Georgia

Ranking Highlights^a

	National Rank	Rank Among Southeastern States*
Overall	45 of 51	8 of 12
Reproductive & Women's Health	45	10
Access & Affordability	48	12
Prevention & Treatment	44	10
Avoidable Hospital Use & Cost	42	10
Healthy Lives	33	4
Income Disparity	46	8
Racial & Ethnic Health Equity	32	6

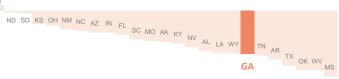


How Georgia Compares to All States



Worse-than-average overall performance

Better-than-average overall performance



The Best and Worst in Georgia

Best Performance

Alcohol deaths

Home health patients with improved mobility

Drug overdose deaths

Improved the Most

Preventable hospitalizations ages 18-64

Potentially avoidable emergency department visits age 65 and older

Primary care spending as share of total, ages 18-64

Worst Performance

Primary care spending as share of total, ages 18-64

Adults who went without care because of cost

Uninsured adults

Worsened the Most

Adults with inappropriate lower back imaging

Children without all recommended vaccines

Central line-associated blood stream infection (CLABSI)



^{*} Southeastern states include AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV

Table 1. State Health System Performance Indicator Data by Dimension

Dimension and indicator	Data year	State rate	U.S. average	Best state rate	State rank	Data year	State rate	U.S. average	Change over time ^b
Access & Affordability	year		S Scorecard	Tate	Talik	year	Baseline	average	time
Adults ages 19–64 uninsured	2021	18%	12%	3%	49	2019	19%	13%	No Change
Children ages 0–18 uninsured	2021	7%	5%	1%	39	2019	7%	6%	No Change
Adults age 18 and older who went without care because of cost in past year	2021	16%	10%	5%	49	2019	18%	14%	Improved
Adults age 18 and older without a usual source of care	2021	19%	17%	9%	40	_	_	_	_
Individuals under age 65 with high out- of-pocket medical costs relative to their annual household income	2020–21	8%	7%	5%	38	2018–19	12%	10%	Improved
Employee total potential out-of-pocket medical costs as a share of state median income	2021	14%	12%	7%	42	2019	14%	12%	No Change
People with medical debt	2021	17%	13%	2%	43	_	_	_	_
Adults age 18 and older without a dental visit in past year	2020	40%	35%	25%	43	2018	38%	34%	No Change
Prevention & Treatment		2023	Scorecard				Baseline		
Adults with all age- and gender- appropriate cancer screenings	2020	69%	69%	76%	29	2018	69%	68%	No Change
Adults with age-appropriate flu and pneumonia vaccines	2021	35%	42%	54%	47	2019	34%	41%	No Change
Adults vaccinated against COVID-19 with a booster	2022	31%	42%	63%	46	_	_	_	_
Diabetic adults without an annual hemoglobin A1c test	2021	9%	10%	4%	22	2019	11%	8%	No Change
Children without all recommended vaccines	2021	37%	28%	12%	47	2019	28%	27%	Worsened
Children with a medical home	2020–21	49%	46%	55%	27	2018–19	45%	48%	Improved
Children without a medical and dental preventive care visit	2020-21	39%	38%	26%	31	_	_	_	_
Children who did not receive needed mental health care	2020–21	18%	20%	11%	19	2018–19	21%	18%	Improved
Adults age 18 and older with any mental illness who did not receive treatment	2019–20	58%	55%	41%	43	_	_	_	_
Youth ages 12–17 with a major depressive episode who did not receive mental health services	2019–20	67%	60%	33%	44	_	_	_	_
Hospitals with better-than-average patient experience ratings	2021	29%	45%	83%	40	2019	39%	48%	Worsened
Hospital 30-day mortality	07/2018– 12/2021	12%	12%	11%	23	07/2016– 06/2019	14%	14%	Improved

