

## State Profile: Arkansas

State of the States in Family Caregiver Support

<b>Population</b>	<b>AR</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>Source</b>
▪ Total Population ( <i>thousands</i> )	3,012	331,449	2020 Census
▪ Population 65+ ( <i>thousands</i> )	525	55,892	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % 65+	17	17	2020 Census, 2021 American Community Survey
▪ National Ranking 65+	22	N/A	2020 Population Reference Bureau (PBR)
▪ % White 65+	83.2	75.6	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % African American 65+	10.8	9.2	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % Hispanic/Latino 65+	1.6	9	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % Asian 65+	.7	4.8	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 65+	.1	.1	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % American Indian/Alaska Native 65+	.4	.5	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % Two or More Races 65+	4.1	6.6	2021 American Community Survey
▪ Population 85+ ( <i>thousands</i> )	52	5,963	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % Population 85+	1.7	1.8	2021 American Community Survey

<b>Socio-Demographics</b>	<b>AR</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>Source</b>
▪ Average Household Size	2.5	2.5	2021 American Community Survey
▪ Average Family Size	3.1	3.2	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % Population in a Rural Area	44.5	19.3	2020 Census State Level Urban and Rural Information
▪ % Households with Persons 65+	31.3	31.3	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % Persons Age 65+ Living Alone	26.8	25.6	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % Households with internet access	85.7	90.3	2021 American Community Survey

<b>Economic Indicators</b>	<b>AR</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>Source</b>
▪ Per Capita Income	29,252	38,332	2021 American Community Survey
▪ Median Household Income	52,528	69,717	2021 American Community Survey
▪ Total State Expenditures Per Capita	10,262	8,037	Kaiser Family Foundation
▪ % Population 65+ Below Poverty	11.7	10.3	2021 American Community Survey and National Council on Aging (US)

<b>Informal Caregivers</b>	<b>AR</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>Source</b>
▪ # of Caregivers ( <i>thousands</i> )	420	38,000	AARP Valuing the Invaluable 2023 Update
▪ # of Caregiving Hours ( <i>millions</i> )	390	36,000	AARP Valuing the Invaluable 2023 Update

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▪ Value of Caregiving ( <i>millions</i> )	5,800	600,000	AARP Valuing the Invaluable 2023 Update
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Care Receivers	AR	US	Source
▪ % Population 18-64 years w/Disability	15.1	10.7	2021 American Community Survey
▪ % Population 65+ w/Disability	39.4	32.6	2021 American Community Survey
% 65+ with			
▪ Hearing Difficulty	17.2	13.3	2021 American Community Survey
▪ Vision Loss	8.2	6	2021 American Community Survey
▪ Ambulatory	25.3	20.5	2021 American Community Survey
▪ Self-Care	8.7	7.1	2021 American Community Survey
▪ Cognitive	9.8	7.8	2021 American Community Survey
▪ Independent Living Difficulty	14.7	13.2	2021 American Community Survey

Long Term Care	AR	US	Source
▪ % Medicaid spending on nursing facilities	48.9	28.3	Kaiser Family Foundation (FY 2021)
▪ % Medicaid spending on Home Health and Personal Care	26.9	64.3	Kaiser Family Foundation (FY 2021)
▪ # of Certified Nursing Facilities	220	15,183	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
▪ % of Certified Facilities with Family Groups	9	15	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
▪ Average # of Certified Nursing Facility Beds per Facility	109.3	106.4	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
▪ % Certified Nursing Facility Occupancy Rate	62	72	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
▪ Average Cost Per Day in a Nursing Home (private room)	220	297	Genworth 2021 Cost of Care Survey
▪ Average Assisted Living Monthly Cost	3,760	4,500	Genworth 2021 Cost of Care Survey
▪ Average Daily Cost for Adult Day Care Services	89	78	Genworth 2021 Cost of Care Survey
▪ Average Hourly Cost for Home Health Aide	22	27	Genworth 2021 Cost of Care Survey
▪ Average Hourly Cost for Homemaker Services	21.95	26	Genworth 2021 Cost of Care Survey
▪ # of Home Health Aides	17,290	3,336,480	US Bureau of Labor Statistics - May 2022 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates
▪ Median Hourly Wage Certified Nursing Assistant	13.66	14.57	US Bureau of Labor Statistics - May 2022 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates
▪ Median Hourly Wage Personal Care/Home Care Aid	11.32	14.24	US Bureau of Labor Statistics - May 2022 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates

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<b>Medicare Prescription Drug Plan</b>	<b>AR</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>Source</b>
▪ # of Organizations Offering PDPs	23	801	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)
▪ # of Medicare Advantage Drug Plan Contracts	40	2,666	Kaiser Family Foundation (2022)

### **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 (2019, 2018, 2014)
State Respite Coalitions	Yes

### **Workplace Benefits for Family Caregivers**

Paid Family Leave	No
Unemployment Insurance for Family Caregivers	Yes
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	14
State Multi-Sector or Master Plan for Aging	No
CARE (Caregiver Advice, Record, Enable) Act Adopted	Yes