



TOWN OF LADYSMITH

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LADYSMITH
WILL BE HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL ON

MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2013

Call to Order 6:15 p.m.

Executive Session 6:15 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER (6:15 P.M.)

In order to retire immediately into Executive Session

1. AGENDA APPROVAL

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Section 90(1) of the *Community Charter*, this section of the meeting will be held *In Camera* to consider the following items:

- the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality
- discussions with municipal officers and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under section 98 [*annual municipal report*];

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING (7:00 P.M.)

3. MINUTES

- 3.1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held December 17, 2012 1-4

4. PUBLIC HEARING

None

5. DELEGATIONS

- 5.1. Lawrence Jonson, Marilyn Mattson, B.C. Government Retired Employees Association 5-9
Update on Progress Toward Elimination of Medical Services Plan Premiums for B.C. Seniors
- 5.2. Dr. Paul Hasselback, Medical Health Officer, Vancouver Island Health Authority 10-53
Health at the Local Level – Report and Update to Council

6. PROCLAMATIONS

- 6.1. Mayor Hutchins has proclaimed the month of February 2013 as “Heart Month” in the Town of Ladysmith.

7. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

- 7.1. Official Community Plan Amendment and Rezoning Application – Kolk Lot B, District Lot 56, Oyster District, Plan VIP65504 (340 2nd Avenue) 54-57
- 7.2. Proposed Rezoning of Town-owned Land – 1201 & 1251 Christie Road (lot 7 and Lot 8, DL 147, Oyster District, Plan VIP 85271) 58-62

8. BYLAWS (OCP / ZONING)

None

9. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 9.1. Mayor R. Hutchins
Cowichan Valley Regional District; Ladysmith Chamber of Commerce
- 9.2. Councillor B. Drysdale
Heritage Revitalization Advisory Commission; Protective Services Committee; Trolley Committee
- 9.3. Councillor J. Dashwood
Trolley Committee; Ladysmith Early Years Partnership; Social Planning Cowichan Affordable Housing Directorate
- 9.4. Councillor G. Horth
Government Services Committee; Advisory Planning Commission; Liquid Waste Management Committee; Ladysmith Downtown Business Association
9.4.1 Government Services Committee Recommendations 63
- 9.5. Councillor D. Paterson
Protective Services Committee; Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission; Festival of Lights
- 9.6. Councillor G. Patterson
Community Health Advisory Committee; Youth Advisory Committee; Liquid Waste Management Committee
- 9.7. Councillor S. Arnett
Advisory Design Panel; Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission; Vancouver Island Regional Library Board; Celebrations Committee

10. STAFF REPORTS

- 10.1. Application for Funding – Celebrate Canada (Canada Day Celebrations) 64-65

11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.1. Doug Bell, President, Ladysmith Maritime Society Sewage Pump-out System at Ladysmith Maritime Society Community Marina

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Staff Recommendation

That Council consider whether it wishes to fund the costs of installing the marine sewage pump-out system at the Ladysmith Maritime Society Community Marina; and if so, whether it wishes to contribute funds through the Gas Tax Fund; and if so, that Council request an amendment to the Gas Tax Agreement to permit funding of the sewage pump-out system, and that the Financial Plan be amended accordingly.

11.2. J.E. Barry, Cowichan Valley Regional District Community Safety Advisory Commission

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Staff Recommendation

That Council appoint a member of Council to serve on the Cowichan Valley Regional District Community Safety Advisory Commission.

12. BYLAWS

None

13. NEW BUSINESS

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

15. QUESTION PERIOD

- A maximum of 15 minutes is allotted for questions.
- Persons wishing to address Council during “Question Period” must be Town of Ladysmith residents, non-resident property owners, or operators of a business.
- Individuals must state their name and address for identification purposes.
- Questions put forth must be on topics which are not normally dealt with by Town staff as a matter of routine.
- Questions must be brief and to the point.
- Questions shall be addressed through the Chair and answers given likewise. Debates with or by individual Council members or staff members are not allowed
- No commitments shall be made by the Chair in replying to a question. Matters which may require action of the Council shall be referred to a future meeting of the Council.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION (CONTINUED)

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17. ARISE AND REPORT

18. ADJOURNMENT



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF LADYSMITH
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL ON
MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Rob Hutchins
Councillor Jillian Dashwood
Councillor Glenda Patterson

Councillor Steve Arnett
Councillor Gord Horth

Councillor Bill Drysdale
Councillor Duck Paterson

STAFF PRESENT:

Ruth Malli
Felicity Adams

Sandy Bowden
Erin Anderson

John Manson

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hutchins called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

CS 2012-379

It was moved, seconded and carried at 6:00 p.m. that Council retire into Executive Session.

The Regular Council meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Mayor Hutchins requested Council's consideration of the following addition to the agenda:

10.1 Correspondence from Rosemary Bonanno of the Vancouver Island Regional Library regarding a request for suggestions about library space

10.2 Correspondence from the Vancouver Island Regional Library dated November 28, 2012 concerning the proposed 2013 budget and levy to members

CS 2012-380

It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council for December 17, 2012 be approved as amended.

MINUTES

CS 2012-381

It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 3, 2012 be approved.

DELEGATIONS

James van Hemert, Kate Miller, Cowichan Valley Regional District Regional Environmental Strategic Plan – Input from Town of Ladysmith

Kate Miller and James van Hemert provided Council with a brief overview of the CVRD Regional Environmental Strategic Plan and requested Council's input on the following:

- What are the Town's environmental priorities in the next one to five years and beyond 20 years?
- What role can the CVRD play in supporting the Town's environmental programs?
- How can the CVRD's environmental plan support the Town's priorities?

A discussion ensued regarding this issue. Council thanked the CVRD representatives for their presentation.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Development Variance Permit – 517 High Street (Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 124, District Lot 56, Oyster District, Plan 703A)

CS 2012-382

It was moved, seconded and carried that Council direct staff to proceed with the statutory notice for Development Variance Permit application 3090-12-05 for lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 124, District Lot 56, Oyster District, Plan 703A (517 High Street).

BYLAWS (OCP/ZONING)

Town of Ladysmith Zoning Bylaw 1995, No. 1160, Amendment Bylaw (No. 89) 2012, No. 1803

CS 2012-383

It was moved, seconded and carried that Town of Ladysmith Zoning Bylaw 1995, No. 1160, Amendment Bylaw (No. 89) 2012, No. 1803 be read a third time and adopted.

Official Community Plan Bylaw 2003, No. 1488, Amendment Bylaw (No. 39, 2012, No. 1811

CS 2012-384

It was moved, seconded and carried that Official Community Plan Bylaw 2003, No. 1488, Amendment Bylaw (No. 39, 2012, No. 1811 be adopted.

Zoning Bylaw 1995, No. 1160, Amendment Bylaw (No. 90) 2012, No. 1812

CS 2012-385

It was moved, seconded and carried that Zoning Bylaw 1995, No. 1160, Amendment Bylaw (No. 90) 2012, No. 1812 be adopted.

STAFF / ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Proposed E&N Corridor Trail (recommendation from Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission)

CS 2012-386

It was moved, seconded and carried that Council direct staff to conduct a feasibility study for the establishment of a trail along the E & N rail corridor that will link to existing trails.

2013 Council Meeting Schedule

CS 2012-387

It was moved, seconded and carried that the following 2013 schedule of regular Council meetings be approved and that Staff be directed to advertise the schedule in accordance with Section

127 of the Community Charter:

January 7	May 6	September 3 (Tues.)
January 21	May 21 (Tues.)	September 16
February 4	June 3	October 7
February 18	June 17	October 21
March 4	July 2 (Tues.)	November 4
March 18	July 15	November 18
April 2 (Tues.)	August 6 (Tues.)	December 2
April 15	August 19	December 16

Solid Waste Collection Contract

CS 2012-388

It was moved, seconded and carried that Council direct staff to negotiate an extension of the solid Waste Contract with the current contractor, BFI for an additional period of 10 months, expiring September 2013 and under the existing contractual rates for 2012.

Councillor D. Paterson left the meeting due to a potential conflict of interest with the following item.

CORRESPONDENCE

CS 2012-389

Penny Lees-Smith, Kin Canada - Request for Town sponsorship of Kin Canada fundraising efforts through purchase of a Message of Support
It was moved, seconded and carried that, as in previous years, Council authorize the sponsorship of fundraising efforts of Kin Canada through the purchase of a Message of Support in KIN Magazine for \$195 plus applicable taxes.

Councillor D. Paterson returned to the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

CS 2012-390

Rosemary Bonanno, Vancouver Island Regional Library Regarding Library Space

It was moved, seconded and carried that the correspondence from Rosemary Bonanno of the Vancouver Island Regional Library regarding a request for suggestions about library space be received, and Council invite the Manager of the Ladysmith Library Branch to a future meeting to discuss this matter.

CS 2012-391

Vancouver Island Regional Library Regarding Proposed 2013 Budget and Levy to Members

It was moved, seconded and carried that the correspondence from the Vancouver Island Regional Library dated November 28, 2012 concerning the proposed 2013 budget and levy to members be received.

QUESTION PERIOD

Paul Williams provided the following comments regarding the Ladysmith trolley service:

- ridership statistics – should record revenue passengers

- current trolley vehicle produces high greenhouse gas emissions
- trolley service does not comply with Ladysmith sustainability initiatives

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

RISE AND REPORT

Council arose from Executive Session without report.

ADJOURNMENT

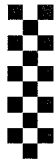
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It was moved, seconded and carried that this meeting of Council be adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

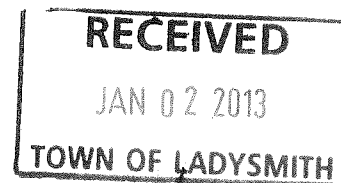
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Mayor (R. Hutchins)

Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)



FACSIMILE TO: LADYSMITH TOWN COUNCIL FAX NO. 250-245-6411



December 31, 2012

Town of Ladysmith
Main Office
410 Esplanade, PO Box 220
Ladysmith, British Columbia
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Re: Presentation to Town Council

Attached is a Request for Delegation Status for the BC Government Retired Employees Association to appear before Town Council at its January 7, 2013, meeting on the subject of elimination of Medical Services Plan premiums in the Province of BC.

Also attached is a copy of the presentation and supporting arguments on this topic.

Kindly advise Marilyn Mattson by phone at 250-390-4993 or by email at nolam1@telus.net if you approve our request, noting the time we will be placed on your agenda.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Yours truly,
BC Government Retired Employees Assoc.
Mid Island Branch #600

Marilyn Mattson, Director

Attachments: 5 pages

Presentation to LADYSMITH Town Council

January 7, 2013

YOUR WORSHIP, COUNCILLORS, CITY STAFF

Good Afternoon, my name is Lawrence Johnson; I am chairperson of the B.C. GOVERNMENT RETIRED EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, Nanaimo/MidIsland Branch #600 which represents approximately 400 retired Nanaimo and area citizens who during their working years earned a pension from the B.C. Public Service Pension Plan. Our Mission Statement is: to promote the welfare of all persons in receipt of a superannuation allowance under the Pension (Public Service) Act of British Columbia.

With me today are members of our Branch Medical Services Plan Committee, JoAnne Dundas and Marilyn Mattson.

Our presentation involves a few general comments from myself outlining our position on Medical Service Premiums in the Province of B.C. and the action that has been taken by our branch in the past year or so in conjunction with our Provincial Organization and our other 25 branches across the province. We will then lead you through some numbers which show that the income tax system is a fairer system of raising health care monies, rather than the present system of citizens paying a monthly Medical Services Plan Premium, which were increased Jan 1/13 by 3.9%.

Initially the B.C.G.R.E.A. Nanaimo/Mid Island Branch passed a resolution at its May 2011 membership meeting to have Medical Service Plan premiums removed from our health care system and to have health care monies raised through the Provincial Income Tax System. Next our provincial organization passed a similar resolution at its 2011 Annual General Meeting held in October 2011 calling on the Province of B.C. to change the system by which universal health care is financed. This resolution also encouraged other organizations in the

province to call on the Province to make this change. Included in these groups was the Union of B.C. Municipalities. It is noted the Union of B.C. Municipalities passed a resolution at their 2011 convention calling on the Province of B.C. to eliminate medical insurance premiums for seniors in BC and to bear any associated costs. We were most encouraged to learn that the Union of B.C. Municipalities passed this resolution and forwarded it to the Provincial Government for action. We were however disappointed in the Province's negative response to the U.B.C.M. resolution, as was the province's response to our Provincial Organizations resolution. Despite this negative response our Branch and the B.C.G.R.E.A. continues to encourage and work with other organizations in the province to ask the Provincial Government to abolish Medical Service Plan Premiums for all Citizens beginning with senior citizens.

To this end the Branch Committee has contacted by letter 132 organizations in Nanaimo, Lantzville, Gabriola Island and Ladysmith areas informing them of our initiative and encouraging them to also seek to bring the province in line with the rest of Canada in the taxation of its citizens to finance universal health care. Additionally we have met with two of our area M.L.A.'s and continue to try and schedule a meeting with M.L.A. Cantelon. Nanaimo City Council was our first municipal presentation (last year) resulting in their taking to the 2012 UBCM an additional resolution on this topic.

At this time we will lead you through some of our research into how changing from M.S.P. Premiums to the Provincial Income Tax would impact the citizens of our province and our city.

At this time I would like to close our presentation by thanking the Nanaimo City Council for its participation with the Union of B.C. Municipalities on this issue and encourage you to continue to call on the Provincial Government to eliminate Medical Service Plan Premiums in the Province of B.C. Thank you again for allowing us to make this presentation today.

Arguments for the elimination of MSP premiums- first for seniors- then for everyone

British Columbia is one of only two provinces (the other is Ontario since 2004) which continue to charge its seniors a premium for the most basic of medical services, and those premiums have just been increased by 3.9%. Although those with the lowest incomes may request a subsidy, all other seniors must pay the same premiums as the highest income earners. Seniors are also more likely to have additional health care costs that are not covered by the medical plan. The premium is severely regressive in that the median and low income families pay a higher percentage of income and also single people pay a rate that could be seen as subsidizing couples and families.

Ontario's system is less regressive as the premiums are collected when taxes are filed using a sliding scale whereby a person with income of \$33,000 pays a \$300 annual premium while a person with income of \$200,600 pays \$900 per year. There are no special rates for individuals, couples and families. Compare this with B.C. where a family with income of \$33,000 pays \$1,596 per year as does a family with income of \$200,600 per year and beyond.

B.C. has a premium subsidy system that provides limited relief to the lowest income levels, resulting in a bigger burden on moderate and low income people- most seniors would fall into these categories.

The collection of MSP premiums requires an administrative bureaucracy that adds significant costs to the public health care system. Elimination of the premiums would also eliminate these costs.

Currently supporting this initiative are :

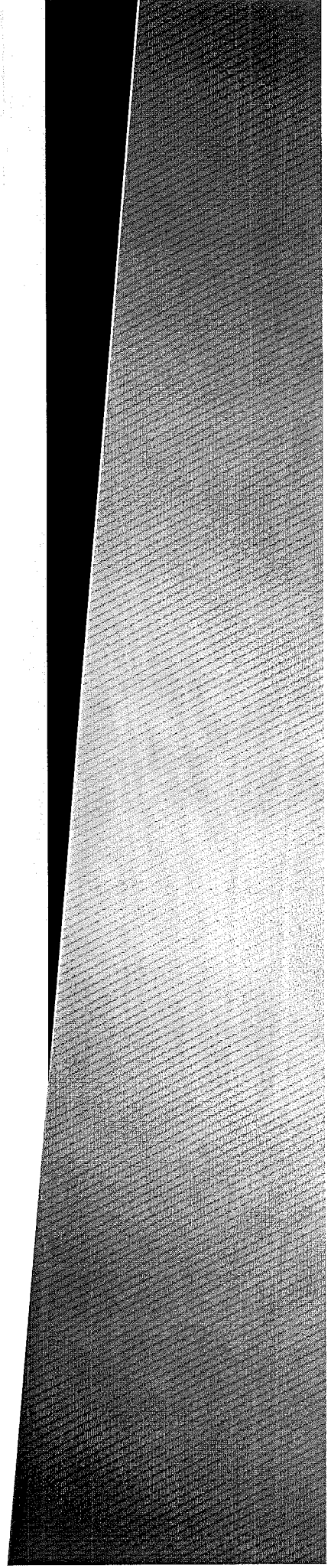
- 10,000 members of BC Government Retired Employees Association
- The Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of B C representing 75+ senior citizens' organizations and a significant number of individual seniors
- Union of B.C. Municipalities and a number of municipal and regional governments

Health at the Local Level

Town of Ladysmith Council

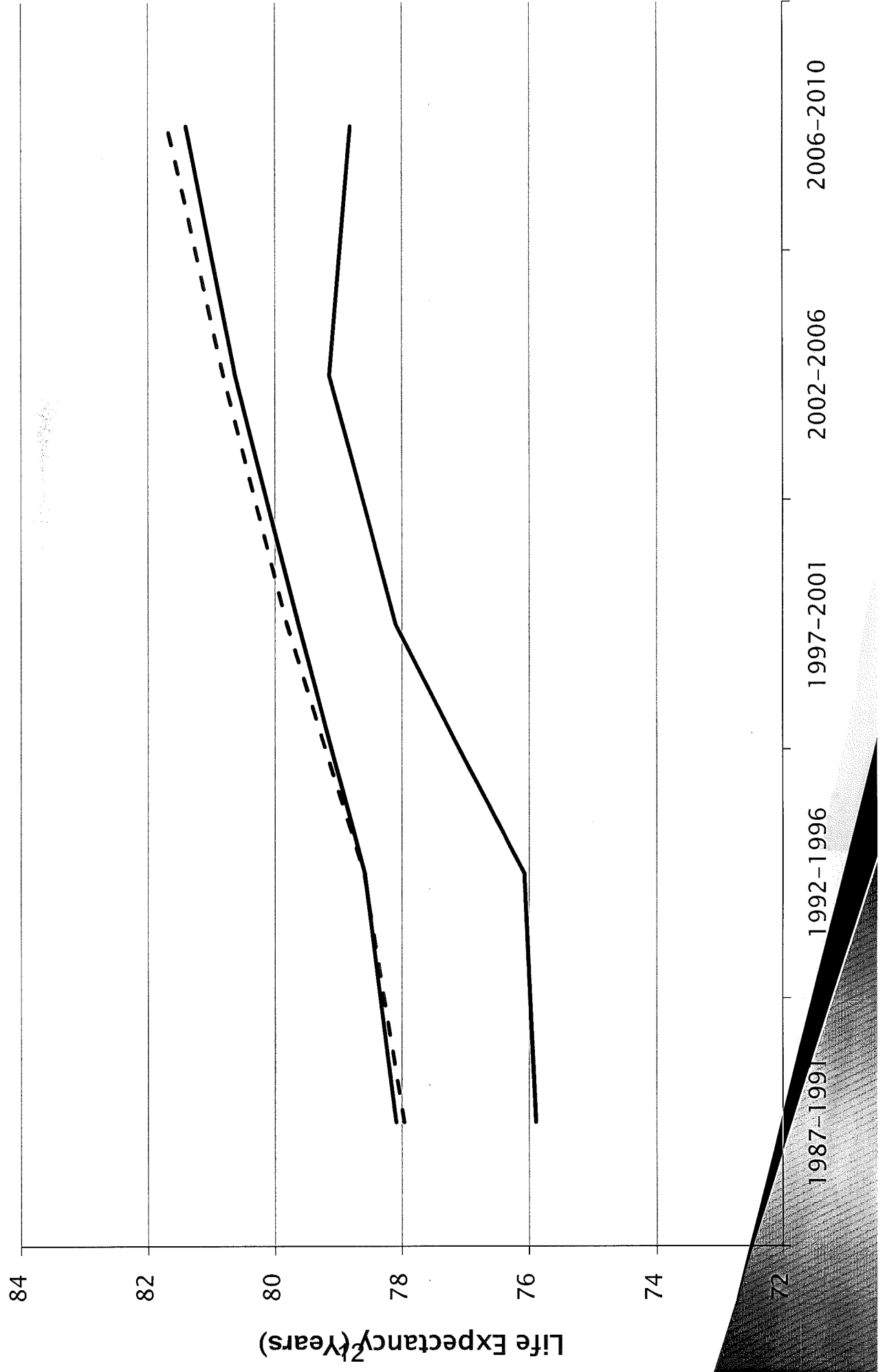
January 7, 2013

Paul Hasselback MD MSc FCRPC
Medical Health Officer
Central Vancouver Island

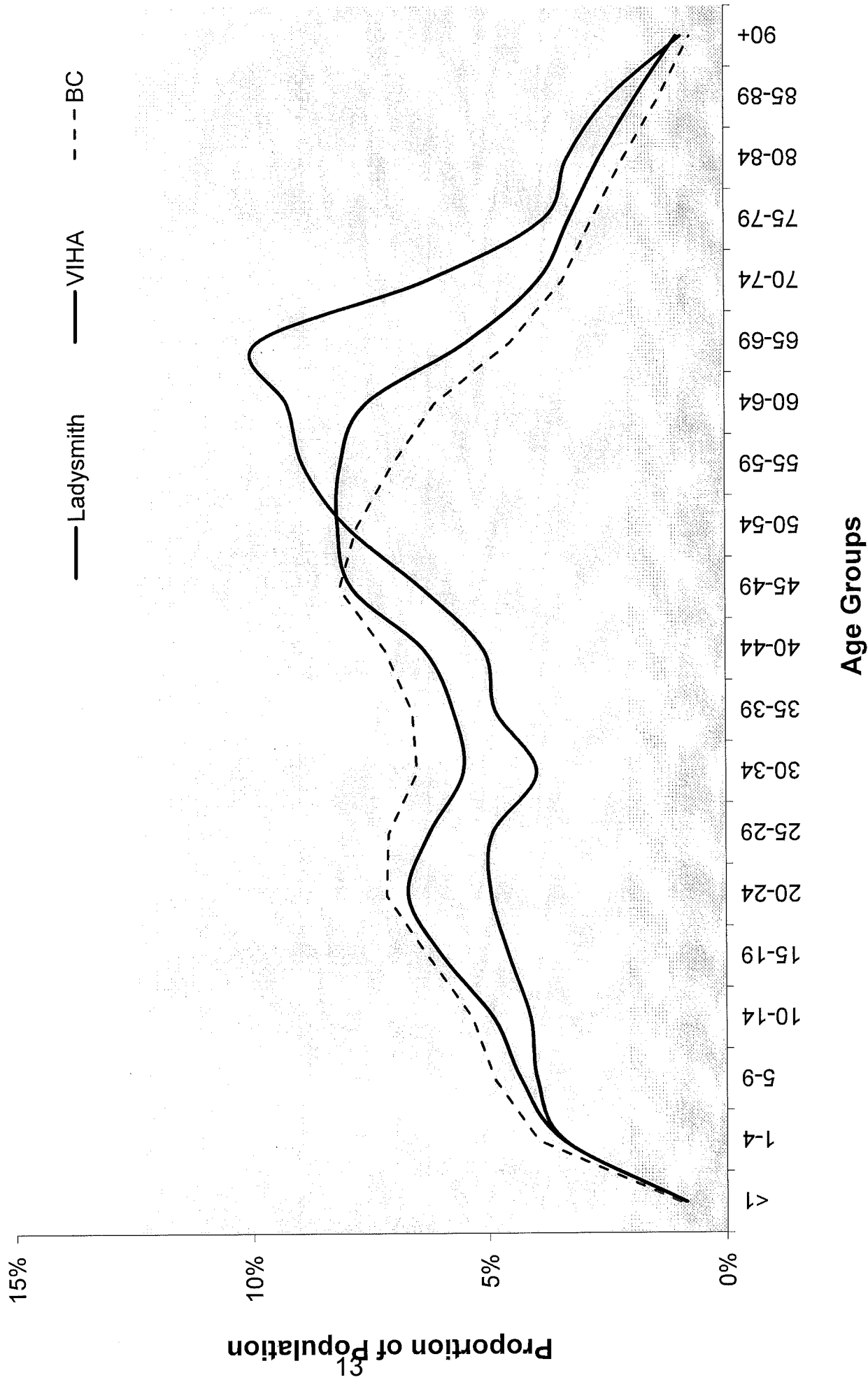


Life Expectancy of Ladysmith Residents Compared to VIHA and BC 1987-1991 to 2006-2010

