frustration of the District Dental Directors is evident when talking about follow-up for children identified during screening as needing emergency dental work, or those having “red” status. Parents are notified that their child is in need of major dental work. Districts with the resources offer the parents an appointment at a county dental clinic where this care can be received at little or no cost to the family. Follow-up by parents is very irregular, but in no district does it approach 100%. Because resources are so limited, the district dental staff focuses on the children who do show up. Many districts feel that it is not worth the effort to induce parents to follow-up because the districts already have more work than they can handle with the children who do come in for care.

In addition, most dental directors felt that parents need to be present for major treatments because of the use of anesthetic, and because the child will experience numbness and bleeding. This means that parental cooperation is even more important for the children most in need of care.

Data Collection and Reporting

The district oral health programs have had limited discretion in selecting their computer systems. Most are limited to the systems selected by the Health Director for the overall needs of the district. Some of these systems address the needs of dental services better than others. Several District Dental Directors have developed or are developing their own computer systems. The ability of other districts to piggyback on these efforts is dependent on the willingness of the larger public health infrastructure within their district to allow a separate dental system.

The data currently being collected by the Oral Health Program from the districts is aggregate, and measures activity and efficiency (to the extent that provider hours are reported). But because the data are not client-based, there is no way to measure the program’s effectiveness in improving the oral health of the children it serves. Because an accurate count of the children served is not possible, it is also not possible to compare the districts on the basis of cost per child. While imperfect, this would add another dimension to efforts to measure and compare the effectiveness of the district programs. Finally, collection of the data is generally an additional piece of administrative work, rather than a natural product of the data systems that support clinical operations.

District personnel have reportedly complained for some time about the accuracy of the statistical reports that reflect their activity. There appear to be several factors causing these inaccuracies:

- The system supporting the Oral Health Section in Atlanta is not sufficient to ensure that all data are entered in a timely fashion. Tabulated data are returned to the districts for confirmation and correction at infrequent and irregular intervals.
- The computer system used by several of the districts produces its reports in a different way than is shown on the OHS forms. This in and of itself leads to inaccuracies.
- The problem is more pronounced in districts with a higher volume of activity.

All of the districts maintain charts on children who receive diagnostic, preventive or treatment services. Charts are maintained in hard copy, with some districts also storing them on CDs. Where only screening and/or education are being provided, records are not maintained on individual children.

Conclusion and Recommendations

As long as resources are severely limited, hard choices need to be made among:

- Screening all children to document the oral health status of the state's children and to give parents a status report on their children's oral health, or
- Providing preventive services to all children who can be reached with available resources, or
- Providing treatment services to children with serious, painful dental disease.

A truly effective dental public health program would do all three, while working in cooperation with private dentists and community health centers to achieve the last two goals. In light of current realities, however, it is difficult to allocate resources for administrative functions like data collection, when children are, quite literally, painfully in need of services. But without accurate and appropriate data, the effectiveness of the wide variety of approaches in the various districts, and of state efforts to increase access to dental care, will never be known with certainty. It would be especially interesting to determine which approaches are most promising for maintaining access to dental care for low-income children in times of tight state budgets. Making this assessment would require accurate data on the number of children served.

This study raises additional questions:

- How has the percentage of care provided by public health dentists changed as Medicaid fees have been increased?
- Does the existence of substantial dental public health programs discourage private dentists from participating actively in Medicaid because they perceive that the need for care in that population is being addressed by the public clinics?
- Does access to care increase with the level of expenditure for dental public health programs?
- Does oral health status improve among children who have been served by the dental public health program?
- Can the dental public health program be effective at improving the oral health status of children without addressing the attitudes toward dental care and the dental needs of the parents?

Recommendation 1: Further studies should be undertaken to answer some of these questions. Client-specific data should be maintained so that changes in the oral health status can be tracked and the effectiveness of the program measured

Recommendation 2: A plan for educating parents about the importance of oral health should be developed and implemented. The plan should address cultural attitudes toward oral health care.

Recommendation 3: Finding an effective method for following-up on children whose screening status is red should be made a high priority.

Recommendation 4: The data reported to the Oral Health Section and the means by which it is collected should be completely re-evaluated. Data collection should complement the workflow of the clinics and school-based programs, and not be a substantial added burden. Tabulation of data should be automated. A plan should be developed for converting to a client-based system to allow for the tracking of oral health status over time.

In addition, efforts should be made in conjunction with school authorities to tie oral health status data to measures of school attendance or school performance. In other words, an attempt should be made to answer the question, “Have the efforts of the Oral Health Prevention Program in the schools reduced the number of school days missed due to dental problems?”

Recommendation 5: Continue efforts to increase the level of active participation by private practice dentists.

Recommendation 6: Pursue additional funding streams to support oral health care for low-income children.

Recommendation 7: As more recent claims data becomes available, studies should be done to document the effect of the July 2000 rate increase, as well as subsequent rate adjustments.

Key to Terminology and Sources of Data:

Our source for **Enrolled Children** in PeachCare and Medicaid in 2000 is Electronic Data Systems, the Department of Community Health's contractor for compiling eligibility and claims records. An individual is considered "enrolled" if they were enrolled for any length of time during 2000. "Children" are all individuals under age 19 on January 1, 2000.

Children Enrolled at Least 6 Months come from the same source as **Enrolled Children**. This group was required to have at least 6 months of enrollment, rather than just any duration of enrollment.

The number of **Enrolled Children Who Received Dental Services** was calculated by examining the 2000 dental claims for PeachCare and Medicaid enrollees. Claims data came from Medstat. A dental claim is defined as a medical claim stored in the "Dental" portion of Medstat's claims database.

Preventive dental services are defined as dental claims with one of the following Georgia Specific Procedure Codes: D1120, D1110, D1203, D1351, D1510, D1515, D1525, D5550.

Restorative dental services are defined as dental claims with one of the following American Dental Association Procedure Codes: D2110, D2120, D2130, D2131, D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2380, D2381, D2382, D2385, D2386, D2387, D2751, D2920, D2930, D2931, D2932, D2940, D2950, D2951, D2970.

The numbers of **Licensed Dentists** in each district were determined using licensure and address information from the Georgia Board of Dentistry. Dental practitioners were located in a county based on the address listed on their license. It is important to note that dentists may or may not practice in the county or district where their license address is located. Additionally, some dentists may practice in more than one county or district.

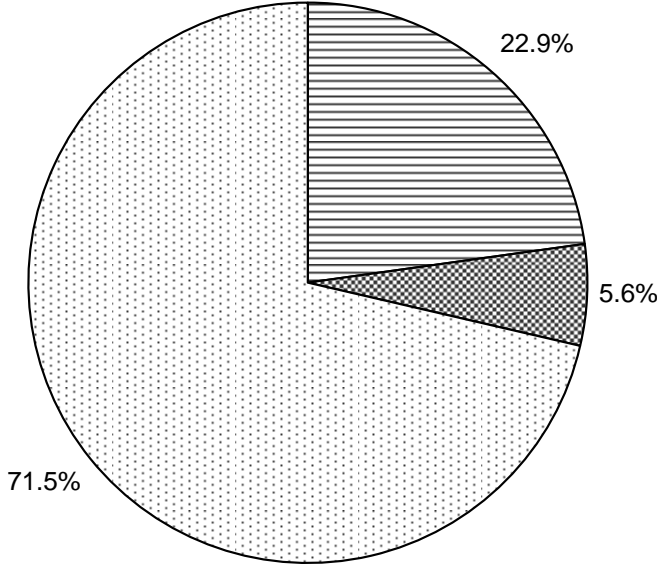
The number of **Participating Dentists** is the number of dentists who participate in PeachCare and Medicaid and who also saw at least one PeachCare or Medicaid child in 2000. This excludes some dentists who participate in public programs but who did not see any enrolled children during that year. We chose this definition of participating dentists because some dentists who no longer practice in Georgia are likely still listed in Medicaid's dental provider database. Therefore, including everyone in their database would overestimate the available supply of dentists.

In order to be considered an **Active Dentist**, the dentist had to have averaged at least one Medicaid visit per week, or at least 52 visits in 2000.

Dental Visits are defined as dental claims with a unique Internal Control Number (ICN).

The number of **children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program** is taken from the Georgia Department of Education Report, Free and Reduced Price Meal Eligibility - October 2000.

Figure 1
Results of Dental Screening - Statewide
FY2000



☐ % Yellow/Fail ☐ % Red/Emergency ☐ % Green/Pass

Source: Oral Health Program Activities Report

Figure 2
Percent of All Medicaid and PeachCare Enrolled Children Receiving Any Dental Service, CY2000

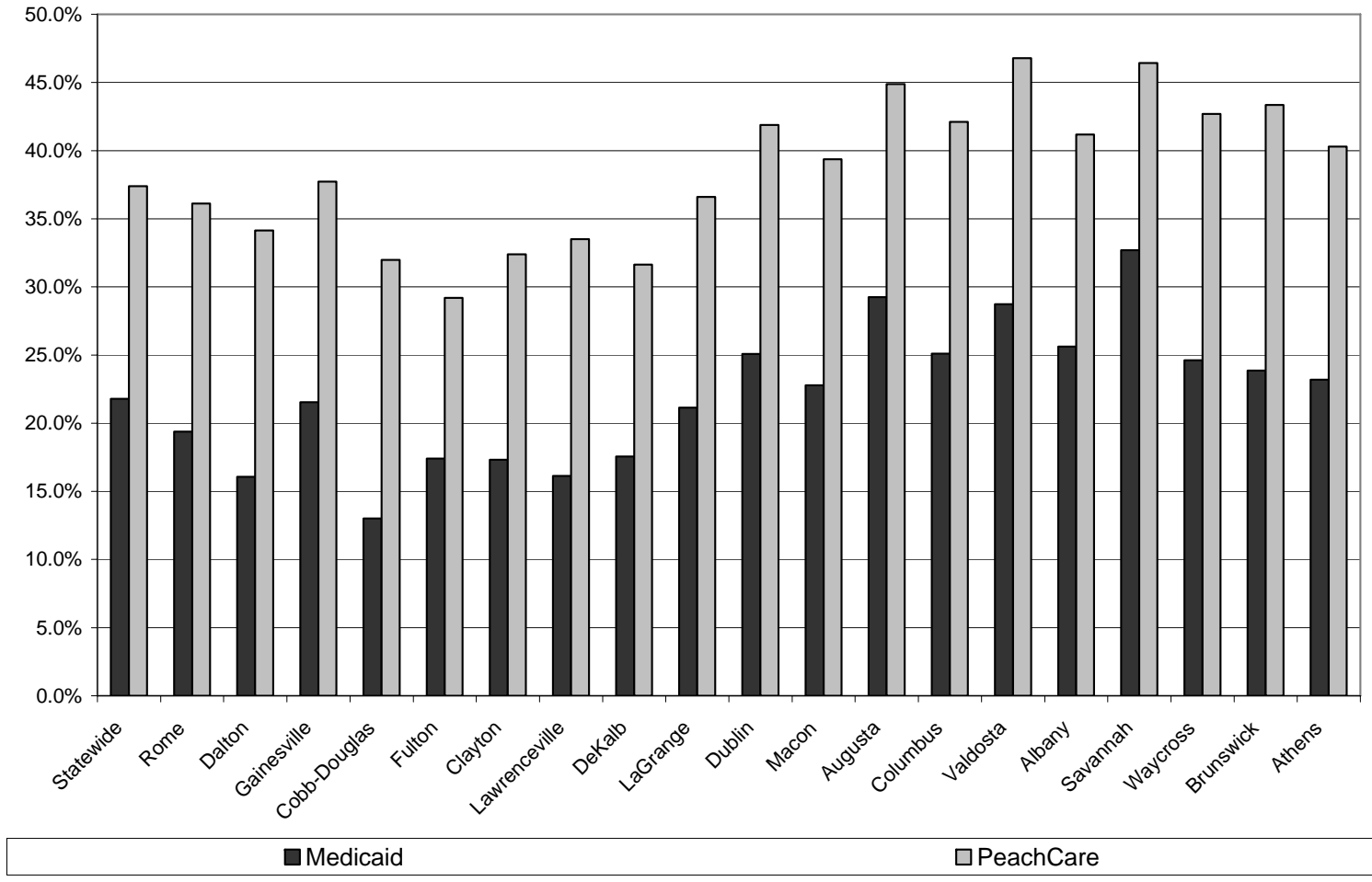


Figure 3
Percent of Children Enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare Who Had at Least One
Preventive Dental Service, CY1999 and CY2000

