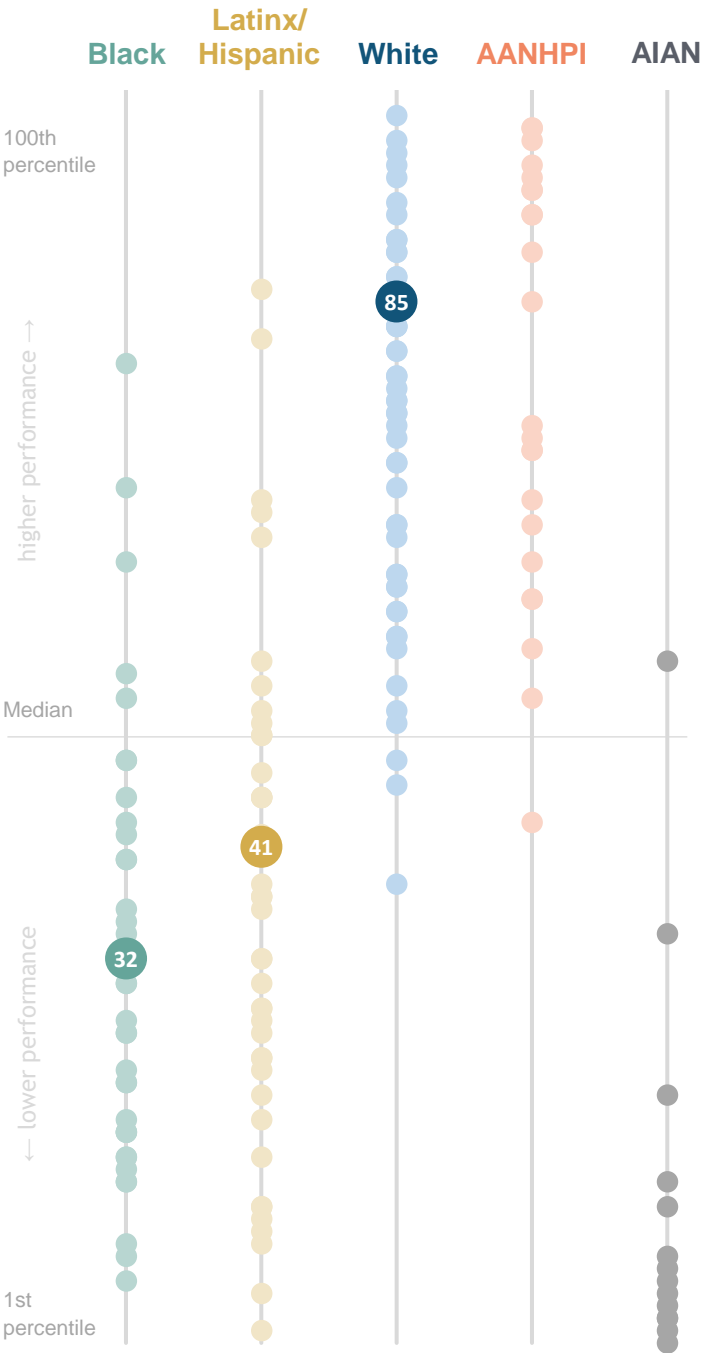


Health Equity in Iowa

Overall Health System Performance by Race/Ethnicity

Each column is a racial/ethnic group, each point represents a state. Performance represented as percentiles (1–100). Iowa performance percentile highlighted. No highlighted dot indicates overall performance data not available for that group.



Source: David C. Radley et al., *Achieving Racial and Ethnic Equity in U.S. Health Care: A Scorecard of State Performance* (Commonwealth Fund, Nov. 2021).

State population	Total	3,112,602	
	AANHPI	74,385	2%
	AIAN	8,834	<1%
	Black	122,566	4%
	Latinx/Hispanic	195,585	6%
	White	2,652,356	85%

Black

Rank of Black people in IA compared to all states

Overall	17 of 38 states
Health Outcomes	22 of 38
Health Care Access	14 of 40
Health Care Quality	16 of 40

Latinx/Hispanic

Rank of Latinx people in IA compared to all states

Overall	17 of 42 states
Health Outcomes	25 of 42
Health Care Access	20 of 48
Health Care Quality	20 of 48

White

Rank of white people in IA compared to all states

Overall	15 of 51 states
Health Outcomes	29 of 51
Health Care Access	12 of 51
Health Care Quality	12 of 51

Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander (AANHPI)

Rank of AANHPI people in IA compared to all states

Overall	— of 23 states
Health Outcomes	— of 24
Health Care Access	25 of 30
Health Care Quality	19 of 41

American Indian, Alaska Native (AIAN)

Rank of AIAN people in IA compared to all states

Overall	— of 14 states
Health Outcomes	— of 14
Health Care Access	— of 16
Health Care Quality	— of 16

Lower values indicate higher rank and better performance among each racial/ethnic group in IA compared to other states. Performance data not available for all groups in every state. “—” means data not available.

