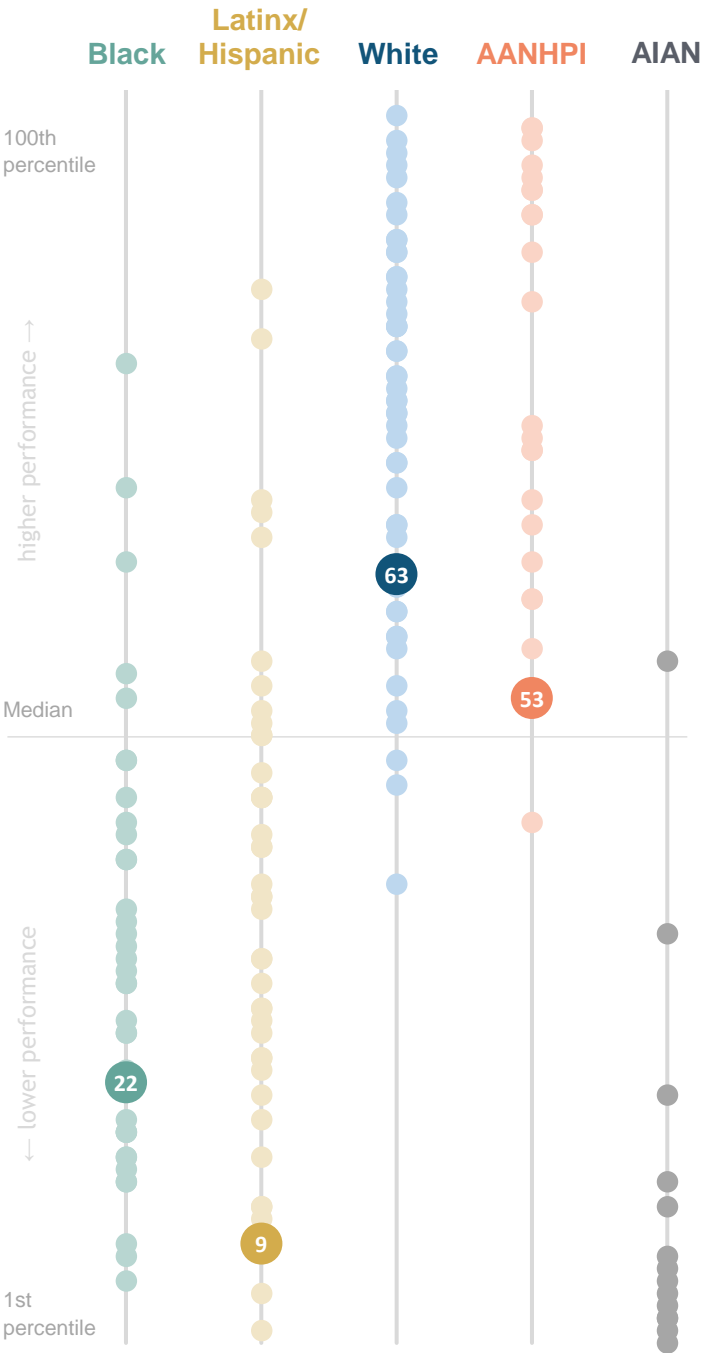


# Health Equity in Texas

## 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). Texas 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	28,522,360	
	AANHPI	1,442,014	5%
	AIAN	77,174	<1%
	Black	3,338,729	12%
	Latinx/Hispanic	11,379,630	40%
	White	11,732,432	41%

### Black

Rank of Black people in TX compared to all states

Overall	25 of 38 states
Health Outcomes	15 of 38
Health Care Access	33 of 40
Health Care Quality	26 of 40

### Latinx/Hispanic

Rank of Latinx people in TX compared to all states

Overall	40 of 42 states
Health Outcomes	38 of 42
Health Care Access	40 of 48
Health Care Quality	40 of 48

### White

Rank of white people in TX compared to all states

Overall	38 of 51 states
Health Outcomes	33 of 51
Health Care Access	46 of 51
Health Care Quality	37 of 51

### Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander (AANHPI)

Rank of AANHPI people in TX compared to all states

Overall	22 of 23 states
Health Outcomes	13 of 24
Health Care Access	16 of 30
Health Care Quality	40 of 41

### American Indian, Alaska Native (AIAN)

Rank of AIAN people in TX compared to all states

Overall	— of 14 states
Health Outcomes	— of 14
Health Care Access	8 of 16
Health Care Quality	14 of 16