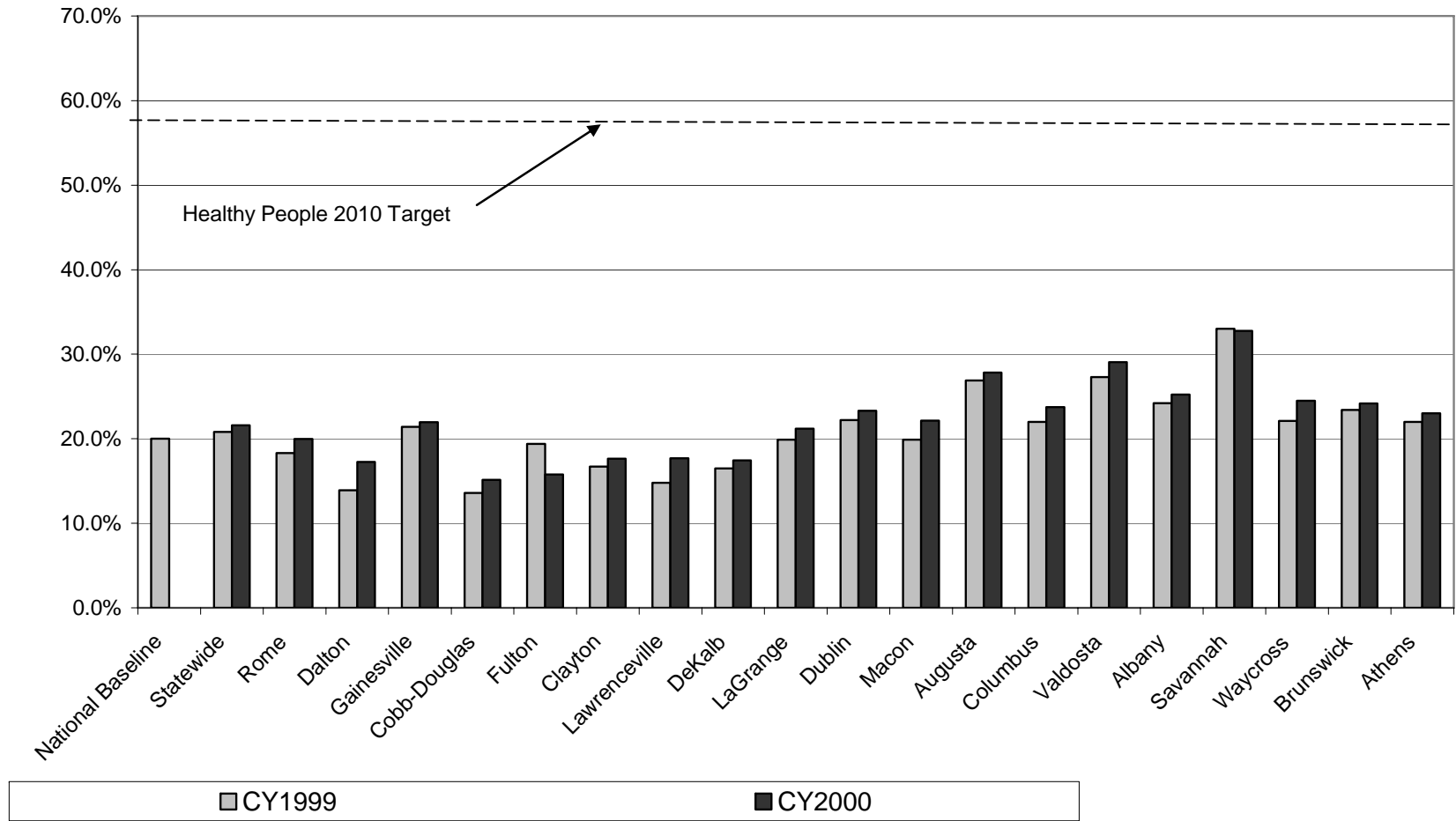
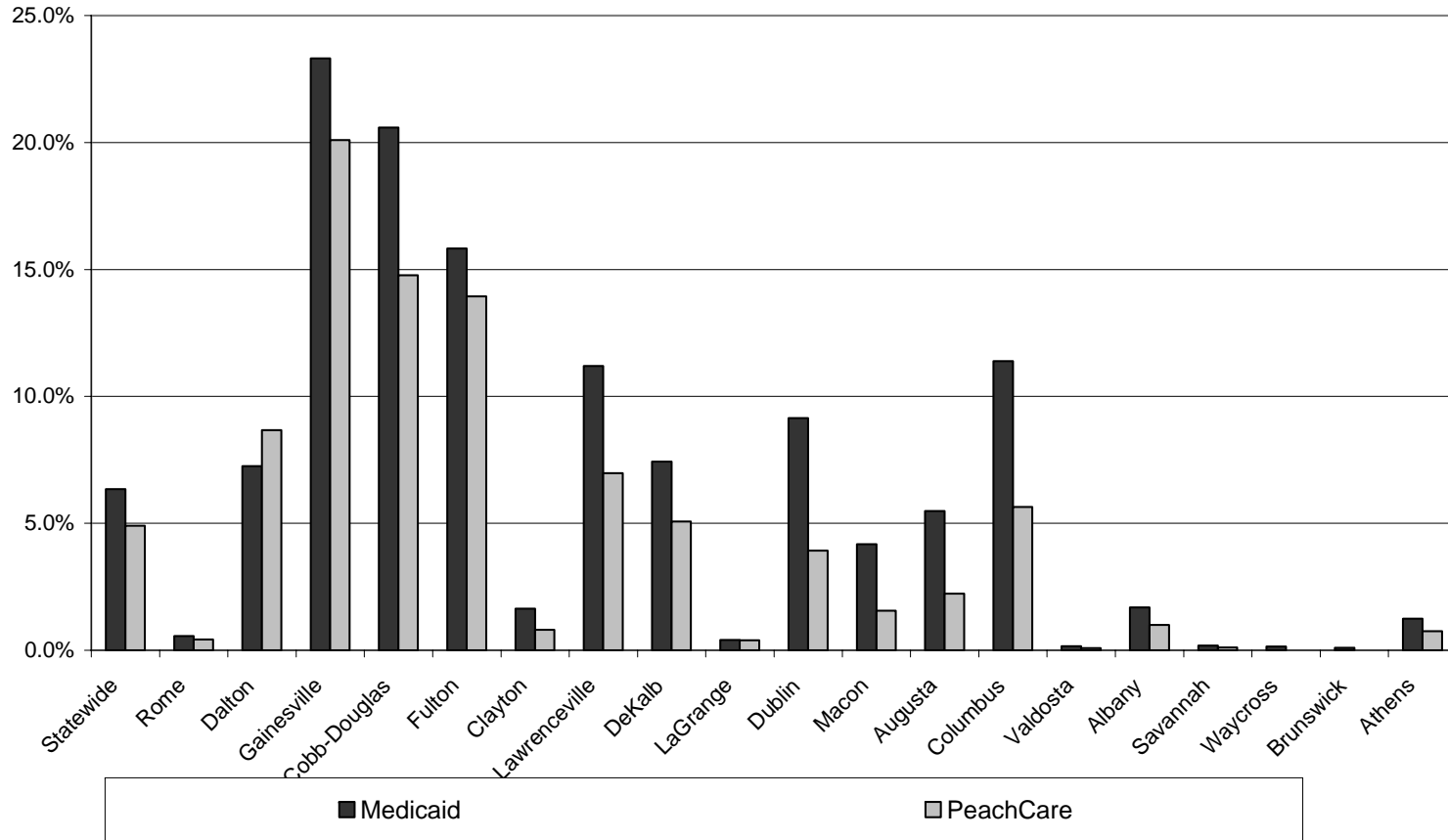
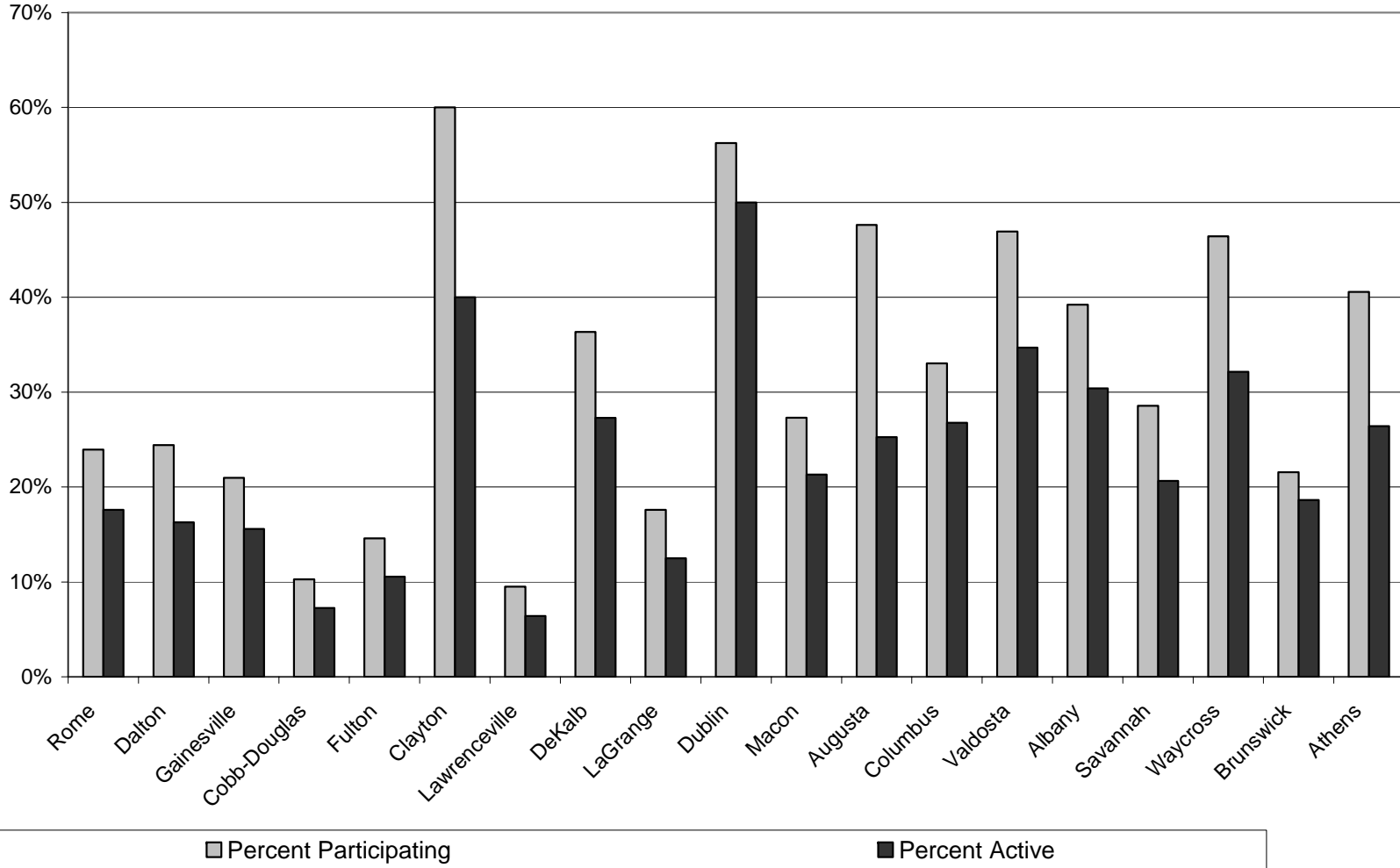


Figure 4
Percent of Enrolled Children Receiving Dental Services Who Received
Them From Public Health Dentists
CY2000



