

METHODOLOGY

America's Best Plastic Surgeons **2025**

Scope, Data Collection, Evaluation, and Results

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Summary of the project

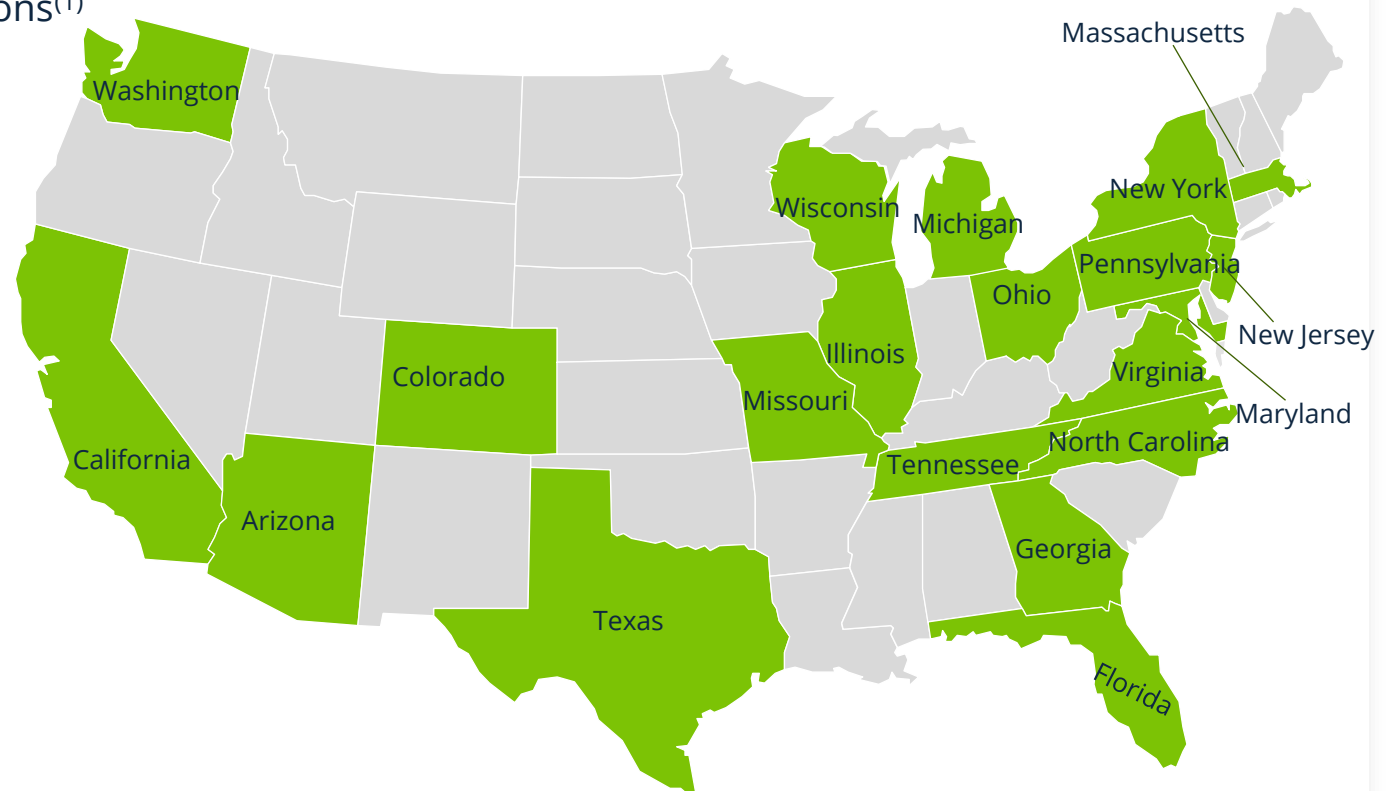
- The America's Best Plastic Surgeons 2025 ranking awards the leading plastic surgeons in the US.
- Plastic surgeons were awarded in six cosmetic surgery procedures: Breast Augmentation, Liposuction, Facelift, Rhinoplasty, Eyelid Surgery and for the first time Tummy Tuck.
- For this edition of the ranking, 200 plastic surgeons were awarded for breast augmentation, 195 for facelift, 185 for rhinoplasty and liposuction, 175 for tummy tuck, and 150 plastic surgeons were awarded for eyelid surgery.⁽¹⁾ In total, 459 individual plastic surgeons were awarded.
- The top 30 plastic surgeons in each cosmetic surgery procedure⁽²⁾ are ranked #1 to #30. The top 31-150 plastic surgeons for each cosmetic eyelid surgery, the top 31-175 plastic surgeons for tummy tuck, the top 31-185 for liposuction, the top 31-185 for rhinoplasty, the top 31-195 for facelift, and the top 31-200 plastic surgeons for breast augmentation are sorted alphabetically.
- Plastic surgeons from the 20 US states with the most plastic surgeons were included in the survey.
- Plastic surgeons who exclusively offer reconstruction or non-elective reconstruction/correction were excluded from the survey.
- The list is based on **three data sources**:
 1. **Online survey by state:** During the survey period from March to May 2025, thousands of medical experts with knowledge of plastic surgery (doctor/surgeons, plastic surgery clinic manager and medical professionals) were invited to an online survey in cooperation with Newsweek. During the survey period, over 10,000 votes for plastic surgeons were collected and analyzed for each cosmetic surgery procedure.
 2. **Quality Score:** For In-State recommendations, participants were asked to assess the quality of care (e.g., consultation, complications, follow-up care, outcome) for each plastic surgeon.
 3. **Certification:** Plastic surgeons received 5% towards their total score if they are certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery.

