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America's Best Nursing Homes 2026

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One of the most important decisions families face is choosing a trusted nursing home for themselves or a loved one. Whether the need is for day-to-day support, medical care or long-term recovery, finding the right facility can make a profound difference in health outcomes and overall quality of life.

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To help guide that process, *Newsweek* and global data intelligence firm Statista are proud to present the America's Best Nursing Homes 2026 ranking.

This year's list recognizes the top 1,200 nursing homes across the United States. Facilities were evaluated on four pillars including performance data, peer recommendations, accreditations and resident satisfaction, with performance data carrying an increased weight in 2026 to reflect the growing emphasis on clinical quality metrics.

Other updates this year include the addition of vaccination rates as new quality measures, the expansion of the ranking to cover 33 states across three size categories and an increase in the total number of facilities recognized.

The result is a state-by-state list of nursing homes that stood out for their commitment to safety, quality of care and resident well-being.

Nursing homes recognized this year include Gilroy Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in California, Swiss Village Retirement Community in Indiana, Actors Fund Home in New Jersey and NHC HealthCare - Place Cool Springs in Tennessee.

We hope this ranking serves as a valuable tool in helping families make informed decisions about long-term care.

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5	Crowne Health Care of Thomasville	Thomasville	Alabama	50-99 beds	80	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
6	Hartford Health Care	Hartford	Alabama	50-99 beds	86	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
1	Aliceville Manor Nursing Home	Aliceville	Alabama	100-149 beds	100	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
2	Fayette Medical Center - Long Term Care Unit	Fayette	Alabama	100-149 beds	122	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Both
3	Crowne Health Care of Fort Payne	Fort Payne	Alabama	100-149 beds	123	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
4	Crossville Health and	Crossville	Alabama	100-149 beds	143	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident

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5	TLC Nursing Center	Oneonta	Alabama	100-149 beds	103	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
6	Sylacauga Health and Rehab Services	Sylacauga	Alabama	100-149 beds	149	Medicare and Medicaid	Y	Resident
7	EAMC-Lanier Nursing Home	Valley	Alabama	100-149 beds	103	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Both
8	Barfield Health Care	Guntersville	Alabama	100-149 beds	113	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Both
9	Athens Health and Rehabilitation	Athens	Alabama	100-149 beds	149	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident

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1	Westside Terrace Healthcare	Dothan	Alabama	Over 150 beds	165	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Both
2	Hanceville Nursing & Rehab Center	Hanceville	Alabama	Over 150 beds	208	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Both
3	Rehab Select at Albertville	Albertville	Alabama	Over 150 beds	159	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Both
4	Heritage Health Care & Rehab	Tuscaloosa	Alabama	Over 150 beds	216	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
5	Mitchell - Hollingsworth Nursing & Rehabilitation - Florence	Florence	Alabama	Over 150 beds	222	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Both

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6	Gadsden Health and Rehab	Gadsden	Alabama	Over 150 beds	168	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
7	Arbor Springs Health and Rehab Center	Opelika	Alabama	Over 150 beds	225	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
8	Cherokee County Health & Rehab Center	Centre	Alabama	Over 150 beds	185	Medicare and Medicaid	Y	Both
9	McGuffey Health & Rehabilitation Center	Gadsden	Alabama	Over 150 beds	209	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
10	Capitol Hill Healthcare	Montgomery	Alabama	Over 150 beds	284	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident

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11	Park Manor Health and Rehabilitation	Northport	Alabama	Over 150 beds	152	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
12	Springhill Rehabilitation and Senior Residence	Mobile	Alabama	Over 150 beds	151	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Both
1	Plaza Healthcare	Scottsdale	Arizona	Over 150 beds	179	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
2	North Mountain Medical and Rehabilitation Center	Phoenix	Arizona	Over 150 beds	155	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident

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3	Bella Vita Health and Rehabilitation Center	Glendale	Arizona	Over 150 beds	176	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
4	Estrella Health and Rehab Center	Avondale	Arizona	Over 150 beds	161	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
5	Coronado Healthcare Center	Phoenix	Arizona	Over 150 beds	191	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
6	Peoria Post Acute & Rehabilitation	Peoria	Arizona	Over 150 beds	179	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
7	Horizon Post Acute and Rehabilitation Center	Glendale	Arizona	Over 150 beds	196	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident

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8	Apache Junction Health Center	Apache Junction	Arizona	Over 150 beds	190	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
9	Ridgecrest Post Acute	Phoenix	Arizona	Over 150 beds	200	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
10	Life Care Centers of America - Mi Casa Nursing Center	Mesa	Arizona	Over 150 beds	180	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
1	Greystone Nursing & Rehabilitation	Cabot	Arkansas	50-99 beds	80	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
2	Alma Nursing and Rehab	Alma	Arkansas	50-99 beds	74	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Both

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3	Southfork River Living - Therapy & Living	Salem	Arkansas	50-99 beds	68	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
4	Pioneer Therapy and Living	Melbourne	Arkansas	50-99 beds	86	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
5	The Green House Cottages of Northwest Arkansas	Bentonville	Arkansas	50-99 beds	70	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
6	Bradford House Nursing and Rehab	Bentonville	Arkansas	50-99 beds	97	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
7	White River Healthcare	Calico Rock	Arkansas	50-99 beds	70	Medicare and Medicaid	N	Resident
8	Dierks Health &	Dierks	Arkansas	50-99 beds	70	Medicare and	N	Resident

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Methodology

America's Best Nursing Homes 2026 highlights the nation's top 1200 nursing homes out of 14,752 analyzed. The evaluation is based on the following four pillars: performance data, peer recommendations, accreditations and resident satisfaction. Per size category, nursing homes in the 25 states with the highest number of facilities, according to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services were considered in the study, resulting in a total of 33 states awarded. Included are single branches of nursing homes with at least 50 certified beds, which are not part of the Specialty Focus Facility program.

Statista used CMS data to determine the performance of nursing homes. This year, the weighting of the performance data pillar was increased within the scoring model to

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Additionally, experts from all over the U.S. could participate in the survey of the America's Best Nursing Homes by State on [newsweek.com](https://www.newsweek.com). Email verification was required, and self-recommendation was not possible. The survey data was collected from June to August 2025. As an additional element, accreditations from the Joint Commission International and Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities have been included in the scoring model (where available). As a minor additional pillar of the scoring, evaluations from residents and relatives from Google were included for each nursing home. Based on the available data, nursing homes received a resident satisfaction rating between zero and five stars.

The overall rating is the weighted average of the performance data score (55 percent), the reputation score (30 percent), the accreditation score (10 percent) and the resident satisfaction score (5 percent). The best 1200 nursing homes are awarded with a rank in their own state, resulting in 25 individual lists for all three size categories that are published by *Newsweek*.

The rankings are comprised exclusively of nursing homes that are eligible regarding the scope described in this document. A mention in the ranking is a positive recognition based on quality metrics, peer recommendations, accreditations and resident satisfaction. The ranking is the result of an elaborate process which, due to the interval of data collection and analysis, is a reflection of the last 12 months only. Furthermore, any events preceding and following the period August 20, 2024 to August 20, 2025, and/or pertaining to individual persons affiliated/associated with the facilities were not considered in the metrics. As such, the results of this ranking should not be used as the sole source of information for future deliberations.

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