Niagara /// Region

Community Services Children's Services Public Health Department



Poverty and Child **Outcomes in** Niagara April 2007

eccdc Understanding the Early Years

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What's the story?

In the Niagara Region:

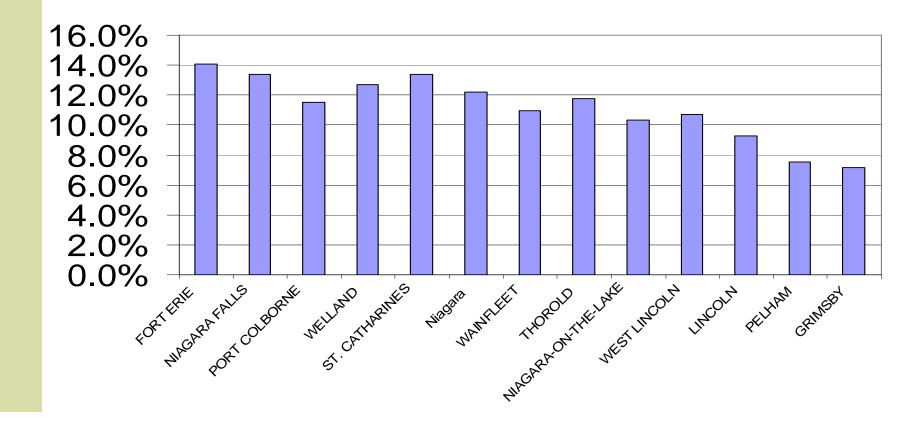
> Municipalities with more poverty and higher socioeconomic risk also had poorer scores on the Early Development Indicator (as compared to national averages).

In Niagara Falls:

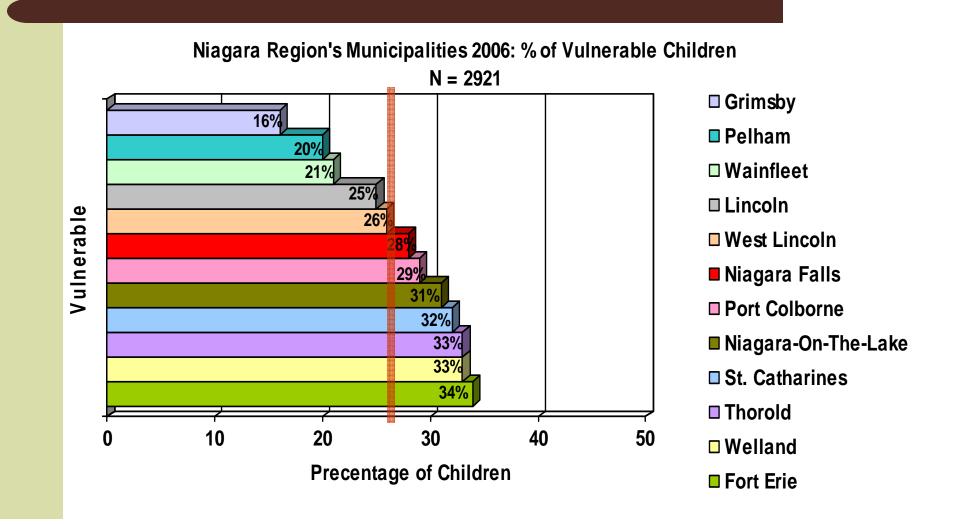
> More challenges, and multiple challenges, among children in neighbourhoods that have multiple socioeconomic risk factors.
> Higher % of children considered vulnerable in these neighbourhoods, despite well-placed community resources
> Lone parents head a disproportionate percentage of families
> Large % of the residents do not have high school diplomas

What's happening region-wide?

