

Media Advisory

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Community Health Status Indicators: Today, CDC released the updated Community Health Status Indicators (CHSI) online application tool that produces public health profiles for all 3,143 counties in the United States. Each profile includes key indicators of health outcomes, which describe the population health status of a county and factors that have the potential to influence health outcomes, such as health care access and quality, health behaviors, social factors and the physical environment.

The redesigned online application includes updated peer county groups, health status indicators, a summary comparison page, and U.S. Census tract data and indicators for sub-populations (age groups, sex, and race/ethnicity) to identify potential health disparities. In this new version of CHSI, all indicators are benchmarked against those of peer counties, the median of all U.S. counties, and Healthy People 2020 targets. Organizations conducting community health assessments can use CHSI data to:

- Assess community health status and identify disparities;
- Promote a shared understanding of the wide range of factors that may influence health; and
- Mobilize multi-sector partnerships to work collaboratively to improve population health.

To access CHSI, visit www.cdc.gov/communityhealth.

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