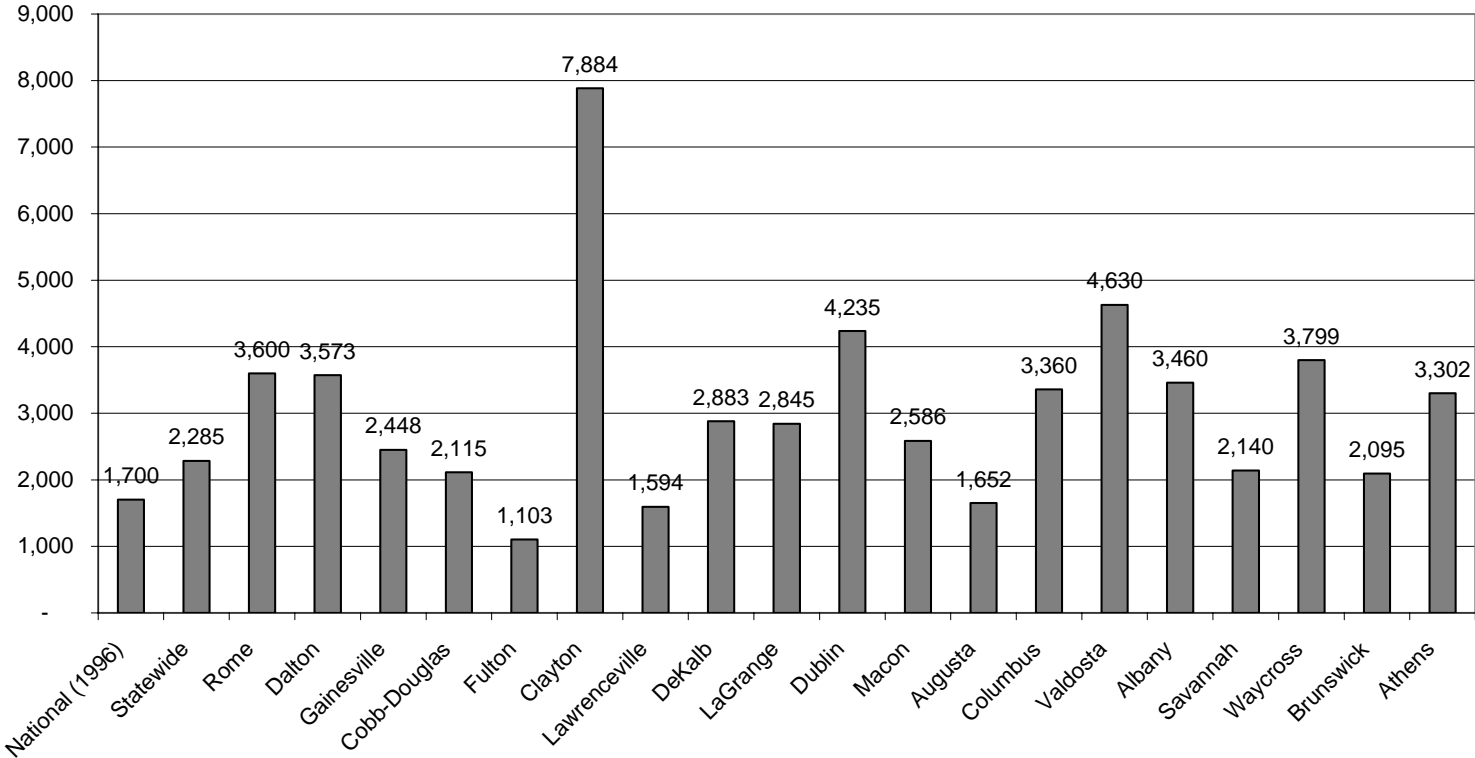
Source: Medicaid and Peachcare Claims Data

Figure 5
Percent of Licensed Dentists in Medicaid and Peachcare
CY2000



Source: Georgia Board of Dentistry and Medicaid and PeachCare Claims Data

Figure 6
Total Population Per Dentist by District
2000



Source: 2000 U.S. Census and Georgia Board of Dentistry

**Table 1
Oral Health Program Activity
FY2000**

District Number	District	Fixed Clinic		School Program						% of Population Covered by Fluoridated
		# New Admissions		Total Screened	% Yellow Fail	% Red Emergency	Total Dental Health Education	Total Dental Sealants	Total Fluoride Rinse	
		Children	Adult (20+)							
1.1	Rome	No program in FY 2000								56.4%
1.2	Dalton	1,302	4	87	48.3%	24.1%	20	0	0	66.9%
2	Gainesville	4,862	62	2,357	13.8%	4.2%	0	0	0	35.8%
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	1,801	754	9,051	19.1%	0.6%	3,984	196	0	88.2%
3.2	Fulton	10,819	0	NA	NA	NA	30	5,702	0	98.6%
3.3	Clayton	39	0	No school program in FY 2000						81.1%
3.4	Lawrenceville	1,733	124	154	33.1%	6.5%	157	90	0	57.2%
3.5	DeKalb	2,482	575	11,059	23.0%	7.1%	9,510	260	278	83.1%
4	LaGrange	No program in FY 2000								47.4%
5.1	Dublin	832	57	2,571	51.8%	9.3%	2,469	483	0	41.3%
5.2	Macon	1,249	104	895	74.7%	13.4%	2,219	94	105	67.2%
6	Augusta	2,397	478	1,145	39.1%	6.1%	7,647	545	82	68.8%
7	Columbus	878	10	958	35.5%	9.0%	958	1,905	0	78.7%
8.1	Valdosta	No program in FY 2000								50.2%
8.2	Albany	410	41	0	0.0%	0.0%	243	0	0	55.1%
9.1	Savannah	1,415	203	No school program						62.6%
9.2	Waycross	No program in FY 2000								39.6%
9.3	Brunswick	No program in FY 2000								56.6%
10	Athens	No Fixed Clinic		4,872	4.6%	8.6%	1,575	68	228	48.8%
	Statewide	30,219	2,412	33,149	22.2%	5.5%	28,812	9,343	693	

Source: Oral Health Program, FY2000 Monthly Clinical Report by District and FY2000 Dental Health Activity Report by District

Table 2
Number and Percent of Children Enrolled in Medicaid and PeachCare Who Received Any
Dental Services
CY2000

District Number	District	Enrolled			Any dental service					
		Medicaid	PeachCare	Total	Medicaid		PeachCare		Total	
					Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
1.1	Rome	42,921	9,732	52,653	8,317	19.4%	3,515	36.1%	11,832	22.5%
1.2	Dalton	22,739	6,862	29,601	3,652	16.1%	2,342	34.1%	5,994	20.2%
2	Gainesville	32,385	8,742	41,127	6,975	21.5%	3,299	37.7%	10,274	25.0%
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	34,395	8,872	43,267	4,473	13.0%	2,837	32.0%	7,310	16.9%
3.2	Fulton	94,516	8,431	102,947	16,455	17.4%	2,461	29.2%	18,916	18.4%
3.3	Clayton	31,945	4,979	36,924	5,532	17.3%	1,613	32.4%	7,145	19.4%
3.4	Lawrenceville	40,989	10,736	51,725	6,614	16.1%	3,597	33.5%	10,211	19.7%
3.5	DeKalb	67,698	11,478	79,176	11,880	17.5%	3,631	31.6%	15,511	19.6%
4	LaGrange	48,687	9,082	57,769	10,296	21.1%	3,323	36.6%	13,619	23.6%
5.1	Dublin	18,217	2,615	20,832	4,569	25.1%	1,095	41.9%	5,664	27.2%
5.2	Macon	54,293	7,162	61,455	12,367	22.8%	2,819	39.4%	15,186	24.7%
6	Augusta	55,256	6,487	61,743	16,160	29.2%	2,911	44.9%	19,071	30.9%
7	Columbus	46,977	4,924	51,901	11,792	25.1%	2,074	42.1%	13,866	26.7%
8.1	Valdosta	31,707	4,966	36,673	9,108	28.7%	2,323	46.8%	11,431	31.2%
8.2	Albany	56,465	7,560	64,025	14,469	25.6%	3,113	41.2%	17,582	27.5%
9.1	Savannah	29,384	4,000	33,384	9,607	32.7%	1,857	46.4%	11,464	34.3%
9.2	Waycross	46,838	7,570	54,408	11,529	24.6%	3,232	42.7%	14,761	27.1%
9.3	Brunswick	24,251	3,331	27,582	5,784	23.9%	1,444	43.4%	7,228	26.2%
10	Athens	31,425	6,284	37,709	7,287	23.2%	2,532	40.3%	9,819	26.0%
	Statewide	779,162	132,489	911,651	169,830	21.8%	49,527	37.4%	219,357	24.1%

Source: Medicaid and PeachCare Enrollment and Claims Data

Table 3
Number and Percent of Children Enrolled in Medicaid and PeachCare Who Received Preventive or Restorative Dental Services
CY2000

District Number	District	Preventive						Restorative					
		Medicaid		PeachCare		Total		Medicaid		PeachCare	Total		
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
1.1	Rome	7,267	16.9%	3,250	33.4%	10,517	20.0%	3,288	7.7%	1,416	14.5%	4,704	8.9%
1.2	Dalton	3,014	13.3%	2,091	30.5%	5,105	17.2%	1,457	6.4%	1,105	16.1%	2,562	8.7%
2	Gainesville	6,053	18.7%	2,977	34.1%	9,030	22.0%	2,524	7.8%	1,305	14.9%	3,829	9.3%
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	3,928	11.4%	2,615	29.5%	6,543	15.1%	1,562	4.5%	1,054	11.9%	2,616	6.0%
3.2	Fulton	14,045	14.9%	2,190	26.0%	16,235	15.8%	5,507	5.8%	845	10.0%	6,352	6.2%
3.3	Clayton	4,991	15.6%	1,514	30.4%	6,505	17.6%	1,941	6.1%	566	11.4%	2,507	6.8%
3.4	Lawrenceville	5,829	14.2%	3,316	30.9%	9,145	17.7%	2,656	6.5%	1,489	13.9%	4,145	8.0%
3.5	DeKalb	10,492	15.5%	3,320	28.9%	13,812	17.4%	3,868	5.7%	1,212	10.6%	5,080	6.4%
4	LaGrange	9,168	18.8%	3,077	33.9%	12,245	21.2%	3,780	7.8%	1,236	13.6%	5,016	8.7%
5.1	Dublin	3,875	21.3%	980	37.5%	4,855	23.3%	1,613	8.9%	421	16.1%	2,034	9.8%
5.2	Macon	10,976	20.2%	2,627	36.7%	13,603	22.1%	3,887	7.2%	1,066	14.9%	4,953	8.1%
6	Augusta	14,497	26.2%	2,675	41.2%	17,172	27.8%	5,539	10.0%	1,099	16.9%	6,638	10.8%
7	Columbus	10,404	22.1%	1,923	39.1%	12,327	23.8%	3,998	8.5%	800	16.2%	4,798	9.2%
8.1	Valdosta	8,445	26.6%	2,206	44.4%	10,651	29.0%	2,962	9.3%	856	17.2%	3,818	10.4%
8.2	Albany	13,244	23.5%	2,910	38.5%	16,154	25.2%	5,230	9.3%	1,211	16.0%	6,441	10.1%
9.1	Savannah	9,154	31.2%	1,780	44.5%	10,934	32.8%	2,917	9.9%	616	15.4%	3,533	10.6%
9.2	Waycross	10,306	22.0%	3,009	39.7%	13,315	24.5%	3,853	8.2%	1,257	16.6%	5,110	9.4%
9.3	Brunswick	5,286	21.8%	1,380	41.4%	6,666	24.2%	1,717	7.1%	524	15.7%	2,241	8.1%
10	Athens	6,354	20.2%	2,326	37.0%	8,680	23.0%	2,959	9.4%	1,138	18.1%	4,097	10.9%
	Statewide	151,106	19.4%	45,714	34.5%	196,820	21.6%	58,680	7.5%	19,036	14.4%	77,716	8.5%

Source: Medicaid and PeachCare Enrollment and Claims Data

Table 4
Total Medicaid and Peachcare Enrollment and Access to Dental Services, by District
1999 – 2000

District Number	District	Number Enrolled			Percent of Children Enrolled Who Received Any Dental Service		
		1999	2000	Change	1999	2000	Change
1.1	Rome	44,404	52,653	8,249	20.6%	22.5%	1.9%
1.2	Dalton	23,443	29,601	6,158	16.0%	20.2%	4.2%
2	Gainesville	34,495	41,127	6,632	24.0%	25.0%	1.0%
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	36,783	43,267	6,484	15.1%	16.9%	1.8%
3.2	Fulton	96,278	102,947	6,669	21.6%	18.4%	-3.2%
3.3	Clayton	31,845	36,924	5,079	18.3%	19.4%	1.0%
3.4	Lawrenceville	40,176	51,725	11,549	17.1%	19.7%	2.7%
3.5	DeKalb	70,791	79,176	8,385	18.5%	19.6%	1.1%
4	LaGrange	49,681	57,769	8,088	22.1%	23.6%	1.4%
5.1	Dublin	18,983	20,832	1,849	25.6%	27.2%	1.6%
5.2	Macon	58,449	61,455	3,006	23.2%	24.7%	1.5%
6	Augusta	59,035	61,743	2,708	29.9%	30.9%	1.0%
7	Columbus	48,695	51,901	3,206	24.7%	26.7%	2.1%
8.1	Valdosta	33,715	36,673	2,958	29.4%	31.2%	1.8%
8.2	Albany	58,960	64,025	5,065	26.4%	27.5%	1.0%
9.1	Savannah	31,727	33,384	1,657	34.6%	34.3%	-0.2%
9.2	Waycross	48,021	54,408	6,387	24.6%	27.1%	2.5%
9.3	Brunswick	24,432	27,582	3,150	25.4%	26.2%	0.8%
10	Athens	33,188	37,709	4,521	25.0%	26.0%	1.1%
	Statewide	843,101	911,651	68,550	23.2%	24.1%	0.9%

Source: Medicaid and PeachCare Enrollment and Claims Data

Table 5
Medicaid Enrollment and Access to Dental Services, by District
1999 – 2000

