Mississippi
State Health Department Website: msdh.ms.gov

Measure | Rating | Rank | State Value | U.S. Value
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**SOCIAL & ECONOMIC FACTORS**
Community and Family Safety | + | 46 | -0.612 | —
Occupational Fatalities (deaths per 100,000 workers) | + | 47 | 8.2 | 4.2
Violent Crime (offenses per 100,000 population) | +++ | 30 | $114 | $116
Violent Crime (offenses per 100,000 population) | ++++ | 14 | 278 | 379
Economic Resources | Economic Hardship Index (index from 1-100) | + | 50 | 100 | —
Food Insecurity (% of households) | + | 50 | 15.3% | 10.7%
Income Inequality (80-20 ratio) | + | 48 | 5.3% | 4.8%
Education | High School Graduation (% of students) | +++ | 29 | 88.0% | 85.8%
High School Graduation (percentage point difference) | ++++ | 4 | 6.5 | 15.1
Social Support and Engagement | Adverse Childhood Experiences (% ages 0-17) | + | 42 | 18.3% | 14.8%
Residential Segregation — Black/White (index from 0-100) | ++++ | 3 | 50 | 62
Volunteerism (% ages 18+) | + | 47 | 26.6% | 33.4%
Voter Participation (% U.S. citizens ages 18+) | ++++ | 17 | 62.3% | 60.1%
**PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT**
Air and Water Quality | Air Pollution (micrograms of fine particles per cubic meter) | + | 38 | 81 | 8.3
Drinking Water Violations (% of community water systems) | + | 48 | 6.3% | 0.8%
Risk-screening Environmental Indicator Score (unitless score) | +++ | 16 | 1,367 | 1,571
Water Fluoridation (% of population served) | ++ | 35 | 60.7% | 75.0%
Housing and Transit | Drive Alone to Work (% of workers ages 16+) | + | 49 | 84.8% | 75.9%
Housing With Lead Risk (% of housing stock) | ++++ | 10 | 11.0% | 17.6%
Severe Housing Problems (% of occupied housing units) | +++ | 29 | 15.1% | 17.3%
**CLINICAL CARE**
Access to Care | Preventive care | + | 46 | 13.9% | 9.8%
Avoided Care Due to Cost (% ages 18+) | + | 46 | 13.9% | 9.8%
Providers (per 100,000 population) | Dental Care | + | 47 | 44.2 | 62.3
Mental Health | + | 41 | 187.6 | 284.3
Primary Care | ++ | 33 | 244.4 | 252.3
Uninsured (% of population) | + | 46 | 13.0% | 9.2%
**PREVENTATIVE SERVICES**
Preventive Services | Colorectal Cancer Screening (% ages 50-75) | + | 37 | 10.9% | 7.4%
Dental Visit (% ages 18+) | + | 45 | 57.7% | 66.7%
Immunizations | Childhood Immunizations (% by age 35 months) | +++ | 30 | 75.4% | 75.4%
Flu Vaccination (% ages 18+) | + | 45 | 41.3% | 47.0%
HPV Vaccination (% ages 13-17) | + | 50 | 31.9% | 58.6%
Quality of Care | Dedicated Health Care Provider (% ages 18+) | ++ | 34 | 78.1% | 77.6%
Preventable Hospitalizations (discharges per 100,000 Medicare beneficiaries) | + | 49 | 5,004 | 3,770
**BEHAVIORS**
Nutrition and Physical Activity | Exercise (% ages 18+) | + | 48 | 15.7% | 23.0%
Fruit and Vegetable Consumption (% ages 18+) | + | 42 | 6.3% | 8.0%
Physical Inactivity (% ages 18+) | + | 49 | 30.0% | 22.4%
Sexual Health | Chlamydia (new cases per 100,000 population) | ++ | 49 | 850.2 | 558.3%
High-risk HIV Behaviors (% ages 18+) | ++++ | 16 | 5.3% | 5.6%
Teen Births (births per 1,000 females ages 15-19) | + | 49 | 291 | 16.7
Sleep Health | Insufficient Sleep (% ages 18+) | ++ | 40 | 35.0% | 32.3%
Smoking and Tobacco Use | Smoking (% ages 18+) | + | 47 | 20.1% | 15.5%
**HEALTH OUTCOMES**
Behavioral Health | Excessive Drinking (% ages 18+) | ++++ | 7 | 15.2% | 17.6%
Frequent Mental Distress (% ages 18+) | +++ | 36 | 14.4% | 13.2%
Non-medical Drug Use (% ages 18+) | ++++ | 14 | 9.2% | 12.0%
Mortality | Premature Death (years lost before age 75 per 100,000 population) | + | 49 | 11,236 | 7,337
Premature Death (Racial Disparity (ratio)) | +++ | 27 | 1.5 | 1.5
Physical Health | Frequent Physical Distress (% ages 18+) | ++ | 31 | 10.3% | 13.5%
Low Birthweight (% of live births) | + | 50 | 12.3% | 8.3%
Low Birthweight (Racial Disparity (ratio)) | +++ | 27 | 2.0 | 2.1
Multiple Chronic Conditions (% ages 18+) | + | 44 | 12.8% | 9.1%
Obesity (% ages 18+) | + | 50 | 39.7% | 31.9%
OVERALL | — | — | — | —

**SUMMARY**
**Strengths:**
- Low prevalence of excessive drinking
- Low racial disparity in high school graduation rates
- Low percentage of housing with lead risk

**Challenges:**
- High premature death rate
- High percentage of households with food insecurity
- High prevalence of cigarette smoking

**Highlights:**

**DRUG DEATHS**

- 27% from 10.6 to 13.5 deaths per 100,000 population between 2018 and 2019

**FREQUENT MENTAL DISTRESS**

- 17% from 17.3% to 14.4% of adults between 2019 and 2020

**MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS**

- 8% from 173.0 to 187.6 per 100,000 population between 2020 and 2021

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*Values derived from individual measure data. Higher values are considered healthier.
— Data not available, missing or suppressed.
For measure definitions, sources and data years, see the Appendix or visit www.AmericasHealthRankings.org

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