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Health Factors Rank

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Health Outcomes Rank

Population: 4,022

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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.

Empty cells: Shaded cells indicate data are unavailable or omitted due to methodology changes.

The data source or calculation of this measures has changed over time, making comparisons with similar measures in prior years unreliable so the data have been omitted.

^ Represents new measure added in 2019.

@ Represents new measure added in 2021.

α Source data have not been updated since the 2018 County Health Rankings Release.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Kansas 2022
Number of Counties Ranked	103	102	104	104	104	104
Health Outcomes - Rank	20	50	95	101	103	N/A
Length of life - Rank	15	46	102	99	102	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	6178		11905	11057	13268	7458
Quality of life - Rank	43	50	33	88	93	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults [#]				19	20	17
Average number of poor physical health days, adults [#]				4	4	4
Average number of poor mental health days, adults [#]				4	4	5
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams	6.7	6.8	6.1	7.8	8.8	7.2
Health Factors - Rank	32	44	46	64	59	N/A
Health Behaviors - Rank	23	37	58	62	39	N/A
% Smokers, adults [#]				20	18	17
% Obese, adults age 20 and older [#]					36	36
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	7.2	7.1	7.2	7.1	7.5	6.7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older [#]					32	27
% Access to exercise opportunities	40	68	68	68	26	73
% Excessive drinking, adults [#]				18	18	20
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	56	31	38	26	25	19
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	184	254	209	116	149	525
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	32	29	24	26	22	22
Clinical Care - Rank	75	95	89	92	96	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	13	14	15	14	17	11
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	46	47	23			79
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	24	23	24	25	25	61
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population						214
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees [#]		6254	4455	5772	5005	3645
% Mammography screening, Medicare females age 65-74 [#]		28	31	26	31	46
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees ^α		37	40	42	39	49
Social & Economic Factors - Rank	44	41	29	55	50	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older [@]				81	82	91
% With some college, adults age 25-44	57	49	51	54	56	71
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	2.9	2.4	2.1	2.3	2.8	5.9
% Children in poverty	14	14	13	14	12	13
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	3.9	3.6	4.0	3.8	3.3	4.3
% Children in single-parent households [#]				21	19	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	34.6	35.6	32.5	33.8	34.7	13.5
Violent crime rate, per 100,000 population ^α	769					365
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population	92	102	126	138	159	78
Physical Environment- Rank	9	7	11	12	32	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	7.4	7.1	7.1	5.8	6.8	7.5
Drinking water violations?	No	No	No	No	Yes	
% Households with severe housing problems	9	9	10	8	7	13
% Driving alone to work	73	71	72	77	77	81
% Long commute - driving alone	17	18	18	17	15	22

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, Meade County, KS - 2022

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work.	Social and Economic Environment	2.8%	5.9%	+
2	Uninsured	Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance.	Clinical Care	17%	11%	-
3	High school completion	Percentage of adults ages 25 and over with a high school diploma or equivalent.	Social and Economic Environment	82%	91%	-
4	Injury deaths	Number of deaths due to injury per 100,000 population.	Social and Economic Environment	159	78	-
5	Children in poverty	Percentage of people under age 18 in poverty.	Social and Economic Environment	12%	13%	+

Health Outcomes: Drivers with the greatest impact on ranking, Meade County, KS - 2022

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted).	Length of Life	13268	7458	-
2	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	8.8%	7.2%	-
3	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	20%	17%	-
4	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	5	+
5	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	4	-

NR: Measure 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. Drivers are provided in order of impact on ranking for this year. For more information on the calculation of score and rankings, please visit: <http://bit.ly/CHRzscores>.



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