

Harper County

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Health Factors Rank

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Health Outcomes Rank

Population: 5,436



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	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Kansas 2021
Number of Counties Ranked	102	103	102	104	104	104
Health Outcomes - Rank	95	89	91	94	99	N/A
Length of life - Rank	97	96	97	100	101	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	10511	10370	10467	11146	11501	7079
Quality of life - Rank	82	60	63	58	69	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults [#]					18	16
Average number of poor physical health days, adults [#]					4	4
Average number of poor mental health days, adults [#]					5	4
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams	8	7.5	7.6	6.2	6.9	7.2
Health Factors - Rank	88	75	85	87	89	N/A
Health Behaviors - Rank	89	75	61	75	71	N/A
% Smokers, adults [#]					22	18
% Obese, adults age 20 and older	34	36	36	36	33	33
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	7.5	7.6	7.7	7.4	7.4	6.7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older	34	38	34	35	29	24
% Access to exercise opportunities	42	71	71	70	70	80
% Excessive drinking, adults [#]					18	18
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	22	14	9	9	18	20
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	393	206	241	215	304	489
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	45	34	36	36	33	24
Clinical Care - Rank	86	77	90	82	96	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	15	13	13	14	13	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	52	52	53	54	54	78
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	69	70	72	73	74	60
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population	17	18	18	18	37	205
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees [#]			5445	5034	7139	3959
% Mammography screening, female Medicare enrollees age 65-74 [#]			35	33	33	45
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees			23	28	30	49
Social & Economic Factors - Rank	72	66	87	84	79	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older [@]					90	91
% With some college, adults age 25-44	65	66	55	54	52	70
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	3.9	3.9	3.7	2.9	2.5	3.2
% Children in poverty	20	20	22	20	20	14
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	4.8	4.2	4.3	4.3	3.8	4.3
% Children in single-parent households [#]					21	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	27.5	32.7	31.7	25	27.2	13.6
Violent crime rate, per 100,000 population	365	365	387	387	387	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population	85	93	108	113	136	76
Physical Environment - Rank	87	58	49	47	54	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.5	7.2	6.7
Drinking water violations? yes/no	Yes	No	No	No	No	
% Households with severe housing problems	15	14	12	11	11	13
% Driving alone to work	83	82	83	81	83	82
% Long commute - driving alone	18	20	19	20	21	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.

[#]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.

[@]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, Harper County, KS - 2021

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Preventable hospital stays	Rate of hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 100,000 Medicare enrollees.	Clinical Care	7139	3959	-
2	Adult smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers (age-adjusted).	Health Behaviors	22%	18%	-
3	Some college	Percentage of adults ages 25-44 with some post-secondary education.	Social and Economic Environment	52%	70%	-
4	Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work.	Social and Economic Environment	2.5%	3.2%	+
5	Children in poverty	Percentage of people under age 18 in poverty.	Social and Economic Environment	20%	14%	-

Health Outcomes: Drivers with the greatest impact on ranking, Harper 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	11501	7079	-
2	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	5	4	-
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	6.9%	7.2%	-
5	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	18%	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>.