District Number	District	Number Enrolled			Percent of Children Enrolled in Medicaid Who Received Any Dental Service		
		1999	2000	Change	1999	2000	Change
1.1	Rome	40,187	42,921	2,734	19.7%	19.4%	-0.4%
1.2	Dalton	20,544	22,739	2,195	14.8%	16.1%	1.3%
2	Gainesville	30,486	32,385	1,899	22.8%	21.5%	-1.3%
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	31,920	34,395	2,475	13.6%	13.0%	-0.6%
3.2	Fulton	92,313	94,516	2,203	21.6%	17.4%	-4.2%
3.3	Clayton	30,019	31,945	1,926	17.7%	17.3%	-0.4%
3.4	Lawrenceville	35,137	40,989	5,852	15.8%	16.1%	0.4%
3.5	DeKalb	64,911	67,698	2,787	18.1%	17.5%	-0.5%
4	LaGrange	45,350	48,687	3,337	21.4%	21.1%	-0.3%
5.1	Dublin	17,692	18,217	525	25.0%	25.1%	0.1%
5.2	Macon	54,737	54,293	-444	22.6%	22.8%	0.2%
6	Augusta	55,832	55,256	-576	29.5%	29.2%	-0.2%
7	Columbus	46,204	46,977	773	24.2%	25.1%	0.9%
8.1	Valdosta	31,031	31,707	676	28.8%	28.7%	-0.1%
8.2	Albany	55,114	56,465	1,351	25.9%	25.6%	-0.3%
9.1	Savannah	29,607	29,384	-223	34.3%	32.7%	-1.6%
9.2	Waycross	44,172	46,838	2,666	23.7%	24.6%	0.9%
9.3	Brunswick	22,879	24,251	1,372	24.9%	23.9%	-1.0%
10	Athens	30,405	31,425	1,020	24.3%	23.2%	-1.1%
	Statewide	778,540	779,162	622	22.6%	21.8%	-0.8%

Source: Medicaid and PeachCare Enrollment and Claims Data

Table 6
PeachCare Enrollment and Access, by District
1999 – 2000

District Number	District	Number Enrolled			Percent of Children Enrolled in PeachCare Who Received Any Dental Service		
		1999	2000	Change	1999	2000	Change
1.1	Rome	4,217	9,732	5,515	28.8%	36.1%	7.3%
1.2	Dalton	2,899	6,862	3,963	25.1%	34.1%	9.0%
2	Gainesville	4,009	8,742	4,733	32.5%	37.7%	5.2%
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	4,863	8,872	4,009	24.8%	32.0%	7.2%
3.2	Fulton	3,965	8,431	4,466	22.2%	29.2%	7.0%
3.3	Clayton	1,826	4,979	3,153	28.9%	32.4%	3.5%
3.4	Lawrenceville	5,039	10,736	5,697	26.1%	33.5%	7.4%
3.5	DeKalb	5,880	11,478	5,598	23.2%	31.6%	8.4%
4	LaGrange	4,331	9,082	4,751	29.7%	36.6%	6.9%
5.1	Dublin	1,291	2,615	1,324	34.0%	41.9%	7.9%
5.2	Macon	3,712	7,162	3,450	32.3%	39.4%	7.0%
6	Augusta	3,203	6,487	3,284	37.7%	44.9%	7.2%
7	Columbus	2,491	4,924	2,433	33.5%	42.1%	8.6%
8.1	Valdosta	2,684	4,966	2,282	36.1%	46.8%	10.7%
8.2	Albany	3,846	7,560	3,714	34.2%	41.2%	7.0%
9.1	Savannah	2,120	4,000	1,880	38.6%	46.4%	7.8%
9.2	Waycross	3,849	7,570	3,721	35.0%	42.7%	7.7%
9.3	Brunswick	1,553	3,331	1,778	33.0%	43.4%	10.3%
10	Athens	2,783	6,284	3,501	32.4%	40.3%	7.9%
	Statewide	64,561	132,489	67,928	30.0%	37.4%	7.4%

Source: Medicaid and PeachCare Enrollment and Claims Data

Table 7
Medicaid and PeachCare Enrolled Children Who Received Any Dental Service from Public Health Dentists
CY2000

District Number	District	Any dental service					
		Medicaid		PeachCare		Total	
		Number of Children	Percent of Those Who Received Dental Services	Number of Children	Percent of Those Who Received Dental Services	Number of Children	Percent of Those Who Received Dental Services
1.1	Rome	47	0.6%	15	0.4%	62	0.5%
1.2	Dalton	265	7.3%	203	8.7%	468	7.8%
2	Gainesville	1,626	23.3%	663	20.1%	2,289	22.3%
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	921	20.6%	419	14.8%	1,340	18.3%
3.2	Fulton	2,605	15.8%	343	13.9%	2,948	15.6%
3.3	Clayton	91	1.6%	13	0.8%	104	1.5%
3.4	Lawrenceville	741	11.2%	251	7.0%	992	9.7%
3.5	DeKalb	883	7.4%	184	5.1%	1,067	6.9%
4	LaGrange	42	0.4%	13	0.4%	55	0.4%
5.1	Dublin	418	9.1%	43	3.9%	461	8.1%
5.2	Macon	517	4.2%	44	1.6%	561	3.7%
6	Augusta	886	5.5%	65	2.2%	951	5.0%
7	Columbus	1,343	11.4%	117	5.6%	1,460	10.5%
8.1	Valdosta	14	0.2%	2	0.1%	16	0.1%
8.2	Albany	244	1.7%	31	1.0%	275	1.6%
9.1	Savannah	18	0.2%	2	0.1%	20	0.2%
9.2	Waycross	17	0.1%	0	0.0%	17	0.1%
9.3	Brunswick	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	6	0.1%
10	Athens	91	1.2%	19	0.8%	110	1.1%
	Statewide	10,775	6.3%	2,427	4.9%	13,202	6.0%

Source: Medicaid and PeachCare Claims Data

Table 8
Medicaid and PeachCare Enrolled Children Who Received Preventive or Restorative Dental Services from Public Health Dentists
CY2000

District Number	District	Preventive						Restorative					
		Medicaid		PeachCare		Total		Medicaid		PeachCare		Total	
		Number of Children	Percent of Those Who Received Dental Services	Number of Children	Percent of Those Who Received Dental Services	Number of Children	Percent of Those Who Received Dental Services	Number of Children	Percent of Those Who Received Dental Services	Number of Children	Percent of Those Who Received Dental Services	Number of Children	Percent of Those Who Received Dental Services
1.1	Rome	41	0.6%	11	0.3%	52	0.5%	10	0.3%	6	0.4%	16	0.3%
1.2	Dalton	190	6.3%	163	7.8%	353	6.9%	63	4.3%	83	7.5%	146	5.7%
2	Gainesville	1,408	23.3%	592	19.9%	2,000	22.1%	529	21.0%	266	20.4%	795	20.8%
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	707	18.0%	318	12.2%	1,025	15.7%	246	15.7%	132	12.5%	378	14.4%
3.2	Fulton	2,238	15.9%	301	13.7%	2,539	15.6%	915	16.6%	134	15.9%	1,049	16.5%
3.3	Clayton	76	1.5%	11	0.7%	87	1.3%	16	0.8%	2	0.4%	18	0.7%
3.4	Lawrenceville	596	10.2%	218	6.6%	814	8.9%	271	10.2%	81	5.4%	352	8.5%
3.5	DeKalb	752	7.2%	152	4.6%	904	6.5%	188	4.9%	47	3.9%	235	4.6%
4	LaGrange	34	0.4%	13	0.4%	47	0.4%	12	0.3%	3	0.2%	15	0.3%
5.1	Dublin	375	9.7%	38	3.9%	413	8.5%	57	3.5%	10	2.4%	67	3.3%
5.2	Macon	225	2.0%	33	1.3%	258	1.9%	65	1.7%	19	1.8%	84	1.7%
6	Augusta	799	5.5%	61	2.3%	860	5.0%	229	4.1%	25	2.3%	254	3.8%
7	Columbus	1,124	10.8%	105	5.5%	1,229	10.0%	93	2.3%	7	0.9%	100	2.1%
8.1	Valdosta	12	0.1%	1	0.0%	13	0.1%	2	0.1%	-	0.0%	2	0.1%
8.2	Albany	189	1.4%	25	0.9%	214	1.3%	93	1.8%	15	1.2%	108	1.7%
9.1	Savannah	15	0.2%	2	0.1%	17	0.2%	8	0.3%	1	0.2%	9	0.3%
9.2	Waycross	16	0.2%	-	0.0%	16	0.1%	6	0.2%	-	0.0%	6	0.1%
9.3	Brunswick	5	0.1%	-	0.0%	5	0.1%	1	0.1%	-	0.0%	1	0.0%
10	Athens	82	1.3%	17	0.7%	99	1.1%	27	0.9%	10	0.9%	37	0.9%
	Statewide	8,884	5.9%	2,061	4.5%	10,945	5.6%	2,831	4.8%	841	4.4%	3,672	4.7%

Source: Medicaid and PeachCare Claims Data

Table 9
Participation of Dentists in Medicaid and Peachcare, by District
CY2000

District Number	District	Licensed	Participating		Active		Total Population/ Dentist	Percent Participating	Percent Active
			All	Public Health	All	Public Health			
1.1	Rome	142	34	1	25	0	3,600	23.9%	17.6%
1.2	Dalton	86	21	8	14	1	3,573	24.4%	16.3%
2	Gainesville	186	39	9	29	7	2,448	21.0%	15.6%
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	331	34	6	24	4	2,115	10.3%	7.3%
3.2	Fulton	740	108	10	78	9	1,103	14.6%	10.5%
3.3	Clayton	30	18	2	12	0	7,884	60.0%	40.0%
3.4	Lawrenceville	452	43	13	29	5	1,594	9.5%	6.4%
3.5	DeKalb	231	84	25	63	6	2,883	36.4%	27.3%
4	LaGrange	216	38	2	27	0	2,845	17.6%	12.5%
5.1	Dublin	32	18	1	16	1	4,235	56.3%	50.0%
5.2	Macon	183	50	2	39	2	2,586	27.3%	21.3%
6	Augusta	273	130	6	69	2	1,652	47.6%	25.3%
7	Columbus	112	37	4	30	2	3,360	33.0%	26.8%
8.1	Valdosta	49	23	0	17	0	4,630	46.9%	34.7%
8.2	Albany	102	40	1	31	1	3,460	39.2%	30.4%
9.1	Savannah	126	36	1	26	0	2,140	28.6%	20.6%
9.2	Waycross	84	39	1	27	0	3,799	46.4%	32.1%
9.3	Brunswick	102	22	1	19	0	2,095	21.6%	18.6%
10	Athens	106	43	0	28	0	3,302	40.6%	26.4%

Source: Georgia Board of Dentistry (for licensed dentists); Medicaid and PeachCare claims data (for participating and active); U.S. Census

Table 10
Number of Georgia Children in Key Programs

District	Total Population (2000 Census)	Children under 18						Percent Enrolled in PeachCare
		Total (2000 Census)	Number Eligible for FRLP (October 2000)	Percent Eligible for FRLP	Number Enrolled in Medicaid During CY2000*	Percent Enrolled in Medicaid	Number Enrolled in PeachCare During CY2000*	
Rome	511,142	134,966	33,872	25.1%	42,921	31.8%	9,732	7.2%
Dalton	307,271	88,408	16,965	19.2%	22,739	25.7%	6,862	7.8%
Gainesville	455,342	115,407	24,539	21.3%	32,385	28.1%	8,742	7.6%
Cobb-Douglas	699,925	183,841	26,945	14.7%	34,395	18.7%	8,872	4.8%
Fulton	816,006	199,290	66,200	33.2%	94,516	47.4%	8,431	4.2%
Clayton	236,517	70,921	25,836	36.4%	31,945	45.0%	4,979	7.0%
Lawrenceville	720,560	202,438	32,188	15.9%	40,989	20.2%	10,736	5.3%
DeKalb	665,865	163,978	53,702	32.7%	67,698	41.3%	11,478	7.0%
LaGrange	614,548	170,563	38,411	22.5%	48,687	28.5%	9,082	5.3%
Dublin	135,533	34,761	15,457	44.5%	18,217	52.4%	2,615	7.5%
Macon	473,211	124,800	42,558	34.1%	54,293	43.5%	7,162	5.7%
Augusta	450,992	118,845	47,191	39.7%	55,256	46.5%	6,487	5.5%
Columbus	367,361	99,222	37,976	38.3%	46,977	47.3%	4,924	5.0%
Valdosta	226,892	61,444	23,443	38.2%	31,707	51.6%	4,966	8.1%
Albany	352,880	97,939	40,868	41.7%	56,465	57.7%	7,560	7.7%
Savannah	269,583	69,317	20,868	30.1%	29,384	42.4%	4,000	5.8%
Waycross	319,128	82,955	34,766	41.9%	46,838	56.5%	7,570	9.1%
Brunswick	213,707	63,359	18,282	28.9%	24,251	38.3%	3,331	5.3%
Athens	349,990	86,780	24,531	28.3%	31,425	36.2%	6,284	7.2%
Statewide	8,186,453	2,169,234	624,598	28.8%	779,162	35.9%	132,489	6.1%

*Column does not sum to statewide total because children who resided in more than one district during the year were counted only once in statewide total.

