

**Ranking:** Ohio is 34th this year, unchanged from 2009.

**Strengths:** Strengths include a low rate of uninsured population at 12.9 percent, a low occupational fatalities rate at 3.5 deaths per 100,000 workers, a high rate of high school graduation with 78.7 percent of incoming ninth graders who graduate within four years, a low incidence of infectious disease at 8.9 cases per 100,000 population and low geographic disparity within the state at 9.2 percent. Ohio ranks higher for determinants than for outcomes, indicating that overall healthiness should improve over time.

**Challenges:** Challenges include high levels of air pollution at 13.1 micrograms of fine particulate per cubic meter, low public health funding at \$41 per person, a high rate of preventable hospitalizations with 79.1 discharges per 1,000 Medicare enrollees, many poor mental health days per month at 3.8 days in the previous 30 days and a high rate of cancer deaths at 210.2 deaths per 100,000 population.

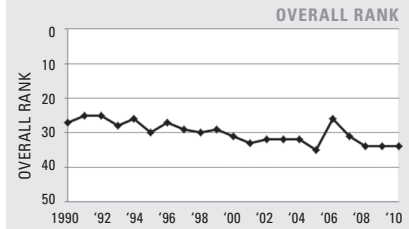
**Significant Changes:**

- ▲ In the past year, the rate of uninsured population increased from 11.6 percent to 12.9 percent.
- ▼ In the past five years, the prevalence of smoking decreased from 25.9 percent to 20.3 percent of the population.
- ▲ In the past ten years, the prevalence of obesity increased from 20.3 percent to 29.7 percent of the population.
- ▼ Since 1990, the rate of deaths from cardiovascular disease decreased from 436.3 to 301.8 deaths per 100,000 population.

**Health Disparities:** In Ohio, obesity is more prevalent among non-Hispanic blacks at 40.9 percent than non-Hispanic whites at 28.3 percent. The prevalence of diabetes also varies by race and ethnicity in the state; 14.1 percent of non-Hispanic blacks have diabetes compared to 9.4 percent of non-Hispanic whites.

**State Health Department Website:**  
www.odh.ohio.gov

## Overall Rank: 34



**Change:** no change  
**Determinants Rank:** 30  
**Outcomes Rank:** 37

**Strengths:**

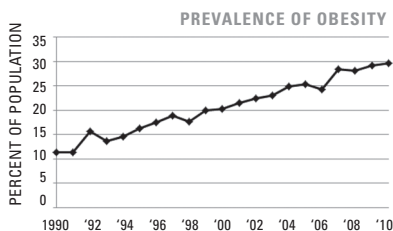
- Low rate of uninsured population
- Low occupational fatalities rate
- Low geographic disparity within the state

**Challenges:**

- High levels of air pollution
- Low per capita public health funding
- High rate of cancer deaths

To compare data between states, or between this year and prior years, visit [www.americashealthrankings.org/StateRanking.aspx](http://www.americashealthrankings.org/StateRanking.aspx).

ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT	
Unemployment Rate (Aug 2010)	10.1%
Underemployment Rate (2009)	17.2%
Median Household Income (2009)	\$45,879



	2010		NO. 1 STATE
	VALUE	RANK	
<b>DETERMINANTS</b>			
Prevalence of Smoking (Percent of population)	20.3	36	9.8
Prevalence of Binge Drinking (Percent of population)	15.9	29	8.6
Prevalence of Obesity (Percent of population)	29.7	36	18.9
High School Graduation (Percent of incoming ninth graders)	78.7	19	88.6
<b>COMMUNITY &amp; ENVIRONMENT</b>			
Violent Crime (Offenses per 100,000 population)	332	24	120
Occupational Fatalities (Deaths per 100,000 workers)	3.5	10	2.8
Infectious Disease (Cases per 100,000 population)	8.9	16	2.4
Children in Poverty (Percent of persons under age 18)	18.7	25	10.0
Air Pollution (Micrograms of fine particulates per cubic meter)	13.1	47	5.2
<b>PUBLIC &amp; HEALTH POLICIES</b>			
Lack of Health Insurance (Percent without health insurance)	12.9	19	5.0
Public Health Funding (Dollars per person)	\$41	47	\$235
Immunization Coverage (Percent of children ages 19 to 35 months)*	89.2	32	94.1
<b>CLINICAL CARE</b>			
Early Prenatal Care (Percent with visit during first trimester)*	70.9	28	---
Primary Care Physicians (Number per 100,000 population)	118.9	20	191.3
Preventable Hospitalizations (Number per 1,000 Medicare enrollees)	79.1	41	28.6
<b>ALL DETERMINANTS</b>	-0.04	30	0.87
<b>OUTCOMES</b>			
Poor Mental Health Days (Days in previous 30 days)	3.8	41	2.4
Poor Physical Health Days (Days in previous 30 days)	3.8	37	2.7
Geographic Disparity (Relative standard deviation)	9.2	14	4.3
Infant Mortality (Deaths per 1,000 live births)	7.7	37	4.8
Cardiovascular Deaths (Deaths per 100,000 population)	301.8	39	206.3
Cancer Deaths (Deaths per 100,000 population)	210.2	42	142.0
Premature Death (Years lost per 100,000 population)	7,808	32	5382
<b>ALL OUTCOMES</b>	-0.03	37	0.32
<b>OVERALL</b>	-0.07	34	1.13

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