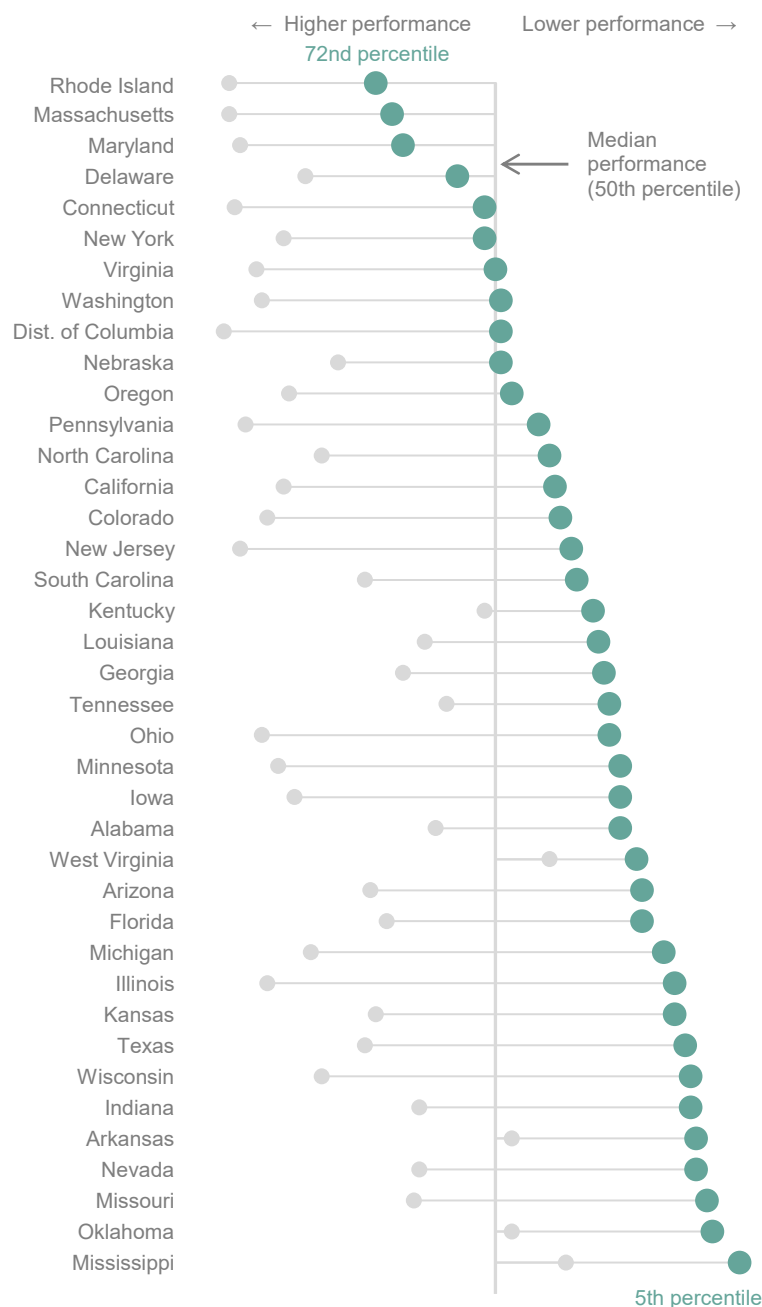


# Health Equity for Black People in the United States

## Overall State Health System Performance for Black People

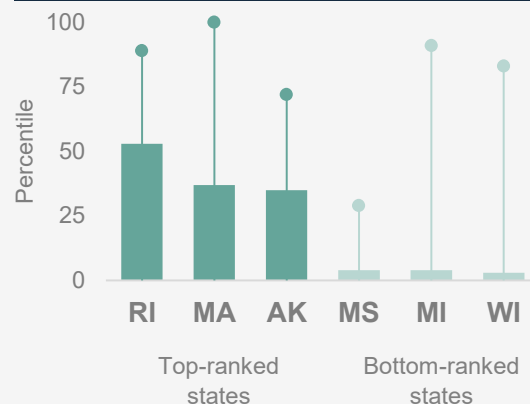


Health system performance expressed as 1–100 percentiles, based on five racial and ethnic groups in each state. Higher scores reflect better performance, and vertical center line is median performance among all groups. Highlighted point is state's health system performance for Black people; grey point is highest score for any group in the state. States only have an overall score when there are sufficient data for all three domains: health outcomes, access, and quality. Scores for Black race not available for: AK, HI, ID, ME, MT, NH, NM, ND, SD, UT, VT, WY.

