

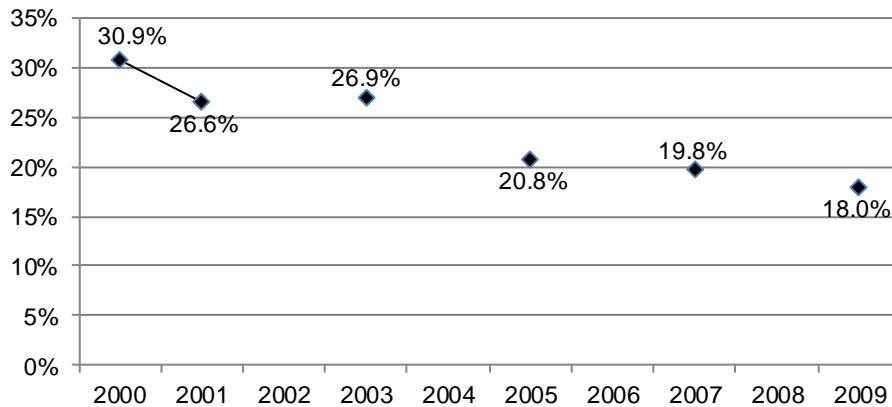
Children's Oral Health

Definition: Children, ages 1-17, who have not visited a dentist or dental clinic for any reason within the past year.

Prevalence of Children's Oral Health

- South Dakota 13%
- There is no nationwide median for children's oral health

Figure 82
Children, Ages 1-17, Who Have Not Visited a Dentist or Dental Clinic for Any Reason Within the Past Year, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007, and 2009



Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007, and 2009

Figure 83
Children, Ages 1-17, Who Have Not Visited a Dentist or Dental Clinic for Any Reason Within the Past Year, 2011-2015



Note: Beginning in 2011, the CDC began using a different methodology to weight the data; therefore, data prior to 2011 cannot be compared to data since 2011. This question was not asked in 2012 or 2014.

Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2011-2015

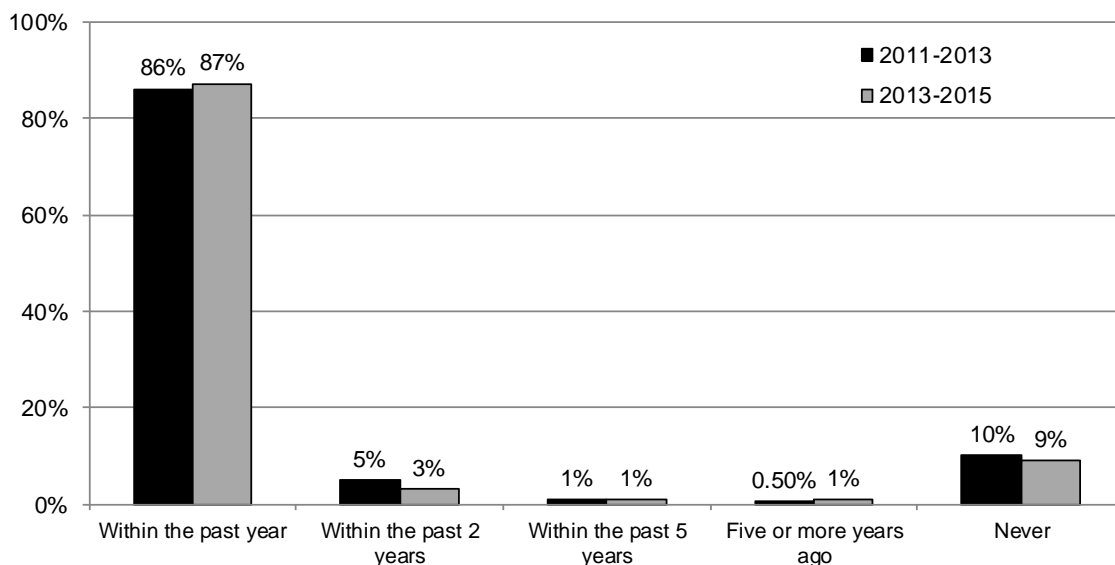
		2011-2015	2011	2013	2015
Total		14%	15%	13%	13%
Gender	Male	15%	*	*	*
	Female	13%	*	*	*
Age	1-9	20%	*	*	*
	10-17	6%	*	*	*
Race	White	15%	*	*	*
	American Indian	10%	*	*	*
Ethnicity	Hispanic	21%	*	*	*
	Non-Hispanic	13%	16%	*	*
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	17%	*	*	*
	\$75,000+	9%	*	*	*
Home Ownership Status	Own Home	13%	*	*	*
	Rent Home	19%	*	*	*
Phone Status	Landline	12%	15%	*	*
	Cell Phone	17%	-	*	*
County	Minnehaha	16%	*	-	*
	Pennington	16%	*	-	*
	Lincoln	12%	*	-	*
	Brown	16%	*	-	*
	Brookings	17%	*	-	*
	Codington	23%	*	-	*
	Meade	12%	*	-	*
	Lawrence	15%	*	-	*