— Ladysmith - - BC Total — Vancouver Island



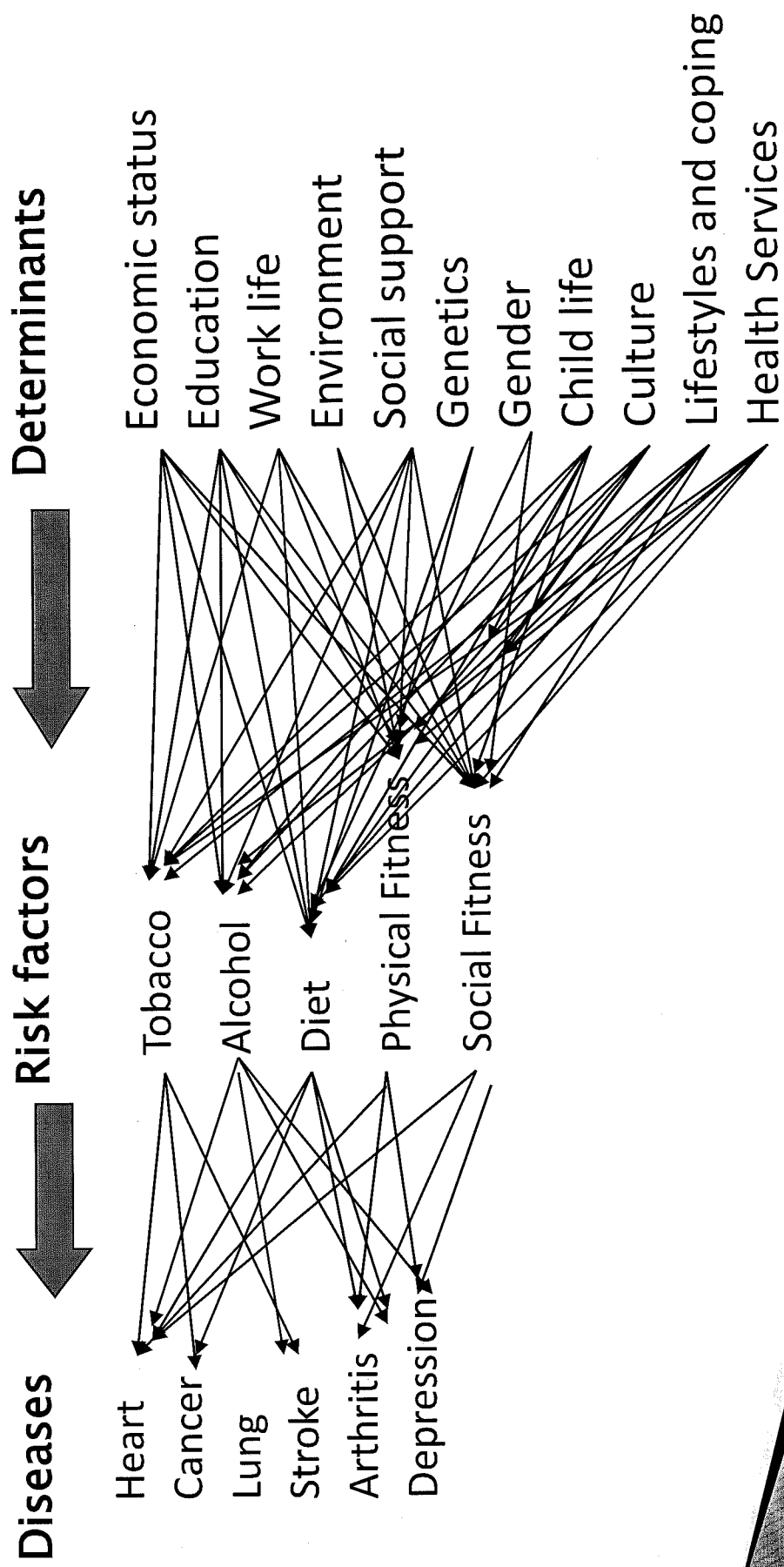
Proportion of 2015 Population by 5-Year Age Groups Compared to VIHA and BC



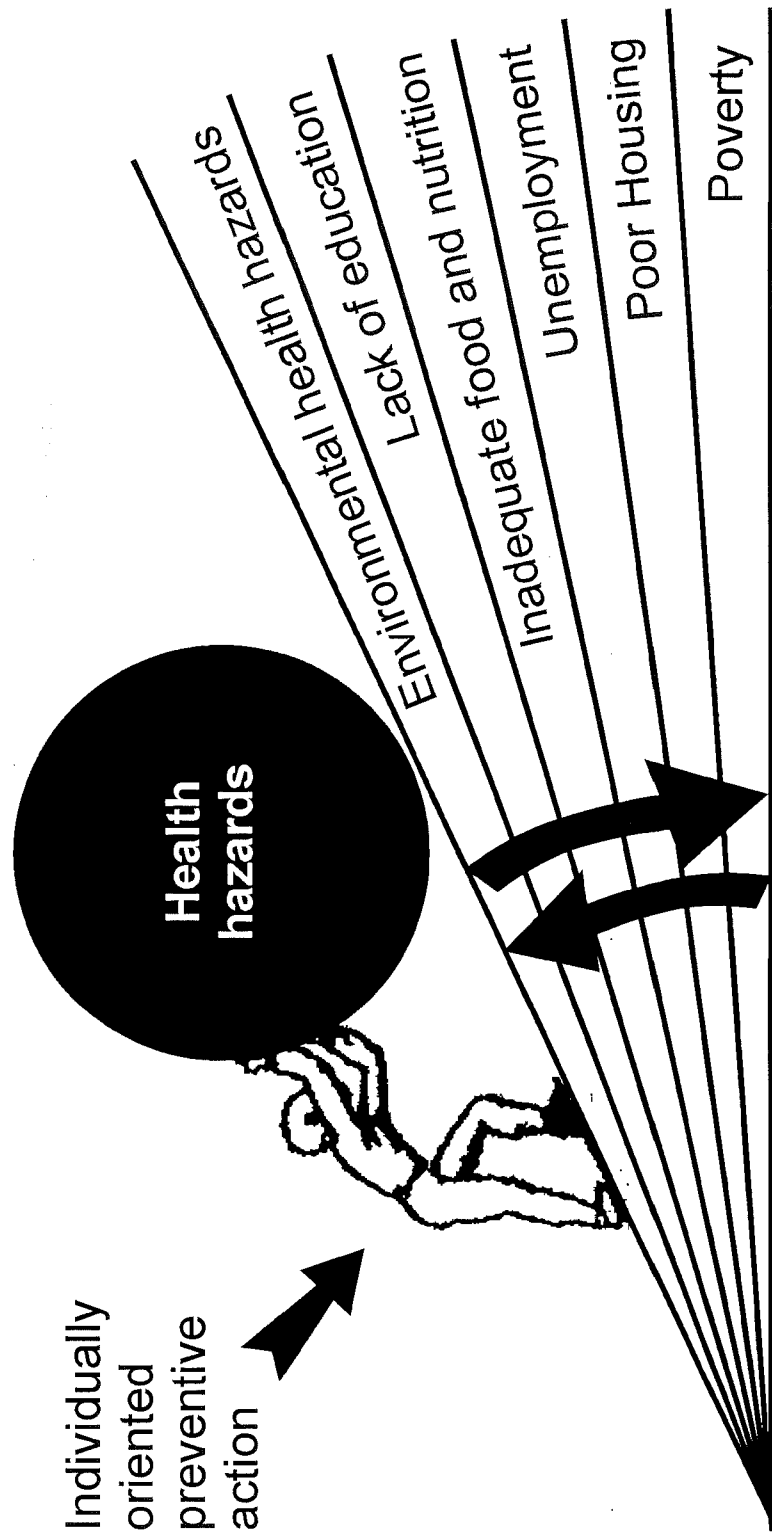
Growing Age Groups Ladysmith

Age group	2012 population	2030 population	% increase	Absolute number increase
85+	577	910	58	333
75-85	1336	2800	109	1464
<20	3282	4040	23	758
All ages	18820	22414	19	3594

Determinants of Health

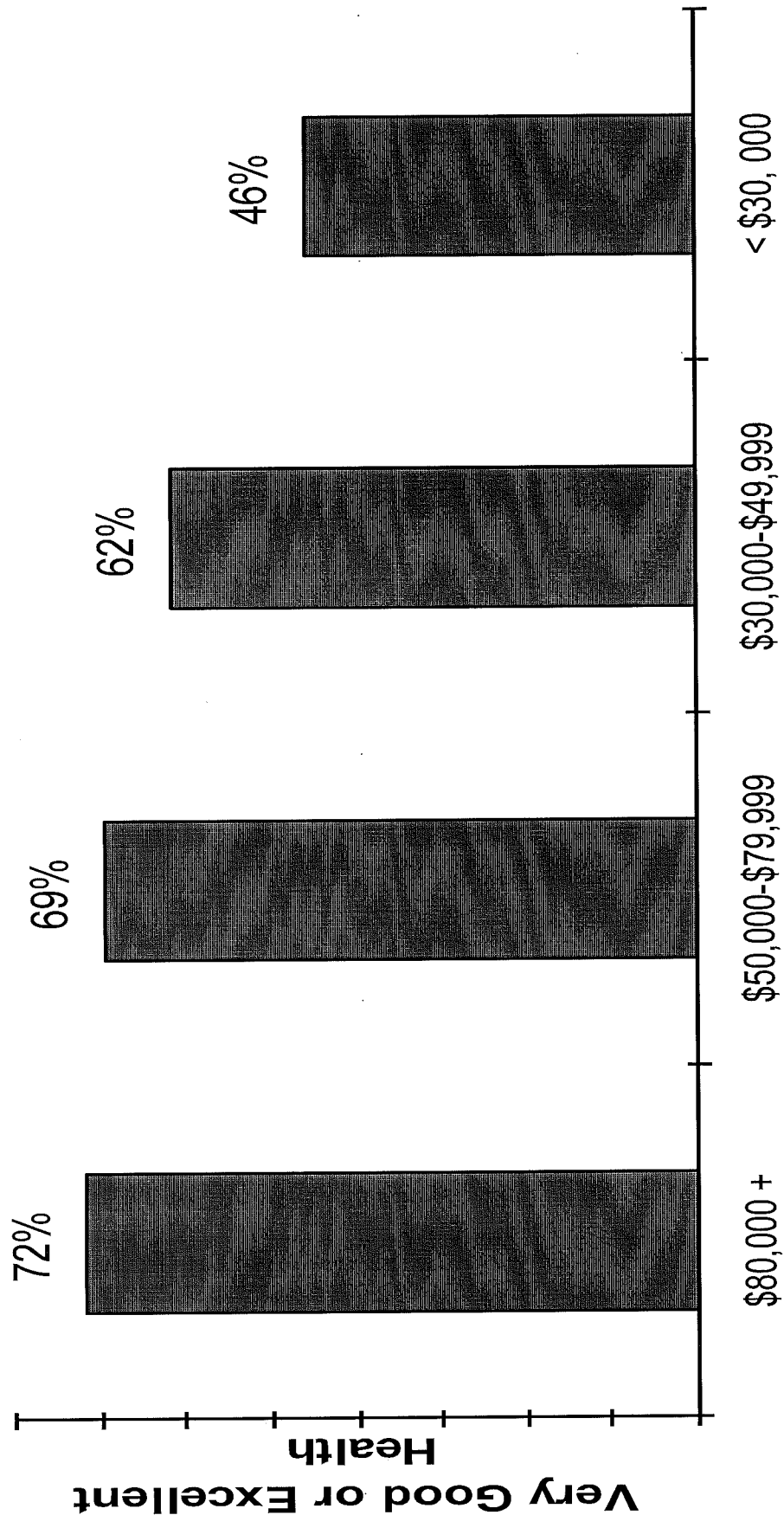


The Health Gradient



Source: adapted from Making Partners: intersectoral action for health.

Self-reported Health by Household Income



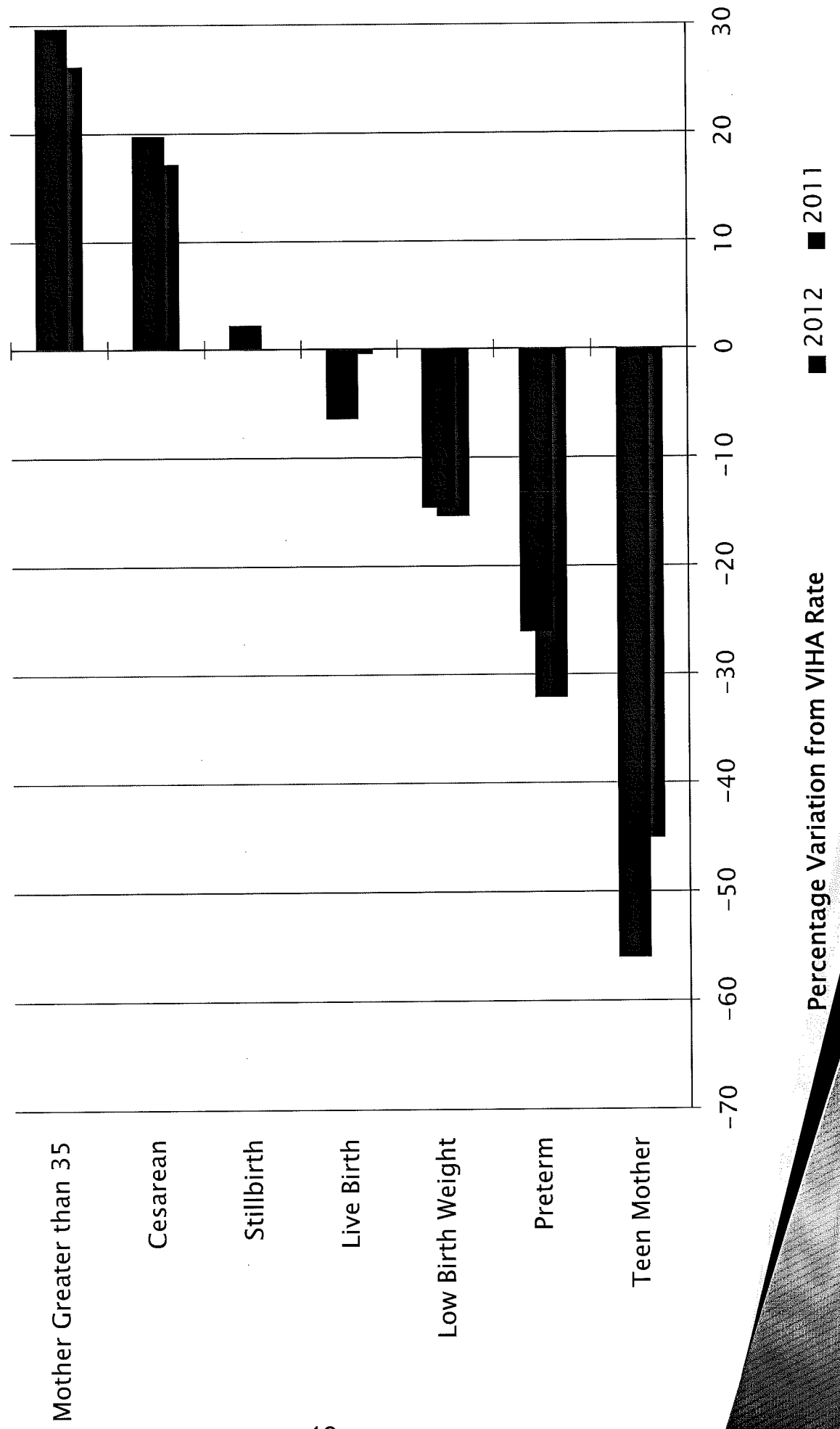
Total Household Income

Canadian Community Health Survey

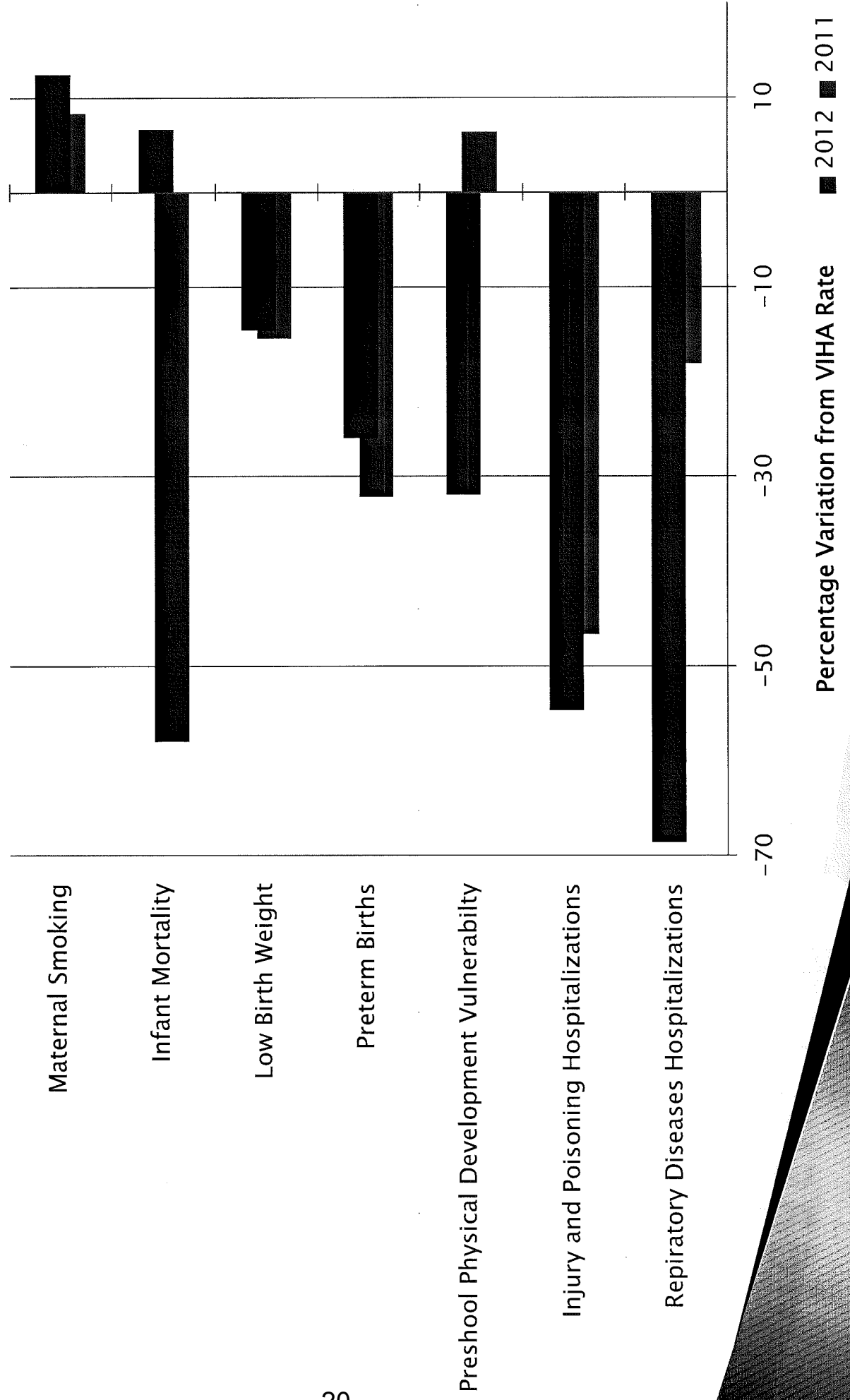
LHA Profiles – Interpretive Notes

- ▶ Accessible on line.
- ▶ Data in profiles are presented differently – important to carefully review data to understand.
- ▶ Generally measures to the right of zero show favourably when comparing Ladysmith to VIHA, measures to the left less favourably.
- ▶ Profile also compares LHA to BC as a whole.
- ▶ For most slides, Red is the most recent year, Blue is the previous year.

