

County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Building a Culture of Health, County by County

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Rawlins County

RAWLINS COUNTY, KANSAS | Pop. 2,497

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Kansas 2019
Number of Counties Ranked	101	101	102	103	102	102
Health Outcomes - Rank	69	78	79	80	83	n/a
Length of life - Rank	66	47	48	50	46	n/a
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	8114					6944
Quality of life - Rank	65	95	94	94	94	n/a
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults* ²⁰¹⁶	8	14	14	14	14	15
Avg # poor physical health days, adults* ²⁰¹⁶	2.4	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1
Avg # poor mental health days, adults* ²⁰¹⁶		3	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams	9.4	11.4	11.7	12.1	10.7	7.1
Health Factors - Rank	32	9	5	13	15	n/a
Health Behaviors - Rank	84	55	36	42	50	n/a
% Adult smokers* ²⁰¹⁶		16	15	14	14	17
% Obese adults age 20 and older	36	33	32	34	37	33
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	7.2	7	7	7.8	8	6.9
% Physically inactive adults age 20 and older	33	32	29	31	29	24
% Access to exercise opportunities	58	51	51	59	59	80
% Excessive drinking, adults* ²⁰¹⁶		14	13	14	14	17
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	100	100	100	100	80	24
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000			270			418
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	21	24	25	31	28	28
Clinical Care - Rank	54	41	32	82	82	n/a
% Uninsured, population under age 65	17	17	13	13	14	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000	78	39	39	40		76
Dentists rate, per 100,000	77	155	120	118	80	57
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000						188
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 1,000 [§]	100	77	65	123		
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 ^{§#}					6654	4078
% Diabetes monitoring, adults age 65-75 [§]	88	91	85	85		
% Mammography screening, females age 67-69 [§]	65	65	75	75		
% Mammography screening, females age 65-74 ^{§#}					42	43
% Flu vaccinations [§]					34	44
Social & Economic Factors - Rank	7	4	8	6	7	n/a
% High school graduation					96	87
% Adults age 25-44 with some college	66	70	71	75	77	70
% Population age 16 and older unemployed	3.1	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.3	3.6
% Children in poverty	17	17	19	16	16	15
Income inequality ratio, 80th percentile to 20th	3.8	4	4.1	3.9	4	4.3
% Children in single-parent households	15	12	8	11	8	29
Membership associations rate, per 10,000	43	42.5	38.7	43.9	43.2	13.7
Violent crime rate, per 100,000	92	92	181	181	215	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000			86	86	126	73
Physical Environment - Rank	2	3	1	2	3	n/a
Avg daily density of fine particulate matter	13.1	13.1	7	7	6.4	8.1
% Exposed to unsafe drinking water	0					
Drinking water violations? yes/no		No	No	No	No	
% Households with severe housing problems	5	5	6	7	7	13
% Driving alone to work	67	66	70	67	69	82
% Long commute - driving alone	11	13	14	18	17	20

Empty cells: Shaded = Item was not used to calculate rankings that year; White = Data unavailable. NR: Health outcomes (e.g., length of life) or health factors (e.g., health behaviors) were not ranked that year. n/a: State is not ranked against counties.

*2016 represents substantial changes in data sources or calculation of the measure that would affect comparisons with measure data in 2015.

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§ represents measures derived among Medicare enrollees.

Please refer to the [County Health Rankings & Roadmaps](#) to find out more about the indicator changes.

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The annual *County Health Rankings* provide a snapshot of the health of Kansas counties. The *Rankings* are made up of two summary scores: **Health Factors** (which measure issues that can shape the health outcomes) and **Health Outcomes** (which measure length and quality of life). The following tables illustrate the “drivers,” or measures with the greatest impact on ranking position, for this county.

What do these drivers mean?

The drivers indicate the measures with the greatest impact on the ranking position. Drivers labeled with a green plus sign are measures on which the county performed particularly well. Drivers labeled with a red minus sign indicate priority areas which, if improved, could have the greatest impact on improving the rankings of the county.

Health Factors: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Rawlins County, KS – 2019

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Unemployment	% of population age 16 and older unemployed but seeking work	Social and Economic Environment	2.3%	3.6%	+
2	Adult smoking	% of adults who are current smokers	Health Behaviors	14%	17%	+
3	Alcohol-impaired driving deaths	% of driving deaths with alcohol involvement	Health Behaviors	80%	24%	-
4	Some college	% of adults age 25-44 with some post-secondary education	Social and Economic Environment	77%	70%	+
5	Children in single-parent households	% of children that live in a household headed by a single parent	Social and Economic Environment	8%	29%	+

Health Outcomes: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Rawlins County, KS – 2019

	Measure	Description	Outcome Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Low birthweight	% of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams)	Quality of Life	10.7%	7.1%	-
2	Poor mental health days	Average # of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days for adults	Quality of Life	3.2	3.3	+
3	Poor physical health days	Average # of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days for adults	Quality of Life	3.1	3.1	+
4	Poor or fair health	% of adults reporting fair or poor health	Quality of Life	14%	15%	+
5	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population	Length of Life		6944	NR

NR: Measure (e.g., premature death) could not be reported for this county.

+ Green Plus: Measure with a positive impact on a county’s ranking position.

- Red Minus: Measure with a negative impact on a county’s ranking position.

Technical Note: The state values are only provided as a point of reference. They have not been used in the determination of county rankings or top drivers for health outcomes and health factors. For more information on the calculation of score and rankings, please visit: <http://bit.ly/CHRzscores>.