2014 Rankings

Nevada

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INTRODUCTION

The County Health Rankings & Roadmaps program helps communities identify and implement solutions that make it easier for people to be healthy in their schools, workplaces, and neighborhoods. Ranking the health of nearly every county in the nation, the County Health Rankings illustrate what we know when it comes to what is making people sick or healthy. The Roadmaps show what we can do to create healthier places to live, learn, work, and play. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) collaborates with the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute (UWPHI) to bring this program to cities, counties, and states across the nation.

WHAT ARE THE COUNTY HEALTH RANKINGS?

The County Health Rankings measure the health of nearly every county in the nation. Published online at countyhealthrankings.org, the Rankings help counties understand what influences how healthy residents are and how long they will live. The Rankings look at a variety of measures that affect health, such as high school graduation rates, access to healthy foods, rates of smoking, obesity, and teen births. Based on data available for each county, the Rankings are unique in their ability to measure the overall health of each county in all 50 states. They have been used to garner support for local health improvement initiatives among government agencies, healthcare providers, community organizations, business leaders, policy makers, and the public.

HOW ARE PEOPLE USING THE RANKINGS?

- Highlighting community success
- Identifying root causes of poor health
- Supporting policy change
- Engaging communities in health improvement

For more information, visit countyhealthrankings.org
WHAT ARE THE ROADMAPS TO HEALTH?

The Roadmaps to Health help communities bring people together to look at the many factors that influence health, select strategies that work, and make changes that will have a lasting impact. The Roadmaps focus on helping communities determine what they can do and what they can learn from others.

What You Can Do

The Roadmaps to Health Action Center provides step-by-step guides, tools, and webinars to help groups working to improve the health of their communities. Community Coaches also provide customized consultation to local communities that have demonstrated a willingness to address factors that we know influence health, such as education, income, and community safety.

The Action Center also features What Works for Health – a searchable database of evidence-informed policies and programs that can improve health.

Learning From Others

Honoring the efforts of communities working at the forefront of health improvement, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation annually awards the RWJF Culture of Health Prize to outstanding communities that are working toward better health. The Prize recognizes communities with strong and diverse partnerships that are coming together with a shared vision and commitment to address multiple factors that affect health and make lasting changes that create a culture of health for all. Visit countyhealthrankings.org or rwjf.org/prize to learn about the work of past prize winners.

At countyhealthrankings.org, we also feature stories from communities across the nation who have used data from the County Health Rankings or have engaged in strategies to improve health. For example, you can learn from the successes and challenges of the 30 Roadmaps to Health Community Grantees. These grantees are working to create positive policy or systems changes that address social and economic factors that influence how healthy people are and how long they live, such as education and community safety. You might also want to contact your local affiliate of United Way Worldwide, the National Business Coalition on Health, or the National Association of Counties - their national parent organizations have partnered with us to raise awareness and stimulate action to improve health in their local members’ communities.

How can you get involved?

In communities large and small, people from all walks of life are taking ownership and action to improve health. Visit countyhealthrankings.org to get ideas and guidance on how you can take action in your community. Working with others, you can improve the health of your community.
The green map below shows the distribution of Nevada's health outcomes, based on an equal weighting of length and quality of life. Lighter colors indicate better performance in the respective summary rankings. Detailed information on the underlying measures is available on our website.

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The blue map displays Nevada’s summary ranks for **health factors**, based on weighted scores for health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic factors, and the physical environment. Lighter colors indicate better performance in the respective summary rankings. Detailed information on the underlying measures is available on our website.

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Summary Health Outcomes & Health Factors Rankings

Counties receive two ranks:
- Health Outcomes
- Health Factors

Each of these ranks represents a weighted summary of a number of measures.

Health outcomes represent how healthy a county is while health factors represent what influences the health of the county.

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