Plastic surgeons from 20 states were eligible for the ranking

Geographical distribution

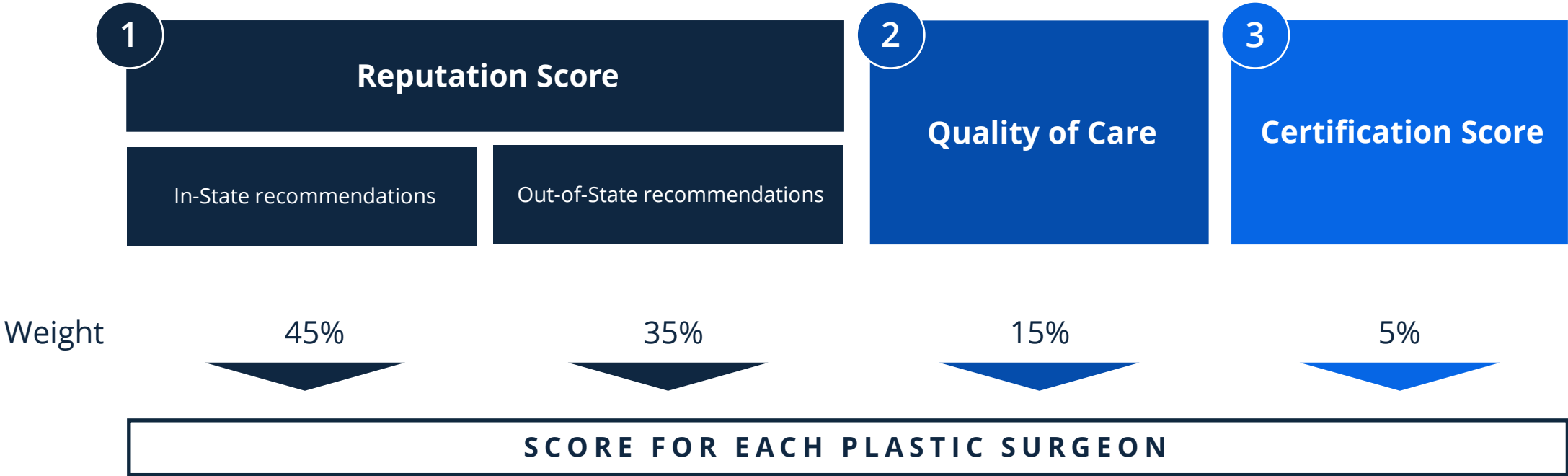
- The following 20 states with the most plastic surgeons⁽¹⁾ were included in the survey:

