

New for the 2014 Update

This is a summary of changes in the Local Public Health Indicators (LPHI) for the 2014 release. Please see the Technical Notes for more detail.

Changes in data collection

- Beginning with 2011 data, the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System includes both landline and cell phone respondents. BRFSS also began weighting responses using an iterative proportional fitting (raking) method. These changes created discontinuities in summary statistics. For LPHI, this means that BRFSS data from previous cycles is not comparable to data for the current cycle.

Changes to

- Adult physical activity: Changes to BRFSS questions and changes in national compilation standards to count combinations of moderate and vigorous physical activity
- First trimester prenatal care: Change in calculation of month prenatal care began to conform to new national standards. This indicator was updated for the previous cycles to conform to the new definition.
- Adult preventive cancer screening: Changes to conform to changes in U.S. Preventive Services Tasks Force
 - *Breast*: Added an upper age limit of 74
 - *Cervical*: Added an upper age limit of 65 and have not had a hysterectomy.
 - *Colorectal*: Added an upper age limit of 75; to meet guideline, a sigmoidoscopy within 5 years needs to be accompanied with a fecal occult blood test within 3 years.

Changes in statistics

- Hospitalizations for falls in older adults: age-adjusted. This indicator was updated for the previous cycles to conform to the new definition.

Indicators dropped due to availability from the American Community Survey

- Adults with health insurance
- Children with health insurance
- Poverty
- Education