

Gray County

25

Health Factors Rank

4

Health Outcomes Rank

Population: 5,644



KANSAS HEALTH INSTITUTE

Informing Policy. Improving Health.

County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Building a Culture of Health, County by County

A Robert Wood Johnson Foundation program

khi.org | countyhealthrankings.org

2023

Empty cells: Shaded cells indicate measures were new additions (@), omitted due to methodology change (#), or are unavailable due to low reliability.

Δ: Source data have not been updated since the 2022 County Health Rankings Release.

N/A: State is not ranked against counties.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Kansas 2023
Number of Counties Ranked	102	104	104	104	104	104
Health Outcomes- Rank	6	3	3	11	4	N/A
Length of Life- Rank	22	10	7	10	10	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000) ^Δ	6948	6177	5582	6479	6479	7458
Quality of Life- Rank	2	3	9	12	5	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults [#]			17	19	13	13
Average number of poor physical health days, adults [#]			4	4	3	3
Average number of poor mental health days, adults [#]			4	4	4	4
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams ^Δ	4.2	4.8	4.7	4.8	4.8	7.2
Health Factors- Rank	8	6	26	18	25	N/A
Health Behaviors- Rank	6	13	17	12	8	N/A
% Smokers, adults [#]			20	17	18	17
% Obese, adults age 20 and older [#]				38	35	36
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.2	8.6	7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older [#]				30	24	21
% Access to exercise opportunities [#]					48	80
% Excessive drinking, adults [#]			19	19	19	20
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement ^Δ	14	9	9	10	10	19
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	130	118	134	100		502
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19 ^Δ	19	16	16	13	13	22
Clinical Care- Rank	86	84	84	70	93	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	15	18	16	18	21	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	17	17	17	17	17	79
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population						62
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population	17	17	17	17	18	224
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees	2532	2667	2390	1981	1847	2708
% Mammography screening, Medicare females age 65-74	35	40	30	44	32	42
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees	31	29	35	44	48	51
Social & Economic Factors- Rank	2	1	10	14	19	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older [@]			77	78	78	92
% With some college, adults age 25-44	60	59	62	63	62	71
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	2	2	2	2.2	1.7	3.2
% Children in poverty	10	9	10	8	9	14
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.4	4.4
% Children in single-parent households [#]			15	16	18	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	26.5	21.8	23.2	23.4	25.2	13.2
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population ^Δ	89	79	70	73	73	78
Physical Environment- Rank	29	27	55	60	48	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	7.4	7.4	5.9	6.9	6.4	6.7
Drinking water violations?	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
% Households with severe housing problems	10	9	8	7	7	13
% Driving alone to work	82	81	83	84	81	79
% Long commute - driving alone	20	20	19	21	20	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, Gray County, KS - 2023

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Uninsured	Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance.	Clinical Care	21%	10%	-
2	Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work.	Social and Economic Environment	1.7%	3.2%	+
3	High School Completion	Percentage of adults ages 25 and over with a high school diploma or equivalent.	Social and Economic Environment	78%	92%	-
4	Children in Poverty	Percentage of people under age 18 in poverty.	Social and Economic Environment	9%	14%	+
5	Adult Smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers (age-adjusted).	Health Behaviors	18%	17%	+

Health Outcomes: Drivers with the greatest impact on ranking, Gray County, KS - 2023

	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	6479	7458	+
2	Low Birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	4.8%	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	3	3	+
5	Poor or Fair Health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	13%	13%	+

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: <https://bit.ly/2023CHRzScores>. For more information on measure source, ranking weight and year(s), please visit <https://bit.ly/CHRinfo>.



CONTINUE THE JOURNEY

Explore resources and strategies
to move with data to action.



SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION

TAKE ACTION TO IMPROVE HEALTH IN YOUR COMMUNITY