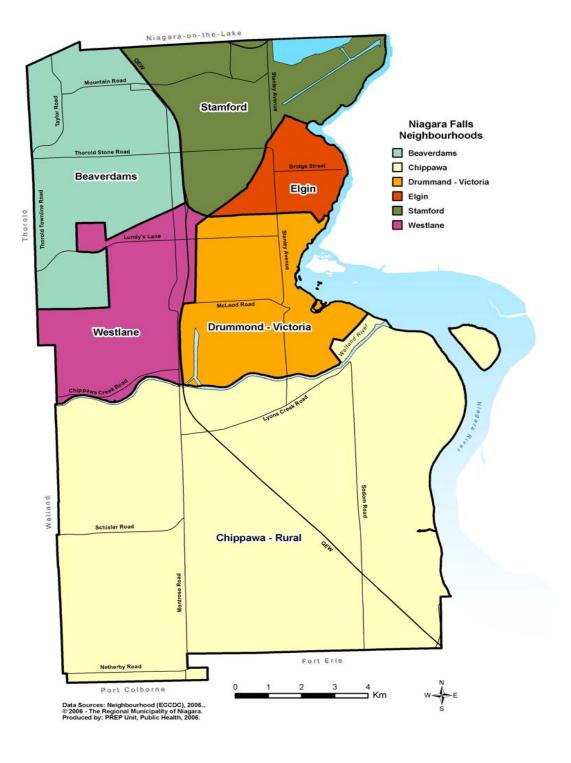
% of Persons Below LIM



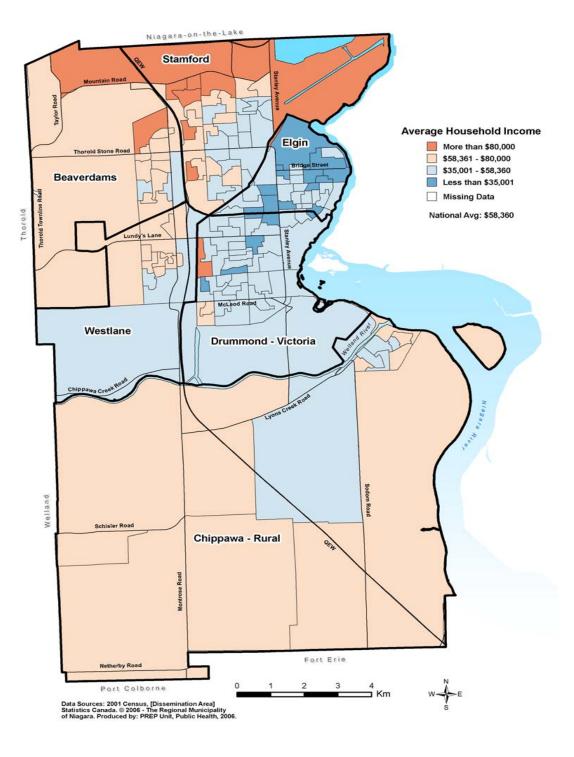
What's happening with the children?



