

# **South Dakota**

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# **Summary**

#### **Strengths:**

- · High shingles vaccination coverage
- Low prevalence of frequent mental distress
- · Low prevalence of insufficient sleep

# **Challenges:**

- · Low percentage of hospice care use
- · High prevalence of excessive drinking
- · Low home health care worker rate

## **Highlights:**

#### **EXCESSIVE DRINKING**

in the past three years from 4.5% to 8.7% of adults ages 65+

#### LOW-CARE NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

▼5%

in the past year from 17.0% to 16.2% of residents

#### **FLU VACCINATION**

**▼21%** in the past year from 65.0% to 51.1% of adults ages 65+

#### OBESITY

▲34%

since 2013 from 23.8% to 31.8% of adults ages 65+

▼34%

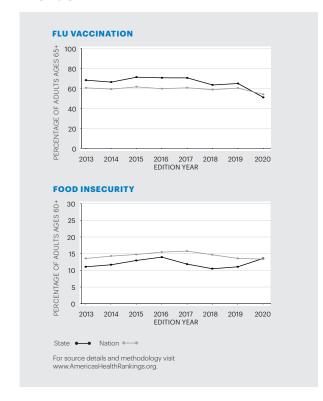
since 2014 from 19.4% to 12.8% of adults ages 65+

#### COGNITIVE DIFFICULTY

TEETH EXTRACTIONS

▼33% of adults ages 65+ in the past five years from 7.8% to 5.2%

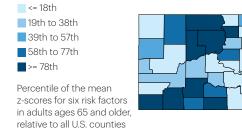
# **Trends**



# **Risk of Social Isolation**

Social isolation, defined as an absence of meaningful social relationships, can negatively impact physical health and mental well-being of seniors. The risk of social isolation measure can be used by states to identify counties in greater need of interventions that alleviate isolation and loneliness in older adults.

### Risk of Social Isolation by County



Risk Factors Among Adults Ages 65+	State Value (%)		
Disability	32.7		
Divorced, Separated or Widowed	36.1		
Independent Living Difficulty	10.6		
Live Alone	11.5		
Never Married	5.0		
Poverty	9.2		

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2014-2018

Rating	Rank
+++++	1-10
++++	11-20
+++	21-30
++	31-40
+	41-50

Measures	Rating	2020 Value	2020 Rank	No. 1 State
BEHAVIORS*	+++	-0.020	22	1.050
Insufficient Sleep (% of adults ages 65+)	++++	22.7	6	20.9
Physical Activity and Nutrition*	+++	-0.173	29	1.393
Exercise (% of adults ages 65+)	++	15.9	33	24.5
Physical Inactivity (% of adults ages 65+ in fair or better health)	++	30.3	31	20.3
Fruit Consumption (% of adults ages 65+)	+++	36.5	21	42.2
Vegetable Consumption (% of adults ages 65+)	+++	13.1	26	19.6
Substance Use*	++	-0.383	38	1.912
Excessive Drinking (% of adults ages 65+)	++	8.7 8.9	40	3.6
Smoking (% of adults ages 65+)	+++	6.9	24	5.5
SOCIAL & ECONOMIC FACTORS*	+++	0.053	30	1.110
Household Economics*	++	-0.196	34	1.398
Food Insecurity (% of adults ages 60+)	++	13.6	31	6.6
Poverty (% of adults ages 65+)	+++	9.0	28	5.5
SNAP Reach (participants per 100 adults ages 60+ living in poverty)	+	44.3	45	100.0
Social Support and Engagement*	++++	0.415	17	1.425
Community Support Expenditure (dollars per adult ages 60+)	++++	\$72	12	\$265
Low-care Nursing Home Residents (% of residents)	+	16.2	46	2.1
Risk of Social Isolation (percentile of mean z-scores for risk factors in adults 65+)	++++	24	13	1
Volunteerism (% of adults ages 65+)	+++++	36.8	7	44.6
Voter Turnout (% of citizens ages 65+)	+++	66.4	22	78.9
Violent Crime (offenses per 100,000 population)	++	405	33	112
PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT*	+++++	1.090	2	1.272
Air and Water Quality*	++++	0.933	4	1.110
Air Pollution (micrograms of fine particles per cubic meter)	++++	5.1	4	4.4
Non-smoking Regulation (% of population)	+++++	100.0	1	100.0
Drinking Water Violations (% of community water systems)	++	2.0	37	0.0
Severe Housing Problems (% of occupied housing units)	+++++	11.9	4	11.2
CLINICAL CARE*	+++	0.073	26	0.795
Access to Care*	+++	-0.102	28	1.524
Avoided Care Due to Cost (% of adults ages 65+)	++++	3.7	13	2.8
Dedicated Health Care Provider (% of adults ages 65+)	++	91.9	40	96.6
Geriatricians (number per 100,000 adults ages 65+)	++	10.2	32	26.9
Home Health Care Workers (number per 1,000 adults ages 65+ with a disability)	+	84	44	398
Preventive Clinical Services*	+++	0.176	22	0.850
Cancer Screenings (% of seniors)	++	71.2	33	81.1
Immunizations*	+++++	0.747	9	1.220
Flu Vaccination (% of adults ages 65+)	++	51.1	37	65.6
Pneumonia Vaccination (% of adults ages 65+)	+++++	77.0	6	78.6
Shingles Vaccination (% of adults ages 65+)	+++++	55.9	1	55.9
Quality of Care*	+++	0.145	27	1.465
Hospice Care (% of Medicare decedents)	+	39.2	46	59.4
Hospital Readmissions (% of hospitalized Medicare enrollees ages 65–74)	+++++	15.0	7	14.0
Nursing Home Quality (% of 4- or 5-star beds)	+++	51.0	27	67.9
Preventable Hospitalizations (discharges per 100,000 Medicare enrollees ages 65-74)	+++	2,327	22	1,128
ALL DETERMINANTS*	+++	0.177	22	0.847
HEALTH OUTCOMES*	++++	0.462	13	1.183
Health Status*	+++++	0.853	8	1.543
Able-bodied (% of adults ages 65+)	+++++	68.8	10	70.6
Frequent Mental Distress (% of adults ages 65+)	++++	5.7	5	4.6
Frequent Physical Distress (% of adults ages 65+)	+++++	15.5	10	13.2
High Health Status (% of adults ages 65+)	+++	42.8	24	52.6
Injury and Illness*	+++	0.172	24	1.660
Falls (% of adults ages 65+)	+++	27.3	27	20.0
Multiple Chronic Conditions, 4+ (% Medicare enrollees ages 65+)	+++++	30.8	10	23.6
Obesity (% of adults ages 65+)	++	31.8	37	17.4
Teeth Extractions (% of adults ages 65+)	++++	12.8	19	6.2
Mortality*	++++	0.258	17	1.098
Early Death (deaths per 100,000 adults ages 65-74)	++++	1,656	18	1,419
Suicide (deaths per 100,000 adults ages 65+)	+++	17.0	22	9.4
OVERALL*	++++	0.248	_	0.868
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<sup>\*</sup> 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, visit www.AmericasHealthRankings.org.

<sup>—</sup>Indicates data suppressed.