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Health Factors Rank

Health Outcomes Rank

Population: 5,342

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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.

Empty cells: Shaded cells indicate data are unavailable or omitted due to methodology changes.

The data source or calculation of this measures has changed over time, making comparisons with similar measures in prior years unreliable so the data have been omitted.

^ Represents new measure added in 2019.

@ Represents new measure added in 2021.

α Source data have not been updated since the 2018 County Health Rankings Release.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Kansas 2022
Number of Counties Ranked	103	102	104	104	104	104
Health Outcomes - Rank	56	64	75	93	75	N/A
Length of life - Rank	39	76	89	96	83	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)	7420	8395	9266	10414	9586	7458
Quality of life - Rank	66	51	49	73	60	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults [#]				18	18	17
Average number of poor physical health days, adults [#]				4	4	4
Average number of poor mental health days, adults [#]				4	4	5
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams	8.3	7.0	7.4	8.1	7.5	7.2
Health Factors - Rank	34	28	34	32	41	N/A
Health Behaviors - Rank	50	57	54	69	64	N/A
% Smokers, adults [#]				21	19	17
% Obese, adults age 20 and older [#]					35	36
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	7.8	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.9	6.7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older [#]					31	27
% Access to exercise opportunities	64	64	64	64	62	73
% Excessive drinking, adults [#]				20	20	20
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement	50	67	50	43	38	19
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	90	126	110	184	149	525
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19	32	33	29	29	24	22
Clinical Care - Rank	39	20	11	37	30	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	10	9	10	11	11	11
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	54	55	55	37	37	79
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	55	55	55	56	56	61
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population	73	74	74	93	94	214
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees [#]		3863	2466	3657	2906	3645
% Mammography screening, Medicare females age 65-74 [#]		57	56	51	47	46
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees ^α		38	39	40	38	49
Social & Economic Factors - Rank	40	35	53	35	33	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older [@]				89	90	91
% With some college, adults age 25-44	60	56	46	56	62	71
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	2.6	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.7	5.9
% Children in poverty	17	16	19	15	16	13
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	3.6	3.4	4.0	4.4	3.7	4.3
% Children in single-parent households [#]				8	7	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	25.2	27.3	18.4	18.4	18.7	13.5
Violent crime rate, per 100,000 population ^α	107	90	90	90	90	365
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population	83	87	87	114	122	78
Physical Environment- Rank	18	18	23	9	28	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	7.4	6.7	6.7	5.1	6.2	7.5
Drinking water violations?	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	
% Households with severe housing problems	9	9	6	5	10	13
% Driving alone to work	82	82	76	81	77	81
% Long commute - driving alone	12	11	10	12	12	22

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 - 2022

	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	2.7%	5.9%	+
2	Adult smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers (age-adjusted).	Health Behaviors	19%	17%	-
3	Adult obesity	Percentage of the adult population (age 18 and older) that reports a body mass index (BMI) greater than or equal to 30 kg/m2 (age-adjusted).	Health Behaviors	35%	36%	+
4	Children in single-parent households	Percentage of children that live in a household headed by a single parent.	Social and Economic Environment	7%	21%	+
5	Preventable hospital stays	Rate of hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 100,000 Medicare enrollees.	Clinical Care	2906	3645	+

Health Outcomes: Drivers with the greatest impact on ranking, Norton County, KS - 2022

	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	9586	7458	-
2	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	7.5%	7.2%	-
3	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	5	+
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%	17%	+

NR: Measure could not be reported for this county.

+ 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. Drivers are provided in order of impact on ranking for this year. For more information on the calculation of score and rankings, please visit: <http://bit.ly/CHRzscores>.



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