

2020

Morton County

Pop. 2,667

69

Health Factors Rank

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Health Outcomes Rank

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.

represents substantial changes in data sources or calculation of the measure that would affect comparisons with similar measures in prior years.

§ represents measures derived among Medicare enrollees.

Please refer to the [County Health Rankings & Roadmaps](#) to find out more about the indicator changes.

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County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

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	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Kansas 2020
Number of Counties Ranked	101	102	103	102	104	104
Health Outcomes- Rank	89	90	102	77	69	n/a
Length of life- Rank	80	86	103	46	38	n/a
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	9207	9553	13504			7024
Quality of life- Rank	90	81	71	87	79	n/a
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults	16	17	16	16	17	16
Avg # poor physical health days, adults	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.5	3.6
Avg # poor mental health days, adults	3	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.5	3.7
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams	9.7	8.3	7.8	8.8	8	7.1
Health Factors- Rank	55	66	58	75	69	n/a
Health Behaviors- Rank	31	34	6	12	14	n/a
% Adult smokers	17	16	15	15	15	17
% Obese adults age 20 and older	31	32	31	33	29	33
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	8	7.9	8.2	8.3	8.2	6.8
% Physically inactive adults age 20 and older	33	30	32	30	31	25
% Access to exercise opportunities	86	86	93	93	93	80
% Excessive drinking, adults	15	14	15	15	17	19
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	14	14	0	0	0	22
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000	252	191	161	266	219	465
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	55	49	37	34	34	26
Clinical Care- Rank	68	98	96	87	92	n/a
% Uninsured, population under age 65	18	14	14	13	16	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000	95	64	100	105	109	77
Dentists rate, per 100,000	32	33	35	36	37	58
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000	64	33	35	36	37	197
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 1,000 [§]	73	101	91			
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 ^{§#}				6890	6391	4024
% Diabetes monitoring, adults age 65-75 [§]	81	80	80			
% Mammography screening, females age 67-69 [§]		38	38			
% Mammography screening, females age 65-74 ^{§#}				15	22	45
% Flu vaccinations [§]				50	38	46
Social & Economic Factors- Rank	59	80	87	97	94	n/a
% High school graduation	71	75	75	80	84	87
% Adults age 25-44 with some college	66	58	50	42	42	70
% Population age 16 and older unemployed	4	4.4	4.1	3.7	3.3	3.4
% Children in poverty	16	15	18	16	17	15
Income inequality ratio, 80th percentile to 20th	3.6	3.4	3.8	3.8	4.2	4.3
% Children in single-parent households	33	36	34	47	39	29
Membership associations rate, per 10,000	35	32.2	36.6	31.6	29.2	13.7
Violent crime rate, per 100,000	335	267	267	412	412	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000	100	186	196	189	174	74
Physical Environment- Rank	31	3	3	5	4	n/a
Avg daily density of fine particulate matter	12.4	6.8	6.8	6.5	6.5	8.1
Drinking water violations? yes/no	No	No	No	No	No	
% Households with severe housing problems	9	7	9	8	6	13
% Driving alone to work	78	75	68	71	73	82
% Long commute - driving alone	11	17	23	20	16	21

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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 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 five measures that, when combined with the weighting, have the greatest impact on the ranking positions for health factors and health outcomes. Drivers labeled with a green plus sign are the weighted measures that influenced higher, or better, rankings. 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, Morton County, KS – 2020

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	Some college	% of adults age 25-44 with some post-secondary education	Social and Economic Environment	42%	70%	—
2	Injury deaths	# of deaths due to injury per 100,000 population	Social and Economic Environment	174	74	—
3	Adult obesity	% of adults age 20 and older that report a BMI ≥ 30	Health Behaviors	29%	33%	+
4	Mammography screening	% of female Medicare enrollees age 65-74 that receive mammography screening	Clinical Care	22%	45%	—
5	Uninsured	% of population under age 65 without health insurance	Clinical Care	16%	10%	—

Health Outcomes: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Morton County, KS – 2020

	Measure	Description	Outcome Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	Low birthweight	% of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams)	Quality of Life	8%	7.1%	—
2	Poor mental health days	Average # of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days for adults	Quality of Life	3.5	3.7	+
3	Poor or fair health	% of adults reporting fair or poor health	Quality of Life	17%	16%	—
4	Poor physical health days	Average # of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days for adults	Quality of Life	3.5	3.6	—
5	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population	Length of Life		7024	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 county 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>.