

Policy Brief

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FLORIDA SCOREBOARD RESULTS: AARP US STATE SCOREBOARD ON LONG-TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS (LTSS)

AARP SCOREBOARD BACKGROUND

Every three years, AARP compiles data from several sources to assess long-term services and supports (LTSS) for older adults, people with physical disabilities, and family caregivers in US states and Washington DC. AARP aims to identify LTSS strengths and weaknesses, and provide the nation, states, and communities with information to develop actionable solutions to LTSS challenges. State LTSS systems are ranked on 1) affordability and access, 2) choice of setting and provider, 3) safety and quality, 4) support for family caregivers, and 5) community integration. These rankings inform an overall state ranking that is categorized into five tiers, with one being the best ranked states and five being the worst (see graphic above).

- f* A **transportation** score of 47 based on convenience, safety, and options (Nat. Avg. 47.4)
- f* A **housing** score of 51 based on affordability, availability, and accessibility (Nat. Avg. 48.2)

- f* 7.9% of people with disabilities who are eligible for **housing assistance** receive it (Nat. Avg. 15.6%)
- f* 50 **age-friendly health systems** per million older adults (Nat. Avg. 53)

SAFETY AND QUALITY

Florida ranked 34th in safety and quality, based on findings in 2020 to 2023...

- f* 14.1% of **home health patients were admitted to a hospital** (Nat. Avg. 14.1%)
- f* 23.1% of **long-stay NH residents were hospitalized**

- f* **NH private pay costs** 231% of older adults' median household income (Nat. Avg. 213%)

- f* 26 out of 1,000 adults 40+ have **private long-term care insurance** (Nat. Avg. 40)
- f* An **Aging and Disability Resource Center/No Wrong Door** score of 80% out of 100% on helping consumers navigate LTSS options (Nat. Avg. 72%)
- f* 53.3% of adults with disabilities under 250% of the federal poverty limit **receive Medicaid/government assisted health insurance** (Nat. Avg. 59%)
- f* A **Medicaid Buy-In**