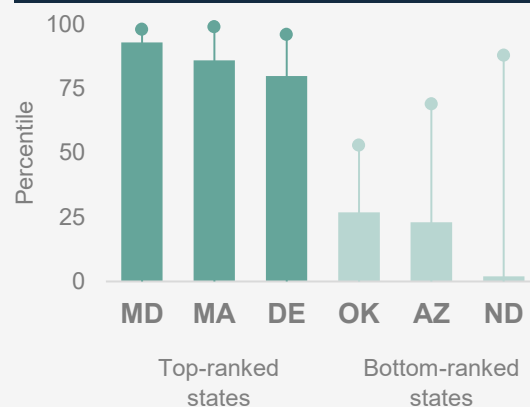
## U.S. population

Total	328,403,052	
AANHPI	19,862,655	6%
AIAN	1,688,543	(<1%)
Black	38,460,950	12%
Hispanic	62,818,758	19%
White	189,511,136	58%

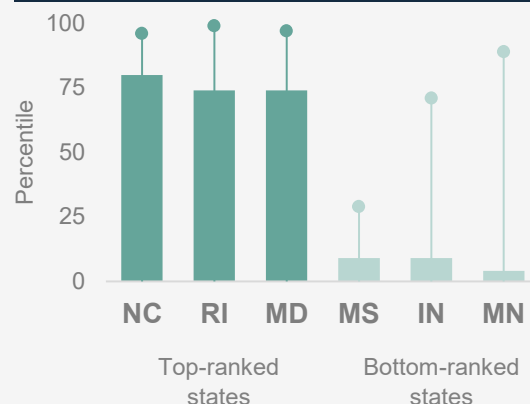
## Health Outcomes



## Health Care Access



## Health Care Quality



Bars are achieved performance for Black people; dots are highest score achieved for any group in the state.

Source: David C. Radley et al., *Advancing Racial Equity in U.S. Health Care: The Commonwealth Fund 2024 State Health Disparities Report* (Commonwealth Fund, Apr. 2024).

	Black			US rates			
	US	State min	State max	AANHPI	AIAN	Hispanic	White
<b>Health Outcomes</b>							
Deaths before age 75 from health care–treatable causes per 100,000 population	164	83 (NH)	220 (MS)	50	125	73	83
Deaths before age 75 from preventable causes per 100,000 population	347	150 (HI)	523 (DC)	104	479	225	225
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	11	6 (WA)	19 (ID)	4	8	5	4
Breast cancer deaths (per 100,000 female population)	27	18 (WA)	33 (MS)	12	14	13	20
Colorectal cancer deaths (per 100,000 population)	17	12 (DE)	27 (IA)	9	13	11	13
Hospital 30-day readmission rate age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	44	7 (NE)	68 (FL)	—	—	—	26
Adults who smoke (%)	15	8 (RI)	24 (WV)	7	25	11	14
Adults who are obese (%)	44	27 (ND)	55 (WI)	14	41	37	34
Adults who have lost six or more teeth (%)	11	6 (RI)	16 (KY)	3	17	6	9
<b>Health Care Access</b>							
Uninsured adults (%)	12	4 (MA)	45 (ND)	7	22	23	8
Uninsured children (%)	4	2 (AL)	15 (AZ)	4	12	8	4
Adults who went without care because of cost (%)	13	7 (DE)	23 (ND)	8	14	19	8
High out-of-pocket medical spending (%)	12	5 (MD)	20 (WV)	9	14	13	9
Adults with a usual source of care (%)	85	60 (WY)	94 (NH)	82	79	67	87
<b>Health Care Quality</b>							
Preventable hospitalizations age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	45	32 (NV)	75 (IN)	—	—	—	28
Potentially avoidable emergency department visits age 65 and older (per 1,000 beneficiaries)	206	123 (RI)	300 (CT)	—	—	—	140
Adult women who received a mammogram (%)	84	66 (NH)	100 (SD)	74	65	77	77
Adult women with a cervical cancer screening test (%)	90	70 (ND)	100 (MT)	87	82	87	84
Adults with a colon cancer screening test (%)	65	48 (ND)	73 (RI)	50	53	50	68
Adults with a recent flu shot (%)	38	23 (NH)	48 (MA)	50	39	34	50
Older adults who received the pneumonia vaccine (%)	62	43 (NV)	90 (UT)	62	63	55	73
Children with a medical and dental preventive care visit (%)	61	36 (NM)	100 (MT)	—	—	59	69
Children with all recommended vaccines (%)	65	51 (GA)	96 (CT)	—	—	71	74
Adults with a dental visit (%)	41	23 (WY)	71 (SD)	34	45	44	32
Primary care spending as share of total, age 65 and older (%)	5	3 (NM)	11 (ND)	—	—	—	5

AANHPI = Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander. AIAN = American Indian and Alaska Native. “—” means data not available.