



AWP 2.0 SPECIAL REPORT: COVID-19 in Athens, Georgia

Special Population: Households with Children

In order to flatten the curve (slow transmission of the new COVID-19 virus), schools have been closing across the nation. Keeping residents safe should be the top priority, but it's important to understand that the effects of school closures go far beyond lost instruction time for Athens families.

Here's what we think you should know:

89%

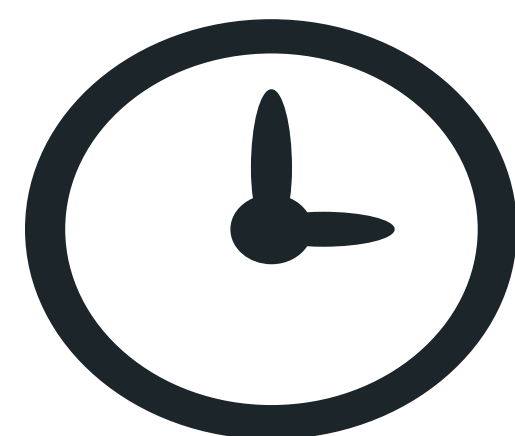
of households with school-aged children utilize our public school system

48%

of households with children under 6 years rely on some form of childcare

73%

experience difficulty when trying to take time off of work to take care of personal or family matters



58% work 30 hours or more and 30% work **more than 40** hours per week

50%

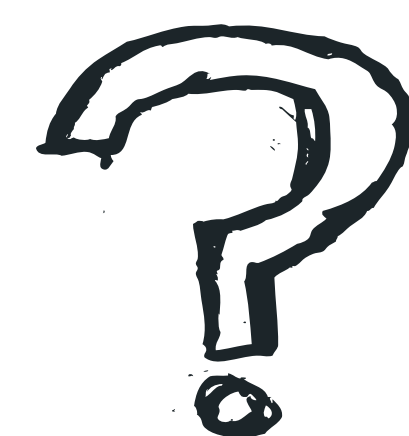
report having no paid sick leave, paid vacation time, or paid family leave



1 in 3 report being unable to afford balanced meals sometimes or often



Nearly 1 in 4 (23%) do not have a checking or a savings account



3 in 4 (73%) worry about how they would pay for an unexpected medical bill