

# Gray County

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Health Factors Rank

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Health Outcomes Rank

Population: 5,988



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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>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Length of life - Rank	12	27	22	10	7	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	5914	6850	6948	6177	5582	7079
Quality of life - Rank	9	2	2	3	9	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults <sup>#</sup>					17	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	6.5	4.8	4.2	4.8	4.7	7.2
<b>Health Factors - Rank</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Health Behaviors - Rank	25	19	6	13	17	N/A
% Smokers, adults <sup>#</sup>					20	18
% Obese, adults age 20 and older	36	38	35	31	32	33
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	7.2	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	6.7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older	24	27	25	30	30	24
% Access to exercise opportunities	25	53	46	46	46	80
% Excessive drinking, adults <sup>#</sup>					19	18
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	13	17	14	9	9	20
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	100	99	130	118	134	489
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	26	18	19	16	16	24
Clinical Care - Rank	73	60	86	84	84	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	16	15	15	18	16	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	16	16	17	17	17	78
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population						60
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population	16	17	17	17	17	205
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees <sup>#</sup>			2532	2667	2390	3959
% Mammography screening, female Medicare enrollees age 65-74 <sup>#</sup>			35	40	30	45
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees			31	29	35	49
<b>Social &amp; Economic Factors - Rank</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>N/A</b>
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older <sup>@</sup>					77	91
% With some college, adults age 25-44	59	59	60	59	62	70
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	2.3	2.3	2	2	2	3.2
% Children in poverty	11	10	10	9	10	14
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	4.3
% Children in single-parent households <sup>#</sup>					15	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	26.3	26.1	26.5	21.8	23.2	13.6
Violent crime rate, per 100,000 population	171	171	157	157	157	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population	69	92	89	79	70	76
Physical Environment - Rank	21	29	29	27	55	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.4	5.9	6.7
Drinking water violations? yes/no	No	No	No	No	Yes	
% Households with severe housing problems	11	10	10	9	8	13
% Driving alone to work	79	82	82	81	83	82
% Long commute - driving alone	19	18	20	20	19	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.

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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 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, Gray County, KS - 2021

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work.	Social and Economic Environment	2%	3.2%	+
2	Children in poverty	Percentage of people under age 18 in poverty.	Social and Economic Environment	10%	14%	+
3	High school completion	Percentage of adults ages 25 and over with a high school diploma or equivalent.	Social and Economic Environment	77%	91%	-
4	Uninsured	Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance.	Clinical Care	16%	10%	-
5	Preventable hospital stays	Rate of hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 100,000 Medicare enrollees.	Clinical Care	2390	3959	+

#### Health Outcomes: Drivers with the greatest impact on ranking, Gray 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	5582	7079	+
2	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	4.7%	7.2%	+
3	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	4	+
4	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	4	+
5	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	17%	16%	+

**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>.*