

# 2020

## Harper County

Pop. 5,506

# 87 94

Health  
Factors  
Rank

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
<b>Health Outcomes- Rank</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>94</b>	n/a
<b>Length of life- Rank</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100</b>	n/a
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	8738	10511	10370	10467	11146	7024
<b>Quality of life- Rank</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>58</b>	n/a
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults	15	15	14	14	16	16
Avg # poor physical health days, adults	3.2	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.6	3.6
Avg # poor mental health days, adults	3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.8	3.7
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams	7.7	8	7.5	7.6	6.2	7.1
<b>Health Factors- Rank</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>87</b>	n/a
<b>Health Behaviors- Rank</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>75</b>	n/a
% Adult smokers	18	18	16	16	17	17
% Obese adults age 20 and older	34	34	36	36	36	33
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	7.4	7.5	7.6	7.7	7.4	6.8
% Physically inactive adults age 20 and older	35	34	38	34	35	25
% Access to exercise opportunities	42	42	71	71	70	80
% Excessive drinking, adults	15	15	15	15	16	19
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	33	22	14	9	9	22
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000	220	393	206	241	215	465
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	46	45	34	36	36	26
<b>Clinical Care- Rank</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>82</b>	n/a
% Uninsured, population under age 65	17	15	13	13	14	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000	51	52	52	53	54	77
Dentists rate, per 100,000	69	69	70	72	73	58
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000	17	17	18	18	18	197
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 1,000 <sup>§</sup>	125	111	101			
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 <sup>§#</sup>				5445	5034	4024
% Diabetes monitoring, adults age 65-75 <sup>§</sup>	87	92	92			
% Mammography screening, females age 67-69 <sup>§</sup>	59	56	56			
% Mammography screening, females age 65-74 <sup>§#</sup>				35	33	45
% Flu vaccinations <sup>§</sup>				23	28	46
<b>Social &amp; Economic Factors- Rank</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>84</b>	n/a
% High school graduation	90			83	82	87
% Adults age 25-44 with some college	64	65	66	55	54	70
% Population age 16 and older unemployed	3.7	3.9	3.9	3.7	2.9	3.4
% Children in poverty	21	20	20	22	20	15
Income inequality ratio, 80th percentile to 20th	4.9	4.8	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3
% Children in single-parent households	30	28	26	28	28	29
Membership associations rate, per 10,000	32.4	27.5	32.7	31.7	25	13.7
Violent crime rate, per 100,000	168	365	365	387	387	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000	101	85	93	108	113	74
<b>Physical Environment- Rank</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>47</b>	n/a
Avg daily density of fine particulate matter	10.3	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.1
Drinking water violations? yes/no	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	
% Households with severe housing problems	12	15	14	12	11	13
% Driving alone to work	81	83	82	83	81	82
% Long commute - driving alone	15	18	20	19	20	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, Harper County, KS – 2020

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	High school graduation	% of ninth-grade cohort that graduates in four years	Social and Economic Environment	82%	87%	—
2	Children in poverty	% of children under age 18 in poverty	Social and Economic Environment	20%	15%	—
3	Some college	% of adults age 25-44 with some post-secondary education	Social and Economic Environment	54%	70%	—
4	Adult smoking	% of adults who are current smokers	Health Behaviors	17%	17%	—
5	Physical inactivity	% of adults age 20 and older reporting no leisure-time physical activity	Health Behaviors	35%	25%	—

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

	Measure	Description	Outcome Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population	Length of Life	11146	7024	—
2	Low birthweight	% of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams)	Quality of Life	6.2%	7.1%	+
3	Poor mental health days	Average # of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days for adults	Quality of Life	3.8	3.7	—
4	Poor physical health days	Average # of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days for adults	Quality of Life	3.6	3.6	—
5	Poor or fair health	% of adults reporting fair or poor health	Quality of Life	16%	16%	+

**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>.*