.Source: U.S. Census; GA Department of Education; Medicaid and PeachCare enrollment data.

**Table 11
Dentists by County**

<u>District Number</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Licensed Dentists¹</u>	<u>Participating² CY2000</u>	<u>Active³ CY2000</u>
1.1	Rome	Bartow	7	8	5
1.1	Rome	Catoosa	4	2	2
1.1	Rome	Chattooga	7	3	3
1.1	Rome	Dade	2	0	0
1.1	Rome	Floyd	33	7	5
1.1	Rome	Gordon	12	4	3
1.1	Rome	Haralson	5	3	2
1.1	Rome	Paulding	48	0	0
1.1	Rome	Polk	11	3	3
1.1	Rome	Walker	13	5	3
1.2	Dalton	Cherokee	31	4	3
1.2	Dalton	Fannin	2	5	3
1.2	Dalton	Gilmer	12	4	4
1.2	Dalton	Murray	2	3	3
1.2	Dalton	Pickens	4	0	0
1.2	Dalton	Whitfield	35	7	3
2	Gainesville	Banks	4	2	1
2	Gainesville	Dawson	1	1	1
2	Gainesville	Forsyth	39	5	3
2	Gainesville	Franklin	4	7	5
2	Gainesville	Habersham	19	4	3
2	Gainesville	Hall	80	10	6
2	Gainesville	Hart	7	4	4
2	Gainesville	Lumpkin	2	3	3
2	Gainesville	Rabun	6	3	1
2	Gainesville	Stephens	7	3	2
2	Gainesville	Towns	3	3	2
2	Gainesville	Union	7	3	1
2	Gainesville	White	7	3	3
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	Cobb	305	31	22
3.1	Cobb-Douglas	Douglas	26	5	3
3.2	Fulton	Fulton	740	108	78
3.3	Clayton	Clayton	30	18	12
3.4	Lawrenceville	Gwinnett	360	30	20
3.4	Lawrenceville	Newton	19	4	3
3.4	Lawrenceville	Rockdale	73	12	9
3.5	DeKalb	DeKalb	231	84	63
4	LaGrange	Butts	1	3	2
4	LaGrange	Carroll	27	4	3
4	LaGrange	Coweta	14	3	3
4	LaGrange	Fayette	71	6	4
4	LaGrange	Heard	19	0	0
4	LaGrange	Henry	25	0	0
4	LaGrange	Lamar	1	2	2
4	LaGrange	Meriwether	2	1	0
4	LaGrange	Pike	3	1	1
4	LaGrange	Spalding	17	6	4
4	LaGrange	Upson	7	4	4

*Data is for calendar year 2000.

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<u>District Number</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Licensed Dentists¹</u>	<u>Participating² CY2000</u>	<u>Active³ CY2000</u>
5.1	Dublin	Bleckley	2	3	3
5.1	Dublin	Dodge	6	3	3
5.1	Dublin	Johnson	2	0	0
5.1	Dublin	Laurens	15	6	4
5.1	Dublin	Montgomery	1	1	1
5.1	Dublin	Pulaski	2	0	0
5.1	Dublin	Telfair	4	2	2
5.1	Dublin	Treutlen	0	1	1
5.1	Dublin	Treutlen	29	8	4
5.1	Dublin	Wheeler	0	0	0
5.1	Dublin	Wilcox	0	2	2
5.2	Macon	Baldwin	3	9	6
5.2	Macon	Bibb	42	20	17
5.2	Macon	Crawford	2	0	0
5.2	Macon	Hancock	2	2	2
5.2	Macon	Houston	42	11	6
5.2	Macon	Jasper	4	2	2
5.2	Macon	Jones	8	0	0
5.2	Macon	Monroe	24	2	2
5.2	Macon	Peach	5	2	2
5.2	Macon	Putnam	27	2	2
5.2	Macon	Twiggs	20	0	0
5.2	Macon	Washington	4	2	1
5.2	Macon	Wilkinson	0	1	1
6	Augusta	Burke	3	5	4
6	Augusta	Columbia	42	3	1
6	Augusta	Emanuel	7	3	3
6	Augusta	Glascok	1	0	0
6	Augusta	Jefferson	1	3	2
6	Augusta	Jenkins	3	1	0
6	Augusta	Lincoln	8	3	1
6	Augusta	McDuffie	4	4	4
6	Augusta	Richmond	196	103	48
6	Augusta	Screven	3	3	3
6	Augusta	Taliaferro	1	0	0
6	Augusta	Warren	2	3	3
6	Augusta	Wilkes	2	3	3
7	Columbus	Chattahoochee	2	0	0
7	Columbus	Clay	1	2	1
7	Columbus	Crisp	6	2	2
7	Columbus	Dooly	3	3	3
7	Columbus	Harris	5	0	0
7	Columbus	Macon	4	1	1
7	Columbus	Marion	1	1	1
7	Columbus	Muscogee	72	18	14
7	Columbus	Quitman	1	0	0
7	Columbus	Randolph	0	3	2
7	Columbus	Schley	1	0	0
7	Columbus	Stewart	0	1	1
7	Columbus	Sumter	15	4	3
7	Columbus	Talbot	0	0	0
7	Columbus	Taylor	1	1	1
7	Columbus	Webster	0	0	0

*Data is for calendar year 2000.

**Table 11
Dentists by County**

<u>District Number</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Licensed Dentists¹</u>	<u>Participating² CY2000</u>	<u>Active³ CY2000</u>
8.1	Valdosta	Ben Hill	2	2	1
8.1	Valdosta	Berrien	3	1	1
8.1	Valdosta	Brooks	1	0	0
8.1	Valdosta	Cook	13	5	5
8.1	Valdosta	Echols	1	0	0
8.1	Valdosta	Irwin	6	0	0
8.1	Valdosta	Lanier	0	0	0
8.1	Valdosta	Lowndes	5	12	7
8.1	Valdosta	Tift	16	5	4
8.1	Valdosta	Turner	1	1	1
8.2	Albany	Baker	1	0	0
8.2	Albany	Calhoun	1	1	0
8.2	Albany	Colquitt	4	2	0
8.2	Albany	Decatur	9	5	4
8.2	Albany	Dougherty	14	12	11
8.2	Albany	Early	3	1	1
8.2	Albany	Grady	5	2	2
8.2	Albany	Lee	2	1	1
8.2	Albany	Miller	2	2	2
8.2	Albany	Mitchell	3	1	1
8.2	Albany	Seminole	4	6	3
8.2	Albany	Terrell	28	1	1
8.2	Albany	Thomas	20	6	5
8.2	Albany	Worth	6	1	1
9.1	Savannah	Chatham	124	35	25
9.1	Savannah	Effingham	2	1	1
9.2	Waycross	Appling	5	2	2
9.2	Waycross	Atkinson	1	0	0
9.2	Waycross	Bacon	1	1	1
9.2	Waycross	Brantley	2	1	1
9.2	Waycross	Bulloch	19	9	6
9.2	Waycross	Candler	1	1	1
9.2	Waycross	Charlton	1	0	0
9.2	Waycross	Clinch	0	1	1
9.2	Waycross	Coffee	10	4	3
9.2	Waycross	Evans	3	2	1
9.2	Waycross	Jeff Davis	1	1	1
9.2	Waycross	Pierce	4	2	0
9.2	Waycross	Tattnall	4	2	2
9.2	Waycross	Toombs	11	2	1
9.2	Waycross	Ware	15	6	4
9.2	Waycross	Wayne	6	5	3
9.3	Brunswick	Bryan	6	0	0
9.3	Brunswick	Camden	12	3	3
9.3	Brunswick	Glynn	39	10	9
9.3	Brunswick	Liberty	8	8	6
9.3	Brunswick	Long	33	0	0
9.3	Brunswick	McIntosh	4	0	0

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**Table 11
Dentists by County**

<u>District Number</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Licensed Dentists¹</u>	<u>Participating² CY2000</u>	<u>Active³ CY2000</u>
10	Athens	Barrow	11	1	0
10	Athens	Clarke	7	25	15
10	Athens	Elbert	1	5	5
10	Athens	Greene	10	2	0
10	Athens	Jackson	5	2	1
10	Athens	Madison	3	4	3
10	Athens	Morgan	1	2	2
10	Athens	Oconee	53	2	2
10	Athens	Oglethorpe	1	1	0
10	Athens	Walton	14	3	3
	Out of State			15	7
	Statewide Total		3582	905*	632*

*Data is for calendar year 2000.

Statewide

Counties	
159 Counties	
Total square miles	57,906.14
Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	8,186,453
➤ Children under 18	2,170,813
○ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	510,737
○ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	23.5%
○ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
▸ Medicaid	779,162
▸ PeachCare	132,489
○ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
▸ Medicaid	21.8%
▸ PeachCare	37.4%
Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties with fixed dental clinics	39 or 24.5%
School Program	
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	1,946
➤ Number visited each year by the Oral health Prevention Program	10 – 12%
Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	3,582
➤ Participate in Medicaid	
○ Public Health	93
➤ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	
○ Public Health	40
➤ Number of people for each dentist	2,285
Contacts	
State Dental Director:	E. Joseph Alderman, DDS (404) 657-2575 ejalderman@dhr.state.ga.us

*Data is for calendar year 2000.

District 1 – 1: Rome

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Bartow	Gordon
Catoosa	Haralson
Chattooga	Paulding (shortage area)
Dade	Polk
Floyd – registers vehicles	Walker
Northwest Regional Hospital provides office space.	
Total square miles	3330.9

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	511,142
➤ Children under 18	136,392
o Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	33,872
o Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	24.83%
o Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
▸ Medicaid	42,921
▸ PeachCare	9,732
o Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
▸ Medicaid	19.38%
▸ PeachCare	36.12%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	0	0	0
State funds	0	0	0
Grant-in-Aid	0	169,329	154,720
Total	0	169,329	154,720

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	1 FT
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	1 FT
Receptionist	1 FT

*Data is for calendar year 2000.

District 1-1: Rome

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties	NONE
➤ Chairs	
➤ Staffing	
➤ Number of hours per week open	

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
Medicaid	NONE		
PeachCare			
Sliding Scale>0%			
Insurance			
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee			

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	Park trailer at school and see all children who returned the consent form. Program is only 10 months old. Anticipate spending about 2 weeks per school.
➤ Staffing	1 dentist; 1 expanded duty dental assistant
➤ Grades seen	2 – 5; individual children in K and 1 as needed
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	138
➤ Number visited each year	17 (estimate)
➤ Role of school nurses	School nurses are notified of red status screening results, so that they can set-up appointment at fixed clinic.
➤ F/U on screenings?	Yes, by school nurses
➤ Services provided	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

District 1-1: Rome

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	142
➤ Participate in Medicaid	34 (23.9%)
○ Public Health	1
➤ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	22 (15.5%)
○ Public Health	0
➤ Number of people for each dentist	3,600

Contacts	
District Dental Director:	Charles H. Roszel, DDS 706-295-6652 Fax: 706-802-5681 chroszel@gdph.state.ga.us
Dental Program Assistant	Sherry Hamilton 706-295-6571 sghamilton@gdph.state.ga.us
Director, Public Health Nursing and Clinical Services	Margaret Bean 706-295-6647 mrbean@gdph.state.ga.us
School Health Coordinator	Cathy Wiley 706-935-2366 ccwiley@gdph.state.ga.us

District 1-2: Dalton

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Cherokee	Murray - \$1,321
Fannin	Pickens
Gilmer - \$1,552	Whitfield - \$131,581 (Shortage area for Low Income)
Total square miles	1820.09

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	307,271
➤ Children under 18	89,041
▶ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	16,965
▶ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	19.1%
▶ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	22,739
○ PeachCare	6862
▶ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	16.06%
○ PeachCare	34.13%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	108,506	143,399	134,454
State funds	148,527	121,242	121,835
Grant-in-Aid	6,651	3,500	43,747
Total	263,684	268,141	300,036

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	1 FT; plus, hourly totaling approximately 36- 40 hours per week
Dental Assistants	2 FT
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	1 FT

* Data is for calendar year 2000

District 1-2: Dalton

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Counties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ 3 of 6 counties: Whitfield, Murray, and Gilmer ▸ Cherokee County has a 1-chair clinic, but has been unable to recruit a dentist.
➤ Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Whitfield has 2 chairs ▸ Murray and Gilmer have 1 each
➤ Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Whitfield has 1+ dentist, 1 dental assistant, and 1 receptionist. ▸ Murray and Gilmer have 1 dentist and 1 expanded duty dental assistant, each 20-40% time
➤ Number of hours per week open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Whitfield is open 40 hours per week ▸ Murray and Gilmer are each open one day a week, with an occasional extra day ▸ Total hours per week for all three fixed clinics = 55

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
Medicaid	1,450	52%	2411	67%
PeachCare	Included above	0%	Included above	0%
Sliding Scale>0%	1,083	39%	867	24%
Insurance	240	9%	298	8%
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee	0	0%	0	0%

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	One team with a portable unit visits schools in all counties on a rotating basis
➤ Staffing	1 dentist, 1 dental assistant
➤ Grades seen	Head Start, PK – 5
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	78
➤ Number visited each year	5-6 per school year
➤ Role of school nurses	Follow-up on red screenings.
➤ F/U on screenings?	Yes, by school nurses. If really severe, dental director follows-up.

