

METHODOLOGY

America's Best Addiction Treatment Centers 2023



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Summary of the project

- The 4th edition of **America’s Best Addiction Treatment Centers** ranking awards the leading 360 addiction treatment centers in the US.
- Facilities in the 25 states⁽¹⁾ with the highest number of addiction treatment centers, according to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), were included in the survey.
- The scope of facilities and states included in the survey are:
 - Inpatient/residential and long-term addiction treatment centers were included in the ranking. Long-term programs required a minimum residency of 30 days ^(2,3). Facilities which only offer outpatient or short-term addiction treatment services were excluded.
 - The Top 11-17% facilities per state were awarded. This amount is based on the number of facilities within the specific state that meet the above-mentioned scope of requirements, and therefore varies in the individual states.
- The list is based on **two data sources**:
 - 1. National Online Survey – Reputation Score:** During the survey period from April to May 2023, Newsweek and Statista invited over 4,000 medical professionals to participate in the survey. Medical professionals and staff working in the management/administration in addiction treatment centers, were asked to recommend leading addiction treatment centers in their respective US state.
 - 2. Accreditation data** on addiction treatment centers provided by The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

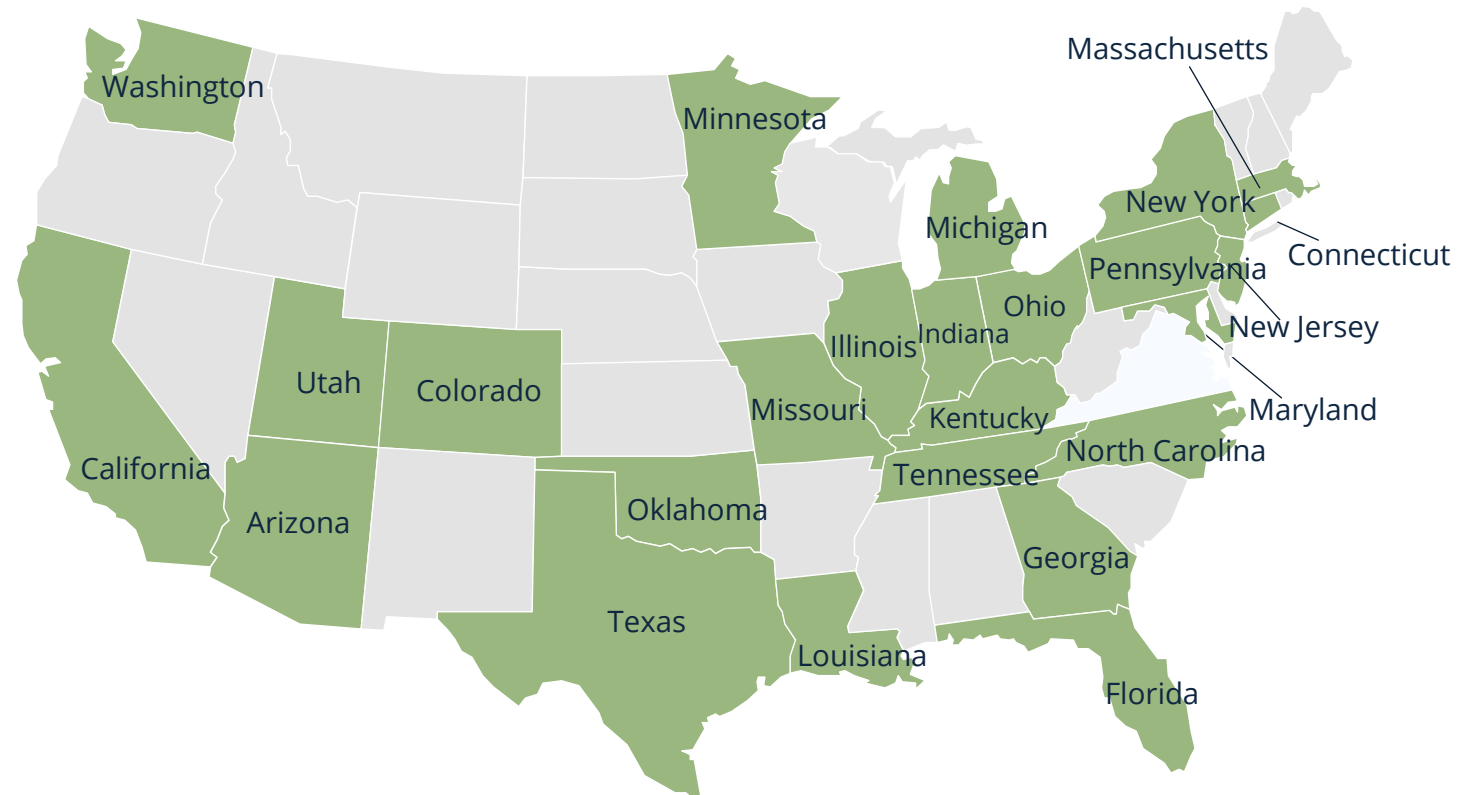
2 | Sources: (1) Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Washington
(2) Definition according to SAMHSA: [LINK](#)
(3) In a few selected cases long-term was defined as a minimum residency of 28 days.

