

# Ford County

# 88

Health Factors Rank

# 61

Health Outcomes Rank

Population: 33,619



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# 2021

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Kansas 2021
Number of Counties Ranked	102	103	102	104	104	104
<b>Health Outcomes - Rank</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Length of life - Rank	25	25	13	7	15	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	6713	6823	6254	6085	6574	7079
Quality of life - Rank	90	91	96	66	96	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults <sup>#</sup>					25	16
Average number of poor physical health days, adults <sup>#</sup>					4	4
Average number of poor mental health days, adults <sup>#</sup>					4	4
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams	6.8	6.9	7.1	6.8	6.6	7.2
<b>Health Factors - Rank</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Health Behaviors - Rank	70	72	53	59	37	N/A
% Smokers, adults <sup>#</sup>					20	18
% Obese, adults age 20 and older	31	32	33	31	32	33
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	7.9	9	8.9	8.7	8.2	6.7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older	30	29	24	27	28	24
% Access to exercise opportunities	83	82	78	78	78	80
% Excessive drinking, adults <sup>#</sup>					16	18
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	22	18	10	7	3	20
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	365	454	397	422	544	489
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	70	59	57	53	51	24
Clinical Care - Rank	93	94	84	81	89	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	18	19	16	18	17	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	46	49	47	41	44	78
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	52	59	58	53	54	60
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population	87	88	90	97	101	205
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees <sup>#</sup>			3330	3704	3537	3959
% Mammography screening, female Medicare enrollees age 65-74 <sup>#</sup>			30	37	28	45
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees			37	38	44	49
<b>Social &amp; Economic Factors - Rank</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>N/A</b>
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older <sup>@</sup>					74	91
% With some college, adults age 25-44	43	46	45	46	47	70
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	3.4	3.3	2.8	2.6	2.5	3.2
% Children in poverty	19	16	17	16	20	14
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.6	4.3
% Children in single-parent households <sup>#</sup>					18	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	9.8	9.3	8.8	7	7.7	13.6
Violent crime rate, per 100,000 population	348	348	367	367	367	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population	74	73	73	75	77	76
Physical Environment - Rank	65	55	60	66	79	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	7.8	7.8	7.6	7.6	6	6.7
Drinking water violations? yes/no	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
% Households with severe housing problems	14	14	15	16	17	13
% Driving alone to work	80	76	77	78	81	82
% Long commute - driving alone	10	10	10	9	8	21

Empty cells: Shaded cells indicate data are unavailable or omitted due to methodology changes. 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.

<sup>#</sup>The data sources or calculation of these measures has changed over time making comparisons with similar measures in prior years unreliable so the data have been omitted.

<sup>@</sup>Represents new measure for 2021.

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

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 measures with the greatest impact on the 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 rankings of the county.

#### Health Factors: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Ford County, KS - 2021

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	High school completion	Percentage of adults ages 25 and over with a high school diploma or equivalent.	Social and Economic Environment	74%	91%	-
2	Some college	Percentage of adults ages 25-44 with some post-secondary education.	Social and Economic Environment	47%	70%	-
3	Uninsured	Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance.	Clinical Care	17%	10%	-
4	Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work.	Social and Economic Environment	2.5%	3.2%	+
5	Teen births	Number of births per 1,000 female population ages 15-19.	Health Behaviors	51	24	-

#### Health Outcomes: Drivers with the greatest impact on ranking, Ford County, KS - 2021

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted).	Length of Life	6574	7079	+
2	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	25%	16%	-
3	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	4	-
4	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	6.6%	7.2%	+
5	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	4	-

**NR:** Measure (e.g., premature death) could not be reported for this county or not applicable at the state level.

**+ 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>.*