District 1-2: Dalton

School Program (cont'd)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Services provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education (when they have a hygienist)

Dentists*	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Licensed dentists 	86
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Participate in Medicaid 	23 (26.7%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public Health 	8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week) 	13 (15.1%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public Health 	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of people for each dentist 	3,573

Contacts	
District Dental Director:	Nancy Williams, DDS 706-281-2210 706-281-2206 nwilliams@gdph.state.ga.us
District Health Director	Tom Chester, MD, MPH 706-272-2342 tjchester@gdph.state.ga.us

District 2: Gainesville

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Banks - \$75,945, one chair clinic	Lumpkin – 44,619, one chair clinic
Dawson - \$43,494, one chair clinic	Rabun - \$62,630, two chair clinic
Forsyth - \$49,774, two chair clinic	Stephens - \$60,619, one chair clinic
Franklin - \$39,674, one chair clinic	Towns - \$30,936, one chair clinic
Habersham - \$91,828, two chair clinic	Union - \$37,821, one chair clinic
Hall - \$325,142, four chair clinic	White - \$37,305, one chair clinic
Hart - \$52,423, one chair clinic	
Total square miles	3403.41

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	455,342
➤ Children under 18	111,053
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	24,539
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	22.1%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	32,385
○ PeachCare	8,742
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	21.5%
○ PeachCare	37.7%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	\$555,000	\$657,912	\$952,210
State funds	152,185	152,185	157,612
Grant-in-Aid	12,000	3,500	2,986
Total	719,185	813,597	1,112,808

* Data is for calendar year 2000

District 2: Gainesville

Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	2 FT; plus, 4.2 FTEs of hourly staff
Hygienist	1 FT; plus, .2 FTE of hourly staff
Dental Assistants	1 FT; plus .6 FTE of hourly staff
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	1 FT and 9 PT for a total of 8.2 FTEs
Receptionist	.85 FTE; plus, .65 FTE of hourly staff

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties	All 13 counties
➤ Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Hall County has 4 chairs ▸ Forsyth, Habersham and Rabun have 2 chairs ▸ All other county clinics have 1 chair
➤ Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Hall County has 3 dentists, 1 hygienist, 3 expanded duty dental assistants, and a receptionist ▸ Forsyth and Rabun have a dentist and 2 expanded duty dental assistants ▸ Other facilities have a dentist and an expanded duty dental assistant ▸ Habersham also has a receptionist (bilingual)
➤ Number of hours per week open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Fixed clinics are open between 7 and 24 hours per week ▸ Total hours per week for all fixed clinics in district: 155 to 184 (depending on the week, some clinics have schedules that vary by week)

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid				
PeachCare				
Sliding Scale >0%			Not Reported	
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee				

District 2: Gainesville

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	One team travels from school to school using portable units that are rolled onto a U-Haul trailer, which is hooked to their cars.
➤ Staffing	1 dentist, 2 expanded duty dental assistants
➤ Grades seen	2 nd grade
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	105
➤ Number visited each year	5 schools in first year
➤ Role of school nurses	Screenings
➤ F/U on screenings?	No
➤ Services provided	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive (sealants only) <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	186
▸ Participate in Medicaid	36 (19.4%)
○ Public Health	9
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	24 (12.9%)
○ Public Health	7
➤ Number of people for each dentist	2,448

Contacts	
District Dental Director:	Mark Bodenheimer, DDS 770-531-5608 mbbodenheim@gdph.state.ga.us
District Program Manager	David Oberhausen (770) 535-5743 dwoberhausen@gdph.state.ga.us

District 3-1: Cobb-Douglas

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Cobb - \$561,000 and space	Douglas - \$155,771 and space
Total square miles	539.45

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	699,925
➤ Children under 18	179,389
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	26,945
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	15.02%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	34,395
○ PeachCare	8,872
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	13.0%
○ PeachCare	32.0%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds			716,771
State funds	1,000	1,000	1,000
Grant-in-Aid	0	3,000	3,986
Total	1,000	4,000	721,757

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	1 FT; plus 2 FTEs of hourly staff
Hygienist	1 FT
Dental Assistants	4 FT
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	1 FT; plus 1 FTE of hourly staff

District 3-1: Cobb-Douglas

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties	Both Cobb and Douglas counties have dental clinics.
➤ Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ The Cobb County clinic has 3 chairs. A second clinic in South Cobb has 2 chairs, but has not been able to open because they cannot find a dentist. ▸ Douglas County has 2
➤ Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Cobb has 1 dentist, 1 hygienist, 2 dental assistants and a receptionist ▸ Douglas has 1 dentist, 1 dental assistant and a receptionist
➤ Number of hours per week open	▸ Cobb is open 40 hours per week; Douglas is open 40 hours per week

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid				
PeachCare				
Sliding Scale >0%			Not Reported	
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee				

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	Hygienist does screening and education. Don't use red/yellow/green system
➤ Staffing	1 hygienist
➤ Grades seen	1 & 3
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	124
➤ Number visited each year	50 - 70
➤ Role of school nurses	Refer children with dental problems
➤ F/U on screenings?	No

District 3-1: Cobb-Douglas

School Program (cont'd)	
➤ Services provided	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	331
▸ Participate in Medicaid	31 (9.4%)
○ Public Health	6
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	18 (5.4%)
○ Public Health	4
➤ Number of people for each dentist	2,115

Contacts	
District Dental Director:	Edward Santa, DDS 770-514-2470 Pager: 404-278-8953 edasanta@earthlink.net
Dental Assistant	Faye Smith 770-514-2372
Director, Center for Health Services	Wynne Neeley-Moore 770-514-2354 wdsneeley@gdph.state.ga.us

District 3-2: Fulton

Counties and the Resources They Provide		
Fulton - \$1.9 million	Shortage areas:	Atlanta Southside West Atlanta
Total square miles		528.66

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	816,006
➤ Children under 18	191,722
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	66,200
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	34.53%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	94,516
○ PeachCare	8,431
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	17.41%
○ PeachCare	29.19%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	1,237,727	1,354,131	1,900,000
State funds	1,000	1,000	1,000
Grant-in-Aid		3,000	3,986
Total	1,000	4,000	1,904,986

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	8 FT; plus 2 FTEs of hourly staff
Hygienist	3 FT
Dental Assistants	14 FT
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	0
Other	1 FT Administrative Assistant 1 FT Dental Equipment Technician

* Data is for calendar year 2000

District 3-2: Fulton

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties	Fulton has 7 fixed facilities
➤ Chairs	▸ One facility has 6 chairs; 1 has 4 chairs; 1 has 3 chairs; 3 have 2 chairs; and 1 has 1 chair.
➤ Staffing	▸ Clinics have between 1 and 5 dentists, who rotate daily; 4 of the clinics have 1 hygienist, one of the clinics has 2 hygienists; 7 of the clinics have a dental assistant
➤ Number of hours per week open	▸ All of the clinics are not open full time weekdays, and dental staffing varies on different days. ▸ Total hours per week for all clinics: 224

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid				
PeachCare				
Sliding Scale > 0%			Not Available	
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee				

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	Have 2 mobile units which visit schools.
➤ Staffing	Each unit has a dentist and either 1 or 2 expanded duty dental assistants.
➤ Grades seen	Head Start, K-5, 6-8
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	163
➤ Number visited each year	12
➤ Role of school nurses	No role in program.
➤ F/U on screenings?	Stopped screening in 1995. Never got screening results from the Board of Education.

District 3-2: Fulton

School Program (cont'd)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Services provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	740
▸ Participate in Medicaid	116 (15.7%)
○ Public Health	10
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	80 (10.8%)
○ Public Health	9
➤ Number of people for each dentist	1,103

Contacts	
District Dental Director:	Gail Charleston, DDS 404-730-1472 Fax: 404-730-1475 gcstewar@BellSouth.net
Dentist (designed the Access database they use)	John Mistretta, DDS 404-624-0630, ext. 21 (T, Th, F) 404-730-1471 jpmis@speedfactory.net
Deputy Health Director	Dennis Daniels, MD 404-730-1204 Fax: 404-730-1573 dedaniels@dhr.state.ga.us

* Data is for calendar year 2000

District 3-3: Clayton

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Clayton – space, clerical support, administration, and supplies	
Total square miles	142.62

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	236,517
➤ Children under 18	61,892
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	25,836
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	41.7%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	31,945
○ PeachCare	4,979
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	17.3%
○ PeachCare	32.4%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	0	0	0
State funds	500	1,000	500
Grant-in-Aid	0	99,658	115,325
Total	500	100,658	115,825

Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	1 FT, shared with District 4; plus 2 hourly
Hygienist	1 FT, shared with District 4
Dental Assistants	1 FT, shared with District 4
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	0

*Data is for calendar year 2000

District 3-3: Clayton

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties	▸ 1 fixed facility
➤ Chairs	▸ 2 chairs
➤ Staffing	▸ 3 PT dentists; 1 hygienist, 1 dental assistant
➤ Number of hours per week open	▸ 14 hours per week

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	19	39%		
PeachCare	0			
Sliding Scale>0%	27	55%		
Insurance	0			
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee	3	6%		

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	Doing screening with portable equipment
➤ Staffing	1 dentist, 1 hygienist, and 1 dental assistant
➤ Grades seen	Head Start, K-5
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	46
➤ Number visited each year	1 (first year of school program)
➤ Role of school nurses	Follow-up on reds
➤ F/U on screenings?	School nurses send letters and make telephone calls.
➤ Services provided	<input type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

District 3-3: Clayton

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	30
▸ Participate in Medicaid	19 (63.3%)
○ Public Health	2
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	11 (36.7%)
○ Public Health	0
➤ Number of people for each dentist	7,884

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Program Manager	Glenda Keith 770-961-1330 gtkeith@gdph.state.ga.us

District 3-4: Lawrenceville

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Gwinnett - \$279,800 and space	Newton - \$32,000 and space Rockdale - \$32,000 and space
Total square miles	839.79

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	720,560
➤ Children under 18	194,104
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	32,188
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	16.58%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	40,989
○ PeachCare	10,736
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	16.1%
○ PeachCare	33.5%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	337,315	350,394	343,880
State funds	104,790	107,917	112,909
Grant-in-Aid	6,000	45,161	46,167
Total	448,105	503,472	502,956

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	1 FT; plus 2.25 FTEs of hourly staff
Hygienist	1 FT, plus 0.3 FTE local
Dental Assistants	1 FT
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	3 FT
Receptionist	1 FT

* Data is for calendar year 2000

District 3-4: Lawrenceville

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ 3 in Gwinnett ▸ 1 each in Newton and Rockdale
➤ Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Gwinnett facilities have 2 ▸ Newton and Rockdale facilities have 1
➤ Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Each facility has a dentist and an Expanded Duty Dental Assistant ▸ In addition, 2 of the Gwinnett facilities have a hygienist one day / week.
➤ Number of hours per week open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Gwinnett facilities are open 21, 28, and 35 hours per week ▸ Newton and Rockdale facilities are open 7 hours per week each ▸ Total hours per week for all fixed clinics in district: 98

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	3,192	37.8%	5,341	48.8%
PeachCare	1,372	16.2%	2,251	20.6%
Sliding Scale >0%	1,801	21.3%	1,930	17.6%
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee	2,088	24.7%	1,419	13.0%

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	Doing screening with portable equipment
➤ Staffing	1 dentist, 1 hygienist, and 1 dental assistant
➤ Grades seen	K, 1 st , 3 rd , and 5 th
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	46
➤ Number visited each year	25 this year
➤ Role of school nurses	Follow-up on reds. Assist in organizing sealant day
➤ F/U on screenings?	School nurses send letters and assistants make telephone calls.

