County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Building a Culture of Health, County by County

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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Kansas 2018
Number of Counties Ranked	98	101	101	102	103	103
Health Outcomes- Rank	91	88	88	93	96	n/a
Length of life- Rank	83	75	78	79	85	n/a
Premature death (Years of Potential Life Lost)	9138	8699	8817	8824	9091	6782
Quality of life- Rank	94	95	99	96	99	n/a
% Reporting poor or fair health*	18	18	17	18	17	15
# Poor physical health days*	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.6	3.1
# Poor mental health days*	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.7	3.3
% Low birthweight	8.9	8.6	8.2	7.8	7.4	7
Health Factors- Rank	95	99	100	101	101	n/a
Health Behaviors- Rank	79	91	94	96	96	n/a
% Adult smokers*	23	23	20	20	19	17
% Obese adults	34	35	35	35	38	32
Food environment index	7.6	7.4	7.2	7.3	6.9	7
% Physically inactive adults	30	30	27	29	30	25
% Access to exercise opportunities	76	77	75	75	72	81
% Excessive drinking*	11	11	15	15	16	17
% Driving deaths with alcohol-impairment	23	31	32	36	23	25
Sexually transmitted infection rate	327	508	429	312	302	395
Teen birth rate	56	56	54	50	44	30
Clinical Care- Rank	67	61	79	76	64	n/a
% Uninsured	16	16	16	14	12	10
Primary care physicians rate	46	41	38	35	33	76
Dentist rate	49	50	53	54	55	57
Mental health provider rate	99	169	185	204	208	180
Preventable hospital stays	76	72	79	73	59	51
% Diabetes monitoring	79	81	80	84	84	86
% Mammography screening	58	58	56	50	50	63
Social & Economic Factors- Rank	96	98	99	101	102	n/a
% High school graduation	80	81	81	85	85	86
% Population with some college	58	59	61	64	66	69
% Unemployed	7.7	6.9	5.8	6.5	6.4	4.2
% Children in poverty	28	25	25	28	22	14
Income inequality		4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9	4.4
% No social-emotional support	16					
% Children in single-parent households	35	37	38	37	38	29
Membership associations rate		22.3	22.7	22.9	22.2	13.7
Violent crime rate	435	504	504	634	634	348
Injury death rate	89	89	85	95	94	70
Physical Environment- Rank	24	52	84	93	97	n/a
Daily fine particulate matter*	8.6	8.6	8.6	9.6	9.6	8.5
% Exposed to unsafe drinking water	1	15				
Drinking water violations? yes/no			Yes	Yes	Yes	
% Severe housing problems	11	13	15	15	16	14
% Driving alone to work	82	82	83	82	81	82
% Long commute - driving alone	16	15	16	16	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.

* 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 – 2018

	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	6.4%	4.2%	-
2	Adult smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers	Health Behaviors	19%	17%	_
3	Children in poverty	Percentage of children under age 18 in poverty	Social and Economic Environment	22%	14%	
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	38%	32%	-

Health Outcomes: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Montgomery County, KS - 2018

	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	9091	6782	-
2	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age- adjusted)	Quality of Life	3.7	3.3	-
3	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	3.6	3.1	-
4	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	17%	15%	-
5	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2500 grams)	Quality of Life	7.4%	7%	-

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.