





# 2015 HEALTHY SMILES HEALTHY BODIES SURVEY

## ORAL HEALTH OF ARIZONA 3RD GRADE CHILDREN

Tooth decay is the **NUMBER ONE** chronic disease in Arizona children

more than **6 out of 10**  children are affected by tooth decay

 **nearly 3 out of 10** children need early or urgent dental care

**3 out of 4**  children need sealants

**ONLY 4 out of 10**  children have dental sealants



Tooth decay is **PREVENTABLE**



**AROUND 59,000** 3rd grade children in Arizona are affected by tooth decay

percentage of children without dental insurance **30%** 




The cost of one sealant is roughly one third the cost of filling a cavity.



The consequences of untreated decay include ER visits and lost time at school



To see the comparisons between counties in Arizona visit: [Azhealth.gov/hshb](http://Azhealth.gov/hshb)

For more information about the Healthy Smiles Healthy Bodies Survey in Arizona visit: [azsmiles.org](http://azsmiles.org)