




County Health Rankings

Mobilizing Action Toward Community Health

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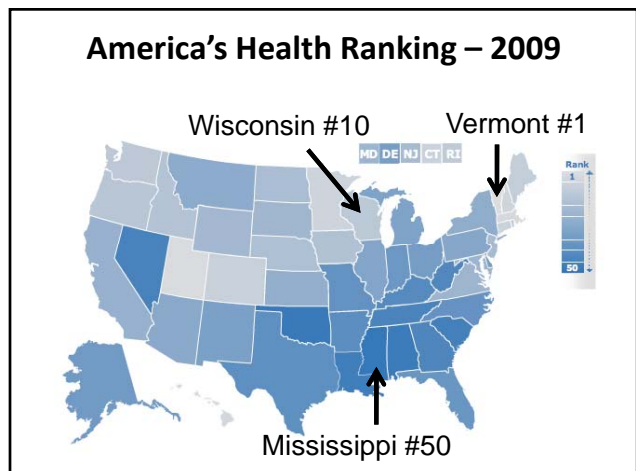
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- Where we live matters to our health.
- One of the greatest disparities in this country is that some places are healthy, but others are not.
- There is relatively little discussion about these disparities by the public or policy makers.

America's Health Rankings

- Ranks the overall health of all 50 states, from healthiest to least healthy.
- First published in 1990 and annually thereafter.
- Uses a model that summarizes the overall health of each state.

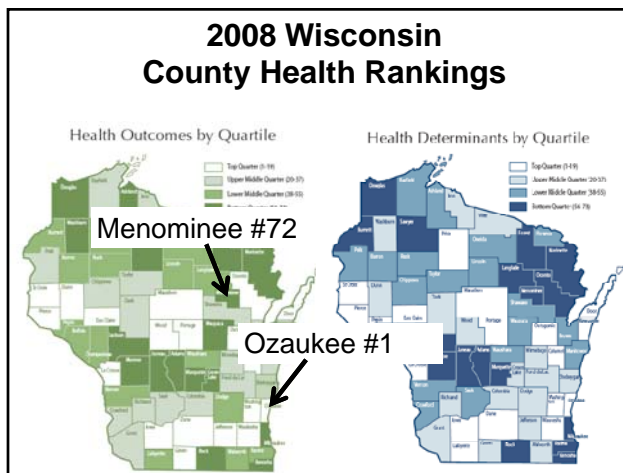
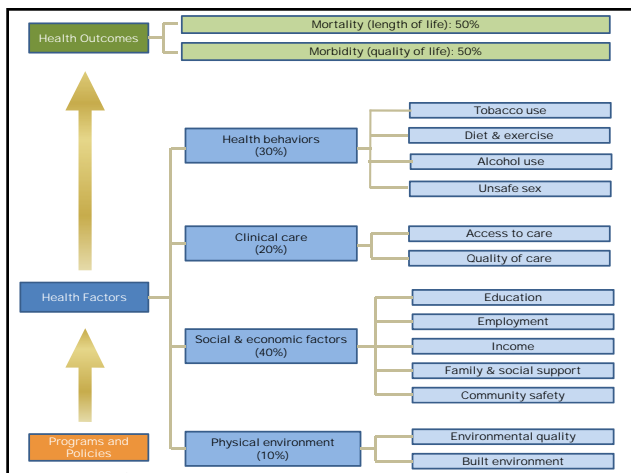



Response to the State Health Rankings

- Great interest in the media and among policy makers for the past 20 years.
- Provides model to summarize the health of an entire state.
- But just as “all politics is local” so is public health.
- We decided to adapt this model for Wisconsin.

Wisconsin County Health Rankings

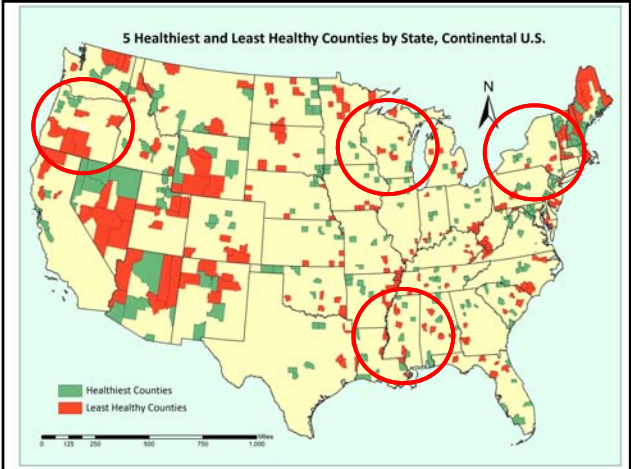
- Published annually since 2003
- Ranks health in all 72 counties