Note: *Results based on small sample sizes have been suppressed.
This question was not asked in 2012 or 2014.

Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2011-2015

Figure 84, below, shows the length of time since the respondents' children, ages 1 to 17 years old, had been to a dentist or a dental clinic. The majority of children from 2011-2015 had been to a dentist or dental clinic within the past year.

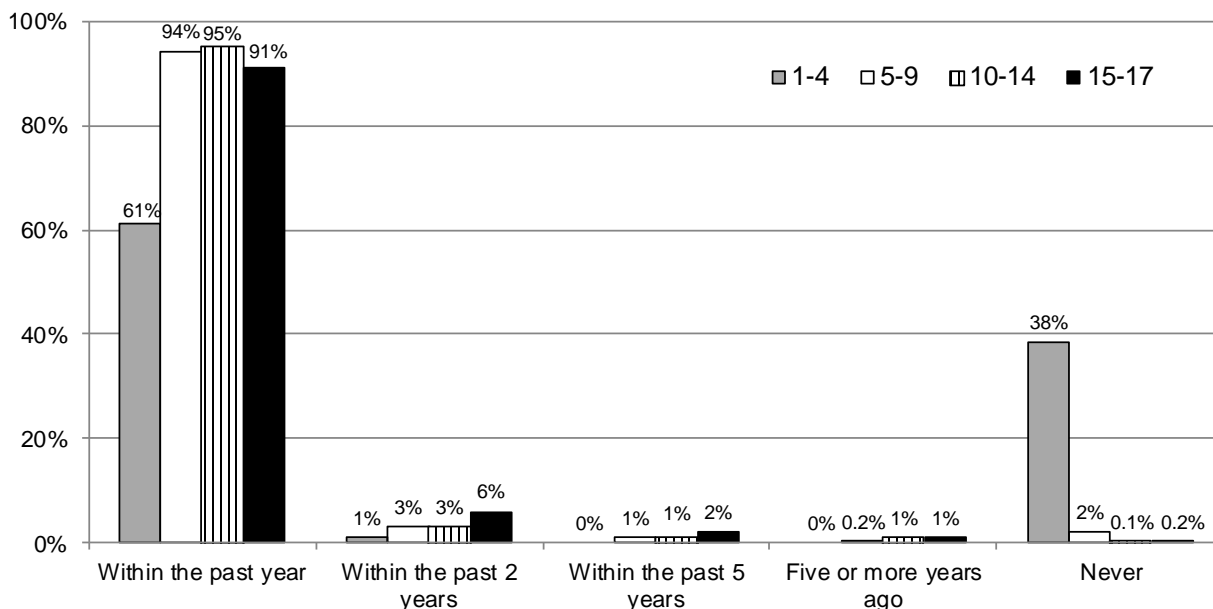
**Figure 84
Length of Time Since Child Visited the Dentist or Dental Clinic, 2011-2015**



Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2011-2015

Figure 85, below, displays the length of time since the child visited the dentist or dental clinic by age. When looking at the 1 to 4 year old age group, 38 percent have never been to the dentist compared to the three other age groups who all had fewer than three percent who had never seen a dentist.

