

State Health Department Website:

Summary

Strengths

- Low percentage of low-risk cesarean deliveries
- Low prevalence of insufficient sleep among women
- Low prevalence of physical inactivity among women

Challenges

- High prevalence of illicit drug use among women
- Low reading proficiency among fourth grade public school students
- Low prevalence of physical activity among children

Key Findings

Early Childhood Education

19%▲

from 33.7% to 40.0% of children ages 3-4 between 2022 and 2023.

Child Mortality

12%▲

from 32.1 to 35.8 deaths per 100,000 children ages 1-19 between 2018-2020 and 2021-2023.

High Health Status

12%▼

from 56.4% to 49.7% of women ages 18-44 between 2013-2014 and 2022-2023.

Poverty

12%▼

from 15.9% to 14.0% of women ages 18-44 between 2019 and 2023.

Measures

Women

		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
Social and Economic Factors		26	0.081	
Community and Family Safety	Firearm Deaths*	32	8.2	6.2
	Injury Deaths	33	60.8	51.9
	Intimate Partner Violence Before Pregnancy*	–	–	–
Economic Resources	Concentrated Disadvantage	41	30.4%	25.9%
	Food Insecurity	28	11.8%	12.2%
	Gender Pay Gap*	16	83.5%	81.1%
	Poverty	24	14.0%	14.9%
	Unemployment	31	3.4%	3.5%
Education	College Graduate	40	33.0%	37.8%
Social Support and Engagement	Infant Child Care Affordability*	33	13.3%	12.1%
	Residential Segregation - Black/White	5	54	–
	Voter Participation	26	60.4%	60.0%

Children

		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
Social and Economic Factors		33	-0.176	
Community and Family Safety	Child Victimization*	25	73	74
	Firearm Deaths *	25	6.7	5.9
	Injury Deaths	38	24.5	18.7
Economic Resources	Children in Poverty	30	15.4%	16.0%
	Children in Poverty - Racial Disparity	34	3.9	3.0
	Food Sufficiency	40	62.5%	66.6%
	Students Experiencing Homelessness	12	1.6%	2.4%
	WIC Coverage	18	55.2%	52.2%
Education	Early Childhood Education	42	40.0%	48.5%
	Fourth Grade Reading Proficiency	44	26.4%	30.5%
	High School Completion	39	89.4%	89.8%
Social Support and Engagement	Adult Mentor*	47	84.3%	88.0%
	Adverse Childhood Experiences	15	13.4%	14.1%
	Foster Care Instability	18	12.9%	15.2%
	High-Speed Internet	36	95.6%	96.0%
	Neighborhood Amenities	23	37.5%	38.2%
	Reading, Singing or Storytelling*	25	61.9%	59.7%

Women and Children

		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
Physical Environment		21	0.180	
Air and Water Quality	Air Pollution	49	10.5	8.6
	Drinking Water Violations	34	2.3	2.8
	Household Smoke	10	8.5%	10.3%
	Water Fluoridation	37	57.5%	72.3%
Climate and Health	Climate Policies	22	2	–
	Transportation Energy Use*	14	75	8.4
Housing and Transportation	Drive Alone to Work - Women	11	65.0%	67.3%
	Housing Cost Burden - Households with Children	35	29.6%	31.1%
	Housing with Lead Risk	2	6.3%	16.4%

Measures

Women

		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
Clinical Care		46	-0.708	
Access to Care	Adequate Prenatal Care	43	72.3%	75.2%
	Avoided Care Due to Cost	40	19.5%	17.4%
	Maternity Care Desert*	8	0.1	3.7
	Uninsured	42	13.3%	10.8%
	Women's Health Providers	39	41.5	47.8
Preventive Clinical Care	Cervical Cancer Screening	48	45.4%	51.6%
	Dental Visit	46	58.3%	64.1%
	Flu Vaccination	45	28.4%	35.5%
	Postpartum Visit*	41	87.8%	90.3%
	Well-Woman Visit	46	66.6%	72.7%
Quality of Care	Breastfeeding Initiation	26	85.8%	85.1%
	Dedicated Health Care Provider	46	71.1%	77.4%
	Low-Risk Cesarean Delivery	11	23.4%	26.6%
	Maternity Practices Score	40	76	82
Behaviors		22	-0.028	
Nutrition and Physical Activity	Exercise	20	28.6%	27.6%
	Fruit and Vegetable Consumption	28	8.8%	9.8%
	Physical Inactivity	16	19.5%	22.0%
Sexual Health	Chlamydia	39	1,721.1	1,481.2
	High-Risk HIV Behaviors	47	12.4%	9.3%
	Unintended Pregnancy*	-	-	-
Sleep Health	Insufficient Sleep	9	33.4%	36.5%
Smoking and Tobacco Use	E-Cigarette Use*	24	12.4%	11.2%
	Smoking	17	9.6%	9.9%
	Smoking During Pregnancy	11	2.2%	3.0%
Health Outcomes		25	-0.253	
Behavioral Health	Drug Deaths*	27	29.2	28.6
	Excessive Drinking	32	20.8%	19.5%
	Frequent Mental Distress	30	25.1%	23.6%
	Illicit Drug Use	44	13.5%	10.5%
	Postpartum Anxiety*	7	17.6%	20.3%
	Postpartum Depression*	27	12.2%	11.9%
Mortality	Maternal Mortality*	35	30.4	23.5
	Mortality Rate	30	121.0	109.9
Physical Health	Depression*	9	26.8%	30.3%
	Diabetes*	13	2.9%	3.6%
	Frequent Physical Distress	26	10.1%	9.7%
	High Blood Pressure	28	12.1%	11.8%
	High Health Status*	40	49.7%	51.6%
	Multiple Chronic Conditions	13	3.8%	4.5%
	Obesity	19	32.3%	32.5%
Severe Maternal Morbidity*	16	80.5	94.7	
Overall - Women		31	-0.118	