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Dimension and indicator	Data year	State rate	U.S. average	Best state rate	State rank	Data year	State rate	U.S. average	Change over time ^b
Prevention & Treatment (cont.)	your		Scorecard	rato	Turrit	you	Baseline	avorago	
Central line-associated bloodstream infection (CLABSI)	2021	0.989	0.921	0.571	36	2019	0.641	0.689	Worsened
Nursing home residents with an antipsychotic medication	2020	18%	14%	9%	42	2018	18%	15%	No Change
Home health patients with improved mobility	2019	83%	80%	87%	10	2017	77%	75%	Improved
Avoidable Hospital Use & Cost		2023	Scorecard				Baseline		
Potentially avoidable emergency departr	ment visits								
Ages 18–64, per 1,000 employer-insured enrollees	2021	137	134	122	36	2019	177	137	Improved
Age 65 and older, per 1,000 Medicare beneficiaries	2021	131	141	115	14	2019	189	185	Improved
Admissions for ambulatory care–sensitiv	e conditions								
Ages 18–64, per 1,000 employer-insured enrollees	2021	4	4	4	26	2019	7	7	Improved
Age 65 and older, per 1,000 Medicare beneficiaries	2021	31	29	16	35	2019	44	41	Improved
30-day hospital readmissions									
Ages 18–64, per 1,000 employer-insured enrollees	2021	3	3	2	35	2019	3	3	Improved
Age 65 and older, per 1,000 Medicare beneficiaries	2021	33	33	16	28	2019	41	40	Improved
Skilled nursing patients with a successful discharge	2020	52%	57%	69%	45	2018	51%	54%	No Change
Home health patients with a hospital admission	2019	17%	15%	11%	37	2017	17%	16%	No Change
Adults with inappropriate lower back imaging	2021	69%	69%	60%	26	2019	63%	68%	Worsened
Employer-sponsored insurance spending per enrollee	2021	\$6,450	\$6,060	\$4,255	35	2019	\$5,919	\$5,354	Worsened
Medicare spending per beneficiary	2021	\$10,528	\$10,478	\$6,915	35	2019	\$10,292	\$10,180	No Change
Primary care spending as a share of total	al health care	spending							
Ages 18–64 (employer-insured enrollees)	2021	4.1%	6.9%	10.0%	49	2019	7.0%	7.2%	Worsened
Age 65 and older (Medicare beneficiaries)	2020	5.8%	5.5%	7.6%	14	2018	5.9%	5.7%	No Change
Healthy Lives		2023	Scorecard				Baseline		
Premature deaths from treatable causes per 100,000 population	2020–21	105	89	59	41	2018–19	98	84	No Change
Premature deaths from preventable causes per 100,000 population	2020–21	251	232	152	33	2018–19	171	166	Worsened

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Dimension and indicates	Data	State	U.S.	Best state rate	State	Data	State rate	U.S.	Change over time ^b
Dimension and indicator Healthy Lives (cont.)	year	rate	average Scorecard		rank	year	Baseline	average	time
		2023	ocorecard				Daseille		
Drug overdose deaths per 100,000 population	2021	24	32	11	12	2019	13	22	Worsened
Suicide deaths per 100,000 population	2021	15	14	6	25	2019	15	14	No Change
Alcohol-related deaths per 100,000 population	2021	11	14	8	9	2019	8	10	No Change
Adults ages 18–64 who report fair or poor health	2021	16%	14%	10%	40	2019	18%	17%	Improved
Adults age 18 and older who smoke	2021	15%	14%	7%	30	2019	16%	15%	No Change
Adults who are obese	2021	35%	34%	25%	29	2019	34%	32%	No Change
Children who are overweight or obese	2020–21	34%	34%	24%	34	2018–19	31%	31%	Worsened
Adults who have lost six or more teeth	2020	10%	9%	5%	36	2018	12%	9%	Improved
Reproductive & Women's Health		2023	Scorecard				Baseline		
Maternal deaths while pregnant or within 42 days of termination of pregnancy, per 100,000 live births	2019–21	36	26	10	36	_	_	_	_
Severe maternal morbidity rate per 10,000 in-hospital deliveries	2020	92	88	43	35	2018	81	77	Worsened
Infant mortality, deaths per 1,000 live births	2020	6.3	5.4	3.5	36	2018	7.1	5.7	Improved
Share of births born preterm, prior to 37 weeks of pregnancy (gestation)	2021	12%	10%	8%	43	2019	12%	10%	No Change
Breast and cervical cancer deaths per 100,000 female population	2021	25	22	16	44	2019	23	22	Worsened
All-cause mortality rate per 100,000 women ages 15–44	2021	151	124	79	37	2019	96	89	Worsened
Share of in-hospital births in state with a self-pay insurance payment source	2021	5.64%	2.74%	0.30%	47	2019	6.38%	3.41%	No Change
Women ages 18–44 without a usual source of care	2021	24%	21%	9%	43	_	_	_	_
Women ages 18–44 without a routine checkup in the past two years	2021	13%	13%	8%	32	2019	17%	13%	Improved
Share of births not beginning prenatal care in first trimester	2021	23%	22%	11%	36	2019	25%	22%	No Change
Share of women with a recent live birth who did not report having a postpartum checkup visit	2020	11%	11%	8%	19	2018	10%	9%	No Change
Women with up-to-date breast and cervical cancer screenings	2020	74%	74%	80%	16	2018	77%	76%	Worsened