Table 1. Iowa Performance Data

	Black		Latinx/ Hispanic		White		AANHPI		AIAN	
	IA rate	US rate	IA rate	US rate	IA rate	US rate	IA rate	US rate	IA rate	US rate
<b>Health Outcomes</b>										
Mortality amenable to health care (per 100,000 population)	154	153	51	67	76	78	47	49	156	108
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	11	11	6	5	5	5	—	4	—	9
Breast cancer deaths (per 100,000 female population)	—	28	—	14	18	20	—	12	—	15
Colorectal cancer deaths (per 100,000 population)	20	17	—	11	14	13	—	9	—	13
Hospital 30-day readmission rate age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	—	60	—	—	28	37	—	—	—	—
Adults who smoke (%)	23	17	10	12	16	15	8	8	44	28
Adults who are obese (%)	46	42	36	36	37	31	9	13	37	40
Adults who have lost six or more teeth (%)	7	11	7	7	8	10	—	3	23	18
<b>Health Care Access</b>										
Uninsured adults (%)	12	14	19	26	6	9	7	8	—	25
Uninsured children (%)	—	5	8	9	2	4	—	4	—	14
Adults who went without care because of cost (%)	12	15	20	19	7	10	—	9	—	17
High out-of-pocket medical spending (%)	—	7	8	6	6	6	8	5	—	7
Adults with a usual source of care (%)	75	78	59	60	85	81	62	75	80	71
<b>Health Care Quality</b>										
Preventable hospitalizations age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	—	59	—	—	36	39	—	—	—	—
Potentially avoidable emergency department visits age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	298	290	—	—	177	180	—	—	—	—
Adult women who received a mammogram (%)	85	85	78	79	81	78	90	76	—	72
Adult women with a cervical cancer screening test (%)	85	83	83	79	76	76	59	72	73	72
Adults with a colon cancer screening test (%)	75	71	47	59	73	73	58	63	49	61
Adults with a recent flu shot (%)	35	37	38	35	51	49	54	47	25	39
Older adults who received the pneumonia vaccine (%)	51	61	41	55	75	74	52	67	64	62
Children with a medical and dental preventive care visit (%)	65	63	81	61	74	70	—	—	—	—
Children with all recommended vaccines (%)	—	66	—	70	76	76	—	—	—	—
Adults with a dental visit (%)	64	60	62	57	70	69	68	67	48	56
Primary care spending as share of total, age 65 and older (%)	4	5	—	—	6	6	—	—	—	—

Table 2. Iowa Performance Ranks & Percentile Scores

	Black		Latinx/ Hispanic		White		AANHPI		AIAN	
	Group rank	Score	Group rank	Score	Group rank	Score	Group rank	Score	Group rank	Score
<b>Health Outcomes</b>	22	16	25	67	29	48	—	—	—	—
Mortality amenable to health care (per 100,000 population)	18	15	11	84	31	47	—	—	—	—
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	22	12	24	48	18	79	—	—	—	—
Breast cancer deaths (per 100,000 female population)	—	—	—	—	9	60	—	—	—	—
Colorectal cancer deaths (per 100,000 population)	30	8	—	—	38	33	—	—	—	—
Hospital 30-day readmission rate age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	—	—	—	—	16	82	—	—	—	—
Adults who smoke (%)	35	10	9	83	29	47	—	—	—	—
Adults who are obese (%)	32	8	29	37	45	37	—	—	—	—
Adults who have lost six or more teeth (%)	3	70	29	71	17	60	—	—	—	—
<b>Health Care Access</b>	14	61	20	23	12	89	25	34	—	—
Uninsured adults (%)	20	52	12	29	8	96	10	84	—	—
Uninsured children (%)	—	—	15	31	4	97	—	—	—	—
Adults who went without care because of cost (%)	11	59	29	16	8	93	—	—	—	—
High out-of-pocket medical spending (%)	—	—	25	30	27	58	14	27	—	—
Adults with a usual source of care (%)	27	53	28	13	12	91	29	20	—	—
<b>Health Care Quality</b>	16	44	20	37	12	93	19	49	—	—
Preventable hospitalizations age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	—	—	—	—	19	75	—	—	—	—
Potentially avoidable emergency department visits age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	28	15	—	—	27	69	—	—	—	—
Adult women who received a mammogram (%)	12	86	25	48	9	66	2	99	—	—
Adult women with a cervical cancer screening test (%)	12	93	5	83	19	53	37	3	—	—
Adults with a colon cancer screening test (%)	3	91	42	7	22	78	27	22	—	—
Adults with a recent flu shot (%)	30	19	16	30	11	92	4	95	—	—
Older adults who received the pneumonia vaccine (%)	38	10	44	2	19	80	28	11	—	—
Children with a medical and dental preventive care visit (%)	16	48	1	99	10	92	—	—	—	—
Children with all recommended vaccines (%)	—	—	—	—	22	67	—	—	—	—
Adults with a dental visit (%)	10	56	14	49	21	86	14	75	—	—
Primary care spending as share of total, age 65 and older (%)	33	9	—	—	11	84	—	—	—	—