Children

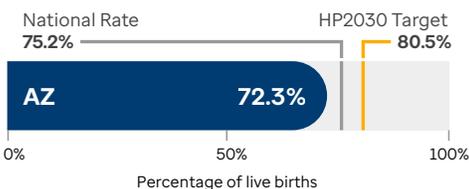
		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
Clinical Care		48	-0.657	
Access to Care	ADD/ADHD Treatment	48	2.0%	3.4%
	Mental Health Treatment*	35	83.3%	83.3%
	Pediatricians	33	89.8	116.1
	Uninsured	49	8.6%	5.4%
Preventive Clinical Care	Childhood Immunizations	44	62.9%	66.9%
	HPV Vaccination	26	63.1%	61.4%
	Preventive Dental Visit	21	82.4%	80.2%
	Well-Child Visit	35	78.3%	79.6%
Quality of Care	Adequate Insurance	38	61.9%	64.6%
	Developmental Screening	41	31.3%	36.5%
	Medical Home	46	41.9%	45.5%
Behaviors		40	-0.508	
Nutrition and Physical Activity	Breastfed	35	26.0%	27.2%
	Physical Activity	48	15.8%	19.7%
	Soda Consumption*	-	-	7.5%
Sexual Health	Dual Contraceptive Nonuse*	-	-	85.6%
	Teen Births	31	14.3	13.1
Sleep Health	Adequate Sleep	34	63.6%	65.3%
	Sleep Position*	22	72.3%	69.0%
Smoking and Tobacco Use	Electronic Vapor Product Use*	-	-	16.8%
	Tobacco Use	32	2.1%	1.9%
Health Outcomes		21	-0.007	
Behavioral Health	Alcohol Use	8	5.8%	6.9%
	Flourishing	23	66.1%	66.7%
	Illicit Drug Use	33	7.9%	7.3%
	Mental Health Conditions	14	20.3%	20.5%
	Teen Suicide*	33	13.8	10.2
Mortality	Child Mortality	35	35.8	29.6
	Infant Mortality	28	5.9	5.6
	Neonatal Mortality*	29	3.9	3.6
Physical Health	Asthma	18	6.4%	6.8%
	Congenital Syphilis*	47	296.6	105.8
	High Health Status*	50	87.0%	89.9%
	Low Birth Weight	22	8.1%	8.6%
	Low Birth Weight - Racial Disparity	17	1.9	2.1
	Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome*	40	10.9	5.3
	Overweight or Obesity	36	32.4%	31.3%
Overall - Children		36	-0.178	

Overall - Women and Children 34 -0.182

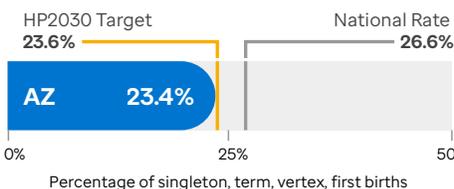
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Healthy People 2030 (HP2030) Targets

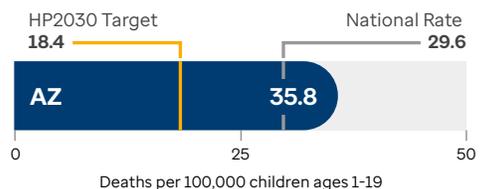
Adequate Prenatal Care



Low-Risk Cesarean Delivery



Child Mortality



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