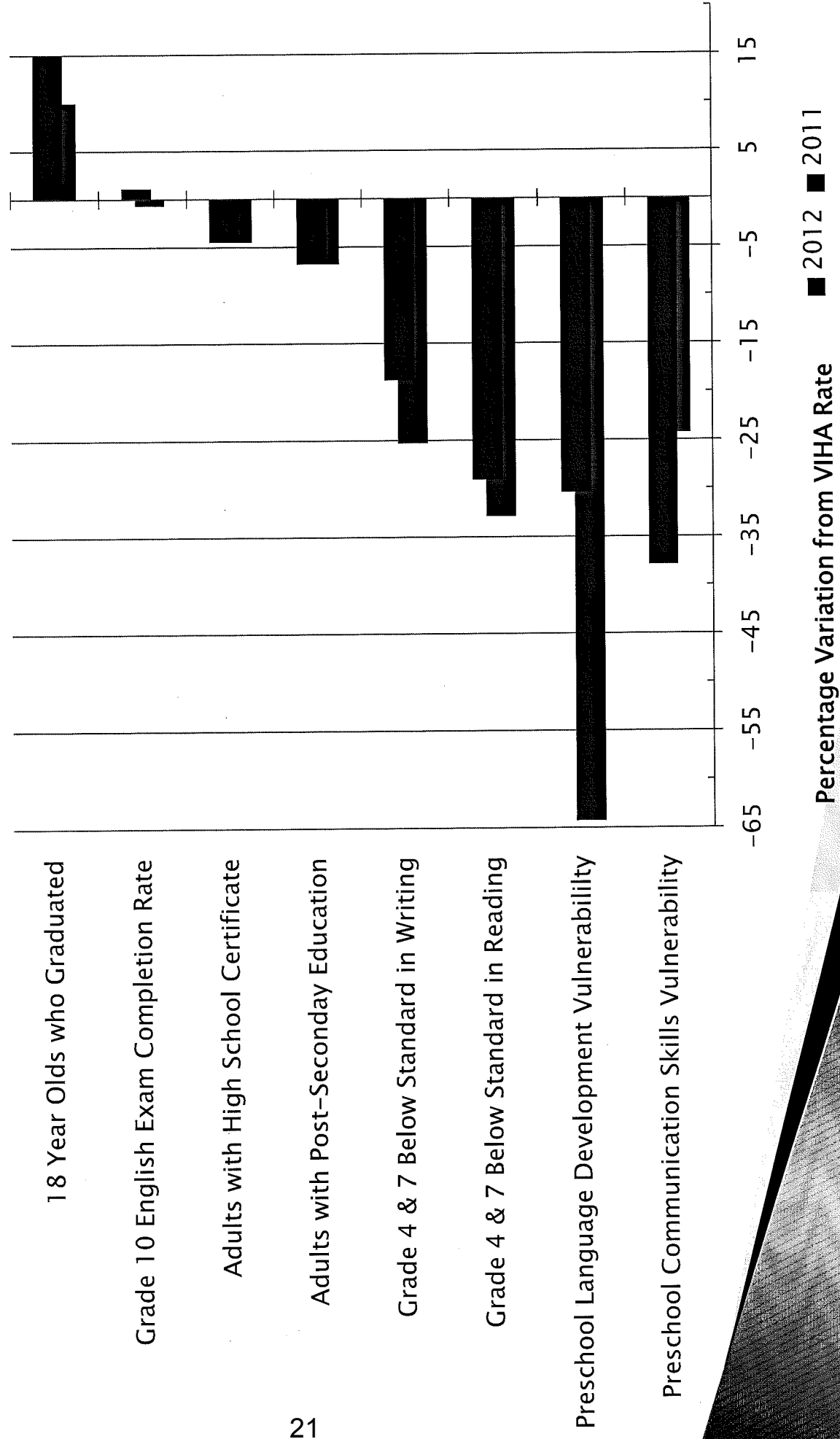
Birth Statistics



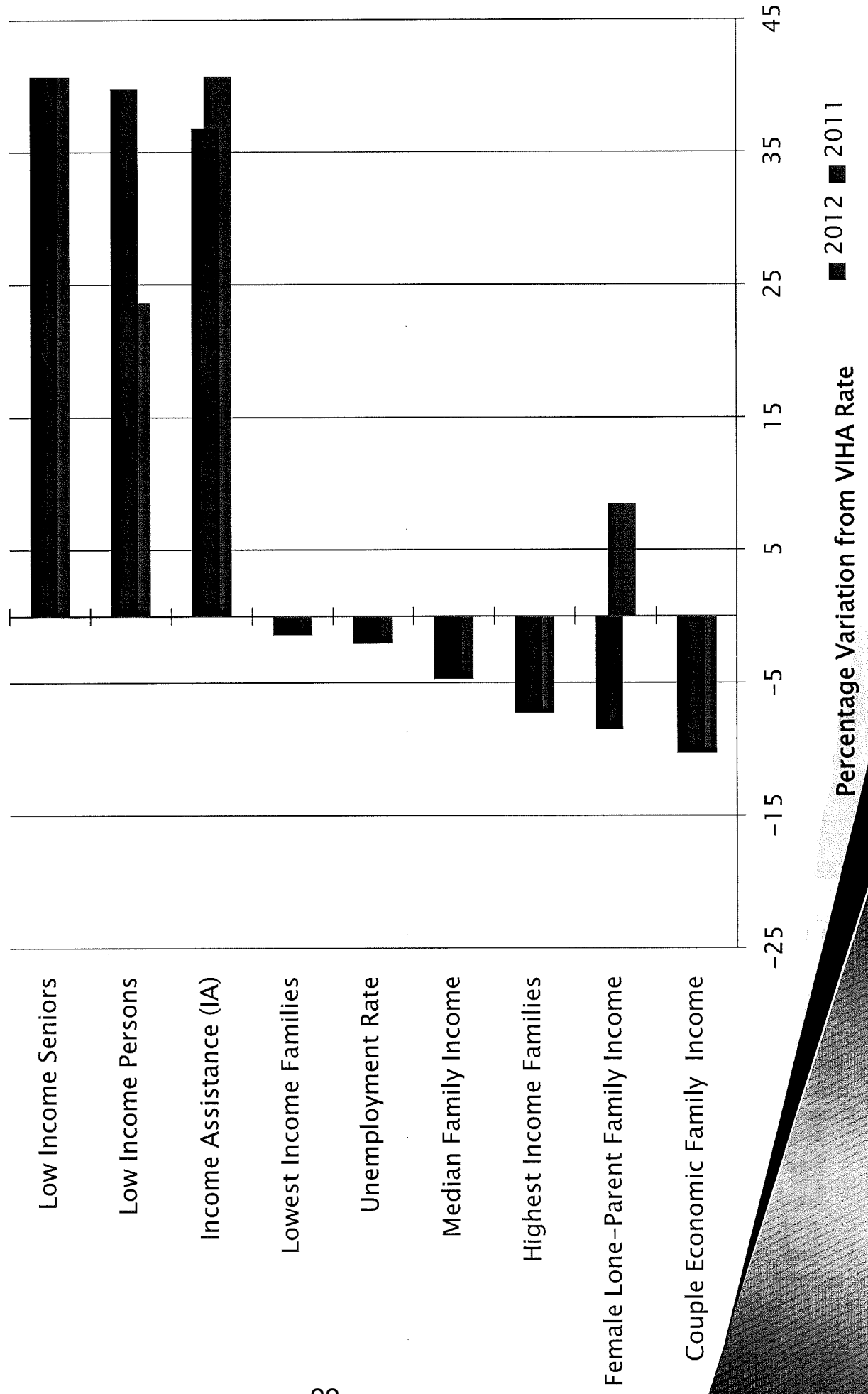
Child Health



Measures of Education Readiness and Success

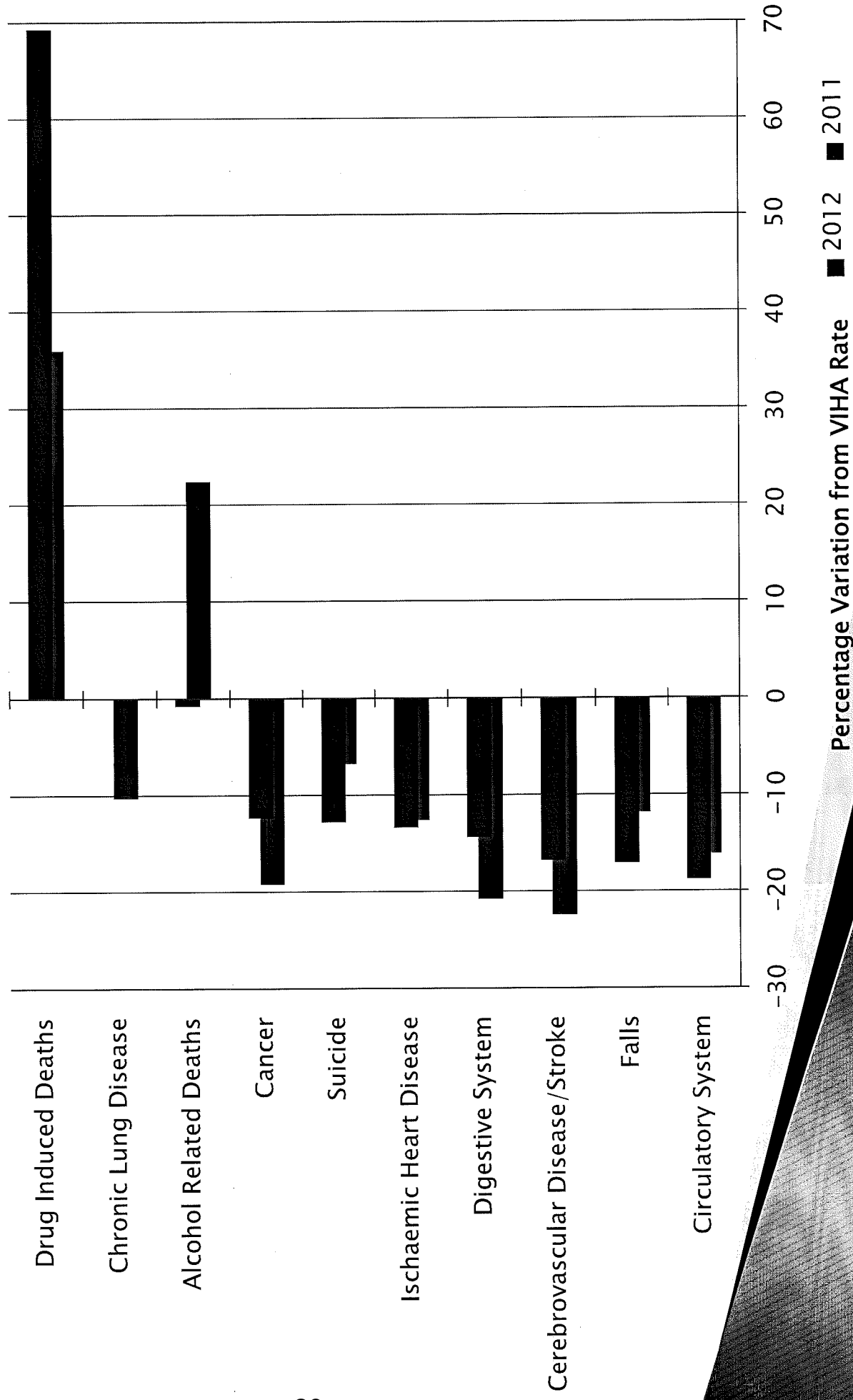


Measures of Economic Wellbeing



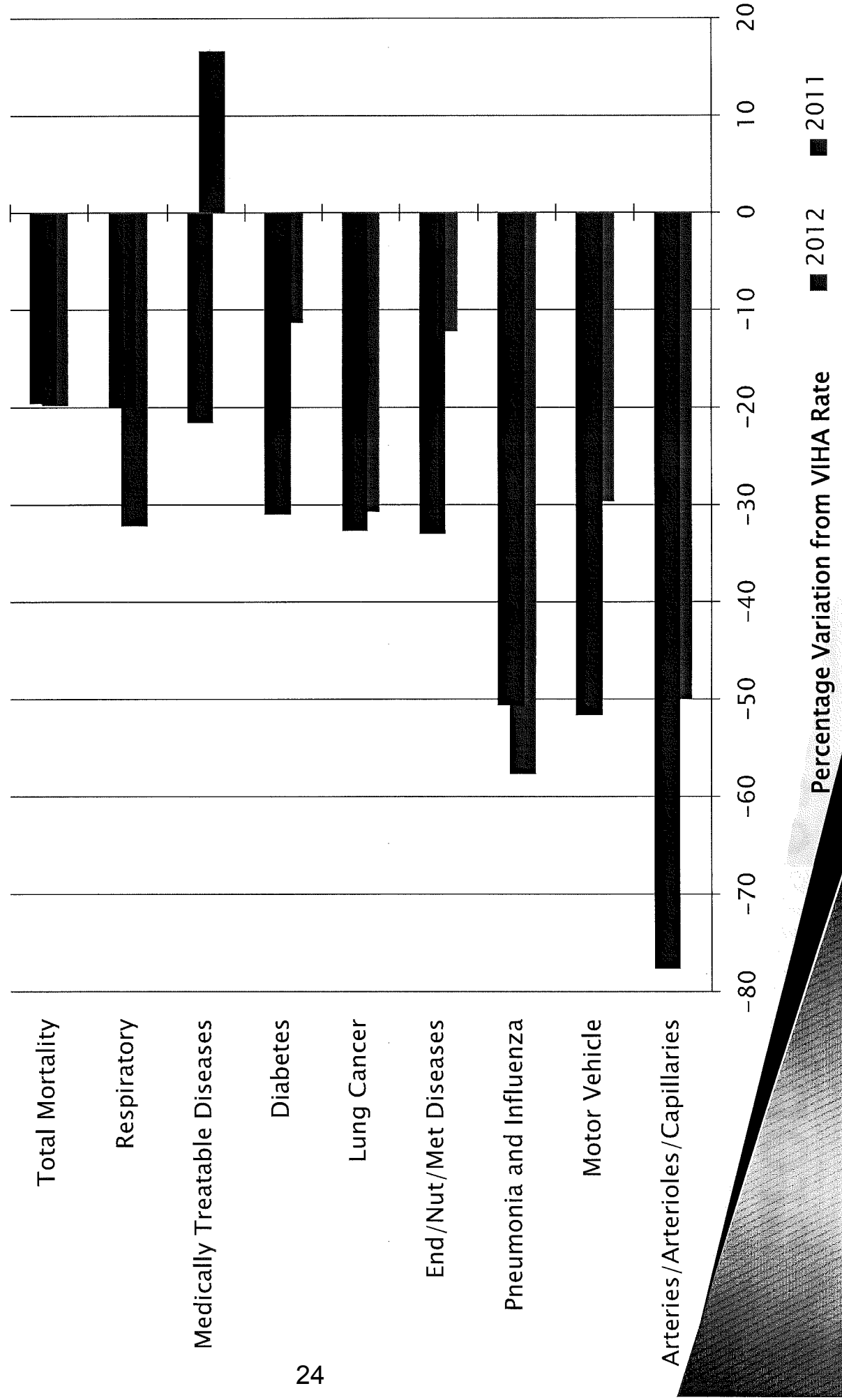
Mortality as a Health Measure

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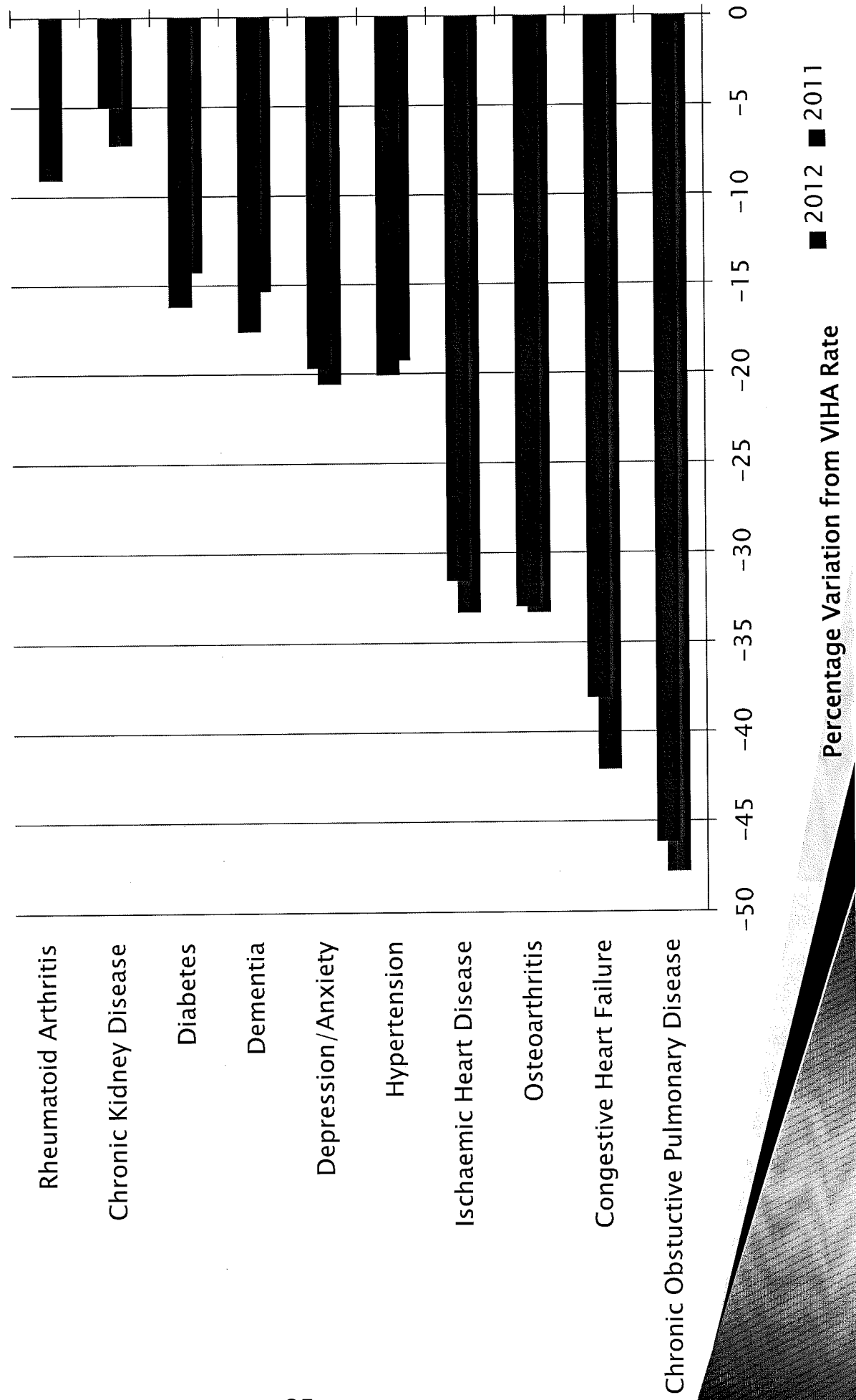


Mortality as a Health Measure

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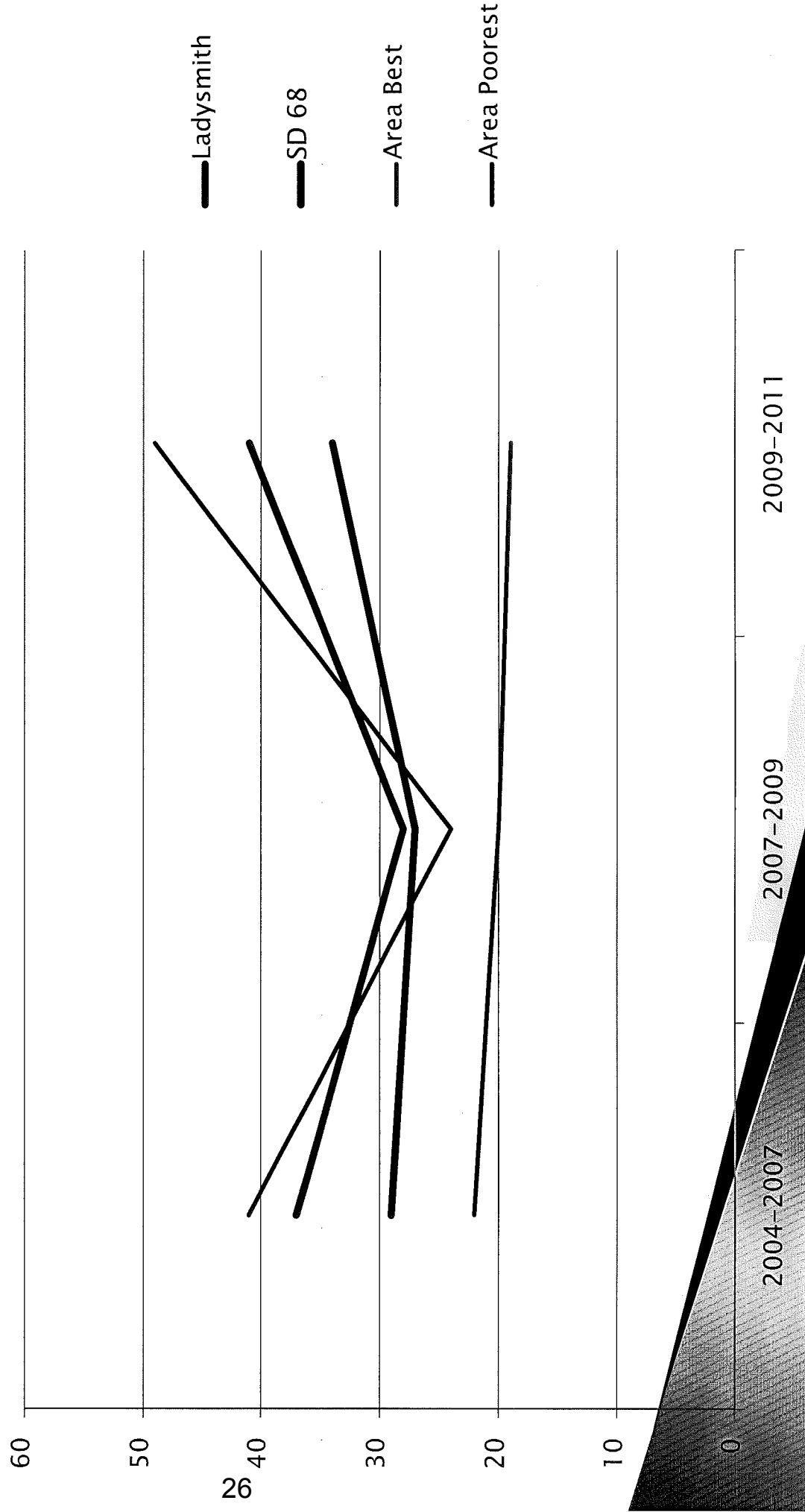


Chronic Disease Prevalence Not Age Adjusted



Early Development Index 2004-2011

Vulnerability on One or More Scales, 2004 through 2011



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Local Health Area Profile

Ladysmith (67)

Prepared by Planning and Community Engagement
Vancouver Island Health Authority
July 2012

An accompanying Interpretation Guide has been created to assist with the interpretation of indicators.
The Interpretation Guide should be read with the profiles.

These profiles are not intended to be used for detailed planning or analysis. As they are updated on an annual basis, there may be more current data available. If you are intending to use these profiles for health planning purposes, or if you have questions or notice a discrepancy, please contact Julia McFarlane (Julia.McFarlane@viha.ca).

