



Prevention Status Reports

Advancing evidence-based policy and practice

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About the Reports

A performance measurement system that highlights – for all 50 states and the District of Columbia -- the status of public health policies and practices designed to address the following important public health problems and concerns:



Alcohol-Related Harms



Food Safety



Healthcare-Associated Infections



Heart Disease and Stroke



HIV



Motor Vehicle Injuries



Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity



Prescription Drug Overdose



Teen Pregnancy



Tobacco Use

Bolded Topics denote Winnable Battles

Goal and Framework

- The goal of the PSRs is to help advance evidence-based public health policy and practice by—
 - Highlighting opportunities to address important public health *problems*
 - Monitoring the use of available *solutions*
 - Reporting the *status* of public health policies and practices in states and DC

Problem



Solutions



Status

Rating Categories

The reports use a simple, three-level rating scale.

- **Green**—indicates that the policy or practice is established in accordance with supporting evidence and/or expert recommendations
- **Yellow**—indicates that the policy or practice is established in partial accordance with supporting evidence and/or expert recommendations
- **Red**—indicates that the policy or practice is either absent or not established in accordance with supporting evidence and/or expert recommendations

Topic Selection

The 10 health topics were selected for inclusion in the PSRs because—

- They reflect current public health challenges and leading causes of death and disability
- They align with public health priorities and national initiatives, such as CDC's Winnable Battles
- They include solution drawn from scientific evidence and/or expert recommendations to address these public health challenges

Policy and Practice Inclusion Criteria

The policies and practices reported in the PSRs were selected because they can be monitored using state-level data that are readily available for most states and the District of Columbia, and meet one of the following criteria:



Supported by systematic review(s) of scientific evidence of effectiveness (e.g., The Guide to Community Preventive Services)

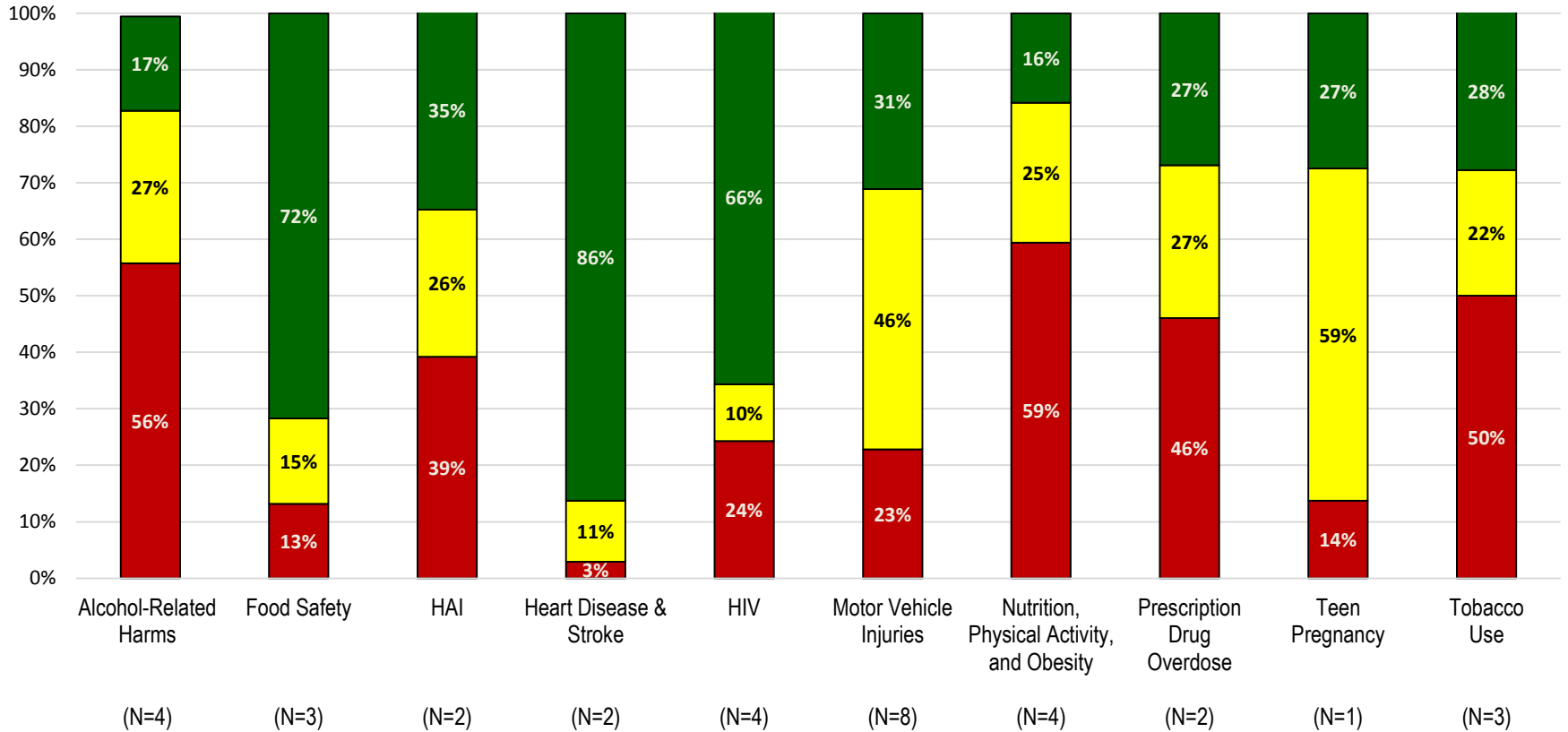


Explicitly cited in a national strategy or national action plan (e.g., Healthy People 2020)