Figure 85
Length of Time Since Child Visited the Dentist or Dental Clinic by
Child's Age, 2011-2015



Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2011-2015

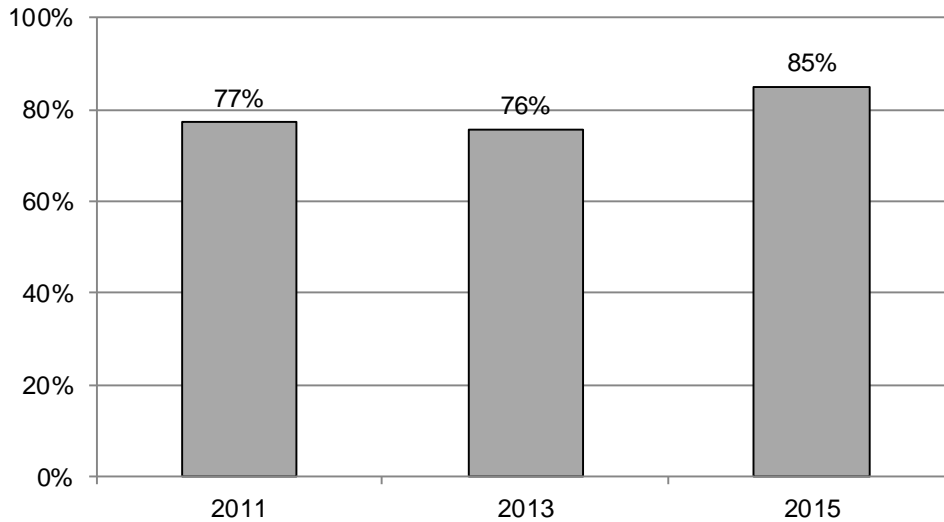
The main reason why children ages 1 to 17 had not visited the dentist within the past year was because they had no reason to go, i.e. no problems, no teeth, as shown below in Table 56. Seven percent stated that cost was the main reason the child had not been to the dentist within the past year.

Number of Respondents	615
No reasons to go (no problems, no teeth)	64%
Cost	7%
Have not thought of it	5%
Cannot get to the office/clinic	4%
Do not have/know a dentist	3%
Other priorities	3%
Fear, apprehension, nervousness, pain, dislike going	2%
Other	12%

Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2011-2015

Figure 86, below, displays the majority of respondents who stated that they have some kind of insurance that pays for some or all of their child's routine dental care. The majority in all years stated they have insurance coverage that pays for some or all of their child's routine dental care.

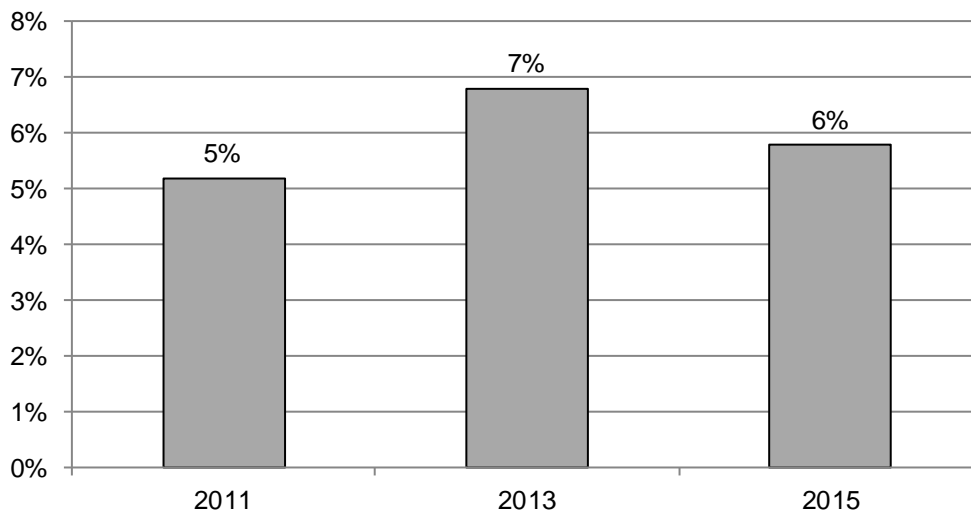
Figure 86
Respondents Who Have Any Kind of Insurance Coverage That Pays for Some or All of This Child's Routine Dental Care, 2011-2015



Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2011-2015

Figure 87, below, displays the percent of children who had a toothache more than once when biting or chewing in the last six months. For all three years, less than ten percent of children had a toothache more than once when biting or chewing in the last six months.