- Arizona
- California
- Colorado
- Florida
- Georgia
- Illinois
- Massachusetts
- Maryland
- Michigan
- Missouri
- North Carolina
- New Jersey
- New York
- Ohio
- Pennsylvania
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Virginia
- Washington
- Wisconsin



A score was calculated for each plastic surgeon

A score was calculated for each plastic surgeon based on the scoring model



The total score for each plastic surgeon is based on the three pillars and their respective weights listed above. The in-state and out-of-state recommendations of plastic surgeons from the survey period March to April 2024 were also considered.

Thousands of medical experts were invited to the survey

Methodology: Reputation score



Recommendations for Plastic Surgeons from medical experts

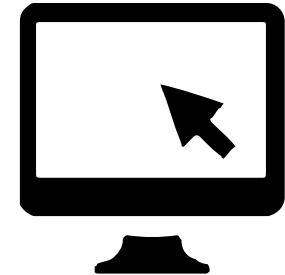
- From April to May 2025, Statista invited medical experts with knowledge of plastic surgery (doctor/surgeons, plastic surgery clinic manager and medical professionals) in the 20 selected states to an online survey. The survey was also promoted on newsweek.com.



Online survey among medical experts with knowledge of plastic surgery in the **20 selected states**. Participants were invited to an online survey in cooperation with Newsweek.



Participants were asked to name the **leading plastic surgeons** for each cosmetic procedure, both **within and outside their respective states**. The order in which recommendations were provided was relevant to the ranking. **Self-recommendations resulted in disqualification from the survey.**



Analysis of **in-state** and **out-of-state** recommendations for each plastic within 6 cosmetic procedures. Each plastic surgeon was assigned a score based on the number of weighted recommendations.

REPUTATION SCORE

A Quality Score and Certifications were used as additional elements

Methodology: Quality Assessment and Certifications

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Quality Score

- For their In-State recommendations, participants were asked to **assess the quality of care** (e.g., consultation with doctor, complications, follow-up care, outcome) to further differentiate the perceived reputation of each plastic surgeon. **Plastic surgeons** who only received Out-of-State recommendations were given a baseline score.
- For each recommended plastic surgeon, the participant rated the **quality of care** on a **scale from 1 ("poor") to 10 ("excellent")**.
- A quality score was assigned to each plastic surgeon. This score accounts for **15% of the total score**.

QUALITY SCORE

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Certifications

- The **ABPS (American Board of Plastic Surgery)** ⁽¹⁾ accreditation is a voluntary credential for plastic surgeons in the US.
- **Plastic surgeons certified** by the ABPS must have completed appropriate training and passed oral examinations and comprehensive written covering all plastic surgery procedures.
- Plastic surgeons received **5% towards their total score** if they have a ABPS certification.

CERTIFICATION SCORE

Result tables of the best plastic surgeons

Leading plastic surgeons

Breast Augmentation

Rank	Plastic Surgeon	City, State
1	William P Adams Jr, MD	University Park
2	Rod J Rohrich, MD	Dallas
3	Dennis Hammond, MD	Grand Rapids
4	Adam R Kolker, MD, FACS	New York
5	David Hidalgo, MD, FACS	New York

[...]

Tummy Tuck

Rank	Plastic Surgeon	City, State
1	Ryan Neinstein, MD	New York
2	Alan Matarasso, MD, FACS, PC	New York
3	Rod J Rohrich, MD	Dallas
4	Adam R Kolker, MD, FACS	New York
5	A George Volpe, MD, FACS	Newton, Boston

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LEADING PLASTIC SURGEONS WERE AWARDED

America's Best Plastic Surgeons partner network

Overview of involved parties

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