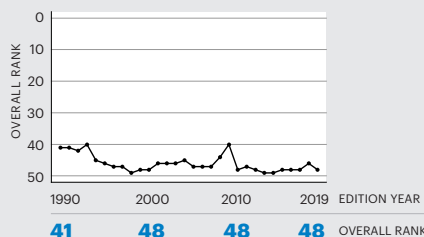


Arkansas

**OVERALL
RANK:**
48

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Strengths:

- High percentage of high school graduation
- Low prevalence of excessive drinking
- Small difference in health status by high school education

Challenges:

- High prevalence of obesity
- High percentage of children in poverty
- High prevalence of frequent physical distress

Highlights:

- In the past three years, drug deaths increased 17% from 12.1 to 14.2 deaths per 100,000 population
- In the past 10 years, chlamydia increased 64% from 351.1 to 576.5 cases per 100,000 population
- In the past six years, high school graduation increased 9% from 81.0% to 88.0% of students
- In the past year, frequent mental distress decreased 8% from 17.3% to 16.0% of adults
- In the past seven years, diabetes increased 24% from 11.2% to 13.9% of adults
- In the past two years, mental health providers increased 9% from 213.3 to 231.6 per 100,000 population

Senior Report Rank: 45
Health of Women and Children
Report Rank: 49

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	Rating	2019 Value	2019 Rank	No. 1 State
Behaviors				
Drug Deaths (deaths per 100,000 population)	++++	14.2	14	7.2
Excessive Drinking (% of adults)	+++++	15.8	10	11.3
High School Graduation (% of students)	++++	88.0	14	91.0
Obesity (% of adults)	+	37.1	48	22.9
Physical Inactivity (% of adults)	+	31.0	48	16.4
Smoking (% of adults)	+	22.7	48	9.0
Behaviors Total*	+	-0.202	46	0.288

Community & Environment				
Air Pollution (micrograms of fine particles per cubic meter)	++++	7.1	19	4.4
Children in Poverty (% of children)	+	24.7	47	9.5
Infectious Disease (mean z score of chlamydia, pertussis and <i>Salmonella</i>)*	+	0.543	45	-1.230
Chlamydia (cases per 100,000 population)	++	576.5	40	228.0
Pertussis (cases per 100,000 population)	++	7.5	36	0.7
<i>Salmonella</i> (cases per 100,000 population)	+	21.8	41	6.5
Occupational Fatalities (deaths per 100,000 workers)	+	7.8	46	2.7
Violent Crime (offenses per 100,000 population)	+	544	47	112
Community & Environment Total*	+	-0.151	48	0.307

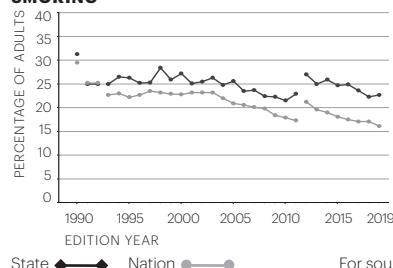
Policy				
Immunizations—Adolescents (mean z score of HPV, meningococcal and Tdap)*	+++	0.038	21	1.863
HPV Females (% ages 13–17)	+	46.4	43	76.1
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Meningococcal (% ages 13–17)	++++	91.7	11	98.7
Tdap (% ages 13–17)	++++	90.2	16	97.5
Immunizations—Children (% ages 19–35 months)	++	69.4	34	82.1
Public Health Funding (dollars per person)	++++	\$108	17	\$281
Uninsured (% of population)	+++	8.1	25	2.8
Policy Total*	+++	0.018	29	0.206

Clinical Care				
Dentists (number per 100,000 population)	+	42.1	49	82.7
Low Birthweight (% of live births)	+	9.3	42	6.2
Mental Health Providers (number per 100,000 population)	+++	231.6	27	626.6
Preventable Hospitalizations (discharges per 1,000 Medicare enrollees)	+	61.8	45	23.3
Primary Care Physicians (number per 100,000 population)	+	122.3	43	274.9
Clinical Care Total*	+	-0.143	46	0.188
All Determinants*	+	-0.478	48	0.687

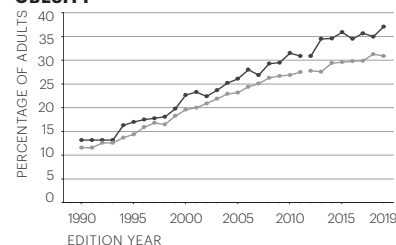
Outcomes				
Cancer Deaths (deaths per 100,000 population)	+	217.7	46	149.8
Cardiovascular Deaths (deaths per 100,000 population)	+	338.3	47	193.8
Diabetes (% of adults)	+	13.9	46	7.0
Disparity in Health Status (% difference by high school education)	+++++	21.6	10	14.5
Frequent Mental Distress (% of adults)	+	16.0	47	9.3
Frequent Physical Distress (% of adults)	+	16.1	49	9.6
Infant Mortality (deaths per 1,000 live births)	+	8.1	48	3.8
Premature Death (years lost before age 75 per 100,000 population)	+	10,210	46	5,665
All Outcomes*	+	-0.358	48	0.234
OVERALL*	+	-0.836	48	0.850

* Value indicates z score. Negative scores are below U.S. value; positive scores are above U.S. value. Years reflect edition year, not data source year. For measure definitions, including data sources and years, see Table 9.

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