

County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Building a Culture of Health, County by County

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Ellsworth County

ELLSWORTH COUNTY, KANSAS | Pop. 6,328

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Kansas 2018
Number of Counties Ranked	98	101	101	102	103	103
Health Outcomes- Rank	18	24	16	14	30	n/a
Length of life- Rank	25	25	19	13	46	n/a
Premature death (Years of Potential Life Lost)	6519	6636	6210	5978	7640	6782
Quality of life- Rank	18	35	18	22	16	n/a
% Reporting poor or fair health*			13	13	13	15
# Poor physical health days*	3.5	3.5	3.1	2.9	3	3.1
# Poor mental health days*	2.1	2.1	2.8	2.9	3	3.3
% Low birthweight	5.3	6	5.8	7.1	6.3	7
Health Factors- Rank	16	22	43	49	49	n/a
Health Behaviors- Rank	17	17	60	31	22	n/a
% Adult smokers*	12	12	17	16	14	17
% Obese adults	34	34	33	33	34	32
Food environment index	8	7.6	7.4	7.2	7.7	7
% Physically inactive adults	28	30	33	30	30	25
% Access to exercise opportunities	33	63	53	53	64	81
% Excessive drinking*	14	14	17	16	18	17
% Driving deaths with alcohol-impairment	42	29	25	22	8	25
Sexually transmitted infection rate	77		216	172	172	395
Teen birth rate	23	22	17	16	13	30
Clinical Care- Rank	49	58	49	82	84	n/a
% Uninsured	14	13	12	10	9	10
Primary care physicians rate	46	46	47	47	47	76
Dentist rate	31	31	31	32	32	57
Mental health provider rate	15	31	47	32	32	180
Preventable hospital stays	110	113	81	104	99	51
% Diabetes monitoring	91	87	80	77	77	86
% Mammography screening	61	61	61	58	58	63
Social & Economic Factors- Rank	22	26	29	44	46	n/a
% High school graduation						86
% Population with some college	48	50	54	54	57	69
% Unemployed	3.3	3.3	3	3.7	4.2	4.2
% Children in poverty	15	14	14	13	12	14
Income inequality		3.4	3.9	3.9	4	4.4
% No social-emotional support	10					
% Children in single-parent households	25	26	32	28	25	29
Membership associations rate		27.7	28.1	29.7	30	13.7
Violent crime rate	219	210	210	154	154	348
Injury death rate	65	68	68	93	103	70
Physical Environment- Rank	18	33	47	37	53	n/a
Daily fine particulate matter*	11	11	11	8.3	8.3	8.5
% Exposed to unsafe drinking water	0	17				
Drinking water violations? yes/no			Yes	Yes	Yes	
% Severe housing problems	8	5	5	5	9	14
% Driving alone to work	77	79	78	77	78	82
% Long commute - driving alone	17	19	17	17	18	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.

* 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, Ellsworth County, KS – 2018

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	Adult smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers	Health Behaviors	14%	17%	+
2	Children in poverty	Percentage of children under age 18 in poverty	Social and Economic Environment	12%	14%	+
3	Preventable hospital stays	Number of hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 1,000 Medicare enrollees	Clinical Care	99	51	-
4	Uninsured	Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance	Clinical Care	9%	10%	+
5	Teen births	Number of births per 1,000 female population ages 15-19	Health Behaviors	13	30	+

Health Outcomes: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Ellsworth County, KS – 2018

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	3	3.3	+
2	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	13%	15%	+
3	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	3	3.1	+
4	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2500 grams)	Quality of Life	6.3%	7%	+
5	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted)	Length of Life	7640	6782	+

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 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>.