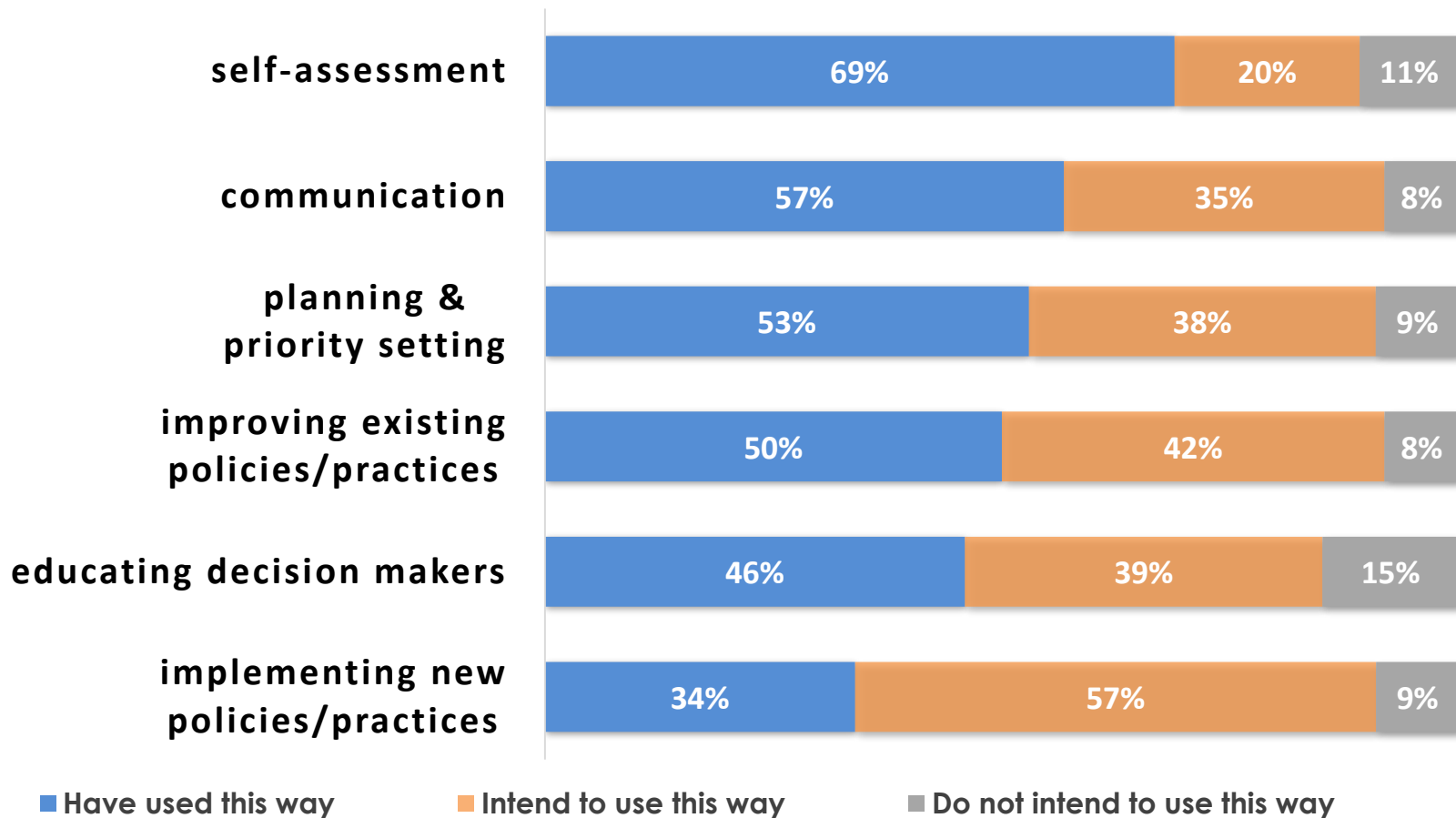


Recommended by a recognized expert body, panel, organization, study, or report with an evidence-based focus (e.g., Institute of Medicine)

Summary of 2015 Ratings by Topic



How the PSRs are Being Used



What Users are Saying

"I will take the PSRs and policies that are suggested and I will use data from CDC to work with teams to incorporate the policy targets into [our] strategic plan over the next five years."

"PSRs are one more resource we use to justify why we're working on certain aspects of our projects. It shows there are national priorities for certain parts of the work."

"PSRs help justify to legislators the need in so many different arenas. You can pull this report up and it helps."

**For more information about the PSRs,
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