

County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Building a Culture of Health, County by County

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Montgomery County

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS | Pop. 33,314

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Kansas 2017
Number of Counties Ranked	102	98	101	101	102	102
Health Outcomes- Rank	96	91	88	88	93	n/a
Length of life- Rank	87	83	75	78	79	n/a
Premature death (Years of Potential Life Lost)	9138	9138	8699	8817	8824	6757
Quality of life- Rank	101	94	95	99	96	n/a
% Reporting poor or fair health*	19	18	18	17	18	15
# Poor physical health days*	3.9	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.1
# Poor mental health days*	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.2
% Low birthweight	8.8	8.9	8.6	8.2	7.8	7.1
Health Factors- Rank	99	95	99	100	101	n/a
Health Behaviors- Rank	85	79	91	94	96	n/a
% Adult smokers*	23	23	23	20	20	18
% Obese adults	31	34	35	35	35	31
Food environment index		7.6	7.4	7.2	7.3	7.2
% Physically inactive adults	32	30	30	27	29	23
% Access to exercise opportunities		76	77	75	75	76
% Excessive drinking*	12	11	11	15	15	17
% Driving deaths with alcohol-impairment		23	31	32	36	27
Motor vehicle crash death rate	27					
Sexually transmitted infection rate	251	327	508	429	312	384
Teen birth rate	59	56	56	54	50	36
Clinical Care- Rank	67	67	61	79	76	n/a
% Uninsured	18	16	16	16	14	12
Primary care physicians rate	51	46	41	38	35	75
Dentist rate	38	49	50	53	54	55
Mental health provider rate		99	169	185	204	173
Preventable hospital stays	88	76	72	79	73	52
% Diabetes monitoring	82	79	81	80	84	86
% Mammography screening	60	58	58	56	50	63
Social & Economic Factors- Rank	100	96	98	99	101	n/a
% High school graduation*	77	80	81	81	85	86
% Population with some college	57	58	59	61	64	69
% Unemployed	10	7.7	6.9	5.8	6.5	4.2
% Children in poverty	26	28	25	25	28	17
Income inequality			4.8	4.8	4.8	4.4
% No social-emotional support	16	16				
% Children in single-parent households	33	35	37	38	37	29
Membership associations rate			22.3	22.7	22.9	13.9
Violent crime rate	429	435	504	504	634	348
Injury death rate		89	89	85	95	69
Physical Environment- Rank	19	24	52	84	93	n/a
Daily fine particulate matter*	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	9.6	8.5
% Exposed to unsafe drinking water	1	1	15			
Drinking water violations? yes/no				Yes	Yes	
% Severe housing problems		11	13	15	15	14
% Limited access to healthy foods	3					
% Driving alone to work		82	82	83	82	82
% Long commute - driving alone		16	15	16	16	20
Access to recreational facilities rate	8					
% Restaurants that are fast food	45					

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.

* Represent substantial changes in data sources or calculation of the measure that would affect year-to-year comparisons. 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 disease and deaths). The following tables illustrate this county's "drivers," or measures with the greatest impact on a county's ranking position.

What do these drivers mean?

The drivers indicate the measures with the greatest impact on a county's 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 county's rankings.

Health Factors: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Montgomery County, KS — 2017

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work	Social and Economic Environment	6.5%	4.2%	—
2	Adult smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers	Health Behaviors	20%	18%	—
3	Children in poverty	Percentage of children under age 18 in poverty	Social and Economic Environment	28%	17%	—
4	Violent crime	Number of reported violent crime offenses per 100,000 population	Social and Economic Environment	634	348	—
5	Adult obesity	Percentage of adults that report a BMI of 30 or more	Health Behaviors	35%	31%	—

Health Outcomes: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Montgomery County, KS — 2017

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted)	Length of Life	8824	6757	—
2	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	3.7	3.1	—
3	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	3.4	3.2	—
4	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2500 grams)	Quality of Life	7.8%	7.1%	—
5	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	18%	15%	—

NR: Measure (e.g., premature death) was not ranked this year.

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 counties' 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>.