

State Health Department Website:

## Summary

### Strengths

- Low mortality rate among women
- High enrollment in early childhood education
- Low prevalence of high-risk HIV behaviors among women

### Challenges

- High percentage of children in poverty
- High prevalence of physical inactivity among women
- Low prevalence of developmental screenings

### Key Findings

#### Frequent Mental Distress

67%▲

from 12.5% to 20.9% of women ages 18-44 between 2015-2016 and 2022-2023.

#### Teen Births

27%▼

from 11.7 to 8.5 births per 1,000 females ages 15-19 between 2018 and 2023.

#### Injury Deaths

14%▲

from 8.5 to 9.7 deaths per 100,000 children ages 1-19 between 2018-2020 and 2021-2023.

#### Preventive Dental Visit

11%▲

from 71.4% to 79.6% of children ages 1-17 between 2020-2021 and 2023-2024.

## Measures

### Women

		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
<b>Social and Economic Factors</b>		<b>38</b>	<b>-0.290</b>	
<b>Community and Family Safety</b>	Firearm Deaths*	3	1.6	6.2
	Injury Deaths	5	35.7	51.9
	Intimate Partner Violence Before Pregnancy*	-	-	-
<b>Economic Resources</b>	Concentrated Disadvantage	42	31.2%	25.9%
	Food Insecurity	32	12.3%	12.2%
	Gender Pay Gap*	3	87.3%	81.1%
	Poverty	33	15.8%	14.9%
	Unemployment	35	3.6%	3.5%
<b>Education</b>	College Graduate	12	41.5%	37.8%
<b>Social Support and Engagement</b>	Infant Child Care Affordability*	42	14.5%	12.1%
	Residential Segregation - Black/White	47	77	-
	Voter Participation	40	55.7%	60.0%

### Children

		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
<b>Social and Economic Factors</b>		<b>21</b>	<b>0.040</b>	
<b>Community and Family Safety</b>	Child Victimization*	37	11.7	7.4
	Firearm Deaths *	3	2.0	5.9
	Injury Deaths	4	9.7	18.7
<b>Economic Resources</b>	Children in Poverty	40	18.6%	16.0%
	Children in Poverty - Racial Disparity	3	2.5	3.0
	Food Sufficiency	18	68.1%	66.6%
	Students Experiencing Homelessness	50	5.2%	2.4%
	WIC Coverage	14	58.1%	52.2%
<b>Education</b>	Early Childhood Education	3	64.1%	48.5%
	Fourth Grade Reading Proficiency	24	30.9%	30.5%
	High School Completion	44	88.3%	89.8%
<b>Social Support and Engagement</b>	Adult Mentor*	30	89.2%	88.0%
	Adverse Childhood Experiences	4	11.5%	14.1%
	Foster Care Instability	28	15.5%	15.2%
	High-Speed Internet	48	94.0%	96.0%
	Neighborhood Amenities Reading, Singing or Storytelling*	8	47.9%	38.2%
		41	55.5%	59.7%

### Women and Children

		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
<b>Physical Environment</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>0.325</b>	
<b>Air and Water Quality</b>	Air Pollution	14	6.9	8.6
	Drinking Water Violations	20	1.9	2.8
	Household Smoke	15	9.3%	10.3%
	Water Fluoridation	29	71.7%	72.3%
<b>Climate and Health</b>	Climate Policies	1	4	-
	Transportation Energy Use*	2	5.9	8.4
<b>Housing and Transportation</b>	Drive Alone to Work - Women	1	46.4%	67.3%
	Housing Cost Burden - Households with Children	47	37.0%	31.1%
	Housing with Lead Risk	50	31.7%	16.4%

