Mississippi

OVERALL RANK: 50

Change: no change

Determinants Rank: 50

Outcomes Rank: 48

Strengths:
- Small disparity in health status by educational attainment
- Low prevalence of excessive drinking
- Low drug death rate

Challenges:
- High prevalence of obesity
- High percentage of children in poverty
- High cardiovascular death rate

Highlights:
- In the past five years, low birthweight decreased 6% from 12.1% to 11.4% of live births
- In the past five years, children in poverty increased 23% from 24.4% to 29.9% of children
- In the past five years, infant mortality decreased 11% from 9.9 to 8.8 deaths per 1,000 live births
- In the past year, drug deaths increased 5% from 11.0 to 11.5 deaths per 100,000 population
- In the past five years, chlamydia decreased 20% from 721.8 to 580.2 cases per 100,000 population

Ranking:
Mississippi is 50th this year; it was 50th in 2016. The state ranks 50th for senior health and 50th for the health of women and children.

State Health Department Website:
www.msdh.state.ms.us