

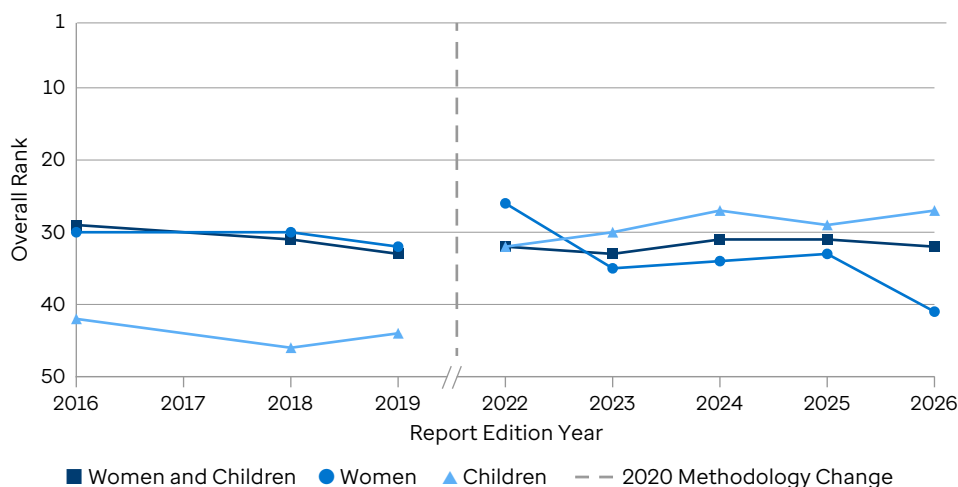
10 Years of Data

State rankings capture a decade of insights into women's and children's health.

Rankings are calculated using the sum of the z-scores of all weighted measures.

Source: America's Health Rankings composite measure, 2016-2026.

Note: No edition was published in 2017. The model methodology changed starting with the 2020 edition. Rankings were not published in the 2020 and 2021 editions. Children's rankings did not include infant measures until 2020.



Summary

Strengths

- Low prevalence of low-risk cesarean deliveries
- Low prevalence of children in poverty
- High prevalence of high school completion

Challenges

- High prevalence of multiple chronic conditions among women
- High prevalence of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) among children
- High prevalence of e-cigarette use among women

Key Findings

Students Experiencing Homelessness

59%▲

from 1.7% to 2.7% of public school students between the 2015-2016 and 2023-2024 school years.

Teen Births

51%▼

from 30.1 to 14.7 births per 1,000 females ages 15-19 between 2014 and 2024.

Frequent Mental Distress

55%▲

from 15.5% to 24.1% of women ages 18-44 between 2013-2014 and 2023-2024.

Well-Woman Visit

17%▲

from 54.6% to 63.7% of women ages 18-44 between 2013-2014 and 2023-2024.

Measures

Women and Children

	State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
Physical Environment	37	-0.140	
Air and Water Quality			
Air Pollution	1	4.1	8.8
Drinking Water Violations	14	1.7	2.5
Household Smoke	36	13.4%	10.3%
Water Fluoridation	40	55.0%	72.3%
Climate and Health			
Climate Policies	38	0	—
Transportation Energy Use*	49	18.8	8.3
Housing and Transportation			
Drive Alone to Work - Women	31	72.9%	67.4%
Housing Cost Burden - Households With Children	39	28.9%	27.7%
Housing With Lead Risk	25	15.1%	16.1%

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Measures (cont.)

Women		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
Social and Economic Factors		35	-0.136	
Community and Family Safety	Firearm Deaths*	—	—	5.9
	Injury Deaths	22	48.5	47.0
	Intimate Partner Violence Before Pregnancy*	—	—	—
Economic Resources	Concentrated Disadvantage	7	74%	25.8%
	Food Insecurity	44	15.6%	13.3%
	Gender Pay Gap*	44	78.4%	83.0%
	Poverty	16	12.9%	14.4%
	Unemployment	17	3.3%	3.9%
Education	College Graduate	39	34.4%	39.0%
Social Support and Engagement	Infant Child Care Affordability*	13	11%	12%
	Residential Segregation - Black/White	42	72	—
	Voter Participation	36	57.4%	60.0%
Clinical Care		44	-0.503	
Access to Care	Adequate Prenatal Care	29	77.1%	75.0%
	Avoided Care Due to Cost	42	21.9%	18.5%
	Maternity Care Desert*	30	5.1	3.5
	Uninsured	43	14.9%	11.2%
	Women's Health Providers	29	46.8	48.1
Preventive Clinical Care	Cervical Cancer Screening	42	66.8%	69.7%
	Dental Visit	37	64.7%	65.6%
	Flu Vaccination	34	31.1%	33.9%
	Postpartum Visit*	10	92.6%	90.3%
	Well-Woman Visit	50	63.7%	73.4%
Quality of Care	Breastfeeding Initiation	19	87.9%	85.4%
	Dedicated Health Care Provider	46	75.3%	77.9%
	Low-Risk Cesarean Delivery	8	22.8%	26.6%
	Maternity Practices Score	49	73	82
Behaviors		34	-0.365	
Nutrition and Physical Activity	Exercise	14	29.8%	27.6%
	Fruit and Vegetable Consumption	44	6.8%	9.8%
	Physical Inactivity	19	19.4%	22.0%
Sexual Health	Chlamydia	9	1,066.3	1,481.2
	High-Risk HIV Behaviors	46	11.8%	8.5%
	Unintended Pregnancy*	—	—	—
Sleep Health	Insufficient Sleep	8	32.4%	36.5%
Smoking and Tobacco Use	Cigarette Smoking	32	10.6%	8.4%
	Cigarette Smoking During Pregnancy	45	5.5%	2.4%
	E-Cigarette Use	44	16.4%	11.7%
Health Outcomes		34	-0.564	
Behavioral Health	Drug Deaths*	18	23.1	25.0
	Excessive Drinking	23	18.3%	18.1%
	Frequent Mental Distress	26	24.1%	23.2%
	Illicit Drug Use	34	11.7%	10.5%
	Postpartum Anxiety*	18	19.4%	20.3%
	Postpartum Depression*	19	11.4%	11.9%
Mortality	Maternal Mortality*	44	36.1	23.1
	Mortality Rate	39	124.7	98.0
Physical Health	Depression*	38	38.3%	30.6%
	Diabetes*	24	3.2%	3.6%
	Frequent Physical Distress	45	12.2%	10.1%
	High Blood Pressure	27	12.0%	11.8%
	High Health Status*	4	54.2%	49.4%
	Multiple Chronic Conditions	38	6.3%	4.5%
	Obesity	21	32.8%	32.6%
	Severe Maternal Morbidity*	23	97.1	97.8
Overall - Women		41	-0.338	

