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1. The overall condition of an organism at a given time.
 2. Soundness, especially of body or mind; freedom from disease or abnormality.
 3. A condition of optimal well-being; *concerned about the ecological health of the area.*
 4. A wish for someone's good health, often expressed as a toast.

[Middle English *helthe*, from Old English *hǣlth*; see **kailo-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.](#)]

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