

**2007: Fair**  
(8 out of 18 points)

**2006: Fair**  
(6 out of 16 points)

# Tennessee

Population: 5,962,959

Incidence & Mortality		2007 Score	2006 Score
Cervical Cancer Incidence Rate:	8.3/100,000 ▼	1	1
Cervical Cancer Incidence Rate/Race:	n/a		
Cervical Cancer Mortality Rate:	2.9/100,000 ▼	1	1
Cervical Cancer Mortality Rate/Race:	White: 2.8 Black: 7.0		

## Screening

Cervical Cancer Screening Rate:	87.3%	2	2
Cervical Cancer Screening Rate/Race:	White: 87% Black: 90%		
% Uninsured/Unscreened:	27.6%	1	
Medicaid Coverage HPV Testing:	Restricted	0	0

## Health Care Access

Rate Uninsured Women:	15% ▲	1	1
% Low Income/Uninsured Women:	26%		

▲ Rate increased over last report ▼ Rate decreased over last report — Rate stayed the same since last report

## Policy Initiatives & Infrastructure

- Coverage mandates for cervical cancer screening**  
 There are no coverage or screening mandates in place. Cumulative score: 0.
- Task force/commissions for cervical cancer prevention**  
 SB 3678 will establish the Tennessee Cervical Cancer Elimination Task Force to review statistical and qualitative data on the prevalence and burden of cervical cancer; to develop a strategy to raise public awareness on the causes and nature of cervical cancer and the value of prevention and early detection; and to publish a statewide comprehensive cervical cancer prevention plan. Signed by Gov. Phil Bredesen on June 20, 2006. Cumulative score: 2.
- Miscellaneous support of cervical cancer prevention**  
 There is no miscellaneous cervical cancer prevention legislation. Cumulative score: 0.

## State Summary

Tennessee saw a drop in both its cervical cancer incidence and mortality rates since the last report. Mortality for Black women in the state is two-and-one-half times higher than for White women. The state improved its score by two points when it initiated a cervical cancer task force to chart a statewide cervical cancer prevention plan.

