

Smith County

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Health Factors Rank

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Health Outcomes Rank

Population: 3,583



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	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Kansas 2021
Number of Counties Ranked	102	103	102	104	104	104
Health Outcomes - Rank	77	79	35	33	21	N/A
Length of life - Rank	80	90	36	38	39	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	8843	9323	7556			7079
Quality of life - Rank	68	57	46	29	13	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults [#]					17	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	6.1	6.5	5.9	5.8	4.7	7.2
Health Factors - Rank	43	26	30	20	29	N/A
Health Behaviors - Rank	43	47	54	48	72	N/A
% Smokers, adults [#]					21	18
% Obese, adults age 20 and older	34	37	37	37	37	33
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	6.7	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.2	6.7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older	31	32	32	29	29	24
% Access to exercise opportunities	47	52	38	49	49	80
% Excessive drinking, adults [#]					19	18
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	17	17	40	33	33	20
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population		106	135	273	136	489
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	21	15	16	14	17	24
Clinical Care - Rank	50	25	29	36	32	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	13	11	11	13	11	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	133	135	138	164	139	78
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	54	55	55	56	56	60
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population						205
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees [#]			5349	5904	4648	3959
% Mammography screening, female Medicare enrollees age 65-74 [#]			48	49	47	45
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees			32	32	31	49
Social & Economic Factors - Rank	33	31	37	14	8	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older [@]					93	91
% With some college, adults age 25-44	75	77	74	70	72	70
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	3.9	3.5	2.8	2.5	2.5	3.2
% Children in poverty	17	17	20	18	16	14
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.1	4.3
% Children in single-parent households [#]					16	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	42.5	45.9	46.8	40.9	41.6	13.6
Violent crime rate, per 100,000 population	48	48	48	48	48	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population	122	145	119	120	104	76
Physical Environment - Rank	53	21	11	52	52	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	8	8	7.3	7.3	5.7	6.7
Drinking water violations? yes/no	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	
% Households with severe housing problems	11	12	10	10	9	13
% Driving alone to work	76	73	73	79	83	82
% Long commute - driving alone	17	17	15	16	16	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, Smith 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	2.5%	3.2%	+
2	Social associations	Number of membership associations per 10,000 population.	Social and Economic Environment	41.6	13.6	+
3	Primary care physicians	# of primary care physicians per 100,000 population	Clinical Care	139	78	+
4	Adult smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers (age-adjusted).	Health Behaviors	21%	18%	-
5	Some college	Percentage of adults ages 25-44 with some post-secondary education.	Social and Economic Environment	72%	70%	+

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

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	4.7%	7.2%	+
2	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	17%	16%	+
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	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>.