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Quality of Life and Health Data--Internet Resources

Pittsburgh Area Data Sources	Data/Reports	Website
Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD)	Community Health Profiles	http://www.achd.net
	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	http://www.achd.net/BRFSS/BRFSS.php
Allegheny County Department of Health & Human Services	Data Warehouse	Contact John Pierce
Pennsylvania Department of Health	Health Statistics and Vital Records provides health data for Allegheny County	http://www.dsf.health.state.pa.us/health/site/default.asp
University of Pittsburgh--UCSUR	Pittsburgh Economic Quarterly	http://www.ucsur.pitt.edu/peq.htm
	Black-White Benchmark Reports, 2004	http://www.ucsur.pitt.edu/Benchmarks%202004.htm
	A Presentation of The State of Aging and Health in Pittsburgh and Allegheny County, 2003	http://www.ucsur.pitt.edu/publications.htm
	Socio-Economic Data and Rankings for City of Pittsburgh Neighborhoods and Allegheny County Municipalities	http://www.ucsur.pitt.edu/CensusDataPage.htm
	Black Papers on African American Health in Allegheny County, 2002	http://www.ucsur.pitt.edu/BlackPaper.htm

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U. S. Centers for Disease Control	CDC Wonder-provides health data in Allegheny County	http://www.cdc.gov
	Surveys on Health-related Quality of Life. BRFSS/CDC also has a long questionnaire list that ask questions about quality of life	http://www.cdc.gov/hrqol/methods.htm
		http://www.cdc.gov/brfss/questionnaires/english.htm
	<p>SMART BRFSS (Selected Metropolitan/Micropolitan Area Risk Trends from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System) –a state-based data system that collects information on health risk behaviors, preventive health practices, and health care access.</p>	http://apps.nccd.cdc.gov/brfss-smart/index.asp
	<p>National Center for Health Statistics –National health surveillance information; including, data from birth and death records, medical records, interview surveys, and through direct physical exams and laboratory testing.</p>	http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/Default.htm
Quality Resource Systems, Inc. (QRS) -Area Resource File (ARF)	ARF is a county-specific health resources information system designed to be used by planners, policymakers, researchers, and other professionals interested in the nation's health care delivery system and factors that may impact health status and health care in the U.S.	http://arfsys.com/

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U. S. Department of Health and Human Services -Office of Minority Health Resource Center	Information and referral service on minority health issues for professionals, community groups, consumers, and students	http://www.omhrc.gov/
American Cancer Society	Cancer Statistics	http://www.cancer.org/docroot/STT/stt_0.asp
The Commonwealth Fund	Reports aimed at helping people become more informed about their health care, and improving care for vulnerable populations such as children, elderly people, low-income families, minority Americans, and the uninsured.	http://www.cmwf.org/publist/overview.asp
American Heart Association	Publications & Resources: Heart disease and Stroke Statistics	http://www.americanheart.org/
U. S. Department of Health & Human Services	Collection of dictionaries, publications and statistics	http://www.hhs.gov/reference/index.shtml
Federal Health Information Center & Clearinghouse	Distributes publications, provides referrals, and answer inquiries. Many of the listings offer Web sites or toll-free numbers	http://www.health.gov/nhic/Pubs/clearinghouses.htm
The FedStats Homepage	Access official statistics collected and published by more than 100 Federal agencies without having to know in advance which agency produces them	http://www.fedstats.gov/
U. S. Census Bureau	Census data	http://www.census.gov/

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Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services	Broad range of quantitative information on their programs, from estimates of future Medicare and Medicaid spending to enrollment, spending, and claims data.	http://cms.hhs.gov/researchers/
Health and Medical Care Archive (HMCA)	Searchable database that holds empirical data collected from health care researchers, universities and private organizations	http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/HMCA
Center for Studying Health System Change (HSC)	HSC designs and conducts studies focussed on the US health care system to inform the thinking and decisions of policy makers in government and private industry	http://www.hschange.com/index.cgi?file
Neighborhood Change Database (NCDB)	This database can track changes in social, economic etc. in neighborhoods overtime and across census tracts	http://www.urban.org/nnip/ncua/ncdb.html
RAND	Surveys on health related quality of life measures	http://www.rand.org/health/surveys.html
America's Health: State Health Rankings - 2003	A comprehensive, state-by-state analyses of health status in our nation.	http://www.unitedhealthfoundation.org/shr2003/
Kaiser Family Foundation	KaiserNetwork.org -Lists internet links to websites/data-sources focusing on various health issues. Categories include: Academic Health Centers, Advocacy and Education, Associations, Foundations, Government Agencies, Health	http://www.kaisernetwork.org/ref_links/reflinks_ie.cfm
Best Care, Inc	Provides an alphabetical listing of links to approximately 100 websites of health-related agencies, foundations and advocates.	http://www.bestcare.cc/info_links.htm

