

County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Building a Culture of Health, County by County

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2018

Sheridan County

SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS | Pop. 2,509

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Kansas 2018
Number of Counties Ranked	98	101	101	102	103	103
Health Outcomes- Rank	44	30	53	57	50	n/a
Length of life- Rank	51	52	47	48	50	n/a
Premature death (Years of Potential Life Lost)						6782
Quality of life- Rank	31	11	58	60	44	n/a
% Reporting poor or fair health*			14	15	15	15
# Poor physical health days*	1.4	1.4	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.1
# Poor mental health days*			3	3.2	3.4	3.3
% Low birthweight		5.7	7.4	6.8	5.7	7
Health Factors- Rank	7	31	33	30	35	n/a
Health Behaviors- Rank	58	72	58	52	46	n/a
% Adult smokers*			17	16	16	17
% Obese adults	31	31	32	32	33	32
Food environment index	5.2	4.9	4.7	4.7	8	7
% Physically inactive adults	28	27	30	27	27	25
% Access to exercise opportunities	63	10			64	81
% Excessive drinking*	25	25	15	14	14	17
% Driving deaths with alcohol-impairment	25	43	50	60	55	25
Sexually transmitted infection rate		197				395
Teen birth rate	31	32	37	29		30
Clinical Care- Rank	27	57	81	92	91	n/a
% Uninsured	15	14	15	14	14	10
Primary care physicians rate						76
Dentist rate	39	39	39	40	40	57
Mental health provider rate						180
Preventable hospital stays		112	116	144	119	51
% Diabetes monitoring	86	91	83	88	88	86
% Mammography screening	76	58		69	69	63
Social & Economic Factors- Rank	1	4	8	9	18	n/a
% High school graduation						86
% Population with some college	70	69	65	65	66	69
% Unemployed	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.3	2.6	4.2
% Children in poverty	13	17	16	17	18	14
Income inequality		4.3	3.9	3.6	3.4	4.4
% No social-emotional support	4					
% Children in single-parent households	15	23	22	20	25	29
Membership associations rate		43.3	43.1	39.4	35.8	13.7
Violent crime rate	0	0	0	117	117	348
Injury death rate			86	95	103	70
Physical Environment- Rank	41	54	48	11	12	n/a
Daily fine particulate matter*	12.9	12.9	12.9	7.3	7.3	8.5
% Exposed to unsafe drinking water	0	0				
Drinking water violations? yes/no			No	No	No	
% Severe housing problems	6	5	5	6	8	14
% Driving alone to work	79	82	84	81	78	82
% Long commute - driving alone	16	14	15	12	14	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, Sheridan 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	2.6%	4.2%	+
2	Preventable hospital stays	Number of hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 1,000 Medicare enrollees	Clinical Care	119	51	-
3	Uninsured	Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance	Clinical Care	14%	10%	-
4	Income inequality	Ratio of household income at the 80th percentile to income at the 20th percentile	Social and Economic Environment	3.4	4.4	+
5	Air pollution - particulate matter	Average daily density of fine particulate matter in micrograms per cubic meter (PM2.5)	Physical Environment	7.3	8.5	+

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

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2500 grams)	Quality of Life	5.7%	7%	+
2	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	3.4	3.3	-
3	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	3.2	3.1	-
4	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	15%	15%	+
5	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted)	Length of Life		6782	NR

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>.