

State Profile: **Arkansas****Selected State Background Characteristics**

	AR	US		AR	US
■ Population ■			■ Socio-Demographics ■		
Total Pop. (<i>thousands</i>)	2,959	316,128	Average Household Size	2.51	2.61
Pop. 60+ (<i>thousands</i>)	587	62,826	Average Family Size	3.0	3.19
% 60+	20.1	19.9	%Pop. in Rural Area	43.8	19.3
National Ranking 60+	10	N/A	%Households with Persons 65+	26.5	24.9
% White (60+)	87.3	78.9	% Persons Age 65+ Living Alone	10.1	9.4
% African American (60+)	9.6	8.8	% Households with Internet Access	74.8	79.3
% Hispanic/Latino (60+)	1.3	7.3			
% Asian (60+)	0.6	3.6	■ Informal Caregivers ■		
% Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islanders (60+)	0.	0.1	# of Caregivers (<i>thousands</i>)	272	28,828
% American Indian/ Alaska Native (60+)	0.5	0.5	# of Caregiving Hours (<i>millions</i>)	291	30,880
% Two or More Races (60+)	0.9	0.8	Value of Caregiving (<i>millions</i>)	\$2,891	\$306,333
Pop. 65+ (<i>thousands</i>)	420	40,267	# Grandparents Living with Grandchildren (<i>thousands</i>)	71	7070
% Pop. 65+	14.4	13	% with Responsibility for the Grandchildren	56.1	38.8
National Ranking 65+	10	N/A	Where to Call to Arrange Help in the Home for Elderly Relatives or Friends		
Pop. 85+ (<i>thousands</i>)	51	5,493	% Relative or Friend	20.8	21.5
% Pop. 85+	1.7	1.8	% Self	16.3	17.2
National Ranking 85+	27	N/A	% Medical Support	26.7	21.6
			% Religious Support	0.3	0.4
■ Economic Indicators ■			% Area Agency on Aging	3.9	2.0
Per Capita Income	\$34,723	\$42,693	% Other	2.9	4.5
Median Household Income	\$40,531	\$53,046	% Don't Know	29.0	32.7
Total State Expenditures Per Capita	\$7,025	5,385			
% Pop. 65+ Below Poverty	13	13			

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■ Long-Term Care ■			■ Care Receivers ■		
Medicaid Spending on Long-Term Care			% Pop. 18-64 Years w/Disability	10.3	10.1
% Spending on Nursing Facilities	45.7	41.1	% Pop. 65+ w/Disability	40.5	36.4
% Spending on Home Health & Personal Care	32.1	45	% 65+ by Type of Disability		
# of Certified Nursing Facilities	236	15,465	Hearing Difficulty	17.8	14.9
% of Certified Facilities with Family Groups	30.9	30.5	Ambulatory	27	23.5
# of Certified Nursing Facility Beds (<i>thousands</i>)	24.8	1,646	Self-Care	9.6	8.8
% Certified Nursing Facility Occupancy Rate	72.8	83	Cognitive	11.4	9.4
Average Cost Per Day in a Nursing Home (<i>private</i>)	\$162	\$248	Independent Living Difficulty	17.1	16.1
Average Assisted Living Monthly Cost	\$2,355	\$3,550	■ Medicare Prescription Drug Plans ■		
Average Daily Cost for Adult Day Care Services	\$95	\$70	# of Organizations Offering PDPs	17	N/A
Average Hourly Cost for Home Health Care	\$17	\$21	# of PDP	32	N/A
# of Home Health Aides	7,620	806,710	# of Medicare Advantage Drug Plan Contracts	21	N/A
Median Hourly Wage					
Certified Medical Assistant	\$12.76	\$14.24			
Home Health Aide	\$8.59	\$10.10			
Personal Care/Attendant	\$8.84	\$9.18			

State Profile: **Arkansas** (cont'd)**State System of Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS)**

Caregiver Assessment in Medicaid HCBS Waiver Program	No
At Least One State Program with Consumer-Directed Option for Family Caregivers	Yes
Lifespan Respite Grants	No
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	No

Miscellaneous Statewide Programs, Regulations and Legislation

State Alzheimer's Plan	No
Uniform Adult Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction (UAGPPJA)	Yes
State Policy Permitting Delegation of 16 Nursing Tasks	No