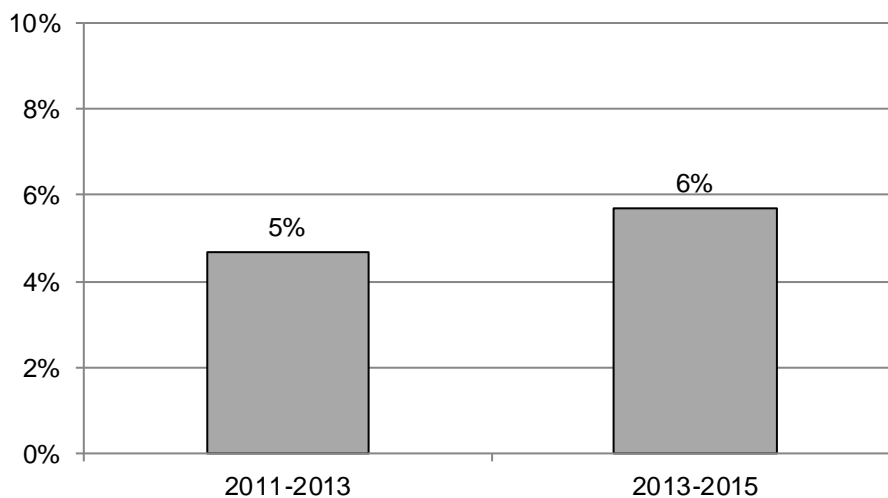
Figure 87
Children Who Had Toothache More Than Once When Biting or Chewing in the Last Six Months, 2011-2015



Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2011-2015

Figure 88, below, displays the percent of children who missed school one or more times in the past 12 months because of problems with their teeth or mouth. Fewer than seven percent for all years stated that the child missed school because of problems with their teeth or mouth.

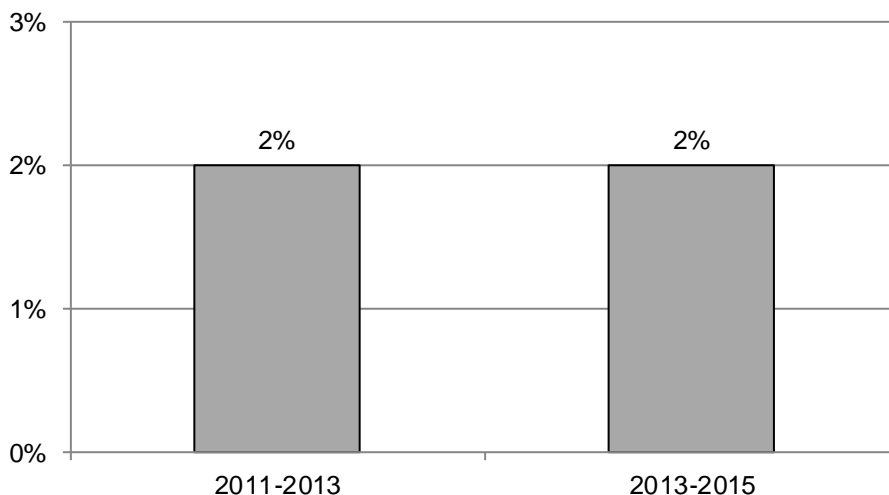
Figure 88
Children Who Missed School One or More Times Because of Problems With Their Teeth or Mouth Within the Past 12 Months, 2011-2015



Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2011-2015

Figure 89 below, displays the percent of children who visited a hospital emergency room one or more times during the past 12 months because of problems with their teeth or mouth. Fewer than three percent for all years stated that the child did not visit a hospital emergency room because of problems with their teeth or mouth.

Figure 89
Children Who Visited a Hospital Emergency Room One or More Times Because of Problems With Their Teeth or Mouth Within the Past 12 Months, 2011-2015



Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2011-2015