WY Overall - Women and Children

* Unweighted measure that does not contribute to a state's overall rank.
 — Data not available, missing or suppressed.



Children		State Rank	State Value	U.S. Value
Social and Economic Factors		20	0.094	
Community and Family Safety	Child Victimization*	20	5.6	7.2
	Firearm Deaths*	34	72	5.5
	Injury Deaths	44	26.7	17.8
Economic Resources	Children in Poverty	4	9.5%	15.5%
	Children in Poverty - Racial Disparity	35	4.0	3.0
	Food Sufficiency	41	62.4%	66.6%
	Students Experiencing Homelessness	31	2.7%	3.2%
	WIC Coverage	44	43.3%	54.5%
Education	Early Childhood Education	9	54.8%	49.3%
	Fourth Grade Reading Proficiency	6	35.8%	30.5%
	High School Completion	5	94.4%	89.9%
Social Support and Engagement	Adult Mentor*	3	94.5%	88.0%
	Adverse Childhood Experiences	50	22.8%	14.1%
	Foster Care Instability	—	—	18.7%
	High-Speed Internet	37	96.1%	96.6%
	Neighborhood Amenities	10	45.7%	38.2%
	Reading, Singing or Storytelling*	32	60.4%	59.7%
Clinical Care		47	-0.543	
Access to Care	ADD/ADHD Treatment	17	4.0%	3.4%
	Mental Health Treatment*	13	86.9%	83.3%
	Pediatricians	49	51.5	118.2
	Uninsured	48	9.0%	6.0%
Preventive Clinical Care	Childhood Immunizations	40	65.1%	68.0%
	HPV Vaccination	49	47.1%	62.9%
	Preventive Dental Visit	19	82.9%	80.2%
	Well-Child Visit	39	77.8%	79.6%
Quality of Care	Adequate Insurance	48	59.2%	64.6%
	Developmental Screening	34	36.0%	36.5%
	Medical Home	19	49.6%	45.5%
Behaviors		15	0.518	
Nutrition and Physical Activity	Breastfed	2	36.3%	27.9%
	Physical Activity	4	24.9%	19.7%
	Soda Consumption*	—	—	7.5%
Sexual Health	Dual Contraceptive Nonuse*	—	—	85.6%
	Teen Births	34	14.7	12.6
Sleep Health	Adequate Sleep	15	70.2%	65.3%
	Sleep Position*	19	73.4%	69.0%
Smoking and Tobacco Use	Electronic Vapor Product Use*	—	—	16.8%
	Tobacco Use	42	2.5%	1.9%
Health Outcomes		28	-0.155	
Behavioral Health	Alcohol Use	35	7.5%	6.8%
	Flourishing	35	65.0%	66.7%
	Illicit Drug Use	4	5.7%	7.4%
	Mental Health Conditions	37	24.4%	20.5%
	Teen Suicide*	45	24.2	9.7
Mortality	Child Mortality	38	35.6	28.7
	Infant Mortality	13	4.7	5.6
	Neonatal Mortality*	16	3.2	3.6
Physical Health	Asthma	45	8.5%	6.8%
	Congenital Syphilis*	13	33.1	105.8
	High Health Status*	11	91.9%	89.9%
	Low Birth Weight	43	9.7%	8.5%
	Low Birth Weight - Racial Disparity	3	1.5	2.1
	Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome*	12	4.2	5.1
	Overweight or Obesity	12	29.2%	31.3%
Overall - Children		27	-0.030	

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