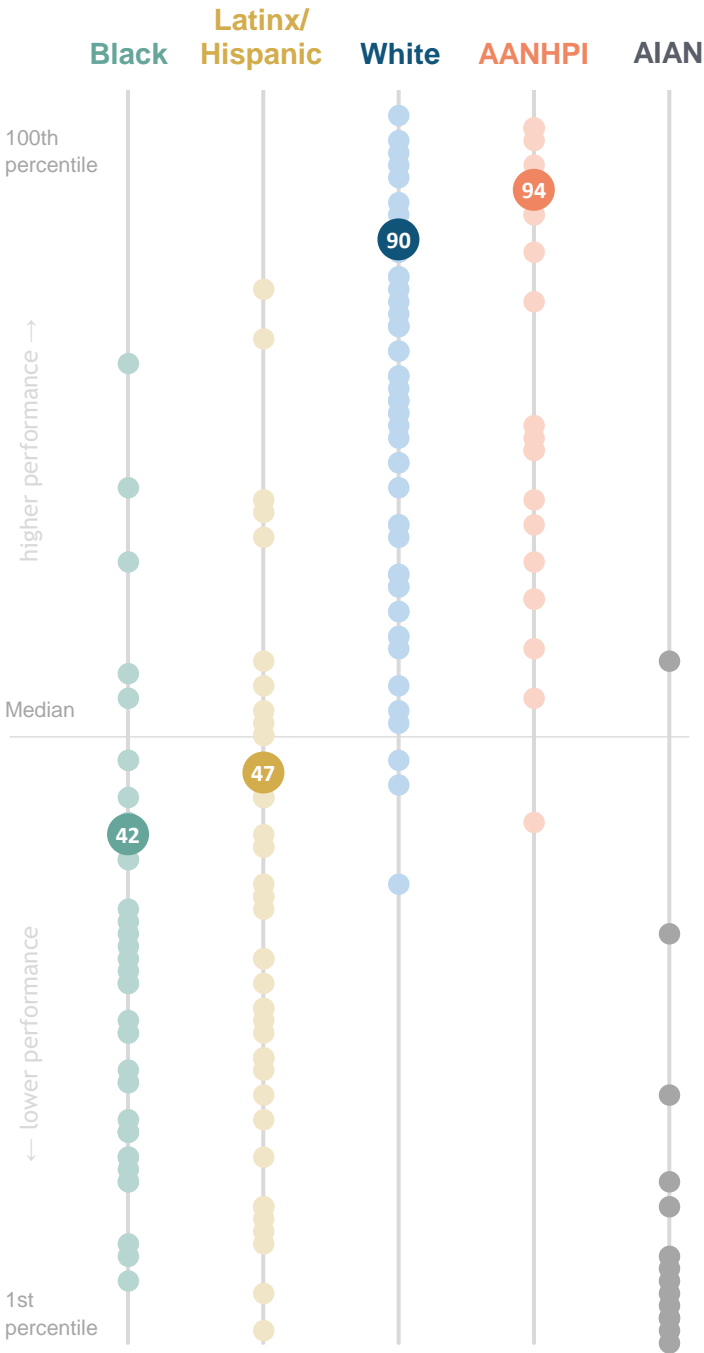


Health Equity in New Jersey

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). New Jersey 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	8,776,794	
	AANHPI	851,201	10%
	AIAN	8,819	<1%
	Black	1,089,779	12%
	Latinx/Hispanic	1,840,891	21%
	White	4,774,084	54%

Black

Rank of Black people in NJ compared to all states

Overall	10 of 38 states
Health Outcomes	11 of 38
Health Care Access	9 of 40
Health Care Quality	18 of 40

Latinx/Hispanic

Rank of Latinx people in NJ compared to all states

Overall	12 of 42 states
Health Outcomes	9 of 42
Health Care Access	12 of 48
Health Care Quality	34 of 48

White

Rank of white people in NJ compared to all states

Overall	8 of 51 states
Health Outcomes	12 of 51
Health Care Access	7 of 51
Health Care Quality	17 of 51

Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander (AANHPI)

Rank of AANHPI people in NJ compared to all states

Overall	6 of 23 states
Health Outcomes	4 of 24
Health Care Access	3 of 30
Health Care Quality	16 of 41

American Indian, Alaska Native (AIAN)

Rank of AIAN people in NJ 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 NJ compared to other states. Performance data not available for all groups in every state. “—” means data not available.