Addiction Treatment Centers from 25 states were eligible for the ranking

Geographical distribution

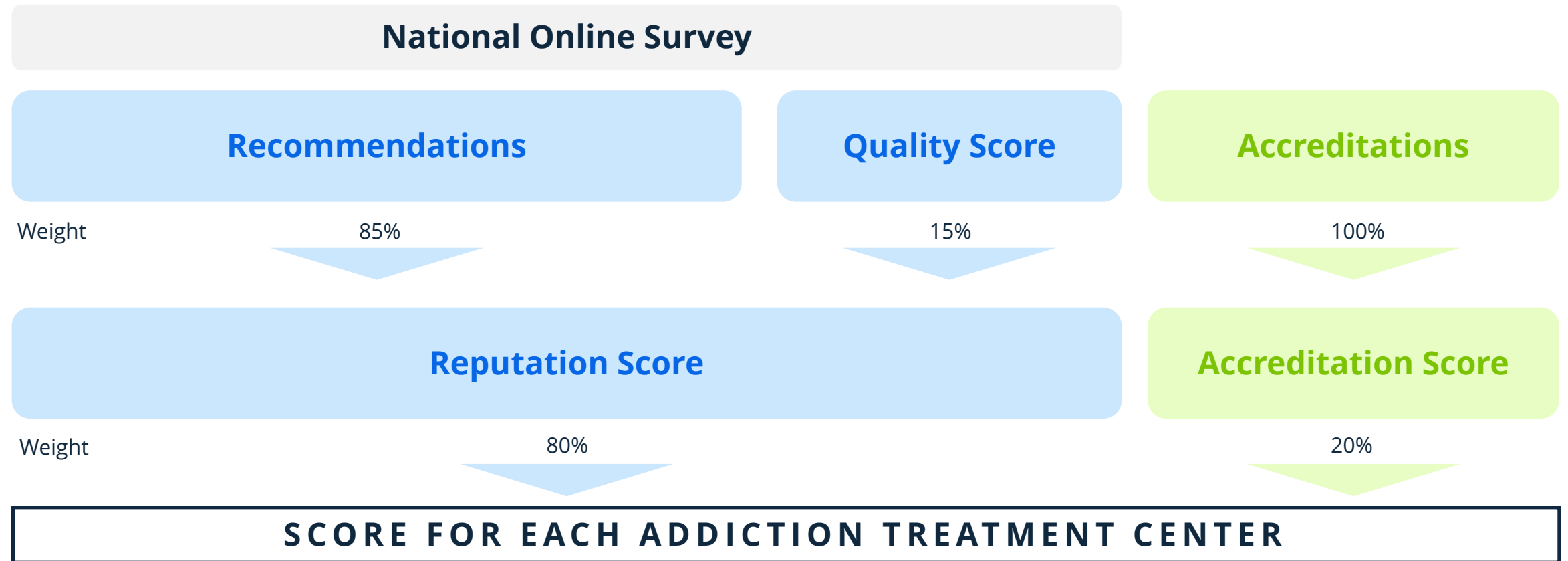
- The following 25 states with the highest number of addiction treatment centers⁽¹⁾:

- Arizona
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Florida
- Georgia
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Missouri
- New Jersey
- New York
- North Carolina
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Pennsylvania
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Utah
- Washington



A score was calculated for each addiction treatment center

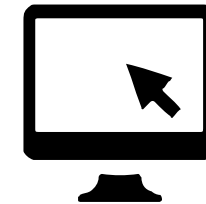
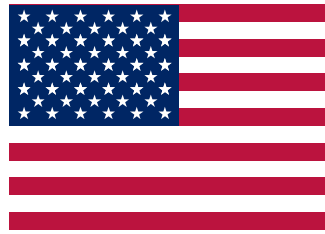
Scoring model



Over 4,000 medical experts with knowledge about addiction treatment centers were invited to the survey

National online survey by state

From April to May 2023, Newsweek and Statista invited over 4,000 medical professionals (therapists, counselors, medical doctors) and managers/administrators who work in addiction treatment facilities to an online survey.



Online survey by state among medical professionals and managers/administrators working in addiction treatment. Participants were invited via e-mail.

Participants were asked to recommend notable addiction treatment centers **in their respective state**. The professional experience of the participant was taken into account. Recommendations for own employer were not allowed.

Participants were asked to assign a **ranking position** (e.g., Top 1, Top 2, Top 3, Top 50, Not in the Top 50) to addiction treatment centers. These assessments and the recommendations were used to determine the **Reputation Score**.

