

Kearny County

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Health Factors Rank

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Health Outcomes Rank

Population: 3,838



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	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Kansas 2021
Number of Counties Ranked	102	103	102	104	104	104
Health Outcomes - Rank	33	33	65	74	88	N/A
Length of life - Rank	69	19	39	38	39	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	7800	6497	7670			7079
Quality of life - Rank	21	63	71	81	102	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults [#]					24	16
Average number of poor physical health days, adults [#]					5	4
Average number of poor mental health days, adults [#]					5	4
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams	4.7	6.7	7.2	7.6	6.8	7.2
Health Factors - Rank	37	66	56	79	86	N/A
Health Behaviors - Rank	17	36	44	62	82	N/A
% Smokers, adults [#]					22	18
% Obese, adults age 20 and older	29	31	33	35	38	33
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	8.9	6.6	6.5	6.4	5.5	6.7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older	26	25	23	24	22	24
% Access to exercise opportunities	84	87	64	64	64	80
% Excessive drinking, adults [#]					16	18
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	17	11	14	17	0	20
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	229	434	303	404	404	489
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	51	40	34	32	31	24
Clinical Care - Rank	64	99	89	99	85	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	17	16	16	17	15	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	102	76	102	76	152	78
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	25	26	25	25	26	60
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population	51	51	51	51	52	205
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees [#]			3451	6494	4796	3959
% Mammography screening, female Medicare enrollees age 65-74 [#]			28	32	24	45
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees			19	20	28	49
Social & Economic Factors - Rank	48	68	55	63	84	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older [@]					76	91
% With some college, adults age 25-44	56	50	51	41	34	70
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	3.2	3.3	2.5	2.4	2.3	3.2
% Children in poverty	17	17	17	18	13	14
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	3.6	3.7	4.2	3.9	3.9	4.3
% Children in single-parent households [#]					25	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	17.9	17.7	15.3	12.6	15.2	13.6
Violent crime rate, per 100,000 population	295	295	242	242	242	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population	111	122	107	112	107	76
Physical Environment - Rank	23	11	23	19	20	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	7.4	7.4	7.2	7.2	5.7	6.7
Drinking water violations? yes/no	Yes	No	No	No	No	
% Households with severe housing problems	6	7	9	9	9	13
% Driving alone to work	76	76	79	77	81	82
% Long commute - driving alone	23	22	24	20	15	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.

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, Kearny County, KS - 2021

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Some college	Percentage of adults ages 25-44 with some post-secondary education.	Social and Economic Environment	34%	70%	-
2	High school completion	Percentage of adults ages 25 and over with a high school diploma or equivalent.	Social and Economic Environment	76%	91%	-
3	Adult smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers (age-adjusted).	Health Behaviors	22%	18%	-
4	Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work.	Social and Economic Environment	2.3%	3.2%	+
5	Primary care physicians	# of primary care physicians per 100,000 population	Clinical Care	152	78	+

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

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	24%	16%	-
2	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	5	4	-
3	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	5	4	-
4	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	6.8%	7.2%	-
5	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted).	Length of Life	NR	7079	NR

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>.