

Norton County

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Health Factors Rank

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Health Outcomes Rank

Population: 5,361



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	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Kansas 2021
Number of Counties Ranked	102	103	102	104	104	104
Health Outcomes - Rank	61	56	64	75	93	N/A
Length of life - Rank	41	39	76	89	96	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	7527	7420	8395	9266	10414	7079
Quality of life - Rank	73	66	51	49	73	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 [#]					4	4
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams	10.1	8.3	7	7.4	8.1	7.2
Health Factors - Rank	27	34	28	34	32	N/A
Health Behaviors - Rank	47	50	57	54	69	N/A
% Smokers, adults [#]					21	18
% Obese, adults age 20 and older	32	34	34	30	30	33
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	7.2	7.8	7.7	7.6	7.5	6.7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older	23	24	23	29	28	24
% Access to exercise opportunities	62	64	64	64	64	80
% Excessive drinking, adults [#]					20	18
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	50	50	67	50	43	20
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	71	90	126	110	184	489
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	29	32	33	29	29	24
Clinical Care - Rank	26	39	20	11	37	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	11	10	9	10	11	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	54	54	55	55	37	78
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	54	55	55	55	56	60
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population	72	73	74	74	93	205
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees [#]			3863	2466	3657	3959
% Mammography screening, female Medicare enrollees age 65-74 [#]			57	56	51	45
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees			38	39	40	49
Social & Economic Factors - Rank	25	40	35	53	35	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older [@]					89	91
% With some college, adults age 25-44	57	60	56	46	56	70
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	2.5	2.6	2.2	2.1	2.2	3.2
% Children in poverty	15	17	16	19	15	14
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	3.7	3.6	3.4	4	4.4	4.3
% Children in single-parent households [#]					8	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	28.8	25.2	27.3	18.4	18.4	13.6
Violent crime rate, per 100,000 population	107	107	90	90	90	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population	79	83	87	87	114	76
Physical Environment - Rank	42	18	18	23	9	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	7.4	7.4	6.7	6.7	5.1	6.7
Drinking water violations? yes/no	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	
% Households with severe housing problems	8	9	9	6	5	13
% Driving alone to work	81	82	82	76	81	82
% Long commute - driving alone	10	12	11	10	12	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, Norton 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	2.2%	3.2%	+
2	Adult obesity	Percentage of the adult population (age 20 and older) that reports a body mass index (BMI) greater than or equal to 30 kg/m2.	Health Behaviors	30%	33%	+
3	Adult smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers (age-adjusted).	Health Behaviors	21%	18%	-
4	Some college	Percentage of adults ages 25-44 with some post-secondary education.	Social and Economic Environment	56%	70%	-
5	Children in single-parent households	Percentage of children that live in a household headed by single parent.	Social and Economic Environment	8%	21%	+

Health Outcomes: Drivers with the greatest impact on ranking, Norton 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	10414	7079	-
2	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	8.1%	7.2%	-
3	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	4	+
4	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically 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	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>.