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Population: 21,747

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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	64	59	58	62	79	N/A
Length of life - Rank	30	17	14	12	22	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	6884	6732	6441	6487	7225	7458
Quality of life - Rank	89	84	92	98	97	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults [#]				28	29	17
Average number of poor physical health days, adults [#]				4	5	4
Average number of poor mental health days, adults [#]				4	4	5
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams	6.0	5.6	5.8	6.0	6.0	7.2
Health Factors - Rank	91	92	95	97	94	N/A
Health Behaviors - Rank	86	83	89	60	73	N/A
% Smokers, adults [#]				20	17	17
% Obese, adults age 20 and older [#]					40	36
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	9.7	9.5	9.2	8.7	8.3	6.7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older [#]					42	27
% Access to exercise opportunities	89	84	84	84	84	73
% Excessive drinking, adults [#]				15	14	20
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	27	23	28	38	38	19
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	371	514	573	573	728	525
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	69	64	56	53	49	22
Clinical Care - Rank	100	100	97	103	102	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	19	21	20	19	20	11
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	52	53	54	37	37	79
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	31	32	32	33	33	61
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population	62	72	78	84	95	214
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees [#]		4709	4226	4692	3068	3645
% Mammography screening, Medicare females age 65-74 [#]		19	20	18	22	46
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees ^α		36	36	38	37	49
Social & Economic Factors - Rank	89	85	95	102	96	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older [@]				66	70	91
% With some college, adults age 25-44	38	39	35	37	43	71
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	4.6	3.5	3.3	3.1	4.4	5.9
% Children in poverty	18	20	19	18	15	13
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	3.6	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.4	4.3
% Children in single-parent households [#]				22	19	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	11.2	12.3	10.8	11.5	11.7	13.5
Violent crime rate, per 100,000 population ^α	340	299	299	299	299	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population	70	70	71	67	68	78
Physical Environment- Rank	17	20	21	21	20	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	7.5	7.2	7.2	6.0	7.0	7.5
Drinking water violations?	No	No	No	No	No	
% Households with severe housing problems	15	16	16	16	16	13
% Driving alone to work	72	72	71	72	72	81
% Long commute - driving alone	10	9	12	11	11	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, Seward County, KS - 2022

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	High school completion	Percentage of adults ages 25 and over with a high school diploma or equivalent.	Social and Economic Environment	70%	91%	-
2	Uninsured	Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance.	Clinical Care	20%	11%	-
3	Some college	Percentage of adults ages 25-44 with some post-secondary education.	Social and Economic Environment	43%	71%	-
4	Excessive drinking	Percentage of adults reporting binge or heavy drinking (age-adjusted).	Health Behaviors	14%	20%	+
5	Adult smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers (age-adjusted).	Health Behaviors	17%	17%	+

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

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	29%	17%	-
2	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	5	4	-
3	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted).	Length of Life	7225	7458	+
4	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	6%	7.2%	+
5	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	5	+

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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