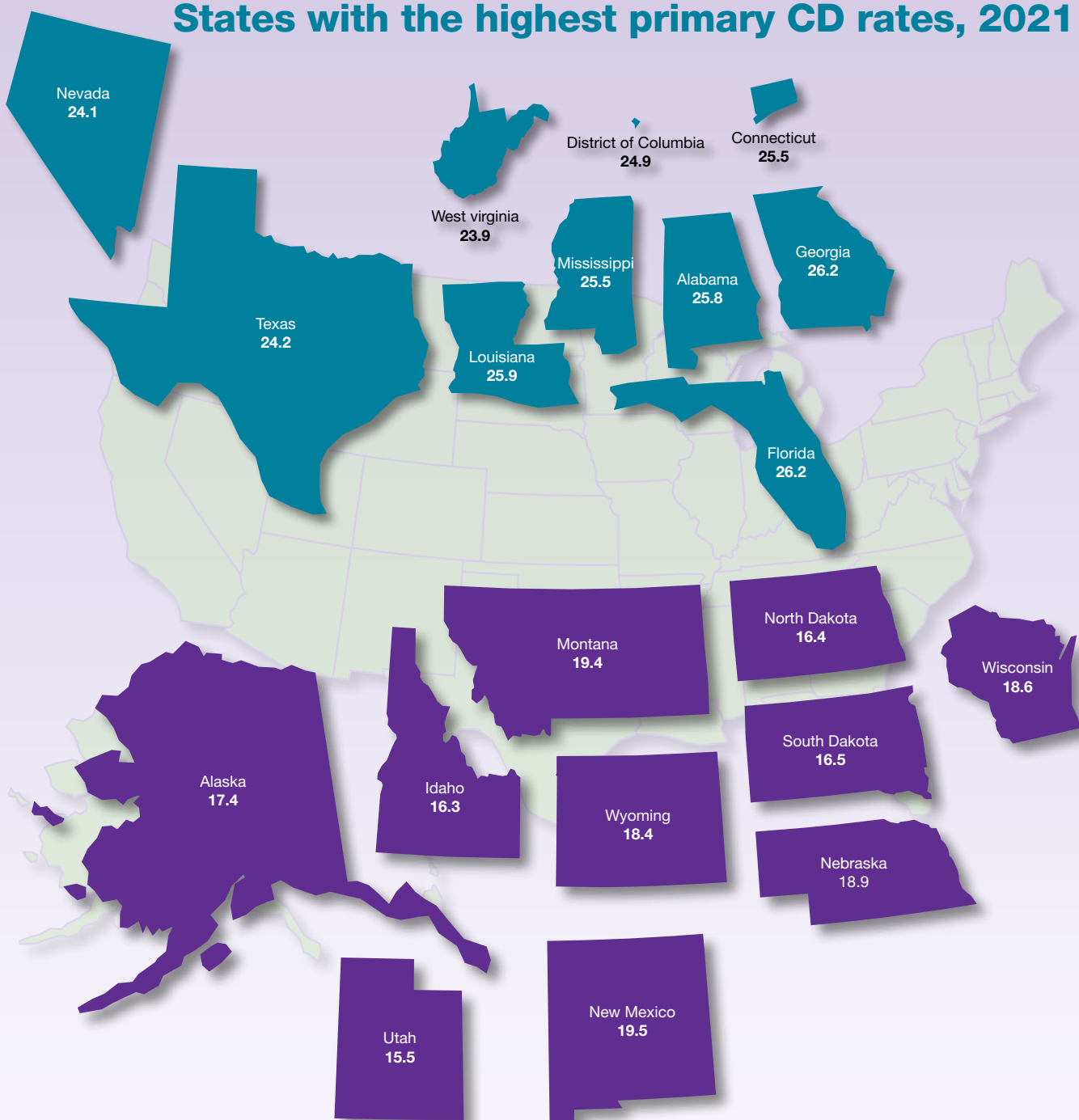


# Primary cesarean delivery rates in the United States

The US primary cesarean delivery (CD) rate in 2021 was 22.4%, an increase of 4% since 2019. Rates increased in 31 states and Washington, DC from 2019 to 2021, with the largest increase occurring in Alaska (17%). Rates decreased in 2 states (Kansas and New Jersey).

## States with the highest primary CD rates, 2021



## States with the lowest primary CD rates, 2021

Source: Osterman MJK. Changes in primary and repeat cesarean delivery: United States, 2016-2021. Vital Statistics Rapid Release. 2022;21. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics; July 2022. doi: <https://dx.doi.org/10.15620/cdc:117432>.