

This infographic is part of a series that explores health from the perspectives of different populations. Developed using health survey data, they collectively demonstrate Coloradans' varying experiences of health and health care.

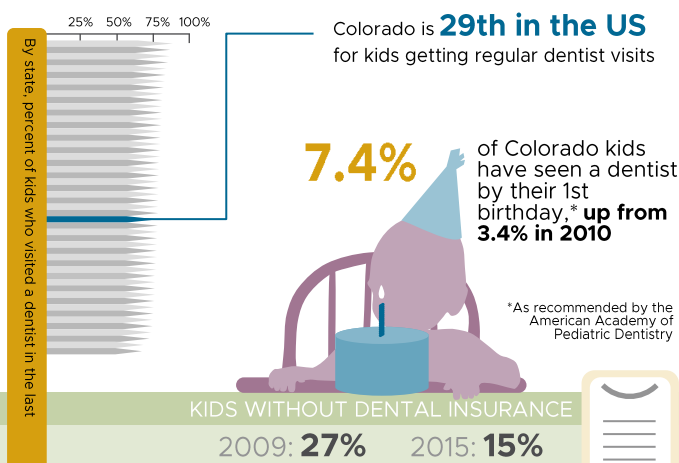
Colorado has over  
**1.2 million** kids



**1 in 4** Coloradans  
is a child

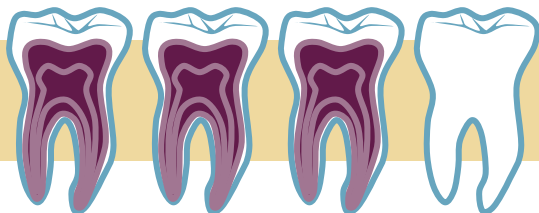
That's  
**24 million**  
teeth!

In Colorado, our kids' teeth  
are not getting the care they need



Tooth decay is the  
**most common childhood disease**

Tooth decay is **5x more common** than asthma and **4x more common** than early childhood obesity



**3 OUT OF 4** low-income kids have had a cavity by 3rd grade

Having healthy teeth is  
**important for kids' futures**

Every year in Colorado,  
**kids with mouth pain**

ORAL HEALTH AFFECTS:



Speech



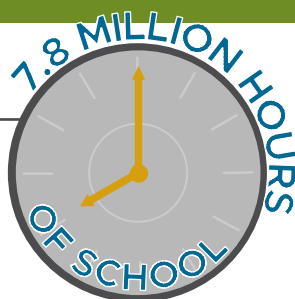
Nutrition



Growth



Social Development



Good oral health is critical to a child's long-term success. If we care about the futures of Colorado's kids, we must care about the health of their teeth. Together, we can ensure kids get the dental care they need for a healthy start in life.

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