

Safe-Rx™ State Rankings (2006-2008)

This sheet provides a summary of Safe-Rx rankings for the years 2006 through 2008. Safe-Rx rankings are based on an analysis of data from new e-prescriptions and responses to prescription renewal requests electronically transmitted over the Surescripts® network. States are ranked according to the number of prescriptions routed electronically in 2008 as a percentage of the total number of prescriptions eligible for electronic routing.

The total number of eligible prescriptions does not include controlled substances as they are not eligible for e-prescribing under current DEA regulations. The total number of eligible prescriptions also excludes preauthorized refills on existing prescriptions because they do not require communication between a physician and a pharmacist. Safe-Rx rankings are not issued for years in which the state regulatory environment is unfavorable towards e-prescribing. At the end of 2009, Surescripts will add the use of prescription benefit information and prescription history to the calculation of state Safe-Rx rankings.

State	Safe-Rx State Ranking 2006	Safe-Rx State Ranking 2007	Safe-Rx State Ranking 2008	% of Rx Transmitted Electronically 2006	% of Rx Transmitted Electronically 2007	% of Rx Transmitted Electronically 2008
Massachusetts	1	1	1	8.80%	13.43%	20.50%
Rhode Island	2	2	2	5.60%	9.05%	17.27%
Michigan	6	5	3	1.88%	4.20%	9.03%
Nevada	3	3	4	5.55%	7.06%	8.89%
Delaware	4	4	5	2.74%	4.21%	7.70%
North Carolina	7	7	6	1.28%	3.07%	6.43%
Pennsylvania	12	12	7	0.67%	2.46%	6.43%
Connecticut	15	9	8	0.46%	2.57%	6.41%
Maine	20	16	9	0.36%	2.04%	5.97%
Arizona	14	8	10	0.48%	2.89%	5.86%
Maryland	5	6	11	2.05%	3.17%	5.28%
New Jersey	8	11	12	1.13%	2.51%	4.76%
Ohio	9	13	13	1.01%	2.46%	4.67%
Vermont	23	31	14	0.28%	0.96%	4.64%
Oregon	38	18	15	0.10%	1.65%	4.39%
Idaho	32	15	16	0.14%	2.17%	4.33%
Washington	10	10	17	0.78%	2.57%	4.19%
Tennessee	16	29	18	0.44%	1.14%	4.02%
Missouri	37	25	19	0.10%	1.21%	3.97%
Florida	13	19	20	0.62%	1.62%	3.89%
Illinois	27	28	21	0.21%	1.15%	3.79%
Colorado	30	24	22	0.19%	1.22%	3.73%
Minnesota	25	26	23	0.25%	1.20%	3.61%
New York	22	21	24	0.29%	1.55%	3.51%

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Virginia	11	20	25	0.67%	1.61%	3.49%
West Virginia	26	23	26	0.23%	1.34%	3.43%
Indiana	24	33	27	0.25%	0.91%	3.30%
California	18	22	28	0.43%	1.44%	3.28%
Texas	21	30	29	0.32%	0.96%	3.17%
New Hampshire	17	14	30	0.43%	2.34%	3.01%
Kansas	34	42	31	0.12%	0.50%	2.98%
Kentucky	28	32	32	0.20%	0.95%	2.91%
Louisiana	29	17	33	0.19%	1.97%	2.84%
District of Columbia	-	27	34	-	1.16%	2.75%
Iowa	48	40	35	0.00%	0.58%	2.33%
Georgia	43	38	36	0.04%	0.65%	2.21%
Alabama	31	36	37	0.17%	0.84%	2.21%
Oklahoma	36	41	38	0.11%	0.58%	2.09%
Wisconsin	42	44	39	0.05%	0.37%	1.94%
Utah	19	34	40	0.39%	0.89%	1.77%
Nebraska	44	43	41	0.02%	0.48%	1.76%
Alaska	-	48	42	-	0.18%	1.74%
New Mexico	39	37	43	0.07%	0.75%	1.66%
Wyoming	33	35	44	0.12%	0.84%	1.65%
Arkansas	35	39	45	0.11%	0.60%	1.63%
Montana	40	46	46	0.06%	0.24%	1.38%
South Dakota	46	50	47	0.01%	0.09%	1.35%
South Carolina	49	47	48	0.00%	0.23%	1.25%
Hawaii	45	45	49	0.02%	0.30%	1.04%
Mississippi	41	49	50	0.06%	0.13%	0.72%
North Dakota	47	51	51	0.00%	0.09%	0.39%