



America's Best Maternity Hospitals 2022

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Summary of the project

- High quality maternity care provided from pregnancy through birth and even postpartum is key to the long-term health to newborns and women who give birth alike. Given that maternity care is a major component of health-care in the US, relatively little is known about the best sites for childbirth following uncomplicated pregnancies.
- To close this gap and provide expecting parents with a comprehensive resource for informed decision making, Statista and Newsweek have partnered to identify “America’s Best Maternity Hospitals”:
- The **America’s Best Maternity Hospitals 2022** ranking awards the leading 350 hospitals in the field of maternity in the US.
- The list is based on **three data sources**:
 1. **Nationwide online survey**: hospital managers and health care professionals with knowledge about maternity processes e.g. neonatal and OB/GYNs were asked to recommend leading maternity hospitals in the US
 2. **Medical KPIs on hospitals** with a focus on indicators relevant to maternity care
 3. **Results from patient surveys**
- During the survey period from February to March 2022, Newsweek and Statista invited over 10,000 medical professionals to participate in the survey.
- Participants were also asked to assess confidence in their assessment of the maternity hospital, which was used to determine individual weights for the recommendations.
- Based on pre-defined thresholds for each of the three data sources, awarded hospitals were grouped into two categories (5 ribbons/4 ribbons).

Three data sources were evaluated to identify leading maternity hospitals

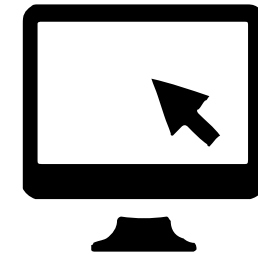
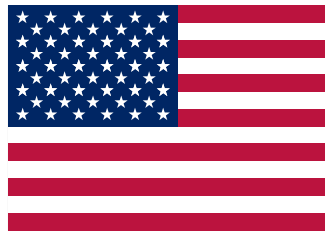
Ranking process and scoring model



10,000+ medical experts with knowledge about maternity care were invited to the survey

1 National online survey

- From February to March 2022, Statista invited over 10,000 hospital managers and medical professionals with knowledge about Maternity Hospitals to an online survey.



National online survey among hospital managers and medical professionals. Participants were invited via e-mail.

Participants were asked to recommend hospitals which are notable maternity hospitals. Recommendations for own employer/hospital were not allowed.

Participants were also asked to rate maternity hospitals on a scale of 1-10 in the areas of: perinatal care, operative obstetrics, patient education, accommodation & service and overall nurse & midwife staffing. These assessments and the recommendations were used to determine the **Reputation Score**.

SCORE FOR REPUTATION

Publicly available data on maternity hospitals was analyzed

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2 Patient satisfaction

- Publicly available data from hospital patient surveys was used to analyze patient experience⁽¹⁾
- Survey topics associated to maternity care:
 - Cleanliness of the hospital
 - Communication of the nurses/doctors
 - Care transition
 - Communication about medicines
 - Discharge information
 - Quietness
 - Staff responsiveness

SCORE FOR PATIENT EXPERIENCE

3 Medical KPIs

- Hospital key performance indicators relevant to maternity care from a variety of public sources were collected(1, 2)
- JCI data were available for:
 - Cesarean birth
 - Exclusive breast milk feeding
 - Perinatal care:
 - Unexpected complications in term newborns per 1000 livebirth Overall/Moderate/Severe
- CMS data were available for:
 - Elective delivery

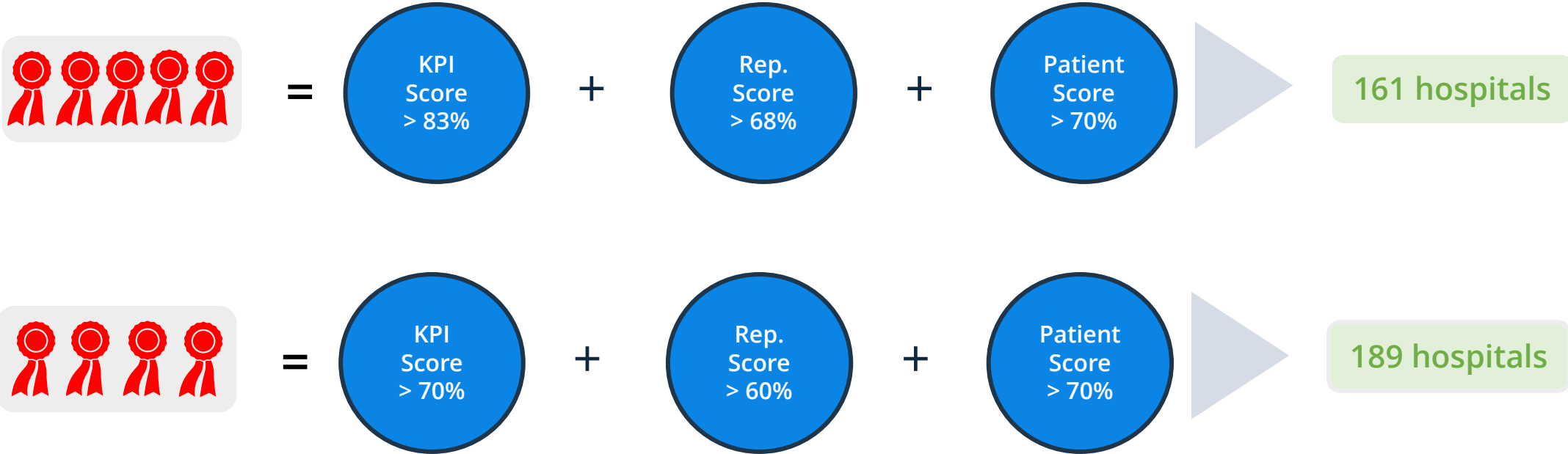
SCORE FOR MEDICAL KPIS

(1) Medicare and Medicaid Services' (short: CMS) Data (<https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare/>)






(2) The Joint Commission (short: JCI) Data (<https://manual.jointcommission.org/releases/TJC2019A/PerinatalCare.html>)

Maternity hospitals were categorized based on data thresholds

Only hospitals with an outstanding performance are included in the ranking. Therefore, the predefined thresholds for at least 4 ribbons must be reached.



As a result, the 350 best maternity hospitals in the US were awarded

Ribbons	Facility	City	State
	Adena Regional Medical Center	Chillicothe	OH
	Adventhealth Wesley Chapel	Wesley Chapel	FL
	Adventist Health Castle	Kailua	HI
	Advocate Christ Medical Center	Oak Lawn	IL
	Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital	Downers Grove	IL

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350 LEADING MATERNITY HOSPITALS WERE AWARDED

America's Best Maternity Hospitals partner network

Overview of involved parties

Newsweek

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The information provided in this ranking should be considered in conjunction with other available information about hospitals or, if possible, accompanied by a visit to a facility. Due to the focus on uncomplicated pregnancies, no conclusions towards high-risk pregnancies and specialized obstetrics care pertaining to these situations can be drawn from this ranking. The quality of hospitals that are not included in the rankings is not disputed.