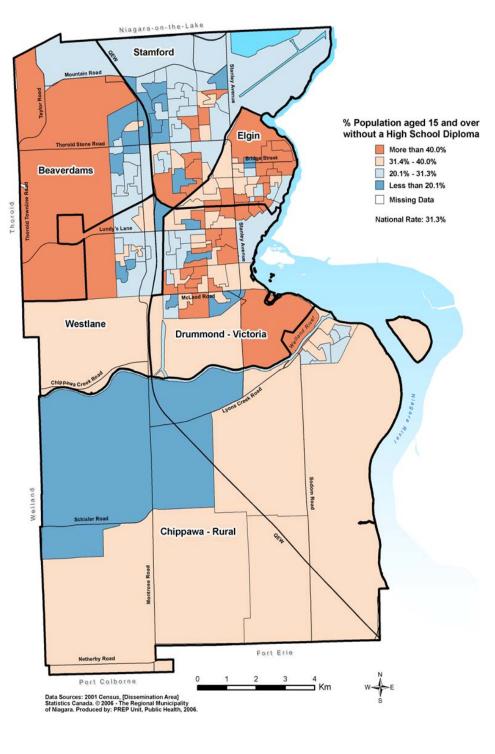
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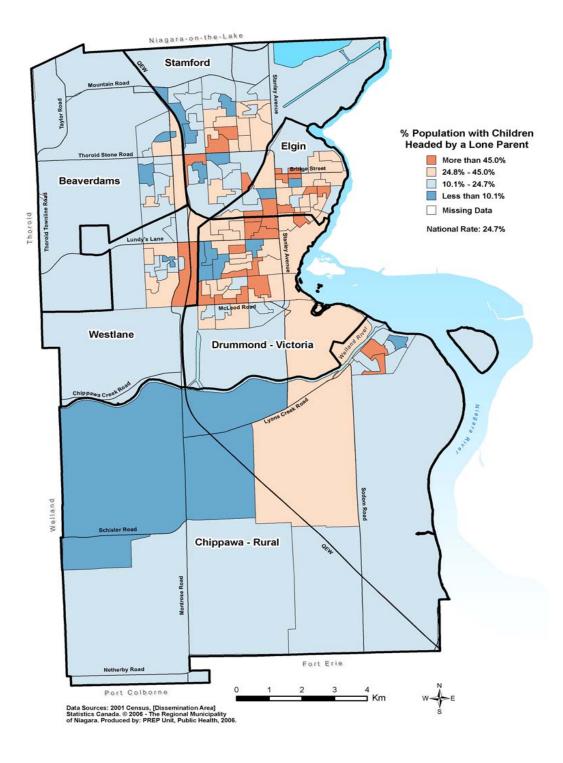
Income Levels



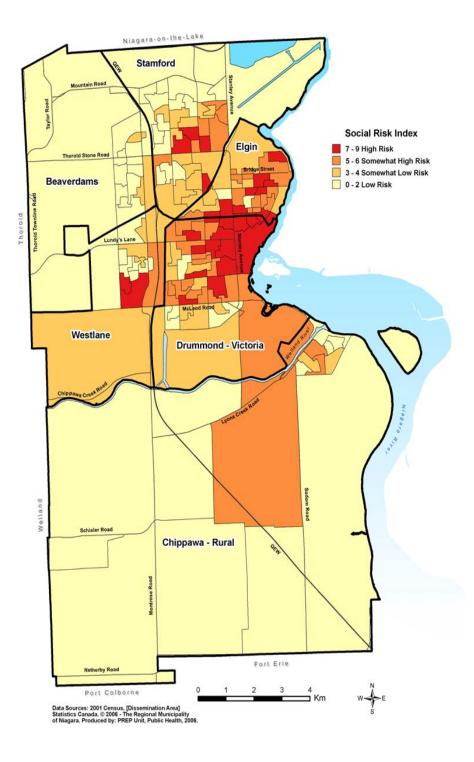
Education Levels



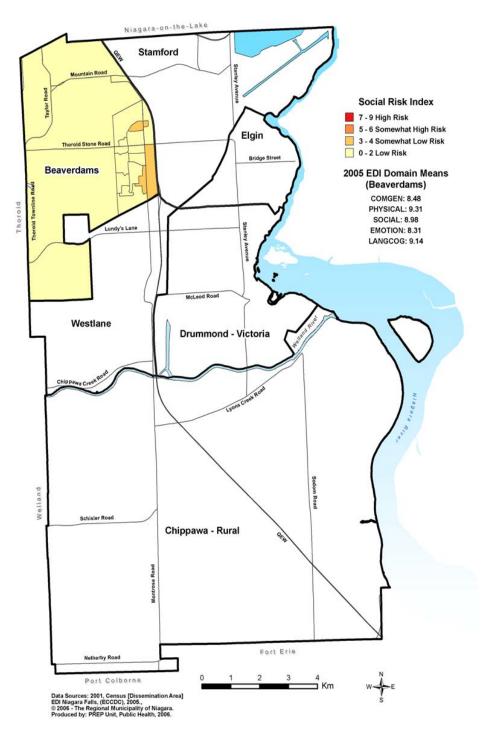
Lone Parents



Social Risk Index



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