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## Updated NRHA chartbook focuses on rural border health

The National Rural Health Association (NRHA), in partnership with the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy and the Rural and Minority Health Research Center at the University of South Carolina, is excited to announce the release of the [2021 Rural Border Health Chartbook](#).

This update to the 2014 version focuses on residents in Arizona, California, New Mexico, and Texas by comparing self-reported ethnicity (Hispanic vs. non-Hispanic), rural-urban designation (rural vs. urban), and proximity to the U.S.-Mexico border (border vs. non-border). The chartbook provides valuable data on health status, health-related behaviors, and access to care. The update also includes data on COVID-19 and American Indian health in border counties.

“NRHA understands the value in having current data available. We hope this update can be used by organizations along the border to educate policymakers nationwide on the needs and barriers faced by rural residents along the U.S.-Mexico border,” says NRHA CEO Alan Morgan.

### About NRHA

NRHA is a nonprofit organization working to improve the health and well-being of rural Americans and provide leadership on rural health issues through advocacy, communications, education, and research. NRHA’s membership is made up of diverse individuals and organizations, all of whom share the common bond of an interest in rural health.