Table 1. New Jersey Performance Data

	Black		Latinx/ Hispanic		White		AANHPI		AIAN	
	NJ rate	US rate	NJ rate	US rate	NJ rate	US rate	NJ rate	US rate	NJ rate	US rate
Health Outcomes										
Mortality amenable to health care (per 100,000 population)	141	153	55	67	67	78	37	49	—	108
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	9	11	5	5	3	5	3	4	—	9
Breast cancer deaths (per 100,000 female population)	28	28	12	14	22	20	11	12	—	15
Colorectal cancer deaths (per 100,000 population)	18	17	9	11	13	13	7	9	—	13
Hospital 30-day readmission rate age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	67	60	—	—	44	37	—	—	—	—
Adults who smoke (%)	14	17	10	12	11	15	7	8	—	28
Adults who are obese (%)	39	42	36	36	26	31	12	13	—	40
Adults who have lost six or more teeth (%)	9	11	6	7	8	10	—	3	—	18
Health Care Access										
Uninsured adults (%)	12	14	27	26	6	9	7	8	—	25
Uninsured children (%)	5	5	7	9	3	4	3	4	—	14
Adults who went without care because of cost (%)	12	15	21	19	7	10	9	9	—	17
High out-of-pocket medical spending (%)	6	7	3	6	5	6	3	5	—	7
Adults with a usual source of care (%)	84	78	65	60	86	81	84	75	84	71
Health Care Quality										
Preventable hospitalizations age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	63	59	—	—	44	39	—	—	—	—
Potentially avoidable emergency department visits age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	266	290	—	—	160	180	—	—	—	—
Adult women who received a mammogram (%)	86	85	79	79	78	78	85	76	96	72
Adult women with a cervical cancer screening test (%)	79	83	80	79	83	76	74	72	—	72
Adults with a colon cancer screening test (%)	74	71	59	59	70	73	59	63	—	61
Adults with a recent flu shot (%)	35	37	34	35	53	49	50	47	—	39
Older adults who received the pneumonia vaccine (%)	52	61	41	55	69	74	48	67	—	62
Children with a medical and dental preventive care visit (%)	73	63	71	61	77	70	—	—	—	—
Children with all recommended vaccines (%)	—	66	63	70	73	76	—	—	—	—
Adults with a dental visit (%)	63	60	57	57	77	69	69	67	55	56
Primary care spending as share of total, age 65 and older (%)	5	5	—	—	5	6	—	—	—	—

Table 2. New Jersey 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
Health Outcomes	11	23	9	81	12	63	4	98	—	—
Mortality amenable to health care (per 100,000 population)	13	19	18	77	16	60	3	98	—	—
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	7	24	6	79	1	99	2	99	—	—
Breast cancer deaths (per 100,000 female population)	19	14	11	84	46	29	9	91	—	—
Colorectal cancer deaths (per 100,000 population)	21	14	16	79	28	43	3	96	—	—
Hospital 30-day readmission rate age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	23	13	—	—	48	38	—	—	—	—
Adults who smoke (%)	5	64	11	81	4	79	4	97	—	—
Adults who are obese (%)	10	26	26	38	5	84	6	96	—	—
Adults who have lost six or more teeth (%)	5	57	22	77	15	61	—	—	—	—
Health Care Access	9	72	12	31	7	94	3	95	—	—
Uninsured adults (%)	19	53	24	18	8	96	7	86	—	—
Uninsured children (%)	18	53	12	39	11	88	4	86	—	—
Adults who went without care because of cost (%)	13	56	33	13	6	95	9	86	—	—
High out-of-pocket medical spending (%)	10	56	2	96	9	81	1	96	—	—
Adults with a usual source of care (%)	6	87	14	27	10	92	3	89	—	—
Health Care Quality	18	43	34	17	17	90	16	59	—	—
Preventable hospitalizations age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	17	17	—	—	34	51	—	—	—	—
Potentially avoidable emergency department visits age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	12	32	—	—	9	89	—	—	—	—
Adult women who received a mammogram (%)	10	89	19	58	22	51	7	84	—	—
Adult women with a cervical cancer screening test (%)	28	68	18	72	3	87	14	32	—	—
Adults with a colon cancer screening test (%)	9	83	24	24	38	60	25	26	—	—
Adults with a recent flu shot (%)	29	20	33	14	10	92	9	84	—	—
Older adults who received the pneumonia vaccine (%)	37	11	44	2	48	55	32	5	—	—
Children with a medical and dental preventive care visit (%)	3	86	9	79	6	96	—	—	—	—
Children with all recommended vaccines (%)	—	—	29	9	36	47	—	—	—	—
Adults with a dental visit (%)	12	50	33	19	3	98	11	82	—	—
Primary care spending as share of total, age 65 and older (%)	30	12	—	—	44	39	—	—	—	—