This profile is available online: http://www.viha.ca/mho/stats/lha_profiles.htm

These profiles are intended to shed some light on community health including the many factors that contribute to and detract from health such as economic status, child development, education, housing, justice, social support and health services. Successful improvements in health can only come about with the involvement of an entire community. Partnering of community organizations, all levels of government, and community members, is essential. VIHA can be a participant in such partnerships, but does not necessarily play a primary role in addressing these issues.

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1 Key notes

Demographics

- The population of Ladysmith is older than both BC's and VIHA's population.
- As of 2011, Ladysmith made up 2.5% of VIHA's total population.
- As of 2006, 10.8% of Ladysmith residents identify as Aboriginal¹ compared to 5.8% for VIHA and 4.8% for BC (Statistics Canada, Census 2006).
- The total Ladysmith population is expected to grow 23.7% by 2030 to almost 23,377 residents, while the population 75+ is expected to grow 103.7% by 2030.

Economic Wellbeing

- Ladysmith had a lower percentage of low income seniors (5.1%) than BC (14.7%) or VIHA (8.6%).
- Ladysmith had a lower percentage of low income persons (5.9%) compared to BC (13.1%) and VIHA (9.8%).
- A lower percentage of individuals in Ladysmith received income assistance (1.2%) than in BC (1.9%) and in VIHA (1.9%).

Education

- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of grade 4 and 7 students who scored below standard in reading (28.4%) than BC (20.7%) and VIHA (22.0%).
- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of 18 year olds who graduated high school (72.1%) than BC (71.0%) and VIHA (62.7%).
- A higher percentage of children in Ladysmith were rated as vulnerable for language development (15.0%) than in BC (10.3%) and in VIHA (11.5%).

Housing

- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of older housing than (13.7%) BC (7.9%) or VIHA (10.2%).
- Average gross rent in Ladysmith was less (\$680) than in BC (\$828) or in VIHA (\$768).
- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of dwellings in need of major repairs (9.8%) than in BC (7.4%) or in VIHA (7.2%).

Social Support

- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of lone-parent families (31.0%) than in BC (25.7%) or in VIHA (29.9%).
- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of legally married individuals (53.4%) than in BC (50.8%) or in VIHA (49.3%).
- Ladysmith had a lower percentage of single individuals (25.3%) than in BC (32.1%) or in VIHA (30.3%).

Healthy Development

- There was a higher rate of children in need of protection in Ladysmith (19.2/1,000) than in BC (6.7/1,000) or VIHA (11.3/1,000).
- Ladysmith had a higher teen pregnancy rate (28.9/1,000 female teens) than BC (26.3/1,000).
- A higher percentage of kindergarten children were rated as vulnerable for social development in Ladysmith (23.0%) than in BC (14.5%) or in VIHA (14.9%).

¹ Refers to those persons who self identified with at least one Aboriginal group (North American Indian, Métis or Inuit, and/or those who reported being a Treaty Indian or a Registered Indian, as defined by the *Indian Act* of Canada, and/or those who reported they were members of an Indian band or First Nation).

Child Health

- Ladysmith had a higher rate of children hospitalized due to injury and poisoning (8.2/1,000 0-14) than in BC (4.6/1,000) or VIHA (5.3/1,000).
- Ladysmith had a higher rate of children hospitalized due to respiratory diseases (17.2/1,000 0-14) than in BC (8.3/1,000) or VIHA (10.2/1,000).
- Ladysmith had a higher rate of preterm births (97.0/1,000 live births) than in BC (75.2/1,000) or VIHA (77.0/1,000).

Crime

- Ladysmith had a lower rate of deaths due to illicit drugs (0.0/100,000) than BC (6.2/100,000) or VIHA (6.8/100,000).
- Ladysmith had a lower rate of non-cannabis drug offences (117.4/100,000 population) than in BC (227.2/100,000) or VIHA (192.5/100,000).
- Ladysmith had a lower serious juvenile crime rate (2.0/1,000 12-17) than in BC (4.1/1,000) or VIHA (5.0/1,000).

Birth Statistics

- Ladysmith had the highest rate of preterm births in VIHA.
- Ladysmith had the second highest rate of low birth weights in VIHA.

Mortality Statistics

- Ladysmith had the second highest rate of deaths due to disease of the arteries, arterioles and capillaries.
- Ladysmith had the second lowest rate of drug induced deaths.

Chronic Disease Prevalence

- 31.0% of the Ladysmith population experienced depression/anxiety.
- 25.1% of the Ladysmith population experienced hypertension.

Hospital Admissions

- Of the 3,640 hospital admissions for Ladysmith residents in 2010/11:
 - 49.8% were for day cases, while 50.2% were for inpatient cases;
 - 54.3% were for medical cases, while 45.7% were for surgical cases;
 - 42% were received by Cowichan District hospital and 39% were received by Nanaimo Regional General Hospital.
 - Vaginal delivery with no other intervention was responsible for the most inpatient cases (84).
 - Len extraction/insertion was responsible for the most day cases (250).
- Of the 15,751 inpatient days for Ladysmith residents in 2010/11:
 - 20.1% were for an alternate level of care (ALC);
 - Admissions related to the mental diseases and disorders accounted for the most patient days (3,598 or 22.8%).
- The ambulatory care sensitive conditions (ACSC) rate for Ladysmith residents has been over 6% of cases for six out of nine reporting periods. It has also been above VIHA as a whole for seven out of the nine reporting periods; and
- The percentage of alternate level of care days (ALC) was above VIHA as a whole for the previous three years; however, it was lower in 2009/10.

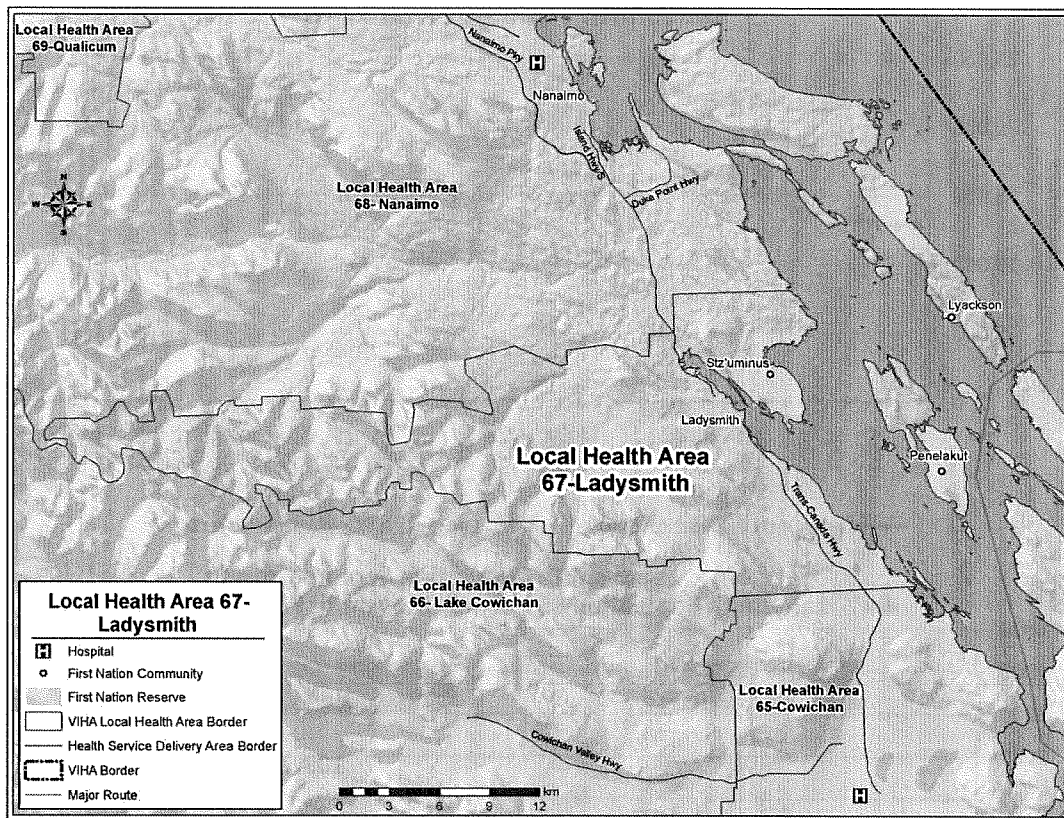
Emergency Department Visits

- Of the 12,516 emergency visits by Ladysmith residents in 2010/11:
 - 52% were at the Ladysmith Community Health Centre;
 - 33.4% were for people over the age of 60.
- More visits occurred on Sundays and Saturdays than on other days for Ladysmith residents, and they had a higher proportion of visits on Mondays compared to VIHA as a whole.
- Compared to VIHA as a whole, Ladysmith residents made more visits to emergency services per population.

2 Geography

2.1 Location Description

- Ladysmith LHA is one of 14 LHAs in VIHA and is located in VIHA's Central Health Service Delivery Area (HSDA).
- Situated in the southeastern region of the Central HSDA, Ladysmith covers approximately 442.2 square kilometers and includes the following communities: Ladysmith, and Chemainus.
- Ladysmith borders 3 other LHAs: Cowichan, Lake Cowichan, and Nanaimo.



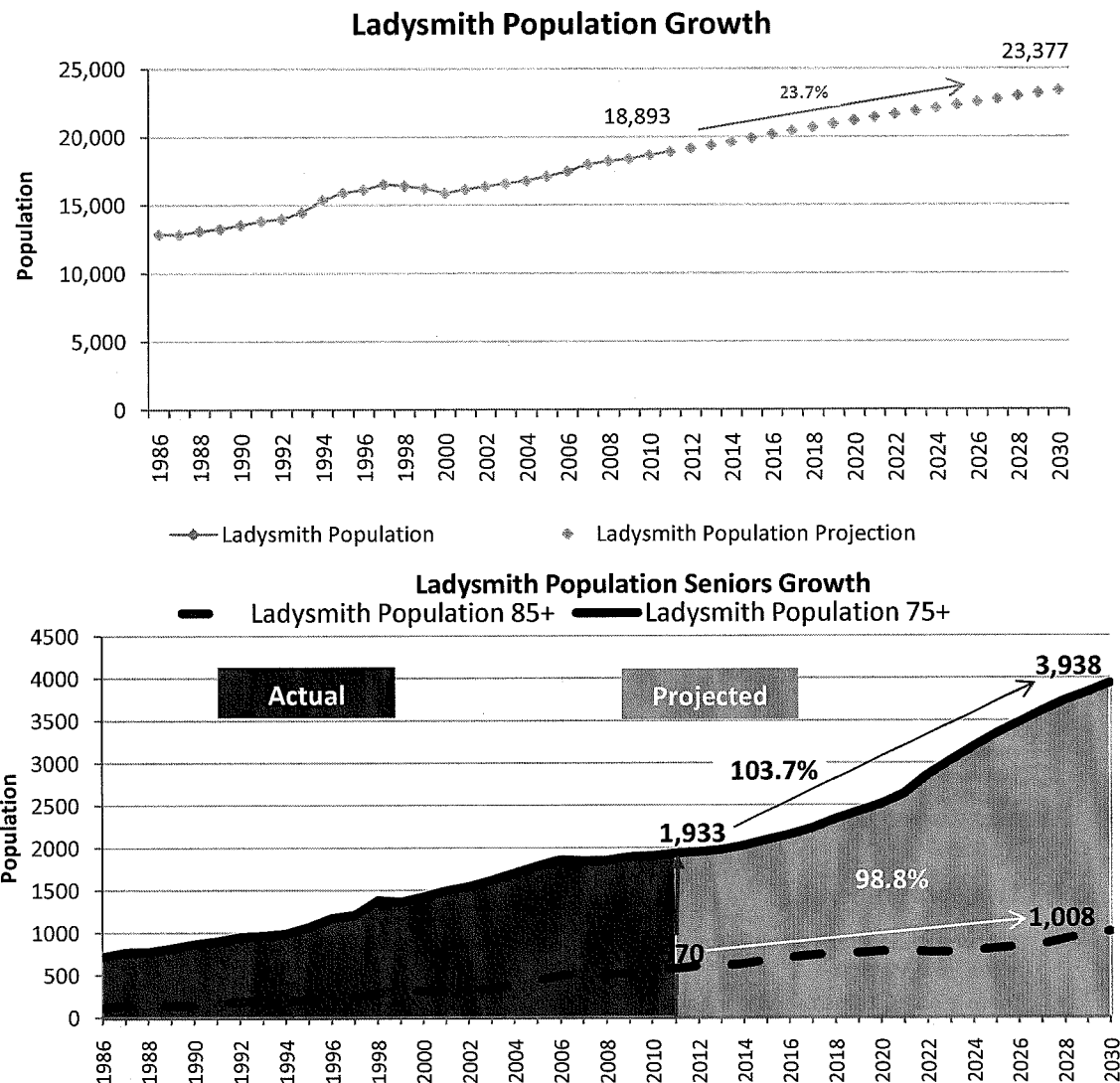
2.2 Transportation

- Ladysmith is located on the Trans-Canada Highway, and is approximately one hour from Nanaimo and two hours from Victoria.
- There is no BC Transit service in Ladysmith; however handyDART service extends as far as Chemainus. The Ladysmith Trolley service runs six routes in the city of Ladysmith. Greyhound Bus lines run a service between Victoria and Nanaimo which stops in Ladysmith 6 times a day. There is a daily Via Rail train which runs between Victoria and Courtney and stops in Ladysmith upon request. There is a ferry service between Chemainus, Thetis Island and Penelakut Island.

3 Demographics²

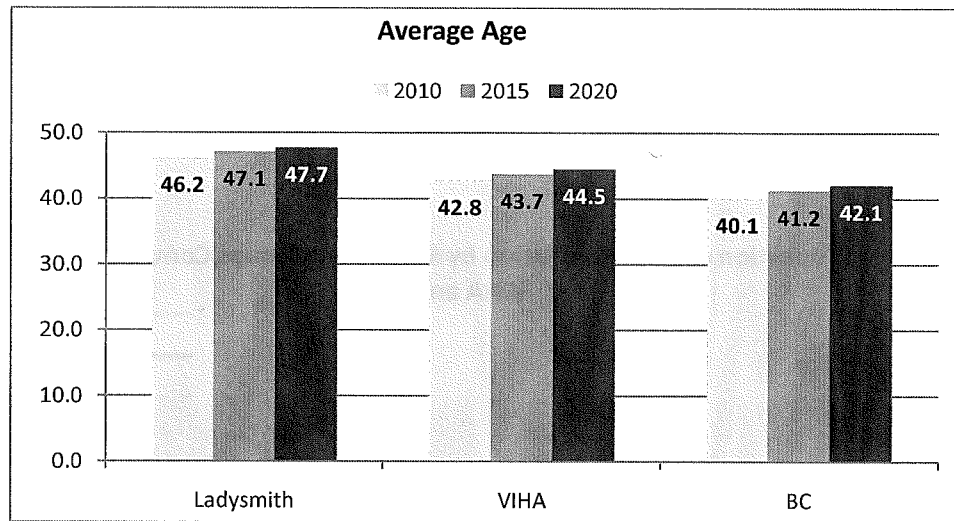
Key Notes:

- On average, the population of Ladysmith is older than both BC's and VIHA's population.
- As of 2011, Ladysmith made up 2.5% of VIHA's total population.
- As of 2006, 10.8% of Ladysmith residents identify as Aboriginal³ compared to 5.8% for VIHA and 4.8% for BC (Statistics Canada, Census 2006).
- The total Ladysmith population is expected to grow 23.7% by 2030 to almost 23,377 residents, while the population 75+ is expected to grow 103.7% by 2030.



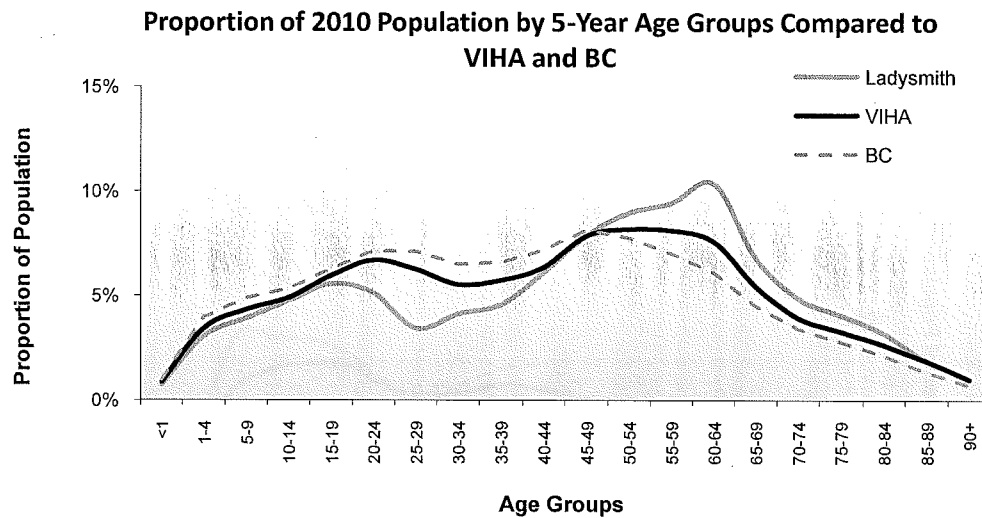
² Source: BC Statistics, PEOPLE 36(2011), unless otherwise specified.

³ Refers to those persons who self identified with at least one Aboriginal group (North American Indian, Métis or Inuit, and/or those who reported being a Treaty Indian or a Registered Indian, as defined by the *Indian Act* of Canada, and/or those who reported they were members of an Indian band or First Nation).



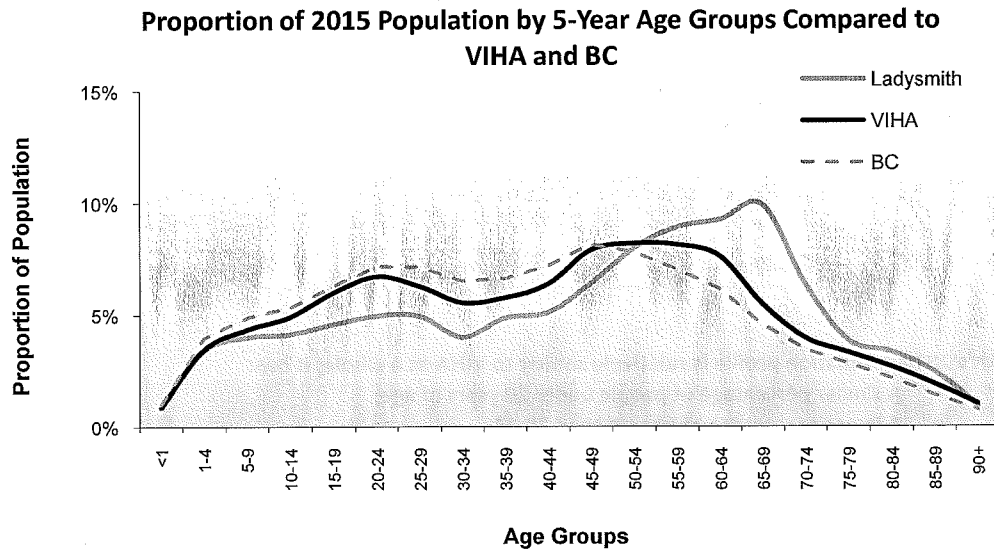
Ladysmith's 2010 population profile is relatively similar to VIHA as a whole; it has:

- A similar percentage of people under 20 years of age;
- A lower percentage of people aged 20-44;
- A higher percentage of people aged 50-84; and
- A similar percentage of people aged 85+.



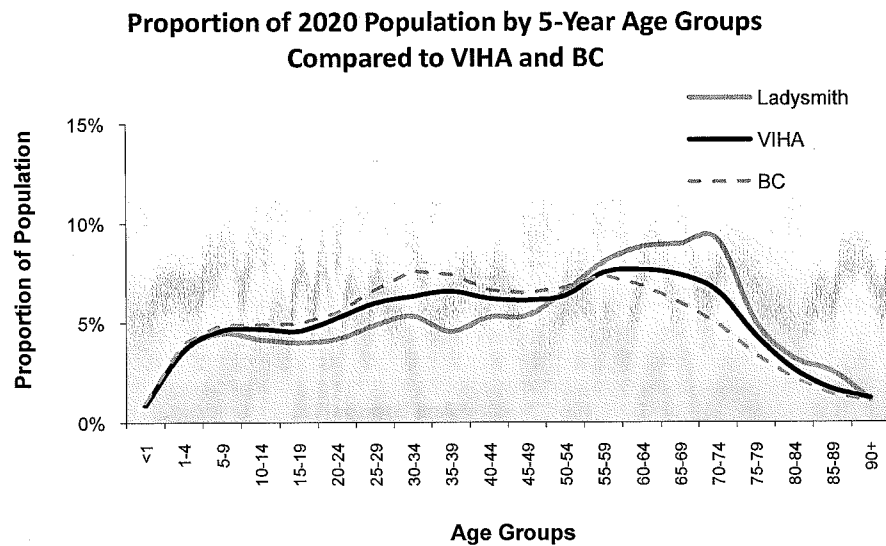
Ladysmith's 2015 population profile is still relatively similar to VIHA as a whole; it has:

- A similar percentage of people under 20 years of age;
- A lower percentage of people aged 20-44;
- A higher percentage of people aged 50-89.



Ladysmith's 2020 population profile is more similar to VIHA than in 2010 or 2015; it has:

- A similar percentage of people under 19 years of age;
- A lower percentage of people aged 20-49;
- A higher percentage of people aged 75+.

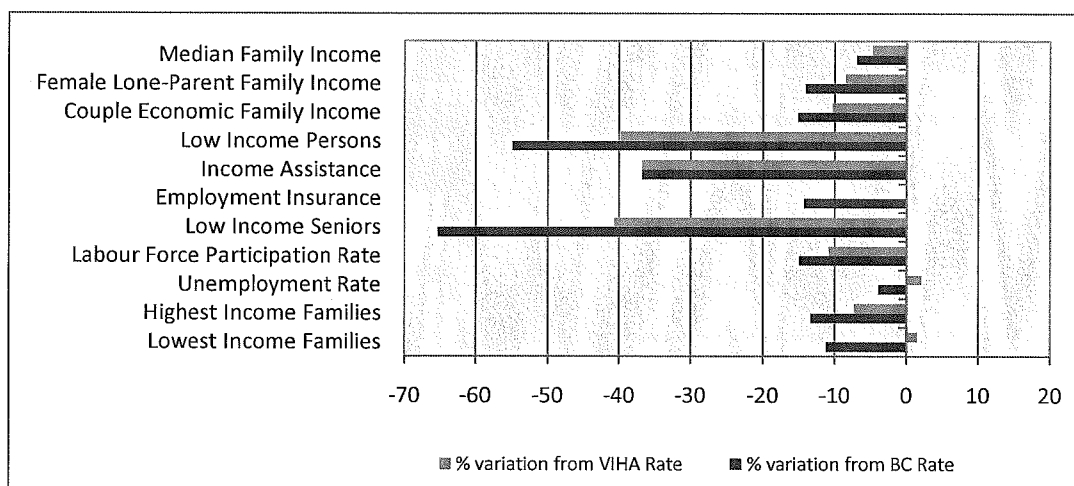


4 Social Determinants of Health and Wellbeing

4.1 Economic Wellbeing

Key Notes:

- Ladysmith had a lower percentage of low income seniors (5.1%) than BC (14.7%) or VIHA (8.6%).
- Ladysmith had a lower percentage of low income persons (5.9%) compared to BC (13.1%) and VIHA (9.8%).
- A lower percentage of individuals in Ladysmith received income assistance (1.2%) than in BC (1.9%) and in VIHA (1.9%).



