

Diabetes Prevalence Among Medicare Recipients (2012)	
State Comparison	
Alabama	29.15
United States	27.03
Historic Trend	
	N.A.
Public Health Area	
1	30.68
2	29.45
3	30.16
4	25.53
5	28.48
6	29.47
7	34.15
8	29.68
9	28.38
10	29.91
11	27.85
Rurality	
Rural counties	30.90
Urban counties	27.70
Age	
	N.A.
Gender	
	N.A.
Race	
	N.A.
Ethnicity	
	N.A.
Income	
	N.A.
Education	
	N.A.

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- Alabama’s Medicare population is composed of those age 65 and older and disabled people. In 2012, 29.2 percent of this population had been diagnosed with diabetes.
- Rural counties are more likely to have diabetics with Medicare coverage.
- The four counties with the highest percentages of diabetic Medicare population were Greene, Bullock, Butler, and Russell.
- The poorer population has difficulty providing for their condition and is more likely to be confined to a nursing home or reside in an assisted living center.
- Alabama’s percent diagnosis among Medicare recipients is geographically concentrated in poorer, rural areas with limited access to diabetic services.