Table 2. State Income Disparity Data

Disparity Indicator	Data year	Low- income rate ^c 2023 Sco	Disparity ^d	State rank	Data year	Low- income rate ^c Baseline	Disparity ^d	Change over time ^e
	2024			FO	2040		20	Impres :
Adults ages 19–64 uninsured Children ages 0–18 uninsured	2021	35% 9%	-28 -6	50 37	2019	36% 10%	-29 -8	Improved Improved
Adults age 18 and older who went without care								
because of cost in past year	2020–21	28%	-21	48	2018–19	32%	-25	Improved
Adults age 18 and older without a usual source of care	2020–21	31%	-15	40	_	_	_	_
Individuals under age 65 with high out-of-pocket medical costs relative to their annual household income	2020–21	20%	-18	28	2018–19	27%	-24	Improved
Adults age 18 and older without a dental visit in past year	2018/20	55%	-34	43	2016/18	54%	-33	No Change
Adults with all age- and gender-appropriate cancer screenings	2018/20	62%	-13	45	2016/18	60%	-16	Improved
Adults with age-appropriate flu and pneumonia vaccines	2020–21	29%	-14	17	2018–19	24%	-15	No Change
Children ages 19–35 months who did not receive all recommended vaccines	2021	47%	-18	37	2019	34%	-20	No Change
Children ages 0–17 with all components of a medical home	2020–21	40%	-23	11	2018–19	34%	-29	No Change
Children without age-appropriate medical and dental preventive care visits in the past year	2020–21	48%	-24	39	_	_	_	_
Potentially avoidable emergency department visits, Medicare beneficiaries age 65 and older, per 1,000 beneficiaries	2020	266	-145	32	2019	376	-209	Improved
Hospital admissions for ambulatory care–sensitive conditions, Medicare beneficiaries age 65 and older, per 1,000 beneficiaries	2020	66	-39	21	2019	95	-59	Improved
30-day hospital readmissions, Medicare beneficiaries age 65 and older, per 1,000 beneficiaries	2020	75	-46	27	2019	92	-59	Improved
Primary care spending as share of total health care spending among Medicare beneficiaries age 65 and older	2020	4.9%	-1.1	36	2018	5.2%	-0.9	No Change
Adults ages 18–64 who report fair or poor health	2020–21	26%	-21	40	2018–19	29%	-22	Improved
Adults age 18 and older who smoke	2020–21	25%	-16	28	2018–19	24%	-14	Worsened
Adults ages 18–64 who are obese (BMI >= 30)	2020–21	37%	-5	11	2018–19	39%	-9	Improved
Adults ages 18–64 who have lost six or more teeth because of tooth decay, infection, or gum disease	2018/20	19%	-13	32	2016/18	19%	-13	No Change

Table 3. State Racial and Ethnic Health Equity Performance Summary Data^f

Health System Performance Score & State Rank Among Population Group

	Percentile Score (1–100)	State Rank Among Population Group
American Indian and Alaska Native people	_	_
Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander people	68	20 of 30 states
Black people	27	22 of 39 states
Hispanic people	12	41 of 48 states
White people ^g	60	_

Performance Score based on methodology used in: Achieving Racial and Ethnic Equity in U.S. Health Care: A Scorecard of State Performance, Commonwealth Fund, Nov. 2021, available at: https://www.commonwealthfund.org/publications/scorecard/2021/nov/achieving-racial-ethnic-equity-us-health-care-state-performance