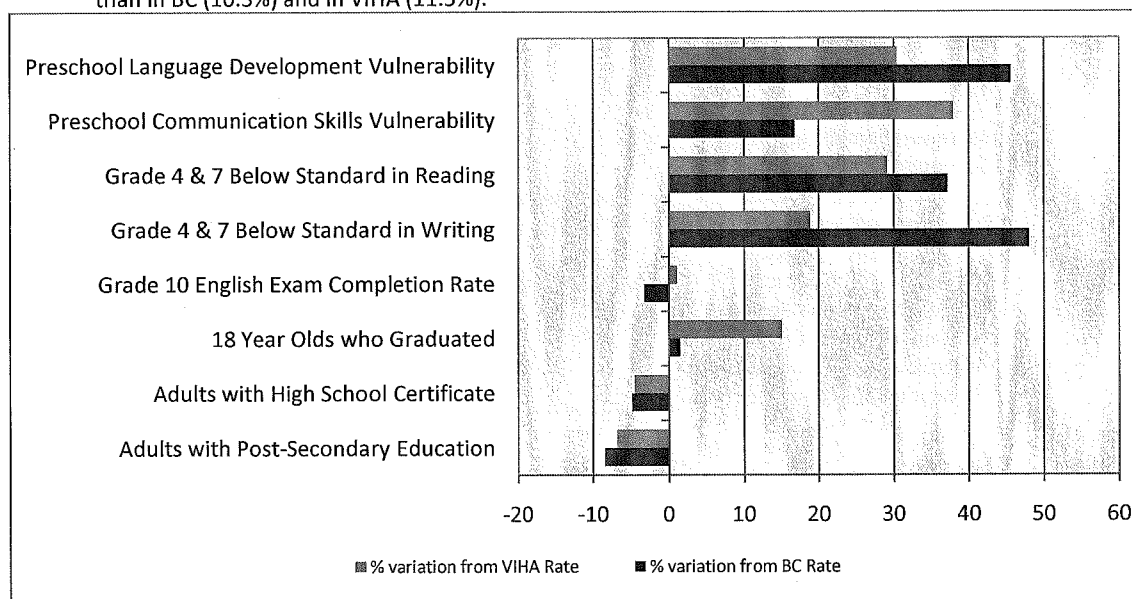
Indicator	Definition	Ladysmith	BC	VIHA
Median Family Income	Median family income from all sources in 2005	\$61,191	\$65,787	\$64,231
Female Lone-Parent Family Income	Average family income of female lone-parent economic families in 2005	\$37,371	\$43,491	\$40,842
Couple Economic Family Income	Average family income of couple economic families in 2005	\$73,498	\$86,574	\$81,945
Low Income Persons	Percent of persons below the Statistics Canada Low Income Cut-off Point after tax in 2005	5.9	13.1	9.8
Income Assistance (IA)	Percent of population aged 15+ receiving income assistance from provincial program	1.2	1.9	1.9
Employment Insurance	Percent of population 15+ on Employment Insurance	1.8	2.1	1.8
Low Income Seniors	Percent of persons 65 years of age and over that were below the Statistics Canada Low Income Cut-off Point before tax	5.1	14.7	8.6
Labour Force Participation Rate	Percent of population aged 25 and over that are participating in the labour force	55.8	65.6	62.6
Unemployment Rate	Percent of population aged 25 and over that are unemployed	4.9	5.1	4.8
Highest Income Families	Percent of economic families who earned >\$80,000	33.0	38.1	35.6
Lowest Income Families	Percent of economic families who earned <\$20,000	7.1	8.0	7.0

Source: BC Statistics Agency (2006 Census)

4.2 Education

Key Notes:

- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of grade 4 and 7 students who scored below standard in reading (28.4%) than BC (20.7%) and VIHA (22.0%).
- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of 18 year olds who graduated high school (72.1%) than BC (71.0%) and VIHA (62.7%).
- A higher percentage of children in Ladysmith were rated as vulnerable for language development (15.0%) than in BC (10.3%) and in VIHA (11.5%).



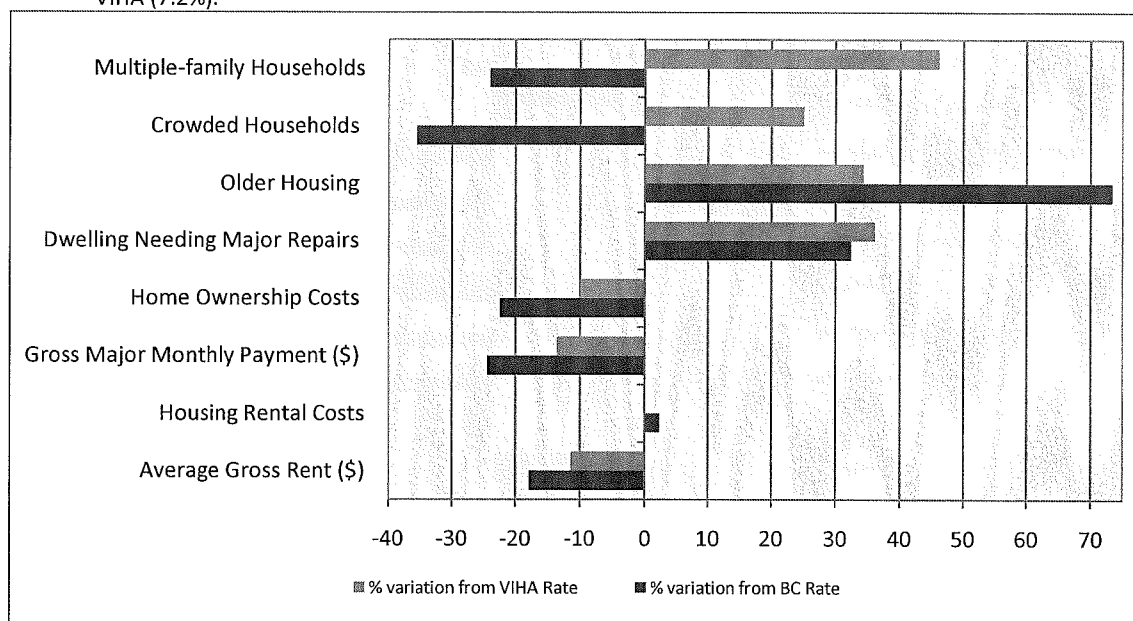
Indicator	Definition	Ladysmith	BC	VIHA
Preschool Language Development Vulnerability ²	Percent of kindergarten children rated as vulnerable for language and cognitive development (problems in reading, writing and numeracy)	15.0	10.3	11.5
Preschool Communication Skills Vulnerability ²	Percent of kindergarten children rated as vulnerable in communication and general knowledge skills	16.0	13.7	11.6
Grade 4 & 7 Below Standard in Reading ¹	Percent of students scoring below standards on standardized test	28.4	20.7	22.0
Grade 4 & 7 Below Standard in Writing ¹	Percent of students scoring below standards on standardized test	26.5	17.9	22.3
Grade 10 English Exam Completion Rate ¹	Percent of students who did write or pass Grade 10 provincial English exam	81.4	84.1	80.5
18 Year Olds who Graduated ¹	Percent of 18 year olds who did graduate high school	72.1	71.0	62.7
Adults with High School Certificate ¹	Percent of population aged 25 to 54 with high school certificate or equivalent	84.6	88.9	88.6
Adults with Post-Secondary Education ¹	Percent of population aged 25 to 54 with post-secondary education (apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma, college, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma, or university certificate, diploma or degree)	57.5	62.8	61.7

¹BC Statistics Agency (2006 Census), ²Human Early Learning Partnership (2009-2011)

4.3 Housing

Key Notes:

- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of older housing than (13.7%) BC (7.9%) or VIHA (10.2%).
- Average gross rent in Ladysmith was less (\$680) than in BC (\$828) or in VIHA (\$768).
- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of dwellings in need of major repairs (9.8%) than in BC (7.4%) or in VIHA (7.2%).



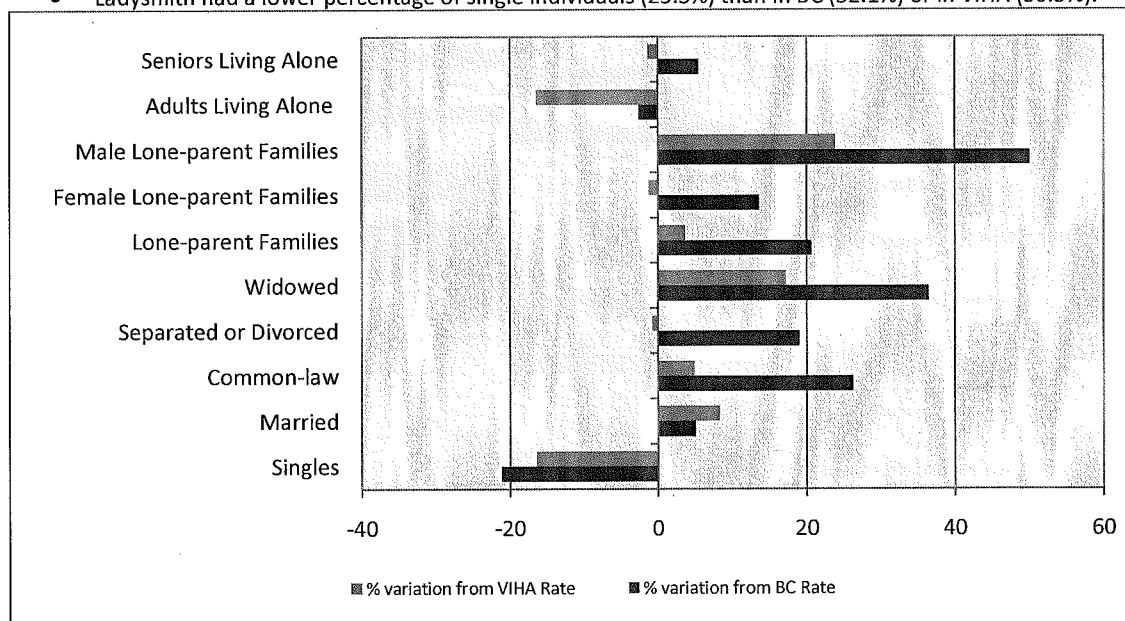
Indicator	Definition	Ladysmith	BC	VIHA
Multiple-family Households	Percent of private households with multiple families	1.9	2.5	1.3
Crowded Households	Percent of private households with 6 or more persons	2.0	3.1	1.6
Older Housing	Percent of dwellings built prior to 1946	13.7	7.9	10.2
Dwelling Needing Major Repairs	Percent of dwellings rated as needing major repairs by renter or owner	9.8	7.4	7.2
Home Ownership Costs	Percent of home owners spending more than 30% of income on housing	17.6	22.7	19.5
Gross Major Monthly Payment (\$)	Average gross major monthly payment of owner-occupied private non-farm, non-reserve dwellings	\$800	\$1059	\$926
Housing Rental Costs	Percent of renters spending more than 30% of income on rent	44.4	43.4	44.5
Average Gross Rent (\$)	Average gross rent of tenant-occupied private non-farm, non-reserve dwellings	\$680.0	\$828.0	\$768.0

Source: BC Statistics Agency (2006 Census)

4.4 Social Support

Key Notes:

- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of lone-parent families (31.0%) than in BC (25.7%) or in VIHA (29.9%).
- Ladysmith had a higher percentage of legally married individuals (53.4%) than in BC (50.8%) or in VIHA (49.3%).
- Ladysmith had a lower percentage of single individuals (25.3%) than in BC (32.1%) or in VIHA (30.3%).



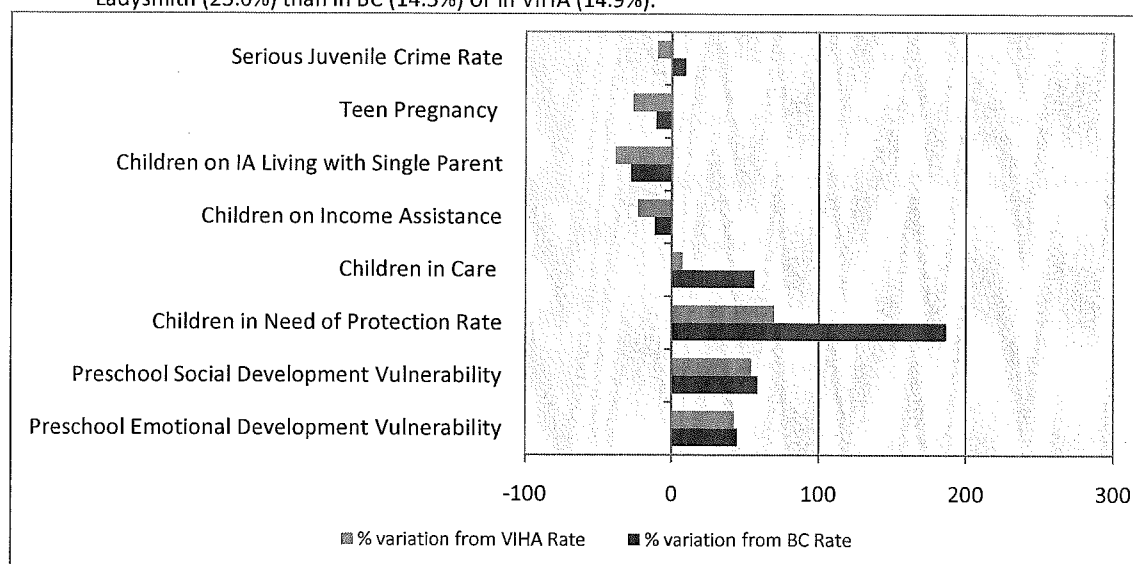
Indicator	Definition	Ladysmith	BC	VIHA
Seniors Living Alone	Percent of persons aged 65 and over that are not in census families and are living alone	28.8	27.3	29.2
Adults Living Alone	Percent of persons in private households that are not in census families and are living alone	11.1	11.4	13.3
Male Lone-parent Families	Percent of census families in private households that are male lone-parent families	7.8	5.2	6.3
Female Lone-parent Families	Percent of census families in private households that are female lone-parent families	23.3	20.5	23.6
Lone-parent Families	Percent of census families in private households that are lone-parent families	31.0	25.7	29.9
Widowed	Percent of population aged 15 and over that are widowed	7.5	5.5	6.4
Separated or Divorced	Percent of population aged 15 and over that are legally married but are separated, or are divorced	13.8	11.6	13.9
Common-law	Percent of population aged 15 and over that are in a common-law relationship	10.6	8.4	10.1
Married	Percent of population aged 15 and over that are legally married (not separated)	53.4	50.8	49.3
Singles	Percent of population aged 15 and over that have never legally married	25.3	32.1	30.3

Source: BC Statistics Agency (2006 Census)

4.5 Healthy Development (Child and Youth)

Key Notes:

- There was a higher rate of children in need of protection in Ladysmith (19.2/1,000) than in BC (6.7/1,000) or VIHA (11.3/1,000).
- Ladysmith had a higher teen pregnancy rate (28.9/1,000 female teens) than BC (26.3/1,000).
- A higher percentage of kindergarten children were rated as vulnerable for social development in Ladysmith (23.0%) than in BC (14.5%) or in VIHA (14.9%).



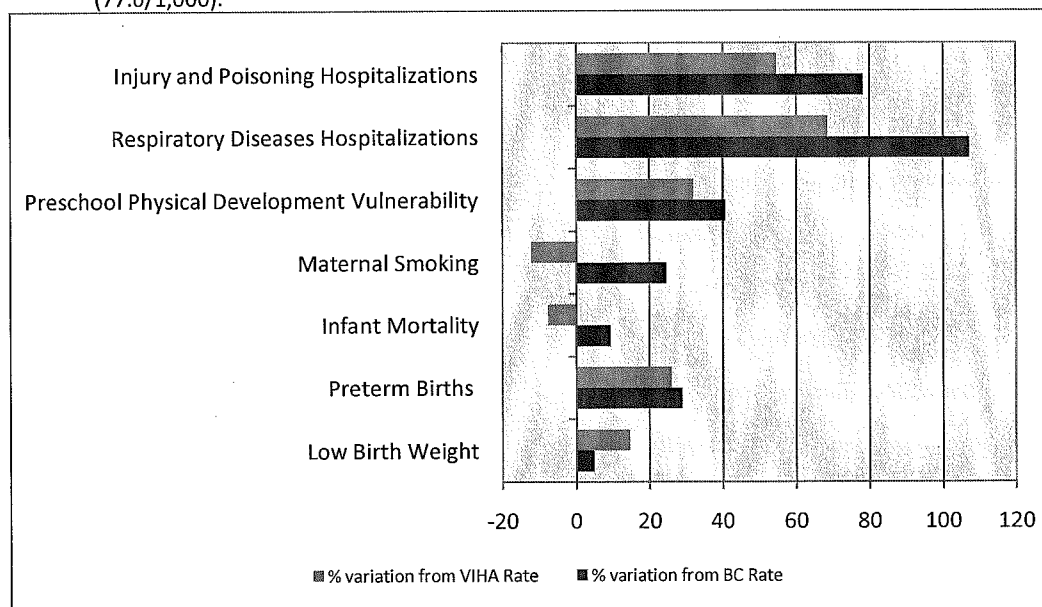
Indicator	Definition	Ladysmith	BC	VIHA
Serious Juvenile Crime Rate ¹	Juvenile crime rate per 1,000 population aged 12 to 17 (B&E, crimes with weapons and assaults with serious injury)	2.0	4.1	5.0
Teen pregnancy ²	Teen pregnancies per 1,000 women aged 15 to 19 years	28.9	26.3	31.7
Children on IA Living with Single Parent ³	Percent of children less than 15 years of age receiving income assistance and living with a single parent	2.1	2.9	3.4
Children on Income Assistance ³	Percent of children less than 19 years of age receiving income assistance	3.0	3.4	3.9
Children in Care ⁴	Children in care per 1,000 children aged 0 to 18 years	14.4	9.2	13.4
Children in Need of Protection ⁴	Reported children in need of protection rate per 1,000 children aged 0 to 18 years	19.2	6.7	11.3
Preschool Social Development Vulnerability ⁵	Percent of kindergarten children rated as having problems forming friendships, accepting rules and showing respect for adults	23.0	14.5	14.9
Preschool Emotional Development Vulnerability ⁵	Percent of kindergarten children rated as having problems with aggressive behaviour, impulsivity, disobedience and inattentiveness	20.0	13.8	14.0

¹BC Statistics Agency (2007-2009); Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics ²BC Vital Statistics Agency, Ministry of Health, BC Statistics Agency ³Ministry of Social Development, BC Statistics Agency (Sept 2010), ⁴Ministry of Children and Family Development, BC Statistics Agency ⁵Human Early Learning Partnership (2009-2011)

4.6 Child Health

Key Notes:

- Ladysmith had a higher rate of children hospitalized due to injury and poisoning (8.2/1,000 0-14) than in BC (4.6/1,000) or VIHA (5.3/1,000).
- Ladysmith had a higher rate of children hospitalized due to respiratory diseases (17.2/1,000 0-14) than in BC (8.3/1,000) or VIHA (10.2/1,000).
- Ladysmith had a higher rate of preterm births (97.0/1,000 live births) than in BC (75.2/1,000) or VIHA (77.0/1,000).



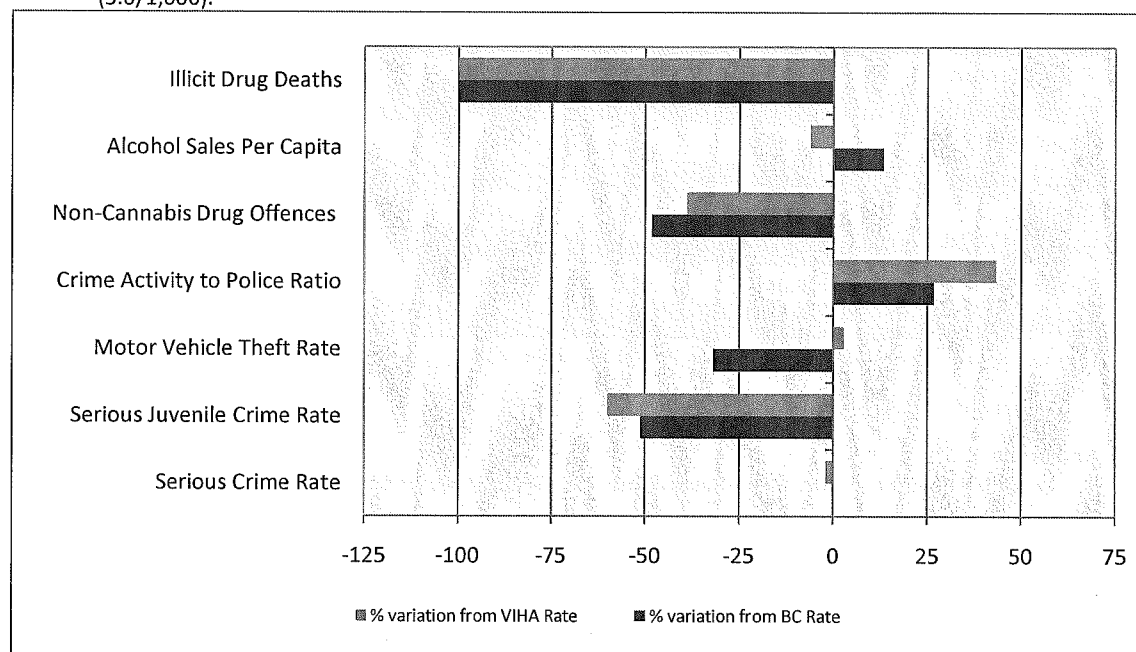
Indicator	Definition	Ladysmith	BC	VIHA
Injury and Poisoning Hospitalizations ¹	Hospitalization rate per 1,000 children aged 0 to 14	8.2	4.6	5.3
Respiratory Diseases Hospitalizations ¹	Hospitalization rate per 1,000 children aged 0 to 14	17.2	8.3	10.2
Preschool Physical Development Vulnerability ²	Percent of kindergarten children rated as having problems with fine and gross motor skills, daily preparedness for school, washroom skills, and handedness	19.0	13.5	14.4
Maternal Smoking ⁴	Percent of pregnant women who reported smoking at any time during their current pregnancy	11.9	9.58	13.6
Infant Mortality ³	Deaths of children under 1 year of age per 1,000 live births	4.2	3.8	4.5
Preterm Births ³	Newborns with a gestational age < 37 weeks per 1,000 live births	97.0	75.2	77.0
Low Birth Weight ³	Births weighing less than 2,500 grams per 1,000 live births	58.2	55.5	50.8

¹BC Statistics Agency (2009-2010); Ministry of Health, ²Human Early Learning Partnership (2009-2011), ³BC Vital Statistics (2005-2009), ⁴BC Perinatal Health Program (2003/2004-2007/2008)

4.7 Crime

Key Notes:

- Ladysmith had a lower rate of deaths due to illicit drugs (0.0/100,000) than BC (6.2/100,000) or VIHA (6.8/100,000).
- Ladysmith had a lower rate of non-cannabis drug offences (117.4/100,000 population) than in BC (227.2/100,000) or VIHA (192.5/100,000).
- Ladysmith had a lower serious juvenile crime rate (2.0/1,000 12-17) than in BC (4.1/1,000) or VIHA (5.0/1,000).