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American Hospital Association (AHA)	Resources/Tools and Links to websites/data-sources committed to eliminating health disparities.	http://www.hospitalconnect.com/aha/key_issues/disparity/index.html
Annie E. Casey Foundation	Provides publications and data intended to illuminate the status of America's children and to assess trends in their well-being.	http://aecf.org/kidscount/databook/
	Cultural Competence Resources/Links	http://aecf.org/initiatives/jobsandrace/index.htm
Data Sources for Other Cities/Regions	Data/Reports	Website
Minnesota Department of Health	Statistics and data about births and deaths and diseases and conditions in Minnesota	http://www.health.state.mn.us/stats.html
Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance	coordinated network of city, state, government and neighborhood organizations that use accurate, reliable and accessible data to enhance quality of life in Baltimores neighborhoods.	http://www.bnia.org/results/research_reports.html
The Boston Foundation Indicators Project	Philanthropic organization that funds community building projects in the city of Boston to increase the quality of life for its diverse neighborhoods.	http://www.tbf.org/indicators/

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Center on Urban Poverty and Social Change: Cleveland	Focuses its efforts on poverty while seeking to understand the social and economic forces that influence this condition in local communities	http://povertycenter.cwru.edu/urban_poverty/dev/pub/reports.asp
Rhode Island Health Department	Compendium of Health Databases maintained by the Rhode Island Department of Health.	http://www.health.ri.gov/chic/statistics/data2002.pdf
Communities Count: Seattle, King County	Provides a biennial report on the health and well-being of people and communities in King County that identifies strengths and areas in need attention.	http://www.communitiescount.org
Jacksonville Community Council Inc	Report on Quality of life in Jacksonville. Indicators for Progress 2002	http://www.jcci.org/newerhome.htm
Ohio Department of Health	State and County level data	http://www.odh.state.oh.us/
London Health Observatory (United Kingdom) -Local Basket of Health Inequalities Indicators	Highlights information relevant to life expectancy and infant mortality, to assist local areas with monitoring progress towards reducing health inequalities. (United Kingdom)	http://www.lho.org.uk/HIL/Inequalities_In_Health/Basket_Of_Indicators/Basket.htm
Philadelphia Department of Public Health	"Taking Philadelphia's Temperature" -statistics on leading health indicators and mortality for Philadelphia. It provides some benchmarks for where Philadelphia is in relation to the United States, other cities, and the Healthy People 2010 objectives. Communicable disease information and data	http://www.phila.gov/health/hp2010/PhilaTemp/TakingPhiladelphiasTemperature.pdf
Indiana State Health Department	Publications, data and statistics	http://www.phila.gov/health/units/ddc/index.html http://www.state.in.us/isdh/

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Morrison Institute for Public Policy	Report on Phoenix indicators to measure quality of life in that region	http://www.asu.edu/copp/morrison/projects/project.html#gofl
Kaiser Family Foundation's State Health Facts Online	The latest state-level data on demographics, health, and health policy, including health coverage, access, financing, and state legislation.	http://www.statehealthfacts.org/
The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)	Provides direct links to state health department websites. Go to " State Links "	http://astho.org/
	Search engine to find federal and state public health organizations, as well as press releases.	http://www.statepublichealth.org/
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U. S. Department of Health & Human Services -Office of Minority Health Resources Center	National Listings	http://www.omhrc.gov/OMH/sidebar/conferences.htm
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill	National Listings	http://www.minority.unc.edu/events/
Emory Healthcare, Atlanta, GA	Company sponsored	http://www.minority-health.org/
U. S. Centers for Disease Control	National Listings	http://www.cdc.gov/omh/calendar.htm
Kaiser Network	National Listings	http://www.kaisernetwork.org/calendar/calendar.cfm
National Association of Local Boards of Health	National Listings	http://www.nalboh.org/about/calendar.htm
National Rural Health Association	National Listings	http://www.nrharural.org/pagefile/NRHAconf.htm
ALLCONFERENCES.COM	National Listings	http://www.allconferences.com/Health/Public_Health/