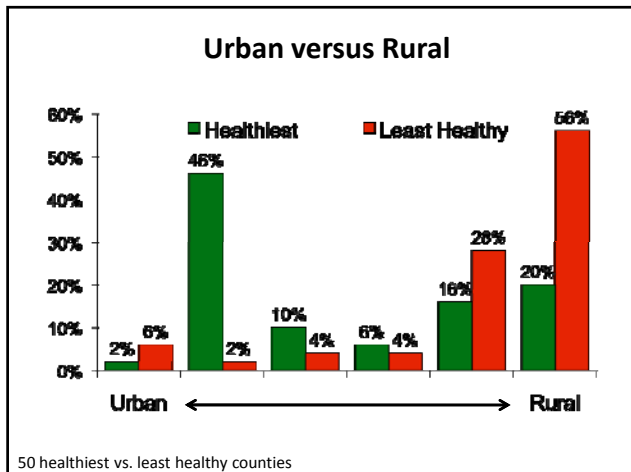




- ### What Happened Next?
- Several states (TN, NM, KS) used the Wisconsin Model for county rankings in their state
 - Robert Wood Johnson Foundation funded the “MATCH” Project in 2009
 - Includes producing the County Health Rankings for each of the 50 states, from 2010-2012

- ### The MATCH Project and the County Health Rankings
- **The Wisconsin MATCH Team**
 - Including David Kindig, Jessica Athens, Julie Willems Van Dijk
 - **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation**
 - Including Brenda Henry, Michelle Larkin, Jim Marks, Joe Marx, Pamela Russo
 - **Our Partners**
 - Including CDC, NCHS, ASTHO, NACCHO, NNPHI, Leah Devlin, Dartmouth Institute, 11-member Metrics Advisory Group.





Health Outcome Disparities

	Least Healthy	Healthiest	Ratio
Premature death rate	12,368	4,904	2.5
Self-reported health (fair or poor)	20%	9.5%	2.1

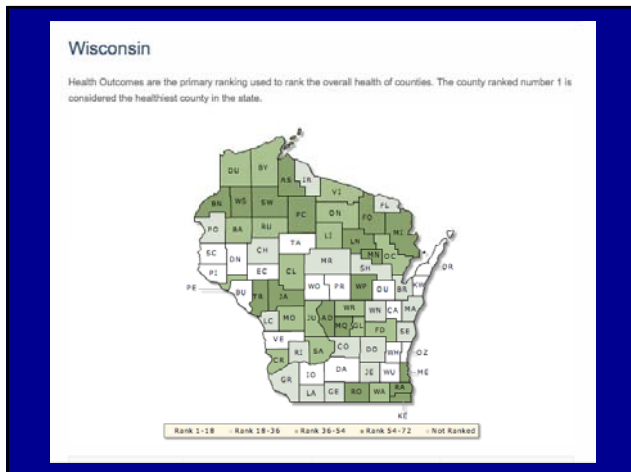
*Median of 50 healthiest vs. least healthy counties

Health Outcome Disparities

	Least Healthy	Healthiest	Ratio
Adult smoking	26%	16%	1.6
Preventable hospital stays	95	61	1.6
Children in poverty	30%	9%	3.5
Access to healthy foods	33%	47%	0.7

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How to Use the County Health Rankings?



Snapshot 2010: Dane

	Dane County	Error Margin	Target Value*	WI Value	Rank (72)
Health Outcomes					10
More					6
Health Factors					-2
Prevent					2
Health Behaviors					2
Poor					5
Adult					
Clinical Care					
Uninsured adults	12%		11-14%	9%	10%
Poor					
Single					
Primary care provider rate	227			182	134
Motor					
Low					4
Prevent					
Social & Economic Factors					
Diabetes	91%			98%	88%
High school graduation	45%		44-46%	26%	25%
College degrees	3%		3-3%	4%	5%
Unemployment	11%		9-12%	9%	15%
Children in poverty					61
Environment					
Air pollution-particulate matter days	7			0	2
Air pollution-ozone days	5			0	4
Access to health care				63%	40%
Violence				1.0	0.0
Liquor store density					0.8



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- A call to action
- The first annual checkup for every county in the nation
- Provides information on the many factors that influence community health
- Shows that health is everyone's business