

## 2007 Connecticut Health Scorecard – How are we doing?

	US	CT	State Ranking		Fairfield County	National Goal	CT Score*
			CT	Best			
<b>Health indicators</b>							
■ Asthma							
□ Childhood	8.9%	8.7%	25	Idaho		No goal for these indicators	
□ Adult	8.5%	↑ 9.3%	40	Louisiana	8.7%		
■ Cancer incidence per 100,000	459.9	↓ 489.4	40	New Mexico		No goal for this indicator	
■ Diabetes	7.5%	↔ 6.4%	7	Colorado	5.9%	2.5%	
■ Hypertension	25.5%	↓ 23.8%	12	Utah	22.7%	14%	
■ Mental Health and Substance Abuse						No goal for these indicators	
□ Mental Distress	10.0%	↔ 9.0%	18	North Dakota			
□ Youth Episodic Heavy Drinking	25.5%	27.8%	24	Utah			
■ Obesity	25.1%	↔ 20.6%	3	Colorado	17.8%	15%	
■ Oral Health							
□ Dental visit in past 12 months	70.3%	↔ 80.5%	1	CT	80.4%	No goal for this indicator	
□ Had all teeth extracted (age 65+)	19.3%	↔ 12.8%	2	Hawaii	9.9%	22%	
Smokers	20.1%	↑ 17.0%	4	Utah	14.5%	12%	
<b>Community Risk Factors</b>							
■ Medical errors						Safe, high quality health care.	
■ Medical Malpractice Claims							
□ Number per 1,000 active, nonfederal physicians	17.1	↓ 10.0	24	Alabama		Eliminate errors.	
□ Average claim payments paid	\$308,593	↓ \$500,276	48	Nebraska			
<b>Health Care Access</b>							
■ Uninsured (percent)	15.8%	↓ 9.4%	6	Rhode Island		0% uninsured	
■ Health Insurance Premium						Affordable, sustainable premiums.	
□ Single coverage	\$3,991	↑ \$4,390	47	Hawaii			
□ Family coverage	\$10,728	↑ \$11,717	49	North Dakota			
■ Health Care Workforce						Competent, diverse to meet demand	
□ Physicians per 100,000 population	281	369	5	District of Columbia			
□ Nurses per 100,000 population	799	972	9	District of Columbia			
<b>Health Policies</b>							
■ Vaccination Rates							
□ Childhood vaccination	80.0%	↓ 85.0%	6	FL, MA		90%	
□ Adult flu shot	65.5%	↔ 71.1%	20	Minnesota	71.6%	90%	
□ Adult pneumococcal vaccination	64.5%	↓ 68.1%	22	North Dakota	67.1%	90%	
■ Early Prenatal Care (1st Trimester)	83.9%	↓ 87.2%	8	Rhode Island		90%	
■ Per capita public health spending	\$164	↑ \$173	18	Hawaii, Alaska		No goal for this indicator	
<b>Outcomes</b>							
■ Heart Disease Deaths per 100,000 population	232.3	↓ 201.8	18	Minnesota		162.0	
■ Cancer Deaths per 100,000 population	190.1	↓ 182.1	15	Utah		158.6	
■ Infant Deaths per 1,000 live births	6.9	↓ 6.0	13	New Hampshire		4.5	

**Notes:** State rank of #1 is the best; rank of #51 is the worst. The National Goal is based upon Healthy People 2010 that is a comprehensive set of disease prevention and health promotion objectives for the nation to achieve over the first decade of the new century. There are 28 focus areas and measurable objectives. We did not include all measurable objectives.

↑ ↔ ↓ Indicates the direction of trend    **Red** Indicates a worsening trend    **Green** Indicates an improving trend    **Blue** Indicates stable/no change



A **question** is assigned if data is inconclusive or limited.



A **star** is assigned if trend is improving or stable and state rank is 1-12.



**Warning lights** assigned if trend is worsening and state rank is 1-12 or state and is 13-38 with any trend.



An **alarm** is assigned if any trend and state rank is 39-50.