

BRFSS State

Category Health Care Access/Coverage**07/24/2016****Risk Factor** Needed to See a Doctor in the Past Year But Could Not Because of Cost

Year	Demographics	Percent	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
2014	All Adults	12	11	13

ND = Not displayed if sample is considered statistically unreliable.

Source: Pennsylvania Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS). In 2011, the BRFSS added numbers from a cell phone sample to the sample of landline telephones. This remedied a gap in coverage that had developed as people switched to cell phones. A [new weighting methodology](#) called "iterative proportional fitting," or "raking," was also introduced. Therefore, single-year measures should be re-benchmarked at the 2011 estimate values, and not compared to BRFSS estimates from previous years.

Note: The same approach should also be applied to the 3-year summary estimates beginning in 2011-2013. Three-year summary periods should be re-benchmarked at the 2011-2013 estimate values due to the inclusion of cell phones and the [new weighting methodology](#). Three-year summary periods up to 2010-2012 are based on landline sample only, and can only be compared to previous three-year summary periods.

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