District 3-4: Lawrenceville

School Program (cont'd)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Services provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	452
▸ Participate in Medicaid	40 (8.8%)
○ Public Health	13
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	24 (5.3%)
○ Public Health	5
➤ Number of people for each dentist	1,594

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District Dental Director:	Robert H. Robinson, DMD 678-442-6902 rrobinson@dhr.state.ga.us
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District 3-5: DeKalb

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
DeKalb (Dental services are decentralized, and their budgets are part of community health centers.)	
Total square miles	268.21

Population	
➤ Total	665,865
➤ Children under 18	150,366
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	53,702
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	35.71%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	67,698
○ PeachCare	11,478
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	17.6%
○ PeachCare	31.6%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	21,094	0	85,628
State funds	39,169	1,500	1,500
Grant-in-Aid	223,000	128,800	46,247
Total	283,263	130,300	133,375

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	10 FTEs of hourly staff
Hygienist	1 FT; 2 FTEs of hourly staff
Dental Assistants	5 FT; 1 FTE of hourly staff
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	0
Other	1 FT Secretary

District 4: LaGrange

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number	DeKalb county has five health centers, each with its own autonomous dental clinic. The dental director of each clinic reports to the administrator of the health center. The district dental director serves as a consultant to the dental services in the individual health centers.
➤ Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ 3 of the clinics have 4 chairs, 2 have 3 chairs
➤ Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ The Central Dental Clinic has 2 PT dentists (total of 24 hours per week), 1 PT hygienist (24 hours per week), and 2 FT dental assistants ▸ The East Dental Clinic has 2 PT dentists (total of 28 hours per week) and 1 FT dental assistant ▸ The North Dental Clinic has 4 PT dentists (total of 22 hours) and a FT dental assistant ▸ The South Dental Clinic has 2 PT dentists (total of 23 hours) and a FT dental assistant ▸ The West Dental Clinic has 2 PT dentists (total of 25 hours) and a FT dental assistant
➤ Number of hours per week open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ The Central, East and North clinics are each open 32 hours per week. The South clinic - 28 hours per week, and the West clinic - 24 hours per week. The West clinic also does 6 hours per week at the Whitefoord Elementary School. ▸ Total hours per week for all fixed clinics: 154

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid				
PeachCare				
Sliding Scale >0%			Not Reported	
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee				

District 4: LaGrange

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	District dental director visits schools throughout the county using 2 portable units.
➤ Staffing	1 dentist, 1 FT and 1 PT dental hygienist, and 1 FT administrative assistant
➤ Grades seen	1 & 3; 4 & 5 for sealants
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	163
➤ Number visited each year	~50
➤ Role of school nurses	Minimal coordination
➤ F/U on screenings	Take names of children screened as “red”. Check with clinics to see if they’ve made an appointment. Keep calling parents until they take the child to a clinic, or until they say they’ve taken the child to a private dentist.
➤ Services provided	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive (sealants) <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	231
▸ Participate in Medicaid	78 (33.8%)
○ Public Health	25
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	56 (24.2%)
○ Public Health	96
➤ Number of people for each dentist	2,883

Contacts	
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District 4: LaGrange

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Butts	Lamar
Carroll	Meriwether
Coweta	Pike
Fayette	Spalding - \$160,000
Heard	Troup
Henry	Upson
Total square miles	3787.75

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	614,548
➤ Children under 18	173,504
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	38,411
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	22.1%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	48,687
○ PeachCare	9,082
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	21.2%
○ PeachCare	36.6%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	0	0	160,000
State funds	0	0	0
Grant-in-Aid	0	116,912	117,125
Total	0	116,912	277,125

* Data is for calendar year 2000

District 4: LaGrange

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	1 FT; plus 1 FT, shared with District 3.3; plus 1 hourly (8 hours)
Hygienist	1 FT, shared with District 3.3
Dental Assistants	1 FT; plus 1 FT, shared with District 3.3
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	1 FT

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties	▸ Only 1 of 12 counties has a fixed facility
➤ Chairs	▸ 3 chairs
➤ Staffing	▸ 2 dentists (1 FT and 1 PT), 1 dental assistant, and 1 receptionist
➤ Number of hours per week open	▸ 40 hours per week

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid				
PeachCare				
Sliding Scale >0%			No Clinic	
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee				

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	▸ Do screenings with portable equipment in trailers and refer children needing work to fixed clinics
➤ Staffing	▸ 1 dentist, 1 hygienist, and 1 dental assistant
➤ Grades seen	
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	150
➤ Number visited each year	2

District 4: LaGrange

School Program (cont'd)	
➤ Role of school nurses	School nurses send authorization letters to parents and schedule those children who return forms.
➤ F/U on screenings	Yellow and reds are transported to the Spalding County Health Department where they are treated by the county dentists.
➤ Services provided	<input type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	216
▸ Participate in Medicaid	44 (20.4%)
○ Public Health	2
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	30 (13.9%)
○ Public Health	0
➤ Number of people for each dentist	2,845

Contacts	
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Program Manager	Gus Morgan 706-845-4035 ramorgan@gdph.state.ga.us

District 5-1: Dublin

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Bleckley	Pulaski (whole county shortage area)
Dodge – space, office equipment	Telfair
Johnson	Treutlen
Laurens - space, office equipment, clerical support	Wheeler
Montgomery	Wilcox
Total square miles	3646.73

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	135,533
➤ Children under 18	36,747
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	15,457
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	42.1%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	18,217
○ PeachCare	2,615
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	25.1%
○ PeachCare	41.9%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	0	0	0
State funds	107,210	150,996	156,435
Grant-in-Aid	6,000	3,500	2,986
Total	113,210	154,496	159,421

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	1 FT
Hygienist	1 FT
Dental Assistants	0
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	0

* Data is for calendar year 2000

District 5-1: Dublin

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties	▸ Laurens and Dodge are the only counties with fixed clinics
➤ Chairs	▸ 1 in each clinic
➤ Staffing	▸ 1 dentist and 1 hygienist
➤ Number of hours per week open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Laurens County: 1 day a week during the school year; 2 – 3 days during summer vacation ▸ Dodge County: 1/2 to 1 day per week during school year; 2 days during the summer

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	450	42.6%	530	53.4%
PeachCare	4	0.4%	45	4.5%
Sliding Scale >0%	117	11.1%	10	1.0%
Insurance	11	1.0%	185	18.6%
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee	473	44.8%	223	22.5%

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	▸ Travel from school to school with portable equipment in a trailer. Stay at each school a month to a month and a half and see all children in the target grades that return consent form.
➤ Staffing	▸ 1 dentist and 1 hygienist
➤ Grades seen	Pre-K, K - 5
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	38 (she said 22 – elementary only?)
➤ Number visited each year	Depends on the size of the schools
➤ Role of school nurses	Refer children to fixed clinic
➤ F/U on screenings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Make every red an appointment at the fixed clinic at the health department. More than 50% show up. ▸ Also give school a list of reds. ▸ Also make appointment for yellows.

District 5-1: Dublin

School Program (cont'd)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Services provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic (Exam) <input type="checkbox"/> Preventive (Cleaning, Fluoride and Sealants) <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	32
▸ Participate in Medicaid	20 (62.5%)
○ Public Health	1
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	17 (53.1%)
○ Public Health	1
➤ Number of people for each dentist	4,235

Contacts	
District Dental Director:	Debra Smith, DMD 800-453-4504 dbsmith@gdph.state.ga.us
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District Health Director	Dr. Lawton Davis 800-453-4504

District 5-2: Macon

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Baldwin - \$500	Monroe - \$500
Bibb - \$500	Peach - \$500
Crawford - \$500 (shortage area – whole county)	Putnam - \$500 (shortage area – whole county)
Hancock - \$500 (shortage area – whole county)	Twiggs - \$500 (shortage area – whole county)
Houston - \$500	Washington - \$500 (shortage area – whole county)
Jasper - \$500	Wilkinson - \$500
Jones - \$500	
Total square miles	4826.03

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	473,211
➤ Children under 18	129,357
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	42,558
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	32.9%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	54,293
○ PeachCare	7,162
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	22.8%
○ PeachCare	39.4%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	6,500	6,500	6,500
State funds	113,122	118,007	123,358
Grant-in-Aid	6,000	44,281	93,747
Total	125,622	168,788	223,605

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	2 FT; plus 0.3 FTE of hourly staff
Hygienist	0
Dental Assistants	0
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	1 FT
Receptionist	.2 FTE (FT receptionist shared with other programs in district office)

* Data are for calendar year 2000

District 5-2: Macon

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Bibb has a full time dental clinic ▸ Baldwin and Crawford have a clinic one day per week, 3 weeks out of the month
➤ Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Bibb has 2 chairs ▸ Baldwin and Crawford each have 1 chair
➤ Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Each clinic has 1 dentist and 1 expanded duty dental assistant
➤ Number of hours per week open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Bibb is open 40 hours per week; Baldwin and Crawford are open 8 hours per week, 3 weeks per month ▸ Total clinic hours for the district: 48-56

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	421	24.2%		
PeachCare	0	0%		
Sliding Scale >0%	1,192	68.4%	Not	
Insurance	80	4.6%		
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee	49	2.8%		

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	Portable equipment on a trailer
➤ Staffing	1 dentist, 1 expanded duty dental assistant
➤ Grades seen	Head Start, 2 - 8
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	121
➤ Number visited each year	~7
➤ Role of school nurses	Varies by county; in some counties help with consent form.
➤ F/U on screenings	Some reds are being treated in trailer at school.
➤ Services provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

District 5-2: Macon

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	183
▸ Participate in Medicaid	51 (27.9%)
○ Public Health	2
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	37 (20.2%)
○ Public Health	2
➤ Number of people for each dentist	2,586

Contacts	
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District 6: Augusta

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Burke (shortage area – whole county)	McDuffie
Columbia	Richmond - \$198,400 and space
Emanuel	Screven
Glascocock	Taliaferro
Jefferson	Warren (shortage area – whole county)
Jenkins	Wilkes
Lincoln	
Total square miles	5530.15

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	450,992
➤ Children under 18	123,580
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	47,191
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	38.2%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	55,256
○ PeachCare	6,487
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	29.2%
○ PeachCare	44.9%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	189,087	193,936	198,400
State funds	120,865	129,816	135,752
Grant-in-Aid	652	3,500	2,986
Total	310,604	327,252	337,138

* Data are for calendar year 2000

District 6: Augusta

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	2 FT; plus .6 FTE of hourly employees
Hygienist	2 FT
Dental Assistants	1 FT; plus .8 FTE of hourly employees
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	4 FT
Receptionist	1 dental assistant acts as a receptionist

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Counties	▶ Richmond, Wilkes, and Burke counties have clinics
➤ Chairs	▶ Richmond County has 5 chairs ▶ Wilkes and Burke have 1 each
➤ Staffing	▶ Richmond has 1 dentist, .5 FTE hygienist, 2.5 dental assistants, and 2.5 expanded duty dental assistants ▶ Wilkes and Burke each have a .2 FTE dentist and a .2 FTE dental assistant
➤ Number of hours per week open	▶ Richmond county is open 40 hours per week ▶ Wilkes and Burke are each open 6.5 hours per week ▶ Total hours at all fixed clinics = 53

Number of Visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	1984	45.1%	1875	47.1%
PeachCare	Included in Medicaid			
Sliding Scale >0%	1519	34.5%	1287	32.3%
Insurance	73	1.6%	60	1.5%
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee	823	18.7%	761	19.1%

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	One crew travels from county to county
➤ Staffing	.6 FTE dentist, 1 hygienist, 2 dental assistants, .3 FTE expanded duty dental assistant
➤ Grades seen	1 st thru 5th

District 6: Augusta

School Program (cont'd)	
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	119
➤ Number visited each year	8-14 depending on student population/participation.
➤ Role of school nurses	Sometimes follow up on Emergency (red) patients
➤ F/U on screenings	Send notice of reds to principal and school nurse, re-evaluate patients when returning to school, treat patients in fixed Public Health clinics
➤ Services provided	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	273
▸ Participate in Medicaid	122 (44.7%)
○ Public Health	6
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	66 (24.2%)
○ Public Health	2
➤ Number of people for each dentist	1,652

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District 7: Columbus

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Chattahoochee	Quitman
Clay	Randolph
Crisp	Schley
Dooly	Stewart
Harris (shortage area – whole county)	Sumter – space; (shortage area – low income)
Macon – space; (shortage area – whole county)	Talbot – space; (shortage area – whole county)
Marion (shortage area – whole county)	Taylor
Muscogee - \$2,000 and space	Webster
Total square miles	5126.25

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	376,361
➤ Children under 18	104,230
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	37,976
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	36.4%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	46,977
○ PeachCare	4,924
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	25.1%
○ PeachCare	42.1%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	2,000	2,000	2,000
State funds	169,683	176,521	186,606
Grant-in-Aid	12,000	3,500	2,986
Total	183,683	182,021	191,592

* Data are for calendar year 2000

District 7: Columbus

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	1 FT
Hygienist	1 FT
Dental Assistants	0
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	1 FT

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Counties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Muscogee and Macon Counties have functioning clinics ▸ Talbot and Sumter counties have facilities, but no dentist
➤ Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Muscogee has 2 chairs, the other counties each have 1 chair
➤ Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Muscogee has 2 dentists, each working 2 days ▸ Macon has a dentist and dental assistant
➤ Number of hours per week open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Muscogee is open 32 hours per week ▸ Macon is open one day per week ▸ Total hours per week for district: 40