Indicator	Definition	Ladysmith	BC	VIHA
Illicit Drug Deaths ¹	Deaths per 100,000 population aged 19 to 64	0.0	6.2	6.8
Alcohol Sales Per Capita ²	Litres of alcohol sold per resident population aged 19 and older. High tourist areas will be overstated.	121.0	107.0	129.0
Non-Cannabis Drug Offences ³	Non-cannabis drug offences per 100,000 population	117.4	227.2	192.5
Crime Activity to Police Ratio ³	Number of serious crimes per police officer	10.9	8.6	7.6
Motor Vehicle Theft Rate ³	Motor vehicle theft rate per 1,000 population	3.6	5.3	3.5
Serious Juvenile Crime Rate ³	Juvenile crime rate per 1,000 population aged 12 to 17 (B&E, crimes with weapons and assaults with serious injury)	2.0	4.1	5.0
Serious Crime Rate ³	Total violent and property crime rate per 1,000 population	9.8	12.3	10.0

Source: ¹BC Statistics Agency (Avg 2005-2007), ²BC Statistics Agency (2010), ³BC Statistics Agency (Avg 2007-2009)

5 Health Status

5.1 Birth Statistics

Key Notes:

- Ladysmith had the highest rate of preterm births in VIHA.
- Ladysmith had the second highest rate of low birth weights in VIHA.

Birth Rates	Ladysmith LHA	VIHA	% Difference	Rank in VIHA ⁴	BC	% Difference
Elderly Gravida	139.89	199.02	-30%	10	226.55	-38%
Low Birth Weight	58.17	50.75	15%	2	55.50	5%
Infant Death	4.16	4.54	-8%	10	3.77	10%
Teen Mother	70.64	45.26	56%	5	32.67	116%
Cesarean	241.00	300.49	-20%	12	308.56	-22%
Preterm	96.95	76.90	26%	1	75.21	29%
Stillbirth	8.24	8.43	-2%	8	9.12	-10%
Live Birth	7.96	8.51	-6%	10	9.93	-20%

Source: BC Vital Statistics Annual Report, 2010 (Avg. 2006-2010)

5.2 Mortality Statistics

Key Notes:

- Ladysmith had the second highest rate of deaths due to disease of the arteries, arterioles and capillaries.
- Ladysmith had the second lowest rate of drug induced deaths.

Indicator	Ladysmith SMR Value	VIHA SMR Value	% Difference	Rank in VIHA ⁵	PYLLI
Drug Induced Deaths	0.35	1.14	-69%	13	0.51
Medically Treatable Diseases	1.07	0.88	22%	6	1.10
Circulatory System	1.20	1.01	19%	4	1.07
Digestive System	1.19	1.04	15%	4	1.63
Alcohol Related Deaths	1.28	1.27	1%	9	1.59
Falls	1.37	1.17	16%	3	0.97
Cancer	1.18	1.05	13%	4	1.21
Respiratory	1.08	0.90	20%	3	0.88
Suicide	1.32	1.17	13%	6	2.27
Motor Vehicle	1.35	0.89	52%	5	1.38
End/Nut/Met Diseases	1.33	1.00	33%	6	2.03
Diabetes	1.31	1.00	31%	6	1.54
Arteries/Arterioles/Capillaries	1.83	1.03	78%	2	1.13
Pneumonia and Influenza	1.19	0.79	51%	4	0.72
Lung Cancer	1.38	1.04	32%	4	1.47
Ischaemic Heart Disease	1.10	0.97	14%	5	0.87
Chronic Lung Disease	0.98	0.98	1%	9	0.79
Cerebrovascular Disease/Stroke	1.18	1.01	17%	5	1.29
Total Deaths	1.22	1.02	20%	3	1.31

Source: BC Vital Statistics Annual Report, 2010 (Avg. 2006-2010)

⁴ Rank in VIHA refers to the rank of all VIHA LHAs, where 1 is the most instances occurring and 14 is the fewest.

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5.3 Chronic Disease Prevalence⁶

Key Notes:

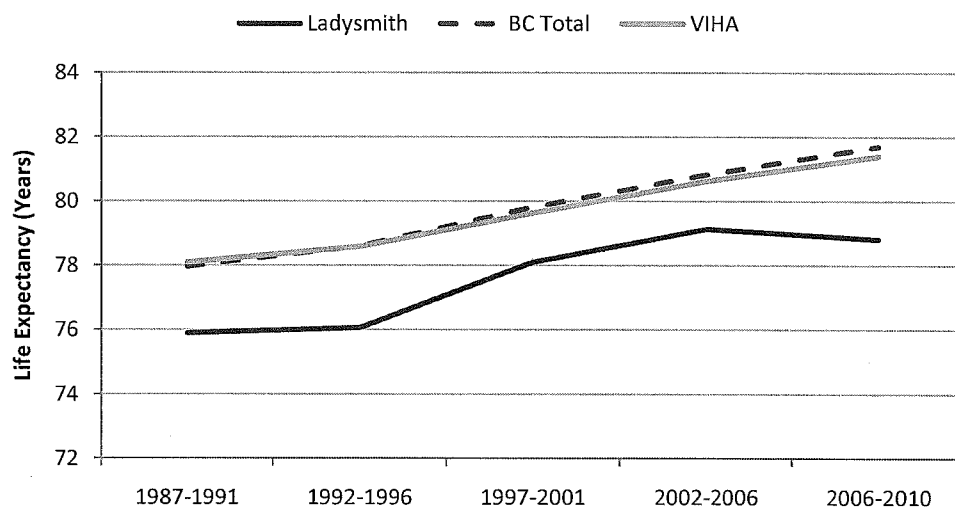
- 31.0% of the Ladysmith population experienced depression/anxiety.
- 25.1% of the Ladysmith population experienced hypertension.

Chronic Conditions, 2009/10	Ladysmith		VIHA		BC	
	# of Patients	% of Pop	# of Patients	% of Pop	# of Patients	% of Pop
Congestive Heart Failure	541	2.9%	16,064	2.1%	90,256	2.0%
Chronic Kidney Disease	379	2.1%	15,170	2.0%	74,977	1.7%
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	696	3.8%	19,243	2.6%	100,879	2.3%
Depression/Anxiety	5,688	31.0%	193,944	25.9%	1,045,687	23.5%
Dementia	361	2.0%	13,005	1.7%	57,256	1.3%
Diabetes	1,574	8.6%	55,680	7.4%	332,593	7.5%
Hypertension	4,613	25.1%	156,328	20.9%	830,375	18.6%
Ischaemic Heart Disease	924	5.0%	28,263	3.8%	152,916	3.4%
Osteoarthritis	2,445	13.3%	75,002	10.0%	370,479	8.3%
Rheumatoid Arthritis	248	1.4%	10,278	1.4%	51,816	1.2%

Source: BC Ministry of Health Services Primary Health Care Chronic Disease Registries 2009/10

5.4 Life Expectancy at Birth

**Life Expectancy of Ladysmith Residents Compared to VIHA and BC
1987-1991 to 2006-2010**



Note: some overlap in last 2 data points owing to BC Statistics' calculation method.

⁶ This reflects the lifetime prevalence of these diseases in 2009/2010, not the 2009/10 prevalence. If a resident has had one of these diseases in their life it will appear in this data.

6 Health Service Utilization

6.1 Hospital Admissions⁷

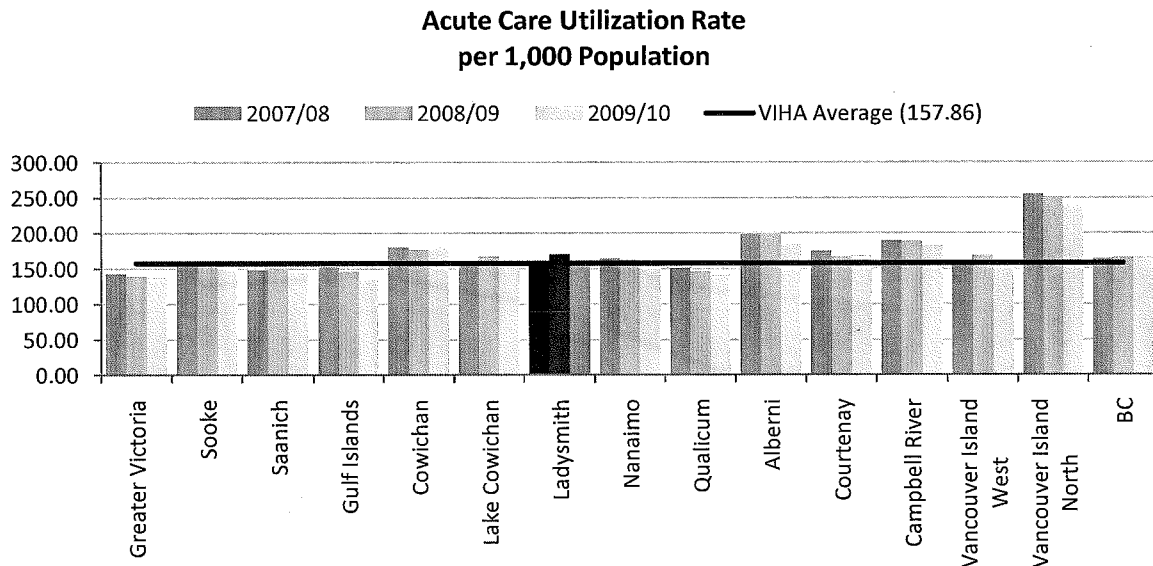
Key Notes:

- Of the 3,640 hospital admissions for Ladysmith residents in 2010/11:
 - 49.8% were for day cases, while 50.2% were for inpatient cases;
 - 54.3% were for medical cases, while 45.7% were for surgical cases;
 - 42% were received by Cowichan District Hospital and 39% were received by Nanaimo Regional General Hospital.
 - Vaginal delivery with no other intervention was responsible for the most inpatient cases (84).
 - Len extraction/insertion was responsible for the most day cases (250).
- Of the 15,751 inpatient days for Ladysmith residents in 2010/11:
 - 20.1% were for an alternate level of care (ALC);
 - Admissions related to the mental diseases and disorders accounted for the most patient days (3,598 or 22.8%).
- The ambulatory care sensitive conditions (ACSC) rate for Ladysmith residents has been over 6 for six out of nine reporting periods. It has also been above VIHA as a whole for seven out of the nine reporting periods; and
- The percentage of alternate level of care days (ALC) was above VIHA as a whole for the previous three years; however, it was lower in 2009/10.

Total Hospital Cases and Days for Ladysmith Residents

2010/11	Day Cases	Inpatient Cases	Inpatient Days	% Days ALC	Inpatient RIW	Total Cases
Medical	757	1219	11468	21.5%	1706	1,976
Surgical	1057	607	4283	16.5%	1396	1,664
Total	1814	1826	15751	20.1%	3,102	3640

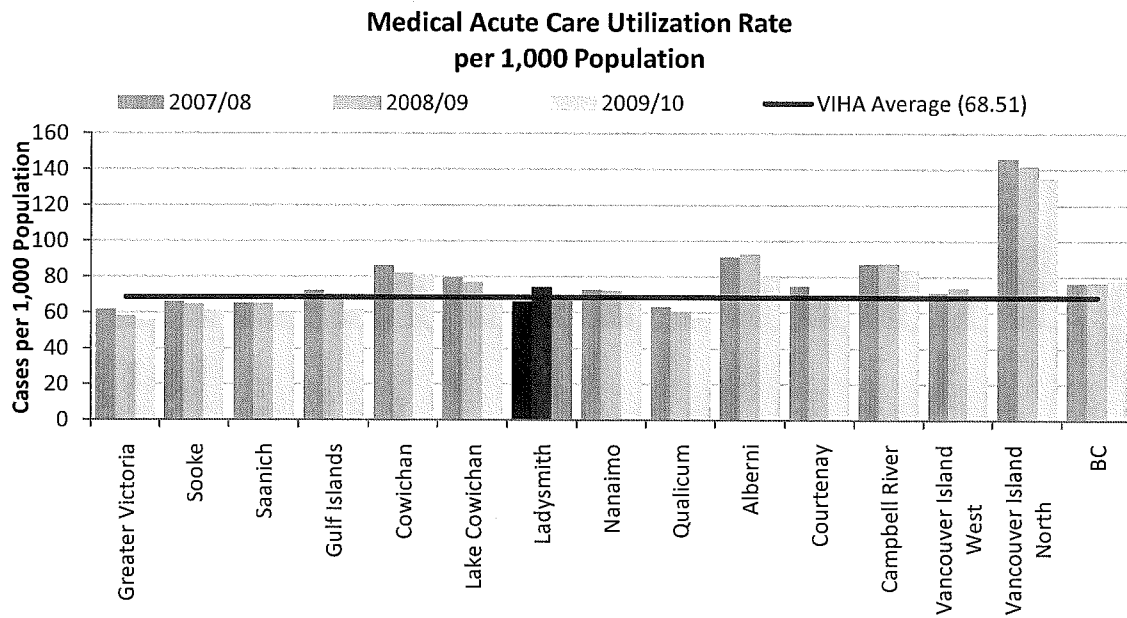
Acute Utilization Rates:⁸



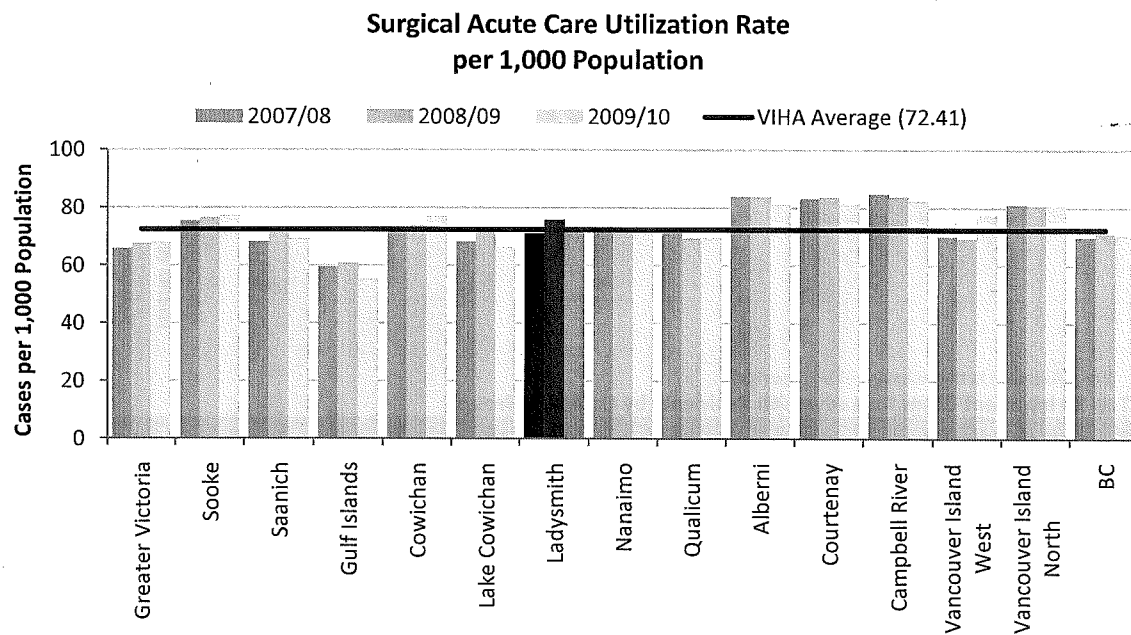
VIHA Average is the average of all 3 periods.

⁷ Source: 2010/11 Discharge Abstract Database, unless otherwise specified.

⁸ Source: Quantum Analyser

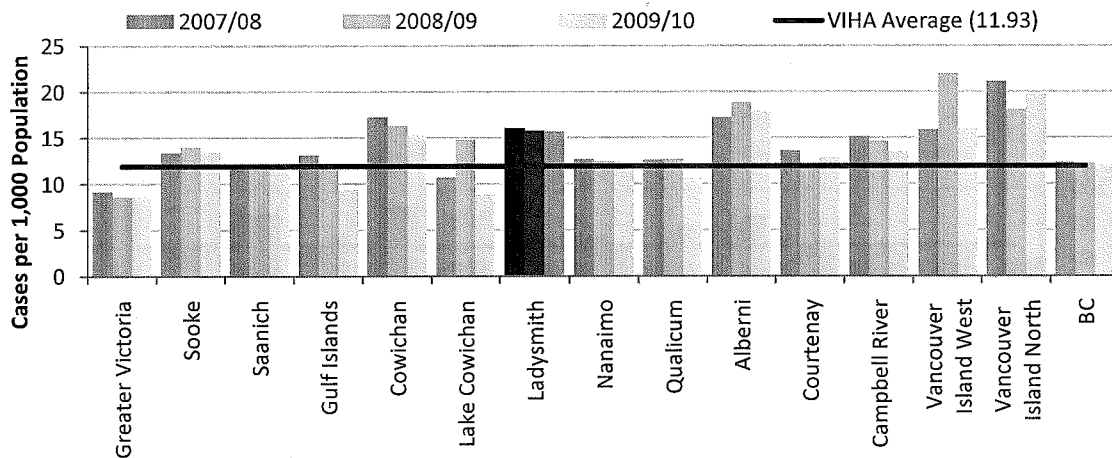


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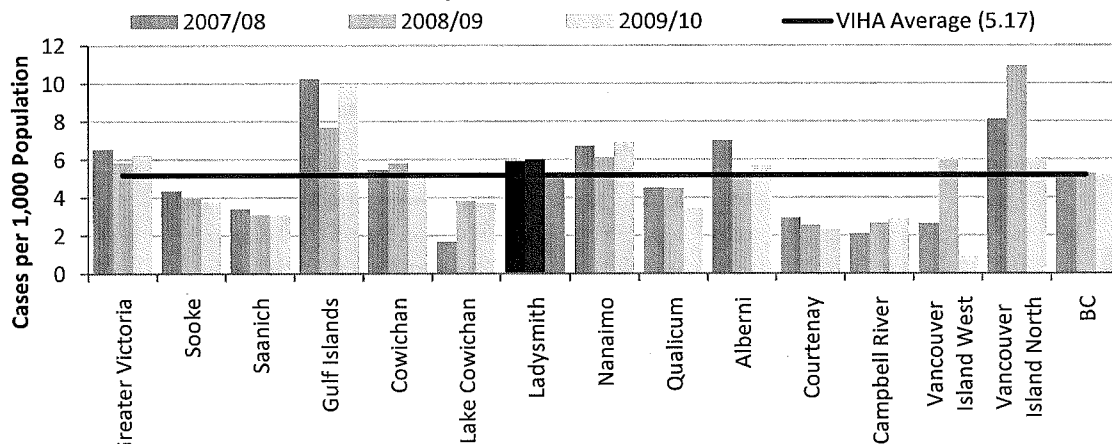
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Maternity Acute Care Utilization Rate per 1,000 Population



VIHA Average is the average of all 3 periods.

Psychiatry Acute Care Utilization Rate per 1,000 Population



VIHA Average is the average of all 3 periods.