RECOMMENDATIONS CONSTITUTE 85% OF THE REPUTATION SCORE

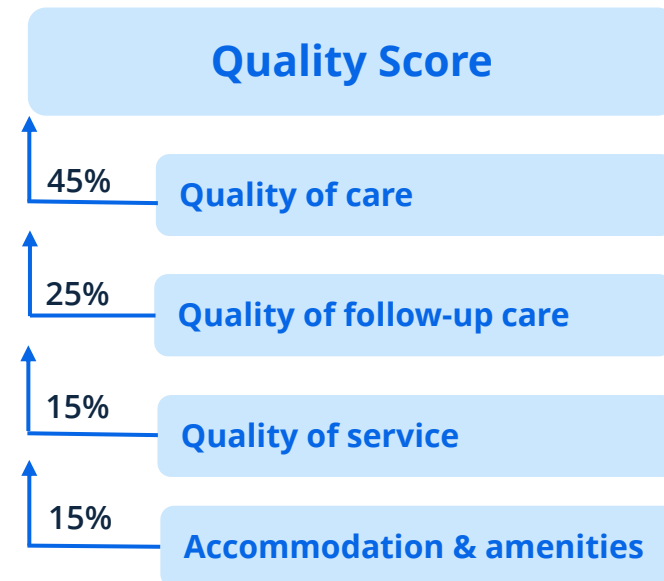
A quality score was calculated for each recommended addiction treatment center

Quality score based on quality dimensions

CALCULATION OF QUALITY SCORE

- For each recommended addiction treatment center participants were asked to rate the **four quality dimensions** on a scale from 1 ("Poor") to 10 ("Excellent"):
 - Quality of care
 - Quality of follow-up care
 - Quality of service
 - Accommodation & amenities
- A quality score was assigned to each facility based on the **weighted average** of these ratings.

WEIGHTS OF QUALITY DIMENSIONS



THE QUALITY SCORE CONSTITUTES 15% OF THE REPUTATION SCORE

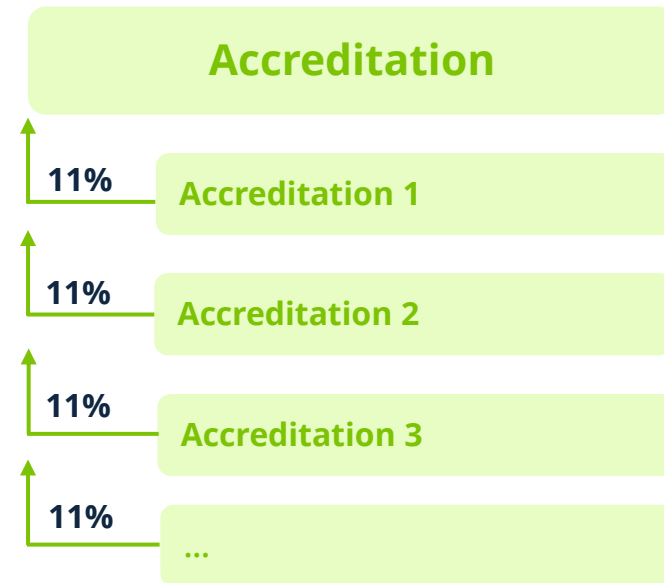
An accreditation score was calculated for each addiction treatment center

SAMSHA accreditations

ACCREDITATIONS

- The **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)** provides data for addiction treatment centers.
- The following **accreditations** are included:
 - Accreditation 1: State Substance Abuse Agency
 - Accreditation 2: State Mental Health Department
 - Accreditation 3: State Department of Health
 - Accreditation 4: Hospital Licensing Authority
 - Accreditation 5: The Joint Commission
 - Accreditation 6: Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities
 - Accreditation 7: National Committee for Quality Assurance
 - Accreditation 8: Council on Accreditation
 - Accreditation 9: Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program

WEIGHTS OF ACCREDITATIONS



THE ACCREDITATION SCORE CONSTITUTES 20% OF THE TOTAL SCORE

As a result, 360 addiction treatment centers with the highest score in 25 states were awarded

Final Addiction Treatment Center score

California

Rank	Facility	Score	City
1	Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation – Rancho Mirage	90,59%	Rancho Mirage
2	Cliffside Malibu	88,68%	Malibu
3	Oro House Recovery Centers	87,63%	Malibu
4	Summit Estate Recovery Center	87,14%	Saratoga
5	Elevate Addiction Services – Santa Cruz	86,46%	Watsonville

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Florida

Rank	Facility	Score	City
1	UF Health Florida Recovery Center	88,90%	Gainesville
2	Ambrosia Treatment Center – Singer Island	87,35%	Singer Island
3	White Sands Treatment – Fort Myers	87,23%	Fort Myers
4	Beach House	86,11%	Juno Beach
5	Riverside Recovery of Tampa	85,92%	Tampa

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LEADING ADDICTION TREATMENT CENTERS WERE AWARDED

America's Best Addiction Treatment Centers 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 addiction treatment centers or, if possible, accompanied by a visit to a facility. The quality of addiction treatment centers that are not included in the rankings is not disputed.