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid				
PeachCare				
Sliding Scale >0%				
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee				

Not Reported

District 7: Columbus

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	Go to elementary schools with portable equipment. Treat all students with consent forms, and then move to next school. Spend about 2 to 3 weeks per school.
➤ Staffing	1 dentist and 1 hygienist
➤ Grades seen	K- 5
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	91
➤ Number visited each year	5 – 11, depending on travel time, school enrollment, and student participation
➤ Role of school nurses	Varies by school from nothing to acting as liaison between the dentist and the school.
➤ F/U on screenings	No, district is too big.
➤ Services provided	<input type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists	
➤ Licensed dentists	112
▸ Participate in Medicaid	35 (31.3%)
○ Public Health	4
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	28 (25.0%)
○ Public Health	2
➤ Number of people for each dentist	3,360

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District 7: Columbus

* Data are for calendar year 2000

District 8-1: Valdosta

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Ben Hill	Irwin
Berrien	Lanier
Brooks	Lowndes
Cook	Tift
Echols	Turner
Total square miles	3429.9

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	226,892
➤ Children under 18	65,484
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	23,443
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	35.8%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	31,707
○ PeachCare	4,966
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	28.7%
○ PeachCare	46.8%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	0	0	0
State funds	0	0	0
Grant-in-Aid	0	118,962	102,303
Total	0	118,962	102,303

Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	0
Hygienist	1 FT
Dental Assistants	0
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	0

*Data are for calendar year 2000

District 8-1: Valdosta

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Counties	NONE
➤ Chairs	
➤ Staffing	
➤ Number of hours per week open	

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	NONE			
PeachCare				
Sliding Scale>0%				
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee				

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	▸ Have provided education only at schools in five of the counties; in 2 counties, Health Fairs only.
➤ Staffing	▸ 1 hygienist; dentist began on 5/16/02
➤ Grades seen	PreK - 12
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	54
➤ Number visited each year	9
➤ Role of school nurses	Scheduling visits by the Dental Hygienist, obtaining permission slips from parents and some assistance with education/screening activities.
➤ F/U on screenings	NA
➤ Services provided	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

District 8-1: Valdosta

Dentists	
➤ Licensed dentists	49
▸ Participate in Medicaid	24 (49.0%)
○ Public Health	0
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	15 (30.6%)
○ Public Health	0
➤ Number of people for each dentist	4,630

Contacts	
Program Manager	Vickie Wilkinson 229-245-6415 229-333-5290 vswilkinson@gdph.state.ga.us
Dental Hygienist	Janet Jackson, RHD 229-245-6436 229-333-5290
Dentist	Buddy H. Lee, D.M.D. 229-333-5290

District 8-2: Albany

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Baker	Lee
Calhoun	Miller
Colquitt (shortage area – low income)	Mitchell
Decatur	Seminole
Dougherty - \$20,000 and space (shortage area – low income)	Terrell
Early	Thomas
Grady	Worth (shortage area – low income)
Total square miles	5913.64

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	352,880
➤ Children under 18	105,387
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	40,868
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	38.8%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	56,465
○ PeachCare	7,560
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	25.6%
○ PeachCare	41.2%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	20,000	20,000	20,000
State funds	500	500	500
Grant-in-Aid	0	0	154,220
Total	20,500	20,500	174,720

* Data are from calendar year 2000

District 8-2: Albany

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	.2 FTE of hourly staff
Hygienist	1 FT
Dental Assistants	0
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	1 FT
Receptionist	1 PT (20 hours/week)

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Counties	Dougherty County
➤ Chairs	5
➤ Staffing	1 hygienist and 1 expanded duty dental assistant do cleanings and fluoride treatments only
➤ Number of hours per week open	40

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	462	47.6%	14	10.2%
PeachCare	0		0	
Sliding Scale>0%	219	22.6%	0	
Insurance	87	9.0%	3	2.2%
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee	202	20.8%	120	87.6%

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	Bus children to the fixed clinic to do exams on children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program.
➤ Staffing	1 hygienist and 1 expanded duty dental assistant
➤ Grades seen	2 nd
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	95
➤ Number visited each year	~14 (Dougherty County only; waiting for approval from superintendents in other counties)
➤ Role of school nurses	None

District 8-2: Albany

School Program (cont'd)	
➤ F/U on screenings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Call parents to let them know their child has a problem. Refer them to private dentists that take Medicaid and PeachCare. ▸ Try to schedule children without coverage for the clinic on a day that the dentist from District 5-2 will be there.
➤ Services provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	102
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Participate in Medicaid 	37 (36.3%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public Health 	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week) 	30 (29.4%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public Health 	1
➤ Number of people for each dentist	3,460

Contacts	
District Health Director:	Paul Newell, MD 229-430-4127 229-430-4575 jnewell@gdph.state.ga.us
Dental Hygienist	Aldene Lanier, RDH 229-430-6332

District 9-1: Savannah

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Chatham - \$76,000	Effingham
Square miles	917.52

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	269,583
➤ Children under 18	74,055
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	20,868
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	28.2%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
o Medicaid	29,384
o PeachCare	4,000
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
o Medicaid	32.7%
o PeachCare	46.4%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	74,000	74,000	76,000
State funds	121,942	125,586	129,643
Grant-in-Aid	6,000	46,167	53,256
Total	201,942	245,753	258,899

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	1 FT
Hygienist	0
Dental Assistants	2 FT
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	1 FT

* Data are for calendar year 2000

District 9-1: Savannah

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Number/percent of counties	▸ Chatham County has a fixed clinic; Effingham does not
➤ Chairs	▸ 3 chairs
➤ Staffing	▸ 1 dentist, 2 dental assistants, 1 receptionist
➤ Number of hours per week open	▸ 40 hours per week

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	218	8.0%	251	13.9%
PeachCare	0		0	
Sliding Scale>0%	2523	92.0%	1,555	86.1%
Insurance	0		0	
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee	0		0	

School programs	
➤ Overall approach	NONE
➤ Staffing	
➤ Grades seen	
➤ Number of elementary schools in district	
➤ Number visited each year	
➤ Role of school nurses	
➤ F/U on screenings	
➤ Services provided	<input type="checkbox"/> Screening <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input type="checkbox"/> Preventive <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input type="checkbox"/> Education

District 9-1: Savannah

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	126
▸ Participate in Medicaid	37
○ Public Health	1
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	26
○ Public Health	0
➤ Number of people for each dentist	2,140

Contacts	
District Dental Director:	Jon Hicks, DDS 912-356-2139 jkhicks@gdph.state.ga.us
Receptionist	Barbara Hosti 912-356-2108
Chief Medical Officer	D.Z.Weems, MD 912-356-2108 DZWeems@gdph.state.ga.us

District 9-2: Waycross

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Appling - \$27,000	Coffee
Atkinson	Evans
Bacon	Jeff Davis
Brantley	Pierce
Bulloch	Tattnall
Candler	Toombs
Charlton	Ware (shortage area – low income)
Clinch	Wayne
Total square miles	7952.65

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	319,128
➤ Children under 18	89,384
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	34,766
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	38.9%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	46,838
○ PeachCare	7,570
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	24.6%
○ PeachCare	42.7%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	0	0	27,000
State funds	0	0	0
Grant-in-Aid	0	116,962	101,703
Total	0	116,962	128,703

* Data are for calendar year 2000

District 9-2: Waycross

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	1 contract
Hygienist	0
Dental Assistants	1 contract
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	0

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Counties	NONE
➤ Chairs	
➤ Staffing	
➤ Number of hours per week open	

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	NONE			
PeachCare				
Sliding Scale>0%				
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee				

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	Every elementary school age child (K-5) will be given a dental exam, education, fluoride treatment, cleaning, and sealants (as needed). Children with extensive problems will be referred to a private dentist. The District Dental Program contracts with a local dentist to provide these services in each elementary school.
➤ Staffing	1 dentist and 1 dental assistant
➤ Grades seen	K - 5
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	91
➤ Number visited each year	2 schools per year

District 9-2: Waycross

School Program (cont'd)	
➤ Role of school nurses	There is a trained public health nurse in each of the 16 counties who does education of kindergartners, along with a toothbrush, toothpaste, and a little hourglass.
➤ F/U on screenings	▸ No follow-up done on children referred based on exam findings
➤ Services provided	<input type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic (exam) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive (cleaning, fluoride, sealants) <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	84
▸ Participate in Medicaid	40 (47.6%)
○ Public Health	1
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	24 (28.6%)
○ Public Health	0
➤ Number of people for each dentist	3,799

Contacts	
Oral Health Coordinator	Curtis Brantley Oral Health Coordinator 912-284-2954 acb1@gate.net
Program Manager	Sue Scaffa
Administrative Technician (data compilation)	Anita Craft 912-284-2552
District Health Director	Ted Holloway, MD

District 9-3: Brunswick

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Bryan (shortage area – whole county)	Liberty (shortage area – whole county)
Camden (shortage area – whole county)	Long (shortage area – whole county)
Glynn	McIntosh
Total square miles	2780.96

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	213,707
➤ Children under 18	65,965
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	18,282
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	27.7%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	24,251
○ PeachCare	3,331
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	23.8%
○ PeachCare	43.4%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	0	0	0
State funds	0	0	0
Grant-in-Aid	0	64,256	48,997
Total	0	64,256	48,997

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	.05 FTE of hourly staff
Hygienist	0
Dental Assistants	.05 FTE of hourly staff
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	0

* Data are for calendar year 2000

District 9-3: Brunswick

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Counties	NONE
➤ Chairs	
➤ Staffing	
➤ Number of hours per week open	

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	NONE			
PeachCare				
Sliding Scale > 0%				
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee				

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	Have a fixed facility in one school; 2 hours per week
➤ Staffing	.05 FTE dentist and .05 FTE dental assistant
➤ Grades seen	K - 2
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	48
➤ Number visited each year	Only have program in one school.
➤ Role of school nurses	None
➤ F/U on screenings	Dentist or dental assistant call parents to see if they've followed up. Documenting what they find. Not seeing severe problems like they have in other districts. Probably only 10 reds last year.
➤ Services provided	<input type="checkbox"/> Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic (exam) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive (cleaning, sealants) <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

District 9-3: Brunswick

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	102
▸ Participate in Medicaid	19 (18.6%)
○ Public Health	1
▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week)	15 (14.7%)
○ Public Health	0
➤ Number of people for each dentist	2,095

Contacts	
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McIntosh County Health Department	Gwen Roberson 912-437-4561
District Health Director	Dr. David Page 912-264-3907 dppage@gdph.state.ga.us

District 10: Athens

Counties and the Resources They Provide	
Barrow	Madison
Clarke	Morgan
Elbert	Oconee
Greene	Oglethorpe
Jackson	Walton
Total square miles	2121.44

Population and Coverage*	
➤ Total	349,990
➤ Children under 18	89,161
▸ Children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	24,531
▸ Percent of children under 18 eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program	27.5%
▸ Children enrolled in Medicaid or PeachCare	
○ Medicaid	31,425
○ PeachCare	6,284
▸ Percent of Enrolled Children receiving any dental service	
○ Medicaid	23.2%
○ PeachCare	40.3%

Funding			
	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002
County funds	0	0	0
State funds	37,561	38,526	44,276
Grant-in-Aid	6,000	3,700	3,686
Total	43,561	42,226	47,962

* Data are for calendar year 2000

District 10: Athens

Current Staffing for Public Oral Health Program	
Dentists	0
Hygienist	1 FT
Dental Assistants	0
Expanded Duty Dental Assistants	0
Receptionist	0

Fixed Clinics	
➤ Counties	NONE
➤ Chairs	
➤ Staffing	
➤ Number of hours per week open	

Number of visits to Fixed Clinics by Pay Category				
	FY2000		FY2001	
	Number	%	Number	%
Medicaid	NONE			
PeachCare				
Sliding Scale >0%				
Insurance				
Flat Fee / Adm. Fee				

School Program	
➤ Overall approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Do dental screening as part of mass screening for DHR 3300 form.
➤ Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ 1 hygienist
➤ Grades seen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ PreK, K, 1, 3, 6 ▸ Middle school and high school – education only
➤ Number of K-12 schools in district	88
➤ Number visited each year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Visits all 88 each year ▸ Fluoride program in 3 schools

District 10: Athens

School Program (cont'd)	
➤ Role of school nurses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Dental health education ▸ RNs screen children not present for mass screening
➤ F/U on screenings	▸ Sends referral letter to parents. Teachers follow-up. Pre-K and K teachers especially good at follow-up because of low student teacher ratios.
➤ Services provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preventive (fluoride) <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education

Dentists*	
➤ Licensed dentists	106
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Participate in Medicaid 	39 (36.8%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public Health 	0
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Active in Medicaid (average > 1 visit per week) 	27 (25.5%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public Health 	0
➤ Number of people for each dentist	3,302

Contacts	
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