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

Table 1. Texas Performance Data

	Black		Latinx/ Hispanic		White		AANHPI		AIAN	
	TX rate	US rate	TX rate	US rate	TX rate	US rate	TX rate	US rate	TX rate	US rate
<b>Health Outcomes</b>										
Mortality amenable to health care (per 100,000 population)	160	153	86	67	91	78	47	49	37	108
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	10	11	5	5	5	5	4	4	—	9
Breast cancer deaths (per 100,000 female population)	30	28	15	14	21	20	13	12	—	15
Colorectal cancer deaths (per 100,000 population)	19	17	12	11	14	13	9	9	—	13
Hospital 30-day readmission rate age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	51	60	—	—	38	37	—	—	—	—
Adults who smoke (%)	17	17	14	12	14	15	7	8	27	28
Adults who are obese (%)	40	42	41	36	32	31	14	13	31	40
Adults who have lost six or more teeth (%)	9	11	7	7	9	10	—	3	—	18
<b>Health Care Access</b>										
Uninsured adults (%)	20	14	38	26	15	9	13	8	23	25
Uninsured children (%)	8	5	18	9	8	4	7	4	15	14
Adults who went without care because of cost (%)	17	15	23	19	12	10	14	9	—	17
High out-of-pocket medical spending (%)	8	7	8	6	6	6	4	5	—	7
Adults with a usual source of care (%)	74	78	54	60	76	81	72	75	71	71
<b>Health Care Quality</b>										
Preventable hospitalizations age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	62	59	—	—	40	39	—	—	—	—
Potentially avoidable emergency department visits age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	303	290	—	—	182	180	—	—	—	—
Adult women who received a mammogram (%)	90	85	74	79	76	78	47	76	77	72
Adult women with a cervical cancer screening test (%)	82	83	75	79	73	76	72	72	68	72
Adults with a colon cancer screening test (%)	69	71	50	59	68	73	44	63	53	61
Adults with a recent flu shot (%)	40	37	35	35	48	49	44	47	30	39
Older adults who received the pneumonia vaccine (%)	61	61	61	55	77	74	51	67	—	62
Children with a medical and dental preventive care visit (%)	60	63	63	61	67	70	—	—	—	—
Children with all recommended vaccines (%)	59	66	70	70	72	76	—	—	—	—
Adults with a dental visit (%)	59	60	52	57	64	69	62	67	57	56
Primary care spending as share of total, age 65 and older (%)	5	5	—	—	6	6	—	—	—	—

Table 2. Texas 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>	15	21	38	48	33	44	13	92	—	—
Mortality amenable to health care (per 100,000 population)	25	11	41	40	42	36	14	87	—	—
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	13	20	16	59	19	77	7	91	—	—
Breast cancer deaths (per 100,000 female population)	27	8	24	70	38	36	15	79	—	—
Colorectal cancer deaths (per 100,000 population)	27	10	28	57	36	35	14	82	—	—
Hospital 30-day readmission rate age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	12	26	—	—	32	59	—	—	—	—
Adults who smoke (%)	12	43	27	63	18	57	4	97	—	—
Adults who are obese (%)	13	24	41	21	29	62	14	92	—	—
Adults who have lost six or more teeth (%)	8	51	25	74	21	56	—	—	—	—
<b>Health Care Access</b>	33	33	40	6	46	52	16	56	8	24
Uninsured adults (%)	35	28	40	6	47	43	27	47	7	22
Uninsured children (%)	26	32	38	6	49	31	12	36	7	12
Adults who went without care because of cost (%)	30	30	39	7	46	54	19	42	—	—
High out-of-pocket medical spending (%)	15	37	26	29	29	56	6	88	—	—
Adults with a usual source of care (%)	30	51	37	7	44	57	13	45	6	42
<b>Health Care Quality</b>	26	31	40	10	37	74	40	3	14	4
Preventable hospitalizations age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	15	19	—	—	23	68	—	—	—	—
Potentially avoidable emergency department visits age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	30	12	—	—	32	64	—	—	—	—
Adult women who received a mammogram (%)	1	98	34	27	35	36	36	2	5	43
Adult women with a cervical cancer screening test (%)	24	78	35	49	39	27	18	22	14	10
Adults with a colon cancer screening test (%)	27	56	39	11	46	50	38	4	13	14
Adults with a recent flu shot (%)	17	38	30	17	27	77	26	56	16	5
Older adults who received the pneumonia vaccine (%)	23	29	25	26	12	84	30	9	—	—
Children with a medical and dental preventive care visit (%)	26	25	23	38	35	58	—	—	—	—
Children with all recommended vaccines (%)	14	5	18	33	41	39	—	—	—	—
Adults with a dental visit (%)	26	28	43	5	42	60	31	49	11	17
Primary care spending as share of total, age 65 and older (%)	21	24	—	—	28	64	—	—	—	—