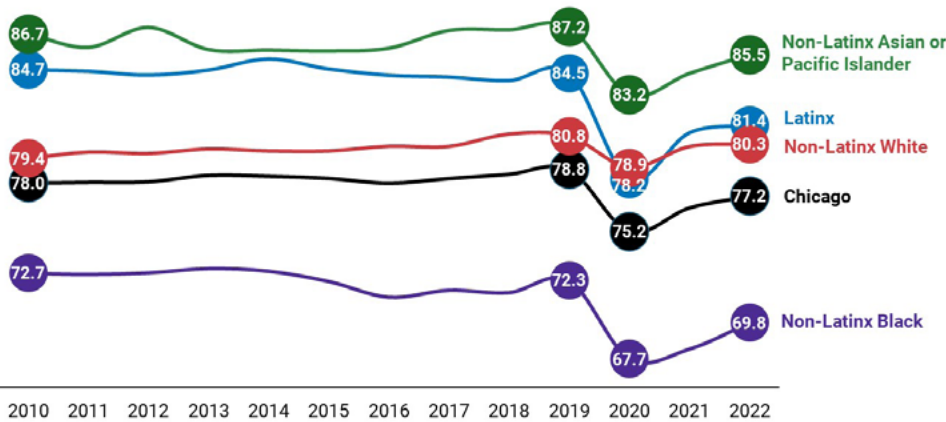


The Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) has released the [Healthy Chicago 2025 Strategic Plan](#) report, which aims to reduce the widening racial life expectancy gap in the city.

As of 2022, the life expectancy gap between Black and non-Black Chicagoans was 11.4 years:

- Chicago average: 77.2 years
- Black Chicagoans: 69.8 years
- Non-Black Chicagoans: 81.2 years

Life expectancy in years of Chicagoans at birth by race and ethnicity, Chicago, 2010-2022



Source: Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), Division of Vital Records, Death Certificate Data Files, 2010-2022

What's Causing This Gap?

Number of years contributed from each cause of death category to the life expectancy gap between Black and non-Black Chicagoans in 2022



What Is CDPH Doing?

The Healthy Chicago 2025 Strategic Plan report includes seven programmatic action plans focused on addressing the key contributors to the life expectancy gap:



Chronic disease



Violence prevention



Substance use



Infectious disease



Infant and maternal health



Mental health



Partnerships

What Does This Mean for Me?

Priority Communities:

These are the neighborhoods that have experienced significant health disparities, including:

- **East Garfield Park** - 67.5 years
- **West Garfield Park** - 62.0 years
- **North Lawndale** - 64.3 years
- **Englewood** - 66.2 years
- **West Englewood** - 63.9 years

These areas have been specifically targeted for interventions due to their lower life expectancies and greatest declines in life expectancy in recent years.

Other Communities:

CDPH will continue to offer high-quality services for all communities citywide to prevent disease, protect residents, and promote wellbeing.

Key strategies

To implement this strategic plan in priority communities, CDPH will employ the following strategies:

1. **Collective Impact Model**
 - Address all-cause mortality in priority communities by layering programs to simultaneously address multiple drivers of the life expectancy gap.
2. **Coordination, Collaboration, & Community Engagement**
 - Grow coordination & collaboration efforts with partners to increase efficiency of resources and engage the community to increase awareness and uptake of services.

Read the new Strategic Plan on the Healthy Chicago website:

[Healthy Chicago 2025 Strategic Plan](#)