Table 4. State Racial and Ethnic Health Equity Performance Measure Data ^f									
	Data year	U.S. total	AIAN people	AANHPI people	Black people	Hispanic people	White people		
Health Outcomes									
Deaths before age 75 from health care treatable causes per 100,000 population	2020–21	89	_	46	152	52	93		
Deaths before age 75 from preventable causes per 100,000 population	2020–21	232	104	96	293	165	255		
Colorectal cancer deaths per 100,000 population	2020–21	13	_	8	17	8	14		
Adults age 18 and older who smoke	2020–21	14%	36%	_	15%	11%	16%		
Adults ages 18–64 who are obese (BMI >= 30)	2020–21	34%	35%	13%	42%	34%	33%		
Adults ages 18–64 who have lost six or more teeth because of tooth decay, infection, or gum disease	2018/20	9%	35%	_	11%	6%	12%		
30-day hospital readmissions, Medicare beneficiaries age 65 and older, per 1,000 beneficiaries	2020	33	_	_	54	_	31		
Health Care Access									
Adults ages 19–64 uninsured	2021	12%	15%	10%	18%	42%	14%		
Children ages 0–18 uninsured	2021	5%	_	6%	7%	12%	5%		
Adults age 18 and older who went without care because of cost in past year	2020–21	10%	30%	13%	17%	24%	13%		
Adults age 18 and older without a usual source of care	2020–21	17%	20%	27%	21%	46%	19%		
Individuals under age 65 with high out-of-pocket medical costs relative to their annual household income	2020–21	7%	_	5%	9%	9%	8%		
Health Care Quality and Service Use									
Adult women ages 50–74 who did not receive a mammogram in the past two years	2018/20	22%	22%	31%	17%	17%	22%		
Adult women ages 25–64 who did not receive a cervical cancer screening test in the past three years	2018/20	24%	38%	40%	16%	17%	27%		
Adults ages 50–74 without a recent colon cancer screening test	2018/20	28%	23%	26%	28%	52%	30%		

Table 4. State Racial and Ethnic Health Equity Performance Measure Data (cont.)

	Data year	U.S. total	AIAN people	AANHPI people	Black people	Hispanic people	White people
Health Care Quality and Service Use (cont.)							
Adults age 18 and older who did not receive a flu shot in the last year	2020–21	55%	66%	59%	69%	72%	54%
Adults age 65 and older who have never gotten a pneumonia vaccine	2020–21	30%	30%	46%	38%	50%	25%
Hospital admissions for ambulatory care–sensitive conditions, Medicare beneficiaries age 65 and older, per 1,000 beneficiaries	2020	29	_	_	39	_	31
Potentially avoidable emergency department visits, Medicare beneficiaries age 65 and older, per 1,000 beneficiaries	2020	137	_	_	194	_	128
Adults age 18 and older without a dental visit in past year	2018/20	35%	51%	36%	39%	50%	36%
Children ages 19–35 months who did not receive all recommended vaccines	2021	28%	_	_	49%	34%	26%
Children without age-appropriate medical and dental preventive care visits in the past year	2020–21	38%	_	<u> </u>	43%	47%	31%
Primary care spending as a share of total health care spending age 65 and older (Medicare beneficiaries)	2020	6%	_		5%		6%

Table 5. Select Reproductive Care and Women's Health Measures by Race and Ethnicity

	Data year	U.S. total	AIAN people	AANHPI people	Black people	Hispanic people	White people
Severe maternal morbidity rate per 10,000 in-hospital deliveries	2020	88	_	_	126	82	66
Infant mortality, deaths per 1,000 live births	2019-20	5.4		4.1	9.7	5.1	5
Share of births born preterm, prior to 37 weeks of pregnancy (gestation)	2020-21	10%	16%	9%	15%	10%	10%
Breast and cervical cancer deaths per 100,000 female population	2020-21	22	_	12	29	14	22
All-cause mortality rate per 100,000 women ages 15–44	2020-21	124	_	37	173	73	134
Share of births not beginning prenatal care in first trimester	2020-21	22%	31%	20%	29%	32%	17%

Notes

- (a) The 2023 Scorecard rankings generally reflect 2021 data. The 2023 Scorecard added or revised several performance measures, including the addition of 12 measures specifically related to reproductive care and women's health and the removal of most measures around state COVID-19 response, since the June 2022 Scorecard report; rankings are not comparable between reports.
- (b) Trend data available for 50 of 58 total Scorecard indicators. Improved/worsened denotes a change of at least one-half (0.5) standard deviation larger than the indicator's distribution among all states over the two time points. No change denotes no change in rate or a change of less than one-half standard deviation.
- (c) Rates are for state's low-income population, generally those whose household income is less than 200% of the federal poverty level (FPL).
- (d) Income disparity is the difference between the state's low-income and higher-income (generally 400%+ FPL) populations.
- (e) Improvement indicates that the low-income rate improved and the disparity between low- and higher-income populations narrowed; worsening indicates that the low-income rate worsened and the disparity between low- and higher-income populations widened.
- (f) Performance data not available for all groups in every state.
- (g) State not ranked on health system perfomance for white people in this report; included for comparative purposes.
- "—" means data not available.

Most data reported here can also be found in the Commonwealth Fund's online Health System Data Center at https://www.commonwealthfund.org/datacenter