Population	MS	US	Source
Total Population (thousands)	2,961	331,449	2020 Census
Population 65+ (thousands)	497	55,892	2021 American Community Survey
■ % 65+	17	17	2020 Census, 2021 American Community Survey
National Ranking 65+	31	N/A	2020 Population Reference Bureau (PBR)
■ % White 65+	68.2	75.6	2021 American Community Survey
% African American 65+	27.7	9.2	2021 American Community Survey
% Hispanic/Latino 65+	1.4	9	2021 American Community Survey
• % Asian 65+	.7	4.8	2021 American Community Survey
 % Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 65+ 	0	.1	2021 American Community Survey
% American Indian/Alaska Native65+	.2	.5	2021 American Community Survey
% Two or More Races 65+	2.7	6.6	2021 American Community Survey
Population 85+ (thousands)	46	5,963	2021 American Community Survey
% Population 85+	1.5	1.8	2021 American Community Survey

Socio-Demographics	MS	US	Source
 Average Household Size 	2.5	2.5	2021 American Community Survey
 Average Family Size 	3.2	3.2	2021 American Community Survey
 % Population in a Rural Area 	53.7	19.3	2020 Census State Level Urban and Rural Information
% Households with Persons 65+	32.1	31.3	2021 American Community Survey
 % Persons Age 65+ Living Alone 	27.5	25.6	2021 American Community Survey
 % Households with internet access 	81.9	90.3	2021 American Community Survey

Economic Indicators	MS	US	Source
 Per Capita Income 	26,941	38,332	2021 American Community Survey
 Median Household Income 	48,716	69,717	2021 American Community Survey
 Total State Expenditures Per Capita 	7,536	8,037	Kaiser Family Foundation
 % Population 65+ Below Poverty 	13.8	10.3	2021 American Community Survey and National Council on Aging (US)

Informal Caregivers	MS	US	Source
# of Caregivers (thousands)	470	38,000	AARP Valuing the Invaluable 2023 Update
# of Caregiving Hours (millions)	440	36,000	AARP Valuing the Invaluable 2023 Update

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Value of Caregiving (millions)	5,600	600,000	AARP Valuing the Invaluable 2023 Update
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Care Receivers	MS	US	Source
% Population 18-64 years w/Disability	16.4	10.7	2021 American Community Survey
% Population 65+ w/Disability	40.3	32.6	2021 American Community Survey
% 65+ with			
Hearing Difficulty	14.9	13.3	2021 American Community Survey
Vision Loss	8.7	6	2021 American Community Survey
Ambulatory	27.8	20.5	2021 American Community Survey
Self-Care	8.6	7.1	2021 American Community Survey
Cognitive	10.7	7.8	2021 American Community Survey
 Independent Living Difficulty 	16.3	13.2	2021 American Community Survey

Long Term Care	MS	US	Source
 % Medicaid spending on nursing facilities 	47.9	28.3	Kaiser Family Foundation (FY 2021)
 % Medicaid spending on Home Health and Personal Care 	33.4	64.3	Kaiser Family Foundation (FY 2021)
 # of Certified Nursing Facilities 	204	15,183	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
 % of Certified Facilities with Family Groups 	30	15	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
 Average # of Certified Nursing Facility Beds per Facility 	88.5	106.4	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
 % Certified Nursing Facility Occupancy Rate 	76	72	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
 Average Cost Per Day in a Nursing Home (private room) 	240	297	Genworth 2021 Cost of Care Survey
 Average Assisted Living Monthly Cost 	3500	4,500	Genworth 2021 Cost of Care Survey
 Average Daily Cost for Adult Day Care Services 	65	78	Genworth 2021 Cost of Care Survey
 Average Hourly Cost for Home Health Aide 	20	27	Genworth 2021 Cost of Care Survey
 Average Hourly Cost for Homemaker Services 	20	26	Genworth 2021 Cost of Care Survey
# of Home Health Aides	20,590	3,336,480	US Bureau of Labor Statistics - May 2022 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates
 Median Hourly Wage Certified Nursing Assistant 	11.43	14.57	US Bureau of Labor Statistics - May 2022 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates
 Median Hourly Wage Personal Care/Home Care Aid 	10.92	14.24	US Bureau of Labor Statistics - May 2022 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates

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Medicare Prescription Drug Plan	MS	US	Source
# of Organizations Offering PDPs	22	801	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
 # of Medicare Advantage Drug Plan 	26	2,666	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
Contracts			

State System of Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS)

Caregiver Assessment in Medicaid HCBS Waiver Program	Yes
At Least One State Program with Consumer-Directed Option for Family Caregivers	Yes
Lifespan Respite Grants	Yes (2016)
State Respite Coalitions	Yes

Workplace Benefits for Family Caregivers

Paid Family Leave	No
Unemployment Insurance for Family Caregivers	No
Paid Sick Days	No
Preemptive Law Prohibiting Local Governments from Establishing the Right to Sick Leave	Yes

Statewide Programs, Regulations, and Legislation

State Alzheimer's Plan	Yes
Number of Delegated Nursing Tasks	5
State Multi-Sector or Master Plan for Aging	No
CARE (Caregiver Advice, Record, Enable) Act Adopted	Yes