# Measures

		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
<b>Women</b>				
<b>Clinical Care</b>		<b>27</b>	<b>0.278</b>	
<b>Access to Care</b>	Adequate Prenatal Care	31	75.7%	75.2%
	Avoided Care Due to Cost	16	13.9%	17.4%
	Maternity Care Desert*	11	0.4	3.7
	Uninsured	8	6.1%	10.8%
	Women's Health Providers	16	56.3	47.8
<b>Preventive Clinical Care</b>	Cervical Cancer Screening	50	44.1%	51.6%
	Dental Visit	32	64.2%	64.1%
	Flu Vaccination	19	39.1%	35.5%
	Postpartum Visit*	24	91.3%	90.3%
	Well-Woman Visit	9	76.8%	72.7%
<b>Quality of Care</b>	Breastfeeding Initiation	19	87.1%	85.1%
	Dedicated Health Care Provider	24	81.0%	77.4%
	Low-Risk Cesarean Delivery	45	29.6%	26.6%
	Maternity Practices Score	17	84	82
<b>Behaviors</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>0.348</b>	
<b>Nutrition and Physical Activity</b>	Exercise	26	27.6%	27.6%
	Fruit and Vegetable Consumption	2	13.7%	9.8%
	Physical Inactivity	43	25.1%	22.0%
<b>Sexual Health</b>	Chlamydia	31	1,521.9	1,481.2
	High-Risk HIV Behaviors	3	7.0%	9.3%
	Unintended Pregnancy*	–	–	–
<b>Sleep Health</b>	Insufficient Sleep	23	35.8%	36.5%
<b>Smoking and Tobacco Use</b>	E-Cigarette Use*	8	9.4%	11.2%
	Smoking	6	7.6%	9.9%
	Smoking During Pregnancy	10	2.0%	3.0%
<b>Health Outcomes</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>0.495</b>	
<b>Behavioral Health</b>	Drug Deaths*	14	23.8	28.6
	Excessive Drinking	17	19.1%	19.5%
	Frequent Mental Distress	6	20.9%	23.6%
	Illicit Drug Use	29	10.9%	10.5%
	Postpartum Anxiety*	9	17.8%	20.3%
	Postpartum Depression*	14	11.0%	11.9%
<b>Mortality</b>	Maternal Mortality*	19	21.8	23.5
	Mortality Rate	4	82.5	109.9
<b>Physical Health</b>	Depression*	5	25.0%	30.3%
	Diabetes*	26	3.3%	3.6%
	Frequent Physical Distress	20	9.6%	9.7%
	High Blood Pressure	16	10.7%	11.8%
	High Health Status*	23	52.7%	51.6%
	Multiple Chronic Conditions	4	3.5%	4.5%
	Obesity	6	27.7%	32.5%
Severe Maternal Morbidity*	46	123.9	94.7	
<b>Overall - Women</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>0.231</b>	

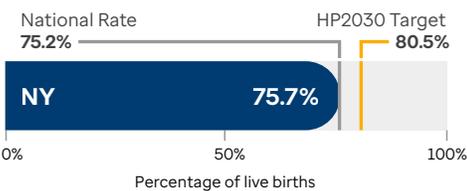
		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
<b>Children</b>				
<b>Clinical Care</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>0.501</b>	
<b>Access to Care</b>	ADD/ADHD Treatment	31	3.5%	3.4%
	Mental Health Treatment*	39	81.6%	83.3%
	Pediatricians	4	169.2	116.1
	Uninsured	3	2.8%	5.4%
<b>Preventive Clinical Care</b>	Childhood Immunizations	15	69.5%	66.9%
	HPV Vaccination	13	68.6%	61.4%
	Preventive Dental Visit	29	79.6%	80.2%
	Well-Child Visit	29	80.0%	79.6%
<b>Quality of Care</b>	Adequate Insurance	4	71.4%	64.6%
	Developmental Screening	46	28.4%	36.5%
	Medical Home	40	45.2%	45.5%
<b>Behaviors</b>		<b>27</b>	<b>0.164</b>	
<b>Nutrition and Physical Activity</b>	Breastfed	17	28.4%	27.2%
	Physical Activity	35	18.6%	19.7%
	Soda Consumption*	–	–	7.5%
<b>Sexual Health</b>	Dual Contraceptive Nonuse*	–	–	85.6%
	Teen Births	9	8.5	13.1
<b>Sleep Health</b>	Adequate Sleep	37	62.9%	65.3%
	Sleep Position*	33	68.0%	69.0%
<b>Smoking and Tobacco Use</b>	Electronic Vapor Product Use*	–	–	16.8%
	Tobacco Use	10	1.7%	1.9%
<b>Health Outcomes</b>		<b>12</b>	<b>0.404</b>	
<b>Behavioral Health</b>	Alcohol Use	20	6.6%	6.9%
	Flourishing	27	65.8%	66.7%
	Illicit Drug Use	14	6.8%	7.3%
	Mental Health Conditions	10	19.7%	20.5%
	Teen Suicide*	3	5.4	10.2
<b>Mortality</b>	Child Mortality	5	19.7	29.6
	Infant Mortality	4	4.1	5.6
	Neonatal Mortality*	5	2.6	3.6
<b>Physical Health</b>	Asthma	13	6.1%	6.8%
	Congenital Syphilis*	11	32.2	105.8
	High Health Status*	45	88.0%	89.9%
	Low Birth Weight	25	8.6%	8.6%
	Low Birth Weight - Racial Disparity	30	2.1	2.1
	Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome*	11	3.5	5.3
	Overweight or Obesity	25	31.3%	31.3%
<b>Overall - Children</b>		<b>17</b>	<b>0.249</b>	

## Overall - Women and Children 17 0.232

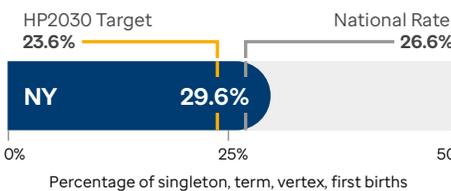
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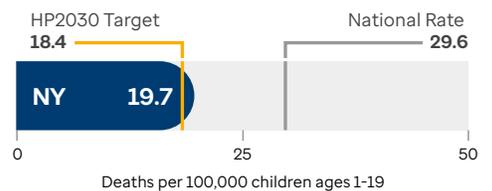
#### Adequate Prenatal Care



#### Low-Risk Cesarean Delivery



#### Child Mortality



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