Top 10 Inpatient Cases for Ladysmith Residents by Case Mix Group

Top 10 Inpatient Case Mix Groups	Cases	Days	ALC Days	RIW
Vaginal Delivery, No Other Intervention	84	154	0	38
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	46	339	13	57
Symptom/Sign of Digestive System	40	164	0	24
Myocardial Infarction/Shock/Arrest without Cardiac Catheter	39	193	77	41
Unilateral Knee Replacement	37	113	0	54
Palliative Care	36	327	10	53
Viral/Unspecified Pneumonia	36	318	37	43
Hysterectomy with Non Malignant Diagnosis	34	76	0	31
Unilateral Hip Replacement	31	117	0	53
Non-severe Enteritis	29	88	0	17

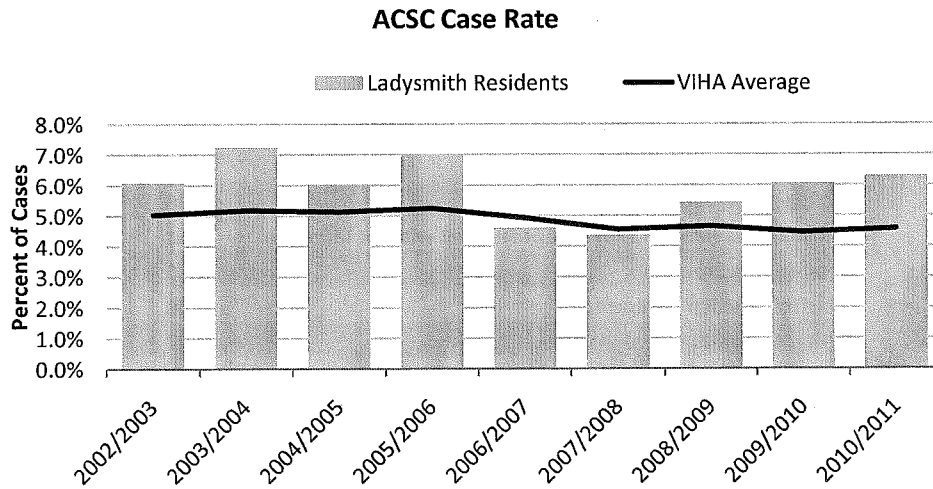
Top 10 Day Cases for Ladysmith Residents by Case Mix Groups

Top 10 Day Case Mix Groups	Cases
Lens Extraction/Insertion	250
Minor Lower Gastrointestinal Intervention	142
Diagnosis Not Generally Hospitalized	109
Esophagitis/Gastritis/Miscellaneous Digestive Disease	81
Symptom/Sign of Digestive System	77
Follow-Up Treatment/Examination	66
Closed Knee Intervention except Fixation without Infection	61
Non-severe Enteritis	51
Gastrointestinal Hemorrhage	48
Other Gastrointestinal Disorder	42

Total Cases and Days for Ladysmith Residents by Major Clinical Category

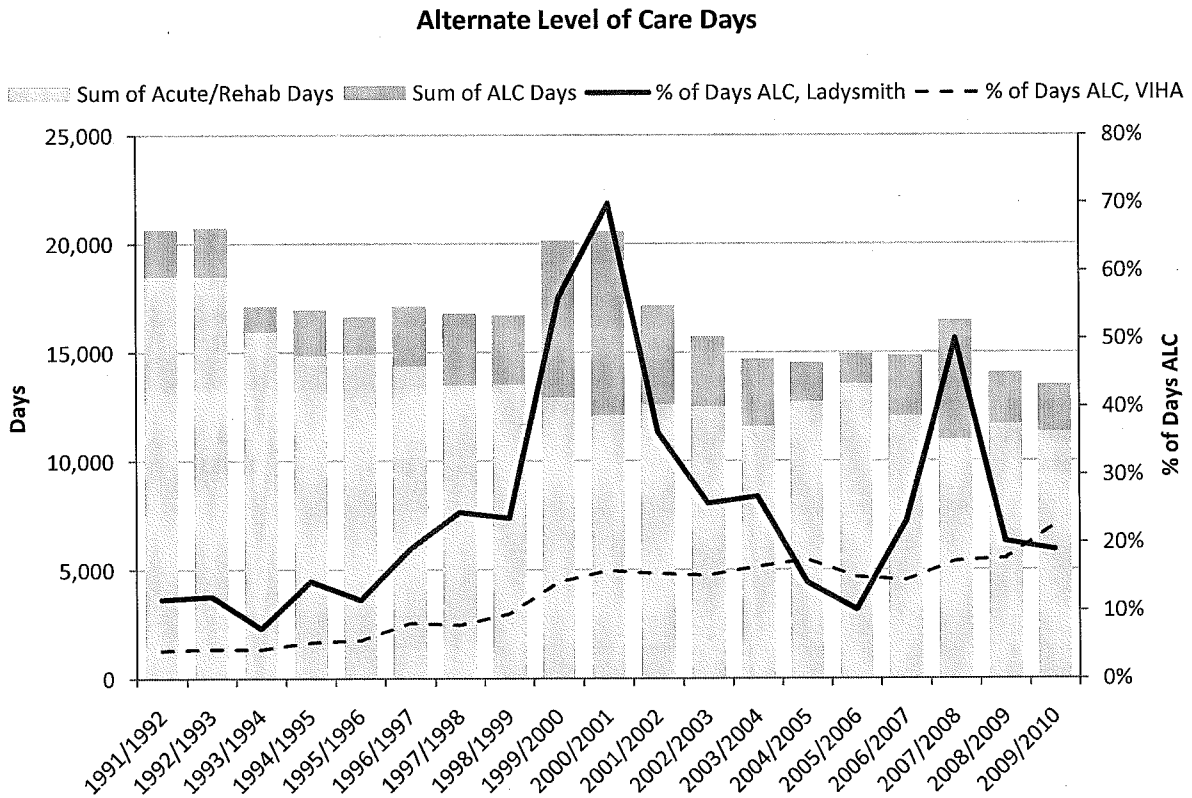
Major Clinical Categories	Cases	Days	ALC Days
D&D Circulatory System	267	1617	248
D&D Digestive System	234	1284	64
Significant Trauma, Injury, Poisoning & Toxic Effects of Drugs	166	1744	543
Pregnancy & Childbirth	152	357	0
D&D Respiratory System	142	1129	110
D&D Musculoskeletal System & Connective Tissue	138	965	290
Mental D&D	133	3598	1065
D&D Kidney, Urinary Tract & Male Reproductive System	99	481	34
D&D Nervous System	99	1279	447
Other reasons for hospitalization	90	1602	363
D&D Female Reproductive	58	142	0
D&D Hepatobiliary System & Pancreas	46	252	0
D&D Endocrine System, Nutrition, Metabolism	45	243	0
D&D Ear, Nose Mouth & Throat	44	95	0
D&D Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue & Breast	36	243	0
D&D Blood & Lymphatic System	31	194	0
Multisystemic of Unspecified Site Infections	30	422	0
D&D Eye	8	23	0
Newborns & Neonates with conditions originating in the perinatal period	8	81	6
Total	1826	15751	3170

Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions (ACSC) Case Rate



Source: IDEAS, VIHA. Only includes VIHA facilities.

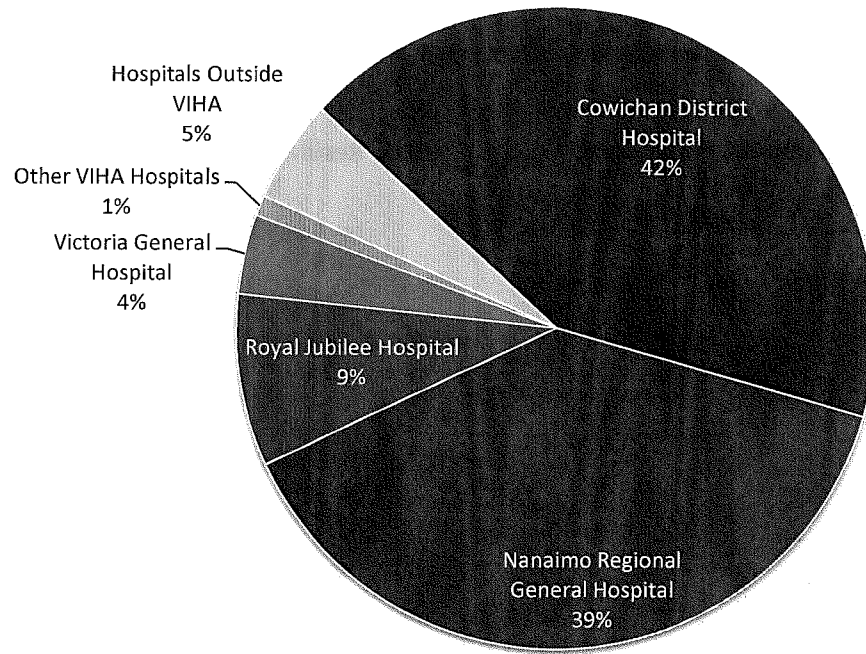
Alternate Level of Care (ALC) for Ladysmith Residents



Source: Quantum Analyzer, Discharge Abstract Database

Where Residents Receive Hospital Care

Ladysmith Resident Cases by Hospital

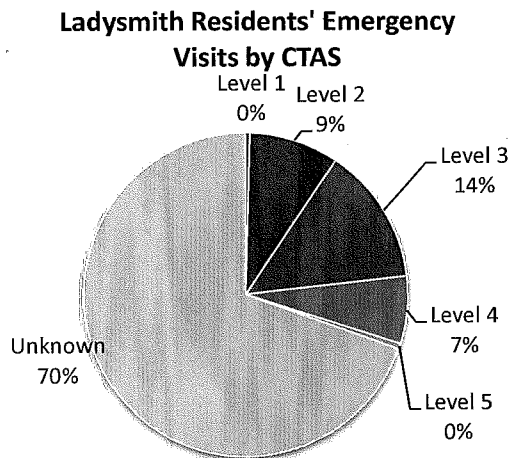


6.2 Emergency Visits by Residents, 2011

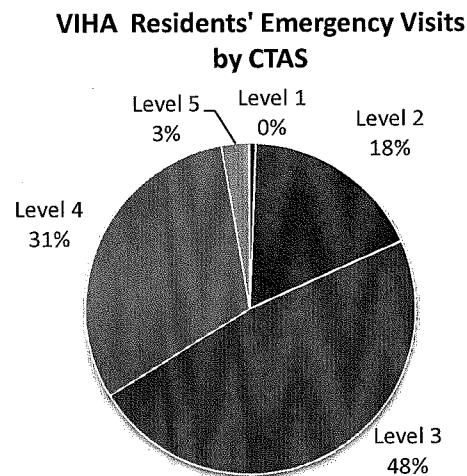
Key Notes:

- Of the 12,516 emergency visits by Ladysmith residents in 2010/11:
 - 52% were at the Ladysmith Community Health Centre;
 - 33.4% were for people over the age of 60.
- More visits occurred on Sundays and Saturdays than on other days for Ladysmith residents, and they had a higher proportion of visits on Mondays compared to VIHA as a whole.
- Compared to VIHA as a whole, Ladysmith residents made more visits to emergency services per population.

Emergency Visits by Ladysmith and VIHA Residents by CTAS⁹ Level



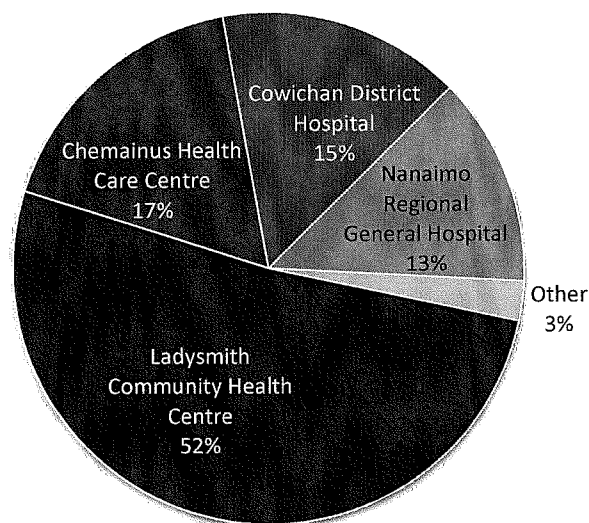
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Where Residents go for Emergency Visits

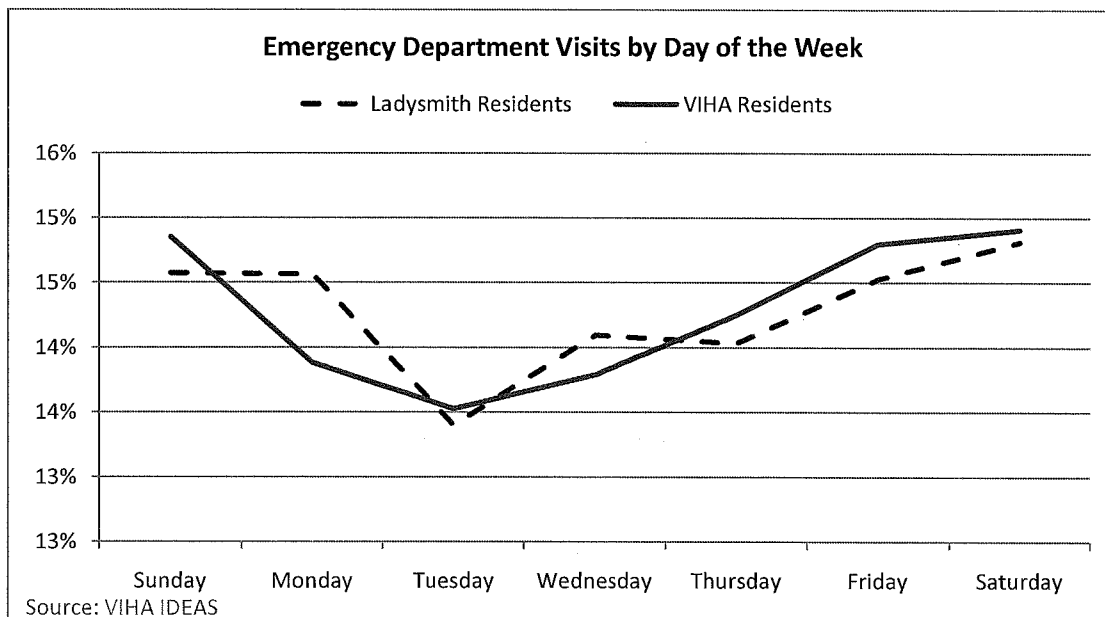
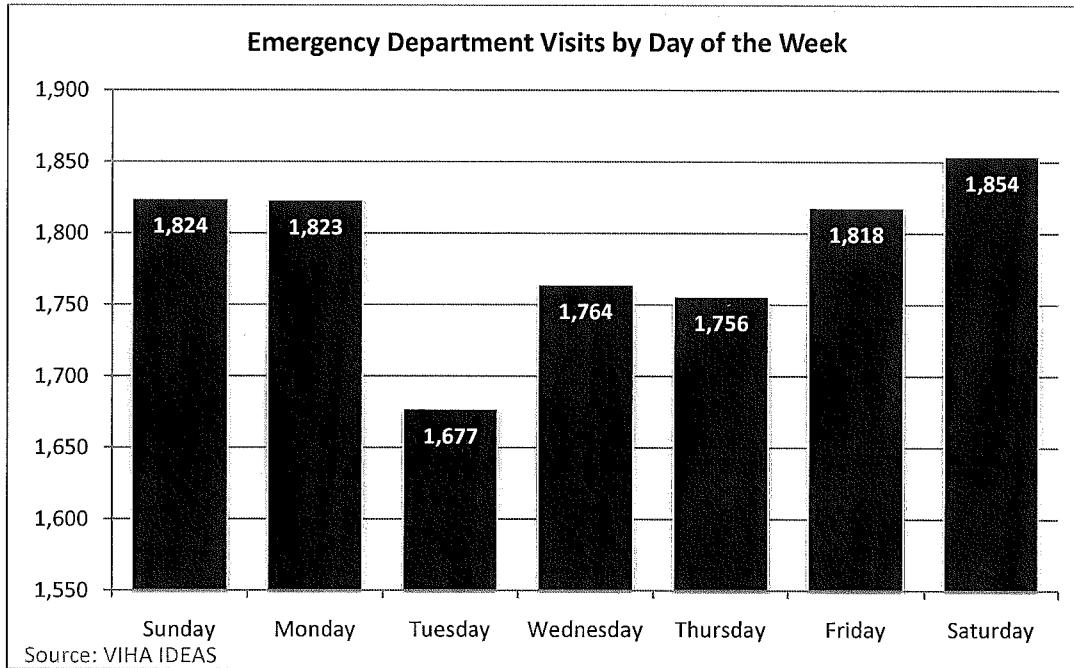
Ladysmith Emergency Visits by VIHA Facility



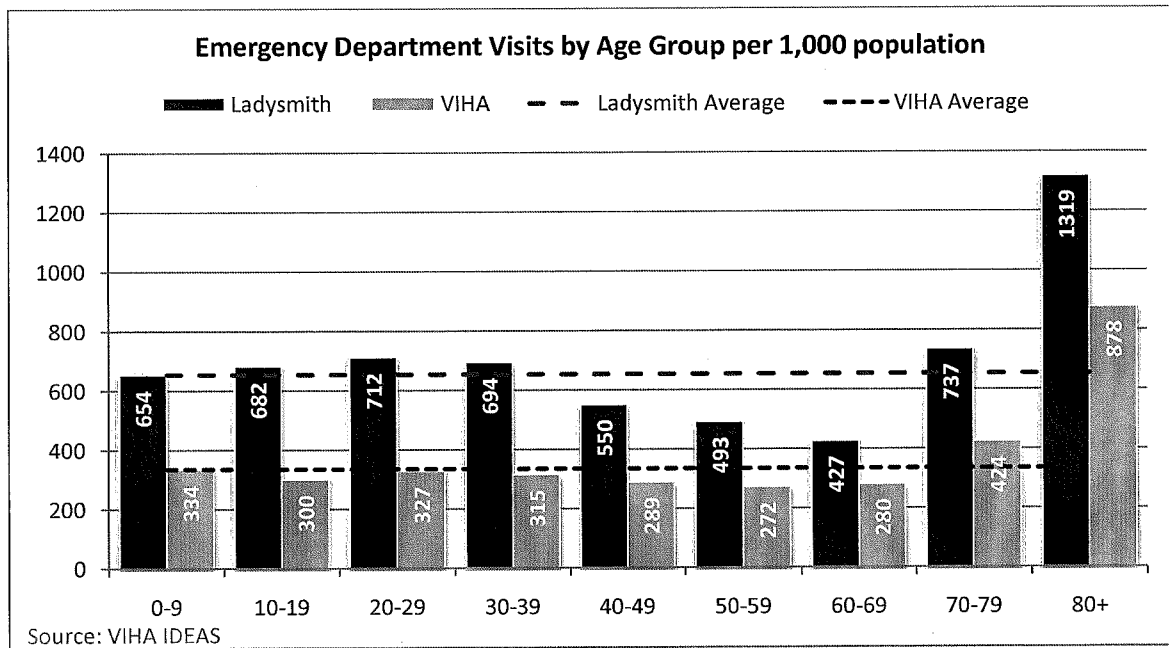
Source: VIHA IDEAS

⁹ Canadian Emergency Department Triage & Acuity Scale. Level 1 is the most severe and categorized as resuscitation, Level 5 is the least severe and categorized as non urgent.

Emergency Visits by Residents by Day of the Week



Emergency Visits by Ladysmith and VIHA Residents by Age Group of Patient





Town of Ladysmith
STAFF REPORT

To: Ruth Malli, City Manager
From: Felicity Adams, Director of Development Services
Date: January 2, 2013
File No: 3360-12-01

Re: Official Community Plan Amendment and Rezoning Application – Kolk Lot B, District Lot 56, Oyster District, Plan VIP65504 (340 2nd Avenue)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That Council consider directing staff to prepare bylaws to amend the Official Community Plan and the Zoning Bylaw to permit a 5 unit townhouse development on the property legally described as Lot B, District Lot 56, Oyster District, Plan VIP65504 (340 2nd Avenue) pursuant to:

- a density bonus provision such that the units are built to a high energy efficiency standard;
- a contribution to the community amenity fund;
- a commitment to the Michael Ker building designs; and
- road frontage and boulevard improvements.

PURPOSE:

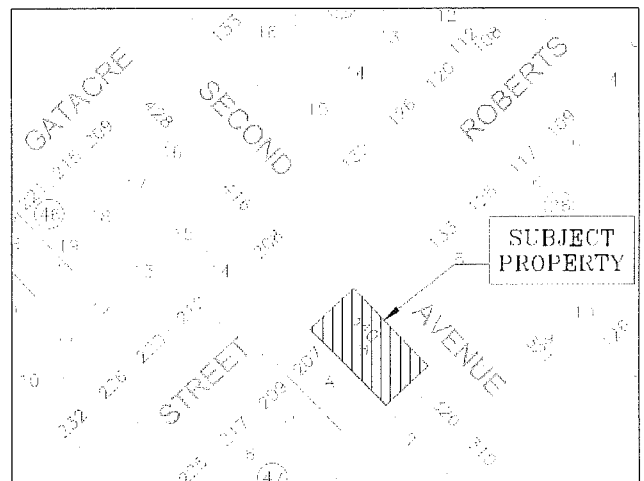
The purpose of this staff report is to seek direction from Council to prepare bylaws to amend the Official Community Plan and to amend the Zoning Bylaw to facilitate a proposed residential development at 340 2nd Avenue.

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

The applicant is proposing to amend the Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw to permit a five unit townhouse development. The land is 737 m² (7933 ft²) in size, is currently vacant, and is located at the corner of Roberts Street and 2nd Avenue.

At its meeting in May 2012 Council passed a motion directing staff to:

- work with the applicant to apply Official Community Plan policies to the proposed development application for 340 2nd Avenue;
- refer the proposal to the Advisory Design Panel and Advisory Planning Commission; and
- the applicant is required to host a neighbourhood information meeting.



In May 2012 the ADP accepted the proposal in principle but recommended the reworking of certain design elements. In response, the applicant retained Michael Ker to revise the building design. The Michael Ker building designs were submitted in November 2012 and were presented to the Advisory Design Panel and Advisory Planning Commission in December 2012.

The most recent design proposes five townhouse units with access to the units from 2nd Avenue. It is proposed that two shared driveways provide access to four of the units and a separate driveway for the fifth unit. The proposed units are three stories, with a garage and crawlspace on the main level, the living area and kitchen on the second level, and three bedrooms on the third level. Outdoor space is provided by a patio at the rear and balcony on the second and third levels of the front elevation. The units are each 208m² (2238ft²) in size. The width of the units is 6 metres (20ft).

Table 1: Summary of Rezoning Application

	<i>Current</i>	<i>Proposed</i>
OCP	Single Family Residential	Multi-Family Residential
Development Permit Area	n/a	Development Permit Area 4 Multi - Family Residential (DPA 4)
Zoning	Institutional Zone (P-1)	Multi-Family Residential (R-3)

SCOPE OF WORK:

The current stage of this rezoning application is to seek direction from Council to prepare bylaws to amend the Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw.

Official Community Plan (OCP)

The property is currently designated in the OCP as “Single Family Residential”, the applicant is requesting a “Multi-Family” designation. The adjacent property to the west is designated ‘multi-family residential’ and the other adjacent properties are designated ‘single family residential’.

The following OCP policies relate to the proposed development:

Promote infill development in existing residential areas, especially infill surrounding the downtown. The proposed townhomes would infill a vacant lot.

New multi-family development shall be located near local commercial services, schools, recreation services, or parks. The proposed townhomes are within walking distance to downtown businesses, Little League field, Transfer Beach Park, and the High Street Resource Centre.

Increased residential densities will be promoted in appropriate locations. Maximum density allowed in multi-family designation is 60 units per hectare (which would permit four townhomes). The applicant is proposing a density of 68 units per hectare (five townhomes). Density increases in the downtown area may be considered

through density bonusing for amenities. This site is on the edge of the downtown. Staff can work with the applicant towards a density bonus amenity agreement. Recent rezonings involving a density bonus scheme have included a commitment to highly energy efficient building standards. Also, a standard amenity offered by applicants is \$1000 per unit.

