

Arkansas State Fact Sheet



Arkansas has the 4th highest death rate from cardiovascular disease in the country.**

* Based on total number of deaths in 2017. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. WISQARS Leading Cause of Death Reports, 2017.

^ Also known as COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disorder): COPD and allied conditions (including asthma); the term in the ICD/10 is "chronic lower respiratory diseases."

** List includes Puerto Rico and D.C. Based on 2014-2016 age-adjusted death rates. American Heart Association. Heart Disease and Stroke Statistics: 2019 Update. A Report from the American Heart Association. Circulation.

***Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Survey, 2017.

+ Overweight is defined as having a body mass index (BMI) of 25.0-29.9. Obese is defined as having a body mass index of 30.0 or more.

++ Students who were 95th percentile for body mass index, by age and sex. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System, 2017

+++ Kaiser Family Foundation US and State Medicaid Fact Sheets, 2016