New multi-family development shall 'fit' with the neighbourhood in terms of scale, traffic, parking, and servicing. The multi-family development permit guidelines emphasize that the scale, bulk, mass, shape, and form of buildings should relate positively to adjacent development and to preserve the existing residential character of the area. The applicant has redesigned the project and the ADP has supported the recent Michael Ker designs.

Zoning Bylaw

The subject property is zoned Institutional Zone (P-1). The applicant is requesting to zone the land Multi-Family Residential (R-3). The permitted density in the R-3 zone is 60 dwelling units per hectare of land which would permit four dwelling units. The applicant is proposing five dwelling units. The applicant is proposing 2 tandem parking stalls for each unit onsite (in garage and in front of the garage). See the attached Site Plan sketch.

The adjacent property to the west is zoned Multi-Family Residential (R-3), and the other adjacent properties are zoned Urban Residential Zone (R-2).

ALTERNATIVES

Given the input from the APC, an alternative option would be that a density for amenity agreement not be pursued, and that Council advises that it does not support the proposed 5 unit townhouse development for the property legally described as Lot B, District Lot 56, Oyster District, Plan VIP65504 (340 2nd Avenue) and that the applicant be encouraged to consider 4 townhouse units.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS N/A

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

A public hearing will be required to be held.

CITIZEN/PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

The applicant will be required to hold a neighbourhood information meeting.

At its meeting on December 10, 2012 the Advisory Design Panel recommended that Council support the OCP amendment and rezoning application for a 5 unit townhouse development at 340 Second Avenue.

At its meeting on December 12, 2012 the Advisory Planning Commission passed the following motions:

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Advisory Planning Commission recommends support for rezoning 340 2nd Avenue to permit multi-family use.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Advisory Planning Commission recommends that the increased density to 68 units per hectare (5 units) be declined and that 60 units per

hectare (4 units) be supported such that the density and site plan is compliant with Multi Family Residential (R-3) Zone.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Advisory Planning Commission advises that regarding the proposed rezoning of 340 2nd Ave they have the following concerns:

- Traffic on 2nd Avenue; and
- Visibility at the intersection of Roberts St. and 2nd Ave.

In response to the APC motion, two density options have been presented for Council consideration. The Director of Infrastructure Services will review the traffic and visibility concerns for 2nd Avenue and Roberts Street.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS:

The application has been referred to the Infrastructure Services Department for review and comment. For certain road frontage and boulevard improvements will be required.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Processing rezoning applications is a core function of the Development Services Department. Processing this application is within available staff resources.

ALIGNMENT WITH SUSTAINABILITY VISIONING REPORT:

The applicant has completed a Sustainable Development Checklist to demonstrate how the rezoning proposal is consistent with the Visioning Report. The checklist indicates that the development proposal:

- ✓ increases density in the Town's downtown neighbourhood and this density will help to support transit and local business;
- ✓ increases the diversity of housing in the downtown area;
- ✓ is within 400 metres of a public transit stop;
- ✓ is within 800 metres of a childcare facility, a community service centre; and a clearly defined commercial area.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Effective land use planning and community design is a Council strategic direction.

SUMMARY:

An application has been received to amend the OCP and Zoning Bylaw to permit a 5 unit townhouse development at 340 2nd Avenue. The application has been referred to the APC and ADP. Staff is seeking Council direction for the next stage of the application process.

I concur with the recommendation

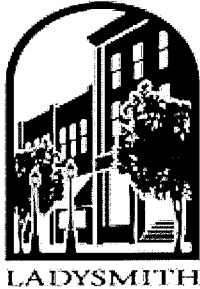


Ruth Malli, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

Schedule A: Project Perspective
Schedule B: Site Plan Sketch





Town of Ladysmith
STAFF REPORT

To: Ruth Malli, City Manager
From: Felicity Adams, Director of Development Services
Date: January 2, 2013
File No: 3360-20

Re: PROPOSED REZONING OF TOWN OWNED LAND - 1201 AND 1251 CHRISTIE ROAD (Lot 7 and Lot 8, DL 147, Oyster District, Plan VIP85271)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That Council direct staff to initiate an Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw amendment for 1201 and 1251 Christie Road (Lot 7 and Lot 8, DL 147, Oyster District, Plan VIP85271) to permit light industrial land use, including the preparation of site, building and landscape design concepts or guidelines to manage the interface with the adjacent residential development and provide for an appropriate entry to the Town.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this staff report is to seek Council direction to pursue the rezoning of Town-owned land for light industrial purposes.

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

There are two existing industrial parks in Ladysmith: Rocky Creek Industrial Park and South Ladysmith Industrial Park. Currently, there is very little available industrial zoned and serviced land in either of these parks. The Town has received several inquiries in the last year from people seeking zoned industrial sites. There has been at least one new company not able to locate in the Town due to this limited land supply.

The Town owns two properties located at the intersection of Grouhel Road and Christie Road on the Island Highway. At the direction of Council, these lands were rezoned for multi-family residential use in 2010. The land is listed for sale on the Town's website. This site is located across the highway from the Rocky Creek Industrial Park. The site was the subject of Preliminary Site Investigation Stage 1 and Stage 2 reports in 2010 and 2012 due to its past use and it has been identified as an underutilized serviced site with highway access.

The Town has received interest in the acquisition of these parcels for light industrial land use. Other parcels were reviewed but were either not available for purchase or did not provide the desired site requirements (e.g. size, configuration, servicing).

SCOPE OF WORK:

The following section outlines early considerations for the proposed rezoning.

The subject properties are currently designated and zoned for multi-family land use and are subject to the Multi-Family Residential DPA. There are four charges registered on the titles of the property in favour of the Town.

- (1) Site Design Guidelines and Greenspace Covenant (Lot 7 & Lot 8)
- (2) Statutory Right of Way (SROW) for the Welcome to Ladysmith sign (Lot 7)
- (3) SROW for sewer line (Lot 7)
- (4) SROW to install and maintain sanitary works (Lot 7 & Lot 8)

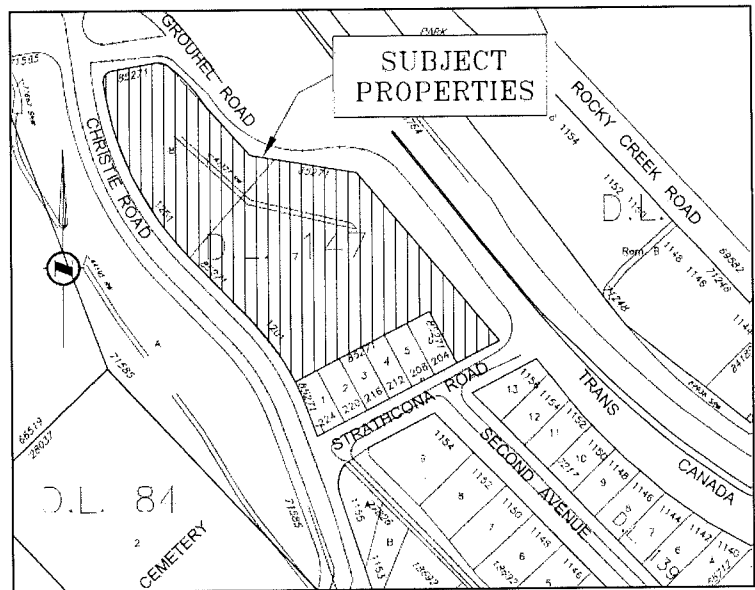


Table 1: Summary of OCP Amendment and Rezoning

	<i>Current</i>	<i>Proposed Rezoning Concept</i>
OCP – Land Use Designation	Multi-Family Residential	Industrial
OCP - DPA	Development Permit Area 4 - Multi-Family Residential (DPA 4)	Development Permit Area 5 - Industrial (DPA 5)
Zoning Bylaw	Medium Density Residential Zone (R-3-A)	Light Industrial Zone (I-1)

OCP Considerations

The Industrial designation is applied to industrial park areas and the industrial waterfront area and is intended to accommodate industrial development and employment centres. It provides for a range of industrial and light industrial uses, and limited commercial uses to support industrial parks. The maximum density is 0.3 FSR for industrial and 0.7 FSR for light industrial developments. Development within and industrial designation is subject to Development Permit Area Guidelines.

Relevant OCP Policies:

- In support of sustainable development, complete neighbourhoods (which includes residential, local employment and shopping, services) will be promoted, especially in and near the Downtown and the Waterfront.
- Provide for the appropriate location of land use in the community – including downtown mixed use, waterfront, commercial, residential, industrial, institutional, park and open space.
- Industrial development is directed to the newly created industrial park areas in Ladysmith. Serviced industrial locations are currently designated in the Plan for the north waterfront in the northeast sector of the Town. A new industrial area in the south sector of Town is planned for a rural level of servicing in the interim, and is to be fully serviced in the long term.

The subject properties are located at the community's northern gateway and within proximity to the Rocky Creek Industrial Park, the Home Hardware, Oyster Bay Quay and walking distance to downtown commercial services. Residential development is located to the south on Strathcona Road and adjacent neighbourhood streets.

Strategy #1 of the Vision Report is "complete community land use" which includes Self-reliance and mixed uses as two important implementation strategies. In the Visioning context, self-reliance means promoting an increasing diversity of land uses to enhance the self-reliance of the community, including a diversity of jobs. Mixed uses means supporting mixed use development of many types and sizes, including live-work projects.

The topography of the site lends itself to mixed use development, including residential land use (existing) and other mixed uses. The road and highway access makes it a good economic development site. Well-designed mixed-use sites include site and building design and circulation which considers local community character and all users of the area, including the public generally, residents, and other businesses. The location of the site at the northern gateway to the Town and its prominent road frontages lends itself to the creation of a pleasant neighbourhood and pedestrian experience which could be achieved through appropriate site finishing, building design, screening and landscaping and other site and viewscape considerations.

Highway access to the site is from the Island Highway via Grouhel Road. Staff will discuss this access with the Ministry of Transportation. It is expected that potential heavy truck traffic related to light industrial land use would be directed to exit the area via Grouhel Road for south-bound vehicles and Grouhel Road via Ludlow Road and Rocky Creek Road for north-bound vehicles. The Town's truck route and the regulation of truck traffic are provided through the Streets and Traffic Bylaw 1998, No. 1309.

The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure has previously advised the Town that left turns from Grouhel Road may be removed by the Ministry. Given the location of the site (within 800 m of a controlled access highway), the Ministry would need to approve the rezoning bylaw amendment. Traffic studies may be required.

ALTERNATIVES:

That the rezoning not proceed.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The rezoning application would be prepared by staff. If a traffic study is required it would be undertaken by a consultant.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

If site, building and landscape design guidelines were to be secured through a covenant registered on the title of the property, the terms would be prepared by the Town's solicitor.

Removing the existing Design and Greenspace covenant for multi-family residential development from the titles of the subject properties would be a consideration. The matter would be part of the public hearing process.

CITIZEN/PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

A public hearing would be required. A neighbourhood meeting would also be scheduled prior to the public hearing.

In addition to holding a public hearing on the proposed bylaws, Council must:

1. Consider whether consultation on the OCP amendment should be early and on-going, and
2. Specifically consider whether consultation is required with:
 - (i) the boards of the CVRD and the RDN
 - (ii) the council of a municipality adjacent to Ladysmith
 - (iii) First Nations
 - (iv) the school district, great boards or improvement district boards, and
 - (v) the provincial or federal government and their agencies.

If Council directs staff to proceed with the rezoning a further staff report will be prepared to seek further direction on the rezoning process, bylaw development, covenant considerations and referrals.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS:

The proposal would be referred to the Infrastructure Services Department.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Processing rezoning applications is a core function of the Development Services Department. Processing this application is within available staff resources.



ALIGNMENT WITH SUSTAINABILITY VISIONING REPORT:

Strategy #1 – complete community land use which includes self-reliance and mixed uses as key elements

Strategy #8 - local, diverse economy which requires as one of its elements “maintaining a strong local industrial and commercial land base”.

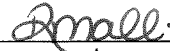
ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Effective land use planning and community design and Dynamic economic development are Council strategic directions.

SUMMARY:

There is a demand for light industrial land in Ladysmith and very limited supply. It is recommended that Council consider directing staff to initiate a rezoning application for 1201 and 1251 Christie Road to permit light industrial land use.

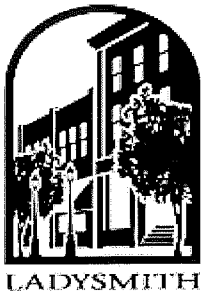
I concur with the recommendation.



Ruth Malli, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

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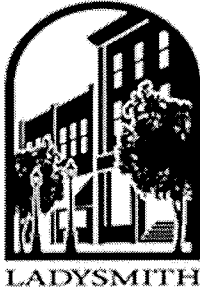
Town of Ladysmith
COMMITTEE REPORT

To: Mayor and Council
From: Councillor Gord Horth, Chair
Date: December 19, 2013
File No: 0550-20

Re: GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE - December 17, 2012

At its meeting on December 17, 2012 the Government Services Committee recommended to Council the following:

1. That Council refer consideration of the proposed Bar Watch Program in Ladysmith and the draft Good Neighbours agreement as presented to Council on November 26, 2012 to Staff and that Staff be directed to review this matter with the RCMP to determine if other jurisdictions such as CVRD Areas A, G and H and the Regional District of Nanaimo should be included in the agreement.



Town of Ladysmith
STAFF REPORT

To: Ruth Malli, City Manager
From: Sandy Bowden, A/Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture
Date: January 2, 2013
File No:

Re: CELEBRATE CANADA DAY FUNDING APPLICATION REQUEST

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That Council direct Staff to submit an application for federal funding through Canadian Heritage for funding up to \$5,000 for the organization of events associated with the celebration of Canada Day 2013.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this staff report is to seek Council's authorization to apply for funding to facilitate a community celebration of Canada Day 2013.

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

The Town of Ladysmith has hosted the annual Canada Day celebrations for many years, and usually receives a modest grant from Canadian Heritage to support the event. This year staff is seeking the same funding for this event.

SCOPE OF WORK:

Staff will work with community partners such as the Ladysmith Arts Council, the Stz'uminus First Nation, the Ladysmith Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, and other community organizations to organize and host the 2013 Celebrate Canada Day event at the Transfer Beach Amphitheatre on Monday, July 1.

ALTERNATIVES:

Council could direct staff to not proceed with the funding application.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Costs associated with the Celebrate Canada Day event are dependent on the amount of funding assistance received from Canadian Heritage.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

CITIZEN/PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

Citizens and community organizations have supported this event for many years and it is expected that this will continue in 2013.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS:

None

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Existing resources are adequate to proceed with this project.

ALIGNMENT WITH SUSTAINABILITY VISIONING REPORT:

This project aligns with Sustainability Goal No. 8 – Create healthy communities and individuals, and the 7th Pillar of Sustainability – Healthy Community.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

This project aligns with Strategic Direction F – A Safe and Healthy Community.

SUMMARY:

Council's approval is requested to support an application to the federal government (Canadian Heritage) for up to \$5,000 in grant funding for the 2013 Celebrate Canada Day event.

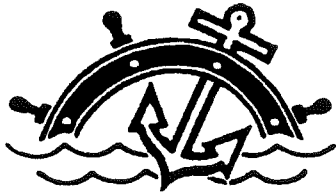
I concur with the recommendation.



Ruth Malli, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

None



Ladysmith Maritime Society

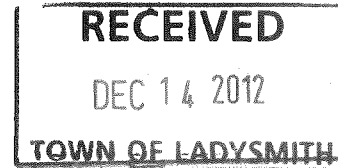
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December 14, 2012

Mayor Hutchins
Town of Ladysmith
410 Esplanade, P. O. Box 220
Ladysmith, B.C. V9G 1A2



Dear Mayor Hutchins:

We have had several discussions regarding the possibility of applying funds available through the Gas Tax Fund to cover the costs of installing the marine sewage pump-out system in the Community Marina. The costs were incurred in 2011 and 2012 as part of the Visitor Facilities Project.

Investment in the sewage pump-out system is an investment in infrastructure designed to improve the water quality and aquatic habitat of Ladysmith Harbour, of considerable importance to the Stz'uminus First Nation, as well as an investment that will encourage marine tourists to visit Ladysmith.

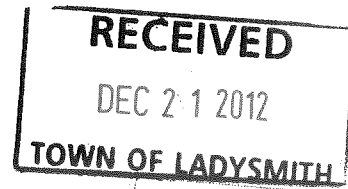
We now understand that the Town has determined that the Gas Tax funding can be used to fund this type of investment. We wish to formally request this from Council.

We have assembled all of the invoices relative to this investment, and they are available to Town staff immediately upon request. The investment totals \$59,919.08, inclusive of HST costs net of the rebate. This figure does not include any water-system costs.

Yours sincerely,

Doug Bell

CC. Ruth Malli, Erin Anderson



December 20, 2012

File No.: 0520-20-CSAC/06

Town of Ladysmith
PO Box 220, Stn Main
LADYSMITH BC V9G 1A2

Attention: Mayor Hutchins and Council

Dear Mayor Hutchins and Council:

Re: Community Safety Advisory Commission


At their meeting held on December 12, 2012, the Board of Directors of the Cowichan Valley Regional District replaced the former Community Safety Advisory Committee with a new commission to better address safety issues of regional, sub-regional and interagency importance. The former committee structure was subject to annual establishment by the Board Chair and affected long term planning since committee members were never sure if the committee would exist from year to year. Since commissions are created by bylaw, their structure is more formal and enables members to engage in long term planning and projects.

The new Community Safety Advisory Commission consists of fifteen members comprised of elected representatives from four municipalities, Cowichan Tribes, and School District No. 79; appointed representatives from Social Planning Cowichan, Community Policing, Corrections Canada Parole Board and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police; plus three members of the public. A copy of "CVRD Bylaw No. 3622 – Community Safety Advisory Commission Establishment Bylaw, 2012" is attached.

The CVRD requests that you appoint a member of Council to serve on the Commission. You have the option of appointing an alternate member for when your representative is unavailable to attend; however, it is not necessary to appoint an alternate.

It is expected that the first meeting of the Community Safety Advisory Commission will be in February. The appointed representatives will be consulted via email regarding their preferences for the meeting time and date of the inaugural meeting of the Commission.

Sincerely,



J.E. Barry,
Corporate Secretary

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COWICHAN VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT

BYLAW No. 3622

A Bylaw to Establish a Community Safety Advisory Commission for the Cowichan Valley Regional District.

WHEREAS the Board of Directors of the Cowichan Valley Regional District wishes to establish a Community Safety Advisory Commission to provide advice on safety issues of regional, sub-regional, and interagency importance;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of Directors of the Cowichan Valley Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. CITATION

This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "**CVRD Bylaw No. 3622 – Community Safety Advisory Commission Establishment Bylaw, 2012**".

2. DEFINITIONS

In this bylaw:

- a) "**Commission**" means the Community Safety Advisory Commission established by this Bylaw.
- b) "**Board**" means the Board of the Cowichan Valley Regional District.

3. MEMBERSHIP

The Commission shall consist of fifteen members, as follows:

- a) Eight elected representatives (appointed by their respective Council or Board):
 - i) Two CVRD Electoral Area Directors
 - ii) One Councillor from the City of Duncan
 - iii) One Councillor from the District of North Cowichan
 - iv) One Councillor from the Town of Ladysmith
 - v) One Councillor from the Town of Lake Cowichan
 - vi) One Councillor from Cowichan Tribes
 - vii) One School Trustee from School District No. 79
- b) Four representatives from the following organizations:
 - i) One representative from Social Planning Cowichan
 - ii) One representative from Community Policing
 - iii) One representative from Corrections Canada Parole Board
 - iv) One representative from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police

- c) Three public representatives (selected at large following newspaper and online advertising).

4. TERM OF OFFICE

- a) The term of office for Commission members shall be as follows:
 - i) Elected Representatives:
Begins upon their appointment by their respective Council or Board and continues until their term of office ends or their appointment expires. Each Council or Board may appoint an Alternate.
 - ii) Remaining Members: Begins upon their appointment by the Board and continues until December 31 in the year of a general local election. The Board may appoint an Alternate for the members representing organizations but not for the public representatives.
- b) Commission members may be re-appointed for a further term or terms.
- c) The Board may, at any time, terminate the appointment of a member.
- d) The Board may remove from membership any member appointed who has failed to attend three consecutive Commission meetings without good cause.

5. PROCEDURE

- a) At the first meeting following a general local election, the Commission shall elect from amongst its own members, a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson of the Commission who shall hold office until a successor is appointed.
- b) In the absence of the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson, the Commission shall elect from the members present a temporary Chairperson for the purpose of that meeting only.
- c) A quorum is eight members.
- d) All decisions, resolutions and recommendations of the Commission shall be made by a majority of the members present at the meeting, with each member having one vote.
- e) Where not otherwise covered in this bylaw, the rules of procedure governing Commission meetings shall be those of the current Committee and Commissions Procedures Bylaw of the Cowichan Valley Regional District.
- f) Minutes shall be kept for all meetings of the Commission, and a copy of such minutes shall be forwarded to the Legislative Services Division of the Cowichan Valley Regional District.

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6. RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of the Commission shall be as follows:

- a) To advise the Board on community safety issues of regional, sub-regional and interagency importance. Advice may be in reference to programs, plans, policies, guidelines, or other local government policy instruments.
- b) To serve as a forum for multi-sectoral discussion where local government and community groups can work together. The Commission has a leading role in providing advice and support to safer communities' initiatives across the region.
- c) To be a conduit for recommendations arising from its members and from community initiatives, and for issues referred by the Board, elected officials, and staff requests.
- d) To be a resource for planning staff at various local governments and to Advisory Planning Commissions

7. GENERAL

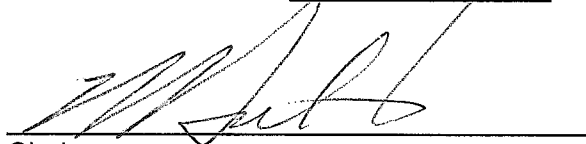
- a) All members of the Commission shall serve without remuneration, except for such "out of pocket" expenditures as may have received prior authorization by the Board.
- b) No recommendation of the Commission or other matter requiring ratification by the Board shall be acted upon until it has been approved by the Board

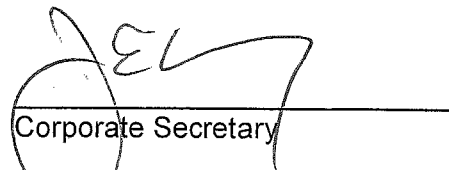
READ A FIRST TIME this 12th day of December, 2012.

READ A SECOND TIME this 12th day of December, 2012.

READ A THIRD TIME this 12th day of December, 2012.

ADOPTED this 12th day of December, 2012.


Chairperson


Corporate Secretary